

**SUBSOLAR ENERGY PTY (Ltd) SITE ASSESSMENT OF
VYFLINGS PAN 598 PORTION 3, NORTH WEST
PROVINCE, SOUTH AFRICA**

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1. Executive Summary

The farm Vyflings Pan 598 portion 3, located near Vryburg is owned by the Goedgenoeg Familie trust. The farm is approximately 428.2660 hectares (ha), within the North West Province, Registration Division IN, South Africa (Figure 1). The study area falls within the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality, located in the Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality.

The landscape consists of level plains with some relief. The farm is situated between the N14 and the R375. For connection to the grid, the site is situated next to a power line. The site has low agricultural potential as well as low potential grazing capacity. From a hydrological perspective, there are a few pans on site. This site has favourable conditions for a solar power plant due to its environmental conditions, weather conditions (i.e. Vryburg has solar radiation levels of 1780 kwh/kwp) as well as site access.

The site is larger than 400 ha; has good solar radiation, ecology and relative flat terrain (refer to Figures below). Four EIA's have been conducted within 20 km of the site.

Some parts of this site may not be suitable due to issues found on it namely structures, pans, etc.

2. The farm Vyflings Pan 598 portion 3

The farm Vyflings Pan 598 portion 3 is located within the North West Province, Registration Division IN, South Africa and falls within the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality, located in the Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality.

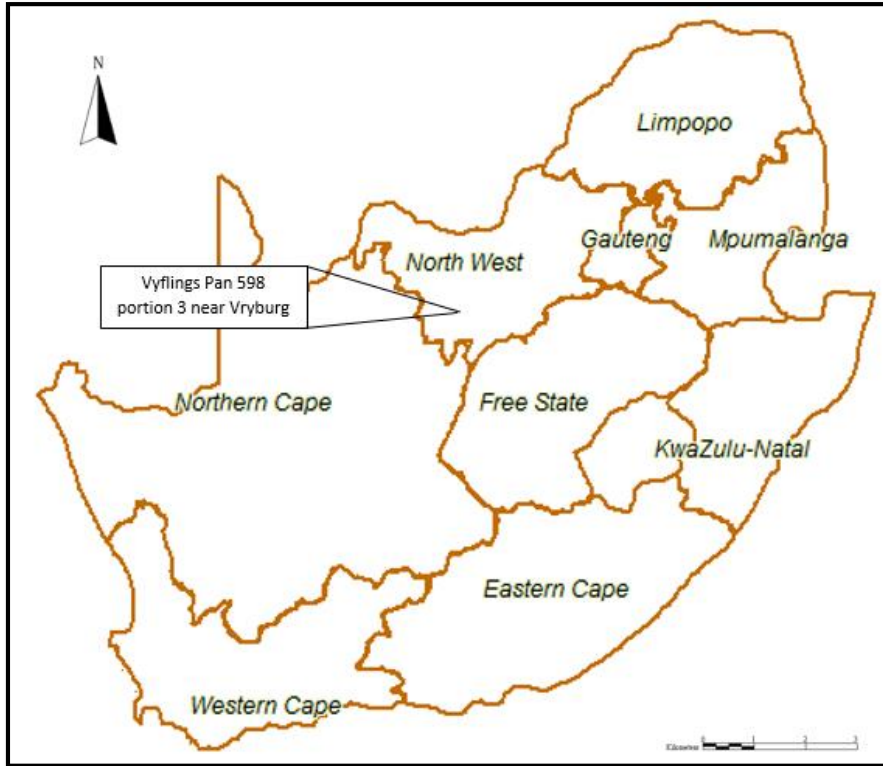


Figure 1: Location of the site



Figure 2: Land Portion of farm

3. Power lines and Substations

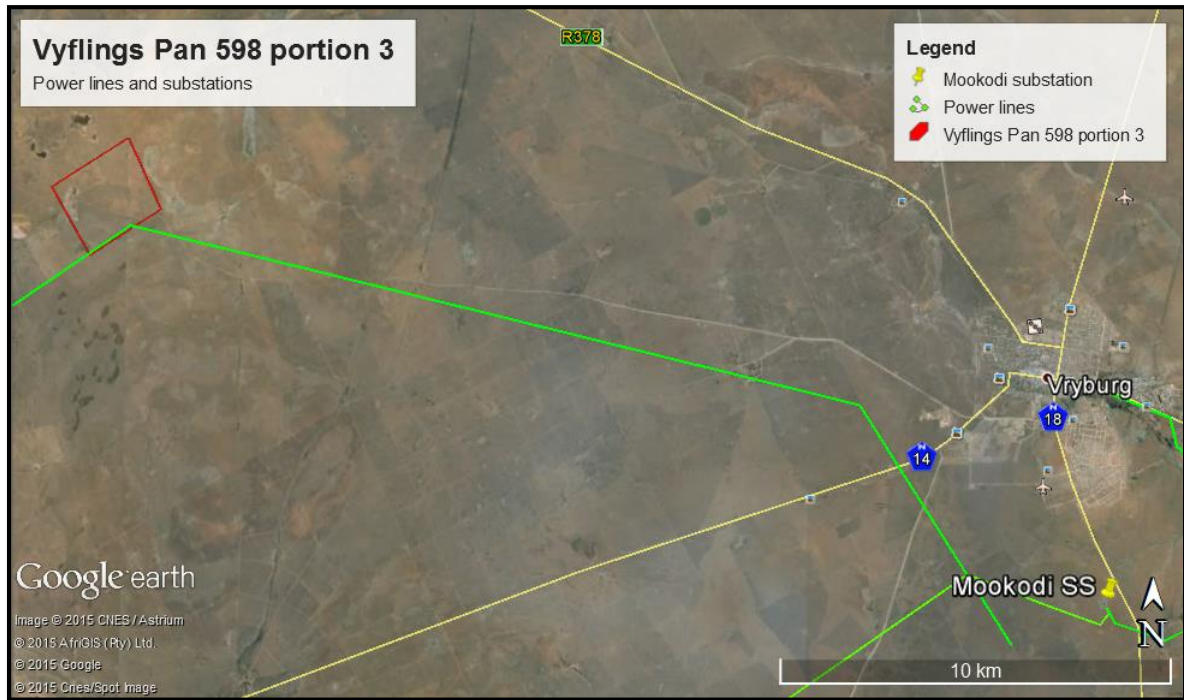


Figure 3: Power lines and substations

3.1. Substations near sites

DESCRIPTIO: MOOKODI SUBSTATION
 VOLTAGE: 132.0 [kV]

