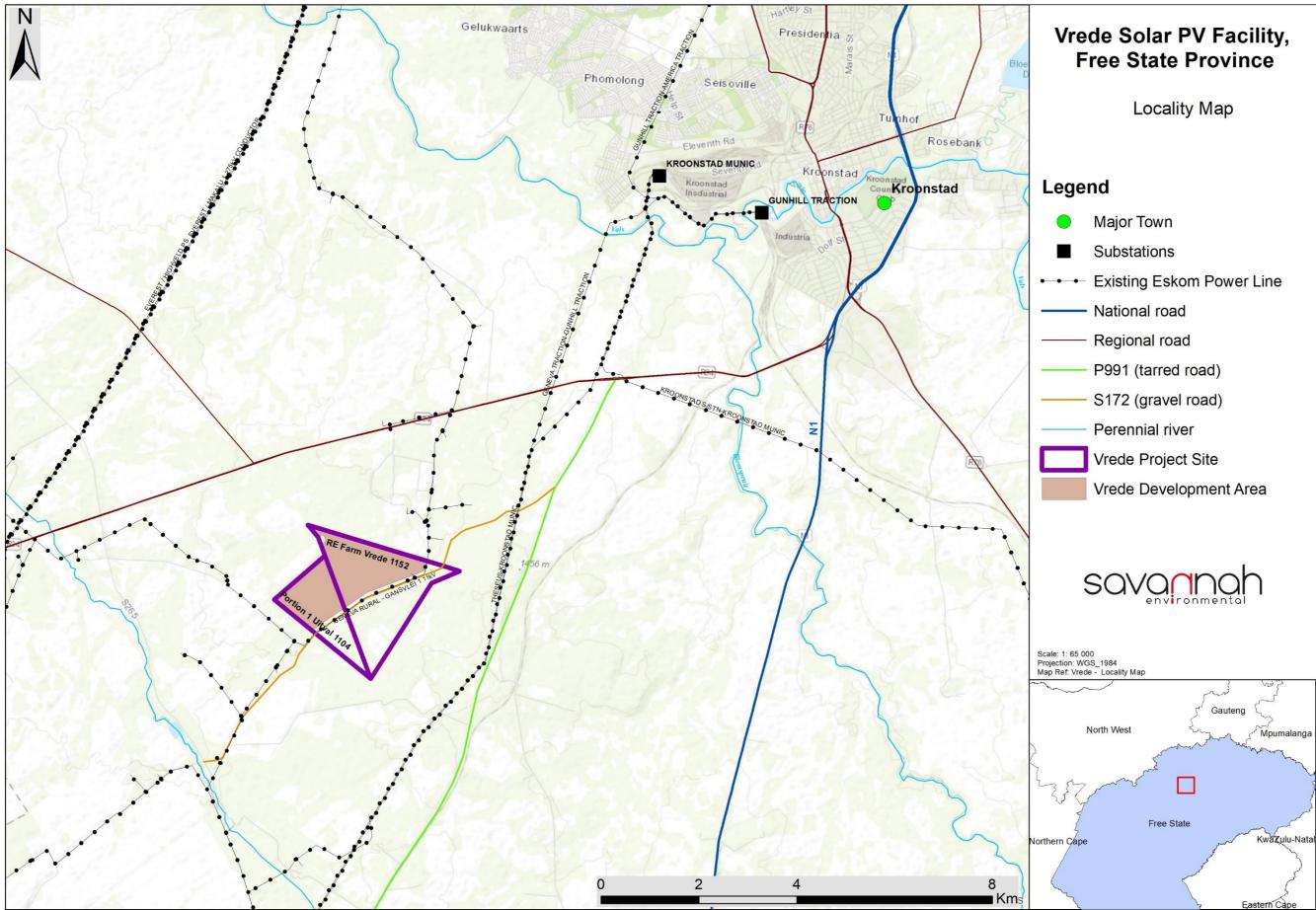
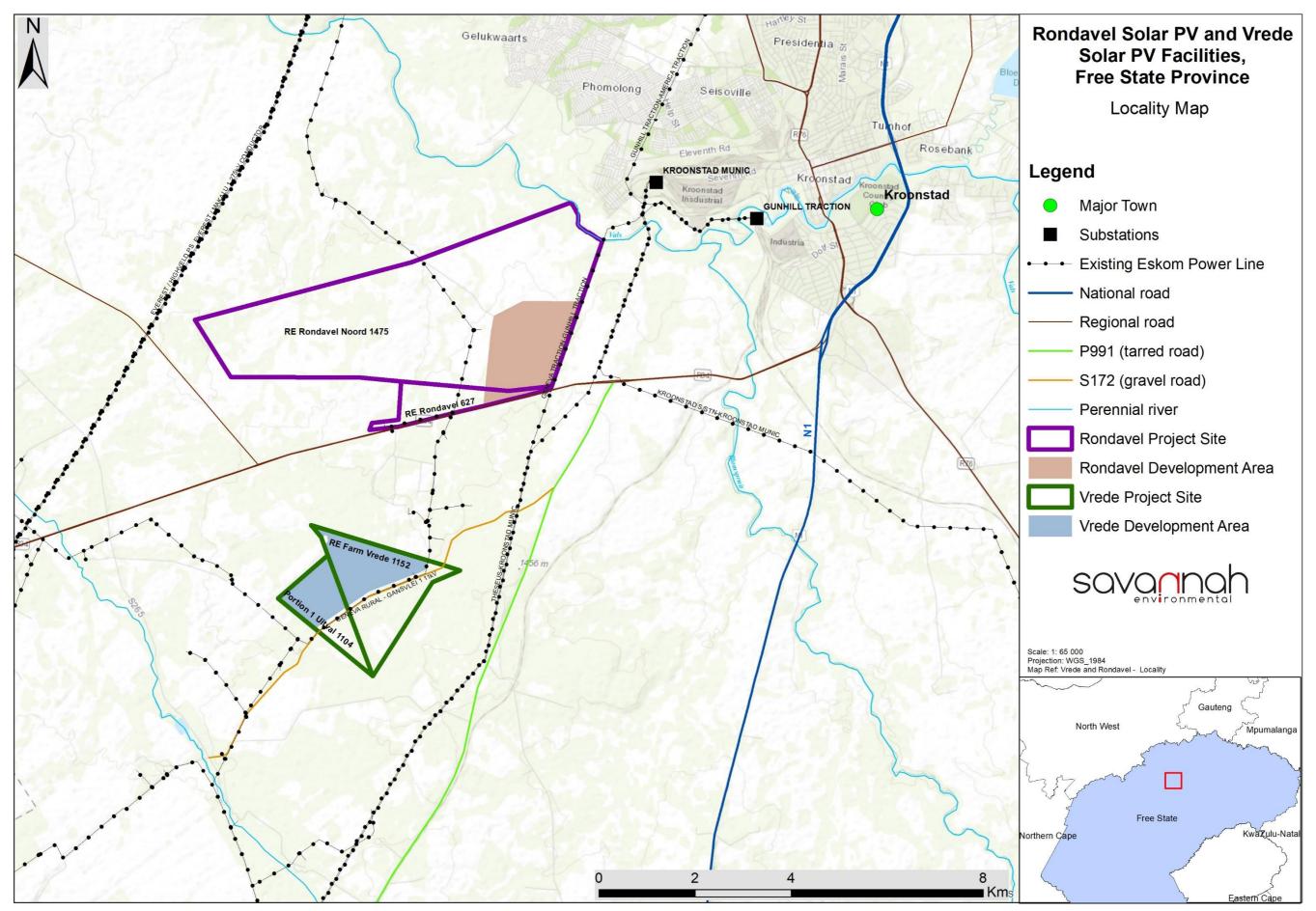


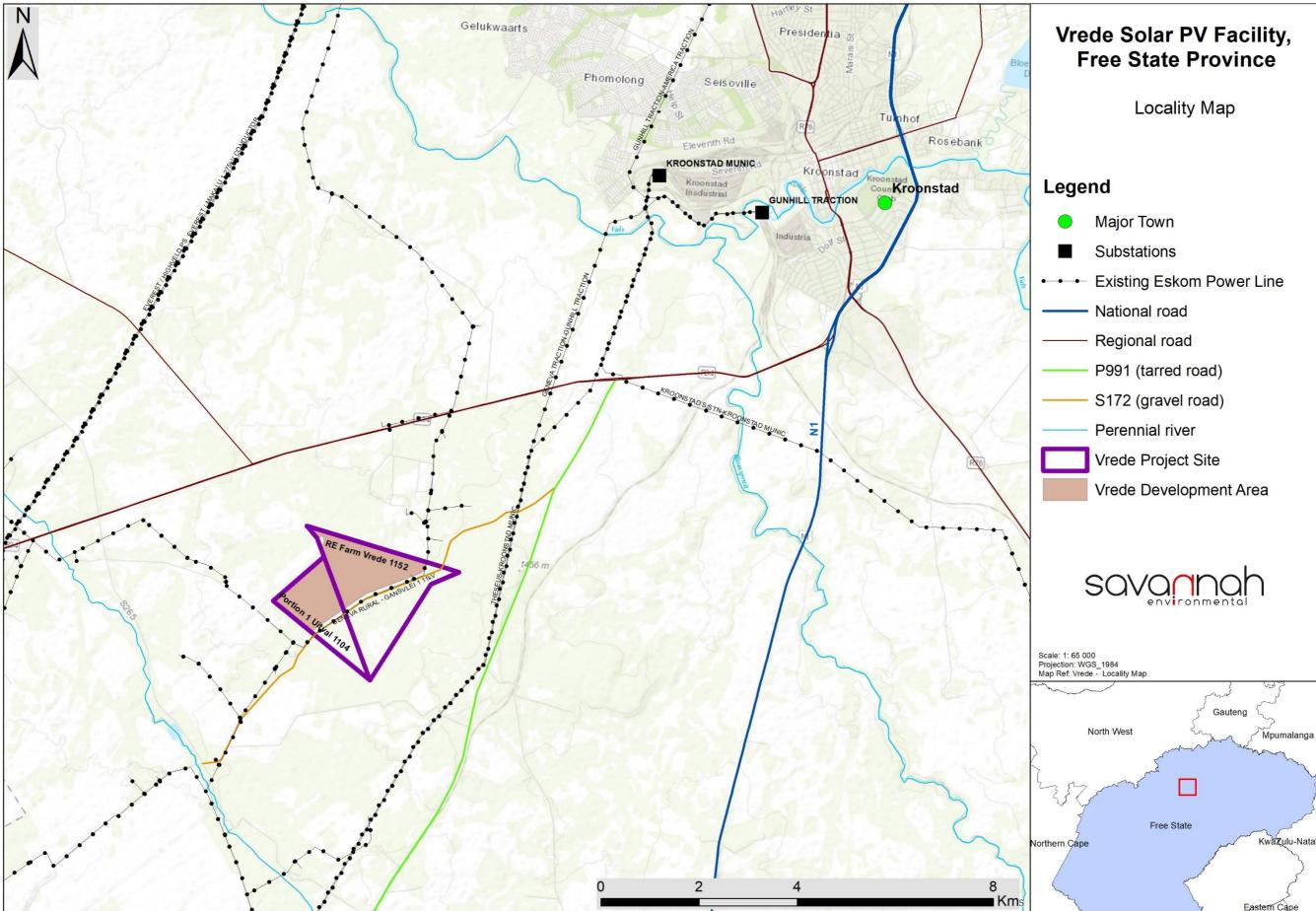
Preliminary Environmental Sensitivity Map from the results of the scoping evaluation for the Vrede Solar PV facility, indicating the recommended development envelope to be assessed within the EIA Figure 1: Phase.













