

ECOLOGICAL FAUNA AND FLORA HABITAT SURVEY

STRAWBERRY FARM AREA:

Doornkloof Ptn 107, Doornkloof Ptn 129, Rietvlei 6,
Rietvlei 7, Strawberry Farm Phase 1 and Strawberry
Farm Phase 2, Gauteng Province



Top left: Succulent, *Lithops leslei* (bottom), Photo: Reinier Terblanche.

Top right: Beetle, *Ichnestoma stobbiai*, Photo: Peter Webb.

Bottom left: Orchid *Habenaria kraenzliniana*, Photo: Reinier Terblanche.

Bottom right: Butterfly, *Kedestes nerva*, Photo Reinier Terblanche.

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1 INTRODUCTION

An ecological habitat survey of flora and fauna was required for the Strawberry Farm Area: Doornkloof Ptn 107, Doornkloof Ptn 129, Rietvlei 6, Rietvlei 7, Strawberry Farm Phase 1 and Strawberry Farm Phase 2, southeast of Irene in the Gauteng Province, at which developments are proposed. This Strawberry Farm area is elsewhere referred to as the study area and the units such as Doornkloof Ptn 107 are referred to as sites. The survey focused on the possibility that fauna or flora of conservation concern, which include threatened species, known to occur in Gauteng Province are likely to occur within the study area or not.

A main purpose of the current habitat survey is to review and consolidate findings on the fauna and flora at the whole area, because of uncertainties that remained and reasons listed beneath. A number of reports have in the past been submitted for some areas overlapping with the present study area, of which the author submitted some. The present survey and integration of findings to existing available knowledge are owing to:

- 1) Uncertainties in the actual sizes of suitable habitats and actual presence of some species of conservation concern,
- 2) Extents of potential habitat that in case of doubt are often extensive as a pre-caution,
- 3) More recent and more objective reviews of the extinction risks of species (according to IUCN categories and criteria). There have for example been significant changes and improvements in the extinction risks of plants (Raimondo *et al.*, 2009 and updated versions), butterflies (Mecenero *et al.*, 2013),
- 4) New taxonomical and biological information on organisms such as *Ichneustoma stobbiai*,
- 5) Recent improved and updated versions of key biodiversity issues and species of special conservation concern by GDARD (2012),
- 6) Possible increase in degradation in much of the study area, i.e. the area is not a reserve and management of habitats in the area remains obscure. More consolidated information may address neglect of the area in terms of conservation management and,
- 7) The area appears to become increasingly isolated and improved information could afford decision making, the latter being overdue.

1.1 OBJECTIVES OF THE HABITAT STUDY

The objectives of the habitat study are to provide:

- A detailed fauna and flora habitat survey;
- A detailed habitat survey of possible threatened or localised plant species, vertebrates and invertebrates;
- Literature surveys that are integrated with the findings of the habitat survey;
- An evaluation of the sensitivity of habitats that in particular relate to current status of threatened species and conspicuous key biodiversity aspects;
- Identification of potential ecological impacts on fauna and flora that could occur as a result of the development; and

1.2 SCOPE OF STUDY

- A survey consisting of several visits to investigate key elements of habitats on the site, relevant to the conservation of fauna and flora;
- Recording of any sightings and signs of existing fauna and flora;
- Recording of possible significant biological interactions of importance to conserve habitats of species;
- The selective and careful collecting of voucher specimens of invertebrates where deemed necessary;
- Literature studies and integration of existing knowledge with the findings of the surveys in the field;

2 STUDY AREA

The study area is south-east of Irene in the Gauteng Province. More specifically the site is situated in an area south of Irene Glen Private Estate, west of the M57 and/or R21, east of the M18 route and north of Olifantsfontein.

Study area and sites are situated at the Grassland Biome (Mucina & Rutherford 2006). Grassland Biome at the study area is represented by Carletonville Dolomite Grassland vegetation type (Mucina & Rutherford 2006). Distribution: In South Africa the Carletonville Dolomite Grassland is found in North West, Gauteng and marginally into the Free State Province. The Carletonville Dolomite Grassland ranges from the region of Potchefstroom to Ventersdorp and Carletonville extending westwards to the vicinity of Ottoshoop, but also occurring as far east as Centurion and Bapsfontein in the Gauteng Province. Altitude ranges from 1360-1620 m, but largely 1500-1560 m (Mucina & Rutherford 2006).

Vegetation and landscape features: Slightly undulating plains dissected by prominent rocky chert ridges. Species-rich grasslands forming a complex mosaic pattern dominated by many species (Mucina & Rutherford 2006). Geology and soils: This area occurs almost exclusively on the dolomites of the Malmani Subgroup (Transvaal Supergroup). Climate: Warm-temperate, summer-rainfall region, with overall mean annual precipitation of 560 mm. High summer temperatures. Severe frequent frost occurs in winter (Mucina & Rutherford 2006).

Important taxa of the Carletonville Dolomite Grassland listed by Mucina & Rutherford (2006): Graminoids: *Aristida congesta*, *Brachiaria serrata*, *Cynodon dactylon*, *Digitaria tricholaenoides*, *Diheteropogon amplexans*, *Eragrostis chloromelas*, *Eragrostis racemosa*, *Heteropogon contortus*, *Loudetia simplex*, *Schizachyrium sanguineum*, *Setaria sphacelata*, *Themeda triandra*, *Alloteropsis semialata* subsp. *eckloniana*, *Andropogon schirensis*, *Aristida canescens*, *Aristida diffusa*, *Bewsia biflora*, *Bulbostylis burchellii*, *Cymbopogon caesius*, *Cymbopogon pospischilii*, *Elionurus muticus*, *Eragrostis curvula*, *Eragrostis gummiflua*, *Eragrostis plana*, *Eustachys paspaloides*, *Hyparrhenia hirta*, *Melinis nerviglumis*, *Melinis repens* subsp. *repens*, *Monocymbium ceresiiforme*, *Panicum coloratum*, *Pogonarthria squarrosa*, *Trichoneura grandiglumis*, *Triraphis andropogonoides*, *Tristachya leucothrix*, *Tristachya rehmannii*. Herbs: *Acalypha angustata*, *Barleria macrostegia*, *Chamaecrista mimosoides*, *Chamaesyce inaequilatera*, *Crabbea angustifolia*, *Dianthus mooiensis*, *Dicoma anomala*, *Helichrysum caespitium*, *Helichrysum miconiifolium*, *Helichrysum nudifolium* var. *nudifolium*, *Ipomoea ommaneyi*, *Justicia anagalloides*, *Kohautia amatymbica*, *Kyphocarpa angustifolia*, *Ophrestia oblongifolia*, *Pollichia campestris*, *Senecio coronatus*, *Vernonia oligocephala*. Geophytic herbs: *Boophone disticha*, *Habenaria mossii*. Low Shrubs: *Anthospermum rigidulum* subsp. *pumilum*, *Indigofera comosa*, *Pygmaeothamnus zeyheri* var. *rogersii*, *Searsia magalismsontana*, *Tylosema esculentum*, *Ziziphus zeyheriana*. Geoxylic Suffrutices: *Elephantorrhiza elephantina*, *Parinari capensis* subsp. *capensis*. Endemic taxon: *Delosperma davyi*.

Note: Many, but not all of the above plant species are present at the site and the endemic taxon of the Carletonville Dolomite Grassland *Delosperma davyi* does not appear to be present in the study area.

A tributary of the Hennops River, the Kaalspruit runs through the southern part of the study area and forms the boundaries between Strawberry Farm Phase 2, Strawberry Farm Phase 1 and Rietvlei 6 sites.

3 METHODS

A desktop study comprised not only an initial phase, but also it was used throughout the study to accommodate and integrate all the data that become available during the field observations.

Surveys by R.F. Terblanche took place on 22 October 2013, 25 October 2013, 26 October 2013, October 2013, 1 November 2013, 19 November 2013, 21 December 2013, January 2014, 22 February 2014 and 5 March 2014 to note key elements of habitats on the site, relevant to the conservation of fauna and flora. Numerous surveys in the larger area and on the sites in the past from 2004 – 2011 have also been taken into account. The main purpose of the site visits was ultimately to serve as a habitat survey that concentrated on the possible presence or not of threatened species and other species of high conservation priority.

The following sections highlight the materials and methods applicable to different aspects that were observed.

3.1 HABITAT CHARACTERISTICS AND VEGETATION

The habitat was investigated by noting habitat structure (rockiness, slope, plant structure/physiognomy) as well as floristic composition. Voucher specimens of plant species were only taken where the taxonomy was in doubt and where the plant specimens were of significant relevance for invertebrate conservation. Field guides such as those by Germishuizen (2003), Manning (2003), Manning (2009), Van Oudtshoorn (1999), Van Wyk (2000), Van Wyk & Malan (1998) and Van Wyk & Van Wyk (1997) were used to confirm the taxonomy of the species. Works on specific plant groups (often genera) such as those by Goldblatt (1986), Goldblatt & Manning (1998), Jacobsen (1983), McMurtry, Grobler, Grobler & Burns (2008), Smit (2008), Van Jaarsveld (2006) and Van Wyk & Smith (2003) were also consulted to confirm the identification of species. In this case no plant specimens were needed to be collected as voucher specimens or to be send to a herbarium for identification. For the most recent treatise of scientific plant names and broad distributions, Germishuizen, Meyer & Steenkamp (2006) were followed to compile the lists of species.

