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Report

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My feedback report will slightly differ to the others you have received.

Nearly two years ago I was subcontracted to do a wetland study for an environmental impact assessment on a farm, just outside of the town Hogsback in the Eastern Cape of South Africa. The aim of my study was to delineate the wetlands on the farm. During the survey I identified three potential peatlands. However, what intrigued me the most about the site was an arrangement of rocks in the shape of a heart on the side of the mountain.

Whilst standing next to the heart, I made a wish that one day this geomorphological feature can be explained to me by somebody. Nearly two years later my wish came true.

News of my survey and me visiting the heart reached the senior geomorphologists in South Africa, and we used my contacts with the farm owner to visit the farm, and the heart. I thoroughly enjoyed the discussions around its development, for which I want to thank the IAG for making possible.

Furthermore, the IAG grant allowed me to share the results of my wetland survey with the geomorphology community, as well as to present a training workshop on peatland identification and sampling.

Thank you IAG

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