SCREENING REPORT FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION AS REQUIRED BY THE 2014 EIA REGULATIONS – PROPOSED SITE ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY

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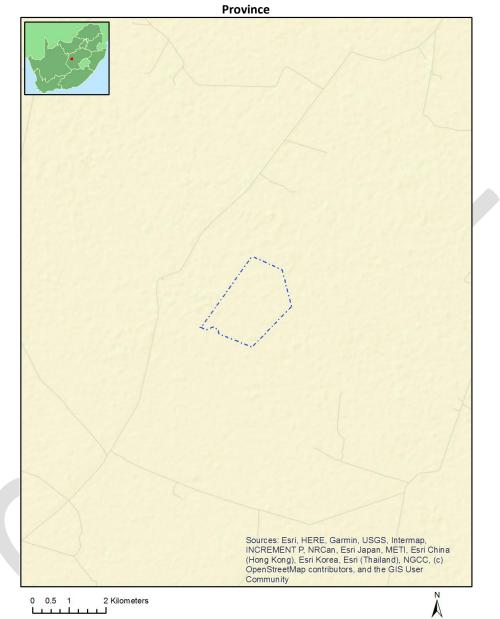
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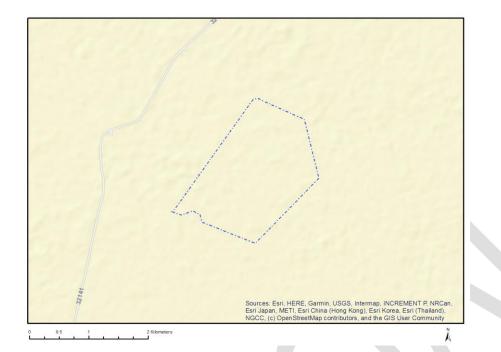
Proposed Project Location

Orientation map 1: General location



General Orientation: The proposed Notsi PV 5 near Dealesville, Free State

Map of proposed site and relevant area(s)



Cadastral details of the proposed site

Property details:

No	Farm Name	Farm/ Erf No	Portion	Latitude	Longitude	Property Type
1	WELGELUK	1622	0	28°45'57.4S	25°38'18.22E	Farm
2	KLEIN BEGIN	1463	0	28°46'17.37S	25°40'12.21E	Farm
3	DE HOOP	171	0	28°47'20.29S	25°39'52.93E	Farm
4	EBENHAEZER	1623	0	28°44'59.28S	25°38'22.93E	Farm
5	CORNELIASDAL	45	0	28°47'51.58S	25°38'8.15E	Farm
6	WELGELUK	1622	0	28°45'37.12S	25°38'5.77E	Farm Portion
7	CORNELIASDAL	45	0	28°47'50.69S	25°38'14.58E	Farm Portion
8	EBENHAEZER	1623	0	28°44'59.28S	25°38'22.93E	Farm Portion
9	DE HOOP	171	0	28°47'20.29S	25°39'52.93E	Farm Portion
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Development footprint¹ vertices: No development footprint(s) specified.

Wind and Solar developments with an approved Environmental Authorisation or applications under consideration within 30 km of the proposed area

No nearby wind or solar developments found.

¹ "development footprint", means the area within the site on which the development will take place and incudes all ancillary developments for example roads, power lines, boundary walls, paving etc. which require vegetation clearance or which will be disturbed and for which the application has been submitted.

Environmental Management Frameworks relevant to the application

No intersections with EMF areas found.

Environmental screening results and assessment outcomes

The following sections contain a summary of any development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions that apply to the proposed development site as well as the most environmental sensitive features on the site based on the site sensitivity screening results for the application classification that was selected. The application classification selected for this report is: Utilities Infrastructure | Electricity | Generation | Renewable | Solar | PV.

Relevant development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions

The following development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions and their implications that apply to this site are indicated below.

Incentive, restriction or prohibition	Implication
Strategic Transmission Corridor-Central corridor	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Developmen tZones/Combined_EGI.pdf
Renewable energy development zones 5- Kimberley	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Developmen tZones/Combined_REDZ.pdf

Proposed Development Area Environmental Sensitivity

The following summary of the development site environmental sensitivities is identified. Only the highest environmental sensitivity is indicated. The footprint environmental sensitivities for the proposed development footprint as identified, are indicative only and must be verified on site by a suitably qualified person before the specialist assessments identified below can be confirmed.