3.2 MAMMALS

Mammals were noted as sight records by day. For the identification of species and observation of diagnostic characteristics Smithers (1986), Skinner & Chimimba (2005), Cillié, Oberprieler and Joubert (2004) and Apps (2000) are consulted. Sites have been walked, covering as many habitats as possible. Signs of the presence of mammal species, such as calls of animals, animal

tracks (spoor), burrows, runways, nests and faeces were recorded. Walker (1996), Stuart & Stuart (2000) and Liebenberg (1990) were consulted for additional information and for the identification of spoor and signs. Trapping was not done since it proved not necessary in the case of this study. Habitat characteristics were also surveyed to note potential occurrences of mammals. Many mammals can be identified from field sightings but, with a few exceptions bats, rodents and shrews can only be reliably identified in the hand, and even then some species needs examination of skulls, or even chromosomes (Apps, 2000).

3.3 BIRDS

Birds were noted as sight records, mainly with the aid of binoculars (10x30). Nearby bird calls of which the observer was sure of the identity were also recorded. For practical skills of noting diagnostic characteristics, the identification of species and observation techniques Ryan (2001) is followed. For information on identification, biogeography and ecology Barnes (2000), Hockey, Dean & Ryan, P.G. (2005), Cillié, Oberprieler & Joubert (2004), Tarboton & Erasmus (1998) and Chittenden (2007) were consulted. Ringing of birds fell beyond the scope of this survey and was not deemed necessary. Sites have been walked, covering as many habitats as possible. Signs of the presence of bird species such as spoor and nests have additionally been recorded. Habitat characteristics were surveyed to note potential occurrences of birds.

3.4 REPTILES

Reptiles were noted as sight records in the field. Binoculars (10x30) can also be used for identifying reptiles of which some are wary. For practical skills of noting diagnostic characteristics, the identification of species and observation techniques, Branch (1998), Marais (2004), Alexander & Marais (2007) and Cillié, Oberprieler and Joubert (2004) were followed. Sites were walked, covering as many habitats as possible. Smaller reptiles are sometimes collected for identification, but this practice was not necessary in the case of this study. Habitat characteristics were surveyed to note potential occurrences of reptiles.

3.5 AMPHIBIANS

Frogs and toads are noted as sight records in the field or by their calls. For practical skills of noting diagnostic characteristics, the identification of species and observation techniques Carruthers (2001), Du Preez (1996), Conradie, Du Preez, Smith & Weldon (2006) and the recent complete guide by Du Preez & Carruthers (2009) are consulted. CD's with frog calls by Carruthers

(2001) and Du Preez & Carruthers (2009) are used to identify species by their calls when applicable. Sites are walked, covering as many habitats as possible. Smaller frogs are often collected by pitfall traps put out for epigeal invertebrates (on the soil), but this practice falls beyond the scope of this survey. Habitat characteristics are also surveyed to note potential occurrences of amphibians.

3.6 BUTTERFLIES

Butterflies were noted as sight records or voucher specimens. Voucher specimens are mostly taken of those species of which the taxa warrant collecting due to taxonomic difficulties or in the cases where species can look similar in the veldt. Many butterflies use only one species or a limited number of plant species as host plants for their larvae. Myrmecophilous (ant-loving) butterflies such as the *Aloeides*, *Chrysothrix*, *Erikssonina*, *Lepidochrysops* and *Orachrysops* species (Lepidoptera: Lycaenidae), which live in association with a specific ant species, require a unique ecosystem for their survival (Deutschländer & Bredenkamp, 1999; Terblanche, Morghental & Cilliers, 2003; Edge, Cilliers & Terblanche, 2008; Gardiner & Terblanche, 2010). Known food plants of butterflies were therefore also recorded. After the visits to the site and the identification of the butterflies found there, a list was also compiled of butterflies that will most probably be found in the area in all the other seasons because of suitable habitat. The emphasis is on a habitat survey.

3.7 FRUIT CHAFER BEETLES

Different habitat types in the areas were explored for any sensitive or special fruit chafer species. Selection of methods to find fruit chafers depends on the different types of habitat present and the species that may be present. Fruit bait traps would probably not be successful for capturing *Ichnestoma* species in a grassland patch (Holm & Marais 1992). Possible chafer beetles of high conservation priority were noted as sight records accompanied by the collecting of voucher specimens with grass nets or containers where deemed necessary.

3.8 MYGALOMORPH SPIDERS AND ROCK SCORPIONS

Relatively homogenous habitat / vegetation areas were identified and explored to identify any sensitive or special species. Selected stones that were lifted to search for Arachnids were put

back very carefully resulting in the least disturbance possible. The area was searched for possible signs of trap door spiders or other mygalomorph spiders (for example traces of wafer-lids, cork-lids or silk-lined burrows). Investigations by brushing the soil surface with a small broom/paint brush, scraping or digging into the soil with a spade, were made. All the above actions were accompanied by the least disturbance possible.

3.9 LIMITATIONS

For each site visited, it should be emphasized that surveys can by no means result in an exhaustive list of the plants and animals present on the site, because of the time constraints and the focus on species of conservation concern. The on site survey was conducted during October 2013, November 2013, December 2013, January 2014, February 2014 and March 2014 which is an optimal time of the year to find many of the habitat sensitive plant and animal species of high conservation priority. Earlier visits to parts of the study area from 2004 – 2011 also covers a range of different seasonal times of the year and as a consequence ideal surveys. Despite this vast range of visits, *Ichneustoma stobbiai* only emerges for very short periods of few days after good rain at the beginning of the summer so that even then full coverage of their habitat range is often limited. However, because of this vast range of visits a good idea at least the core habitat of *Ichneustoma stobbiai* could be given. Weather conditions during the survey were favourable for recording fauna and flora. The focus of the survey remains a habitat survey that concentrates on the possibility that species of particular conservation priority occur on the site or not. It is unlikely that more surveys would alter the outcome of this study.

4 RESULTS

4.1 HABITAT AND VEGETATION CHARACTERISTICS

Table 4.1 Outline of main landscape and habitat characteristics of the study area.

HABITAT FEATURE	DESCRIPTION
Topography	The study area and sites proposed for the developments is in an undulating area with moderate to gentle slopes.
Rockiness	Rocky ridges are present at Doornkloof 107, Doornkloof 129 and Rietvlei 7.
Presence of wetlands	A perennial river (active channel) which is a tributary of the Sesmyspruit and riparian zone are present north eastern boundary of Strawberry Farm Phase 2 and the western boundary of Strawberry Farm Phase 1. A non-perennial river (streambed) runs from the informal settlement at Strawberry Farm Phase 1 to join the Olifantspruit at Strawberry Farm Phase 2. A quarry surrounded by exotic trees is present at Strawberry Farm Phase 2.
Broad overview of vegetation	<p>As a general trend vegetation ranges from pristine grassland to very disturbed areas in the southern parts of the study area. Few indigenous trees or small clumps of trees are present at the grassland of Doornkloof 107 though a patch of exotic trees are also present at the south western parts of Doornkloof 107. Large patches of exotic trees that interrupt the grassland in many parts of the study area consist mainly of exotic <i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> (red gum) and alien invasive Australian <i>Acacia</i> species. At the southern parts of the study area these infestation of the riparian zone and many parts of the site by exotic tree species are considerable.</p> <p>Remaining grassland patches at the site are obviously diverse in indigenous grass species and herbaceous species. Vegetation at much the central and southern parts of the study area largely transformed owing to the presence of buildings, clearings, roads, numerous dirt tracks, cultivated fields, informal settlements and informal dumping.</p> <p>These disturbed areas contain, apart from the mentioned exotic patches of trees, numerous alien invasive weeds that include <i>Campuloclinium</i> (Pompom Weed), <i>Schkuhria</i> (dwarf marigold), <i>Tagetes</i> (khaki weed), <i>Bidens</i> (black jacks), <i>Cosmos</i> (cosmos), <i>Conyza</i> (flea banes), <i>Datura</i> (thorn-apples), and exotic <i>Verbena</i> species (purple tops).</p> <p>Riparian zone (distinct vegetation along the river) is mixed woodland consisting of a mixture of alien plant species at large with some indigenous vegetation remaining. Exotic tree species in the riparian zone include <i>Populus x canescens</i> (grey poplar), <i>Melia azedarach</i> (Syringa), <i>Acacia decurrens</i> (Green Wattle),</p>

