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Interim Comment

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

Attention: !Kheis Local Municipality

PROPOSED TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT ON PLOT 2627 AND ERF 131, GROOTDRINK, !KHEIS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, ZF MGCAWU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE

Enviroafrica CC has been appointed by !Kheis Local Municipality to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed township development on Plot 2627 and Erf 131, Grootdrink, !Kheis Local Municipality, Northern Cape.

A draft Scoping Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, no 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include approximately 370 erven with associated services, over 36 ha.

Banzai Environmental (Pty) Ltd and Ubique Heritage Consultants have 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).

Butler, E. 2020. Palaeontological Desktop Assessment for the Proposed Grootdrink Township Expansion, !Kheis Local Municipality, ZF Mgcawu District Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

The proposed development area is underlain by Precambrian Transvaal Supergroup, Boom River Formation and Cenozoic Kalahari Group sediments. The Precambrian Transvaal Supergroup sediments are too deep to be impacted, the Boom River sediments are igneous and do not contain fossils, and the Kalahari Group sediments are of low sensitivity with Pleistocene to recent remains. A Chance Fossil Finds Procedure is recommended and is provided in the report.

Fivaz, H and Engelbrecht, J. 2020. Phase 1 HIA Report, !Kheis Township Expansion, Grootdrink, Northern Cape.

No significant heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. The municipal Grootdrink cemetery is located well outside of the development footprint and will not be impacted. A Chance

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Finds Procedure is recommended and is provided in the report.

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SAHRA requires the draft EIA documents before further comments can be issued.

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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