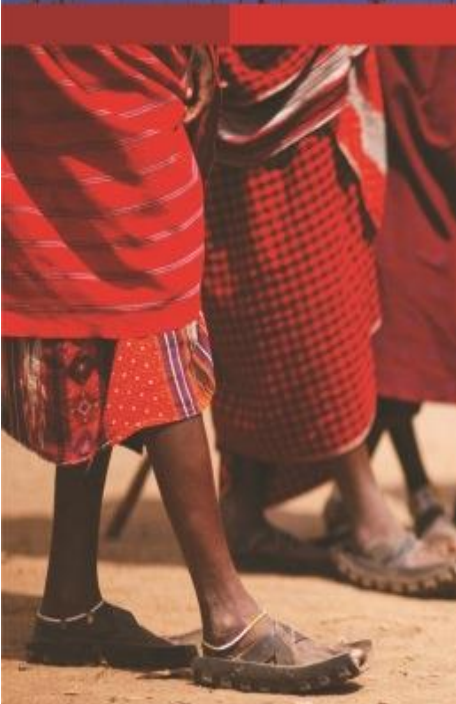




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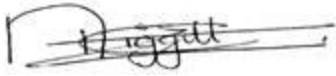

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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A total of 1 330 m of the pipeline route construction was monitored by the Digby Wells Archaeology Specialist. No significant chance finds were identified through on-site monitoring. A total of two heritage resources (Wf-001 and Ste-002) were impacted during the construction process, however they were of negligible significance and the impact assessment showed a negligible impact to the resources.

Final recommendations include the following:

- When backfilling the excavated soil in the vicinity of the historical werf (Wf-001), the contractor must ensure that the TLB does not excavate deeper than the original surface to safeguard against additional impact to the werf;
- Additional care should be taken when backfilling soil around the circular stone foundation (Ste-002) to ensure it is not disturbed in any way.

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1 Introduction

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1.2 Scope of Work

To complete the Watching Brief, the following activities were completed as part of the Scope of Work (SoW):

- On-site monitoring and screening survey;
- Weekly progress reports; and
- A final Watching Brief Report to be submitted to SAHRA for noting.

1.3 Legal Framework

1.3.1 National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (NHRA)

The NHRA is the overarching legislation that protects and regulates the management of heritage resources in South Africa. This Act considers various heritage resources as forming part of the national estate, contemplated in section 3. In addition, certain other categories are afforded general protection. Sections considered relevant to this project are outlined below:

- General protection:
 - Certain structures with demonstrable cultural significance or that are older than 60 years, section 34;
 - Archaeological and palaeontological resources, section 35;
 - Burial grounds and graves, section 36; and
 - All public monuments and memorials, section 37.

1.4 Expertise of the Specialists¹

Natasha Higgitt conducted the site visits, weekly progress reports and compiled the final Watching Brief Report. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts (BA) Honours degree in Archaeology in 2010 from the University of Pretoria. She currently holds the position of Assistant Heritage Consultant: Archaeology Specialist at Digby Wells. She has more than 4 years' experience in archaeological survey and gained further generalist heritage experience since her appointment at Digby Wells in South Africa and Liberia.

Natasha is a professional member of the Association of Southern African Archaeologists (ASAPA) (*Member No. 335*).

Justin du Piesanie provided the review of the weekly progress reports and review of the final Watching Brief Report. He obtained his Master of Science (MSc) degree in Archaeology from the University of the Witwatersrand in 2008, specialising in the Southern African Iron Age. Justin also attended courses in architectural and urban conservation through the University of Cape Town's Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment Continuing Professional Development Programme in 2013. He currently holds the position of Heritage Management Consultant: Archaeologist at Digby Wells. He has over 6 years combined experience in Heritage Resources Management (HRM) in South Africa, including heritage assessments, archaeological mitigation and grave relocation. Justin has gained further generalist experience since his appointment at Digby Wells in Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Liberia and Mali on projects that have required compliance with International Finance Corporation (IFC) requirements such as Performance Standard 8: Cultural Heritage.

Justin is a professional member of ASAPA (*Member No. 270*) and the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) South Africa (*Member No. 14274*).

2 Project Description

Sasol is constructing a new pipeline to manage underground mine water at its Mooikraal operations. The proposed project entails one 7 Mℓ per day pipeline from the Mooikraal Kleinvlei Ventilation Shaft to the Mooikraal North and South Dams. The 7Mℓ pipeline will be approximately 3.5 km in length primarily within existing power line servitude. The pipeline will have an internal diameter of 0.242 m and a peak throughput of 87ℓ per second.

For more a more detailed project description, please refer to the SAHRA Case file: <http://www.sahra.org.za/sahris/cases/sas2622-mooikraal-sasolburg-operations-basic-assessment>

¹ Detailed curricula vitae of the specialists are attached as Appendix A

3 Methodology

3.1 On-site monitoring

The trench for the pipeline route was excavated through mechanical means using a tractor-loader-backhoe (TLB). The TLB excavated a trench approximately 90 cm wide by 1.2 m deep and 3.5 km long. The archaeologist monitored the excavation process, examining both the excavated trench and spoil heap for any deposit or chance finds.

Where any chance finds were exposed, the location of the artefacts was recorded and photographed. No artefacts were collected as the necessary permits for collection had not been applied for in terms of section 35 of the NHRA. Trenches were inspected to determine the extent of the find. In all instances, finds were considered negligible, with no significant context or matrix present.

The archaeologist was on site three days a week for three weeks. Sensitive areas were monitored by the archaeologist during the excavation activities while the remaining sections were screened for any surface indicators of heritage resources. Upon returning to site every week, the trenches were inspected and the spoil heaps of the excavated sections were tested for any deposit and chance finds.

3.2 Screening walk-down

The planned excavation of the pipeline route was inspected at the end of each week of on-site monitoring for any surface indicators of heritage resources. If any surface indications were identified, these sensitive areas were demarcated by means of danger tape and instructions were given to the sub-contractors to avoid these areas.

3.3 Reporting

A progress report was drafted at the end of each week of on-site monitoring and submitted to Sasol for their reporting purposes. This progress report included SoW completed during the week, potential risks and additional on-site recommendations.

4 Results

On-site monitoring took place during July 2015 for three weeks, three days a week as summarised in Table 4-1 below.

Table 4-1: Summary of on-site monitoring

Week	Dates	Start point	End point
Week 1	9 th - 11 th July 2015	-26.968588 / 27.720420	-26.965344 / 27.721267
Week 2	13 th – 15 th July 2015	-26.965344 / 27.721267	-26.961909 / 27.722765
Week 3	21 st – 23 rd July 2015	-26.955632 / 27.725237	-26.950855 / 27.727362

4.1 Week 1

4.1.1 On-site monitoring

A total of 550 m of excavation was monitored during the first week. The pipeline routing ran through an agricultural field.

The top layer of soil excavated was dark brown black clay. At a depth of approximately 50 cm, the soil became a yellow brown colour (See Figure 4-1). At a few points along the excavated pipeline, the dark clay was deeper than 50 cm, and sometimes extended the full 1.2 m required depth. A small section of sandstone or sedimentary rock was excavated in the first week as shown in Figure 4-2. This sedimentary rock was inspected periodically for palaeontological material. No palaeontological resources were identified from this section of sandstone.

Excavation started three days prior to on-site monitoring and the spoil heap of the excavated section was inspected for any Chance Finds.

No Chance Finds were identified during week 1.



Figure 4-1: Section of dark clay



Figure 4-2: Sedimentary rocks inspected during week 1

4.1.2 Screening walk-down

The on-site monitoring during Week 2 would be in very close proximity to the historical werf identified during the NID. The pipeline route would pass through a small square sandstone foundation, and a concrete/sandstone foundation. The majority of the intact walls of the stone foundation were located on either side of the pipeline route and the walls on the left hand side of the trench would be temporarily buried under the spoil heap.

4.2 Week 2

4.2.1 On-site monitoring

A total of 350 m of the pipeline was excavated and inspected on the second week of the on-site monitoring. This section of the pipeline was located adjacent to the historical werf (Wf-001) identified in the NID. The excavated route passed through two structures that formed part of the historical werf.

The first structure was a rectangular stone foundation measuring 9 m x 8 m. The pipeline route was excavated through the centre of the foundation on the northern end as shown in Figure 4-3 and Figure 4-4. The pipeline route exited the foundation near the north-western corner as shown in Figure 4-5 below.