Signs of disturbances	<p><i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> (Honey Locust), <i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> (red gum) and the naturalised <i>Salix babylonica</i> (weeping willow). Exotic reed species, <i>Arundo donax</i>, and exotic grass <i>Pennisetum clandestinum</i> are common along the banks of the perennial river at Strawberry Farm Phase 2 and Strawberry Farm Phase 1.</p> <p>Urban edges, informal settlements, cultivated fields, a large substation, pylons, roads, dirt tracks, patches of exotic trees, alien invasive weeds, informal dumping and excavations are all reflections of human impacts in the area.</p>
Connectivity of natural vegetation in the site and between the site and surrounding areas	<p>The entire study area is isolated by urban and industrial developments and a highway (R21). For much of the study area in particular the central and southern parts a natural continuous conservation corridor is doubtful. There is scope for the riparian zone of the Olifantspruit to be an important link in the area and in particular for some areas to serve as stepping stone corridors at the study area.</p>



Photo 1 Doornkloof 107, view of eastern and north-eastern parts of the site.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche



Photo 2 Doornkloof 107, view towards substation (to the south).
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 3 Doornkloof 129, view towards substation (north).
Photo: February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 4 Doornkloof 129 with some recent disturbance visible.
Photo: 22 February 2014 R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 5 Rocky outcrop at Rietvlei 7.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche



Photo 6 View of eastern side of Rietvlei 7. Grassland and exotic *Eucalyptus* species are visible in the picture.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 7 Disturbed grassland at Rietvlei 6.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 8 Disturbed grassland with informal settlement in the background at Strawberry Farm Phase 1.
Photo: 22 February 2014 R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 9 Cultivated fields at Strawberry Farm Phase 2.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche



Photo 10 *Phragmites australis*, common reed and exotic trees at and near the riparian zone of Strawberry Farm Phase 2.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 11 *Lithops lesliei* at the north-eastern parts of Strawberry Farm Phase 2.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 12 Flower of *Cleome conrathii*, a near threatened plant species that sometimes occur with another Near Threatened plant species, *Melolobium subspicatum*, on dolomite banks south of Irene.
Photo: 7 March 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 13 Another Near Threatened plant species in the study area, the orchid, *Habenaria kraenzliniana*.
Photo: 7 March 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 14 Summer-flowering *Aloe zebrina* occurs at several rocky patches in the study area.
Photo: 22 February 2014, R.F. Terblanche



Photo 15 *Habenaria nyikana*, yet another grassland orchid species that occurs in the study area.
Photo: February 2014, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 17 *Cynictis penicillata*, Yellow Mongoose, south of Irene. This widespread species is well-adapted to live at the urban edge.
Photo: 26 October 2013, R.F. Terblanche



Photo 18 *Burhinus capensis*, Spotted Thick-knee, at Irene.
Photo: 26 October 2013, R.F. Terblanche.



Photo 19 *Ichnestoma stobbiai*, at the lower slopes of Smuts Koppie, Irene.
Photo: October 2013, Peter Webb.



Photo 20 *Cigaritis mozambica*, Mozambique Bar butterfly, a widespread species at the north eastern parts of South Africa, at Doornkloof, Irene
Photo: 19 November 2013 R.F. Terblanche.

4.2 ASSESSMENT OF PLANT SPECIES OF CONSERVATION CONCERN

Table 4.2 Threatened plant species of the Gauteng Province that are listed in the **Critically Endangered** category. The list here follows the most recent updated red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at a site.

Species	Status: Global status or national status indicated	Resident at the site
<i>Encephalartos middelburgensis</i>	Critically Endangered	No

Table 4.3 Threatened plant species of the Gauteng Province that are listed in the **Endangered** category. The list here follows the most recent updated red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at a site.

Species	Status: Global status or national status indicated	Resident at the site
<i>Aloe peglerae</i>	Endangered	No
<i>Brachystelma discoideum</i>	Endangered	No
<i>Delosperma purpureum</i>	Endangered	No
<i>Frithia humilis</i>	Endangered	No
<i>Habenaria mossii</i>	Endangered	Yes
<i>Holothrix micrantha</i>	Endangered	No

Table 4.4 Threatened plant species of the Gauteng Province that are listed in the **Vulnerable** category. The list here follows the most recent updated red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at a site.

Species	Status: Global status or national status indicated	Resident at the site
<i>Bowiea volubilis</i> subsp. <i>volubilis</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Brachycorythis conica</i> subsp. <i>transvaalensis</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Ceropegia decidua</i> subsp. <i>pretoriensis</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Cheilanthes deltoidea</i> subsp. <i>silicicola</i>	Vulnerable	Yes
<i>Cineraria longipes</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Cucumis humifructus</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Delosperma gautengense</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Dioscorea sylvatica</i>	Vulnerable	No

<i>Encephalartos lanatus</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Eulophia coddii</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Khadia beswickii</i>	Vulnerable	No
<i>Melolobium subspicatum</i>	Vulnerable	No*
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Vulnerable	No

* *Melolobium subspicatum* is present in the study area but not at one of the sites.

Table 4.5 Near Threatened plant species of the Gauteng Province. The list here follows the most recent updated red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at the site.

Species	Status: Global status or national status indicated	Resident at the site
<i>Alepidea attenuata</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Adromischus umbraticola</i> subsp. <i>umbraticola</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Argyrolobium campicola</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Argyrolobium megarrhizum</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Ceropegia turricula</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Cineraria austrotransvaalensis</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Cleome conrathii</i>	Near Threatened	Yes
<i>Delosperma leendertziae</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Drimia sanguinea</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Gladiolus robertsoniae</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Habenaria barbertoni</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Habenaria bicolor</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Habenaria kraenzliniana</i>	Near Threatened	Yes
<i>Holothrix randii</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Kniphofia typhoides</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Lithops leslei</i> subsp. <i>leslei</i>	Near	Yes

	Threatened	
<i>Nerine gracilis</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Searsia gracillima</i> var. <i>gracillima</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Stenostelma umbelluliferum</i>	Near Threatened	No
<i>Trachyandra erythrorrhiza</i>	Near Threatened	No

Table 4.6 Least Concern (= not threatened) plant species of the Gauteng Province that are however of particular conservation concern and listed in the **Rare** category. The list here follows the most recent red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at the site.

Species	Status:	Resident at the site
	Global status or national status indicated	
<i>Blepharis uniflora</i>	Rare	No
<i>Frithia pulchra</i>	Rare	No
<i>Gladiolus pole-evansii</i>	Rare	No
<i>Gnaphalium nelsonii</i>	Rare	No

Table 4.7 Not threatened plant species of the Gauteng Province which are however of particular conservation concern and listed in the **Declining** category. The list here follows the most recent red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at the site.

Species	Status:	Resident at the site
	Global status or national status indicated	
<i>Boophone disticha</i>	Declining	Yes
<i>Callilepis leptophylla</i>	Declining	Yes
<i>Crinum bulbispermum</i>	Declining	No
<i>Crinum macowanii</i>	Declining	No
<i>Drimia altissima</i>	Declining	No
<i>Eucomis autumnalis</i>	Declining	No
<i>Gunnera perpensa</i>	Declining	No
<i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i>	Declining	Yes
<i>Ilex mitis</i>	Declining	No

Table 4.8 Plant species of the Gauteng Province of which the conservation status is uncertain owing to a lack of information and which are listed in the **Data Deficient** category. The list here follows the most recent red list of South African plant species (Raimondo *et al.* 2009). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at the site.

Species	Status: Global status or national status indicated	Resident at the site
<i>Lepidium mossii</i>	Data Deficient	No

Table 4.9 Some of the tree species of the Gauteng Province which are not threatened but listed as **Protected Species** under the National Forests Act No. 84 of 1998, Section 51(1). No = Plant species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Plant species is a resident at the site.

Species	Conservation status	Resident at the site
<i>Acacia erioloba</i>	Protected	No
<i>Boscia albitrunca</i>	Protected	No
<i>Combretum imberbe</i>	Protected	No
<i>Sclerocarya birrea</i>	Protected	No

4.3 ASSESSMENT OF VERTEBRATE SPECIES OF CONSERVATION CONCERN

4.3.1 Mammals of particular high conservation priority

Table 4.10 Threatened mammal species of the Gauteng Province. Literature sources: Friedman & Daly, (2004), Skinner & Chimimba (2005), Wilson & Reeder (2005). Furthermore golden mole species that are rare and being reported from the adjacent Free State and Limpopo Provinces have also been included.

