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

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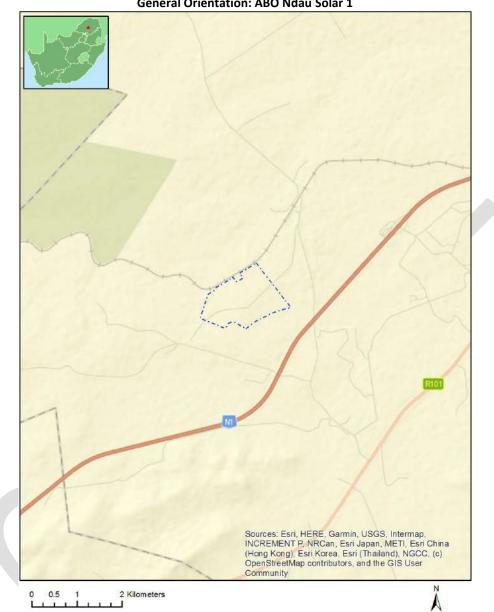
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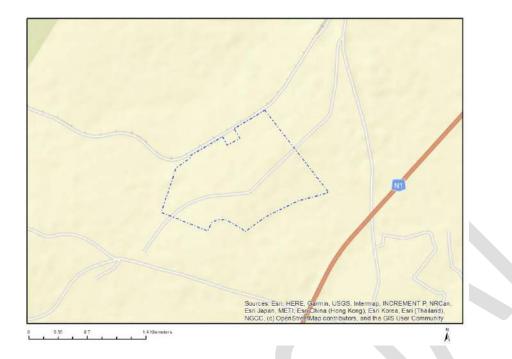
Proposed Project Location

Orientation map 1: General location



General Orientation: ABO Ndau Solar 1

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	RIETVLEY	13	0	24°4'20.74S	29°13'21.69E	Farm
2	RIETVLEY	13	19	24°2'59.58S	29°13'12.46E	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	14/12/16/3/3/1/634	Solar PV	Approved	24.1
2	12/12/20/2153	Solar PV	Approved	13.9
3	12/12/20/2352	Solar PV	Approved	26.5
4	14/12/16/3/3/2/1049	Solar PV	Approved	24.9

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, restriction or prohibition	Implication
Strategic Transmission Corridor-International corridor	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Developmen tZones/Combined_EGI.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	Schlorery	Schlarty	X	Scholerer
Animal Species Theme			X	
Aquatic Biodiversity Theme	х			
Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Theme				X
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			

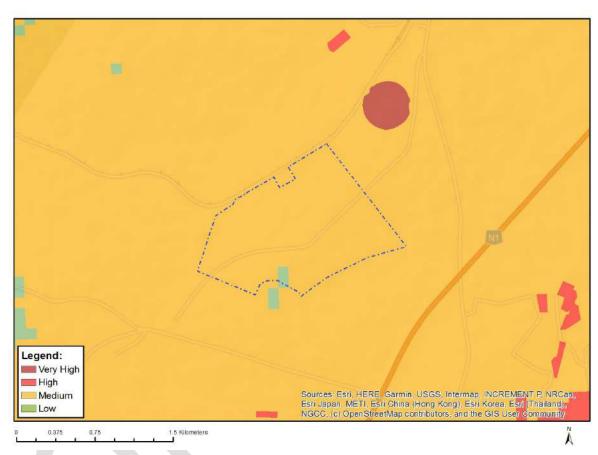
Specialist assessments identified

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	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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		nt Protocols.pdf
2	Landscape/Visual Impact	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
	Assessment	ssmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment P
		<u>rotocols.pdf</u>
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
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5	Terrestrial Biodiversity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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6	Aquatic Biodiversity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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7	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
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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
Medium	Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-Moderate/08. Moderate

Legend: WertyHigh Budding Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCent. Succes: Esti. HERE Gamma USQS. Intermes. INCREMENT P. NRCEN. Succes: Esti. HERE Gama USQS. Intermes.

MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY

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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Subject to confirmation
Medium	Mammalia-Crocidura maquassiensis
Medium	Reptilia-Kinixys lobatsiana

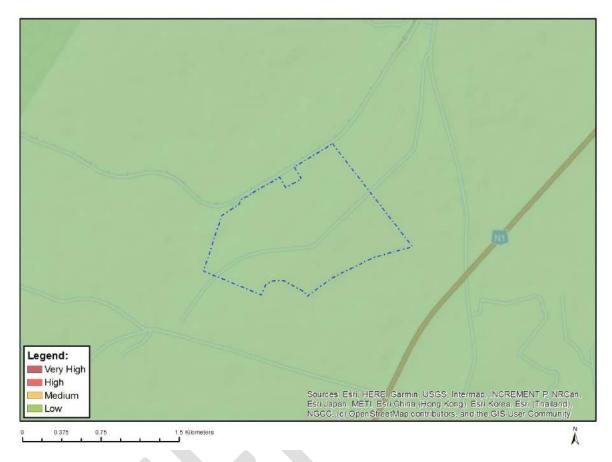
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MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	Strategic water source area