3.2. Power Lines near site

DESCRIPTION: MOOKODI
 GANYESA
 VOLTAGE: 132.0 [kV]
 LENGTH: 100.99

DESCRIPTION: LYKSO-
 HAVELOCK
 VOLTAGE: 66.00 [kV]
 LENGTH: 56675.13281

4. Farm portions and size

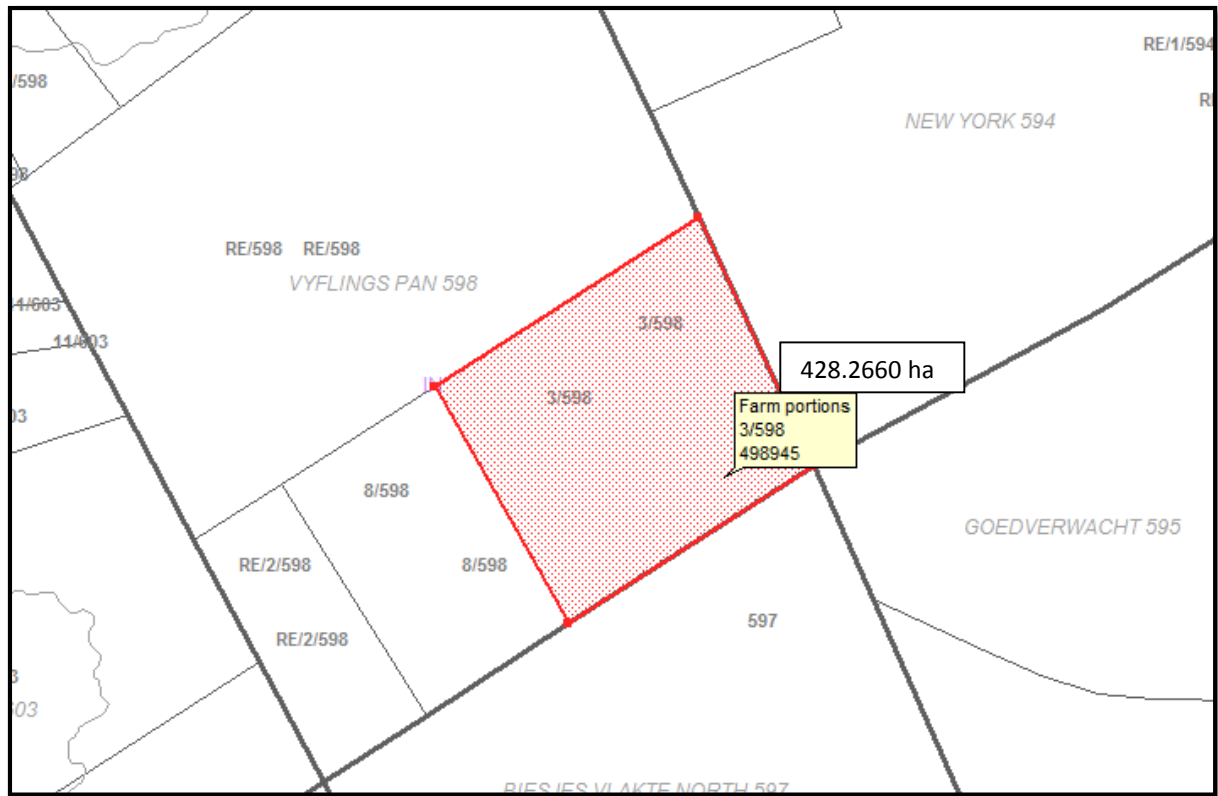


Figure 4: Farm portion (Planet GIS) Farm Portion and size

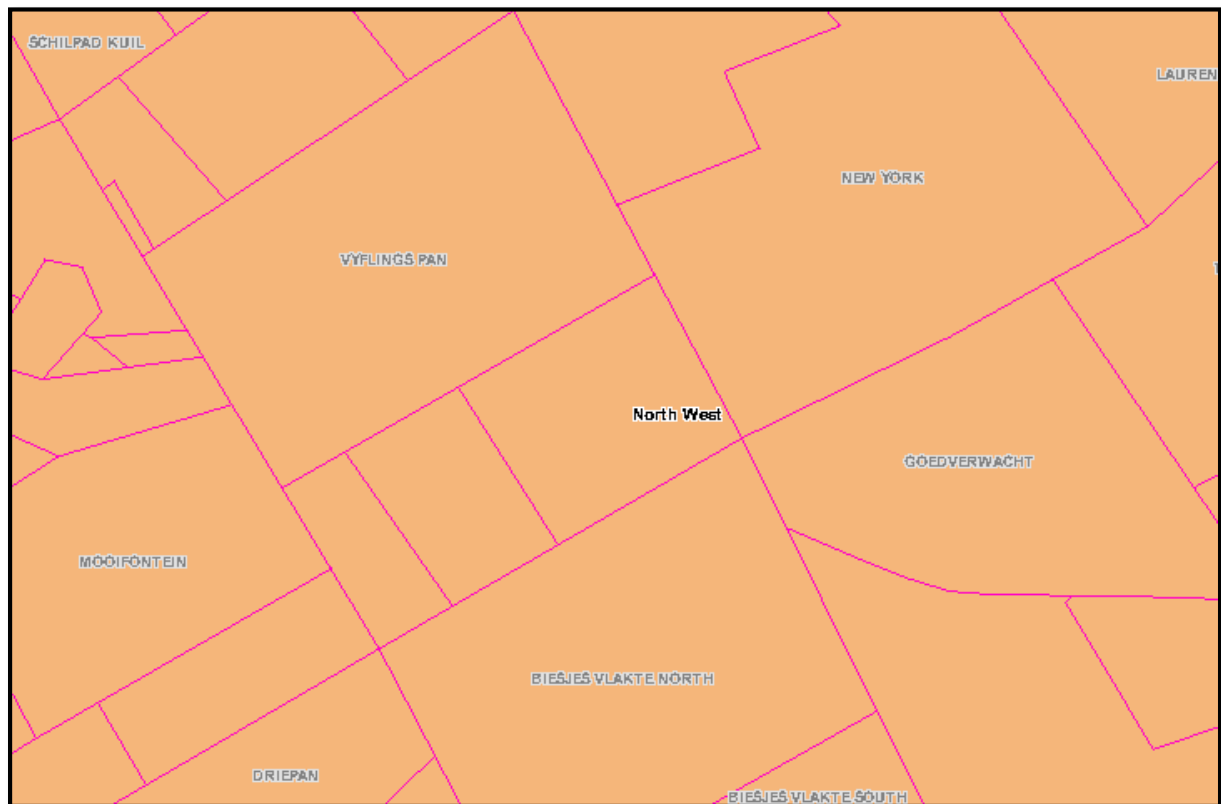


Figure 5: Land Portions (Agis)

5. Environmental impact assessments done in the area:

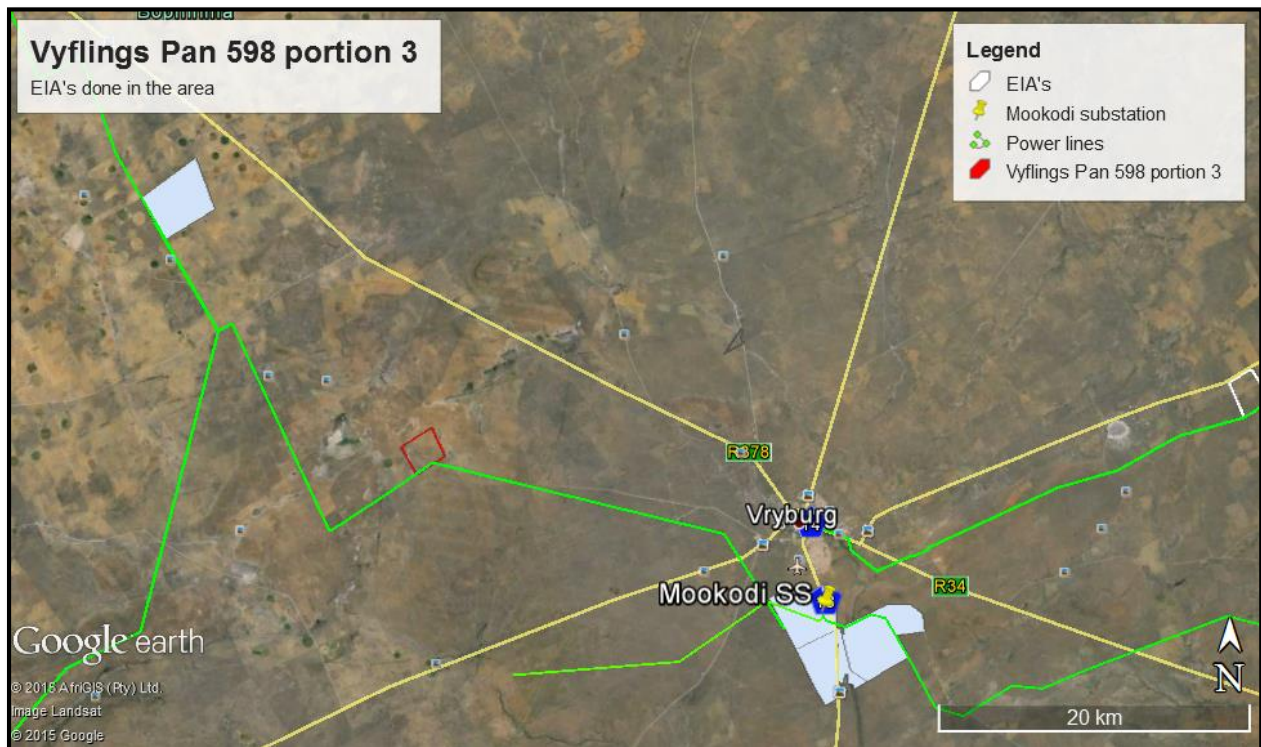


Figure 6: EIA's done in the area

Proposed Tiger Kloof Solar Photovoltaic energy facility:

14/12/16/3/3/2/535	
PRJ_REF	14/12/16/3/3/2/535
ARCHIVE	Active
PROVINCE	North West
LOCAL_MUNI	Naledi Local Municipality
DISTRICT_M	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati
TOWN	Naledi Rural
AMEND_COMM	
APP_DATE	2013/08/01
EA_DATE	
PRJ_TITTLE	Proposed Tiger Kloof Solar Photovoltaic energy facility near Vryburg, North West Province
EA HOLDER	Kabi Solar Pty Ltd
MEGA_WATT	75
TECHNOLOGY	Solar PV
PRJ_STATUS	IN PROCESS
EA_PROCESS	Scoping and EIA
VERIFIED	YES

Sediba Solar Power Plant

14/12/16/3/3/2/390	
PRJ_REF	14/12/16/3/3/2/390
ARCHIVE	Active
PROVINCE	North West
LOCAL_MUNI	Naledi Local Municipality
DISTRICT_M	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati
TOWN	Naledi Rural
AMEND_COMM	
APP_DATE	2012/07/16
EA_DATE	2013/05/31
PRJ_TITLE	Construction of the 75MW Photovoltaic facility and associate infrastructure in Naledi
EA HOLDER	Sediba Solar Power Plant Pty Ltd
MEGA_WATT	75
TECHNOLOGY	Solar PV
PRJ_STATUS	APPROVED
EA_PROCESS	Scoping and EIA
VERIFIED	YES