Figure 4-3: Sandstone foundation within pipeline route (red) before excavation. Note the location of the walls that will be temporarily buried (blue)



Figure 4-4: Excavation process through first stone foundation (blue)



Figure 4-5: Completed excavation process through first stone foundation

Two metal items were uncovered at a depth of 20 cm within the first foundation. The first piece was a curved metal fragment, pointed at both ends, approximately 5 mm thick (See Figure 4-6). This may have been part of a previous fence. The second metal artefact was a flat metal bar measuring 50 cm long with raised ridges on either side of the bar, and three holes along its length (See Figure 4-7). It appears to be a fence dropper. Both of these artefacts are of negligible significance. This significance rating was assigned using the cultural significance methodology in Appendix B and considering the negligible significance rating of the historical werf (See Section 5 below). The artefacts were rated against criteria such as historical and scientific significance.



Figure 4-6: Curved metal fragment uncovered from the first foundation



Figure 4-7: Metal fence dropper uncovered from the first foundation

Sandstone was excavated from a section of the pipeline route measuring 20 m in length at a depth ranging between 20 cm and 1.2 m below the surface as shown in Figure 4-8. The sandstone was inspected periodically for palaeontological material. No palaeontological resources were identified from this section of sandstone.



Figure 4-8: Sandstone inspected during the week

The TLB uncovered several metal pipes, plastic pipes and electrical wirings that were connected to the historical werf as seen in Figure 4-9 below.



Figure 4-9: Electrical and plastic pipes uncovered by the excavator

The second stone/concrete foundation measured 12 m x 20 m, and was located adjacent a concrete slab (See Figure 4-10). The southern end of the foundation was built from sandstone blocks and the northern end was constructed of concrete blocks. The excavation started in the south-west corner and exited through the middle of the foundation as shown in Figure 4-11 and Figure 4-12. No artefacts were identified from the excavation of the second foundation.

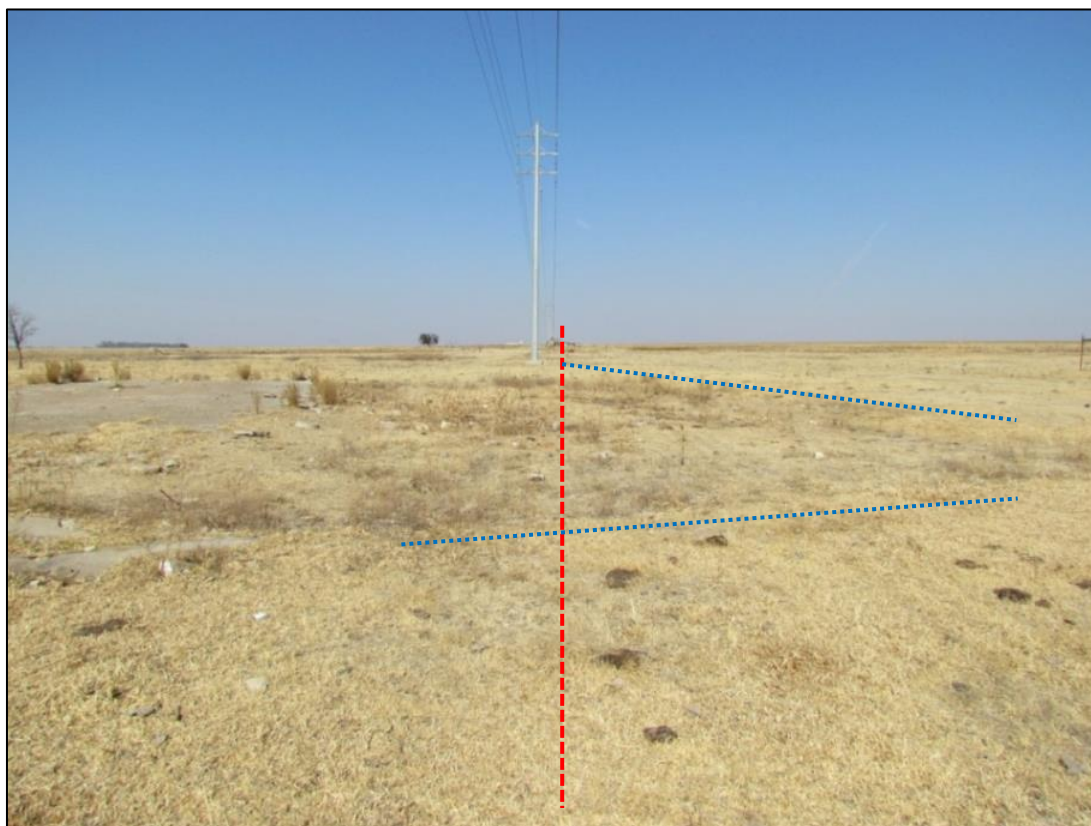


Figure 4-10: Concrete/sandstone foundation (blue) within pipeline route (red)



Figure 4-11: Starting excavating through the second foundation (blue)



Figure 4-12: Completed excavation through the second foundation (blue)

4.2.2 Screening walk-down

A screening walk down was completed for the route to be covered during the second half of week 2 and the section to be covered in week 3. Approximately 500 m of the pipeline route would be excavated without on-site monitoring. This section of the pipeline route was located in unaltered grazing land, running along the existing power line servitude. A circular stone foundation was noted approximately 2 m from the pipeline route as shown in Figure 4-13 below. This foundation was marked with danger tape and the on-site contractors were been informed of its location. The foundation was not to be disturbed by the excavator, and the contractors were instructed not to cover the foundation with the excavated material to minimise the potential of accidental damage during the backfilling process.



Figure 4-13: Circular stone foundation (blue) and location in relation to pipeline route (red)

4.3 Week 3

4.3.1 On-site monitoring

A total of 430 m of the pipeline route was excavated and inspected on the third week of the on-site monitoring. This section of the pipeline route was located near identified surface occurrences of Stone Age lithics (Occ-003 and Occ-004 referred to as 002 and 003 in the NID). No Stone Age lithics were uncovered during the pipeline route excavation.

The majority of the soil excavated during the third week was a dark grey colour (See Figure 4-14. It was noted that the colour of the soil around the power line pylons was an orange brown colour as shown in Figure 4-15. The soil used to stabilize the foundations of the pylons was sourced from an area to the north of the pipeline route as shown in Figure 4-16. No Chance Finds were identified during week 3.



Figure 4-14: Dark clay soil excavated during week 3



Figure 4-15: Orange brown soil around the base of the power line pylons



Figure 4-16: Borrow pit from where material was sourced to stabilize the pylons

The spoil heap of the section of pipeline excavated without on-site monitoring was inspected for deposit and chance finds. A test pit was dug every 100 m within the spoil heap and no chance finds or deposit was identified (See Figure 4-17).

The circular stone foundation identified during week 2 screening walk-down was inspected to ensure it had not been disturbed. The foundation had been avoided during the excavation process and had not been covered by the excavated material as shown in Figure 4-18.



Figure 4-17: Example of the test pit in the spoil heap



Figure 4-18: Circular stone foundation adjacent spoil heap

4.3.2 Screening walk-down

A screening walk down was completed for the route to be covered during the second half of week 3. Approximately 400 m of the pipeline route would be excavated without on-site monitoring occurring. This section of the pipeline route is located in unaltered grazing land, running along the existing power line and into the mine property as shown in Figure 4-19 and Figure 4-20.



Figure 4-19: Final segment of the pipeline route through grazing land



Figure 4-20: Pipeline route located within the mine property

5 Discussion

The on-site monitoring of the construction of the pipeline route did not identify any deposit or chance finds of significance. No deposit or chance finds were uncovered within sections of the pipeline route that did not undergo on-site monitoring. These areas were located within agricultural fields and open grazing land as shown in Figure 5-1 below.

