Appendix E

DFFE SCREENING TOOL REPORT



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

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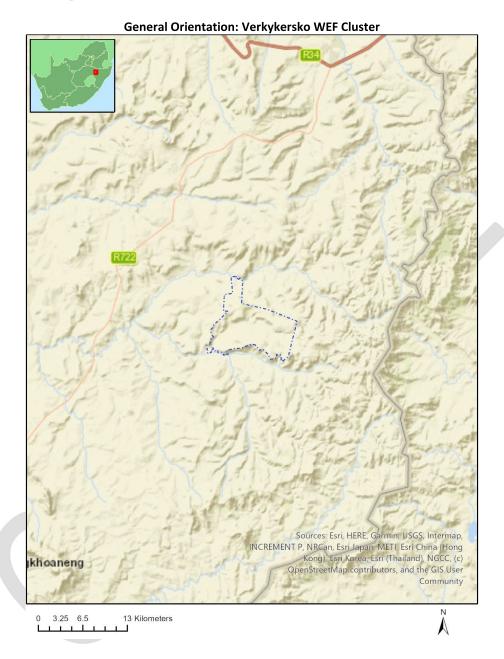
Application Category: Utilities Infrastructure | Electricity | Generation | Renewable | Wind

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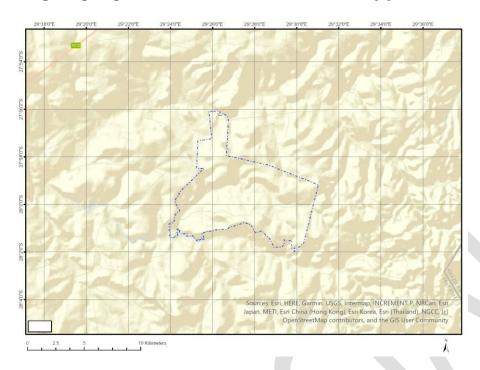
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Proposed Project Location

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 | KROMDRAAI | 273 | 0 | 28°1'43.18S | 29°29'59.92E | Farm |
| 2 | KRANSPUNT | 459 | 0 | 28°1'23.19S | 29°25'27.18E | Farm |
| 3 | CONSTANTIA | 1409 | 0 | 28°0'52.2S | 29°23'2.23E | Farm |
| 4 | KRANSBANK | 288 | 0 | 28°1'5.92S | 29°24'4.81E | Farm |
| 5 | LUSTHOF | 1321 | 0 | 27°56'55.4S | 29°25'37.58E | Farm |
| 6 | SCHOONZICHT | 80 | 0 | 28°1'7.96S | 29°24'46.76E | Farm |
| 7 | DWAAL SPRUIT | 100 | 0 | 28°1'52.91S | 29°26'49.8E | Farm |
| 8 | KROMDRAAI | 273 | 0 | 28°1'38.38S | 29°29'5.37E | Farm |
| 9 | GELDERLAND | 1410 | 0 | 27°58'5.64S | 29°24'1.12E | Farm |
| 10 | RIET VLEI | 326 | 0 | 28°2'49.33S | 29°25'7.06E | Farm |
| 11 | SUCAMA | 744 | 0 | 28°1'55.64S | 29°23'53.65E | Farm |
| 12 | STRATHNAIRN | 221 | 0 | 27°55'2.61S | 29°25'22.44E | Farm |
| 13 | ROODEBLOEM | 1985 | 0 | 27°56'45.17S | 29°27'45.58E | Farm |
| 14 | ELSIE | 1407 | 0 | 27°59'23.32S | 29°24'9.05E | Farm |
| 15 | VAN KOPPE | 1319 | 0 | 27°57'23.59S | 29°25'58.01E | Farm |
| 16 | MARAIS HOEK | 575 | 0 | 28°2'32.79S | 29°28'29.86E | Farm |
| 17 | VENUS | 1320 | 0 | 27°54'53.38S | 29°26'18.24E | Farm |
| 18 | GROOTHOEK | 89 | 0 | 27°59'50.19S | 29°27'34.31E | Farm |
| 19 | KROMDRAAI | 273 | 0 | 28°1'43.18S | 29°29'59.92E | Farm Portion |
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| 23 | STRATHNAIRN | 221 | 0 | 27°55'2.61S | 29°25'22.44E | Farm Portion |
| 24 | DWAAL SPRUIT | 100 | 0 | 28°1'51.25S | 29°26'36.96E | Farm Portion |
| 25 | KRANSBANK | 288 | 0 | 28°1'5.92S | 29°24'4.81E | Farm Portion |
| 26 | RIET VLEI | 326 | 0 | 28°2'49.33S | 29°25'7.06E | Farm Portion |
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| 31 | GELDERLAND | 1410 | 0 | 27°58'5.64S | 29°24'1.12E | Farm Portion |
| 32 | MARAIS HOEK | 575 | 0 | 28°2'32.79S | 29°28'29.86E | Farm Portion |
| 33 | GROOTHOEK | 89 | 0 | 27°59'50.11S | 29°27'39.61E | Farm Portion |
| 34 | VAN KOPPE | 1319 | 0 | 27°57'23.44S | 29°26'2.92E | Farm Portion |
| 35 | VENUS | 1320 | 0 | 27°54'53.44S | 29°26'21.76E | Farm Portion |
| 36 | ROODEBLOEM | 1985 | 6 | 27°57'16.22S | 29°27'30.9E | 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 nearby wind or solar developments found.

