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

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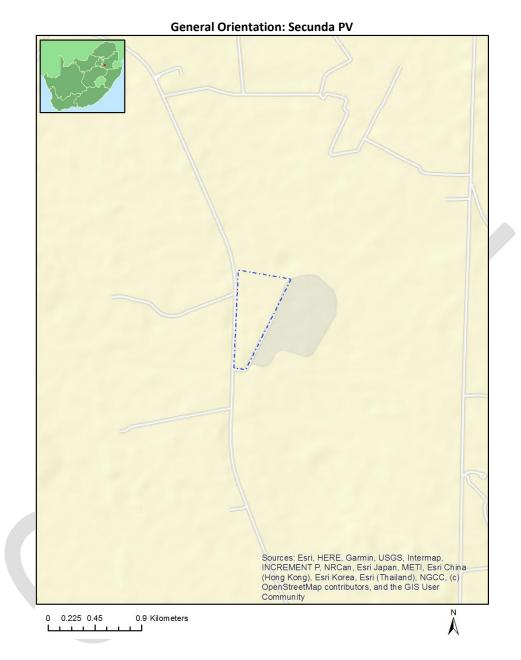
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Proposed Project Location

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	SECUNDA	8835	0	26°34'33.93\$	29°13'7.03E	Erven
2	SECUNDA	8832	0	26°34'11.83S	29°13'29.33E	Erven
3	MONTROSE -	290	0	26°33'10.5S	29°13'11.12E	Farm
4		290	34	26°34'29.34S	29°12'19.39E	Farm Portion
5		290	6	26°34'5.07S	29°12'35.18E	Farm Portion
6		290	53	26°34'20.55S	29°13'24.96E	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	14/12/16/3/3/2/754	Solar PV	Approved	27.9

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Environmental Management Frameworks relevant to the application

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:

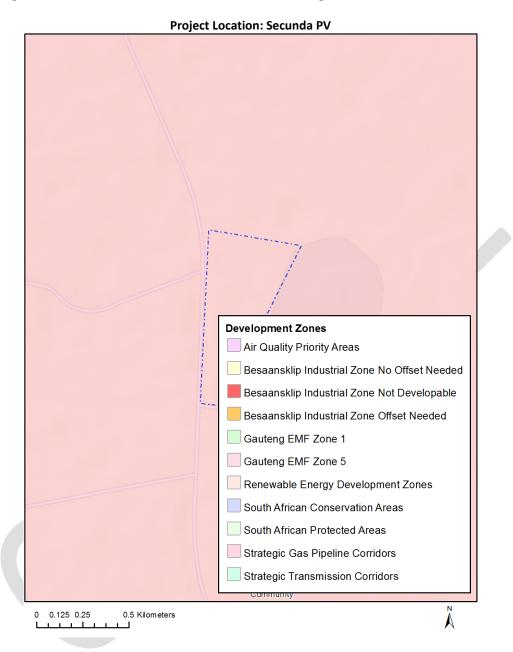
Utilities Infrastructure | Electricity | Generation | Renewable | Solar | PV.

Relevant development incentives, restrictions, exclusions or prohibitions

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



Proposed Development Area Environmental Sensitivity

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Theme	Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
Agriculture Theme		Х		
Animal Species Theme			X	

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Aquatic Biodiversity Theme				Χ
Archaeological and Cultural				Х
Heritage Theme				
Avian Theme		Χ		
Bats Theme				Х
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.

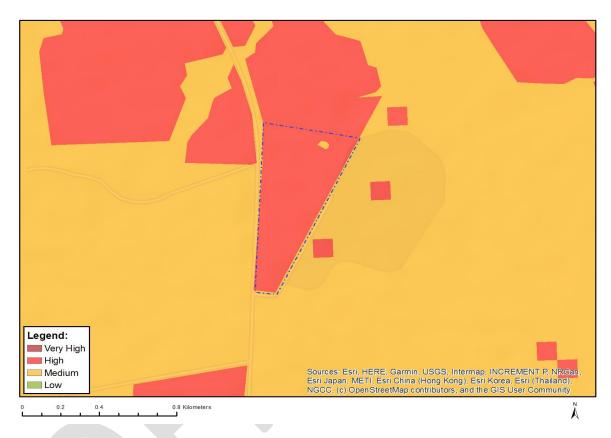
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2	Landsca pe/Visu al Impact Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
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1 0	RFI Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/ /Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
1 1	Geotech nical Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
1 2	Socio- Economi c Assessm ent	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment Protocols.pdf
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1 4	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.

