

Heritage Impact Assessment for the proposed Wedding Venue on Portion 52 of the Farm Zwartkop 525-JQ, Gauteng Province



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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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Beyond Heritage has submitted a S24G application to SAHRA for comment in terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act for the unauthorised development of a wedding venue on Portion 52 of Farm Zwartkop 525, north of Muldersdrift, close to the boundary of the UNESCO Cradle of Humankind, Gauteng Province.

Kraljevic, L. 2024. HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT (REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 38(8) OF THE NHRA (No. 25 OF 1999) FOR THE PROPOSED WEDDING VENUE ON PORTION 52 OF THE FARM ZWARTKOP 525-JQ, GAUTENG PROVINCE.

The author undertook a field survey and no heritage resources were recorded in the study area.

Recommendations

- Development activities must be confined to the approved development footprint only;
- Monitoring of the Project area by the ECO during pre-construction and construction phases for additional infrastructure for heritage and palaeontology chance finds, if chance finds are encountered to implement the Chance Find Procedure for the Project as outlined in Section 9.

Bamford, M. 2024. Desktop Study (Phase 1): Palaeontological Impact Assessment for the S24G application for the unauthorised development of a wedding venue on Portion 52 of Farm Zwartkop 525, north of Muldersdrift, Gauteng Province.

The study area lies on the moderately sensitive Quaternary sands and alluvium that might preserve fossils that have weathered out of the older rocks and been washed down the river or streams. No fossils have been

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reported from the study area but for future developments a Fossil Chance Find Protocol should be added to the EMP. Based on this information it is recommended that no further palaeontological impact assessment is required unless fossils are found by the contractor, environmental officer or other designated responsible person once excavations or drilling activities have commenced.

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The SAHRA, Development Applications Unit (DAU) notes the submission of the Heritage reports. However, SAHRA request that the draft S24G report be submitted to the case. The SAHRA will comment further on the application when the above-mentioned documents are submitted. The applicant is advised to extend the EA process in terms of section 19(1) of the NEMA EIA regulations in order to address this comment.

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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