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

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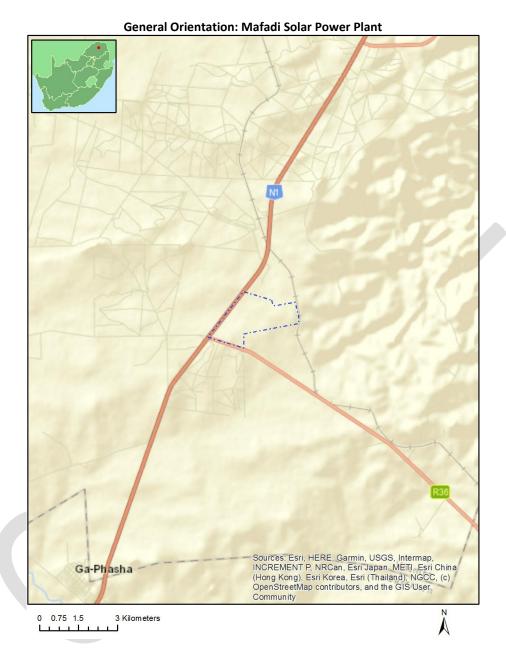
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Proposed Project Location

Orientation map 1: General location



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	VRYHEID	418	0	23°20'30.43S	29°47'14.42E	Farm
2	JOPPA	473	0	23°21'44.29S	29°46'44.21E	Farm
3		1210	0	23°20'40.29S	29°48'36.1E	Farm
4	ZYVERGAT	479	0	23°23'47.16S	29°47'51.27E	Farm
5		414	1	23°21'8.1S	29°48'51.25E	Farm Portion
6	JOPPA	473	4	23°22'0.19S	29°46'29.91E	Farm Portion
7	ZYVERGAT	479	0	23°21'34.85S	29°48'23.82E	Farm Portion
8	VRYHEID	418	4	23°20'20.46S	29°48'3.73E	Farm Portion
9	JOPPA	473	8	23°21'37.33S	29°47'29.81E	Farm Portion
10	VRYHEID	418	1	23°20'13.27S	29°48'0.66E	Farm Portion
11	JOPPA	473	5	23°21'28.89S	29°47'2.61E	Farm Portion
12		1210	0	23°20'40.29S	29°48'36.1E	Farm Portion

Development footprint¹ vertices: No development footprint(s) specified.

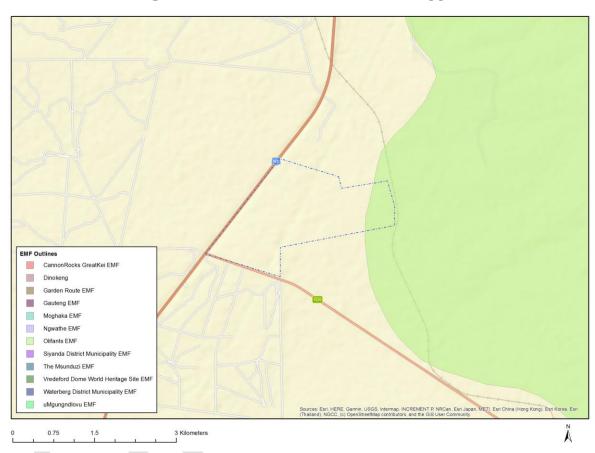
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¹ "development footprint", means the area within the site on which the development will take place and incudes all ancillary developments for example roads, power lines, boundary walls, paving etc. which require vegetation clearance or which will be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

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	12/12/20/2619	Solar PV	Approved	12.4

Environmental Management Frameworks relevant to the application



Environm ental Managem ent Framewor k	LINK
Olifants EMF	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/EMF/Zone 46, 67, 78, 80, 92, 103, 122, 129.pdf