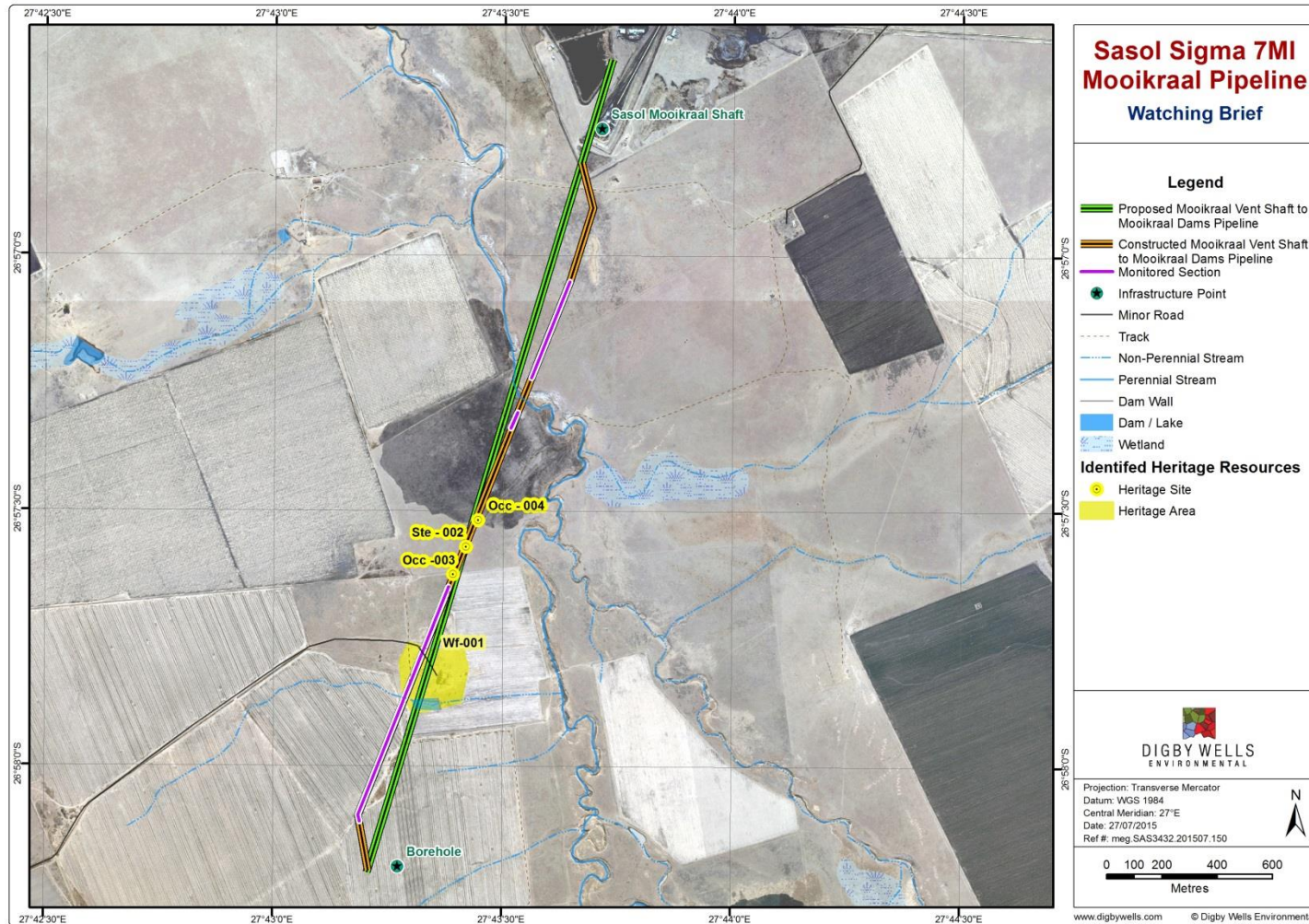


Figure 5-1: Watching Brief results

The historical werf (Wf-001) was impacted during the TLB excavation; however, the werf was assigned a negligible significance in the NID. A retrospective significance rating and impact assessment was completed for the werf and the circular stone foundation (Ste-001) below².

The cultural significance (CS) of the werf and circular stone foundation is presented in detail in Table 5-1 below. Both Wf-001 and Ste-002 are common representations of this type of resource throughout diverse cultural landscapes. The result of this assessment indicated that Wf-001 and Ste-002 had a negligible CS and a very low integrity.

Table 5-1: Cultural significance of Wf-001 and Ste-002

Resource ID	Type	Description	Cultural Significance	CS Motivation	Field Rating	Field Rating Motivation	Mitigation	Latitude	Longitude
Wf-001	Werf	Derelict Historical werf	Negligible	The werf is derelict and mostly demolished. The structure can be considered in particular dimensions against historical criteria.	General Protection IV C	The structure is older than 60 years and is generally protected under section 34 of the NHRA	The structure has been sufficiently recorded.	-26.963753	27.721885
Ste-001	Structure	Circular stone foundation measuring 2 m in diameter	Negligible	The structure can be considered in particular dimensions against historical criteria.	General Protection IV C	The structure may be older than 60 years and is generally protected under section 34 of the NHRA	The structure has been sufficiently recorded.	-26.961909	27.722765

The impacts during the construction phase were limited to the excavation of the trench for the pipeline and the backfilling of the spoil heap. A total 1.04 % of the werf was impacted by the trench excavation. The impact to Wf-001 and Ste-002 was negligible as the trench did not alter the overall integrity of the resources.

Re-routing the pipeline was considered, however the time and cost implications of the route adjustment outweighed the impact to the werf. The werf was specifically monitored to reduce the scale of the negative impact as far as possible and record any material culture that may have been identified during the construction.

² The methodology used to complete the Cultural Significance Rating and Impact Assessment can be found in Appendix B.

The impact assessment is summarised in Table 5-2 below.

Table 5-2: Impact assessment of Wf-001

IMPACT DESCRIPTION: Direct Impact to Heritage resource of Negligible significance				
Predicted for project phase:		Construction		
Dimension	Rating	Motivation		
PRE-MITIGATION				
Duration	Short term (2)	Wf-001 is located within the project area, however the impact will be limited for the duration of the construction of the pipeline route	Consequence: Negligible (-4)	Significance: Negligible - negative (-28)
Extent	Very limited (1)	The impacts of the prospecting will have very limited extent.		
Intensity x type of impact	Very low - negative (-1)	Without appropriate mitigation, a very low impact will occur.		
Probability	Certain (7)	Without appropriate mitigation, impacts from project related activities will occur		
MITIGATION: The construction of the pipeline route was monitored in the vicinity of the werf and a Chance Finds Procedure was followed when chance finds were uncovered during the construction.				
POST-MITIGATION				
Duration	Immediate (1)	Where mitigations are implemented, project related activities will result in negligible impacts for a very short period of time.	Consequence: Negligible (3)	Significance: Negligible - positive (3)
Extent	Very limited (1)	As for pre-mitigation		
Intensity x type of impact	Very low - positive (1)	Mitigation measures will ensure the retention and management of the tangible remains, although this will a very low positive result of negligible significance		
Probability	Highly unlikely (1)	If mitigation measures are implemented, it is highly unlikely that negative impacts will occur		

During the NID, surface occurrences of stone tools were identified near the base of the power line pylons (Occ-003 and Occ-004). No additional stone tools were uncovered during the pipeline route excavation around the pylons. It is assumed that the material used to fill the pylon foundation excavations (refer to Figure 4-16 above) was near a concentration of stone tools, thus the stone tools were transported to the area around the pylons. The stone tools were not in their original context and therefore they were not assessed as part of the impact assessment.

6 Recommendations and Conclusion

A total of 1 330 m of the pipeline route construction was monitored by the Digby Wells Archaeology Specialist. No significant chance finds were identified through on-site monitoring. A total of two heritage resources “(Wf-001 and Ste-002) were impacted during the construction process, however they were of negligible significance and the impact assessment showed a negligible impact to the resources. These resources were specifically monitored to reduce the scale of the negative impact as far as possible and record any material culture that may have been identified during the construction.

Additional recommendations included the following:

- When backfilling the excavated soil in the vicinity of the historical werf (Wf-001), the contractor must ensure that the TLB does not excavate deeper than the original surface to safeguard against additional impact to the werf;
- Additional care should be taken when backfilling soil around the circular stone foundation (Ste-002) to ensure it is not disturbed in any way.

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Appendix A: CVs of Specialists



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1 EDUCATION

- University of Pretoria
- BA Degree (2008)
- Archaeology Honours (2010)
- Title of Dissertation- Pass the Salt: An Archaeological analysis of lithics and ceramics from Salt Pan Ledge, Soutpansberg, for evidence of salt working and interaction.