Species	Red Listed Status	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Chrysoxalax villosus</i> Rough-haired golden mole	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Cloeotis percivali</i> Short-eared Trident Bat	Vulnerable/ Near-threatened	No	No
<i>Diceros bicornis</i> Black rhinoceros	Critically Endangered	No	No
<i>Lycaon pictus</i> African wild dog	Endangered	No	No
<i>Loxodonta africana</i> African elephant	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Mystromys albicaudatus</i> White-tailed mouse	Endangered	No	No
<i>Neamblysomus julianae</i> Juliana's Golden Mole	Critically Endangered	No	No
<i>Panthera leo</i> Lion	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Rhinolophus blasii</i> Blasi's Horseshoe Bat	Vulnerable	No	No

Table 4.11 Near threatened mammal species known to occur in the Gauteng Province, Free State Province and North-West Province. Literature sources: Skinner & Chimimba (2005).

Species	Red Listed Status	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Ceratotherium simum</i> White Rhinoceros	Near-threatened	No	No
<i>Manis temminckii</i> Ground Pangolin	Lower risk/ Near threatened	No	No

4.3.2 Birds of particular high conservation priority

Table 4.12 Threatened bird species of the Gauteng Province. Literature sources Barnes (2000), Hockey, Dean & Ryan, P.G. (2005) and Chittenden (2007).

Species	Common name	Red Listed Status	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found breeding on site based on being dependant on site
<i>Aegypius tracheliotos</i>	Lappet-faced Vulture	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Anthropoides paradiseus</i>	Blue Crane	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Aquila rapax</i>	Tawny Eagle	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Ardeotis kori</i>	Kori Bustard	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	Eurasian Bittern	Critically Endangered	No	No
<i>Buphagus africanus</i>	Yellow-billed Oxpecker	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Circus ranivorus</i>	African Marsh-Harrier	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Crex crex</i>	Corn Crane	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Eupodotis senegalensis</i>	White-bellied Korhaan	Vulnerable	No	No

<i>Gorsachius leuconotus</i>	White-backed Night-heron	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Gyps africanus</i>	White-backed Vulture	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Gyps coprotheres</i>	Cape Vulture	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>	Egyptian Vulture	Regionally almost extinct	No	No
<i>Neotis denhami</i>	Denham's Bustard	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Pelecanus rufescens</i>	Pink-backed Pelican	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>	Martial Eagle	Vulnerable	No	No
<i>Rhynchops flavirostris</i>	African Skimmer	Endangered	No	No
<i>Sarothrura ayresi</i>	White-winged Flufftail	Critically Endangered	No	No
<i>Therathopius ecaudatus</i>	Bateleur	Vulnerable (in South Africa)	No	No
<i>Tyto capensis</i>	African Grass-Owl	Vulnerable	No	No

Table 4.13 Near threatened bird species of the Gauteng Province. Literature sources Barnes (2000), Hockey, Dean & Ryan, P.G. (2005) and Chittenden (2007).

Species	Common name	Red Listed Status	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found breeding on site based or being dependant on site
<i>Alcedo semitorquata</i>	Half-collared Kingfisher	Near threatened	No	No*
<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>	African Openbill	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Aquila ayresii</i>	Ayres's Hawk-Eagle	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>	Red-Billed Oxpecker	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Charadrius pallidus</i>	Chestnut-banded Plover	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	Black Stork	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Circus macrourus</i>	Pallid Harrier	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Falco biarmicus</i>	Lanner Falcon	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	Near threatened	No	No

<i>Glareola nordmanni</i>	Black-winged Pratincole	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Leptoptilos crumeniferus</i>	Marabou Stork	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Mirafra cheniana</i>	Melodious lark	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Mycteria ibis</i>	Yellow-billed Stork	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	Great White Pelican	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Phoenicopterus minor</i>	Lesser Flamingo	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	Greater Flamingo	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Pterocles gutturalis</i>	Yellow-throated Sandgrouse	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	Greater Painted-snipe	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i>	Secretarybird	Near threatened	No	No
<i>Sterna caspia</i>	Caspian Tern	Near threatened	No	No

* Note that though the Half-Collared Kingfisher, *Alcedo semitorquata*, has been observed in the riparian zone near Irene Market, it has not been found at the riparian zones that runs through the sites in questions.

4.3.3 Reptiles of particular high conservation priority

The following tables list possible presence or absence of threatened reptile or near threatened reptile species in the study area. The Southern African Reptile Conservation Assessment (SARCA) was launched in May 2005 (Branch, Tolley, Cunningham, Bauer, Alexander, Harrison, Turner & Bates, 2006). Its primary aim is to produce a conservation assessment for reptiles of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland within the near future (Branch *et al.*, 2006). A full up-dated conservation assessment of reptiles, taking into account the recent IUCN (2001) criteria, can only be used once it becomes available. Alexander & Marais (2007) and Tolley & Burger (2007) give useful indications of present conservation statuses as well as possible red listings of reptile species and subspecies in the near future.

Table 4.14 Threatened reptile species in Gauteng Province. Sources: Alexander & Marais (2007). No = Reptile species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Reptile species is found to be resident on the site.

Species	Red Listed Status	Resident at site	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Python natalensis</i> Southern African Python	Vulnerable*	No	No	No

* Unlikely to retain this threat classification when reassessed (Alexander & Marais, 2007).

Table 4.15 Near threatened reptile species in Gauteng Province. Sources: Alexander & Marais (2007). No = Reptile species is not a resident on the site; Yes = Reptile species is found to be resident on the site.

Species	Red Listed Status	Resident at site	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Homoroselaps dorsalis</i> Striped Harlequin Snake	Near threatened	No	No	No

4.4 ASSESSMENT OF INVERTEBRATE SPECIES OF CONSERVATION CONCERN

4.4.1 Butterflies of particular conservation priority

Table 4.16 Threatened (Endangered) butterfly species of the Gauteng Province. Sources: Mecenero *et al.* (2013), Henning, Terblanche & Ball (2009).

Species	Red List Status (Global status)	Recorded at site during survey	Residential status at the site: Confirmed, Highly likely, Likely, Medium possibility, Unlikely, Highly unlikely
<i>Aloeides dentatis dentatis</i> Roodepoort Copper	Endangered	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Chrysochrysis aureus</i> Golden Opal/ Heidelberg Opal	Endangered	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Lepidochrysops praeterita</i> Highveld Blue	Endangered	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Orachrysops mijburghi</i> Mijburgh's Blue	Endangered	No	Highly unlikely

Table 4.17 Rare butterfly species of the Gauteng Province. Source: Mecenero *et al.* (2013).

Species	Red List Status	Recorded at site during survey	Residential status at the site: Confirmed, Highly likely, Likely, Medium possibility, Unlikely, Highly unlikely
<i>Colotis celimene amina</i> Lilac Tip	Rare (Low density)	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Lepidochrysops procera</i> Grassland Blue	Rare (Habitat specialist)	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Metisella meninx</i> Marsh Sylph	Rare (Habitat specialist)	No	Highly unlikely
<i>Platylesches dolomitica</i> (Hilltop hopper)	Rare (Low density)	No	Unlikely, but possible

4.4.2 Beetles of particular conservation priority

Table 4.18 Fruit chafer species (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Cetoninae) in the Gauteng Province and Gauteng Province which are of known high conservation priority.

Species	Red Listed Status	Resident at site	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Ichneustoma stobbiai</i>	Uncertain (Probably endangered)	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Trichocephala brincki</i>	Uncertain	No	No	No

4.4.3 Mygalomorph spiders of particular conservation priority

Table 4.19 Baboon spiders species (Araneae: Teraphosidae) species that are of known high conservation priority in the Gauteng Province and Gauteng Province.

Species	Red Listed Status	Resident at site	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Brachionopus pretoriae</i>	Uncertain	No	No	No

4.4.4 Scorpions of particular conservation priority

Table 4.20 Rock scorpion species (Scorpiones: Ischnuridae) species that are of known high conservation priority in the Gauteng Province and Gauteng Province.

Species	Red Listed Status	Resident at site	Recorded at site during survey	Likely to be found based on habitat assessment
<i>Hadogenes gracilis</i>	Uncertain	No	No	No
<i>Hadogenes gunningi</i>	Uncertain	No	No	No

5 DISCUSSION

5.1 HABITAT AND VEGETATION CHARACTERISTICS

An outline of the habitat and vegetation characteristics is given in Table 4.1.

5.2 PLANT SPECIES

Extinct, threatened, near threatened and other plant species of high conservation priority in Gauteng Province are listed in Tables 4.2 – 4.9. The presence or not of all the species listed in the tables were investigated during the survey. A number of Threatened and Near Threatened species of plants have been found in certain habitats in the study area of which some fall outside the present sites. These are listed in the maps, Table 5.2 and the Section 7, the Conclusion.

5.3 VERTEBRATES

5.3.1 Mammals

Table 4.10 and Table 4.11 list the possible presence or absence of threatened mammal species and near threatened mammal species at the site. Literature sources that were used are Friedman & Daly (2004), Skinner & Chimimba (2005) and Wilson & Reeder (2005). Because the site falls outside reserves, threatened species such as the black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis*) and the African wild dog (*Lycaon pictus*) are obviously not present. No smaller mammals of particular high conservation significance are likely to be found on the site as well.

