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

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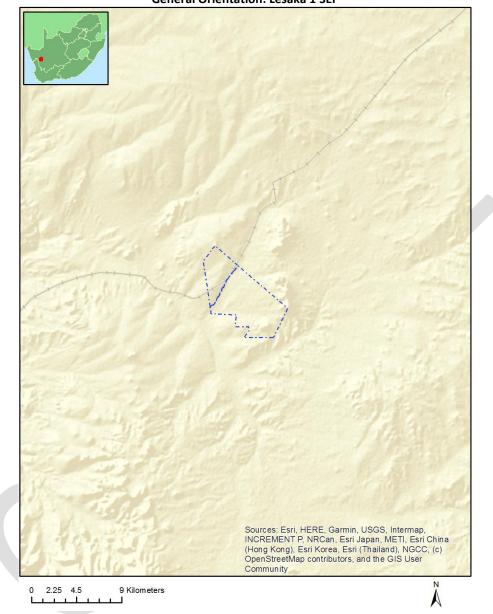
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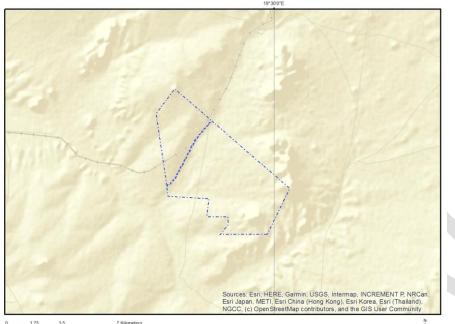
Proposed Project Location

Orientation map 1: General location



General Orientation: Lesaka 1 SEF

Map of proposed site and relevant area(s)



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Cadastral details of the proposed site

Property details:

No	Farm Name	Farm/ Erf No	Portion	Latitude	Longitude	Property Type
1	KLUITJES KRAAL	264	0	30°38'14.11S	19°26'32.83E	Farm
2	KLUITJES KRAAL	264	0	30°38'0.91S	19°28'12.3E	Farm Portion
3	KLUITJES KRAAL	264	0	30°35'32.54S	19°26'45.45E	Farm Portion

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	EIA Reference No	Classification	Status of application	Distance from proposed area (km)
1	12/12/20/2321/2	Solar PV	Approved	19.7
2	12/12/20/2023	Solar PV	Approved	22.3

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.

No intersections with EMF areas found.

Environmental screening results and assessment outcomes

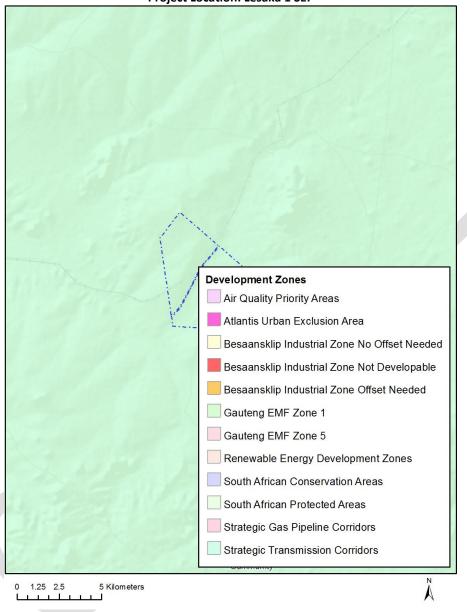
The following sections contain a summary of any development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions that apply to the proposed development site as well as the most environmental sensitive features on the site based on the site sensitivity screening results for the application classification 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	Implication
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n or	
prohibiti	
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Strategic	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Co
Transmissi on	mbined_EGI.pdf
Corridor-	
Western	
corridor	

Map indicating proposed development footprint within applicable development incentive, restriction, exclusion or prohibition zones



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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		
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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

