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## PERMIT: Excavation

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

Permit Holder: Mr Anton Pelsler

A Pelsler Archaeological Consulting

P.O. Box 73703

Lynwood Ridge

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**Site:** Site 18 Soventix Solar De Aar (Site 18 De Aar, Site 19 De Aar, Site 20 De Aar, Site 21 De Aar, Site 23 De Aar)

**For mitigation including recording and excavation of archaeological and historical sites to be impacted by the Soventix Solar PV Development on various Farms near De Aar, Emthanjeni Local Municipality, Pixley Ka Seme Isaka District Municipality, Northern Cape.**

1. This permit is issued to Mr Anton Pelsler (APAC Heritage) in collaboration with Prof. David Morris, Principle Investigator for Stone Age sites.
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 authorised representatives.
3. Mitigation will include recording of historical sites and excavation methods include establishment of a grid of one-meter squares over the sites and sieving if necessary. Any sampled artefacts must be recorded prior to sampling and sites must be mapped.
4. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be employed. Note that the position of all excavations and objects collected must be marked on a plan of the site.
5. A standard site record form must be lodged with the McGregor Museum.
6. All material collected and excavated, as well as field notes and records, will be curated by the McGregor Museum, who will be responsible for the permanent curation and safekeeping of all artefactual material in a condition that allows ongoing research.
7. A final report on the results of the mitigation and analyses must be emailed



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to [apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za](mailto:apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za) on or before 30 September 2023 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.

8. Reprints of all published papers or copies of theses and/or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with SAHRA.

9. 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.

10. The permitted excavator shall be responsible for the activities and impacts of all colleagues, students, and employees under his or her supervision.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. SAHRA shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties because of any activities in connection with this permit.

14. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

15. SAHRA acknowledges receipt of the attached landowner consent letter.

16. 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

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any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.

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

This permit is valid from

**13/09/2022 to 30/09/2023**

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Elijah Dumisani Katsetse  
Heritage Officer  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

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Phillip Hine  
Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

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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