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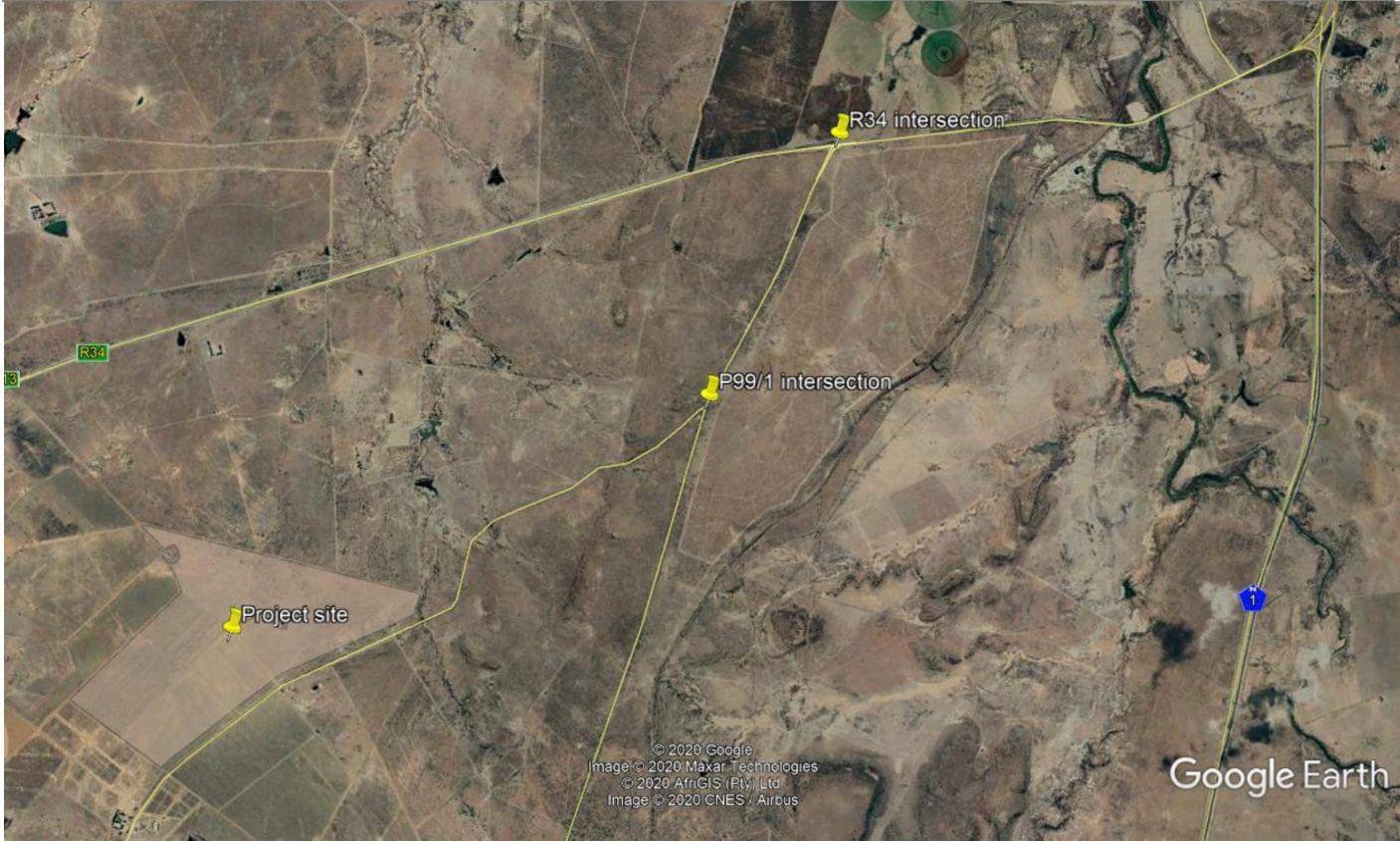


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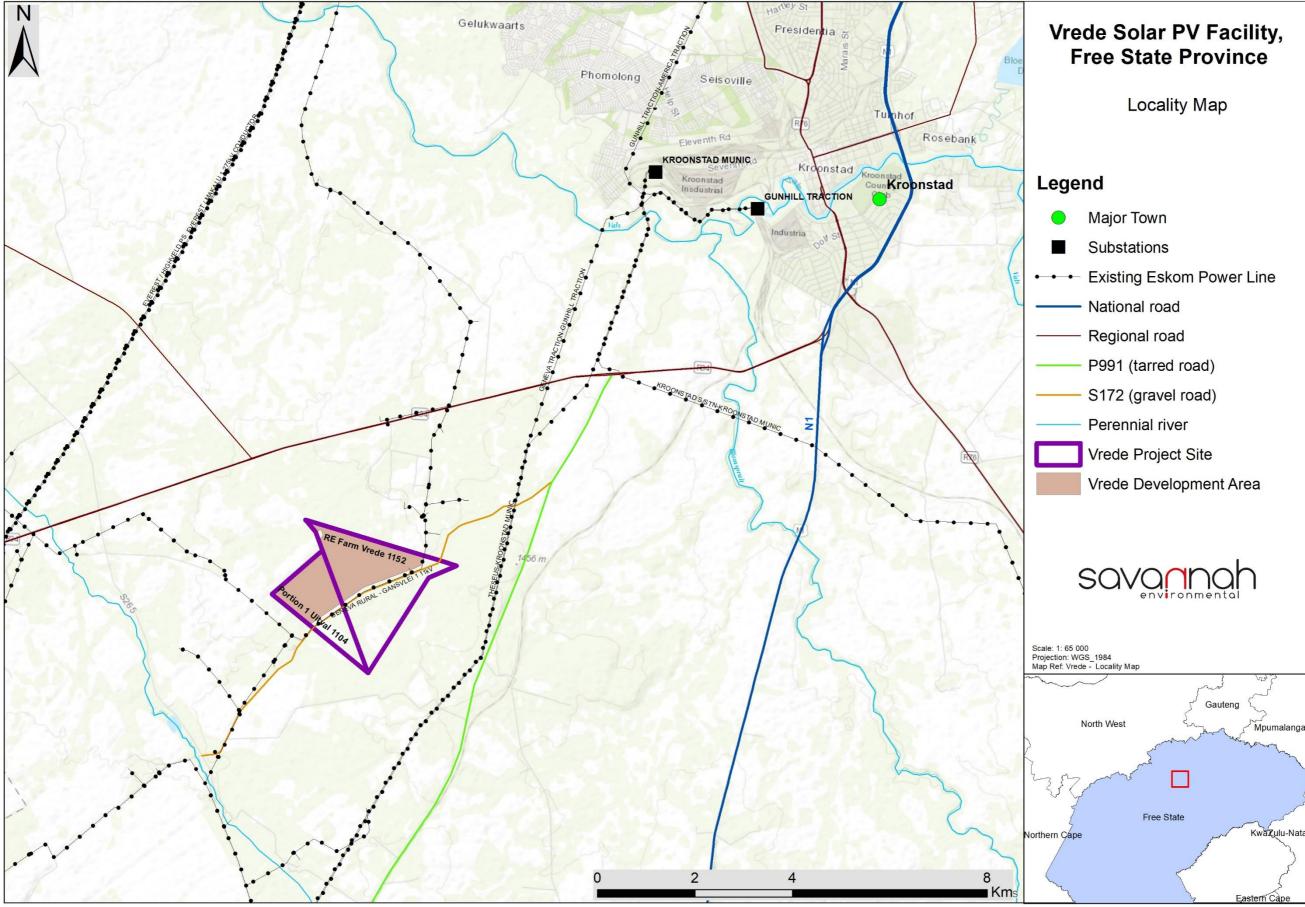