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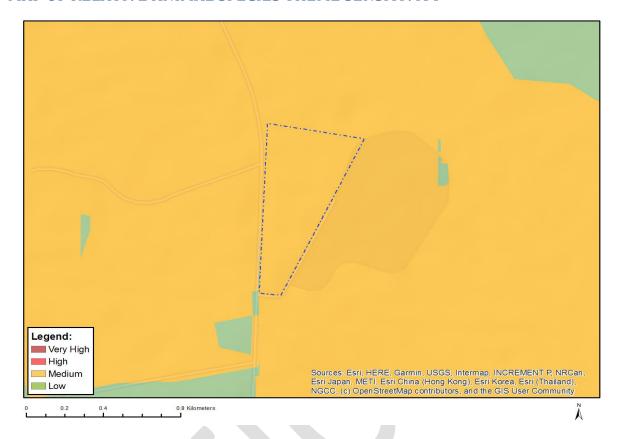
MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X		

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-
	Moderate/08. Moderate
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
		X	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low sensitivity
Medium	Insecta-Lepidochrysops procera
Medium	Mammalia-Crocidura maquassiensis

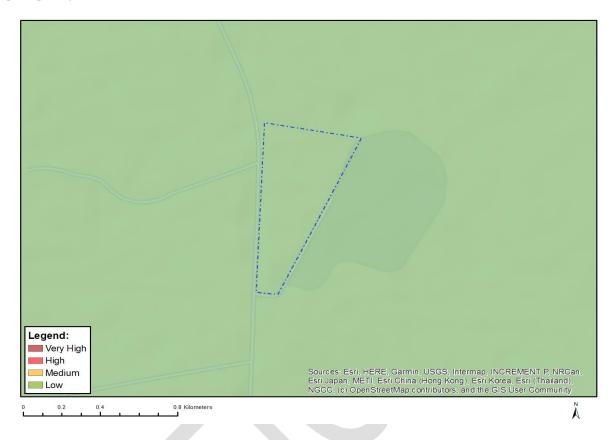
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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

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	

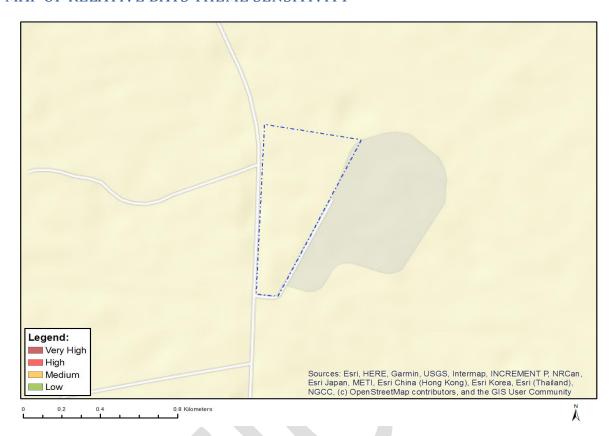
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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Within 500 m of a river
High	Within 500 m of a wetland
Medium	Croplands

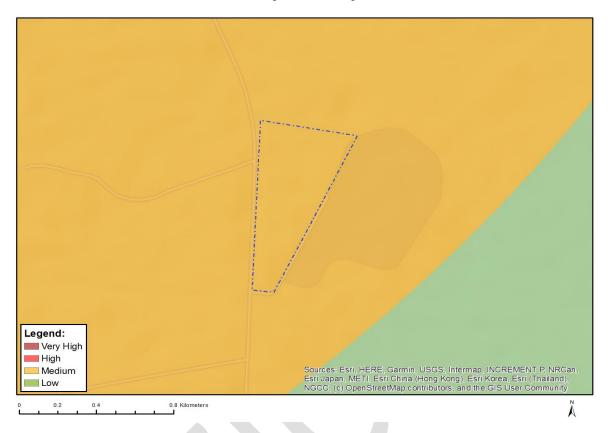
MAP OF RELATIVE BATS THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Χ

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (SOLAR PV) THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Within 8 km of an other civil aviation aerodrome

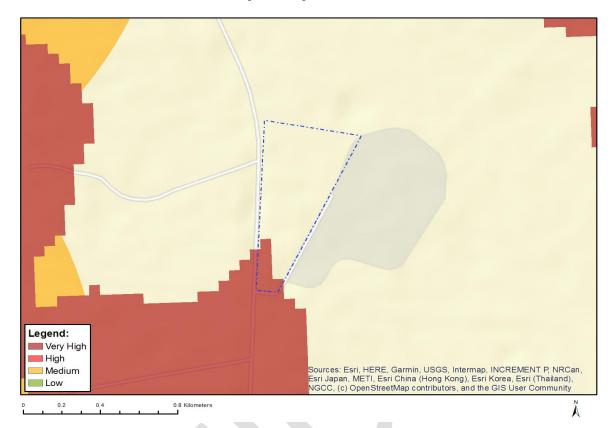
MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
			Χ

