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

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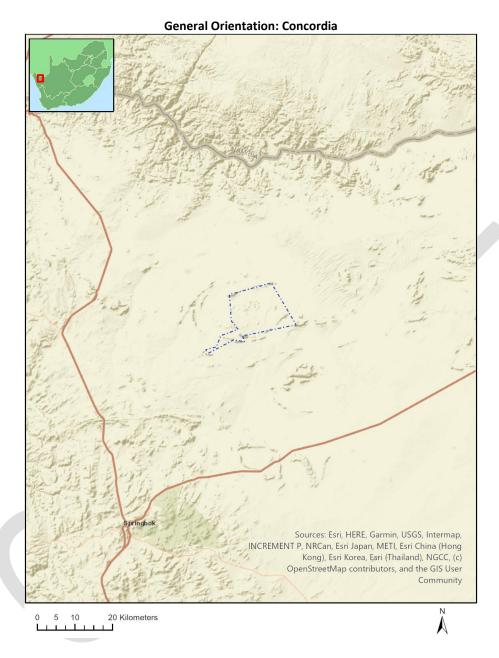
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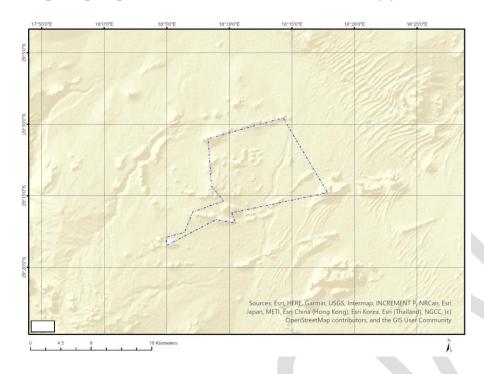
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# **Proposed Project Location**

# 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	CONCORDIA	1251	0	29°20'15.45S	18°1'38.6E	Erven
2	CONCORDIA	1251	0	29°13'19.62S	18°11'31.71E	Erven
3	CONCORDIA	2100	0	29°17'0.87S	18°3'25.42E	Erven
4	KONTOROGAB	72	0	29°20'53.42S	18°8'35.67E	Farm
5	KONTOROGAB	622	0	29°13'59.41S	18°12'16.13E	Farm
6	HEIORIGAS	49	0	29°7'25.56S	18°11'8.79E	Farm
7	KABIB	50	0	29°9'34.69S	18°17'30.07E	-
		71	0			Farm
8	GEZELSCHAP	/1	0	29°13'48.53S	18°6'46.97E	Farm
9	BANK	70	0	29°12'48.07S	18°12'34.31E	Form
	FENDOR					Farm
10	EENDOP	69	0	29°18'5.89S	18°14'27.85E	Farm
11	NOOISABES	51	0	29°14'36.59S	18°22'56.69E	Farm
12	KONTOROGAB	72	1	29°16'30.05S	18°9'53.34E	Farm Portion
13	KONTOROGAB	72	0	29°19'20.94S	18°7'52.23E	Farm Portion
14	GEZELSCHAP	71	1	29°16'37.17S	18°7'42.69E	Farm Portion
	BANK					
15	GEZELSCHAP	71	0	29°15'16.2S	18°6'44.26E	Farm Portion
	BANK					
16	GEZELSCHAP	71	2	29°11'51.85S	18°6'48.6E	Farm Portion
	BANK					
17	EENDOP	69	0	29°17'31.18S	18°15'28.04E	Farm Portion
18	EENDOP	69	1	29°19'7.54S	18°12'43.44E	Farm Portion
19	NOOISABES	51	0	29°14'57.03S	18°22'34.57E	Farm Portion
20	KABIB	50	1	29°7'5.23S	18°16'13.09E	Farm Portion
21	KABIB	50	0	29°10'24.14S	18°17'55.54E	Farm Portion
22	HEIORIGAS	49	0	29°7'38.21S	18°10'12.37E	Farm Portion

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 No	Classification	Status of application	Distance from proposed area (km)
1	14/12/16/3/3/2/386/1/AM1	Solar PV	Approved	25.5
2	14/12/16/3/3/2/386	Solar PV	Approved	25.5
3	14/12/16/3/3/2/871	Solar PV	Approved	29.8
4	14/12/16/3/3/2/873	Solar PV	Approved	29.8
5	14/12/16/3/3/2/869	Solar PV	Approved	29.8
6	14/12/16/3/3/2/386/AM2	Solar PV	Approved	25.5
7	14/12/16/3/3/2/871/AM1	Solar PV	Approved	29.8
8	14/12/16/3/3/1/2462	Solar PV	Approved	24
9	14/12/16/3/3/2/872	Solar PV	Approved	29.8

#### 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:

Mining | Prospecting rights.