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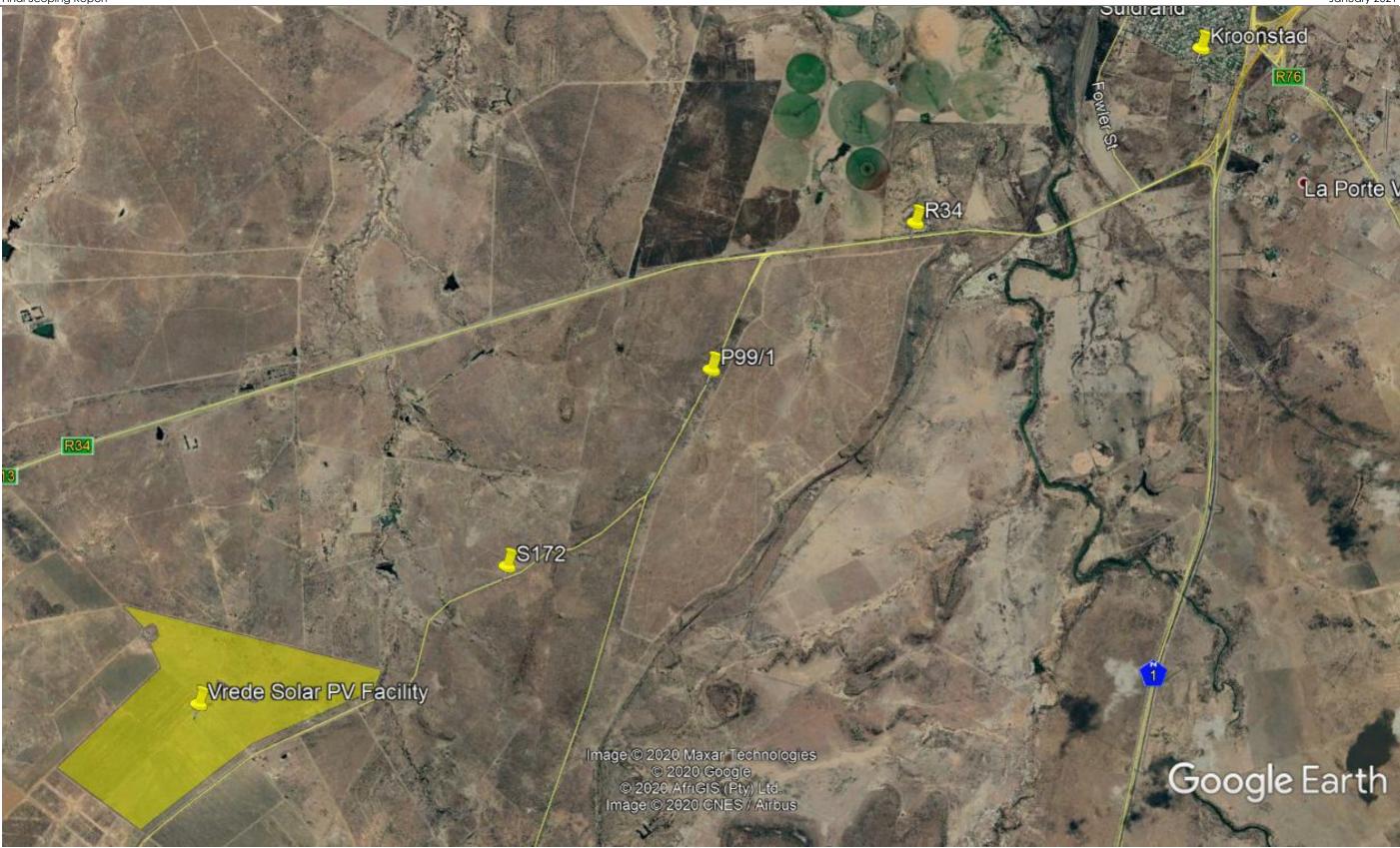
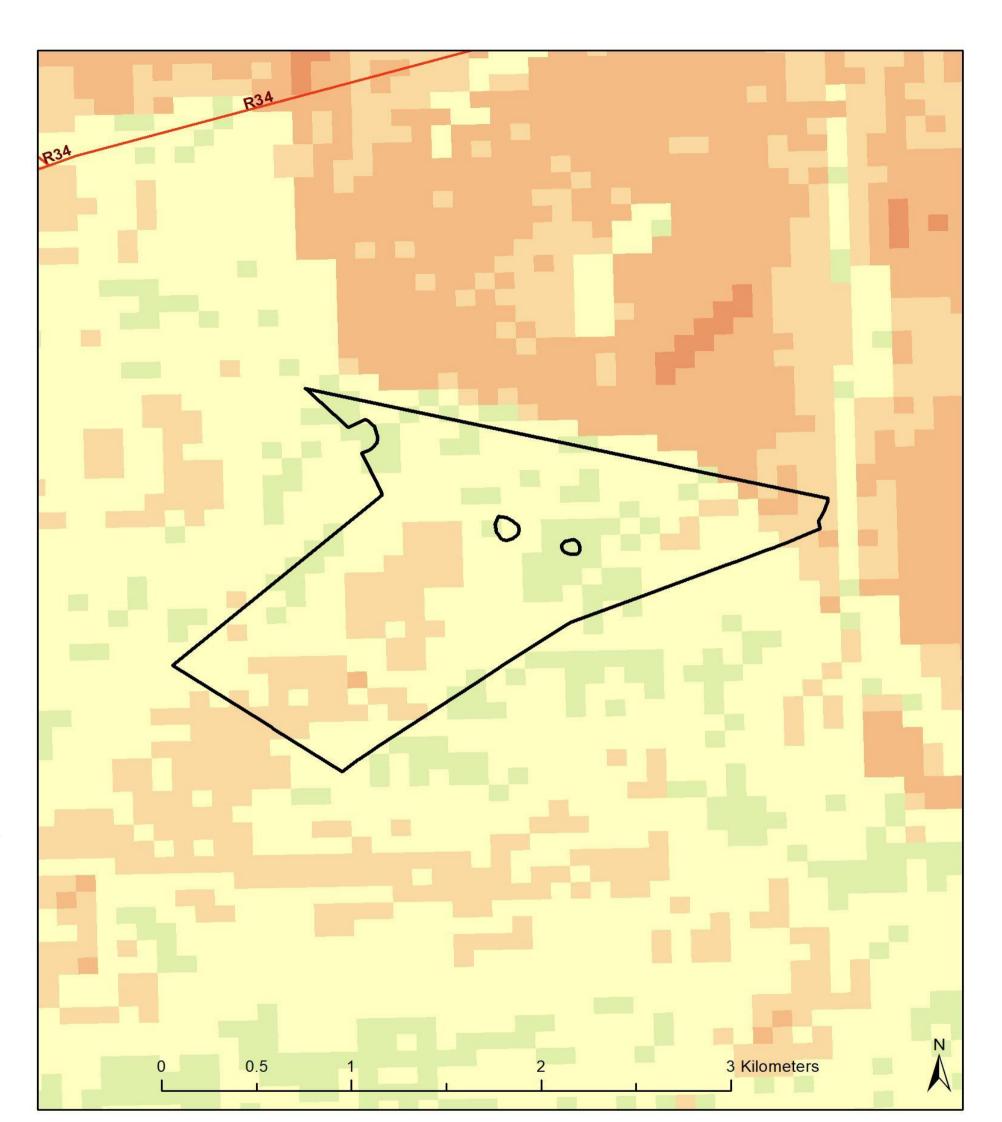


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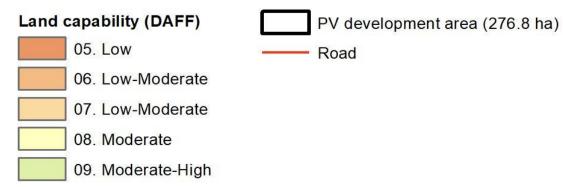
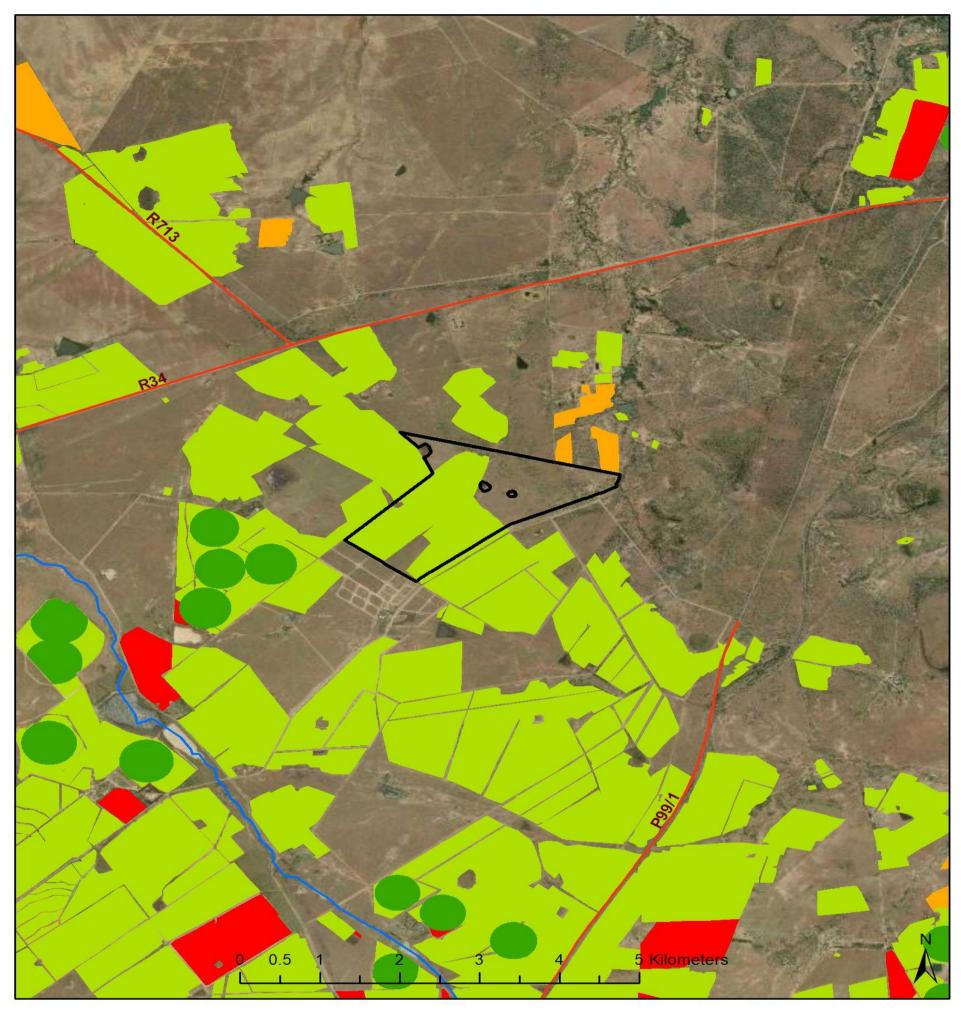


Figure 7.2: Land capability classes of the project development area





### Field crops

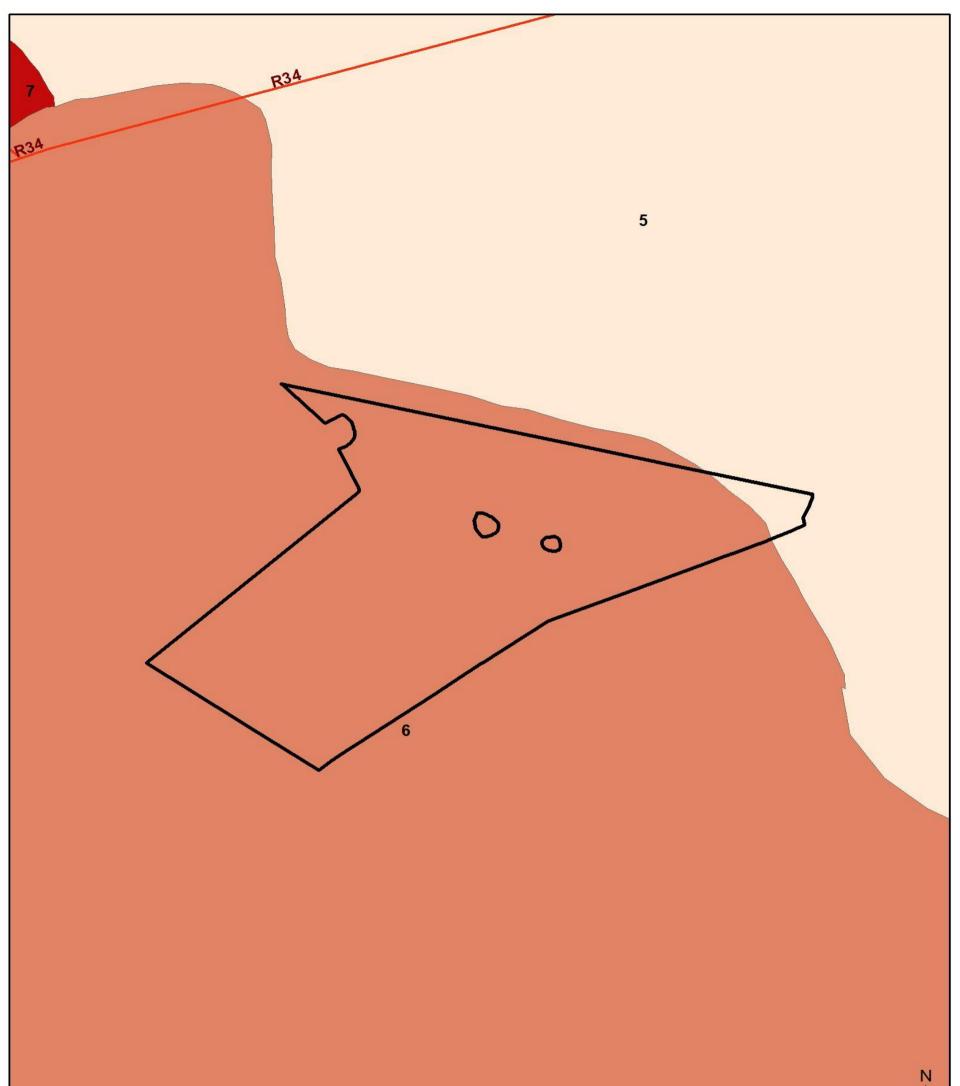


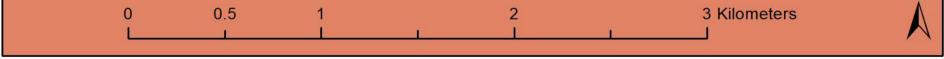
PV development area (276.8 ha) Road



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Figure 7.3: DAFF (2017) dataset for the development area and broader area. Please note, no crop cultivation has been implemented on site since 2005 due to difficulties in profitable cultivation of the development site.