DPS79 Solar Energy Pty Ltd

14/12/16/3/3/2/308	
PRJ_REF	14/12/16/3/3/2/308
ARCHIVE	Active
PROVINCE	North West
LOCAL_MUNI	Naledi Local Municipality
DISTRICT_M	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati
TOWN	Naledi Rural
AMEND_COMM	Amend: contact details and associated infrastructure
APP_DATE	2013/04/05
EA_DATE	2013/05/26
PRJ_TITLE	The Proposed Construction Of The 75mw Photovoltaic Solar Plant And Associated Infrastructure On A Portion Of The Farm Waterloo 992 In, Naledi Local Municipality Of The North West Province
EA HOLDER	DPS79 Solar Energy Pty Ltd
MEGA_WATT	75
TECHNOLOGY	Solar PV
PRJ_STATUS	APPROVED
EA_PROCESS	Scoping and EIA
VERIFIED	YES

Keren Energy Bosch Pan Solar Power Plant:

14/12/16/3/3/1/563	
PRJ_REF	14/12/16/3/3/1/563
ARCHIVE	Inactive
PROVINCE	North West
LOCAL_MUNI	Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality
DISTRICT_M	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati
TOWN	NW397 Rural
AMEND_COMM	Lapsed 15/01/2014
APP_DATE	2012/04/10
EA_DATE	2013/01/21
PRJ_TITLE	Proposed construction of the Keren Energy Bosh Pan Solar Plant near Vryburg, Northern Cape Province.
EA HOLDER	Keren Energy Harrison Pty Ltd.
MEGA_WATT	20
TECHNOLOGY	Solar PV
PRJ_STATUS	WITHDRAWN/LAPSED
EA_PROCESS	BAR
VERIFIED	NO

6. Natural Resources

6.1. Geology

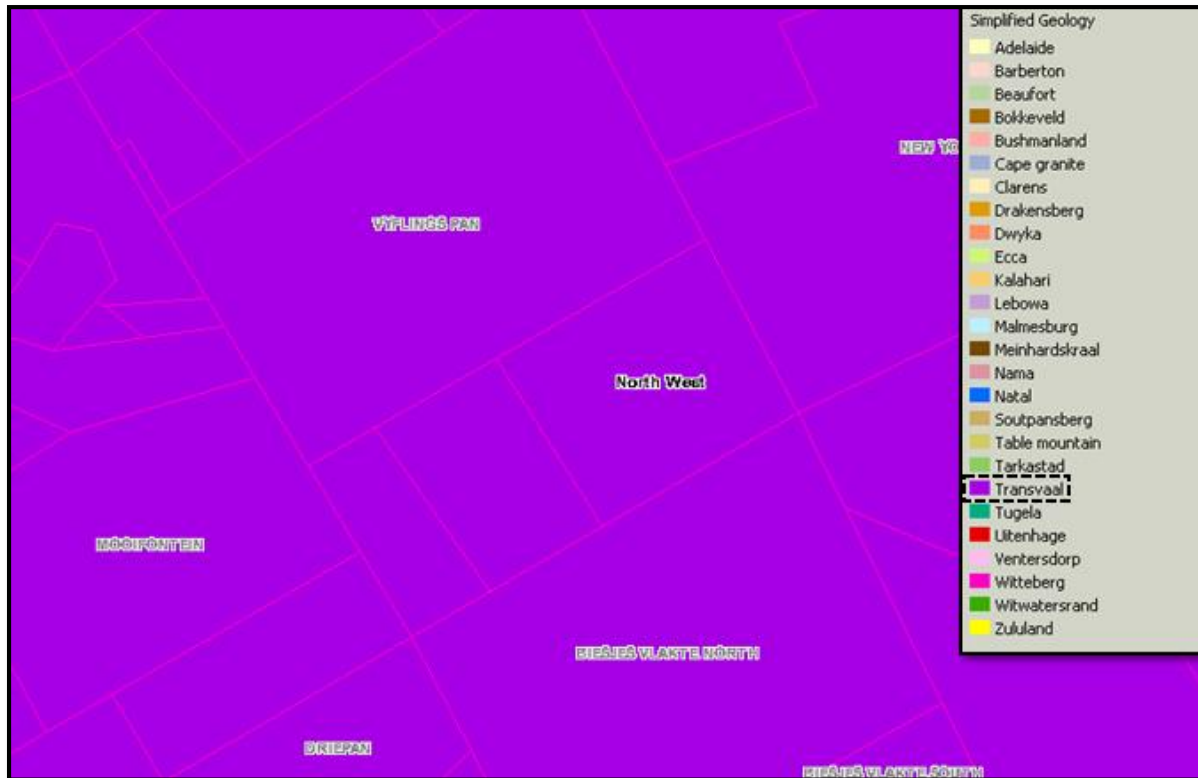


Figure 7: Simplified Geology (Agis)