2 LANGUAGE SKILLS

- English - Excellent (read, write and speak)
- Afrikaans - Fair (read, write and speak)
- Italian – Poor (Speaking only)

3 EMPLOYMENT

- July 2011 to Present: Assistant Heritage Consultant at Digby Wells Environmental
- April 2011 to June 2011: Lab assistant at the Albany Museum Archaeology Department, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape
- April 2010 to March 2011: Intern at the Archaeology Department, Albany Museum, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape under the Department of Sports, Recreation, Arts and Culture, Eastern Cape Government, South Africa (DSRAC)

4 FIELD EXPERIENCE

- Human remains rescue excavation at St Francis Bay, Eastern Cape
- Human remains rescue excavation at Wolwefontein, Eastern Cape
- Recorded two rock art sites at Blaauwbosch Private Game Reserve, Eastern Cape

- Attended a 2 week excavation/study tour in the Friuli Region in Italy, organised by the *Società Friulana di Archeologia*, sponsored by *Ente Friuli nel Mondo*, and excavated a 12th century medieval castle
- Attended a 2 week excavation in Limpopo, Waterpoort Archaeological Project organised by Xander Antonites (Yale PhD Candidate)
- A total of 5 University of Pretoria Archaeology field schools in Limpopo and Gauteng spanning over 4 years

5 PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Notification of Intent to Develop for the Doornkloof Flood Remedial Measures Project, Centurion, Gauteng Province for Iliso Consulting (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Notification of Intent to Develop for the Oakleaf Open Cast Coal Mine, Bronkhorstspuit, Gauteng Province for Oakleaf Resources (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Notification of Intent to Develop for the Rietfontein 101IS Prospecting Project for Rustenburg Platinum (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Impact Assessment for the Weltevreden Open Cast Coal Mine, Belfast, Mpumalanga for Northern Coal (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Notification of Intent to Develop for the Grootegeluk Expansion Project, Lephalale, Limpopo Province for Exxaro Resources (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Notification of Intent to Develop and Heritage Statement for the London Road Petrol Station, Alexandria, Gauteng for ERM Southern Africa (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Impact Assessment for the Roodepoort Strengthening Project, Roodepoort, Gauteng for Fourth Element (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Statement for the Stoffel Park Bridge Upgrade, Mamelodi, Gauteng for Iliso Consulting (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Statement for the Witrand Prospecting EMP, Bethal, Mpumalanga for Rustenburg Platinum (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Statement for the Onverwacht Prospecting EMP, Kinross, Mpumalanga for Rustenburg Platinum (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Statement for a Proposed Acetylene Gas Production Facility, located near Witkopdorp, Daleside, south of Johannesburg, Gauteng Province for Erm Southern Africa (Pty) Ltd (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Impact Assessment for the Platreef Platinum Project, Mokopane, Limpopo for Platreef Resources (Digby Wells Environmental)
- Heritage Statement for ATCOM and Tweefontein Dragline Relocation Project, near Witbank, Mpumalanga Province for Jones and Wagner Consulting Civil Engineers (Digby Wells Environmental)



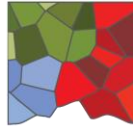
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- Phase 1 AIA Mixed-use housing Development, Kwanobuhle, Extension 11, Uitenhage, Eastern Cape. 2011.
- Phase 1 AIA Centane to Qholora and Kei River mouth road upgrade survey, Mnquma Municipality, Eastern Cape. 2011. (SRK Consulting)
- Phase 1 AIA Clidet Data Cable survey, Western Cape, Northern Cape, Free State and Eastern Cape. 2011. (SRK Consulting)
- Phase 1 AIA Karoo Renewable Energy Facility, Victoria West, Northern Cape. 2011. (Savannah Environmental)
- Phase 1 AIA Windfarm survey in Hamburg, Eastern Cape. 2010. (Savannah Environmental)



- Phase 1 AIA Windfarm survey in Molteno, Eastern Cape. 2010. (Savannah Environmental)
- Phase 1 AIA Housing Development at Motherwell, P.E. 2010. (SRK Consulting)
- Phase 1 AIA Sand quarry survey in Paterson, Eastern Cape. 2010. (SRK Consulting)
- Phase 1 AIA Quarry Survey at Victoria West. 2010. (Acer [Africa] Environmental Management Consultants)
- Phase 1 AIA Quarry Survey at Port Elizabeth. 2010. (E.P Brickfields)

6 PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association of Southern African Professional Archaeologists (ASAPA): Professional member
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2008	MSc	University of the Witwatersrand
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2004	BA	University of the Witwatersrand
2001	Matric	Norkem Park High School

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Afrikaans	Proficient	Good

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2009-2011	University of the Witwatersrand	Archaeology Collections Manager
2009-2011	Independent	Archaeologist
2006-2007	Maropeng & Sterkfontein Caves UNESCO World Heritage Site	Tour guide

4 Professional Affiliations

Position	Professional Body	Registration Number
Member	Association for Southern African Professional Archaeologists (ASAPA); ASAPA Cultural Resources Management (CRM) section	270
Member	International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)	14274
Member	Society for Africanist Archaeologists (SAfA)	N/A

5 Publications

- Huffman, T.N. & du Piesanie, J.J. 2011. Khami and the Venda in the Mapungubwe Landscape. *Journal of African Archaeology* 9(2): 189-206

6 Experience

I have 5 years experiences in the field of heritage resources management (HRM) including archaeological and heritage assessments, grave relocation, social consultation and mitigation of archaeological sites. During my studies I was involved in academic research projects associated with the Stone Age, Iron Age, and Rock Art. These are summarised below:

- Wits Fieldschool - Excavation at Meyersdal, Klipriviersberg Johannesburg (Late Iron Age Settlement).
- Wits Fieldschool - Phase 1 Survey of Prentjiesberg in Ugie / Maclear area, Eastern Cape.
- Wits Fieldschool – Excavation at Kudu Kopje, Mapungubwe National Park Limpopo Province.

- Wits Fieldschool – Excavation of Weipe 508 (2229 AB 508) on farm Weipe, Limpopo Province.
- Survey at Meyerdal, Klipriviersberg Johannesburg.
- Mapping of Rock Art Engravings at Klipbak 1 & 2, Kalahari.
- Survey at Sonop Mines, Windsorton Northern Cape (Vaal Archaeological Research Unit).
- Excavation of Kudu Kopje, Mapungubwe National Park Limpopo Province.
- Excavation of KK (2229 AD 110), VK (2229 AD 109), VK2 (2229 AD 108) & Weipe 508 (2229 AB 508) (Origins of Mapungubwe Project)
- Phase 1 Survey of farms Venetia, Hamilton, Den Staat and Little Muck, Limpopo Province (Origins of Mapungubwe Project)
- Excavation of Canteen Kopje Stone Age site, Barkley West, Northern Cape
- Excavation of Khami Period site AB32 (2229 AB 32), Den Staat Farm, Limpopo Province

Since 2011 I have been actively involved in environmental management throughout Africa, focusing on heritage assessments in compliance with International Finance Corporation (IFC) Performance Standards and other World Bank Standards and Equator Principles. This exposure to environmental, and specifically heritage management has allowed me to work to international best practice standards in accordance with international conservation bodies such as UNESCO and ICOMOS. In addition, I have also been involved in the collection of quantitative data for a Relocation Action Plan (RAP) in Burkina Faso. The exposure to this aspect of environmental management has afforded me the opportunity to understand the significance of integration of various studies in the assessment of heritage resources and recommendations for feasible mitigation measures. I have worked throughout South Africa, as well as Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Liberia and Mali.

