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# DESKTOP AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING REPORT:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES -DEVELOPMENT: BUS
AND TAXI HOLDING AREA; INCLUDING A FILLING
STATION, CAR WASH, TYER OUTLET, WORKSHOP,
RESTAURANT AND OFFICE BUILDINGS, MAHIKENG,
NORTH WEST PROVINCE

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#### Introduction

As per environmental best practice guidelines, a preliminary desktop screening has been performed using the online screening tool, provided by the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries. This system identifies the area that is proposed for the development and generates a report listing both the risks and the specialist investigations that need to be performed.

According to this online environmental screening the following specialist investigations need to be performed:

- Agricultural Impact Assessment
- Landscape/Visual Impact Assessment
- Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment
- Terrestrial Biodiversity Impact Assessment
- Aquatic Biodiversity Impact Assessment
- Noise Impact Assessment
- Traffic Impact Assessment
- Geotechnical Assessment
- Socio-Economic Assessment
- Ambient Air Quality Impact Assessment
- Plant Species Assessment
- Animal Species Assessment





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#### **Desktop Assessment and Recommendations**

A desktop study was performed (Attribute-, Sensitivity- and Vegetation Maps) on the proposed site and according to **Environmental Management Group (EMG)**; the following specialist investigations are required for the proposed development:

- Geological- and Geohydrological Assessment
- Heritage Assessment
- Ecological Assessment

It is important to keep in mind that the online screening tool is a broad based information system and can't distinguish between the proposed activity and the area it falls within. It is thus crucial for environmental specialists to conduct a physical site inspection to determine additional specialist studies, if any, to comply within the environmental application and legislation.

Yours faithfully

**CW Vermeulen** 

**Environmental Management Group** 

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

**EIA Reference number:** 

Project name: MAFIKENG TAXI RANK

**Project title:** Development: Bus and Taxi Holding Area **Date screening report generated:** 18/02/2021 10:25:40

**Applicant:** JM Professional

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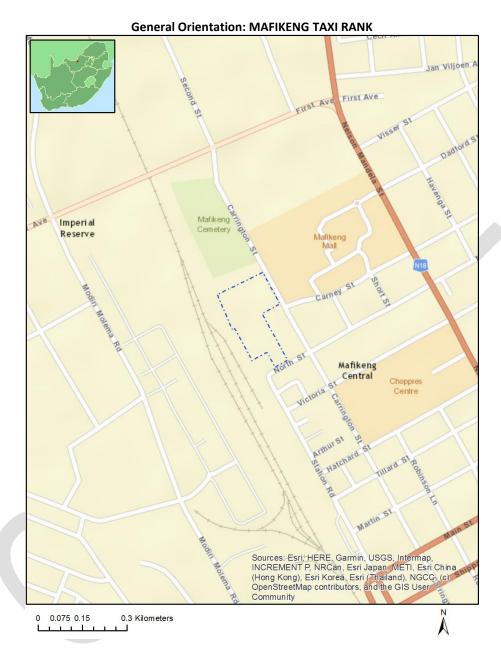
**Application Category:** Infrastructure | Transport Services | Roads | Public

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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	MAFIKENG	3782	0	25°51'32.53S	25°38'14.92E	Erven

Development footprint<sup>1</sup> 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	Classification	Status of	Distance from proposed
	No		application	area (km)
1	14/12/16/3/3/1/997	Solar PV	Approved	20
2	14/12/16/3/3/2/272	Solar PV	Approved	4.7

#### Environmental Management Frameworks relevant to the application

No intersections with EMF areas found.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "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 screening results and assessment outcomes