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

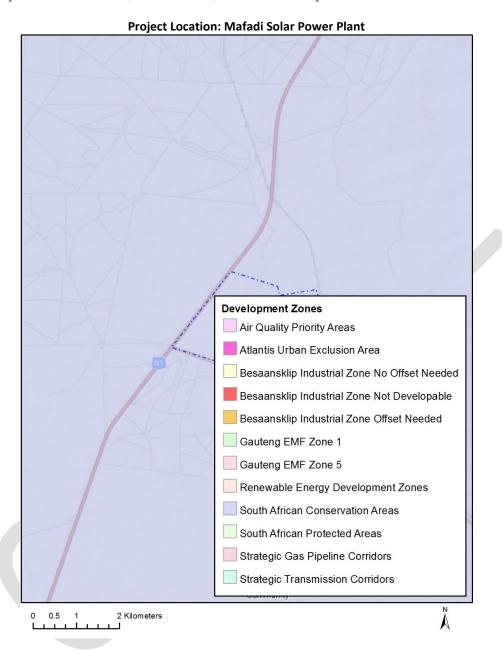
sensitive features on the site based on the site sensitivity screening results for the application classification that was selected. The application classification selected for this report is: **Utilities Infrastructure | Electricity | Generation | Renewable | Solar | PV**.

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.

Incenti	Implication
ve,	
restricti	
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prohibi	
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Strategic	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Com
Transmis	bined EGI.pdf
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Corridor-	
Internati	
onal	
corridor	
South	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/SACA
African	D OR 2022 Q2 Metadata.pdf
Conserva	
tion	
Areas	

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



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			Χ	
Animal Species Theme			Х	

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Aquatic Biodiversity Theme			Х
Archaeological and Cultural			Х
Heritage Theme			
Avian Theme	X		
Civil Aviation (Solar PV)			Х
Theme			
Defence Theme		Х	
Landscape (Solar) Theme	X		
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.

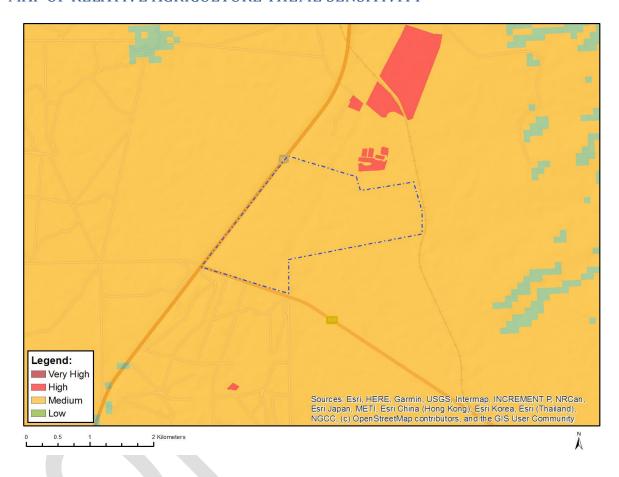
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1	Agricult ural Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted WindAndSolar Agriculture Assessment Protocols.pdf
2	Landsca pe/Visu al Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted 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

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	Assessm	
	ent	
7	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
0	Geotech nical Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
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
1 3	Animal Species Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted Animal Species Assessment Protocols.pdf

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.

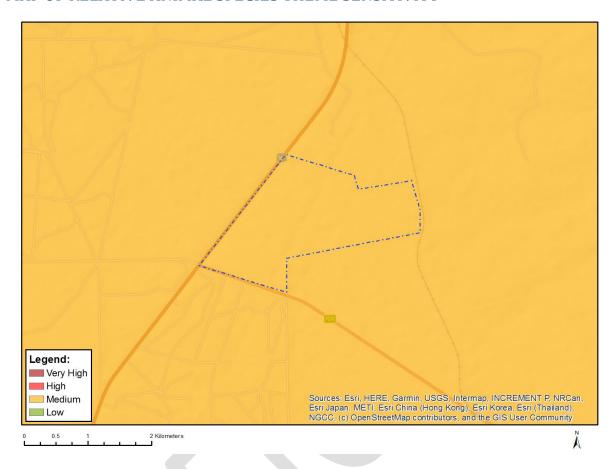
MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-Moderate/08. Moderate

MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



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		Х	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Medium	Sensitive species 5	
Medium	Mammalia-Crocidura maquassiensis	
Medium	Invertebrate-Thoracistus viridicrus	