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

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

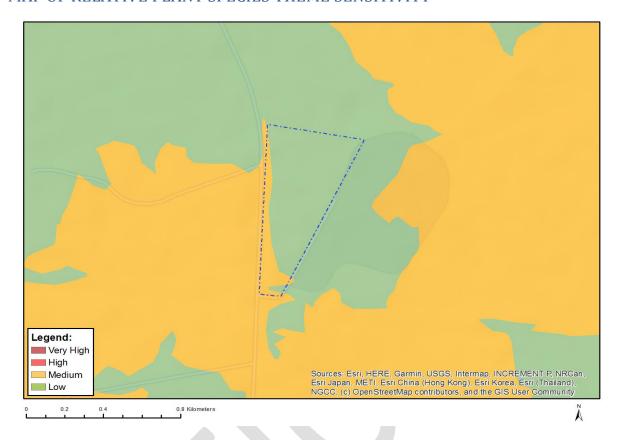
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Very High sensitivity		High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Features with a Medium paleontological sensitivity
Very High	Features with a Very High 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	Sensitive species 1252
Medium	Sensitive species 691

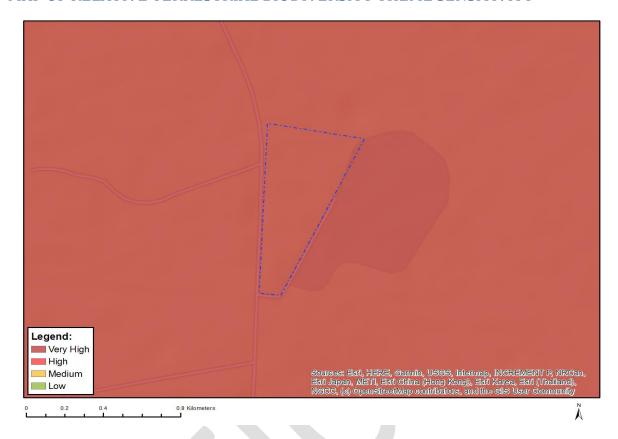
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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)		
Low	Low sensitivity		

MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Very High	Vulnerable ecosystem
Very High	Protected Areas Expansion Strategy

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EIA Reference number: Not Yet Submitted

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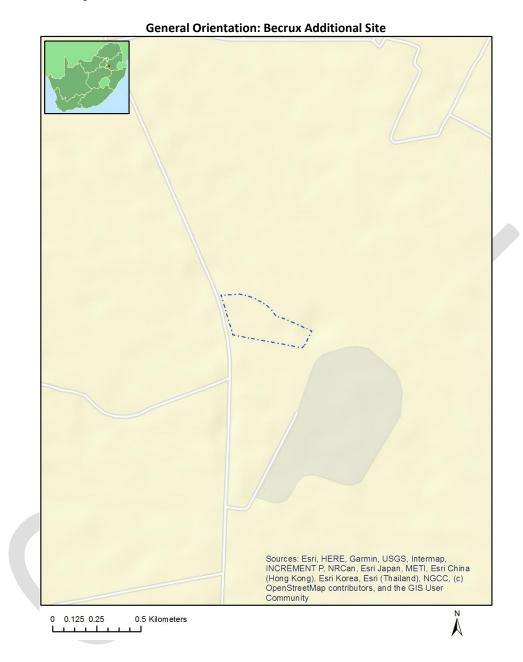
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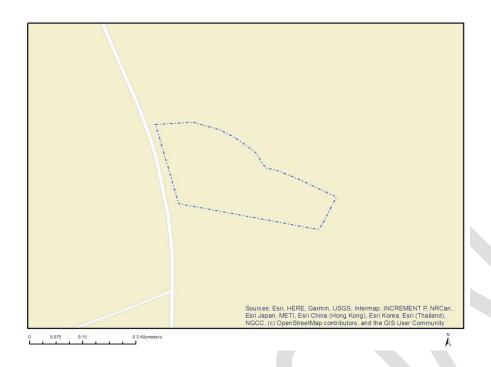
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No	EIA Reference	Classification	Status of	Distance from proposed
	No		application	area (km)
1	14/12/16/3/3/2/754	Solar PV	Approved	28.5
2	14/12/16/3/3/2/754	Solar PV	Approved	28.5

