

Relocation of 65 graves from Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, near Middelburg, Mpumalanga - Rietvlei Mining

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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: Mrs Lineree de Jager

PGS Heritage and Grave Relocation Consultants

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Site: RGY02: Rietvlei Mining - Relocation of 65 graves from Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397 JS, near Middelburg, Mpumalanga (RGY02 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397 JS, RGY03 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, RGY04 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397J, RGY05 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, RGY06 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, RGY07 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, RGY08 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS, RGY09 - Remaining Extent of Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397JS)

PGS Heritage has been appointed by Rietvlei Mining (RMC) to affect the relocation of 65 graves located in eight different informal burial grounds and grave areas located on the remainder Portion 0 of the farm Rietvlei 397 JS, near Middelburg. The graves will be affected by the proposed future coal mining activities and the construction of infrastructure for the Rietvlei Mining project. Of the 65 graves 15 graves are unknown, therefore they are classified as being older than 60 years as stated in the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and 50 graves are being claimed by the family representatives. Of these 18 graves are younger than 60 years but are located in informal burial grounds, 16 graves are older than 60 years and the date of 16 graves are not know by the family representatives. Mosaic Funeral Group (MFG) will be responsible for the handling and reburial of the exhumed human remains.

This permit is allocated for the exhumation and relocation of all graves covered under section 36 of the NHRA 25 of 1999.

Conditions:

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 authorized 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

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collected must be marked on a site plan.

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.
5. A permit report is due by 31 March 2020. A preliminary report must be submitted within three months from the date this permit is issued.
6. All remains recovered, including relics and artefacts, as well as field notes and records, must be reburied with the skeletal material at the municipal cemetery.
7. A Conservation Management Plan (CMP) must be drafted for graves that will be reburied at the same farm.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. The heritage authority reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

This permit is valid from
27/03/2019 to 27/03/2020

Thingahangwi Tracy Tshivhase
Heritage Officer: Permitting
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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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