6.2. Terrain

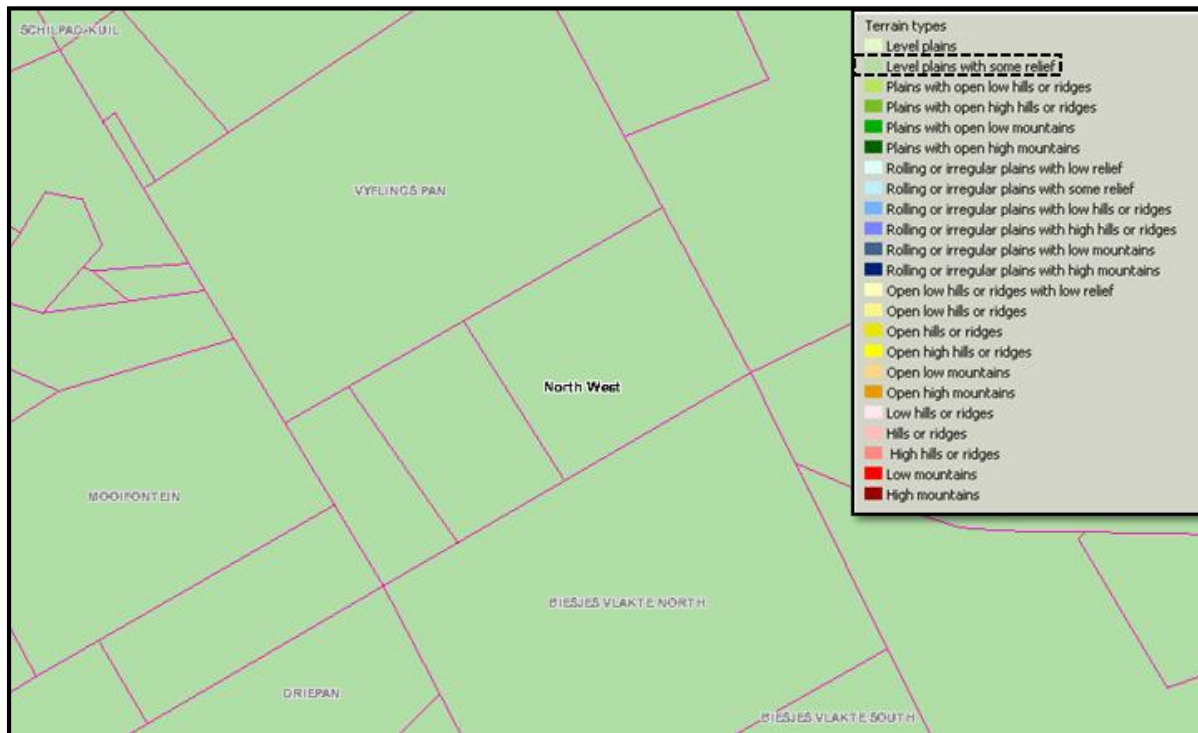


Figure 8: Terrain type (Agis)

6.3. Vegetation:



Figure 9: Vegetation biome (Agis)

6.4. Water

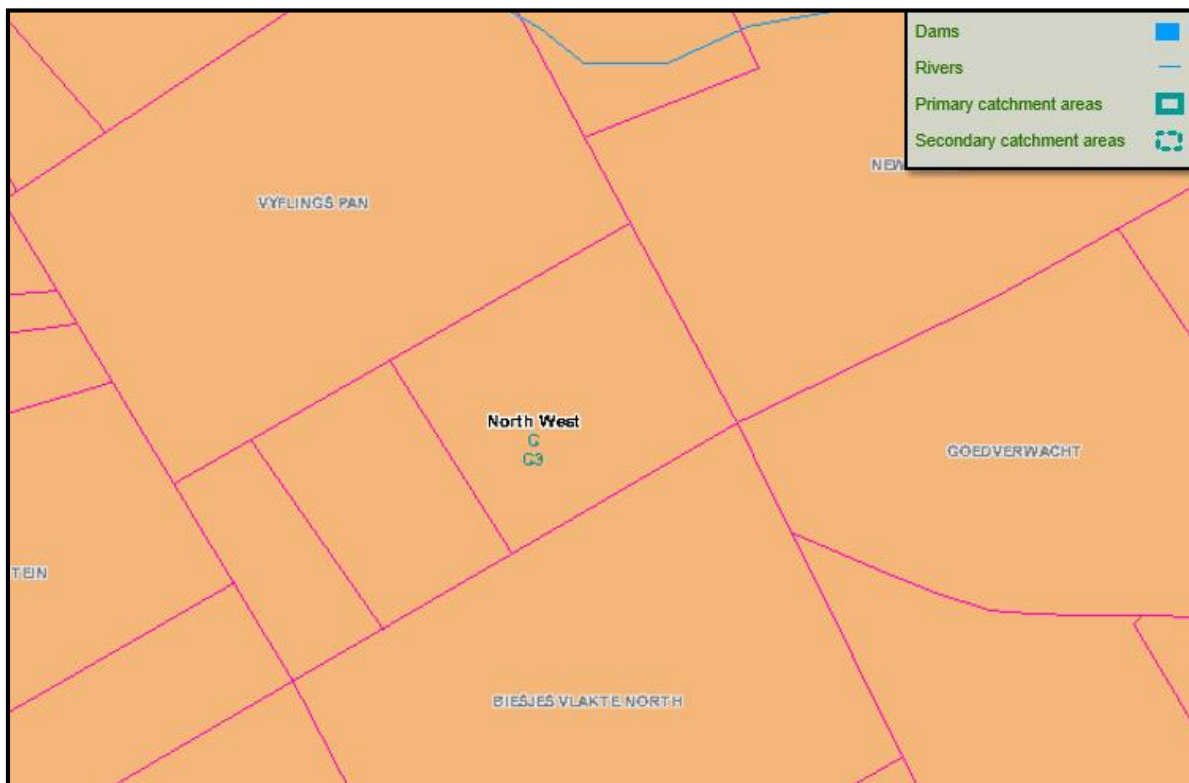


Figure 10: Dams and rivers (Agis)

