

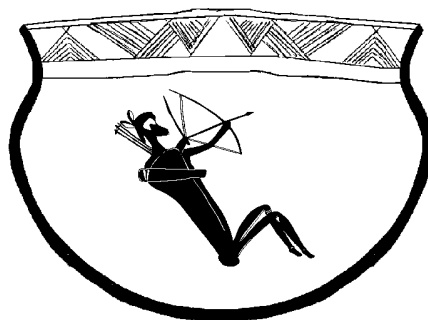
**The Archaeological Survey of the Zulti North  
Mining Lease**

**For Richards Bay Minerals**

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Umlando was contacted in April 2008 about human remains uncovered during dune clearance at Mining Pond A. The remains were removed and the following week Umlando undertook its monthly archaeological survey of the Zulti North Mining lease. Two new sites were recorded, including the MPA site with the human remains, and one site was revisited.

### **MINING POND A**

#### **MPA39**

MPA39 consists of diagnostic and adiagnostic pottery, upper and lower grinding stones, bovid bone, at least two shell middens, and a human burial. The site extends across the top of the dune.

Upon arrival on the site it was clear that the skeletal remains were no longer in tact. The mandible was the only part that was not fragmented. The remains appear to be that of an elderly person since the remaining teeth of the mandible are completely ground away.

All remains were removed and the site was sampled.

Significance: The site is of medium significance and will be monitored

### **MINING POND C**

No new sites recorded.

### **MINING POND D**

#### **MPD82**

MPD82 consists of a scatter of *P. perna* over a small area, as well as a single lower grinding stone. It is very ephemeral and has been disturbed by bulldozer activity.

Significance: The site is of low significance.

### **MINING POND E**

No new sites recorded.

**AMS**

AMS9 was revisited, but provided no new data. The site will still be monitored, but we feel that it is no longer necessary for it to be fenced and signposted. We are satisfied that the site provided an adequate sample.

**APPENDIX A  
SITE RECORD FORMS**

## ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE RECORD FORM

**SITE CATEGORY:** (X where applicable)

Stone Age:

Early Iron Age:

Late Iron Age: x

Historical Period:



Recorder's Site No.: MPA39

Official Name:

Local Name:

Map Sheet:

Map Reference: S: 28 38' 6.32" E: 32 17' 29.57" Alt: 73m

GPS reading? yes

**DIRECTIONS TO SITE: SKETCH OR DESCRIPTION.**

Site is located on the first dune from the ocean.

### **SITE DESCRIPTION:**

Type of Site: Open

Merits conservation: Yes. Excavation of burial and monitoring.

Threats: Yes

What threats: RBM Mining

### **RECORDING:**

Details of graphic record: Photographs

Recorder/Informant: Name: Umlando, Gavin and Louise Anderson

Address: PO Box 102532, Meerensee, 3901

Owner State

References:

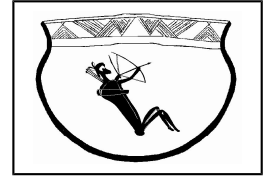
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### **DESCRIPTION OF SITE AND ARTEFACTUAL CONTENT.**

The site consists of at least two shell middens, upper and lower grindingstones, bovid bone, pottery and a human burial. The site extends across the top of the dune.

Pottery: Diagnostic- Mzonjani and Ntshekane.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE RECORD FORM**



**SITE CATEGORY:** (X where applicable)

Stone Age  
Early Iron Age:  
Late Iron Age: x?  
Historical Period: x?

Recorder's Site No.: MPD82  
Official Name:  
Local Name:  
Map Sheet:  
Map Reference: S: 28 34' 23.5" E: 32 20' 57.1" Alt: 28m  
GPS reading? yes

**DIRECTIONS TO SITE: SKETCH OR DESCRIPTION.**

Site is located on the third dune from the ocean.

**SITE DESCRIPTION:**

Type of Site: open  
Merits conservation: No  
Threats: yes  
What threats: RBM Mining

**RECORDING:**

Details of graphic record: None  
Recorder/Informant: Name: Umlando, Gavin and Louise Anderson  
Address: PO Box 102532, Meerensee, 3901  
Owner State  
References:  
Date: 16/04/2008

**DESCRIPTION OF SITE AND ARTEFACTUAL CONTENT.**

The site consists of an ephemeral scatter of *P.perna* over a small area. Also a single upper grinding stone on white beach sandstone.