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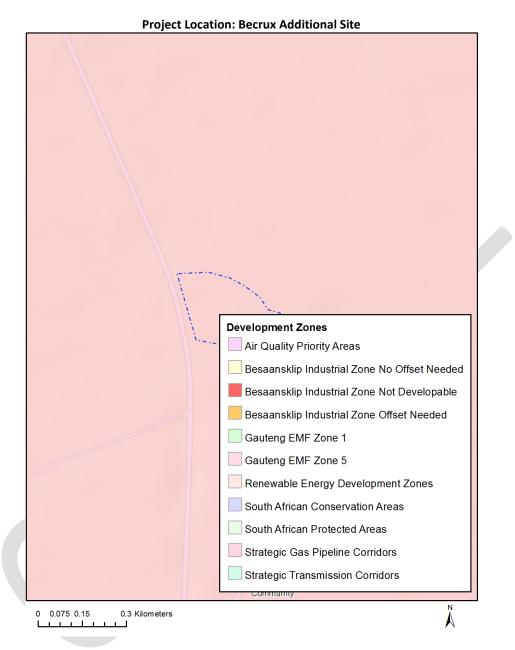
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Animal Species Theme			X	

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Aquatic Biodiversity Theme				Х
Archaeological and Cultural				Х
Heritage Theme				
Avian Theme		Х		
Bats Theme				Х
Civil Aviation (Solar PV)			Х	
Theme				
Defence Theme				Χ
Paleontology Theme	X			
Plant Species Theme			X	
RFI Theme				Х
Terrestrial Biodiversity Theme	X			

Specialist assessments identified

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6	Aquatic Biodiver sity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/ /Gazetted_Aquatic_Biodiversity_Assessment_Protocols.pdf

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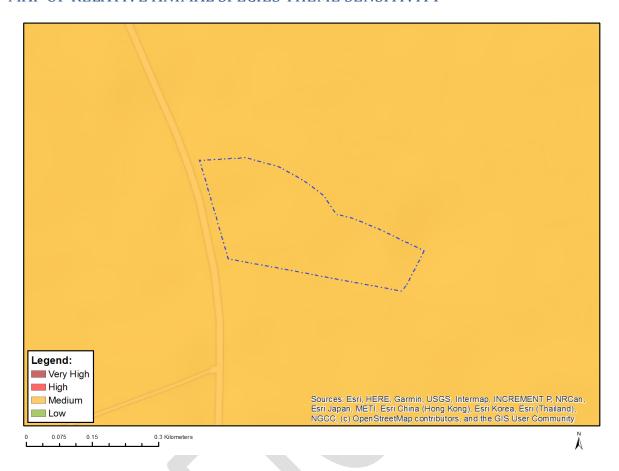
MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
	X		

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
High	Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-
	Moderate/08. Moderate
Medium	Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-Moderate/08. Moderate

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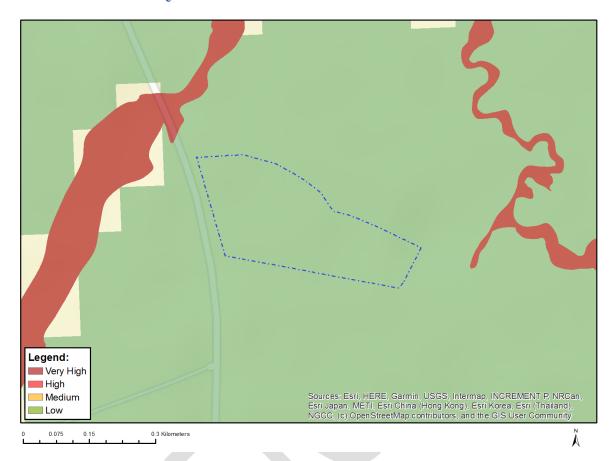


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Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		Χ	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Medium	Mammalia-Crocidura maquassiensis

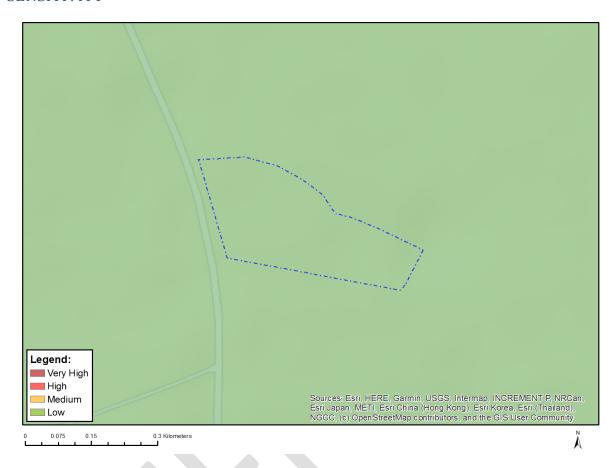
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

