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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 NEW TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT ON PORTION 16 OF FARM 48, GROBLERSHOOP, !KHEIS LOCAL 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 portion 16 of Farm 48, Groblershoop, !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 1500 erven with associated services, over 95 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 Groblershoop Township Expansion, !Kheis Local Municipality, ZF Mgcawu District Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

The proposed development area is underlain by Precambrian Transvaal Supergroup and Quaternary to Recent sediments of the Gordonia Formation. The Precambrian Transvaal Supergroup sediments are too deep to be impacted and the Gordonia Formation 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, Groblershoop, Northern Cape.

A total of 10 isolated surface scatters of Early Stone Age/Middle Stone Age/Later Stone Age lithics with low-fired ceramics were identified and were rated as having a low significance rating. The municipal Groblershoop cemetery is located well outside of the development footprint and will not be impacted. A

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Chance 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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