5.3.2 Birds

Table 4.12 and Table 4.13 list the possible presence or absence of threatened bird species and near threatened bird species at the site. Literature sources that were mainly consulted are Barnes (2000), Hockey, Dean & Ryan, P.G. (2005) and Chittenden (2007). The site does not appear to form part of any habitat of particular importance for any threatened bird species or any bird

species of particular conservation importance. In the case of this study, the presence or not of *Tyto capensis*, African grass-owl, deserves particular reference.

***Tyto capensis* (African Grass-owl)**

Tyto capensis is listed as regionally vulnerable in South Africa (Hockey, Dean & Ryan 2005). *Tyto capensis* (African Grass-owl) is often found as a resident in treeless areas with damp substrata, mainly marshes and vleis (Hockey, Dean & Ryan 2005). This owl favours patches of tall, rank grass, sedges or weeds (Armstrong, 1991). No *Tyto capensis* was recorded on the site, no particular suitable habitat for this owl species has been found at the site and it is unlikely that the African grass-owl will be present.

5.3.3 Reptiles

Table 4.14 and Table 4.15 list the possible presence or absence of threatened and near threatened reptile species on the site. The Southern African Reptile Conservation Assessment (SARCA) was launched in May 2005 (Branch, Tolley, Cunningham, Bauer, Alexander, Harrison, Turner & Bates, 2006). Its primary aim is to produce a conservation assessment for reptiles of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland within the near future (Branch *et al.*, 2006). Therefore a full up-dated conservation assessment of reptiles, taking into account the recent IUCN (2001) criteria, will only be available in the near future. While the conservation statuses of reptile species are under revision Alexander & Marais (2007) as well as Tolley & Burger 2007) give useful indications of possible red listings in the near future. There appears to be no threat to any reptile species of particular high conservation importance if the site is developed.

5.3.4 Amphibians

No frog species that occur in the Gauteng are red listed as threatened species or near threatened species at present. There appears to be no threat to any amphibian species of particular high conservation importance if the site is developed.

5.4 INVERTEBRATES

5.4.1 BUTTERFLIES

Studies about the vegetation and habitat of threatened butterfly species in South Africa showed that ecosystems with a unique combination of features are selected by these often localised threatened butterfly species (Deutschländer and Bredenkamp 1999; Edge 2002, 2005; Terblanche, Morgenthal & Cilliers 2003; Lubke, Hoare, Victor & Ketelaar 2003; Edge, Cilliers & Terblanche, 2008). Threatened butterfly species in South Africa can then be regarded as bio-indicators of rare ecosystems.

Because invertebrates are often less well known the expected presence or not of threatened butterfly species in the Endangered category (Table 4.16) and other high conservation priority species such as Rare butterfly species (Table 4.17) follows.

5.4.1.1 Assessment of threatened butterfly species (Endangered) in the Gauteng Province

Aloeides dentatis dentatis (Roodepoort Copper)

The proposed global red list status for *Aloeides dentatis dentatis* according to the most recent IUCN criteria and categories is Endangered (Mecenero *et al.* 2013). *Aloeides dentatis dentatis* colonies are found where one of its host plants *Hermannia depressa* or *Lotononis eriantha* is present. Larval ant association is with *Lepisiota capensis* (S.F. Henning 1983; S.F. Henning & G.A. Henning 1989). The habitat requirements of *Aloeides dentatis dentatis* are complex and not fully understood yet. See Deutschländer and Bredenkamp (1999) for the description of the vegetation and habitat characteristics of one locality of *Aloeides dentatis* subsp. *dentatis* at Ruimsig, Roodepoort, Gauteng Province. There is not an ideal habitat of *Aloeides dentatis* subsp. *dentatis* on the site and it is unlikely that the butterfly is present at the site.

Chrysoritis aureus (Golden Opal/ Heidelberg Copper)

The proposed global red list status for *Chrysoritis aureus* according to the most recent IUCN criteria and categories is Endangered (Mecenero *et al.* 2013) *Chrysoritis aureus* (Golden Opal/ Heidelberg Copper) is a resident where the larval host plant, *Clutia pulchella* is present. However, the distribution of the butterfly is much more restricted than that of the larval host plant (S.F. Henning 1983; Terblanche, Morgenthal & Cilliers 2003). One of the reasons for the localised

distribution of *Chrysothrix aureus* is that a specific host ant *Crematogaster liengmei* must also be present at the habitat. Fire appears to be an essential factor for the maintenance of suitable habitat (Terblanche, Morgenthal & Cilliers 2003). Research revealed that *Chrysothrix aureus* (Golden Opal/ Heidelberg Copper) has very specific habitat requirements, which include rocky ridges with a steep slope and a southern aspect (Terblanche, Morgenthal & Cilliers 2003). Owing to a lack of habitat requirements and ideal habitat the presence of the taxon is highly unlikely.

Lepidochrysops praeterita (Highveld Blue)

The proposed global red list status for *Lepidochrysops praeterita* according to the most recent IUCN criteria and categories is Endangered (G.A. Henning, Terblanche & Ball, 2009; Mecenero *et al.* 2013). *Lepidochrysops praeterita* is a butterfly that occurs where the larval host plant *Ocimum obovatum* (= *Becium obovatum*) is present (Pringle, G.A. Henning & Ball, 1994), but the distribution of the butterfly is much more restricted than the distribution of the host plant. *Lepidochrysops praeterita* is found on selected rocky ridges and rocky hillsides in parts of Gauteng, the extreme northern Free State and the south-eastern Gauteng Province. No ideal habitat appears to be present for the butterfly on the site. It is unlikely that *Lepidochrysops praeterita* would be present on the site and at the footprint proposed for the development.

Orachrysops mijburghi (Mijburgh's Blue)

The proposed global red status for *Orachrysops mijburghi* according to the most recent IUCN criteria and categories is Endangered (Mecenero *et al.* 2013). *Orachrysops mijburghi* favours grassland depressions where specific *Indigofera* plant species occur (Terblanche & Edge 2007). The Heilbron population of *Orachrysops mijburghi* in the Free State uses *Indigofera evansiana* as a larval host plant (Edge, 2005) while the Suikerbosrand population in Gauteng uses *Indigofera dimidiata* as a larval host plant (Terblanche & Edge 2007). There is no suitable habitat for *Orachrysops mijburghi* on the site and it is unlikely that *Orachrysops mijburghi* would be present on the site.

Conclusion on threatened butterfly species

There appears to be no threat to any red listed butterfly species if the site is developed.

5.4.1.2 Butterfly species that are not threatened but also of high conservation priority

Colotis celimene amina (Lilac tip)

Colotis celimene amina is listed as Rare (Low density) by Mecenero *et al.* (2013). In South Africa *Colotis celimene amina* is present from Pietermaritzburg in the south and northwards into parts of Kwa-Zulu Natal, Gauteng, Limpopo, Mpumalanga and the North West Provinces (Mecenero *et al.* 2013). Reasons for its rarity are poorly understood. It is highly unlikely that *Colotis celimene amina* would be present at the site.

Lepidochrysops procera (Savanna Blue)

Lepidochrysops procera is listed as Rare (Habitat specialist) by Mecenero *et al.* (2013). *Lepidochrysops procera* is endemic to South Africa and found in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga and North West (Mecenero *et al.* 2013). Owing to a lack of habitat requirements and ideal habitat the presence of the taxon at the site is highly unlikely.

Metisella meninx (Marsh Sylph)

Henning and Henning (1989) in the first South African Red Data Book of butterflies' listed *Metisella meninx* as threatened under the former IUCN category Indeterminate. Even earlier in the 20th century Swanepoel (1953) raised concern about vanishing wetlands leading to habitat loss and loss of populations of *Metisella meninx*. According to the second South African Red Data Book of butterflies (Henning, Terblanche & Ball, 2009) the proposed global red list status of *Metisella meninx* has been Vulnerable. During a recent large scale atlassing project the Conservation Assessment of Butterflies of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland: Red List and Atlas (Mecenero *et al.* 2013) it was found that more *Metisella meninx* populations are present than thought before. Based on this valid new information, the conservation status of *Metisella meninx* is now regarded as Rare (Habitat specialist) (Mecenero *et al.* 2013). Though *Metisella meninx* is more widespread and less threatened than perceived before, it should be regarded as a localised rare habitat specialist of conservation priority, which is dependent on wetlands with suitable patches of grass at wetlands (Terblanche In prep.). Another important factor to keep in mind for the conservation of *Metisella meninx* is that based on very recent discoveries of new taxa in the group the present *Metisella meninx* is a species complex consisting of at least three taxa (Terblanche In prep., Terblanche & Henning In prep.). The ideal habitat of *Metisella meninx* is treeless marshy areas where *Leersia hexandra* (rice grass) is abundant (Terblanche In prep.).