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 | Wind.

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 | Implication | |
|-------------------------|--|--|
| or prohibition | | |
| Strategic Gas Pipeline | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Developmen | |
| Corridors-Phase 3: | tZones/Combined GAS.pdf | |
| Richards Bay to Gauteng | CESTICS/ COTTONICS OF TOTAL | |

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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.

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 | | Х | | |
| Animal Species Theme | | Х | | |
| Aquatic Biodiversity Theme | Х | | | |
| Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Theme | | | | X |
| Avian (Wind) Theme | | | | Х |
| Bats (Wind) Theme | | Х | | |
| Civil Aviation (Wind) Theme | | | | Х |
| Defence (Wind) Theme | | | | X |
| Flicker Theme | | | | X |
| Landscape (Wind) Theme | Х | | | |
| Paleontology Theme | Х | | | |
| Noise Theme | | | | Х |
| Plant Species Theme | | | X | |
| RFI (Wind) Theme | | | | Х |
| Terrestrial Biodiversity Theme | Х | | | |
| Vulture Species Theme | | X | | |

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.

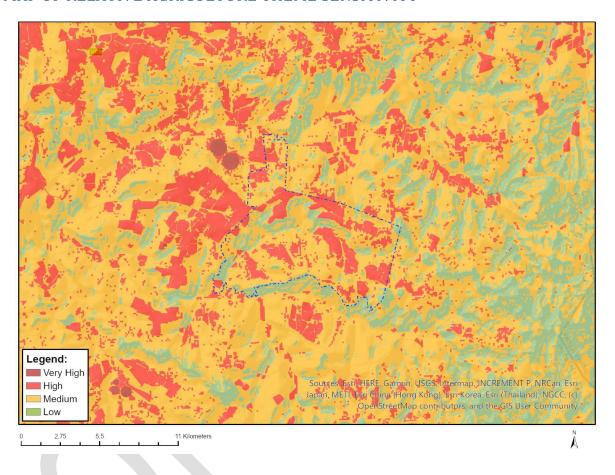
| No | Specialist | Assessment Protocol |
|----|--|---|
| | assessment | |
| | | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted WindAndSolar Agriculture Assessme |
| | | <u>nt Protocols.pdf</u> |
| 2 | Landscape/Visual Impact Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse ssmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment P rotocols.pdf |
| 3 | Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf |
| 4 | Palaeontology Impact Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf |
| 5 | Terrestrial Biodiversity Impact Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_Terrestrial_Biodiversity_AssessmentProtocols.pdf |
| 6 | Aquatic Biodiversity | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse |

| | Impact Assessment | ssmentProtocols/Gazetted Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment Pr otocols.pdf |
|-----|------------------------------|---|
| 7 | Avian Impact Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse |
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| 8 | Civil Aviation Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse |
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| 16 | Plant Species Assessment | https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse |
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| 17 | Animal Species Assessment | 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.

