



# DIGBY WELLS

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<b>To:</b>	South African Heritage Resources Agency	<b>Date:</b>	20 June 2017
<b>From:</b>	Digby Wells Environmental	<b>Proj #:</b>	LES4548
<b>RE:</b>	<b>Addendum to the Notification of Intent to Develop Case ID: 11130</b>		

Shuma Africa Projects (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter Shuma Africa) appointed Digby Wells Environmental (hereinafter Digby Wells) to complete a Heritage Resources Management (HRM) process for a proposed residential establishment project on Portion 296 of the Farm Zuurfontein 33 IR, Gauteng Province.

A Notification of Intent to Develop (NID) was submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) on 31 May 2017 to meet the regulatory requirements of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA); the NEMA Regulations, 2014 (Government Notice Regulations [GN R 982]), and Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999) (NHRA)

Considering the results of baseline research and a pre-disturbance survey, Digby Wells drafted a Request for Exemption (RfE) for the proposed residential development project on Portion 296 of the farm Zuurfontein 33 IR from further heritage assessments, including a specialist Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) on condition that:

- The proponent develops a project specific Chance Find Protocol (CFP) for implementation during the establishment and construction phase of the Project; and
- The proponent immediately informs SAHRA of any chance finds identified and enlists the services of a qualified and accredited archaeologist to assess and recommend appropriate mitigation measures.

Subsequent to the submission of the NID, during a public meeting on 10 June 2017, interested and affected parties (I&APs) indicated that a burial ground with an undetermined number of graves is present within the development footprint. Digby Wells contacted a Mr. G.H. Viviers as the relevant I&AP on 12 June 2017 to discuss the location and extent of the aforementioned burial ground.



**Figure 1: Approximate location of burial ground**

In conversation with Mr. G.H. Viviers and Mr. R. Sauvage, it was confirmed that identifiable surface features were no longer present due to various anthropogenic activities, including the municipal cutting of grass by tractors. The approximate location however, was indicated as per Figure 1.

In response to the issues raised during the Stakeholder Engagement Process, Digby Wells compiled this memorandum as an addendum to the submitted NID to amend the previous RfE and recommendations. Digby Wells recommends the following:

- Considering the nature of the proposed development, exemption from a specialist PIA;
- The necessary studies be undertaken to validate the presence of the burial ground on Portion 296 of the Farm Zuurfontein 33 IR; and
- A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) in accordance with Section 38 of the NHRA be completed and submitted to SAHRA for Statutory Comment.

Regards,



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