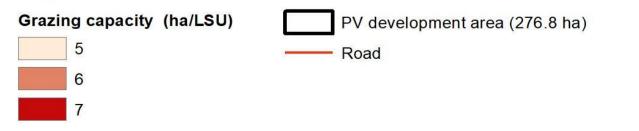




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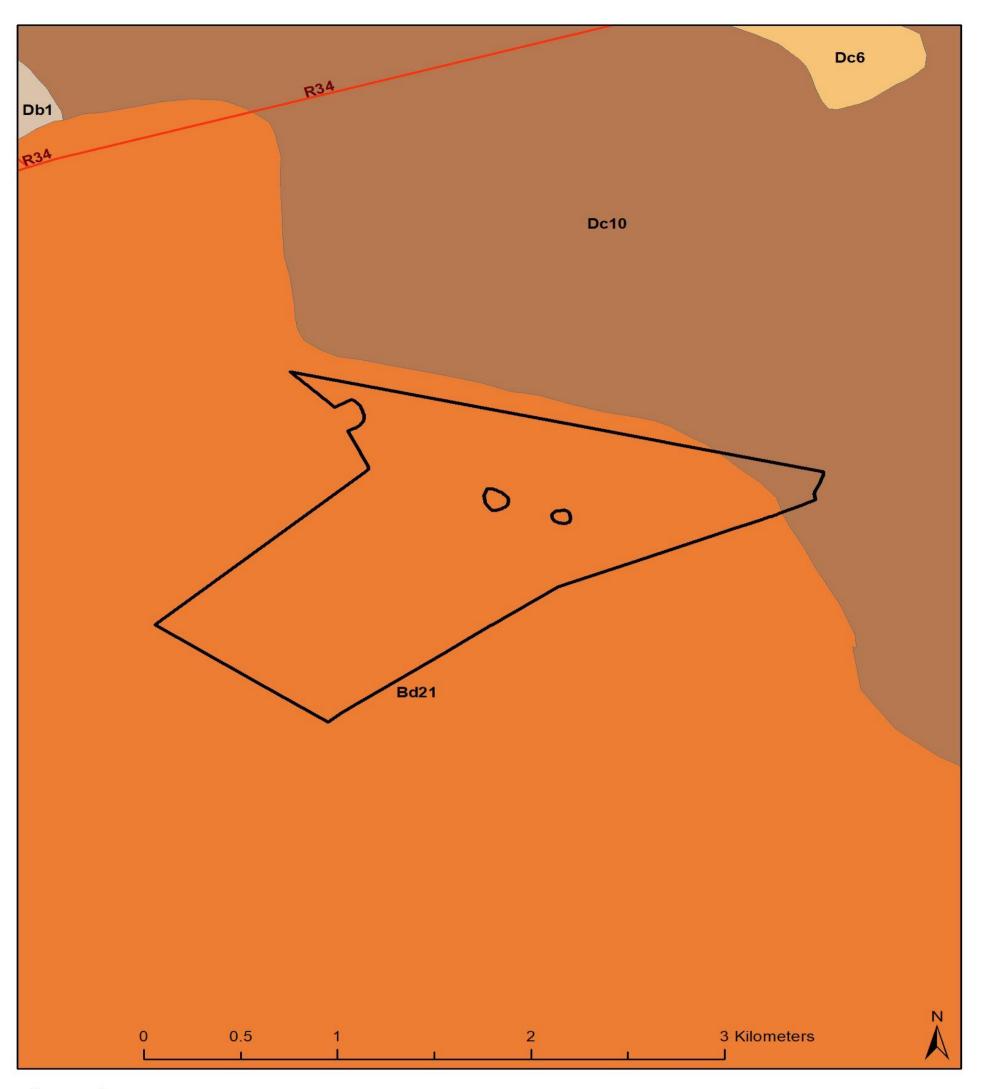






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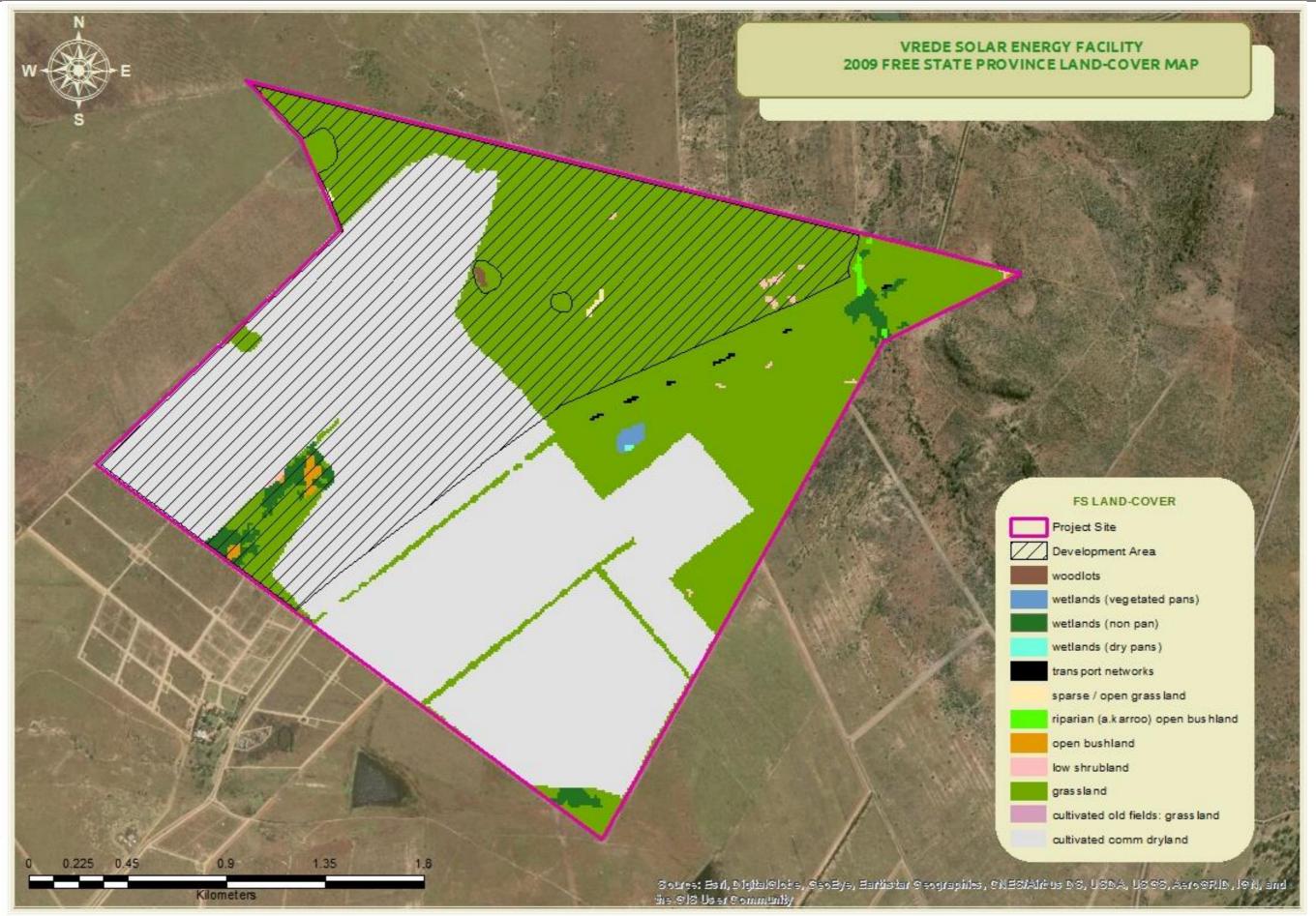


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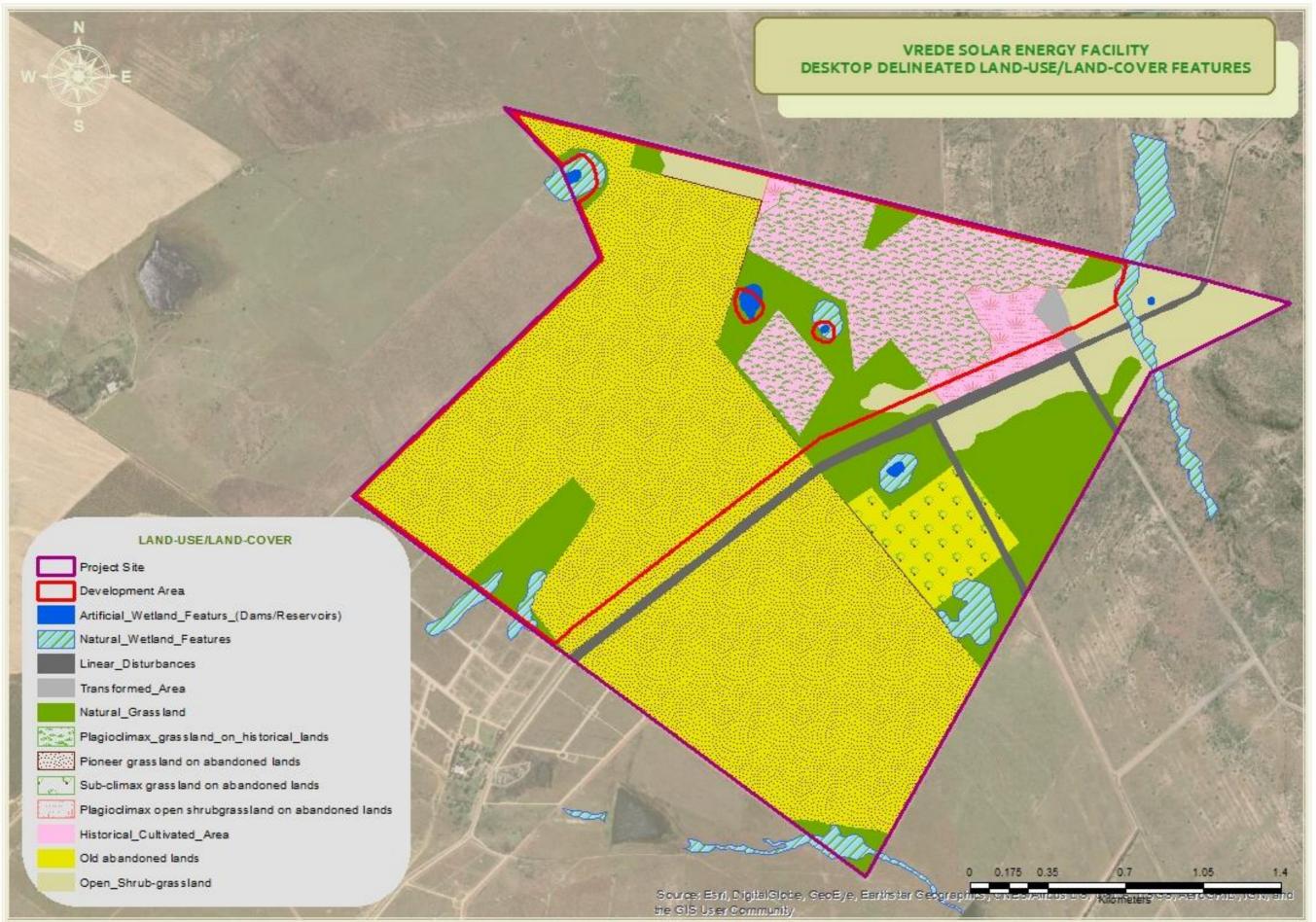


Figure 7.7: Desktop land use map of the development area, to be refined during the EIA phase assessments.