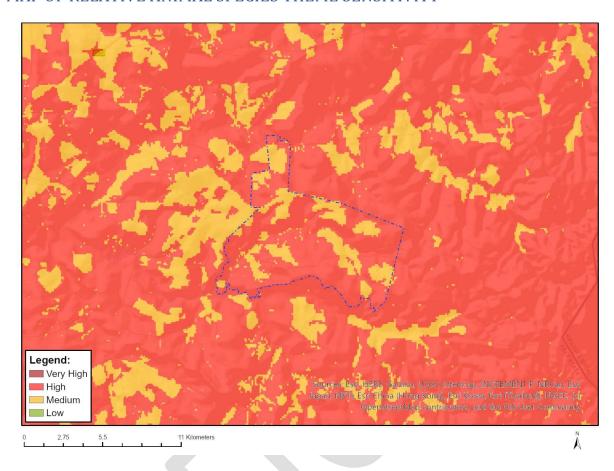
MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | X | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|---|
| High | Land capability;09. Moderate-High/10. Moderate-High |
| High | Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;09. Moderate-High/10. Moderate-High |
| High | Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;06. Low-Moderate/07. Low-Moderate/08. Moderate |
| High | Annual Crop Cultivation / Planted Pastures Rotation;Land capability;01. Very low/02. Very low/03. Low-Very low/04. Low-Very low/05. Low |
| 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 |

MAP OF RELATIVE ANIMAL SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



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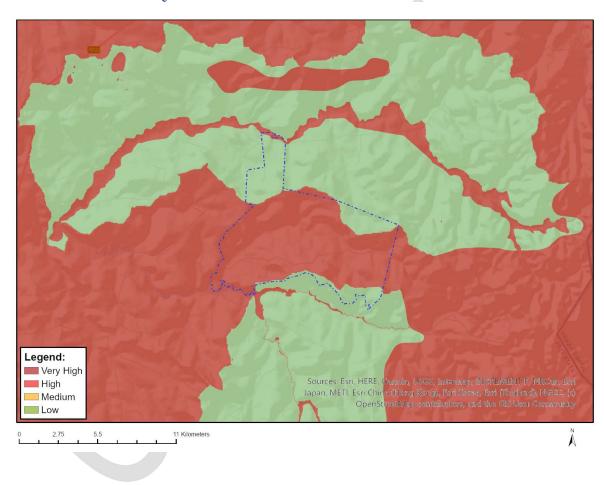
| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | X | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| High | Aves-Sagittarius serpentarius | | |
| High | Aves-Geronticus calvus | | |
| High | Aves-Neotis denhami | | |
| High | Aves-Anthus chloris | | |
| High | Aves-Circus ranivorus | | |
| High | Aves-Balearica regulorum | | |
| High | Aves-Falco biarmicus | | |
| High | Aves-Eupodotis senegalensis | | |
| Medium | Aves-Tyto capensis | | |
| Medium | Aves-Sagittarius serpentarius | | |
| Medium | Aves-Neotis denhami | | |
| Medium | Aves-Balearica regulorum | | |
| Medium | Aves-Heteromirafra ruddi | | |

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| Medium | Aves-Eupodotis senegalensis |
|--------|---------------------------------|
| Medium | Aves-Anthus chloris |
| Medium | Aves-Circus ranivorus |
| Medium | Aves-Spizocorys fringillaris |
| Medium | Aves-Ciconia nigra |
| Medium | Aves-Hydroprogne caspia |
| Medium | Aves-Aquila verreauxii |
| Medium | Sensitive species 23 |
| Medium | Mammalia-Hydrictis maculicollis |
| Medium | Mammalia-Ourebia ourebi ourebi |
| Medium | Sensitive species 15 |
| Medium | Invertebrate-Clonia lalandei |
| | |

MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY

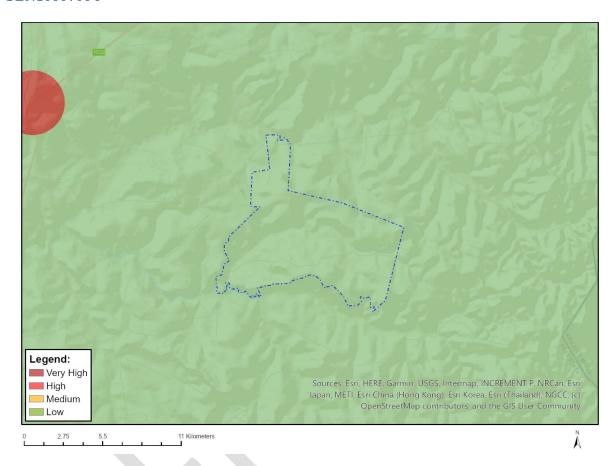


| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Х | | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|--|
| Low | Low sensitivity |
| Very High | FEPA Subcatchment |
| Very High | Rivers_AB |
| Very High | Wetlands_(River) |
| Very High | Wetlands Mesic Highveld Grassland Bioregion (Depression) |

| Very High | Wetlands_Mesic Highveld Grassland Bioregion (Floodplain) |
|-----------|---|
| Very High | Wetlands Mesic Highveld Grassland Bioregion (Valley-bottom) |