Theme	Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
Agriculture Theme		Х		
Animal Species Theme		Х		
Aquatic Biodiversity Theme				Х
Archaeological and Cultural				Х
Heritage Theme				
Avian Theme				Х
Civil Aviation (Solar PV)				Х
Theme				
Defence Theme				Х
Landscape (Solar) Theme	Х			
Paleontology Theme		Х		
Plant Species Theme				Х
RFI Theme			Х	
Terrestrial Biodiversity Theme				Х

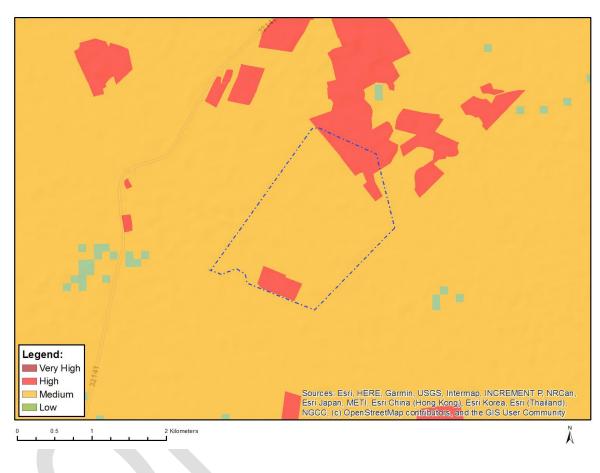
Specialist assessments identified

Based on the selected classification, and the known impacts associated with the proposed development, the following list of specialist assessments have been identified for inclusion in the assessment report. It is the responsibility of the EAP to confirm this list and to motivate in the assessment report, the reason for not including any of the identified specialist study including the provision of photographic evidence of the site situation.

No	Specialist assessment	Assessment Protocol
1	Agricultural Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse ssmentProtocols/Gazetted WindAndSolar Agriculture Assessme
		nt_Protocols.pdf
2	Landscape/Visual Impact	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
	Assessment	ssmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment P rotocols.pdf
3	Archaeological and	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
	Cultural Heritage Impact	ssmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_P
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4	Palaeontology Impact	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
	Assessment	ssmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_P
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5	Terrestrial Biodiversity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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		Protocols.pdf
6	Aquatic Biodiversity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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7	Civil Aviation Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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8	Defense Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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9	RFI Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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10	Geotechnical Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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11	Socio-Economic	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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12	Plant Species Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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13	Animal Species	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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Results of the environmental sensitivity of the proposed area.

The following section represents the results of the screening for environmental sensitivity of the proposed site for relevant environmental themes associated with the project classification. It is the duty of the EAP to ensure that the environmental themes provided by the screening tool are comprehensive and complete for the project. Refer to the disclaimer.

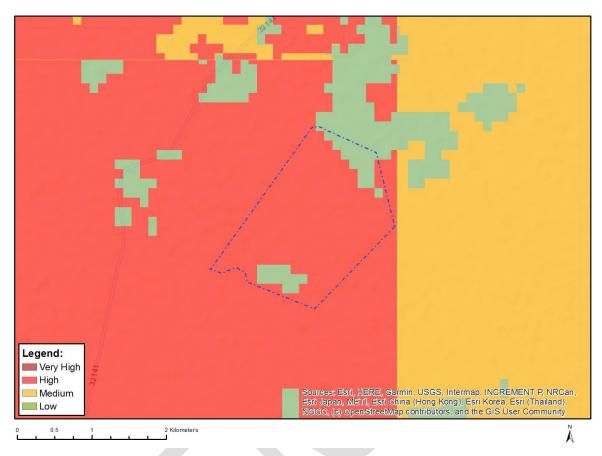


MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X		

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
High	Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-	
	Moderate/08. Moderate	
Medium	Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-Moderate/08. Moderate	

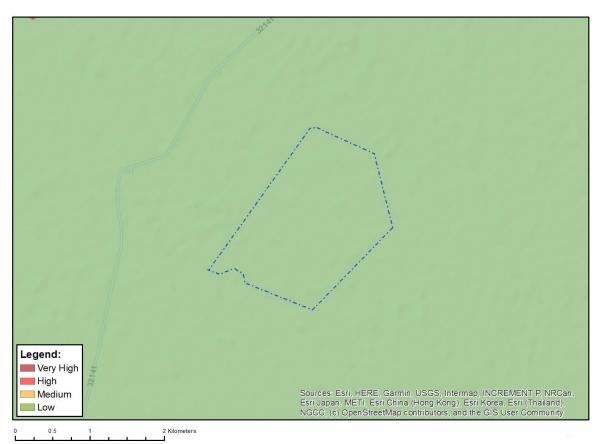
MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