7 Project Experience

Please see the following table for relevant project experience:



Project Title	Project Location	Date:	Description of the Project	Role of Firm in the Project	Own Role in the Project	Time involved (man months)	Name of Client	Contract Outcomes	Reference
Klipriviersberg Archaeological Survey	Meyersdal, Gauteng, South Africa	2005 2006	Survey of residential development in Meyersdal. This included the recording of identified stone walled settlements through detailed mapping and photographs. Included was the Phase 2 Mitigation of two stone walled settlements	Archaeological Impact Assessments	Researcher, Archaeological Assistant	2 months		Completed survey, excavations and reporting	Archaeological Resource Management (ARM) Prof T.N. Huffman thomas.huffman@wits.ac.za
Sun City Archaeological Site Mapping	Sun City, Pilanesberg, North West Province, South Africa	2006 2006	Recording of an identified Late Iron Age stonewalled settlement through detailed mapping	Mapping	Archaeological Assistant, Mapper	1 month	Sun City	Completed mapping	Archaeological Resources Management (ARM) Prof T.N. Huffman thomas.huffman@wits.ac.za
Witbank Dam Archaeological Impact Assessment	Witbank, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2007 2007	Archaeological survey for proposed residential development at the Witbank dam	Archaeological Impact Assessment	Archaeological Assistant	1 week		Completed Archaeological Impact Assessment report	Archaeological Resources Management (ARM) Prof T.N. Huffman thomas.huffman@wits.ac.za
Archaeological Assessment of Modderfontein AH Holdings	Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa	2008 2008	Archaeological survey and basic assessment of Modderfontein Holdings	Archaeological Impact Assessment	Archaeologist	1 month		Completed the assessment of 13 properties	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com
Heritage Assessment of Rhino Mines	Thabazimbi, Limpopo Province, South Africa	2008 2008	Heritage Assessment for expansion of mining area at Rhino Mines	Heritage Impact Assessment	Archaeologist	2 weeks	Rhino Mines	Completed the assessment	Archaeological Resources Management (ARM) Prof T.N. Huffman thomas.huffman@wits.ac.za
Cronimet Project	Thabazimbi, Limpopo Province, South Africa	2008 2008	Archaeological survey of Moddergat 389 KQ, Schilpadnest 385 KQ, and Swartkop 369 KQ,	Archaeological Impact Assessment	Archaeologist	1 weeks	Cronimet	Completed field survey and reporting	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com



Eskom Thohoyandou SEA Project	Limpopo Province, South Africa	2008 2008	Heritage Statement defining the cultural landscape of the Limpopo Province to assist in establishing sensitive receptors for the Eskom Thohoyandou SEA Project	Heritage Statement	Archaeologist	2 months	Eskom	Completed Heritage Statement	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com
Wenzelrust Excavations	Shoshanguve, Gauteng, South Africa	2009 2009	Contracted by the Heritage Contracts Unit to help facilitate the Phase 2 excavations of a Late Iron Age / historical site identified in Shoshanguve	Excavation and Mapping	Archaeologist	1 week	Heritage Contracts Unit	Completed excavations	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com
University of the Witwatersrand Parys LIA Shelter Project	Parys, Free State, South Africa	2009 2009	Mapping of a Late Iron Age rock shelter being studied by the Archaeology Department of the University of the Witwatersrand	Mapping	Archaeologist	1 day	University of the Witwatersrand	Completed mapping of the shelter	University of the Witwatersrand Karim Sadr karim.sadr@wits.ac.za
Transnet NMPP Line	Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa	2010 2010	Heritage Survey of the Anglo-Boer War Vaalkrans Battlefield where the servitude of the NMP pipeline	Heritage Impact Assessment	Archaeologist	1 week	Umlando Consultants	Completed survey	Umlando Consultants Gavin Anderson umlando@gmail.com
Archaeological Impact Assessment – Witpoortjie Project	Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa	2010 2010	Heritage survey of Witpoortjie 254 IQ, Mindale Ext 7 and Nooitgedacht 534 IQ for residential development project	Archaeological Impact Assessment	Archaeologist	1 week	ARM	Completed survey for the AIA	Archaeological Resources Management (ARM) Prof T.N. Huffman thomas.huffman@wits.ac.za
Der Brochen Archaeological Excavations	Steelpoort, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2010 2010	Phase 2 archaeological excavations of Late Iron Age Site	Archaeological Excavation	Archaeologist	2 weeks	Heritage Contracts Unit	Completed excavations	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com
De Brochen and Booyensdal Archaeology Project	Steelpoort, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2010 2010	Mapping of archaeological sites 23, 26, 27, 28a & b on the Anglo Platinum Mines De Brochen and Booyensdal	Mapping	Archaeologist	1 week	Heritage Contracts Unit	Completed Mapping	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com



Eskom Thohoyandou Electricity Master Network	Limpopo Province, South Africa	2010 2010	Desktop study to identify heritage sensitivity of the Limpopo Province	Desktop Study	Archaeologist	1 Month	Strategic Environmental Focus	Completed Report	Strategic Environmental Focus (SEF) Vici Napier vici@sefsa.co.za
Bathhako Mine Expansion	North-West Province, South Africa	2010 2010	Mapping of historical sites located within the Bathhako Mine Expansion Area	Mapping	Archaeologist	1 week	Heritage Contracts Unit	Completed Mapping	Heritage Contracts Unit Jaco van der Walt jaco.heritage@gmail.com
Kibali Gold Project Grave Relocation Plan	Oriental Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	2011 2013	Implementation of the Grave Relocation Project for the Randgold Kibali Gold Project	Grave Relocation	Archaeologist	2 years	Randgold Resources	Successful relocation of approximately 3000 graves	Kibali Gold Mine Cyrille Mutombo Cyrille.c.mutombo@kibaligold.com
Kibali Gold Hydro-Power Project	Oriental Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	2012 2014	Assessment of 7 proposed hydro-power stations along the Kibali River	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	2 years	Randgold Resources	Completed Heritage Impact Assessment	Randgold Resources Charles Wells Charles.wells@randgoldresources.com
Everest North Mining Project	Steelpoort, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2012 2012	Heritage Impact Assessment on the farm Vygenhoek	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	6 months	Aquarius Resources	Completed Heritage Impact Assessment	Aquarius Resources
Environmental Authorisation for the Gold One Geluksdal TSF and Pipeline	Gauteng, South Africa	2012 2012	Heritage impact Assessment for the proposed TSF and Pipeline of Geluksdal Mine	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	4 months	Gold One International	Completed Heritage Impact Assessment	Gold One International
Platreef Burial Grounds and Graves Survey	Mokopane, Limpopo Province, South Africa	2012 2012	Survey for Burial Grounds and Graves	Burial Grounds and Graves Management Plan	Heritage Consultant	4 months	Platreef Resources	Project closed by client due to safety risks	Platreef Resources Gerick Mouton
Resgen Boikarabelo Coal Mine	Limpopo Province, South Africa	2012 2012	Archaeological Excavation of identified sites	Archaeological Excavation	Heritage Consultant	4 months	Resources Generation	Completed excavation and reporting, destruction permits approved	Resources Generation Louise Nicolai
Bokoni Platinum Road Watching Brief	Burgersfort, Limpopo Province, South Africa	2012 2012	Watching brief for construction of new road	Watching Brief	Heritage Consultant	1 week	Bokoni Platinum Mine	Completed watching brief, reviewed report	Bokoni Platinum Mines (Pty) Ltd



SEGA Gold Mining Project	Burkina Faso	2012 2013	Socio Economic and Asset Survey	RAP	Social Consultant	3 months	Cluff Gold PLC	Completed field survey and data collection	Cluff Gold PLC
SEGA Gold Mining Project	Burkina Faso	2013 2013	Specialist Review of Heritage Impact Assessment	Reviewer	Heritage Consultant	1 week	Cluff Gold PLC	Reviewed specialist report and made appropriate recommendations	Cluff Gold PLC
Consbrey and Harwar Collieries Project	Breyton, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2013 2013	Heritage Impact Assessment for the proposed Consbrey and Harwar Collieries	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	2 months	Msobo	Completed Heritage Impact Assessments	Msobo
New Liberty Gold Project	Liberia	2013 2014	Implementation of the Grave Relocation Project for the New Liberty Gold Project	Grave Relocation	Heritage Consultant	On-going	Aureus Mining	Project is on-going	Aureus Mining
Falea Uranium Mine Environmental Assessment	Falea, Mali	2013 2013	Heritage Scoping for the proposed Falea Uranium Mine	Heritage Scoping	Heritage Consultant	2 months	Rockgate Capital	Completed scoping report and recommended further studies	Rockgate Capital
Putu Iron Ore Mine Project	Petroken, Liberia	2013 2014	Heritage impact Assessment for the proposed Putu Iron Ore Mine, road extension and railway line	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	6 months	Atkins Limited	Completed Heritage Impact Assessment and provided recommendations for further studies	Atkins Limited Irene Bopp Irene.Bopp@atkinglobal.com
Sasol Twistdraai Project	Secunda, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2013 2014	Notification of intent to Develop and Heritage Statement for the Sasol Twistdraai Expansion	NID	Heritage Consultant	2 months	ERM Southern Africa	Completed NID and Heritage Statement	ERM Southern Africa Alan Cochran Alan.Cochran@erm.com
Daleside Acetylene Gas Production Facility	Gauteng, South Africa	2013 2013	Project Management of the heritage study	NID	Project Manager	3 months	ERM Southern Africa	Project completed	ERM Southern Africa Kasantha Moodley Kasantha.Moodley@erm.com
Exxaro Belfast, Paardeplaats and Eerstelingsfontein GRP	Belfast, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2013 2014	Grave Relocation Plan for the Belfast, Paardeplaats and Eerstelingsfontein Projects	GRP	Project Manager, Heritage Consultant	On-going	Exxaro	Project is on-going	Exxaro Johan van der Bijl Johan.vanderbijl@exxaro.com



