



Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

Attention: Uthukela District Municipality

1.6 MILLION m3 DAM, FARM ASSEGAI HOEK, NO. 1410. FOR THE AUTHORISED BHEKUZULU-EMPANGENI WATER SUPPLY SCHEME, LOCATED NEAR ESTCOURT, UTHUKELA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, KWAZULU-NATAL

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this development . We have read through the report by Frans Prins and note that members of the community have ruled out presence of graves in the development footprint. The developer is advised to have evidence of public participation relating to possibility of graves around the general landscape . This should take the form of wider community participation . The abandoned homestead cultural landscape and features should be mapped out and a register of all that were interviewed around the graves issue should form part of the HIA report as abandoned homesteads have yielded previously unknown graves resulting in work stoppage and unnecessary delay.

However Amafa requires **a field-based paleontological survey to be conducted before final decision** on this application can be reached.

Visit the website of the PSSA, <http://www.palaeontologicalsociety.co.za>.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/356813>

Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to Amafa immediately.
3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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