Where only a sensitive plant unique number or sensitive animal unique number is provided in the screening report and an assessment is required, the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) or specialist is required to email SANBI at <u>eiadatarequests@sanbi.org.za</u> listing all sensitive species with their unique identifiers for which information is required. The name has been withheld as the species may be prone to illegal harvesting and must be protected. SANBI will release the actual species name after the details of the EAP or specialist have been documented.

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X		

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Aves-Neotis ludwigii
Low	Subject to confirmation

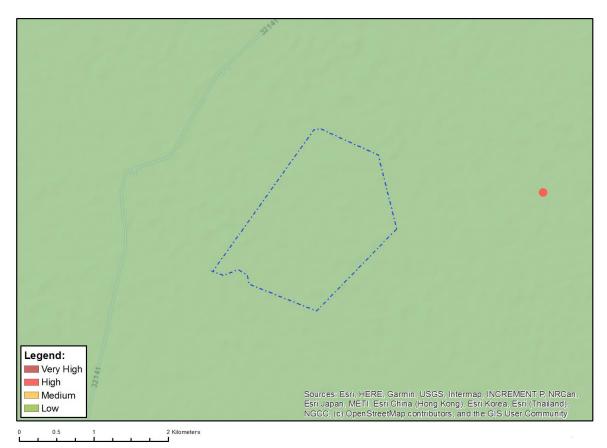


MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Х

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

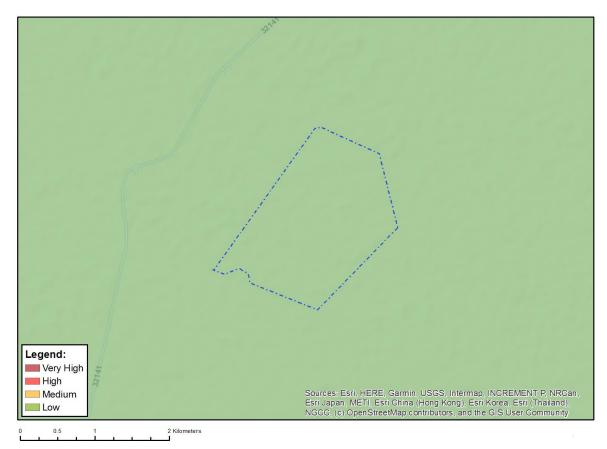
MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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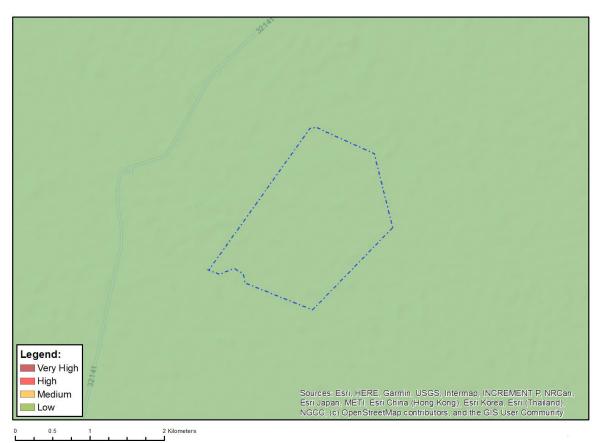
Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

MAP OF RELATIVE AVIAN THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Х

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity



MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (SOLAR PV) THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Х

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	No major or other types of civil aviation aerodromes

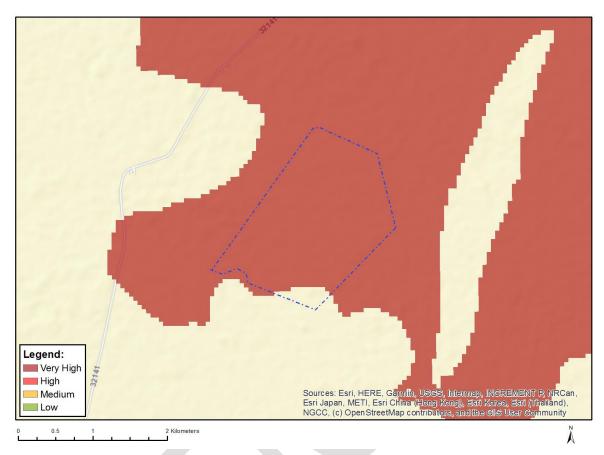
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MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Х