7. Agricultural Potential

7.1. Land capability

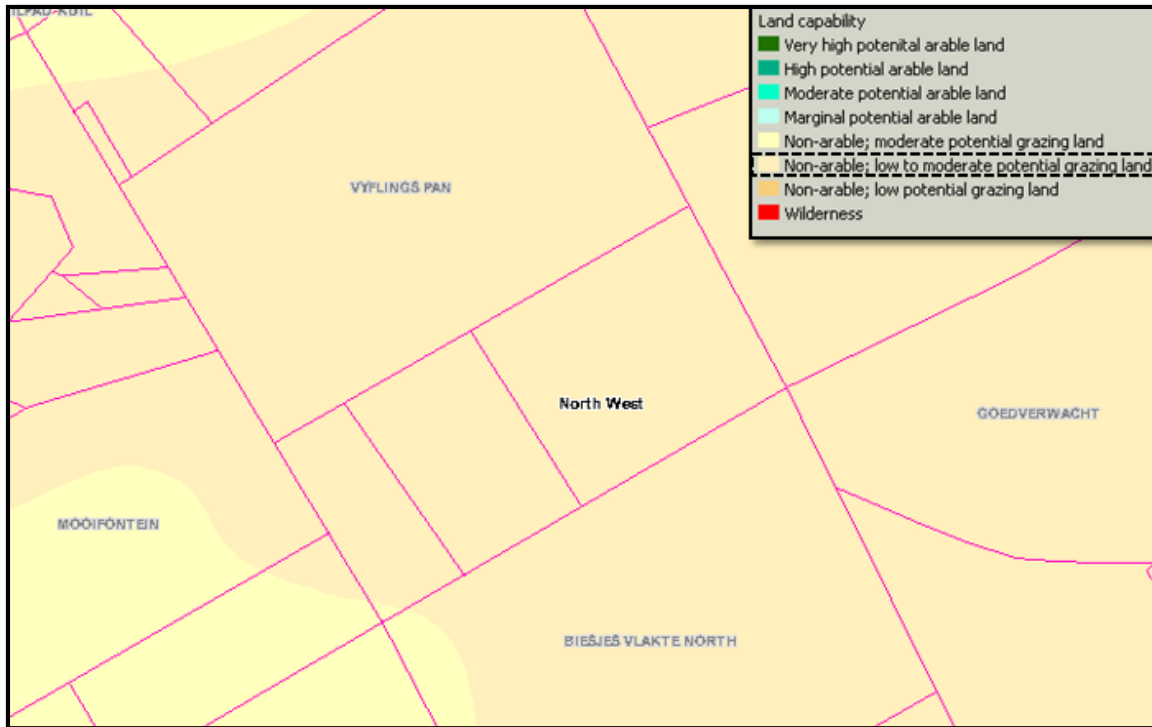


Figure 11: Land Capability (Agis)

7.2. Livestock

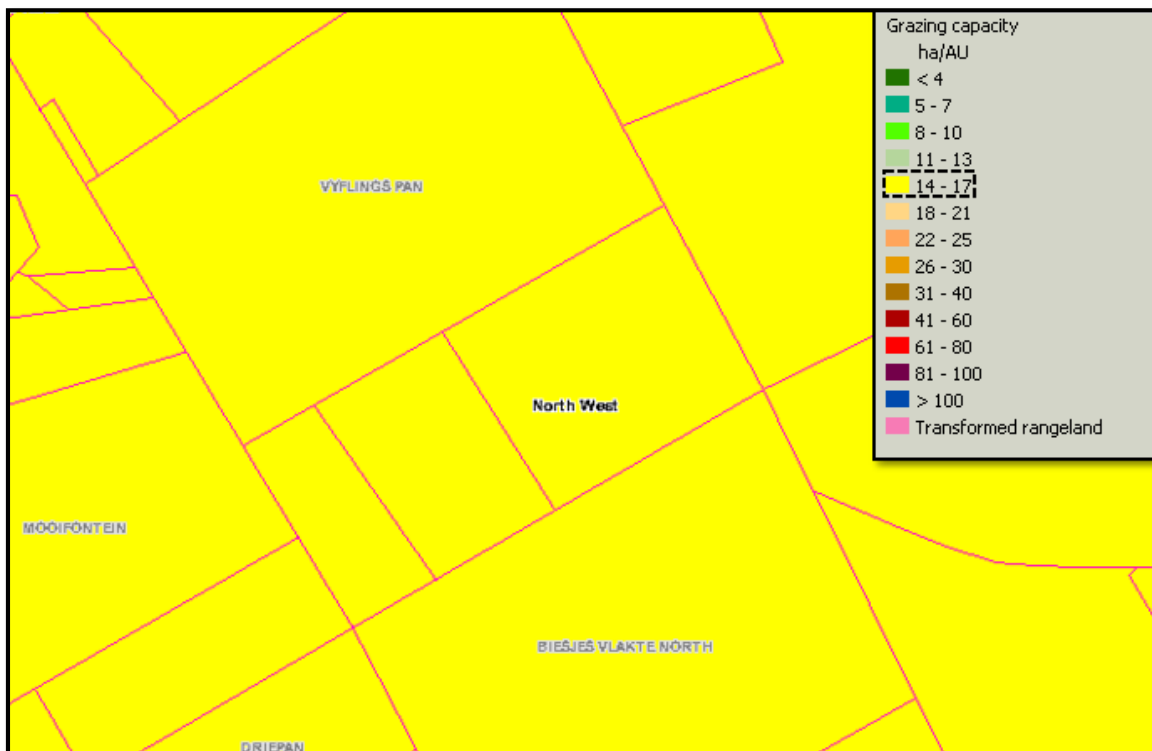


Figure 12: Grazing Capacity (Agis)