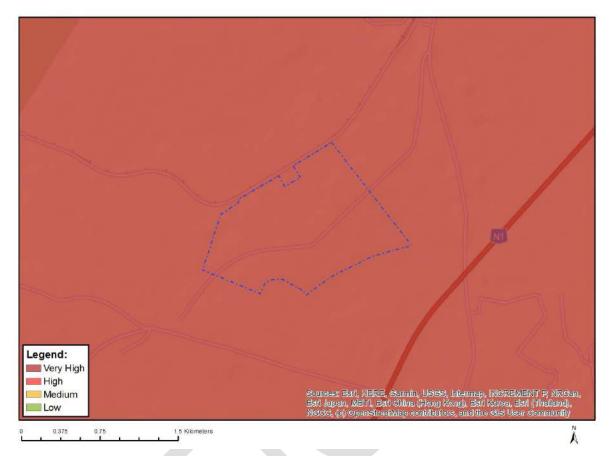
MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



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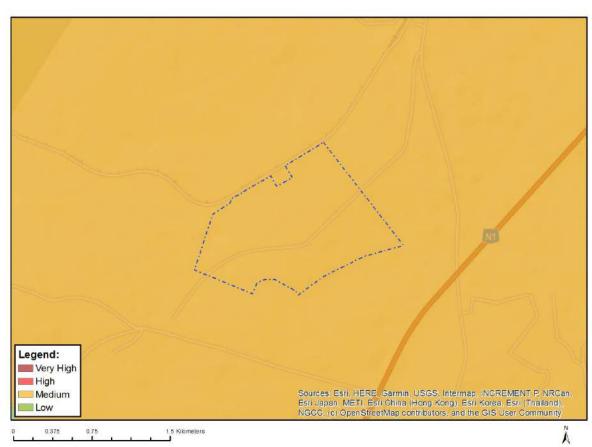
Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

MAP OF RELATIVE AVIAN THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	within 20 km of known Cape Vulturerestuarants sites
Very High	within 50 km of Colonies



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)
Medium	Within 8 km of an other civil aviation aerodrome

MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



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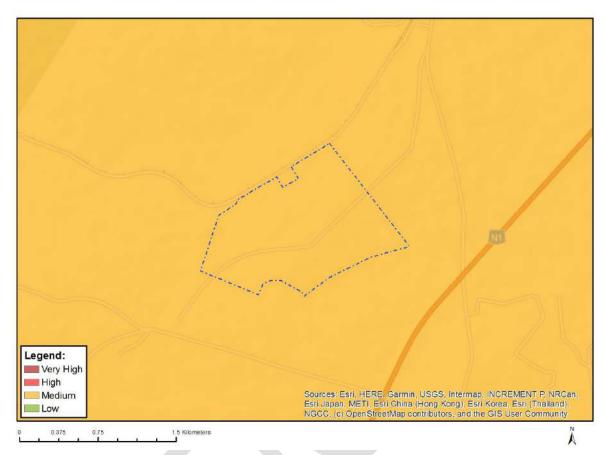
Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

MAP OF RELATIVE LANDSCAPE (SOLAR) THEME SENSITIVITY

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
High	Between 1.5 and 3 km of a nature reserve	
High	Slope between 1:4 and 1:10	
Low	Slope less than 1:10	
Medium	Between 3 and 5 km of a nature reserve	
Very High	Mountain tops and high ridges	

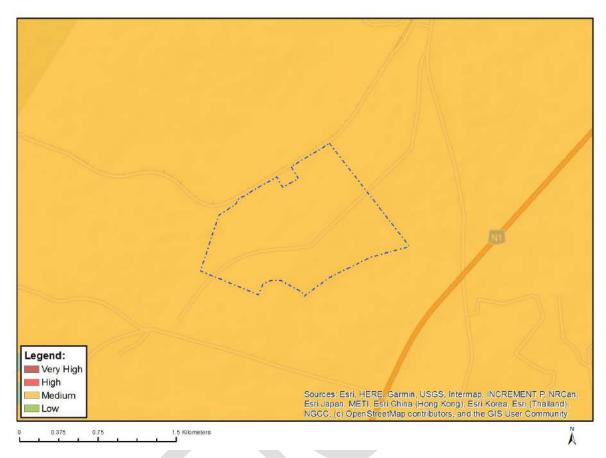
MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



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

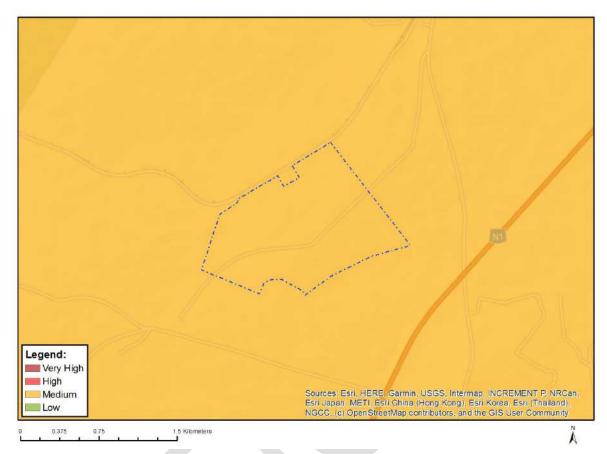


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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Sensitive species 1252
Medium	Sensitive species 550

MAP OF RELATIVE RFI THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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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
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	Ecological support area 1