Nzoro 2 Hydro Power Project	Oriental Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	2014 2014	Social consultation for the Relocation Action Plan component of the Nzoro 2 Hydro Power Station	RAP	Social Consultant	On-going	Randgold Resources	Completed introductory meetings – project on-going	Kibali Gold Mine Cyrille Mutombo Cyrille.c.mutombo@kibaligold.com
Eastern Basin AMD Project	Springs, Gauteng, South Africa	2014 2014	Heritage Impact Assessment for the proposed new sludge storage facility and pipeline	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	On-going	AECOM	Project is on-going	AECOM
Soweto Cluster Reclamation Project	Soweto, Gauteng, South Africa	2014 2014	Heritage Impact Assessment for reclamation activities associated with the Soweto Cluster Dumps	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	On-going	ERGO	Project is on-going	ERGO Greg Ovens Greg.ovens@drdgold.com
Klipspruit South Project	Ogies, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2014 2014	NID and Heritage Statement for the Section 102 Amendment of the Klipspruit Mine EMP	NID	Heritage Consultant	On-going	BHP Billiton	Project is on-going	BHP Billiton
Klipspruit Extension: Weltevreden Project	Ogies, Mpumalanga, South Africa	2014 2014	NID and Heritage Statement for the expansion of the Klipspruit Mine	NID	Heritage Consultant	On-going	BHP Billiton	Project is on-going	BHP Billiton
Ergo Rondebult Pipeline Basic Assessment	Johannesburg, South Africa	2014 2014	NID and Heritage Statement for the construction of the Rondebult Pipeline	NID	Heritage Consultant	1 Week	ERGO	Completed screening assessment and NID	ERGO
Kibali ESIA Update Project	Oriental Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	2014 2014	Update of the Kibali ESIA for the inclusion of new open-cast pit areas	Heritage Impact Assessment	Heritage Consultant	On-going	Randgold Resources	Project is on-going	Randgold Resources Charles Wells Charles.wells@randgoldresources.com
GoldOne EMP Consolidation	Westonaria, Gauteng, South Africa	2014 2014	Gap analysis for the EMP consolidation of operations west of Johannesburg	Gap Analysis	Heritage Consultant	On-going	Gold One International	Project is on-going	Gold One International

Appendix B: Cultural Significance and Impact Assessment Methodology

1 Heritage Impact Assessment

1.1 Methodology

1.1.1 Evaluation of Cultural Significance

The cultural significance (CS) rating process is designed to provide a numerical rating of the cultural significance¹ of identified heritage resources. The evaluation was done as objectively as possible through a matrix developed by Digby Wells for this purpose. In addition, the methodology aims to allow ratings to be reproduced independently should it be required, provided that the same information sources are used.

This matrix takes into account heritage resources assessment criteria set out in subsection 3(3) of the NHRA (see Box 1), which determines the intrinsic, comparative and contextual significance of identified heritage resources. A resource's importance rating is based on information obtained through review of available credible sources and representivity or uniqueness (i.e. known examples of similar resources to exist). The final significance attributed to a resource furthermore takes into account the physical integrity of the fabric of the resource. The formula used to determine CS can be summarised in Box 2.

Dimension	Attributes considered	NHRA Ref.
Aesthetic & technical	1 Importance in aesthetic characteristics	S.3(3)(e)
	2 Degree of technical / creative skill at a particular period	S.3(3)(f)
Historical importance & associations	3 Importance to community or pattern in country's history	S.3(3)(a)
	4 Site of significance relating to history of slavery	S.3(3)(i)
	5 Association with life or work of a person, group or organisation of importance in the history of the country	S.3(3)(h)
Information potential	6 Possession of uncommon, rare or endangered natural or cultural heritage aspects	S.3(3)(b)
	7 Information potential	S.3(3)(c)
	8 Importance in demonstrating principle characteristics	S.3(3)(d)
Social	9 Association to community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons	S.3(3)(g)

Box 1: NHRA section 3 criteria

The rationale behind the heritage value matrix takes into account the fact that a heritage resource's value is a direct indication of its sensitivity to change (impacts). Value therefore needs to be determined prior to the completion of any assessment of impacts.

This matrix rates the potential, or importance, of an identified resource relative to its contribution to certain values – aesthetic, historical, scientific and social.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Value} = \text{Importance} \times \text{Integrity} \\
 & \text{where} \\
 & \text{Importance} = \text{average sum} \\
 & \text{of} \\
 & \text{Aesthetic} + \text{Historic} + \text{Scientific} + \text{Social}
 \end{aligned}$$

Box 2: CS formula

¹ Cultural significance is defined in the NHRA as the intrinsic “aesthetic, architectural, historical, scientific, social, spiritual, linguistic or technological value or significance” of a heritage resource. These attributes are combined and reduced to four themes used in the Digby Wells significance matrix: aesthetic, historical, scientific and social.

The significance of a resource is directly related to the impact on it that could result from project-related activities, as it provides minimum accepted levels of change to the resource. SAHRA has published minimum standards that include minimum required mitigation of heritage resources. These minimum requirements are integrated into the matrix to guide both assessments of impacts and recommendations for mitigation and management of resources.

The weight assigned to the various parameters for significance in the formula, significance ratings and recommended mitigation are presented in Table 1-1.

1.1.2 Field Rating

Although grading of heritage resources remains the responsibility of heritage resources authorities, SAHRA requires in terms of its Minimum Standards that heritage reports include Field Ratings for identified resources to comply with section 38 of the NHRA. The NHRA in terms of section 7 provides for a system of grading of heritage resources that form part of the national estate, distinguishing between three categories.

The field rating process is designed to provide a numerical rating of the recommended grading of identified heritage resources. The evaluation was done as objectively as possible by integrating the field rating into the significance matrix. Field ratings guide decision-making in terms of appropriate minimum required mitigation measures and consequent management responsibilities in accordance with section 8 of the NHRA. The formula used to determine field ratings is summarised in Box 3. The weight assigned to the various field rating parameters in the formula and the sum of the average ratings are presented in Table 1-1.

$$\text{Field Rating} = \text{average sum} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{Aesthetic} + \text{Historic} + \text{Scientific} + \text{Social}$$

Box 3: Field rating formula

Table 1-1: Ratings and descriptions used in determining CS and field ratings

Rating	IMPORTANCE <i>A heritage resource's contribution to aesthetic, historic, scientific and social value.</i>	INTEGRITY <i>The undivided or unbroken state, material wholeness, completeness or entirety of a resource or site</i>	FIELD RATING <i>Recommended grading of identified heritage resources in terms of NHRA Section 7</i>
-	Not assessed - dimension and/or attribute not considered in determining value.		Not assessed - dimension and/or attribute not considered in field rating.
0	The resource exhibits attributes that may be considered in a particular dimension, but it is so poorly represented that it cannot or does not contribute to the resource's overall value.	No information potential, complete loss of meaning, Fabric completely degraded, original setting lost	
1	Common, well represented throughout diverse cultural landscapes	Fabric poorly preserved, limited information, little meaning ascribed, extensive encroachment on setting	Resources under general protection in terms of NHRA sections 34 to 37 with Negligible significance
2	Generally well represented but exhibits superior qualities in comparison to other similar examples	Fabric is preserved, some information potential (quality questionable) and meaning evident, some encroachment on setting	Resources under general protection in terms of NHRA sections 34 to 37 with Low significance
3	The resource exhibits attributes that are rare and uncommon within a region. It is important to specific communities.	Fabric well preserved, good quality information and meaning evident, limited encroachment	Resources under general protection in terms of NHRA sections 34 to 37 with Medium to Medium-High significance
4	Rare and uncommon, value of national importance	Excellent preservation of fabric, high information potential of high quality, meaning is well established, no encroachment on setting	Resources under general protection in terms of NHRA sections 34 to 37 with High significance
5	The resource exhibits attributes that are considered singular, unique and/or irreplaceable to the degree that its significance can be universally accepted.		Resources under general protection in terms of NHRA sections 34 to 37 with Very High significance
6			Heritage resources under formal protection that can be considered to have special qualities which make them significant within the context of a province or a region
7			Heritage resources under formal protection that can be considered to have special qualities which make them significant within a national and / or international context.