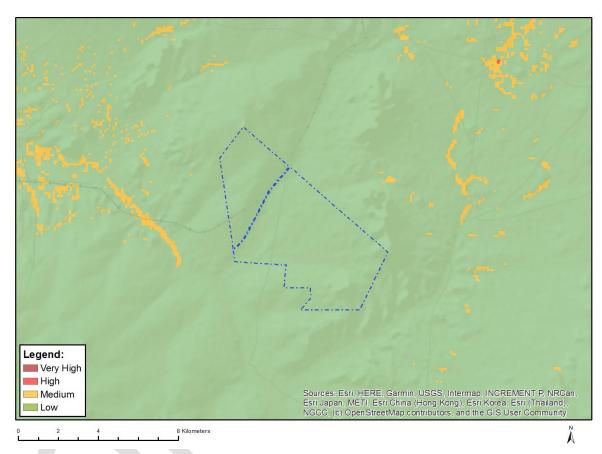
Based on the selected classification, and the environmental sensitivities of the proposed development footprint, the following list of specialist assessments have been identified for inclusion in the assessment report. It is the responsibility of the EAP to confirm this list and to motivate in the assessment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

N	Special	Assessment Protocol
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	assess	
	ment	
1	Agricult ural Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_WindAndSolar_Agriculture_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
2	Landsca pe/Visu al Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
3	Archaeo logical and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
4	Palaeon tology Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
5	Terrestri al Biodiver sity Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_Terrestrial_Biodiversity_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
6	Aquatic Biodiver sity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_Aquatic_Biodiversity_Assessment_Protocols.pdf

7	Impact Assessm ent Civil Aviation Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_Civil_Aviation_Installations_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
8	Defense Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_Defence_Installations_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
9	RFI Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
1 0	Geotech nical Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
1 1	Socio- Economi c Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
1 2	Plant Species Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols /Gazetted Plant Species Assessment Protocols.pdf
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Results of the environmental sensitivity of the proposed area.

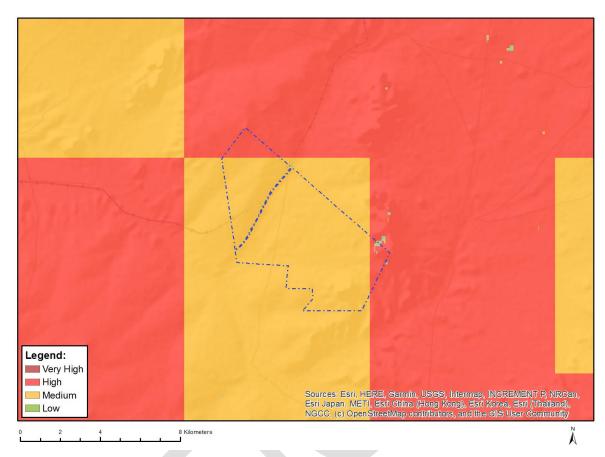
The following section represents the results of the screening for environmental sensitivity of the proposed site for relevant environmental themes associated with the project classification. It is the duty of the EAP to ensure that the environmental themes provided by the screening tool are comprehensive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



MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Land capability;01. Very low/02. Very low/03. Low-Very low/04. Low-Very low/05. Low



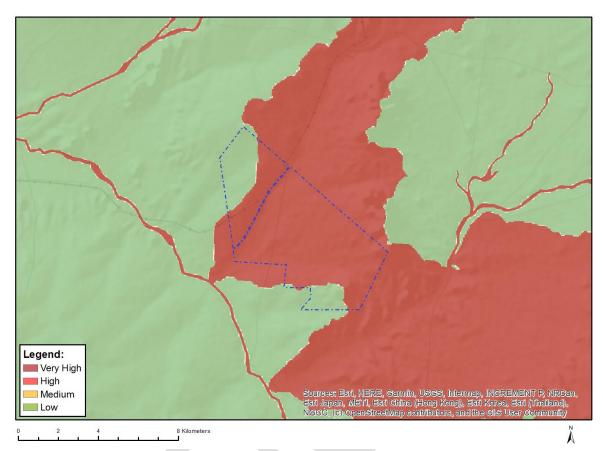
MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY

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-Falco biarmicus
High	Aves-Neotis ludwigii
High	Aves-Calendulauda burra
Low	Subject to confirmation
Medium	Aves-Neotis ludwigii
Medium	Aves-Calendulauda burra
Medium	Aves-Sagittarius serpentarius

