

SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

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PERMIT

No. 80/08/07/004/51

Issued under Section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25 of 1999. Permission is hereby given:

- to: Mr F Roodt (ID:5404245035083),
- of: PO Box 1600, Polokane, 0700,
- for: the excavation, collection and re-interment of human skeletal remains identified for rescue of graves at two burial sites. These were damaged during the inappropriate relocation of a community cemetery from Blinkwater and reburial at Sekuruwe, which was conducted by Phuti Funeral Directors at the behest of Anglo-Platinum, and which resulted in human remains being inappropriately disinterred and reburied;
- at: Sekuruwe Village, at approximately 23 56 40.0S, 28 55 14E,
- near: Mokopane,
- in: the Mogalakwena District, Limpopo Province.

The following conditions apply:

- 1. The permit allows for the rescue of human remains at two grave sites, as described in the permit application, in liaison with the family members and community. These must be appropriately excavated and screened so that all the fragmentary remains are recovered. These should be reunited with the remains confiscated by the police, and then reburied in a manner to be determined by the family members and community.
- 2. The undertaker should assist in finding the missing remains. If they are unable to do so assistance from an organization like the NPA (Missing Persons Unit) should be sought.
- 3. If there is a chance that graves from the remaining graveyards are older than 60 years (and this is best determined by a heritage impact assessment), consultation with SAHRA needs to take place beforehand and a permit must be obtained. The processes followed for the remaining gravesites must allow for the involvement of the community and include full social consultation. It should also include a thorough investigation into the age of each grave, and the nature of each burial. An inventory of disinterred bones including details of age and sex of the individual and grave goods would need to be carried out during disinterment. Every attempt would have to be made to recover the entire contents of the graves, so that it can be established whether there is more than one individual within a grave and so that, if necessary, identifications can later be made.

- 4. Minimum standards of the documentation and photographic recording of the human remains and associated grave-goods must be observed, subject to the approval of the descendants.
- 5 A report on the excavation must be submitted to SAHRA on or before 1 September 2009.
- 6. Human remains must at all times be handled with respect and graves should not be disturbed except where unavoidable. The consultation procedures as indicated in the gazetted regulations of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999) must be observed as appropriate. The recommendations for removal of graves and exhumations and for re-burial made in SAHRA's Policy 'What to do when graves are uncovered', section 3, must be observed as far as possible.
- 7. If the permit holder is not to be present on the site at all times then SAHRA must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorised representatives.
- 8. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be used. Note that the position of the grave must be marked on a plan of the site, and the site marked on a 1:50 000 map. The old and new location should be mapped and referenced.
- 9. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
- 10. A standard site record form must be lodged with the Polokwane Museum.
- 11. Reprints of all published papers, or copies of theses or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with the relevant Provincial Heritage Resources Authority and SAHRA.
- 12. If a published report has not appeared within three years of the lapsing of this permit, the report required in terms of the permit will be made available to researchers on request.
- 13. SAHRA shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties as a result of any activities in connection with this permit.
- 14. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.
- 15. This permit is subject to a general appeal and may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA within 14 days from the date of the permit. SAHRA may not be held responsible for any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.

This permit is valid until 1 September 2009.for CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERDate: 8 August 2009Place: Cape Town