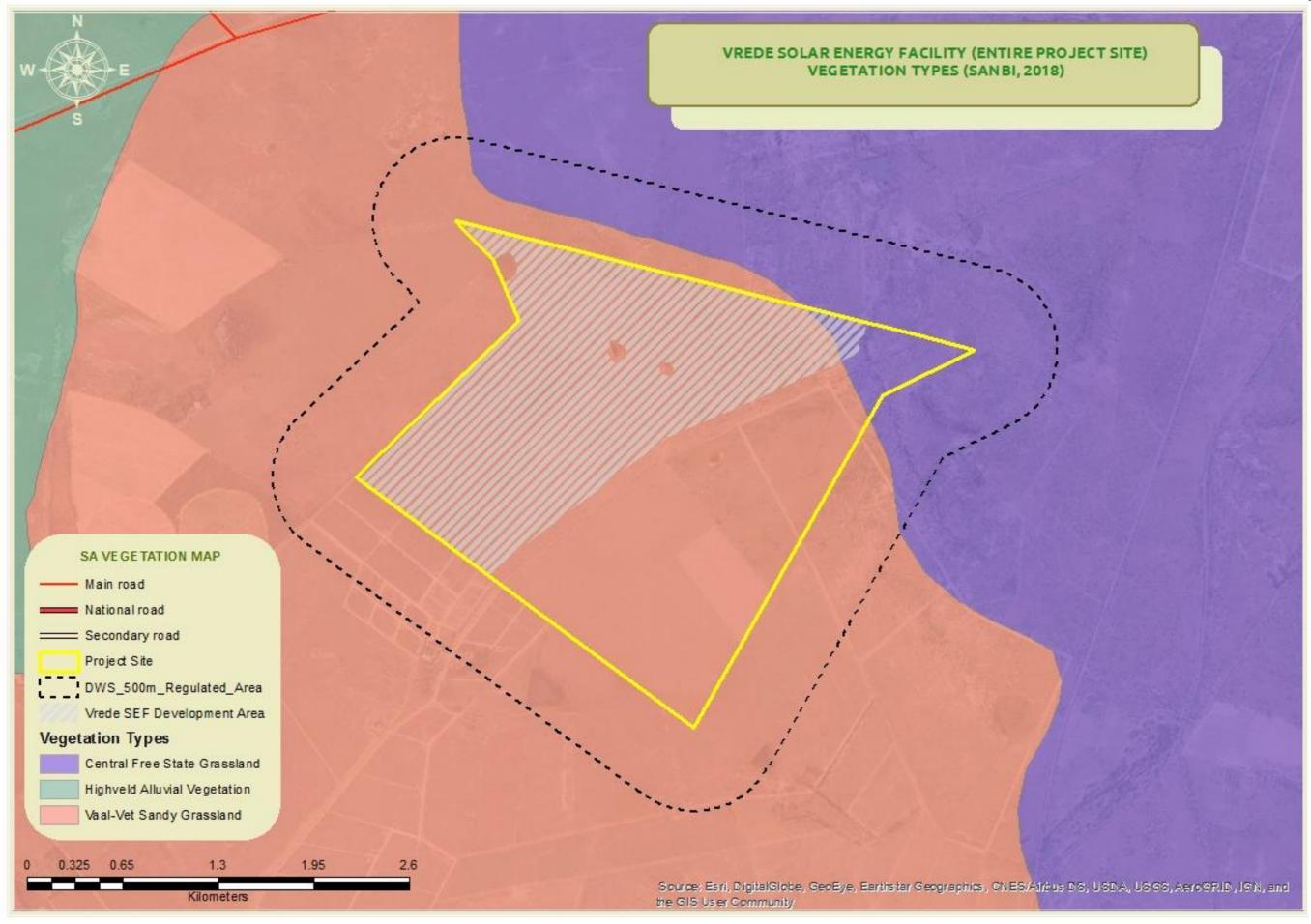


Figure 7.8: Vegetation map of the project site and development area (SANBI, 2018).



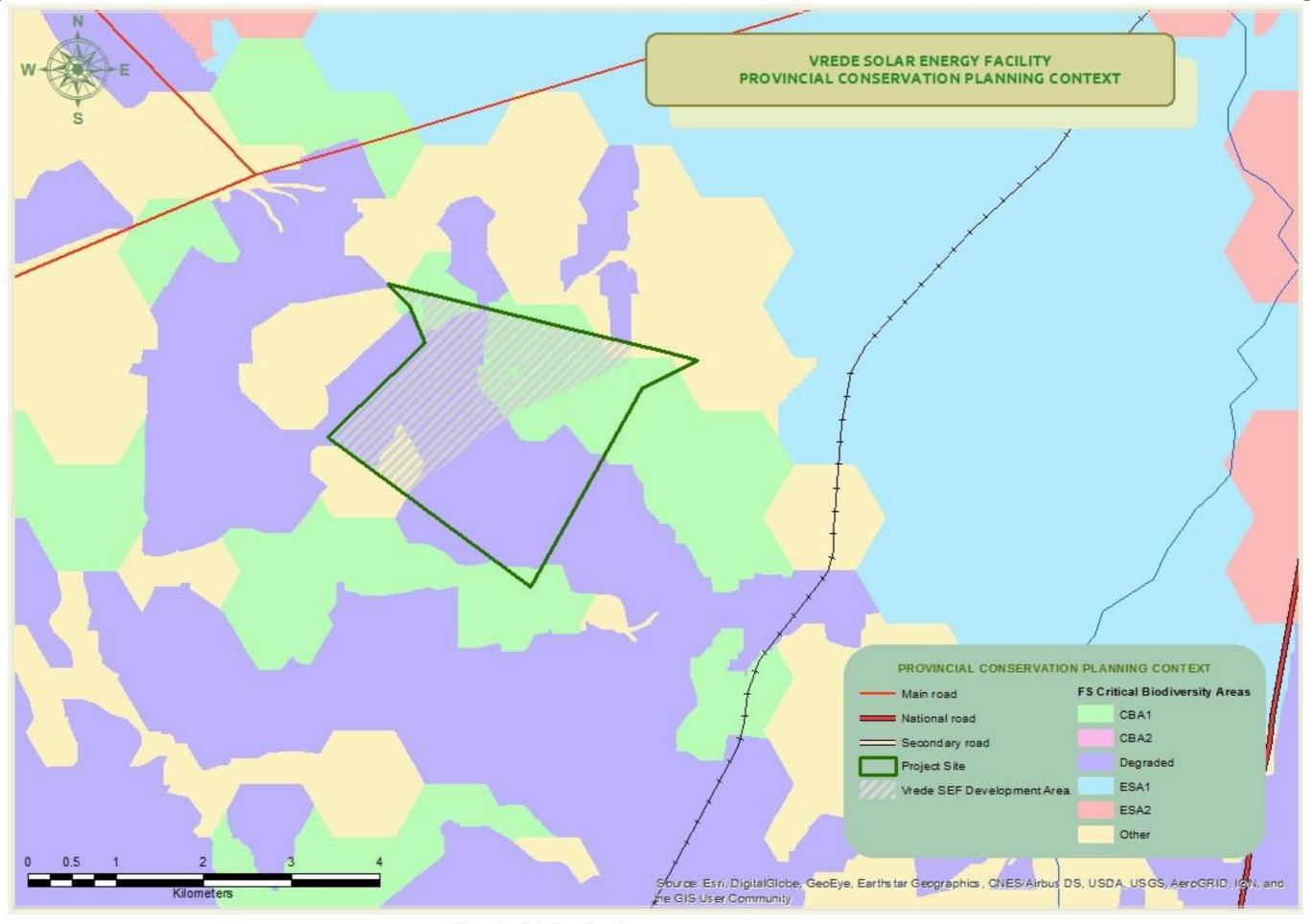


Figure 7.9: Provincial Level Conservation Planning Context – CBA Map (Free State Province Biodiversity Conservation Assessment). Appendix J: A3 Maps

