



## Final Comment

### In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Ms Engela Grobler  
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0700

### Proposed Township Development (4 700 erven) on Remainder of Richards' Lager 124 LR, Lephalale Local Municipality, Waterberg District, Limpopo Province.

SAHRA issued an Interim Comment on the proposed Thabo Mbeki township development on 12 November 2013 requesting that the heritage report submitted be updated before the issuing of a Final Comment. SAHRA requested the following information:

1. Detailed description of the type of development proposed;
2. The extent of the property surveyed or even a description of the property;
3. No background information on the archaeological and historical sequence of the area and region, and what previous assessments has been undertaken;
5. No GPS Track paths of the area surveyed;
6. No assessment of potential palaeontological resources that may be impacted upon by the proposed development;
7. Minimal photographs of the area affected.

An amended report was submitted to SAHRA to address the issues raised in the Interim Comment, however, the report is still limited in scope as it does not adequately address all the concerns of SAHRA. For example, very little information is provided regarding the archaeological sequence and history of the area, nor do the authors provide any information for any other heritage studies that have been undertaken in the area. The authors also provide a rough description of the area they had surveyed as part of the impact assessment. It is unclear how this data was obtained.

Although no palaeontological assessment had been undertaken for this development, the area is considered to be of low palaeontological significance. No palaeontological studies are therefore required for this project.

Final Comment:

As there is apparently no evidence of any significant archaeological material in this area, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the development in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources are found during development, construction or mining, SAHRA or an archaeologist must be alerted immediately.



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Please note heritage reports should comply fully with s.38 (3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act no. 25 of 1999) and SAHRA Minimum Standards for Archaeological Impact Assessments. Reports that do not comply with these conditions will be returned to the applicant.

Decisions on Built Environment (e.g. structures over 60 years) and Cultural Landscapes and associated Living Heritage (e.g. Sacred Sites) must be made by LIHRA, Limpopo Heritage Resources Authority, (Mr Donald Lithole, [litholek@lp.sac.gov.za](mailto:litholek@lp.sac.gov.za)),

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

Yours faithfully

Phillip Hine  
Heritage Officer

Colette Scheermeyer  
SAHRA Head Archaeologist  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/132002>

**Terms & Conditions:**

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.



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2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
  3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.



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