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	

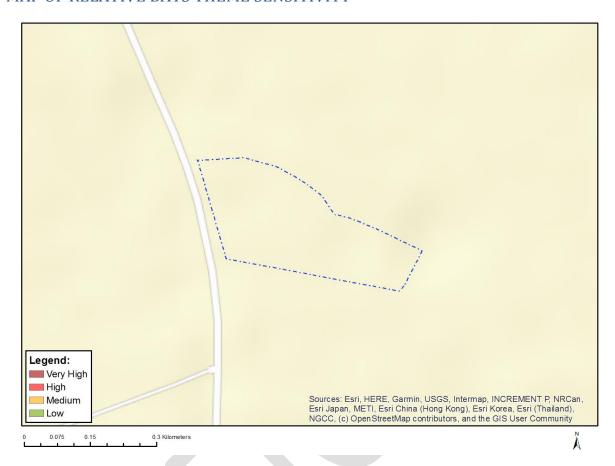
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Sensitivity Feature(s)	
High	Within 500 m of a river
High	Within 500 m of a wetland
Medium	Croplands

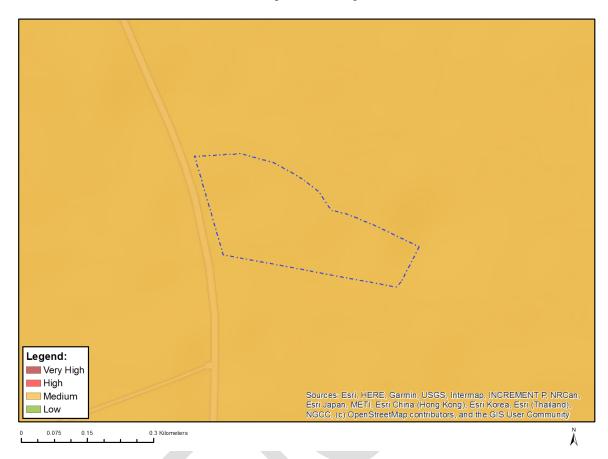
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			X

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (SOLAR PV) THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		X	

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
			Χ

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	

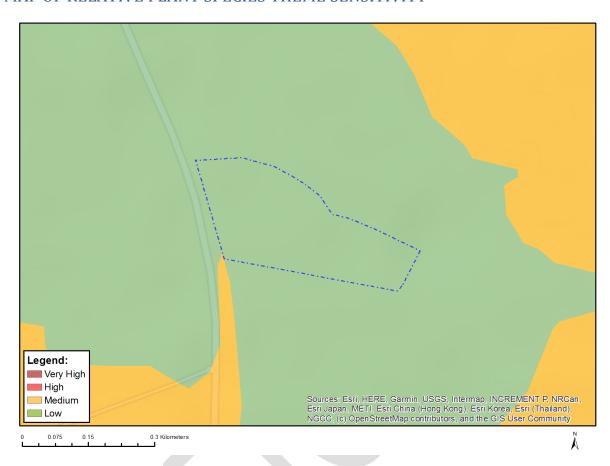
MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



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

MAP OF RELATIVE PLANT SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



Where only a sensitive plant unique number or sensitive animal unique number is provided in the screening report and an assessment is required, the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) or specialist is required to email SANBI at eiadatarequests@sanbi.org.za listing all sensitive species with their unique identifiers for which information is required. The name has been withheld as the species may be prone to illegal harvesting and must be protected. SANBI will release the actual species name after the details of the EAP or specialist have been documented.

Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity
Medium	Sensitive species 1252
Medium	Sensitive species 691

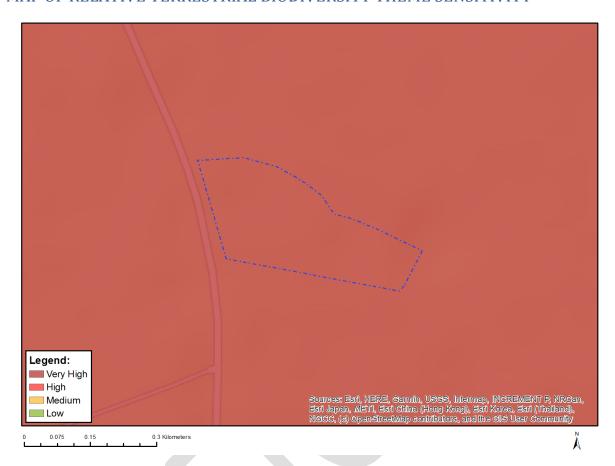
MAP OF RELATIVE RFI THEME SENSITIVITY



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

MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



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