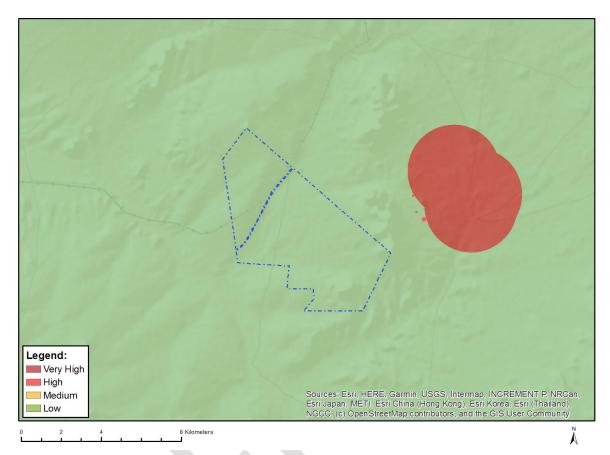
MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity
Very High	Rivers
Very High	Wetlands and Estuaries
Very High	Freshwater ecosystem priority area quinary catchments

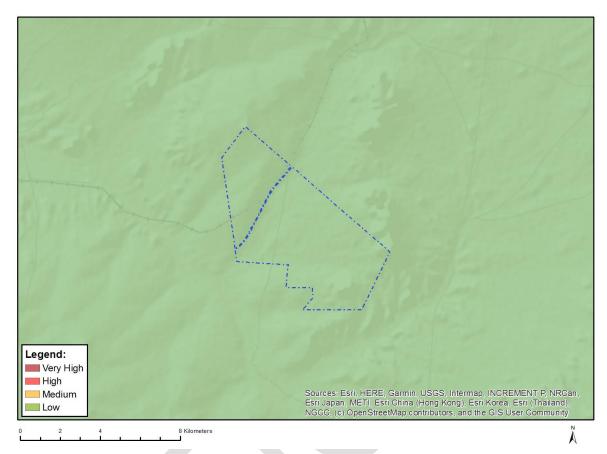
MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



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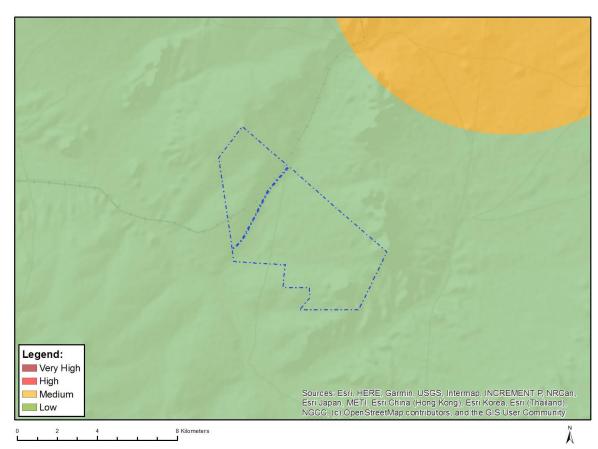
Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

MAP OF RELATIVE AVIAN THEME SENSITIVITY



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

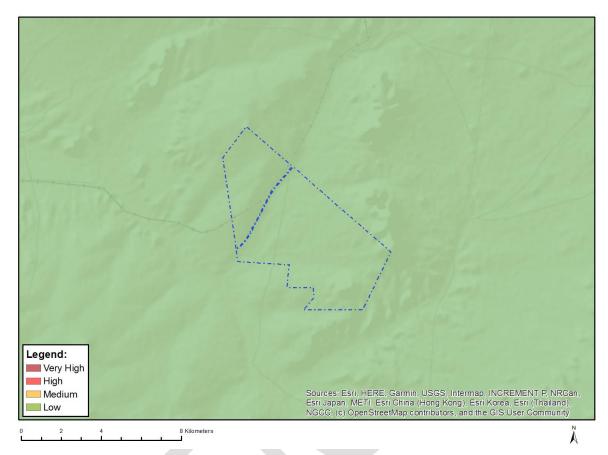


MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (SOLAR PV) THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	No major or other types of civil aviation aerodromes

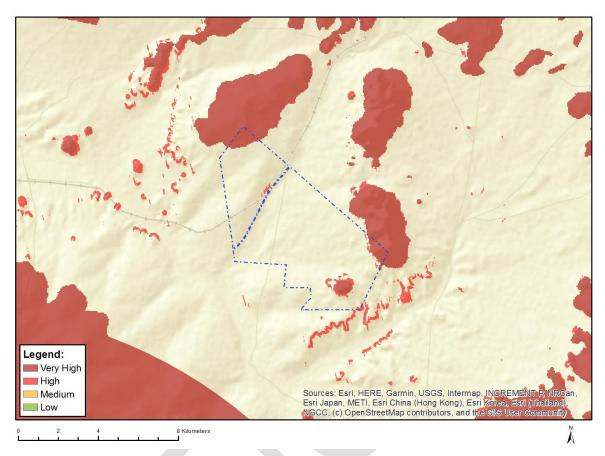
MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