The larval host plant of *Metisella meninx* is wild rice grass, *Leersia hexandra* (G.A. Henning & Roos, 2001). Owing to a lack of habitat requirements and ideal habitat the presence of the taxon at the site is highly unlikely that the marsh sylph butterfly would be present at the site.

Platylesches dolomitica (Hilltop Hopper)

Platylesches dolomitica is listed as Rare (Low density) by Mecenero et al. (2013). Historically the conservation status of *Platylesches dolomitica* was proposed to be Vulnerable (Henning, Terblanche & Ball 2009). However, this butterfly which is easily overlooked has a wider distribution than perceived before. *Platylesches dolomitica* has a patchy distribution and is found on rocky ledges where *Parinari capensis* occurs, between 1300 m and 1800m (Mecenero et al. 2013, Dobson Pers comm.). At the study area, though not totally impossible, it is unlikely that *Platylesches dolomitica* would be present.

5.4.2 FRUIT CHAFER BEETLES

Table 4.18 lists the fruit chafer beetle species (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Cetoniinae) that are of known high conservation priority in the Gauteng Province. At most of the study area no *Ichnestoma stobbiai* or *Trichocephala brincki* were found during the surveys. At most of the study area there appears to be no threat to any of the fruit chafer beetles of particular high conservation priority if the site is developed. At Doornkloof Ptn 107 there is an extant population of *Ichnestoma stobbiai* and outside the sites in question a strong population of *Ichnestoma stobbiai* is found on the lower slopes east of the Irene Market Parking Area.

Ichnestoma stobbiai is an endangered fruit chafer (Scarabaeidae: Cetoniinae) that occurs in small habitat fragments of South Africa (Kryger & Scholtz, 2008). The adults of this species are short-lived and the females are flightless. Thus, the vagility of these beetles is extremely low (Kryger & Scholtz, 2008). The Cetoniinae (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae) genus *Ichnestoma* Gory & Percheron, 1833 currently comprises 13 described species and is endemic to South Africa. The species *I. stobbiai* Holm, 1992 is thought to occur in a very restricted area in and around Gauteng Province and all habitat patches should be protected (Kryger & Scholtz, 2008; Deschodt, Scholtz & Kryger, 2009). Unlike most cetoniine larvae, the larvae of this species usually occur in dolomitic to cherty, well-drained soils (Deschodt, Scholtz & Kryger, 2009). *Ichnestoma* larvae feed under the soil surface and also pupate under the soil surface in specific grassland areas (Perissinotto, Smith &

Stobbiai, 1999). All the habitat requirements of *Ichneustoma stobbiai* in these grassland patches are not fully understood yet, but it is normally a rocky area (dolomite to chert: see Deschodt, Scholtz & Kryger, 2009), consisting of grassland with a variety of indigenous grass species. From personal experience few trees occur in such patches, with species diverse grassland that are well developed in terms of succession. Rocks, often well-embedded in the soil, are scattered throughout such areas. There would be a threat to the rare and localised fruit chafer beetle, *Ichneustoma stobbiai* if the development at northern parts of the study area destroys its habitat.

5.4.3 MYGALOMOPH SPIDERS

Table 4.19 lists the baboon spider species (Araneae: Teraphosidae) that are of known high conservation priority in the Gauteng Province. The assessment of the conservation status of baboon spiders in South Africa is in process but as a pre-caution the species listed in Table 4.18 has been included. None of the above baboon spider species were found on the site, or are likely to be resident at the site. There appears to be no threat to the baboon spider species of high conservation significance if the study site is developed.

5.4.4 SCORPIONS

Table 4.20 lists the rock scorpion species (Scorpiones: Ischnuridae) that are of known high conservation priority in the Gauteng Province. There appears to be no threat to the rock scorpion species of high conservation priority if the study site is developed.



Figure 1 Map of sites in the study area (outlined in red) and core areas that are highly sensitive (outlined in yellow). These highly sensitive areas contain significant populations of Threatened or Near Threatened plant or animal species.

Grid references and altitudes were taken at site with a GPS Garmin E-trex 20 © instrument. Map information were analysed and depicted on Google images with the aid of Google Earth Pro (US Dept. of State Geographer, MapLink/ Tele Atlas, Google, 2013, licenced software bought by the author).

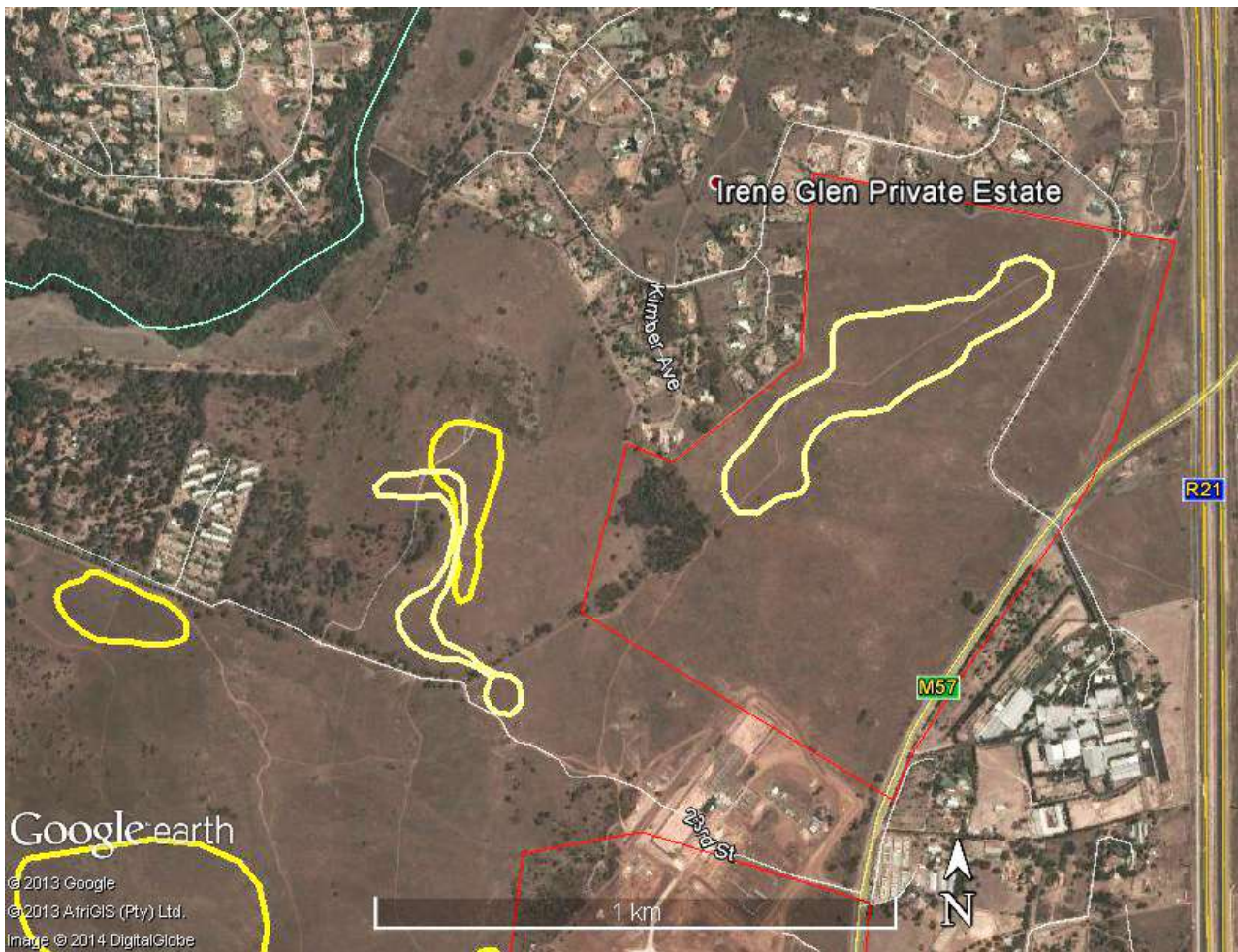


Figure 2 Map of Doornkloof Ptn 107 (outlined in red) and core areas that are highly sensitive (outlined in yellow). These highly sensitive areas contain significant populations of Near Threatened or Threatened plant or animal species. The light yellow outline at Doornkloof Ptn 107 indicates a confirmed habitat of the beetle *Ichneustoma stobbiai* but which does not appear to be as strong as the population east of Irene Market Parking Area (outlined in bright central left).

Grid references and altitudes were taken at site with a GPS Garmin E-trex 20 © instrument. Map information were analysed and depicted on Google images with the aid of Google Earth Pro (US Dept. of State Geographer, MapLink/ Tele Atlas, Google, 2013, licenced software bought by the author).



Figure 3 Map of Doornkloof Ptn 129 (outlined in red) and core areas that are highly sensitive (outlined in yellow). These highly sensitive areas contain significant populations of Near Threatened or Threatened plant or animal species. These areas of particular high sensitivity fall outside Doornkloof Ptn 129 but near its western boundary such as indicated.