#### 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 prohibition	Implication
Strategic Transmission Corridor-Northern corridor	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Combined_EGI.pdf
Renewable energy development zones 8-	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Combined_REDZ.pdf

<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.

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Strategic Transmission Corridor-Expanded Western Corridor	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Combined_EGI.pdf
Strategic Gas Pipeline Corridors-Phase 6: Abraham Villiers Bay (Northern Cape) to Oranjemund	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/DevelopmentZones/Combined GAS.pdf

#### 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	High	Medium	Low
	sensitivity	sensitivity	sensitivity	sensitivity
Agriculture Theme			X	
Animal Species Theme			X	
Aquatic Biodiversity Theme	X			
Archaeological and Cultural				Х
Heritage Theme				
Civil Aviation Theme				Х
Defence Theme				Х
Paleontology Theme			Х	
Plant Species Theme			Х	
Terrestrial Biodiversity 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	
1	Agricultural Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Agriculture_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
2	Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
3	Palaeontology Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_General_Requirement_Assessment_Protocols.pdf
4	Terrestrial Biodiversity Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/AssessmentProtocols/Gazetted_Terrestrial_Biodiversity_AssessmentProtocols.pdf

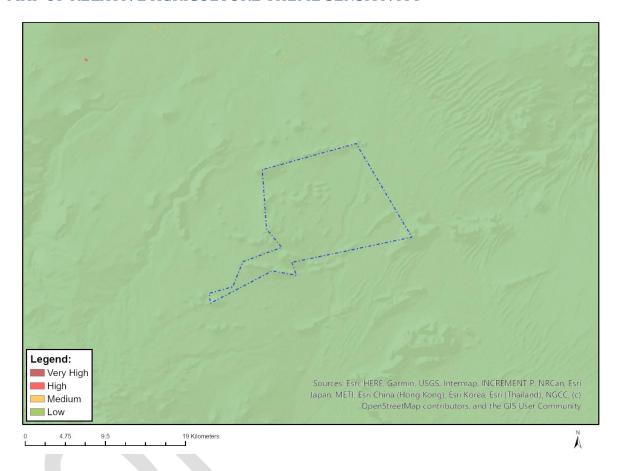
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5	Aquatic Biodiversity	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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6	Noise Impact Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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7	Radioactivity Impact	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
	Assessment	ssmentProtocols/Gazetted General Requirement Assessment P
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8	Plant Species Assessment	https://screening.environment.gov.za/ScreeningDownloads/Asse
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9	Animal Species	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.

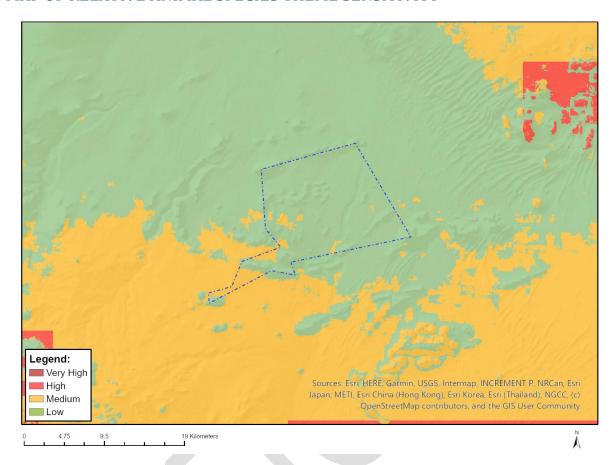
#### MAP OF RELATIVE AGRICULTURE THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
		Χ	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
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

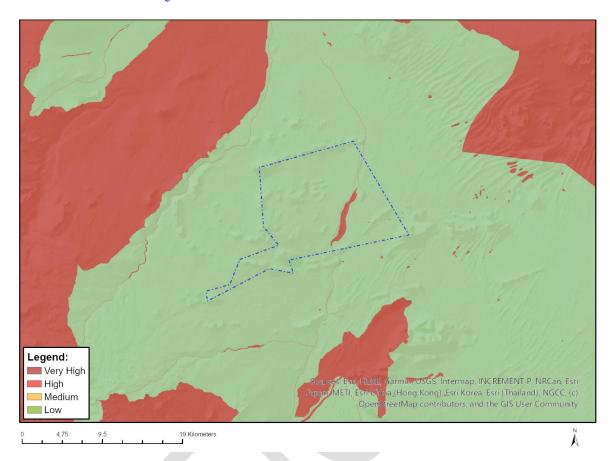


Where only a sensitive plant unique number or sensitive animal unique number is provided in the screening report and an assessment is required, the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) or specialist is required to email SANBI at <a href="mailto:eiadatarequests@sanbi.org.za">eiadatarequests@sanbi.org.za</a> 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
		Х	

Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Subject to confirmation
Medium	Aves-Neotis Iudwigii
Medium	Aves-Sagittarius serpentarius

# MAP OF RELATIVE AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Sensitivity	reature(s)	
Low	Low sensitivity	
Very High	Rivers_AB	
Very High	Wetlands_(River)	
Very High	Wetlands_Bushmanland Bioregion (Depression)	

# 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	

#### MAP OF RELATIVE CIVIL AVIATION THEME SENSITIVITY



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

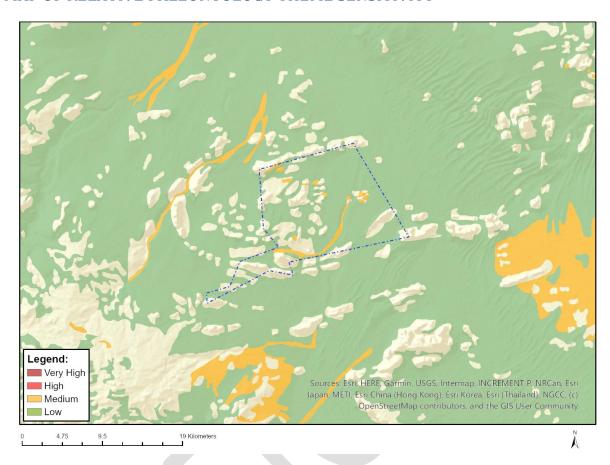
#### MAP OF RELATIVE DEFENCE THEME SENSITIVITY



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Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Low	Low Sensitivity	

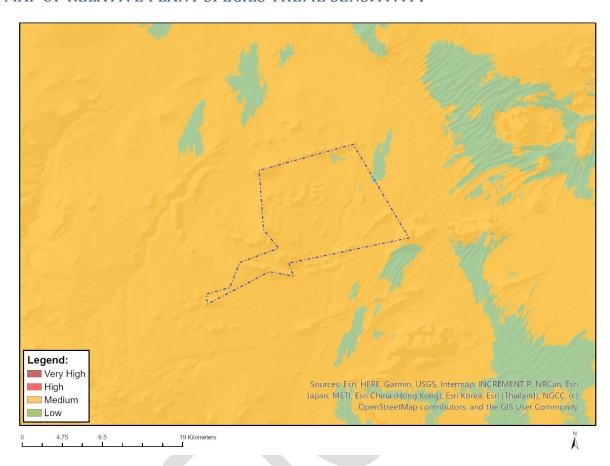
#### MAP OF RELATIVE PALEONTOLOGY THEME SENSITIVITY



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

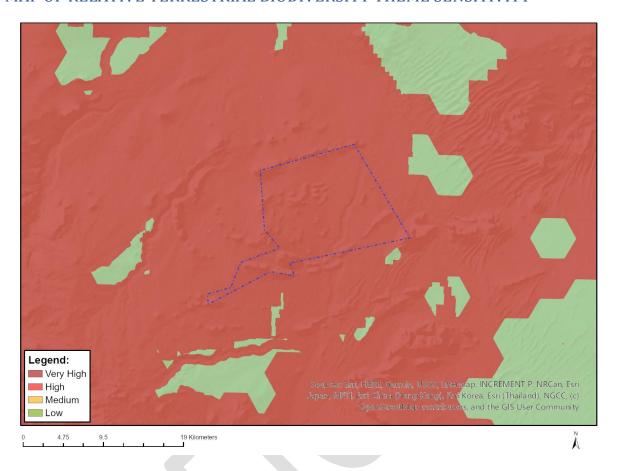


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Sensitivity	Feature(s)
Low	Low Sensitivity
Medium	Sensitive species 141
Medium	Sensitive species 425
Medium	Sensitive species 12
Medium	Sensitive species 879
Medium	Crotalaria pearsonii
Medium	Sensitive species 122
Medium	Sensitive species 144

#### MAP OF RELATIVE TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY THEME SENSITIVITY



Very High sensitivity	High sensitivity	Medium sensitivity	Low sensitivity
X			

Sensitivity	Feature(s)	
Very High	CBA 2	
Very High	ESA	