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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)

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EnviroAfrica has been appointed to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed Electric Truck charging facility and PV arrays located on Remaining Extent of the Farm Rooirand 990 Vrede Road, near Warden, Thabo Mofutsanyane, Free State Province.

The development was granted exemption from Environmental Authorisation prior to commencement in a letter dated 18/10/2022 by the Department of Economic, Small Business development, Tourism and. Environmental Affairs (DESTEA).

The proposed development will entail the construction of two electric charging stations, one for cars and the other for trucks, as well as solar panels in a development footprint of ±69.4 ha.

Umlando has been appointed to provide heritage specialist input as part of the EIA process as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

The proposed development is located in an area of Insignificant / Zero palaeontological sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. Therefore, no further palaeontological studies are required. A Fossil Chance Finds Protocol is recommended to be followed.

Anderson, G. 2024. Heritage Survey of the Proposed N3 Electrical Highway Site Kohler.

The only heritage resource in the site is an extensive stone walled settlement on the dolerite outcrop: ROOI2. These structures consisted of several circular primary enclosures that are linked together with secondary



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walling. The koppie consists of many primary enclosures with multiple secondary walling. A high resolution LIDAR study was undertaken for this area where the stonewalling was mapped. The author has graded the stonewalling as Low-Medium significance since there is no cultural deposit and the walling is medium well preserved. The author recommends that the layout of the proposed development will not affect heritage resources.

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The SAHRA Development Applications Unit (DAU) notes the submitted heritage report. Further comments will be issued upon the submission of the Site Sensitivity Verification Report (SSVR) and draft Scoping Report (DSR).

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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