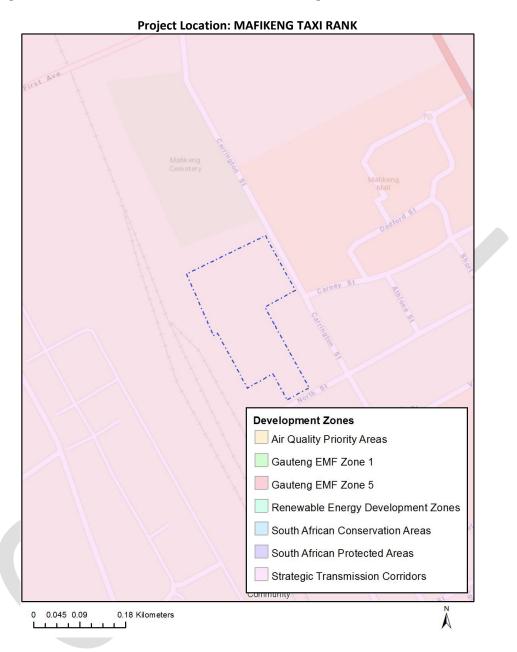
The following sections contain a summary of any development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions that apply to the proposed development site as well as the most environmental sensitive features on the site based on the site sensitivity screening results for the application classification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

#### 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 prohibitio n	Implication
Strategic Transmission Corridor- Northern corridor	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/G N 113 16 February 2018.pdf

#### 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	X			
Archaeological and Cultural		Х		
Heritage Theme				
Civil Aviation Theme		Х		
Defence Theme				Χ
Paleontology Theme			Χ	
Plant Species Theme			Χ	
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.

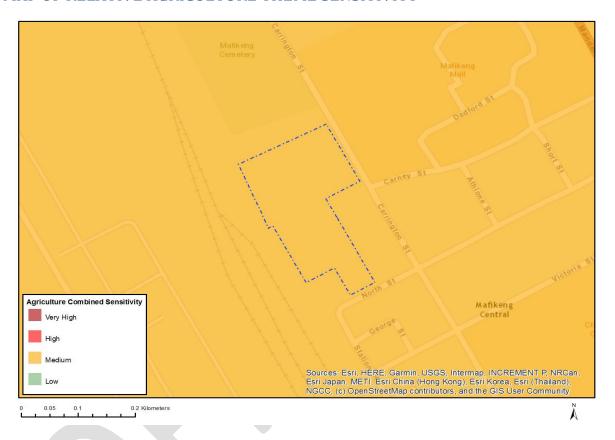
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2	Landsca pe/Visua I Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/ /Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
ß	Archaeol ogical and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
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6	Aquatic Biodiver sity Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment Protocols.pdf
7	Noise Impact	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols

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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.

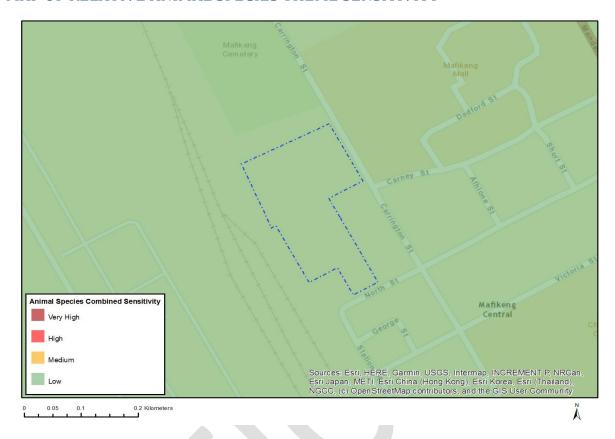
#### MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

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

#### MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY

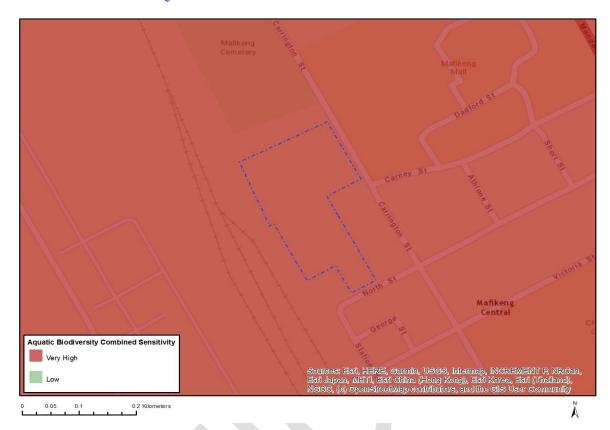


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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Χ