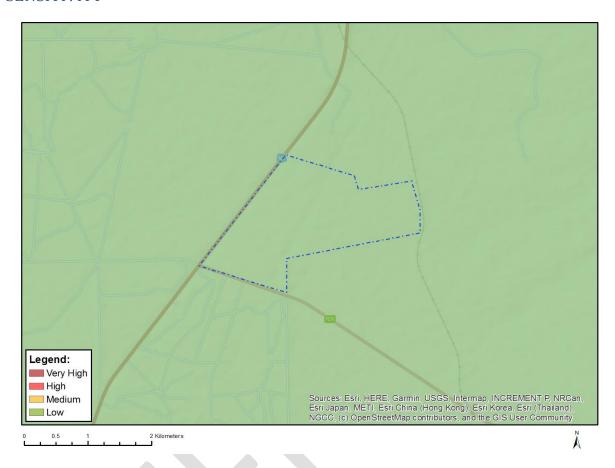
MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



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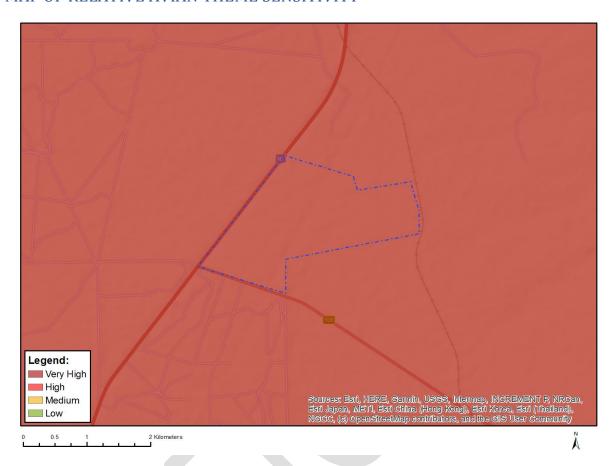
MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



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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
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	within 50 km of Colonies

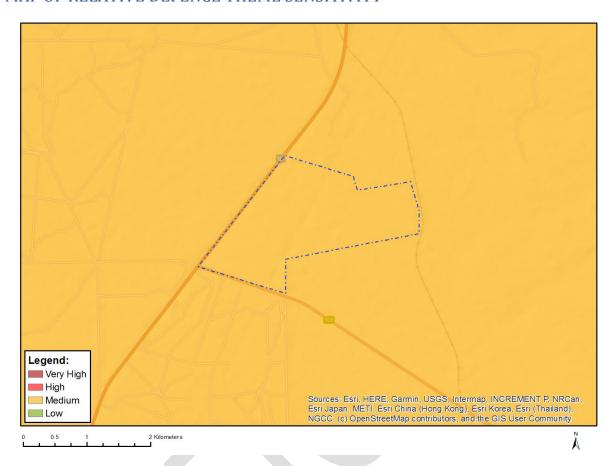
MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (SOLAR PV) THEME SENSITIVITY



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

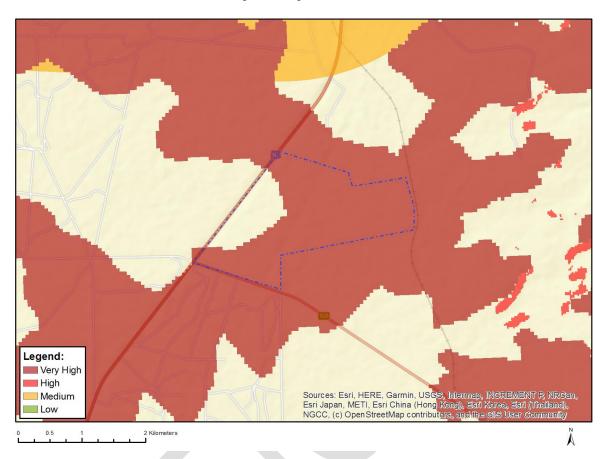
MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Medium	Defence Site	