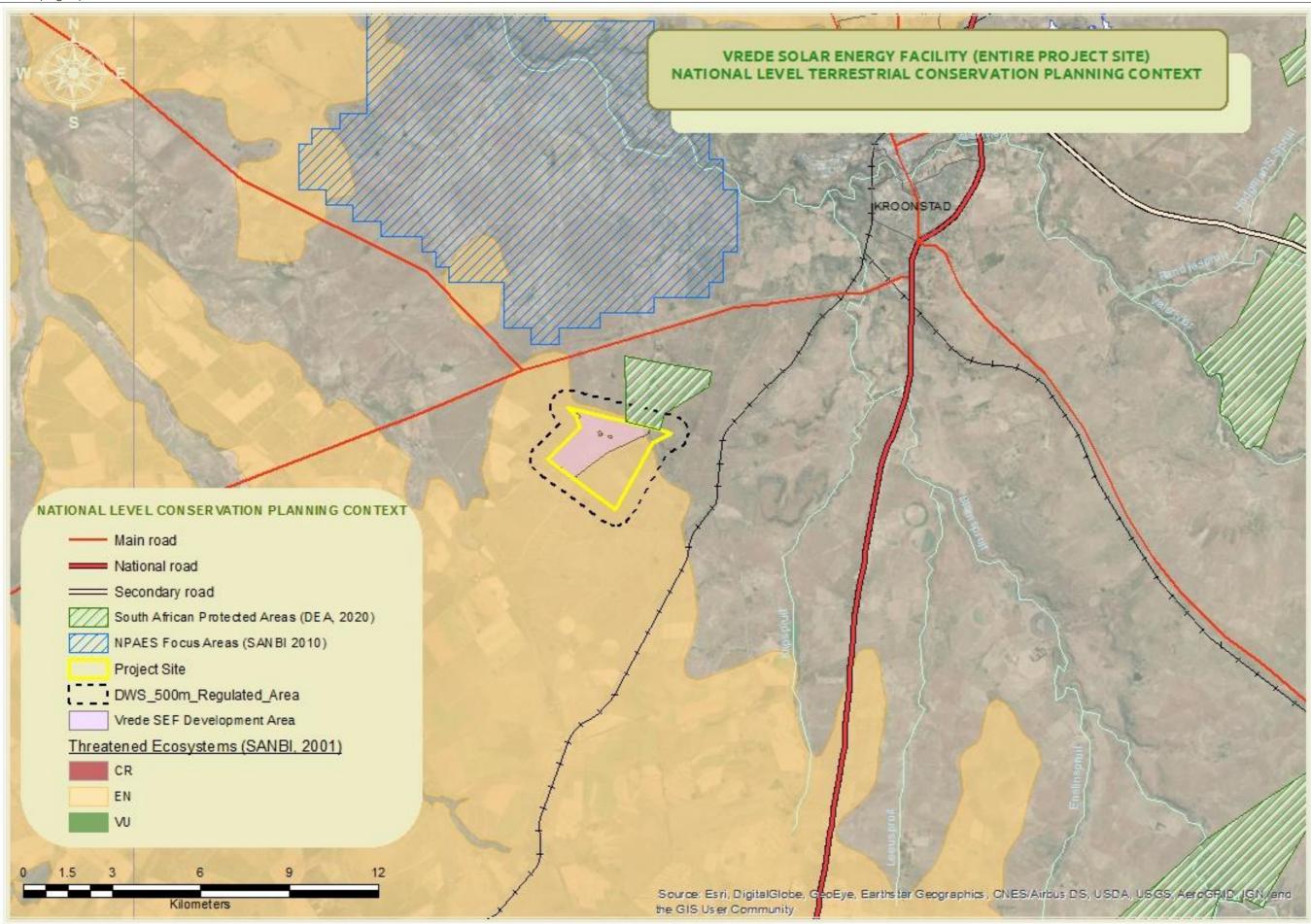


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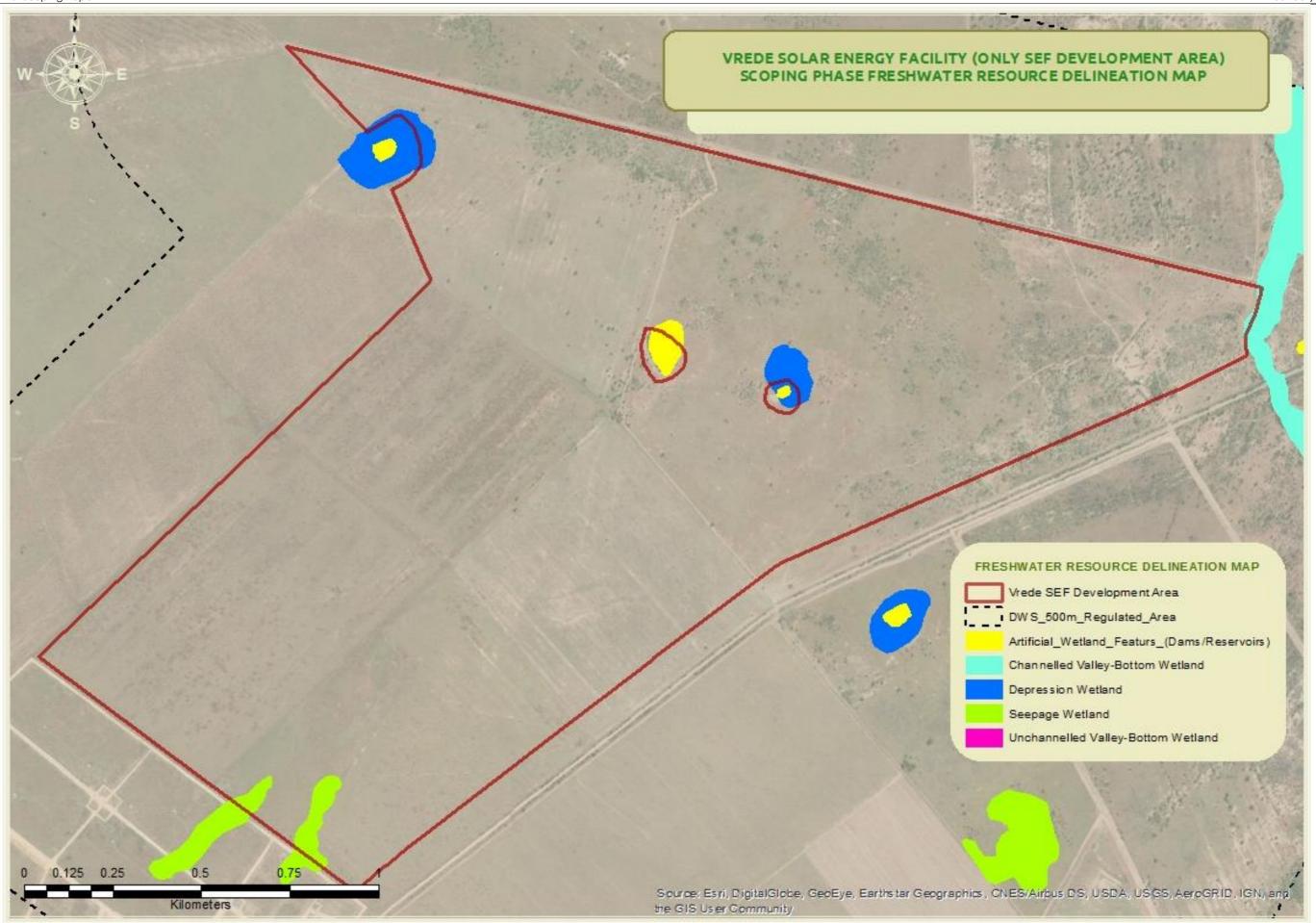


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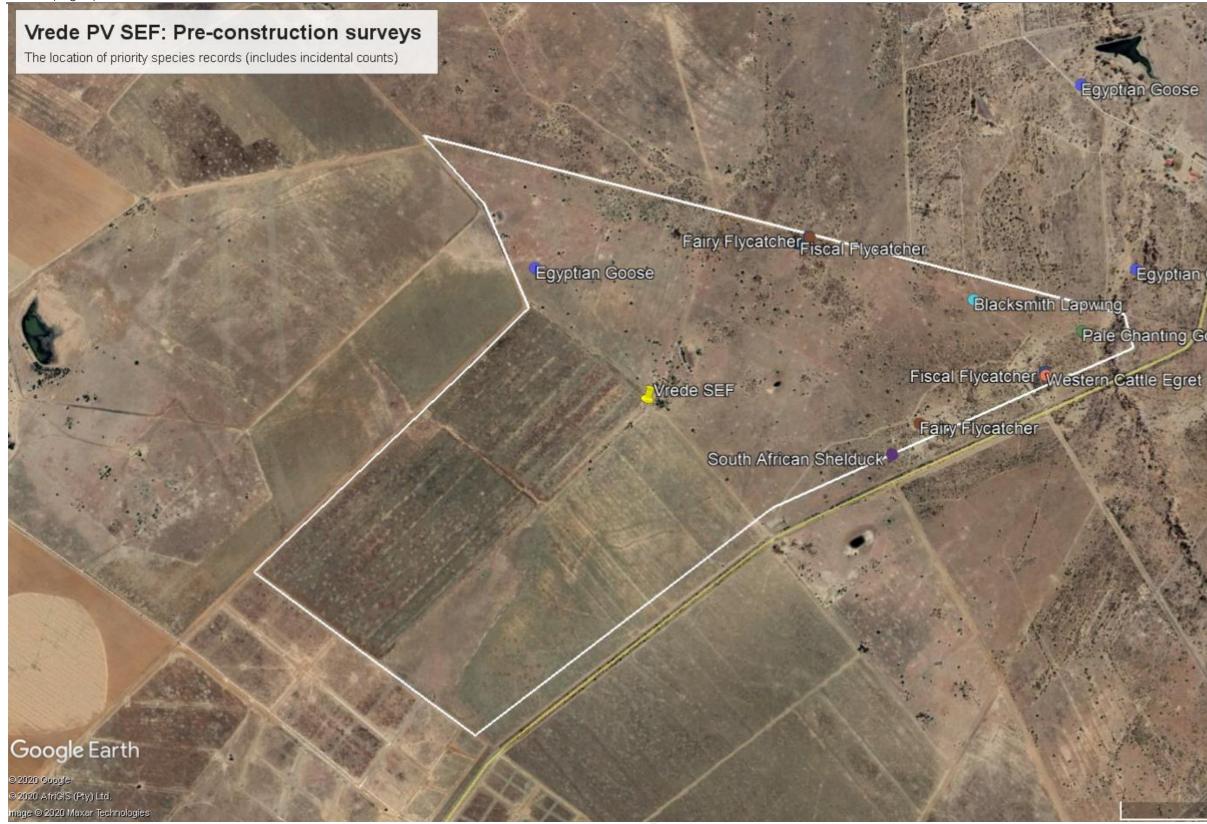


Figure 7.14: The location of priority species recorded during transect and incident counts.