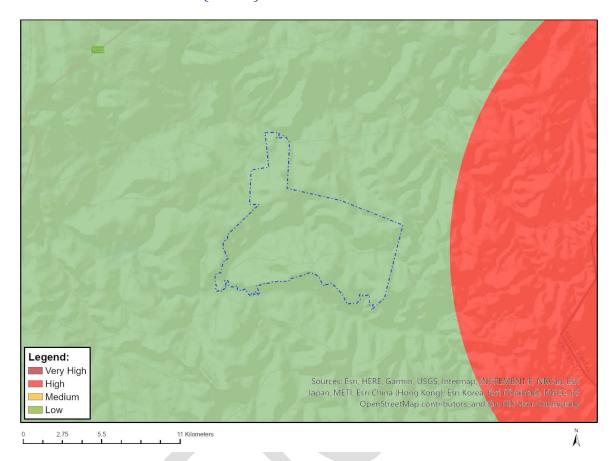
MAP OF RELATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Χ |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) | |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Low | Low sensitivity | |

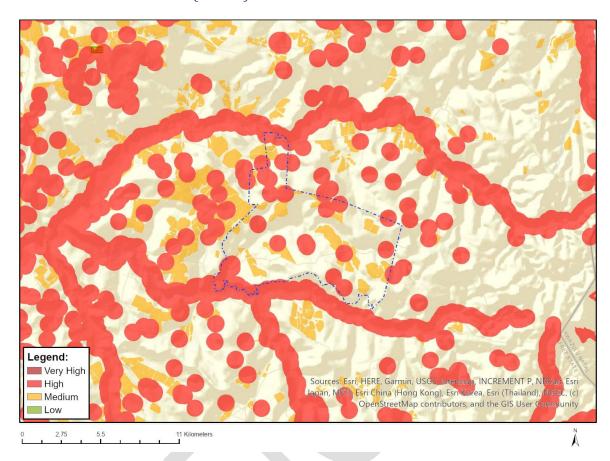
MAP OF RELATIVE AVIAN (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Χ |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| Low | Area Outside Sensitivities |

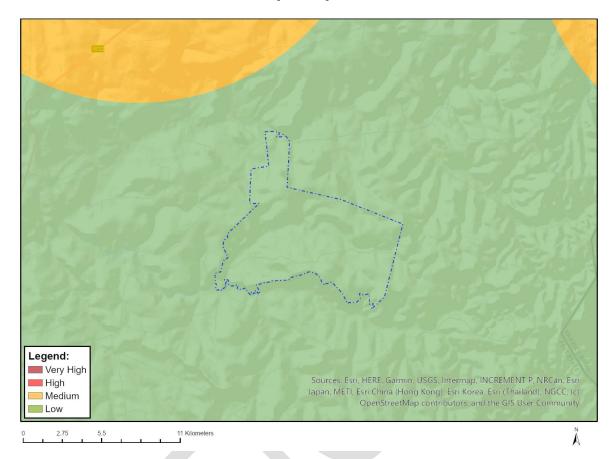
MAP OF RELATIVE BATS (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | X | | |

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

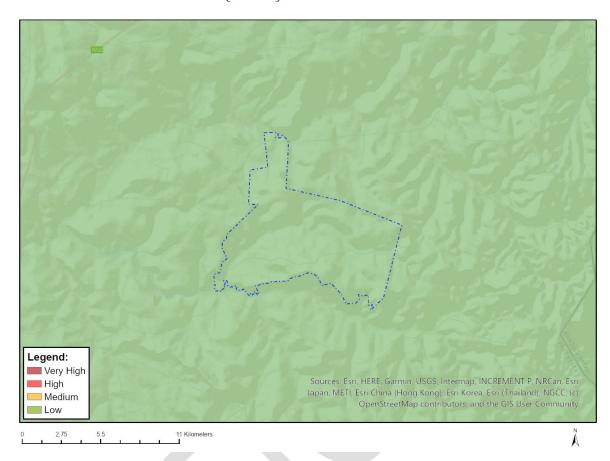
MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | X |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) | |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Low | Low sensitivity | |

