



## SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

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### PERMIT

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Issued under Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25 of 1999. Permission is hereby given:

- to: Mr W.S. Boshoff (ID: 5809175115087);  
of: the Department of the Old Testament, P.O. Box 392, UNISA, Pretoria, 0003,  
for: the detailed surface survey (if possible with a total station and data downloaded into a database) mapping all the artifacts, small finds, the visibly discrete tent spaces and other features on the women's concentration camp and British Military camp areas of the Doornbult site, which should be left completely undisturbed (recorded *in situ* without being picked up or altered). Each item should be clearly identified and annotated in a catalogue or database with all the information available, especially the oral history available from Mrs Rina Wiid;
- at: Doornbult Concentration Camp, at approximately 29 41S, 24 13E,  
on: the farm 257, Doornbult 86, Doornbult Outspan,  
in: the Hopetown District, Northern Cape Province, and  
for: **A) The excavation and collection of up to 10 square meters in the British camps communal dump area near the station.** (a) All artifacts and features must be recorded and curated and once a representative sample has been acquired there is presumably no reason to excavate further (it is understood that these will be compared with those from other sites including the material from the museum which we understand is to be described, catalogued and analysed;  
b) These squares should not constitute a trench through the middle as this disconnects the stratigraphic connections;  
c) The squares should be dug in stratigraphic layers if at all possible and the different stratigraphic levels recorded for connection between squares (preferably by total station). If spits have to be used these should not exceed 10 cm in depth; stratigraphic drawings of all sections and photographic records are required;  
d) SAHRA must be in receipt of a letter of consent from the owner of this land before work commences and full details of the property ( as these are not available on the application);  
**B) The limited *in situ* exploration of 'burials' outside the cemetery to establish their relationship to the cemetery and the camp and possibly their age as indicated below:**  
a) Two burials outside the fenced cemetery area but on the Doornbult property may be explored to assess that they are burials and establish their nature. Again because of the importance of the site and the sensitivity surrounding graves, this work must be undertaken by a specialist accredited to excavate burials as these graves are those of victims of conflict. The name of this specialist will need to be conveyed to SAHRA APM and Burials Units before commencing (a special application on the burials form ought to be submitted for this work and section 36 and the associated regulations will apply).  
b) At the same time, the external indications of any graves in the area beyond the property (in the grain silo property) should be assessed and up to two investigated *in situ*. This can of course only be done after a letter of approval from the landowners have been received by SAHRA, including

full details of the property). Ideally, in the long term, arrangements should be made to incorporate these graves in a fenced area to protect them.

**C) Given the significance of the site, great need for a detailed surface survey of the camps, and the incredible amount of data and information that this will generate, as well as the data and information requiring analysis from the museum, the decision was that the hospital section be retained undisturbed.** If serious research questions are derived from the work done on the open scatters and the British communal dump, this can be reconsidered at a later stage in this project.

The following conditions apply:

1. If this was a development project SAHRA would normally require that this work be done under the auspices of an ASAPA accredited Cultural Resource Management Principal Investigator experienced in this field. As this is such an important site you are asked to indicate such a person (please see attached letter).
2. 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.
3. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines (*e.g. Guidelines for Archaeological Permitting & Minimum Standards for the Archaeological and Palaeontological components of Heritage Impacts Reports*) pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be used. Note that the position of all excavations must be marked on a plan of each site.
4. A standard site record form must be lodged with the McGregor Museum.
5. All material collected and excavated, as well as field notes and records, will be curated by the McGregor Museum. A letter approving final storage must be obtained from the McGregor Museum, who may need the applicant to sign a permit with regards to curation before excavations commence.
6. A final report must be submitted to SAHRA on or before 1 January 2008. SAHRA reserves the right to withhold further permits if progress is not deemed satisfactory.
7. Reprints of all published papers, or copies of theses or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with SAHRA.
8. 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.
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. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to fill in excavations and protect sites during and after excavation to the satisfaction of SAHRA and the landowner.
11. 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.
12. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.
13. 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 January 2008.

for CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER . . . . .

Date: 20 November 2006

Place: Cape Town