

PERMIT APPLICATION FOR SITE REHABILITATION OF Site Exigo-BFD-S1, Site Exigo-BFD-S2, Site Exigo-BFD-S3 ON THE FARMS BISMARCK 116 MS, SKUTWATER 115 MS, RIEDEL 48MS & WEIPE 47 MS IN THE WEIPE AREA, VHEMBE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE



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PERMIT: Collection, Excavation, Analysis, Dating

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Permit Holder: Mr Neels Kruger
Neels Kruger

Site: Exigo-BFD-S1 (Exigo-BFD-S1 , Site Exigo-BFD-S2, Site Exigo-BFD-S3)

This permit is issued to Mr Neels Kruger and Dr Xander Antonites (Principal Investigator) on behalf of Mr Antonie van Staden (Bismarck Irrigation and Development (Pty Ltd.)) for an integrated mitigation project for the above referenced iron age settlement sites located on the farms Bismarck 116 MS, Skutwater 115 MS, Riedel 48 MS and Weipe 47 MS in the Weipe area, Vhembe District Municipality, Limpopo Province.

1. This permit is issued to Neels Kruger (Exigo) in collaboration with Alexander Antonites (Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Pretoria).
2. If the permit holder is not to be always present on the site then SAHRA must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorized representatives.
3. The integrated mitigation project will entail fieldwork (site mapping, sampling, collection, and site rehabilitation) and remote study (Desktop survey, Data analysis, reporting) set-out on page 3-4 of the permit application motivation. Detailed site maps must be created for each site and a total station must be used to record the finds.
4. Please note that the continued installation of the fence must be monitored by a professional archaeologist to ensure minimal impact to archaeological material following the protocol proposed on the action list on page 3 of the permit application motivation. Please note that the use of heavy machinery and vehicles will not be allowed for the installation of the fence on the archaeological sites. A monitoring report must be submitted to SAHRA at the conclusion of the fence line installation.
5. The developer must inform SAHRA regarding the interval of fence monitoring. The replacement of fence poles and the removal and replacement of sandbags must be monitored by an archaeologist and the monitoring report must be submitted to SAHRA.
6. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act No 25 of 1999 must be employed. Note that the position of all excavations and objects collected must be marked on a site plan. Materials will be bagged per quadrant and labeled carefully.



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7. A standard site record form must be lodged with the Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Pretoria.
8. All material collected and excavated, as well as field notes and records, will be curated by the Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Pretoria, who will be responsible for the permanent curation and safekeeping of all excavated and collected material in a condition that allows ongoing research.
9. Annual monitoring permit reports on the results of the excavations and analyses must be emailed to apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za on or before 31 March 2022 and 2023, and a final permit report on or before 31 March 2024 using the template in the following link: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/content/apmpermitreports>. SAHRA reserves the right to withhold further permits if progress is not deemed satisfactory. Permit reports can be made available to researchers on request within three years of the lapsing of this permit.
10. Reprints of all published papers or copies of theses and/or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with SAHRA.
11. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and the excavator is responsible for ensuring that he or she has an understanding with the landowner concerning: the number of visitors and workers; conditions for camping on the property; speed limits on access roads; possible prohibitions on off-road driving; size, type and number of vehicles permitted; possible prohibitions on trespassing beyond the site; disturbing fauna, flora or substrate; erection and demolition of structures on the site; appropriate hours of visiting and working on the site; use of firewood, electricity and water; lighting fires and the prevention of uncontrolled fires and any fencing necessary to protect livestock. Conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
12. The permitted excavator shall be responsible for the activities and impacts of all colleagues, students and employees under his or her supervision.
13. Excavators must take measures to ensure the safety of any person who may enter the excavation site as part of their excavation team or as their visitor.
14. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to protect sites during and after excavation and to ensure that, where appropriate, excavations are filled in or stabilised with adequate materials (e.g. Loffelstein blocks or army bags in geotextile) to the satisfaction of SAHRA and the landowner.
15. The implementation of the integrated mitigation plan is at the expense of the developer.
16. 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.
17. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.
18. 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.

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19. Requests to renew permits must be done at least two months prior to the expiry of the existing permit.

This permit is valid from
08/03/2021 to 08/03/2024

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Additional Info:

Please note that this permit 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.

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