1.1.3 Impact Assessment

This chapter considers the potential direct impacts on heritage resources identified within the proposed project area.

The impact assessment and mitigations measures chapter contains a narrative description of the sources of risk and potential impacts, and as a discussion of feasible mitigation measures to avoid and / or better negative impacts and enhance positive one.

The following are terms and definitions applicable to the EIA concept (ISO 14001):

- **Project Activity:** Activities associated with the project that result in an environmental interaction during the different phases (construction, operation and decommissioning), e.g., new processing plant, new stockpiles, development of open pit, dewatering, water treatment plant;
- **Interaction:** An “environmental interaction” is an element or characteristic of an activity, product, or service that interacts or can interact with the environment. Environmental interactions can cause environmental impacts (but may not necessarily do so). They can have either beneficial impacts or adverse impacts and can have a direct and decisive impact on the environment or contribute only partially or indirectly to a larger environmental change.
- **Environmental Aspect:** The term “environmental aspect” refers to the various natural and human environments that an activity may interact with. These environments extend from within the activity itself to the global system, and include air, water, land, flora, fauna (including people) and natural resources of all kinds.
- **Environmental Impact:** An “environmental impact” is a change to the environment that is caused either partly or entirely by one or more environmental interactions. An environmental interaction can have either a direct and decisive impact on the environment or contribute only partially or indirectly to a larger environmental change. In addition, it can have either a beneficial environmental impact or an adverse environmental impact.

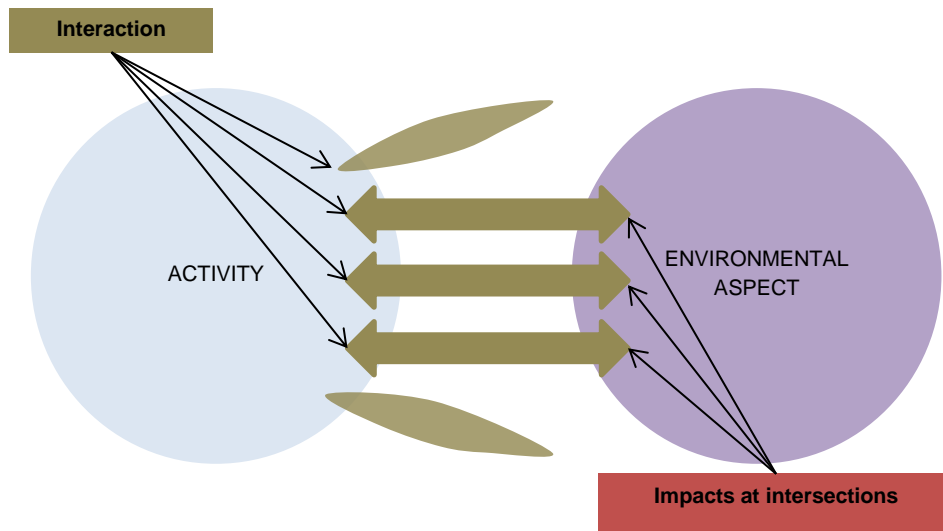


Figure 1-1: Graphical representation of impact assessment concept

The potential impacts were considered through an examination of the project phase and activity, the environmental aspect, the interdependencies between aspects, an assessment and classification of categories, and consideration of the potential impact on heritage resources. An example of this process is presented in Figure 1-2.

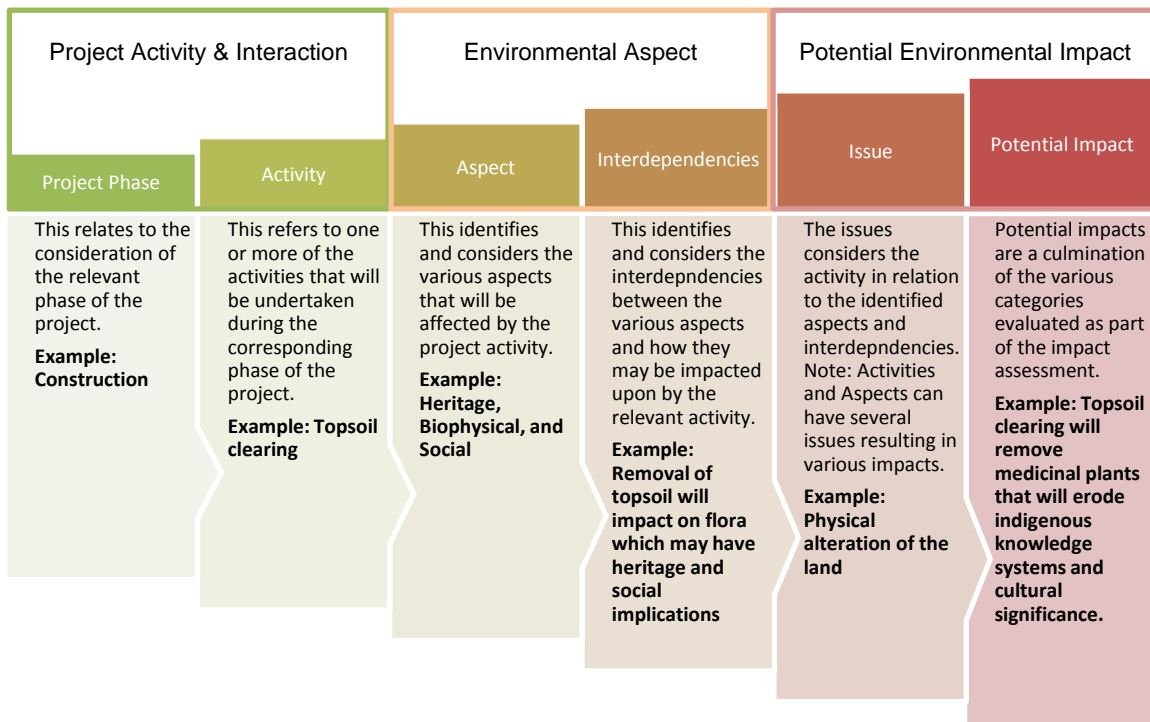


Figure 1-2: Example of how potential impacts were considered



1.1.3.1 Defining Heritage Impacts

Different heritage impacts may manifest in different geographical areas and diverse communities. For instance, heritage impacts can simultaneously affect the physical resource and have social repercussions: this is compounded when the intensity of physical impacts and social repercussions differ significantly. In addition, heritage impacts can influence the cultural significance of heritage resources without any actual physical impact on the resources taking place. Heritage impacts can therefore generally be placed into three broad categories (adapted from Winter & Bauman 2005: 36):

- **Direct or primary heritage impacts** affect the fabric or physical integrity of the heritage resource, for example destruction of an archaeological site or historical building. Direct or primary impacts may be the most immediate and noticeable. Such impacts are usually ranked as the most intense, but can often be erroneously assessed as high-ranking.
- **Indirect, induced or secondary heritage impacts** can occur later in time or at a different place from the causal activity, or as a result of a complex pathway. For example, restricted access to a heritage resource resulting in the gradual erosion of its cultural significance that may be dependent on ritual patterns of access. Although the physical fabric of the resource is not affected through any primary impact, its significance is affected that can ultimately result in the loss of the resource itself.
- **Cumulative heritage impacts** result from in-combination effects on heritage resources acting within a host of processes that are insignificant when seen in isolation, but which collectively have a significant effect. Cumulative effects can be:
 - **Additive:** the simple sum of all the effects, e.g. the total number of development activities that will occur within the study area.
 - **Synergistic:** effects interact to produce a total effect greater than the sum of the individual effects, e.g. the effect of each different activity on the archaeological landscape in the study area.
 - **Time crowding:** frequent, repetitive impacts on a particular resource at the same time, e.g. the effect of regular blasting activities on a nearby rock art site or protected historical building high.
 - **Neutralizing:** where the effects may counteract each other to reduce the overall effect, e.g. the effect of changes in land use could reduce the overall impact on sites within the archaeological landscape of the study area.
 - **Space crowding:** high spatial density of impacts on a heritage resource, e.g. density of new buildings resulting in suburbanisation of a historical rural landscape.