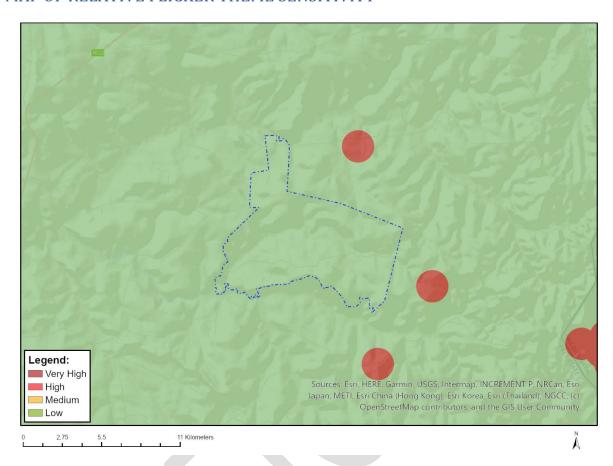
MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Х |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) | |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Low | Low sensitivity | |

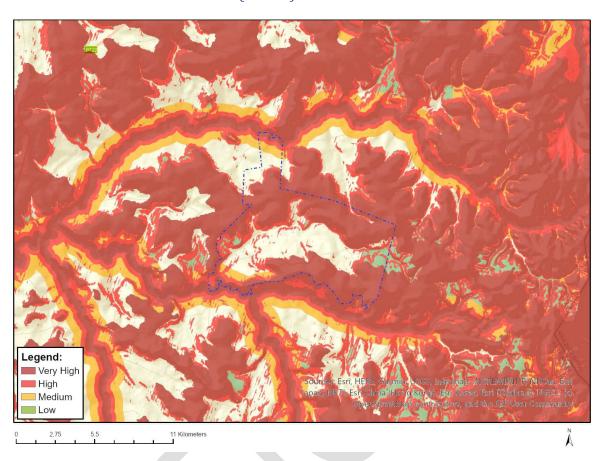
MAP OF RELATIVE FLICKER THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | X |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Low | Area of low sensitivity |

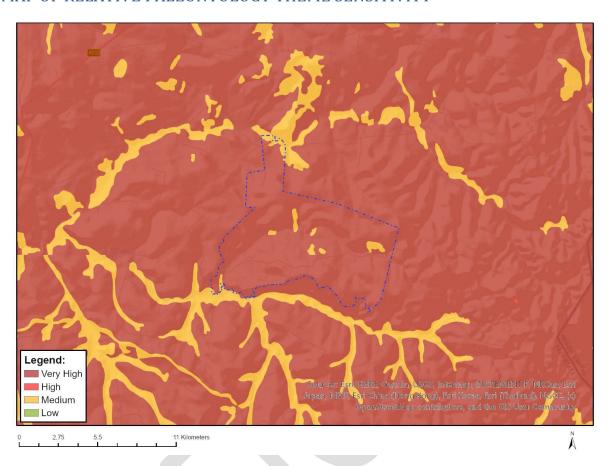
MAP OF RELATIVE LANDSCAPE (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| X | | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| High | Slope between 1:4 and 1:10 |
| High | Within 500 m of a river |
| Low | Slope less than 1:10 |
| Medium | Within 1000 m of a wetland |
| Very High | Mountain tops and high ridges |
| Very High | Slope more than 1:4 |
| Very High | Within 250 m of a river |

