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PERMIT: Remove from its original position

In terms of Section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Permit Holder: Mr Justin du Piesanie
Digby Wells Environmental
Private Bag X10046
Randburg
2125

Conditions:

Extension Permit for the Exhumation of graves in Mpumalanga, Belfast: Exxaro submitted a MRA for the Belfast Project in accordance with requirements contained in the MPRDA. The DMR awarded a mining right for the Belfast Project in 2015. Exxaro also applied for Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA to the MDEDET, who granted authorisation on 4 July 2013. The development of the Belfast Project will affect 32 households and around 200 graves. Currently only 160 graves will be impacted upon by mining activities, relocation is the only viable option. But the permit will cover up to 20 more graves if they are discovered during the exhumation.

1. If the permit holder is not to be present on the site at all times then the heritage authority must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorised representatives.
2. 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 site.
3. A standard site record form must be lodged on SAHRIS
4. 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 Regulations and the National Heritage Resources Act must be observed as appropriate. The recommendations for removal of graves and exhumations and for re-burial stipulated in SAHRA's Policy 'What to do when graves are uncovered', section 3, must be observed as far as possible. A report on the specimens recovered and their origin must be submitted to the heritage authority annually on or before 30 April 2019 for the duration of the permit.
5. All remains recovered, including relics and artefacts, must be kept with the skeletal material and be reburied at the chosen municipal cemeteries by the next of kin.
6. Reprints of all published papers or copies of theses and/or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with the relevant provincial heritage authority and SAHRA.

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7. 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.
8. 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.
9. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to fill in excavations and protect sites during and after excavation to the satisfaction of the heritage authority and the landowner.
10. The heritage authority 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.

11. The heritage authority reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

This permit is valid from
20/04/2018 to 20/04/2019

Thingahangwi Tracy Tshivhase
Heritage Officer: Permitting
South African Heritage Resources Agency

Mimi Seetelo
Manager: Burial Grounds & Graves Unit
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Additional Info:

Please note that this permit may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA

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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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