8. Land cover and Land use

8.1. Land use

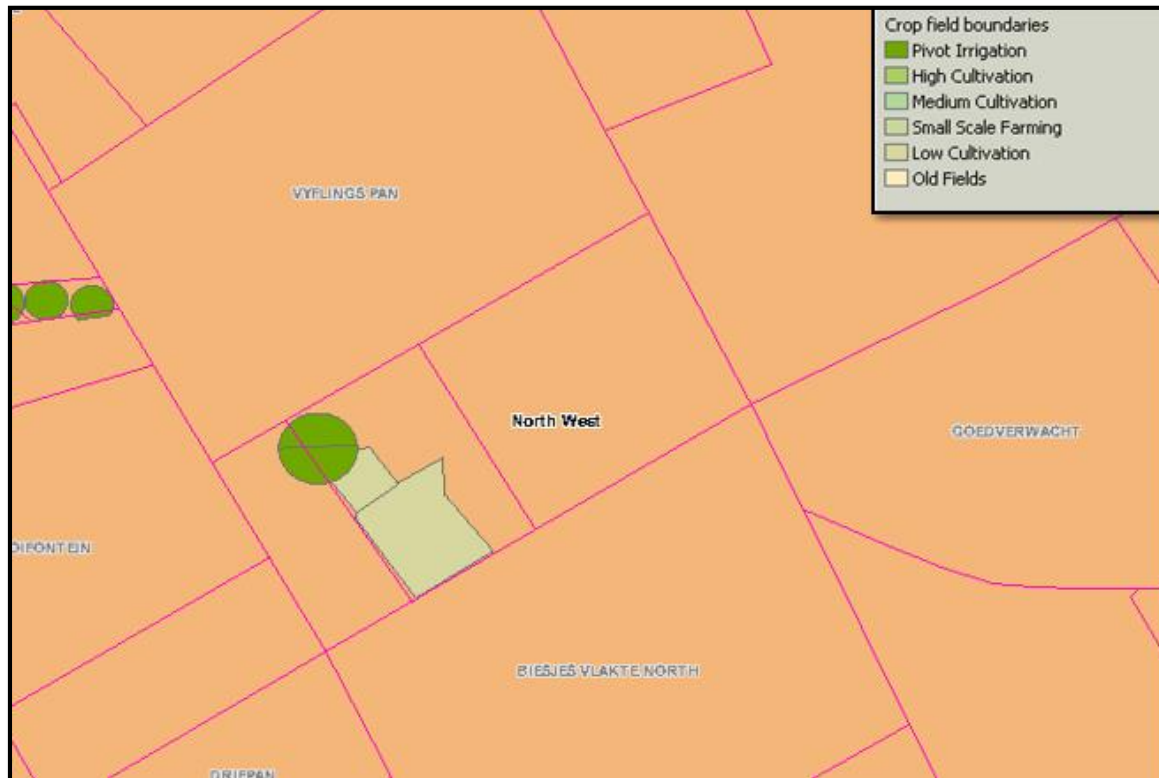


Figure 13: Crop field boundaries

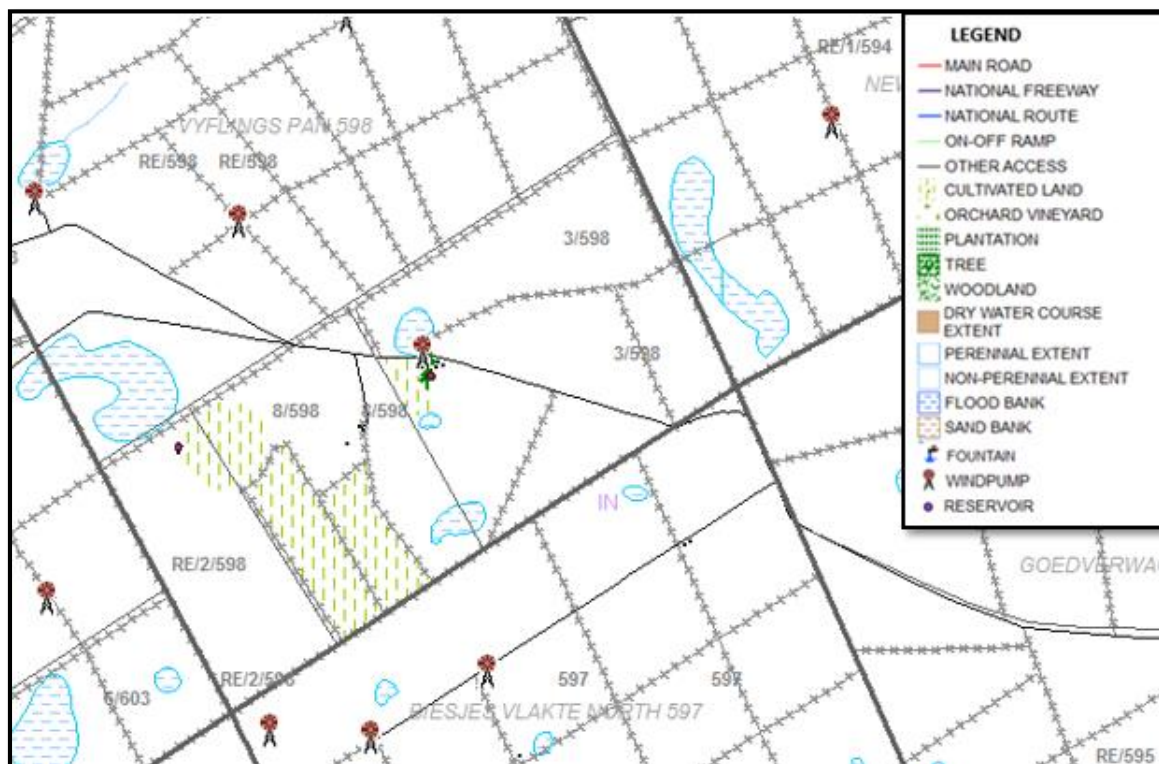
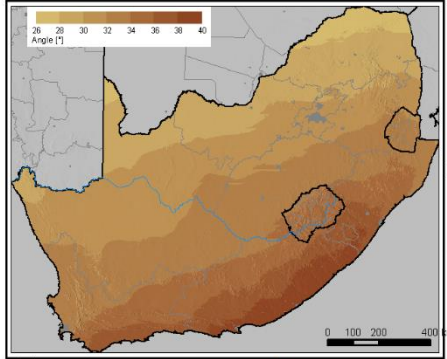


Figure 14: Vegetation and structures (PlanetGIS)