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Egyptian Goose

Pale Chanting Goshawk

1 km

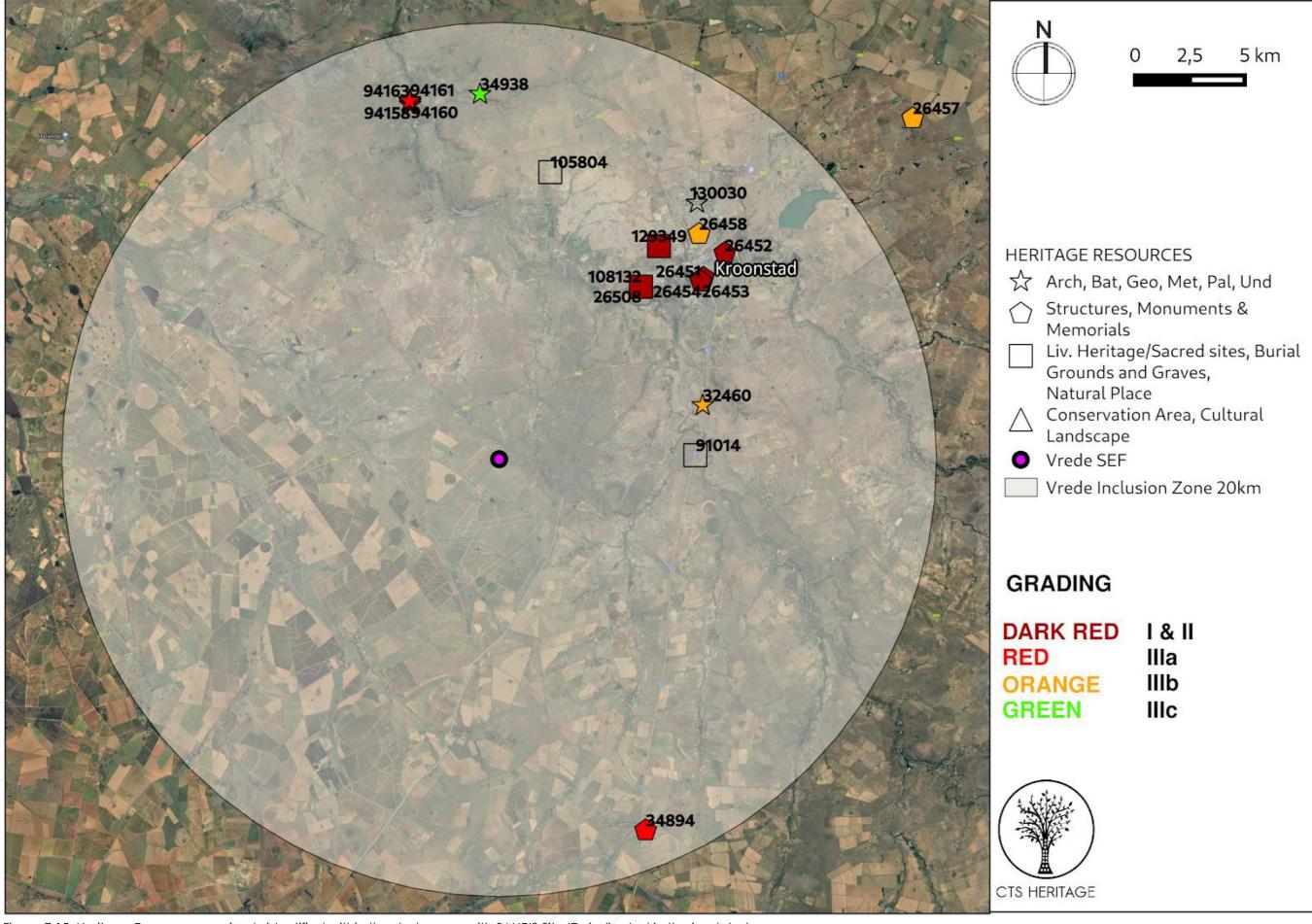


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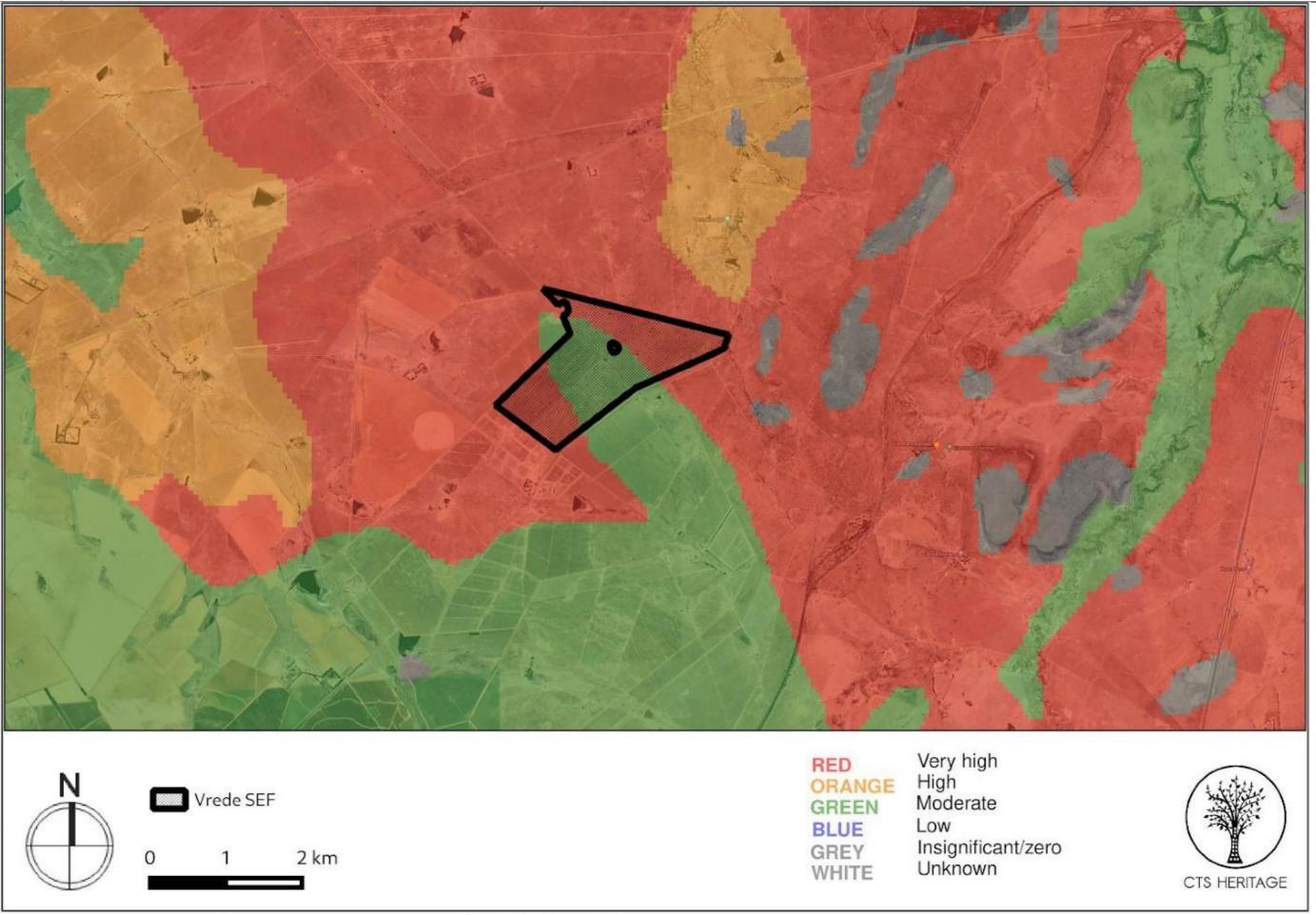


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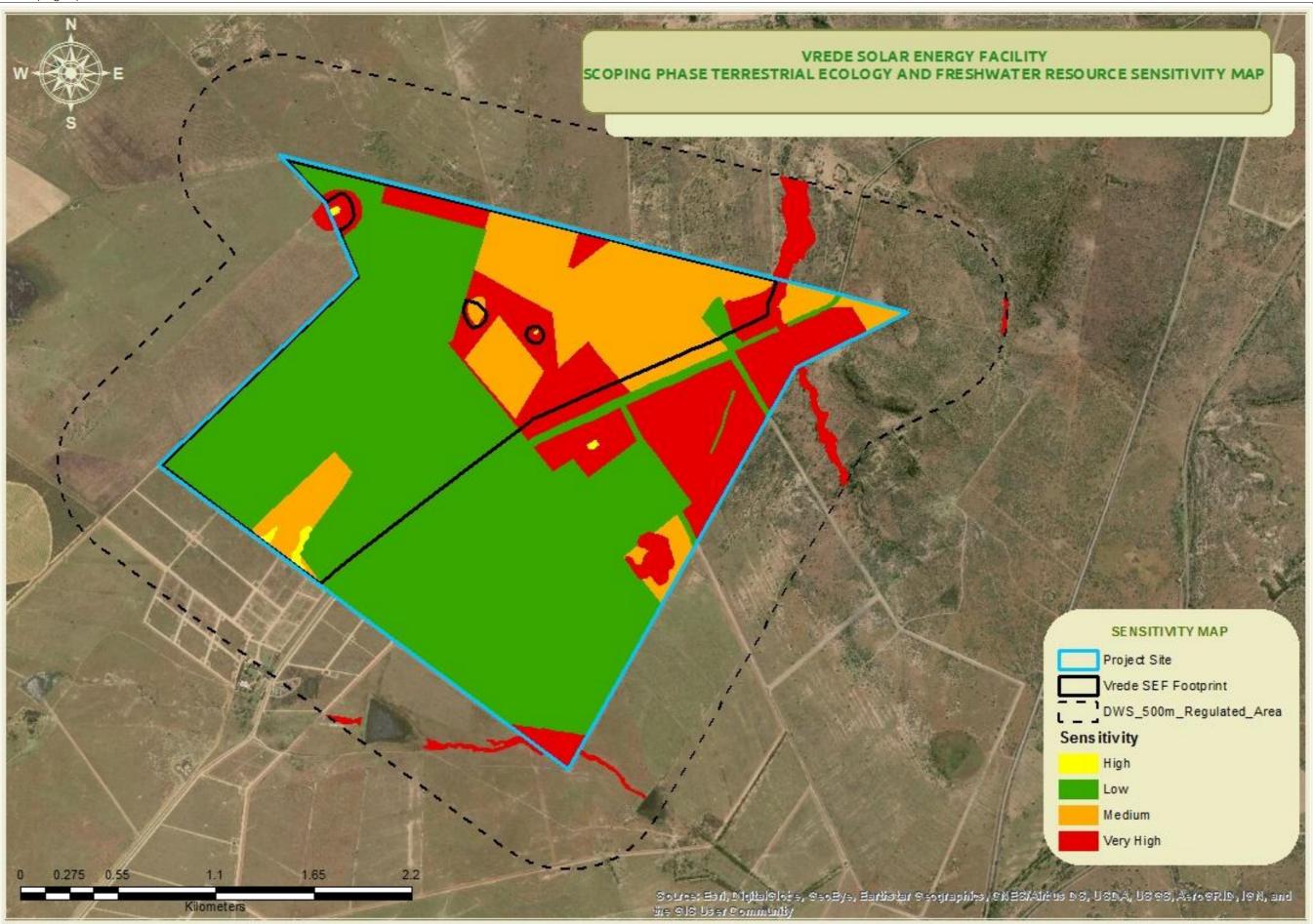