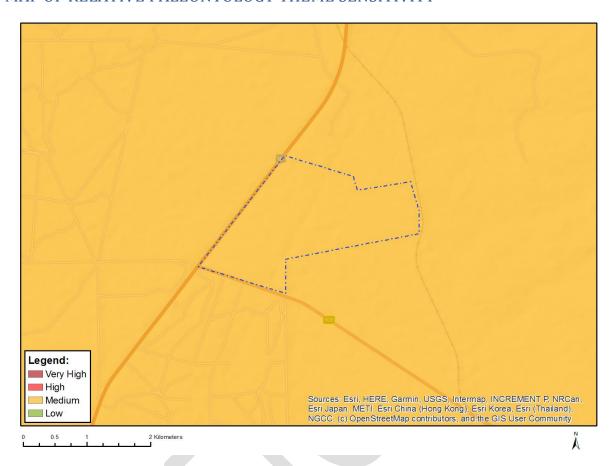
MAP OF RELATIVE LANDSCAPE (SOLAR) THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

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

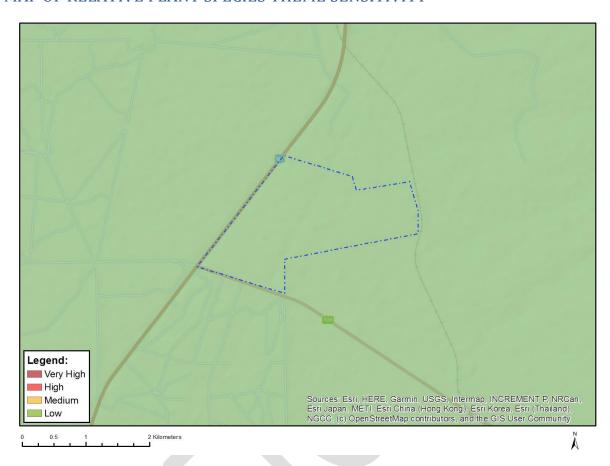
MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



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

MAP OF RELATIVE PLANT SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY

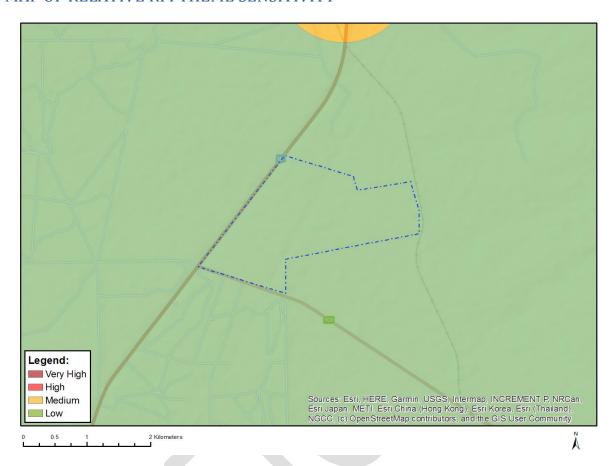


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Low	Low Sensitivity

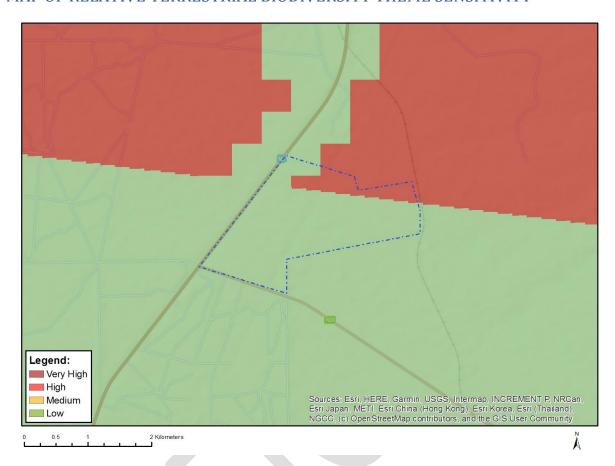
MAP OF RELATIVE RFI THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Χ

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity
Very High	Ecological support area 1