The relevance of the above distinction to defining the study areas in the project arises from the fact that heritage resources do not exist in isolation to the wider natural, social, cultural

and heritage landscape: cultural significance is therefore also linked to rarity / uniqueness, physical integrity and importance to diverse communities.

In addition, the NHRA requires that heritage resources are graded in terms of national, provincial and local concern based on their importance and consequent official (i.e. State) management effort required. The type and level of baseline information required to adequately predict heritage impacts varies between these categories.

1.1.3.2 Impact Assessment

The impact rating process is designed to provide a numerical rating of the identified heritage impacts. The significance rating follows an established impact/risk assessment formula is shown in Box 4.

The weight assigned to the various parameters for positive and negative impacts in the formula is presented in Table 1-2 below.

Project-related impacts on heritage resources have taken into account the inherent value of heritage resources, described above, and only applied to resources with values above negligible. As a result, the impact assessment did not consider individual resources, but was applied to diverse resources grouped in terms of similar values.

The magnitude will then be applied to pre- and post-mitigation scenarios with the intention of removing all impacts on heritage resources. Where project related mitigation does not avoid or sufficiently reduce negative changes/impacts on heritage resources with high values, mitigation of these resources may be required.

This may include alteration, restoration or demolition of structures under a permit issued by the HRAs.

Impacts were rated prior to mitigation and again after consideration of the proposed mitigation measures. Impacts were then categories into one of eight categories listed in Table 1-3. The relationship between the consequence, probability and significance ratings is also graphically depicted in Table 1-3.

Significance = consequence of an event x probability of the event occurring

where:

Consequence = type of impact x (Intensity + Spatial Scale + Duration)

and

Probability = Likelihood of an impact occurring

In the formula for calculating consequence:

Type of impact = +1 (positive) or -1 (negative)

Box 4: Impact assessment formula

Table 1-2: Description of duration, extent, intensity and probability ratings used in impact assessment

Value	DURATION RATING - A measure of the lifespan of the impact		EXTENT RATING A measure of how wide the impact would occur		INTENSITY RATING- A measure of the degree of harm, injury or loss.		PROBABILITY RATING - A measure of the chance that consequences of that selected level of severity could occur during the exposure window.	
	Probability	Description	Exposure	Description	Intensity	Description	Probability	Description
7	Permanent	Impact will permanently alter or change the heritage resource and/or value (Complete loss of information)	International	Impacts on heritage resources will have international repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of international cultural significance, legislation, associations, etc.	Extremely high	Major change to Heritage Resource with High-Very High Value	Certain/Definite	Happens frequently. The impact will occur regardless of the implementation of any preventative or corrective actions.
6	Beyond Project Life	Impact will reduce over time after project life (Mainly renewable resources and indirect impacts)	National	Impacts on heritage resources will have national repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of national cultural significance, legislation, associations, etc.	Very high	Moderate change to Heritage Resource with High-Very High Value	High probability	Happens often. It is most likely that the impact will occur.
5	Project Life	The impact will cease after project life.	Region	Impacts on heritage resources will have provincial repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of provincial cultural significance, legislation, associations, etc.	High	Minor change to Heritage Resource with High-Very High Value	Likely	Could easily happen. The impact may occur.
4	Long Term	Impact will remain for >50% - Project Life	Municipal area	Impacts on heritage resources will have regional repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of the regional study area.	Moderately high	Major change to Heritage Resource with Medium-Medium High Value	Probable	Could happen. Has occurred here or elsewhere
3	Medium Term	Impact will remain for >10% - 50% of Project Life	Local	Impacts on heritage resources will have local repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of the local study area.	Moderate	Moderate change to Heritage Resource with Medium - Medium High Value	Unlikely / Low probability	Has not happened yet, but could happen once in a lifetime of the project. There is a possibility that the impact will occur.
2	Short Term	Impact will remain for <10% of Project Life	Limited	Impacts on heritage resources will have site specific repercussions, issues or effects, i.e. in context of the site specific study area.	Low	Minor change to Heritage Resource with Medium - Medium High Value	Rare / Improbable	Conceivable, but only in extreme circumstances. Have not happened during the lifetime of the project, but has happened elsewhere. The possibility of the impact materialising is very low as a result of design, historic experience or implementation of adequate mitigation measures
1	Transient	Impact may be sporadic/limited duration and can occur at any time. E.g. Only during specific times of operation, and not affecting heritage value.	Very Limited	Impacts on heritage resources will be limited to the identified resource and its immediate surroundings, i.e. in context of the specific heritage site.	Very low	No change to Heritage Resource with values medium or higher, or Any change to Heritage Resource with Low Value	Highly Unlikely /None	Expected never to happen. Impact will not occur.

Table 1-3: Impact significance ratings, categories and relationship between consequence, probability and significance

Score	Description	Rating																																					
109 to 147	A very beneficial impact which may be sufficient by itself to justify implementation of the project. The impact may result in permanent positive change.	Major (positive)																																					
73 to 108	A beneficial impact which may help to justify the implementation of the project. These impacts would be considered by society as constituting a major and usually a long-term positive change to the heritage resources.	Moderate (positive)																																					
36 to 72	An important positive impact. The impact is insufficient by itself to justify the implementation of the project. These impacts will usually result in positive medium to long-term effect on the heritage resources.	Minor (positive)																																					
3 to 35	A small positive impact. The impact will result in medium to short term effects on the heritage resources.	Negligible (positive)																																					
-3 to -35	An acceptable negative impact for which mitigation is desirable but not essential. The impact by itself is insufficient even in combination with other low impacts to prevent the development being approved. These impacts will result in negative medium to short term effects on the heritage resources.	Negligible (negative)																																					
-36 to -72	An important negative impact which requires mitigation. The impact is insufficient by itself to prevent the implementation of the project but which in conjunction with other impacts may prevent its implementation. These impacts will usually result in negative medium to long-term effect on the heritage resources.	Minor (negative)																																					
-73 to -108	A serious negative impact which may prevent the implementation of the project. These impacts would be considered by society as constituting a major and usually a long-term change to the heritage resources and result in severe effects.	Moderate (negative)																																					
-109 to -147	A very serious negative impact which may be sufficient by itself to prevent implementation of the project. The impact may result in permanent change. Very often these impacts are immitigable and usually result in very severe effects.	Major (negative)																																					
Relationship between consequence, probability and significance ratings																																							
Probability	Significance																																						
	7	-147	-140	-133	-126	-119	-112	-105	-98	-91	-84	-77	-70	-63	-56	-49	-42	-35	-28	-21	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84	91	98	105	112	119	126	133	140	147
	6	-126	-120	-114	-108	-102	-96	-90	-84	-78	-72	-66	-60	-54	-48	-42	-36	-30	-24	-18	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96	102	108	114	120	126
	5	-105	-100	-95	-90	-85	-80	-75	-70	-65	-60	-55	-50	-45	-40	-35	-30	-25	-20	-15	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105
	4	-84	-80	-76	-72	-68	-64	-60	-56	-52	-48	-44	-40	-36	-32	-28	-24	-20	-16	-12	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64	68	72	76	80	84
	3	-63	-60	-57	-54	-51	-48	-45	-42	-39	-36	-33	-30	-27	-24	-21	-18	-15	-12	-9	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60	63
	2	-42	-40	-38	-36	-34	-32	-30	-28	-26	-24	-22	-20	-18	-16	-14	-12	-10	-8	-6	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42
1	-21	-20	-19	-18	-17	-16	-15	-14	-13	-12	-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
		-21	-20	-19	-18	-17	-16	-15	-14	-13	-12	-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Consequence																																					