Grid references and altitudes were taken at site with a GPS Garmin E-trex 20 © instrument. Map information were analysed and depicted on Google images with the aid of Google Earth Pro (US Dept. of State Geographer, MapLink/ Tele Atlas, Google, 2013, licenced software bought by the author).

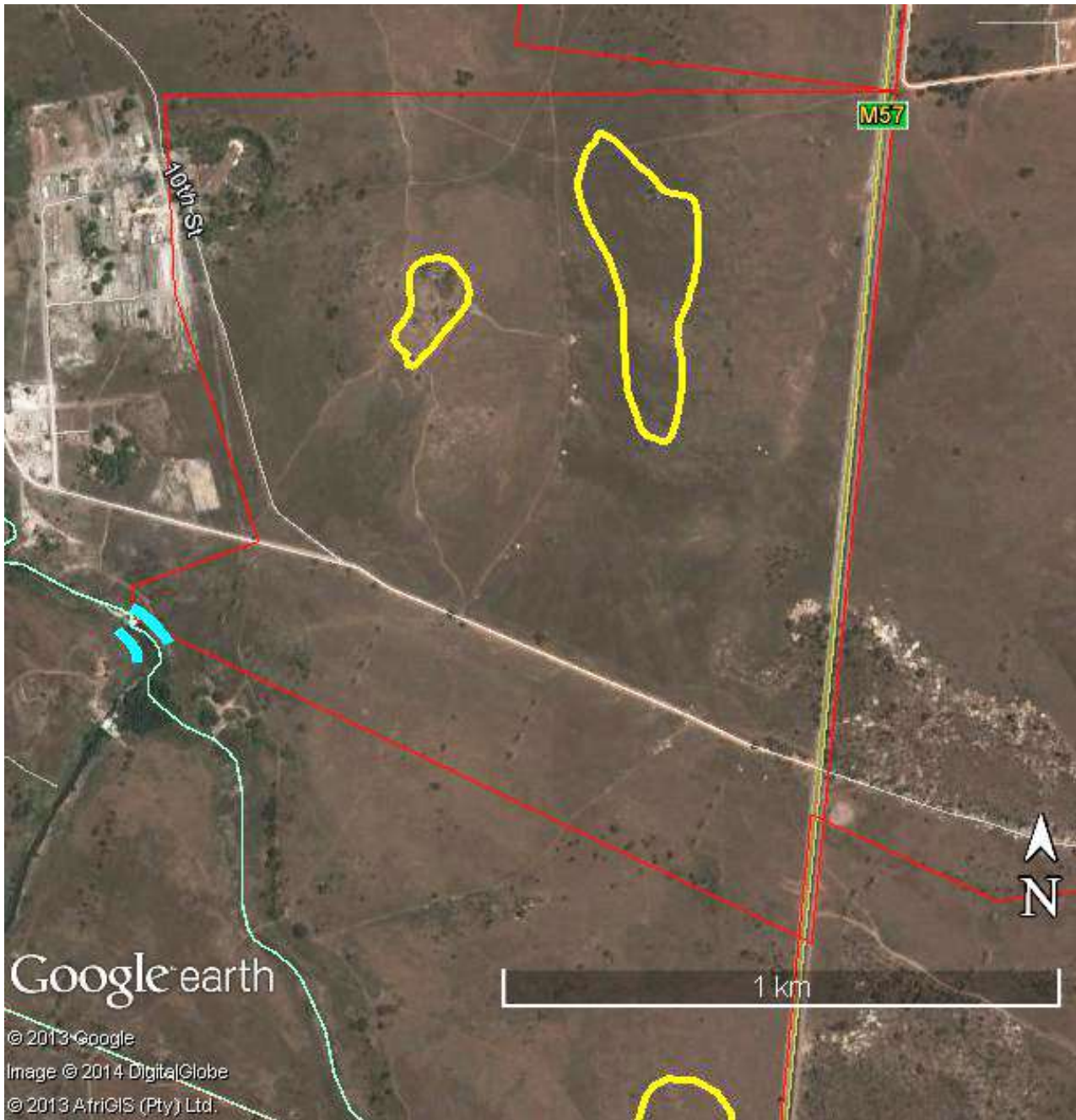


Figure 4 Map of Rietvlei 7 (outlined in red) and core areas that are highly sensitive (outlined in yellow). Area outlined in yellow at north-eastern (right) part indicates a habitat that contains the ENDANGERED orchid, *Habenaria mossii*, a Near Threatened orchid *Habenaria kraenzliniana* and a Near Threatened herbaceous plant species, *Cleome conrathii*. Area outlined in yellow at north-western part (left) indicates a rocky outcrop with the VULNERABLE fern *Cheilanthes deltoidea* subsp. *sillicicola*.

Grid references and altitudes were taken at site with a GPS Garmin E-trex 20 © instrument. Map information were analysed and depicted on Google images with the aid of Google Earth Pro (US Dept. of State Geographer, MapLink/ Tele Atlas, Google, 2013, licenced software bought by the author).



Figure 5 Map of Rietvlei 6 (outlined in red). Rietvlei 6 is increasingly degraded and considered to be of low sensitivity. Vast majority of trees that either occur in clumps or dot the landscape are exotic species, of which *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* (red gum) was visibly abundant during the site surveys.

Grid references and altitudes were taken at site with a GPS Garmin E-trex 20 ® instrument. Map information were analysed and depicted on Google images with the aid of Google Earth Pro (US Dept. of State Geographer, MapLink/ Tele Atlas, Google, 2013, licenced software bought by the author).

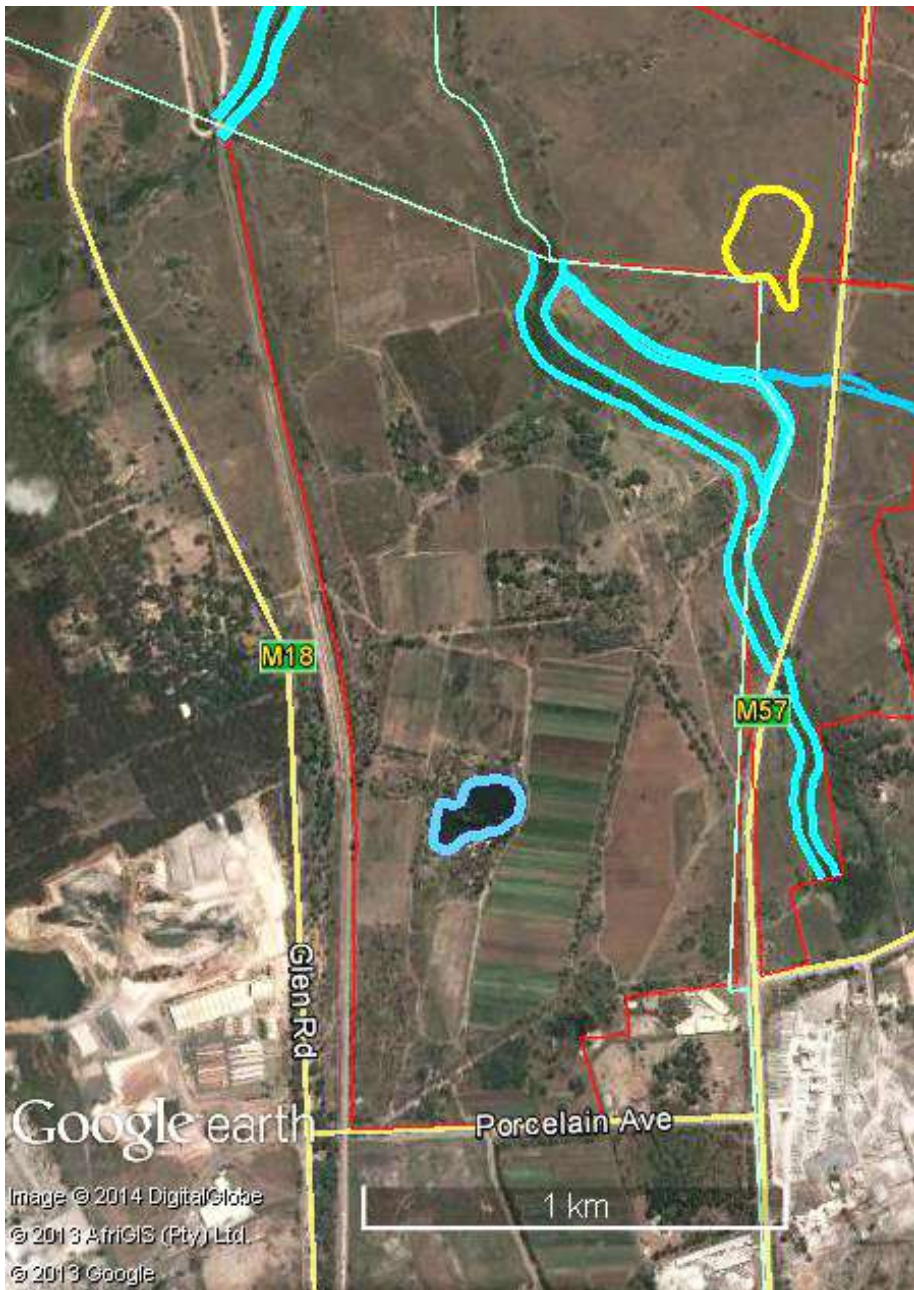


Figure 6 Map of Strawberry Farm Phase 2 (outlined in red). Aquatic ecosystems such as a quarry (central-southern part) and a perennial active channel (north-eastern parts) are outlined in blue. Area outlined in yellow that enters the north-eastern extreme of the site contains the Near Threatened succulent *Lithops leslei* and a Near Threatened herbaceous species *Cloeme conrathii*.