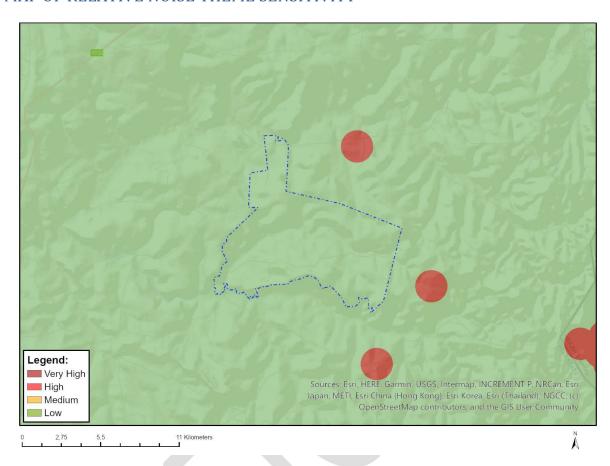
MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



| 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 |

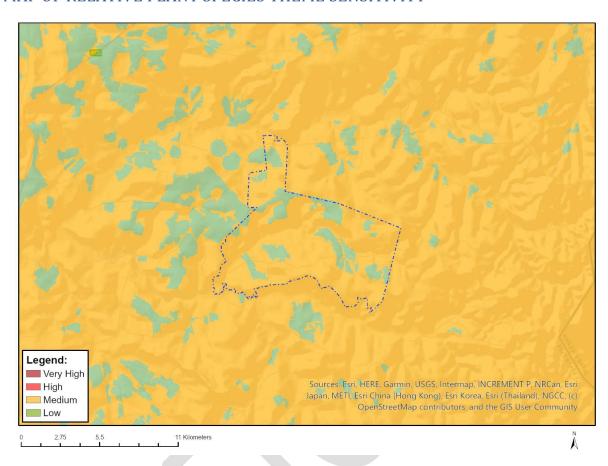
MAP OF RELATIVE NOISE THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Χ |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Low | Area of low sensitivity |

MAP OF RELATIVE PLANT SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



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| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | Х | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) | |
|-------------|------------------------|--|
| Low | Low Sensitivity | |
| Medium | Sensitive species 1252 | |
| Medium | Sensitive species 998 | |

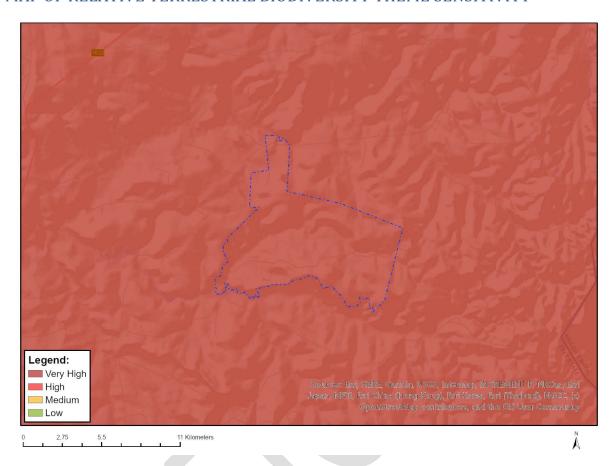
MAP OF RELATIVE RFI (WIND) THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Χ |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|---|
| Low | Low sensitivity for telecommunications; None; More than 60 km from a Weather Radar installation |

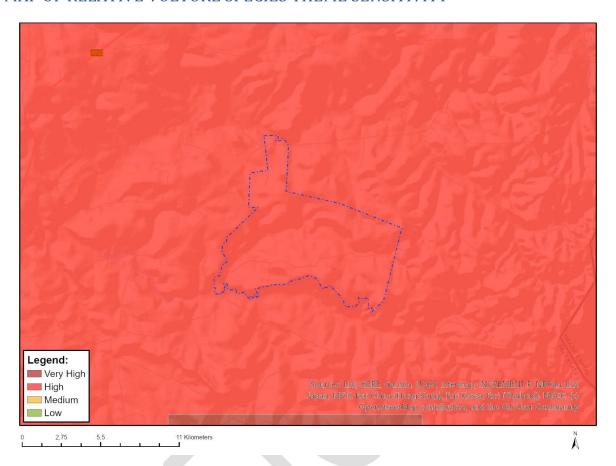
MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| X | | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|--|
| Very High | CBA 1 |
| Very High | CBA 2 |
| Very High | ESA 1 |
| Very High | ESA 2 |
| Very High | FEPA Subcatchment |
| Very High | National Protected Area Expansion Strategy (NPAES) |

MAP OF RELATIVE VULTURE SPECIES THEME SENSITIVITY



| Very High sensitivity | High sensitivity | Medium sensitivity | Low sensitivity |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | X | | |

| Sensitivity | Feature(s) |
|-------------|---|
| High | affecting an area between 10% - 20% of the population |