9. Solar Resource

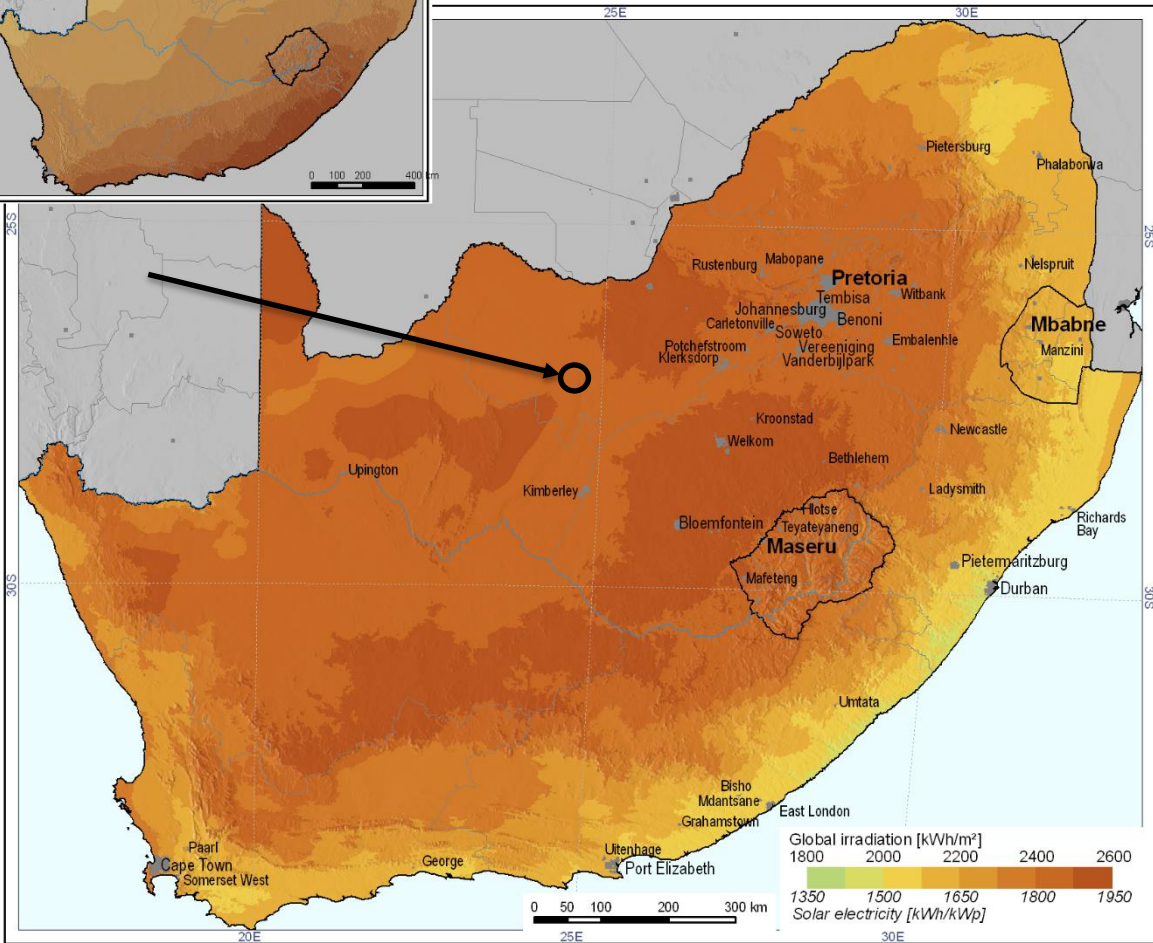
The E_m is 1780 yearly with an inclination of 30 degrees, and -177 degrees orientation. Estimated losses due to temperature and low irradiance: 12.4%.

Optimum inclination of PV modules to maximize yearly energy yield



South Africa

Yearly sum of global irradiation incident on optimally-inclined surface
Yearly sum of solar electricity generated by 1 kWp system with optimally-inclined modules and performance ratio 0.75



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<http://re.jrc.ec.europa.eu/pvgis/pv/>
<http://www.helioclim.org/>

Figure 15: Global irradiation

10. Possible areas for development

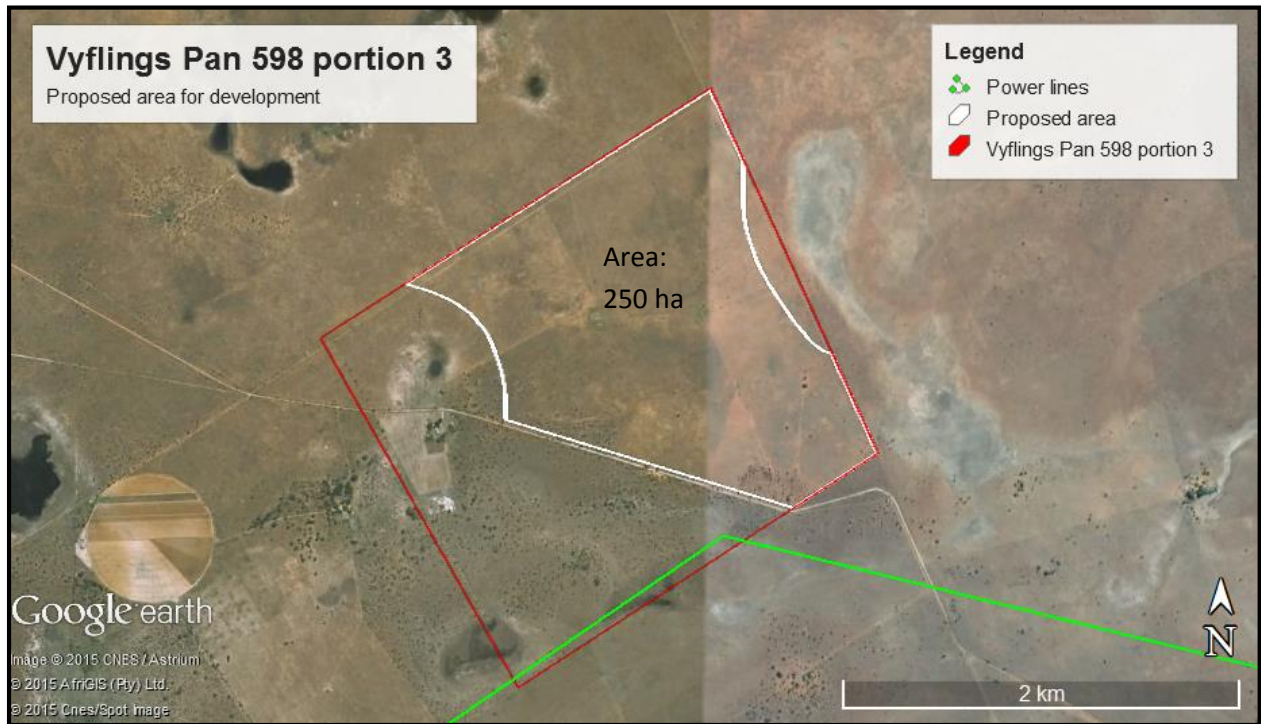


Figure 16: Proposed development area for a solar power plant

Keeping all the above information into consideration, one area was identified for a proposed solar plant. This area was identified due to the low impact on the environment and infrastructure of the land portion.