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity

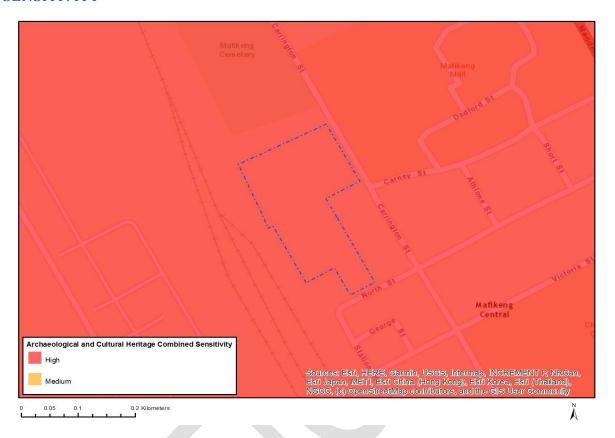
#### MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	Aquatic CBAs
Very High	Strategic water source area

## MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X		

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
High	Within 500 m of a heritage site	
High	Within 500 m of a provincial heritage site	

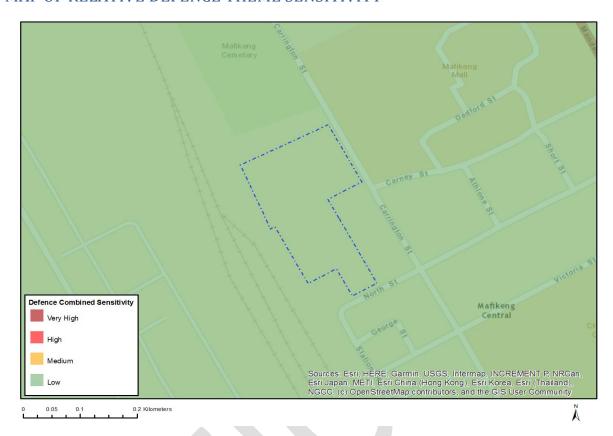
#### MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Between 8 and 15 km from a major civil aviation aerodrome

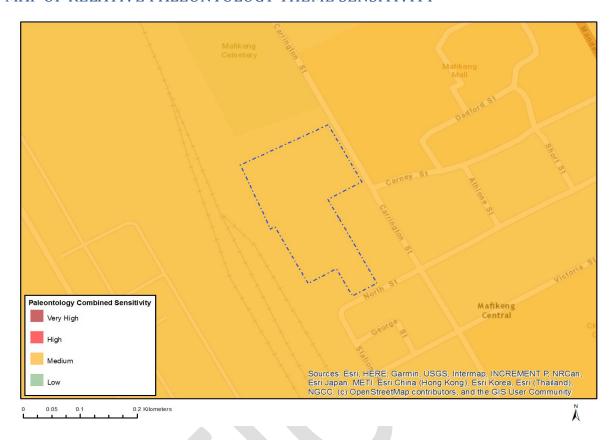
#### MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



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

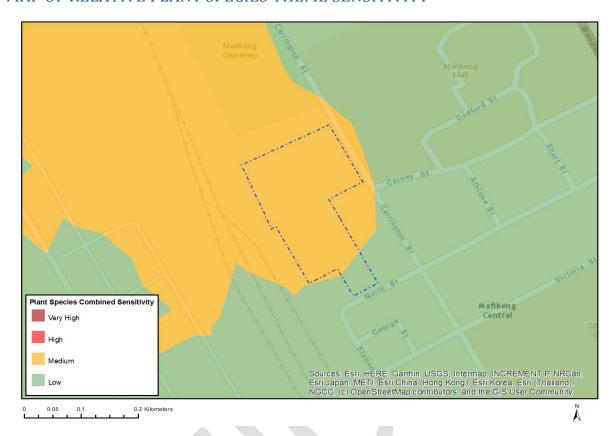
#### MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

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
		X	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity
Medium	Searsia maricoana

#### 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	Critical Biodiversity Area 2	