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

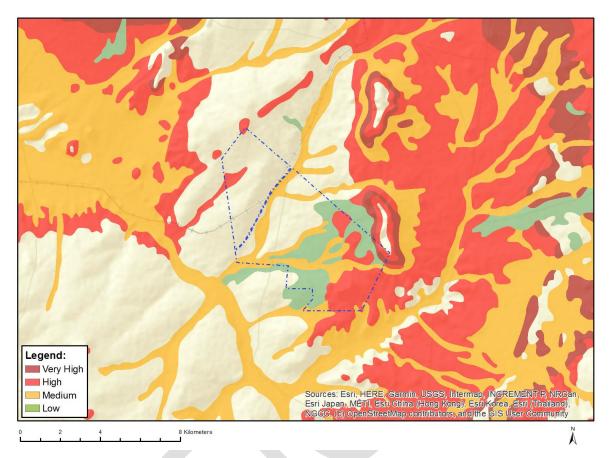
MAP OF RELATIVE LANDSCAPE (SOLAR) THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
High	Slope between 1:4 and 1:10	
Low	Slope less than 1:10	
Very High	Mountain tops and high ridges	
Very High	Slope more than 1:4	

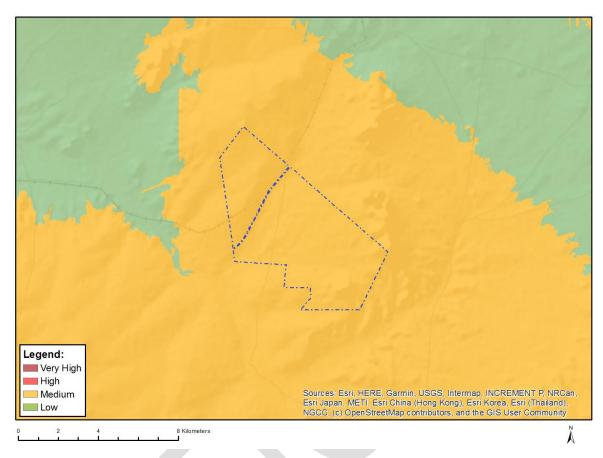
MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

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

MAP OF RELATIVE PLANT SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



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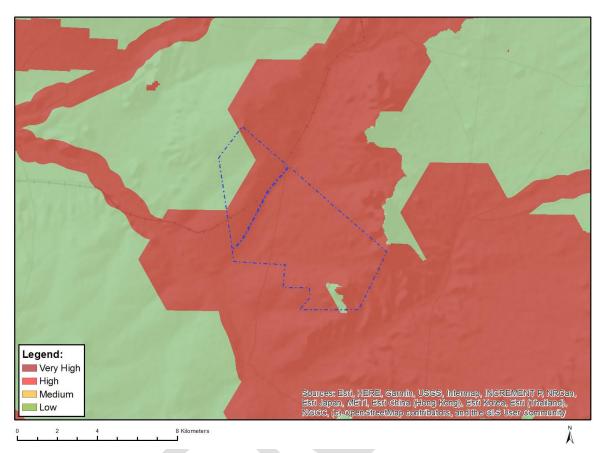
Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low Sensitivity	
Medium	Sensitive species 951	
Medium	Sensitive species 144	
Medium	Dregeochloa calviniensis	

MAP OF RELATIVE RFI THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
High	Between 8 and 14 km of the Radio Astronomy Advantage Area	
Medium	Between 14 and 32 km of a SKA receptor	
Medium	Between 14 and 32 km of the Radio Astronomy Advantage Area	
Very High	Inside or within 8 km of the Radio Astronomy Advantage Area	



MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity
Very High	Critical biodiveristy area 1
Very High	Critical biodiveristy area 2
Very High	Ecological support area
Very High	FEPA Subcatchments