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

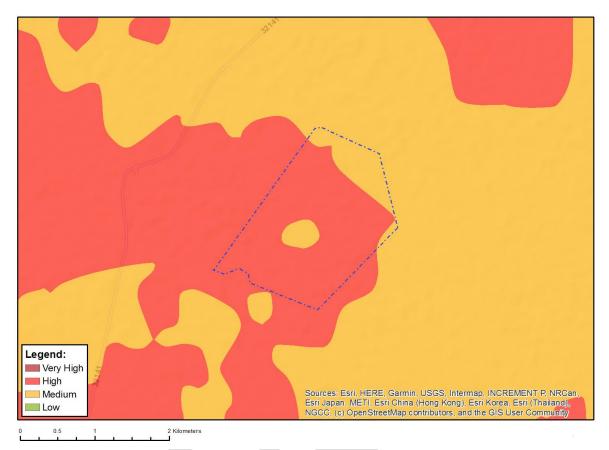
MAP OF RELATIVE LANDSCAPE (SOLAR) THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

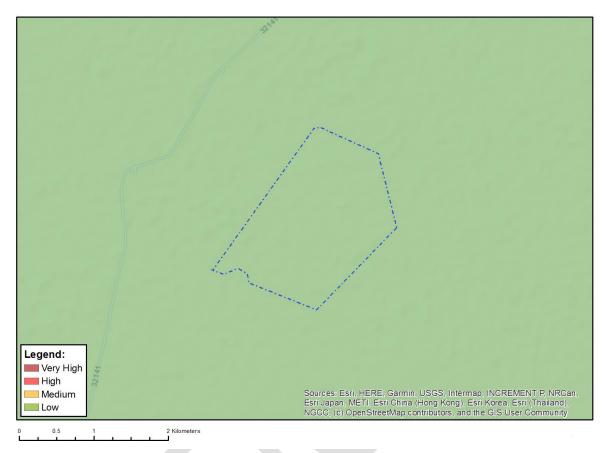
Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	Mountain tops and high ridges

MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Features with a High paleontological sensitivity
Medium	Features with a Medium paleontological sensitivity



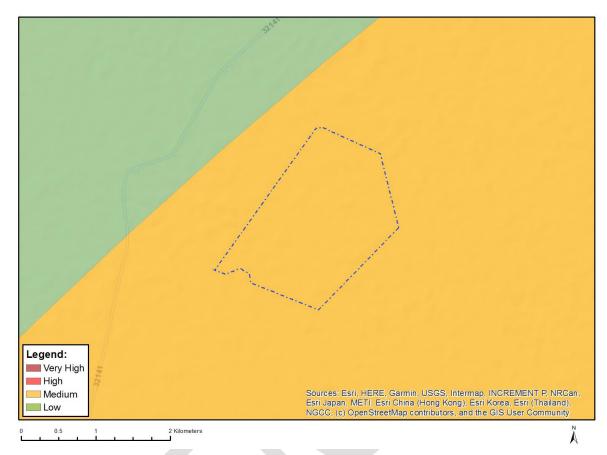
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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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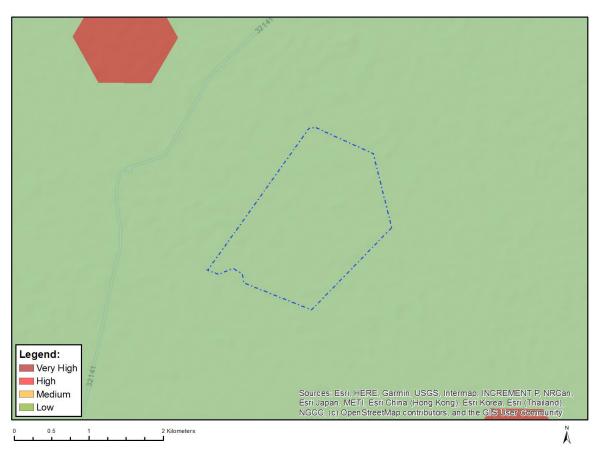
Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity

MAP OF RELATIVE RFI THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		Х	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Between 30 and 60 km from a Weather Radar installation and within the radar's line of sight



MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Х

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity