MINING PERMIT APPLICATION FOR BUILDING SAND ON FARM GREATER GIYANI 891 LT



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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)/In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Matodzi Watson Phungo Muthathe Building & Construction (Pty)ltd 727 Crevellia Street Unit 02 Doornpoort Pretoria 0001

Environmax Consulting (Pty) Ltd was appointed by Muthathe Building & Construction (Pty) Ltd to undertake an Environmental Authorization for the proposed Mining Permit Application on Portion 0 of Farm Greater Giyani 891 LT, Greater Giyani Local Municipality, Limpopo Province.

A Basic Assessment report (BAR) was submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 as amended (EIA) for activities that trigger the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, Act 28 of 2002 (MPRDA). The applicant proposes to mine for building sand. The proposed mining of such minerals will be conducted through excavation. The mined minerals will be transported to an external site for storage and pilling. The project will involve excavation, which will be done using a TLB and an excavator.

Ruins Archaeo Heritage Consulting (Pty) Ltd and Heidie Fourie were appointed to undertake Heritage and Palaeontological Impact Assessment specialist input in the EIA process in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25 of 1999. Dr. Fourie submitted a letter of request for exemption for PIA studies citing that the proposed development site is mostly underlain by the rocks of the Giyani Group with a Low Palaeontological Sensitivity

Nhundu, A., 2025. Phase 1 Archaeological and Cultura Heritage Impact Assessment Specialist Report for the Proposed Sand Mining Application on Portion 0 of Farm Greater Giyani 891 LT Situated within the Greater Giyani Local Municipality of Mopani District, Limpopo Province.

The study did not identify any heritage resources within the proposed development footprint and public consultations will be undertaken by the EAP.

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Recommendations made by specialists:

Chance Finds Protocols must be implemented for both archaeological and palaeontological heritage resources.

The SAHRA Development Applications Unit (DAU) is making the following comments in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act as contemplated by the EIA process in terms of section 24(4)b(ii) of NEMA:

• The SAHRA DAU acknowledges recipet of the HIA and PIA Letter of Exemption. The HIA in however not compliant with section 38(3)e of the NHRA.

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- The SAHRA DAU is therefore requesting public participation to be undertaken pursuant to section 38(3)e of the NHRA, integrate the results and submit proof of such consultations.
- The SAHRA DAU will issue further comments upon receipt of an HIA

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

Yours faithfully

John Pakwe

Heritage Officer: Development Applications Unit South African Heritage Resources Agency

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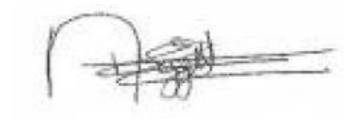
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