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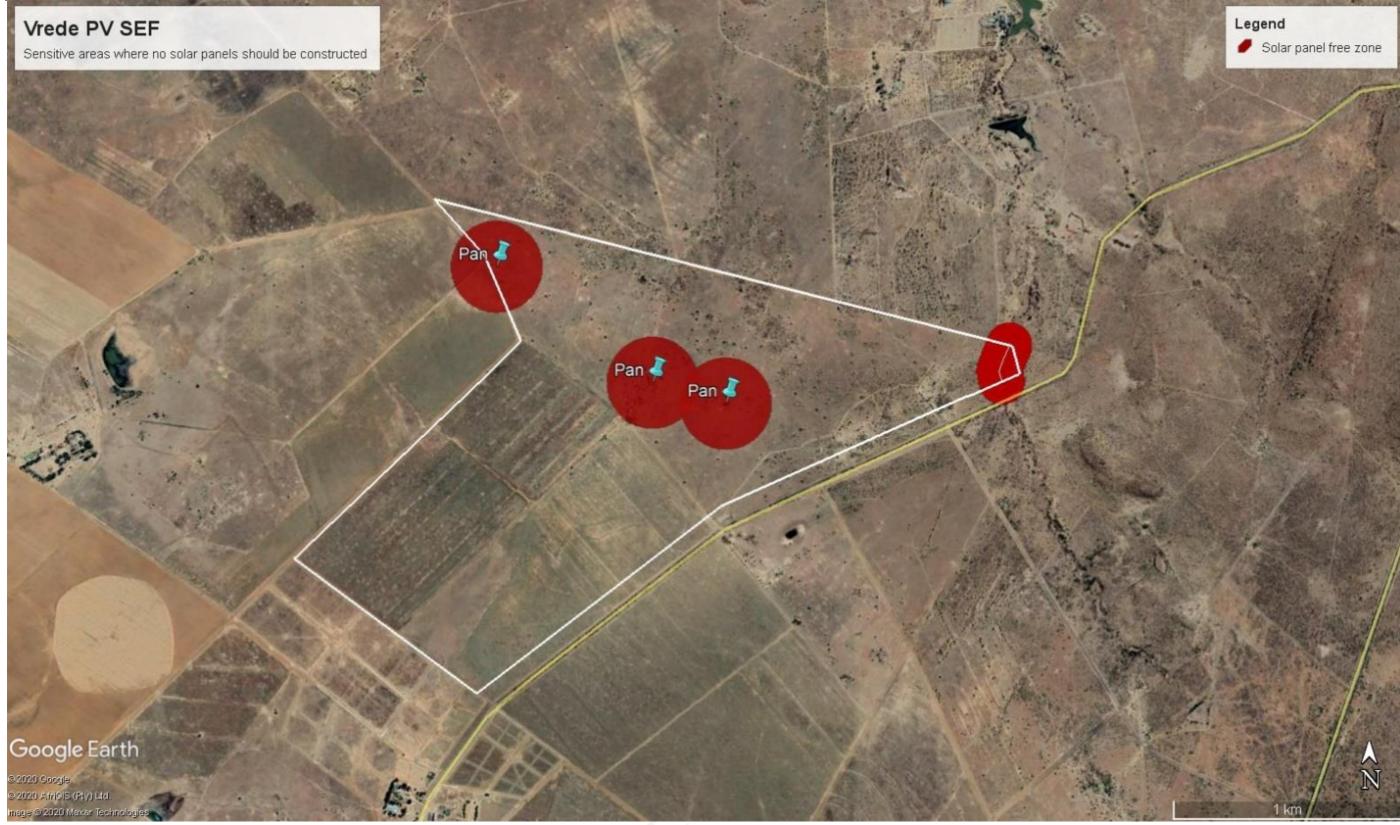
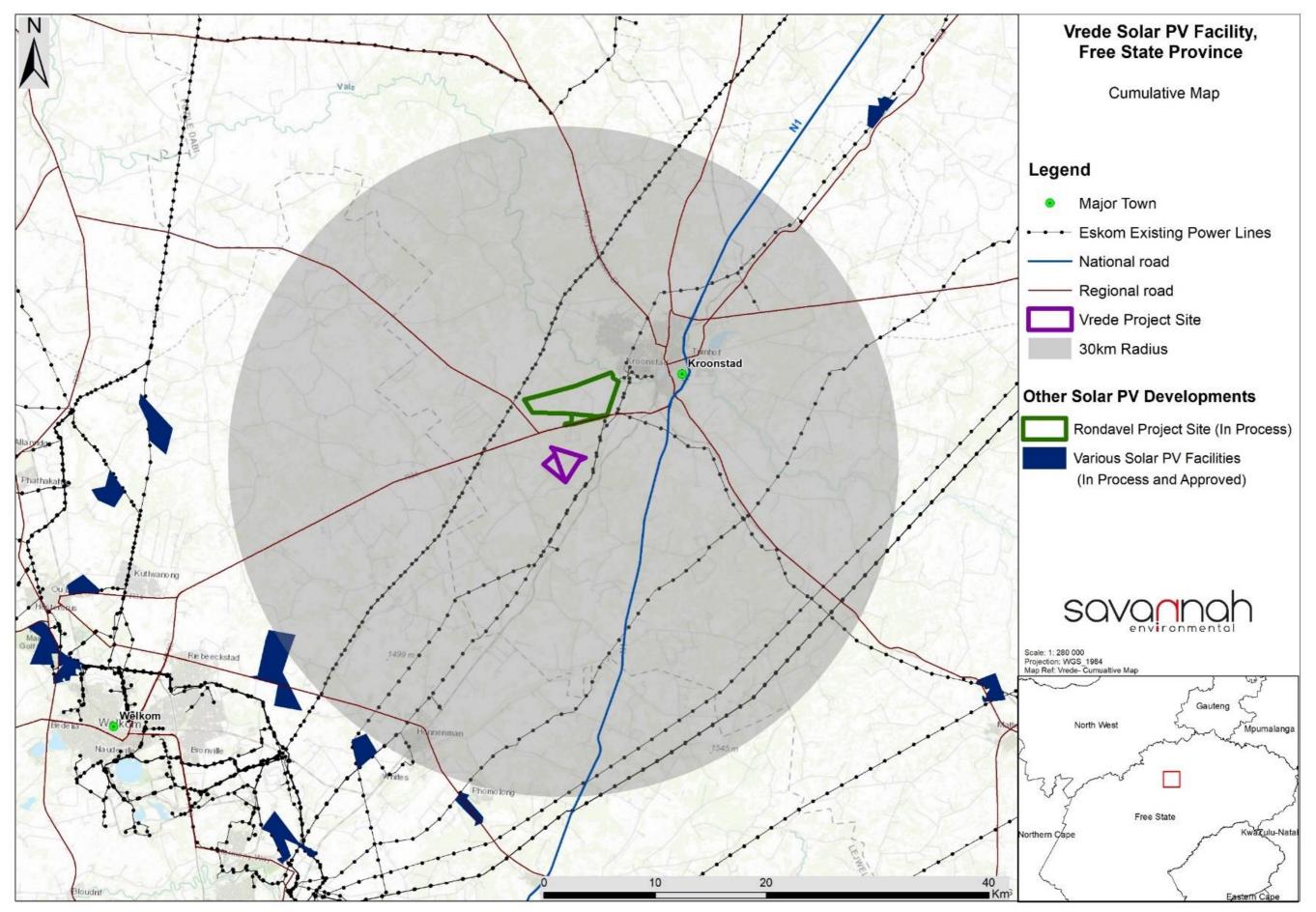
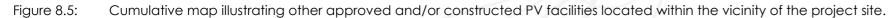
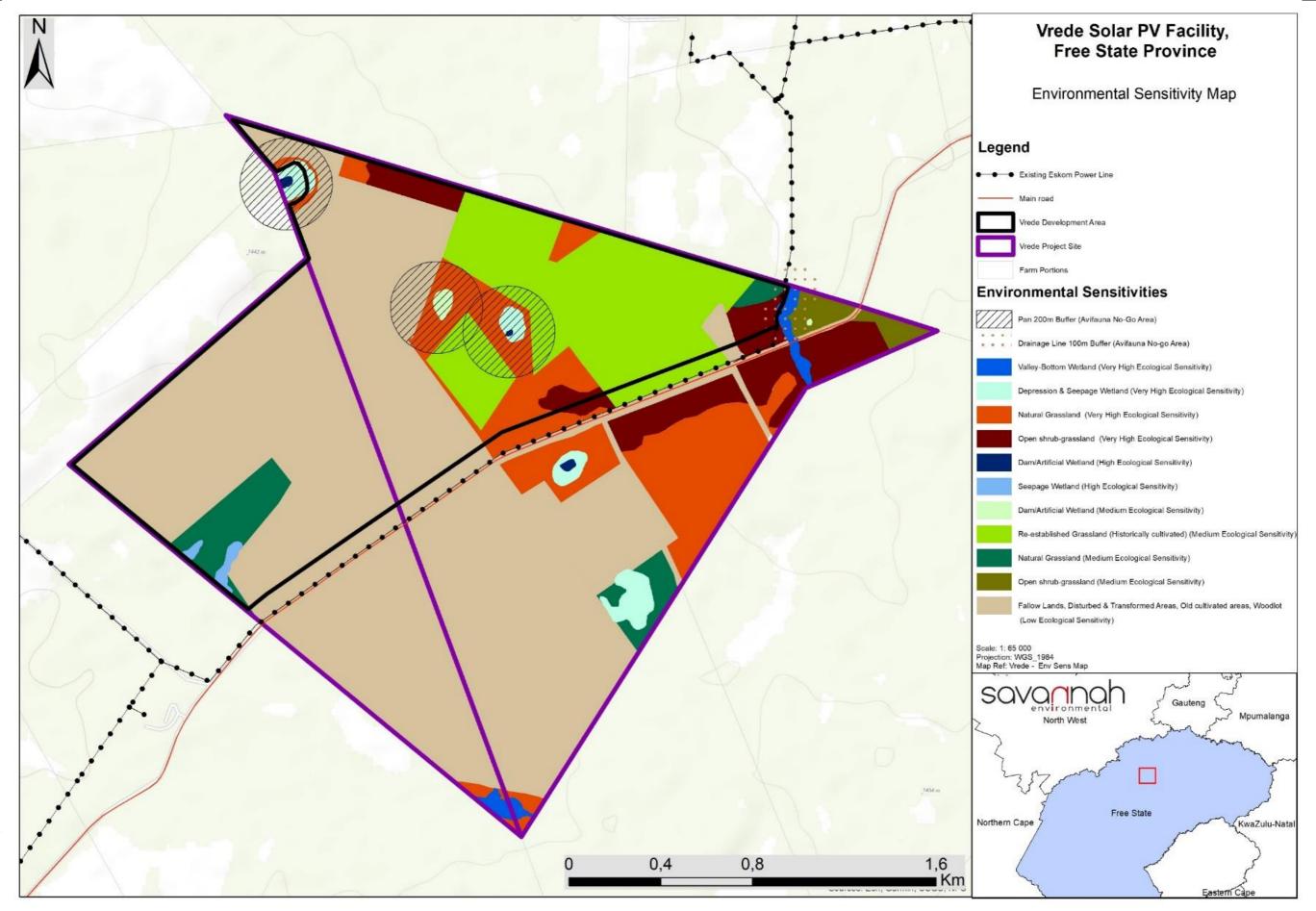
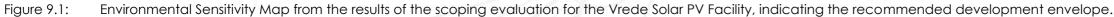


Figure 8.4. Avifaunal sensitivities (PV solar) at the Vrede PV facility and associated infrastructure.









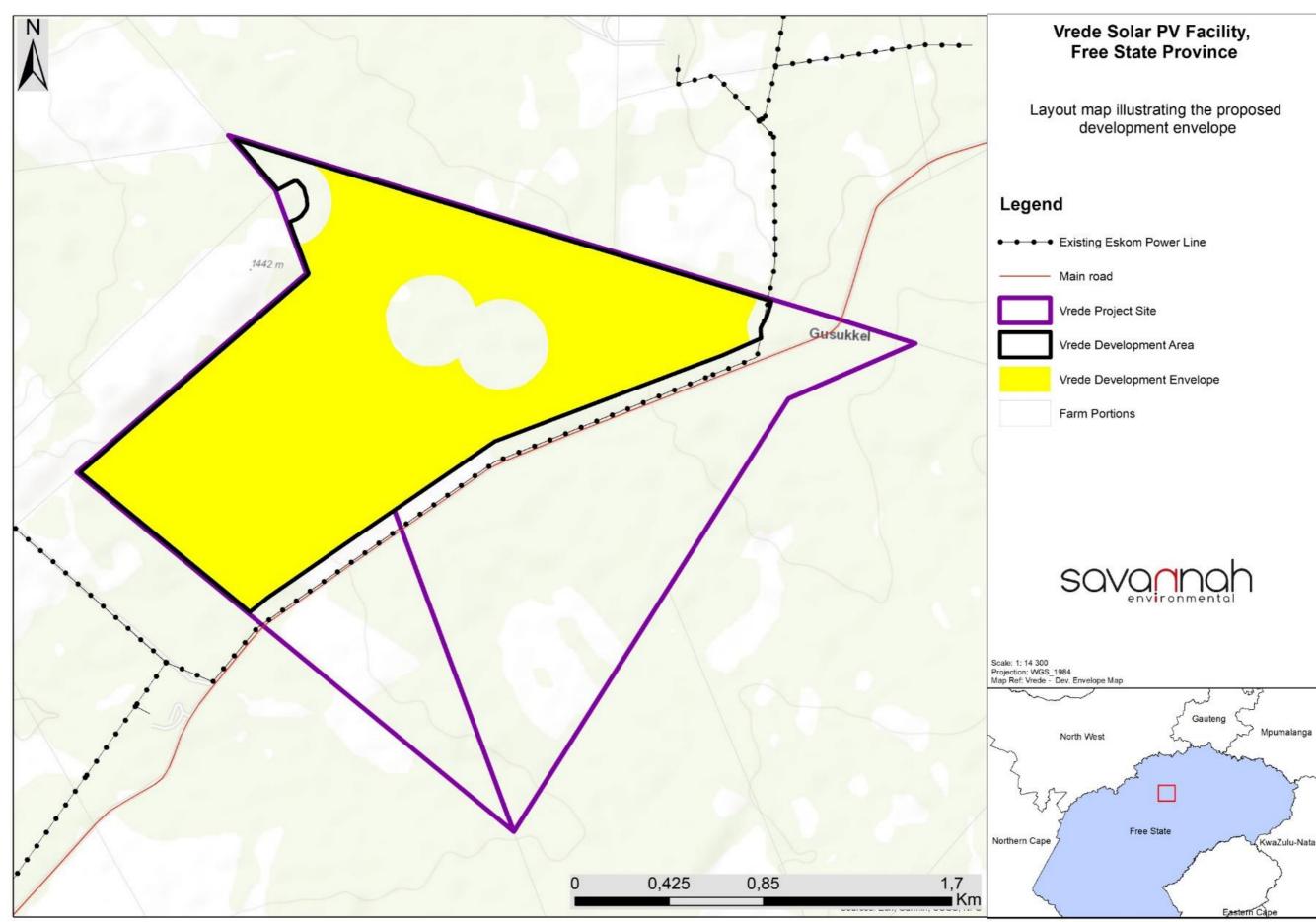


Figure 9.2: Development envelope to be assessed in detail as part of the EIA Phase and within which the project development footprint/layout will be designed