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Figure 7 Map of Strawberry Farm Phase 1 (outlined in red). Aquatic ecosystems such as a perennial active channel (north-western parts) and a non-perennial small water course are outlined in blue. Area outlined in yellow that enters the north-western extreme of the site contains the Near Threatened succulent species *Lithops leslei* and a Near Threatened herbaceous species *Cloeme conrathii*.

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Table 1.1: Outline of topography, rockiness vegetation, disturbances and aquatic aspects of the sites at the study area.

		DOORNKLOOF PTN 107	DOORNKLOOF PTN 129	RIETVLEI 7	RIETVLEI 6	STRAWBERRY FARM PHASE 1	STRAWBERRY FARM PHASE 2
Topography		Summit with gentle to moderate slopes.	Gentle to moderate slopes.	Rocky ridge in the west, flats in the southern parts and shallow valley in eastern parts.	Gentle to moderate slopes.	Flat/ gentle slopes.	Flat/ Gentle slopes.
Rockiness		Chert rocks occur in patches near summit and some slopes. Pebbles in soil.	Chert rocks surface but not highly concentrated and not as large as that of adjacent areas.	Rocky outcrop as extension of north-south ridge. Few rocks in eastern and southern parts of site.	Few rocks and small rocky patches.	Rocks few and sparse. No rocky ridges of note.	Rocks sparse and very few rocky patches. No rocky ridges of note.
Note: Vegetation		Indigenous and diverse grassland with few trees and patch of exotic trees in the south-western part.	Grassland patches. Western and north-western parts of site contain many exotic trees.	Mostly grassland with few trees. Bushclump of indigenous trees at upper northern slope of rocky outcrop. Exotic trees at eastern parts.	Large tracks of grassland invaded by dense patches of mainly exotic <i>Eucalyptus</i> trees.	Few natural grassland patches remain. Degraded or modified grassland with high infestation of alien invasive tree species.	Few natural grassland patches remain. Degraded or modified grassland with high infestation of alien invasive tree species.
Note: Disturbances		Disturbance low but large patch of exotic trees, mainly alien invasive Australian <i>Acacia</i> species.	Increasing disturbances recognised over recent years. Substation enters site. Pylons and excavations. Band of alien invasive trees.	Many tracks and invasion by <i>Eucalyptus</i> in the eastern parts.	Becoming increasingly disturbed and degraded.	Highly disturbed and degraded or modified area.	Highly disturbed and degraded or modified area.
Aquatic	Presence of active channels and riparian zones	No riparian zones or active channels of any note.	No riparian zones or active channels of any note.	Riparian zone of tributary of Olifantspruit crosses south-western extreme.	No riparian zones or active channels of any note.	Perennial active channel runs across southern extreme of site and a non-perennial active channel run through central-northern parts of the site.	Perennial active channel and non-perennial active channel run through north-eastern part of the site.
	Presence of wetlands	No wetlands of any note.	No wetlands of any note.	No wetlands of any note.	No wetlands of any note.	No wetlands of any note.	Artificial wetland: Quarry filled with water and surrounded by exotic trees at central-western part of the site. A weakly developed wetland occurs south of the quarry.

Table 2.2: Outline of key fauna and flora considerations stemming from the habitat assessment and surveys. Categories of presence or degree: Very low, Low, Moderate, High, Very high, Confirmed.

	DOORNKLOOF PTN 107	DOORNKLOOF PTN 129	RIETVLEI 7	RIETVLEI 6	STRAWBERRY FARM PHASE 1	STRAWBERRY FARM PHASE 2
Unique habitat of Threatened Plant Species	Low	Low	Confirmed <i>Habenaria mossii</i> ENDANGERED , <i>Cheilanthes deltoidea</i> subsp. <i>silvicola</i> VULNERABLE	Low	Low	Low
Unique habitat other plant species of conservation concern: Near Threatened Plant Species	Low	Low	Confirmed <i>Habenaria kraenzliniana</i> NEAR THREATENED <i>Cleome conrathii</i> NEAR THREATENED	Low	Confirmed <i>Cleome conrathii</i> NEAR THREATENED <i>Lithops lesliei</i> subsp. <i>lesliei</i> NEAR THREATENED	Confirmed <i>Cleome conrathii</i> NEAR THREATENED <i>Lithops lesliei</i> subsp. <i>lesliei</i> NEAR THREATENED
Unique habitat other plant species of conservation concern: Declining / Rare/ Plant Species	Confirmed <i>Boophone disticha</i> Declining <i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i> Declining	Confirmed <i>Boophone disticha</i> Declining <i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i> Declining	Confirmed <i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i> Declining <i>Eucomis autumnalis</i> subsp. <i>clavata</i> Declining	Confirmed <i>Boophone disticha</i> Declining <i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i> Declining	Low	Low
Unique habitat of Threatened Fauna	Confirmed <i>Ichneustoma stobbiai</i> (Beetle) VULNERABLE	Low Historically some records of <i>Ichneustoma stobbiai</i> but no recent observations. Viable sub-population unlikely.	Low	Low	Low	Low
Unique habitat of Near Threatened Fauna	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
General cover of indigenous plant species	High	High	High	Medium	Low	Very Low
Grazing importance* (of entire area including the sites)	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Connectivity, intactness (of entire area including the sites)	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low

6 TOWARDS ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING OF THE STUDY AREA

Habitats of threatened plants are in danger most often due to urban developments such as is the case for the Gauteng Province (Pfab & Victor, 2002). Habitat conservation is the key to the conservation of invertebrates such as threatened butterflies (Deutschländer and Bredenkamp 1999; Edge 2002, 2005; Terblanche, Morgenthal & Cilliers 2003; Lubke, Hoare, Victor & Ketelaar 2003; Edge, Cilliers & Terblanche, 2008). Furthermore corridors and linkages may play a significant role in insect conservation (Pryke & Samways, 2003, Samways, 2005).

Urbanisation is a major additional influence on the loss of natural areas (Rutherford & Westfall 1994). In the Gauteng the pressure to develop areas are high since its infrastructure allows for improvement of human well-being in some way. Urban nature conservation issues in South Africa are overshadowed by the goal to improve human well-being, which focuses on aspects such as poverty, equity, redistribution of wealth and wealth creation (Cilliers, Müller & Drewes 2004). Nevertheless the conservation of habitats is the key to invertebrate conservation, especially for those red listed species that are very habitat specific. This is also true for any detailed planning of corridors and buffer zones for invertebrates. Though proper management plans for habitats are not in place, setting aside special ecosystems is in line with the recent Biodiversity Act (2004) of the Republic of South Africa.

Corridors are important to link ecosystems of high conservation priority. Such corridors or linkages are there to improve the chances of survival of otherwise isolated populations (Samways, 2005). How wide should corridors be? The answer to this question depends on the conservation goal and the focal species (Samways, 2005). For an African butterfly assemblage this is about 250m when the corridor is for movement as well as being a habitat source (Pryke and Samways 2003). Hill (1995) found a figure of 200m for dung beetles in tropical Australian forest. In the agricultural context, and at least for some common insects, even small corridors can play a valuable role (Samways, 2005). Much more research remains to be done to find refined answers to the width of grassland corridors in South Africa. The width of corridors will also depend on the type of development, for instance the effects of the shade of multiple story buildings will be quite different from that of small houses.

To summarise: In practice, as far as residential developments are concerned, the key would be to prioritise and plan according to sensitive species and special ecosystems.

In the case of this study study area the vegetation ranges from pristine patches that are mostly present in the northern parts to extensively transformed at most of the southern parts of the study area. With careful planning unique ecosystems and sensitive species could be conserved if the development is approved. If some areas such as the core sensitive habitats are developed there would be a significant loss of unique local ecosystems and in particular loss of species of conservation concern of which some are in reality threatened species. In other areas there appear to be no loss of any particular sensitive species or particular unique ecosystems. A challenge in the area is that a trend of increasing degradation has been observed and decisions have to be made on the future of the study area south of Irene.

Riparian zone at the site is a very important conservation corridor and a 50 m buffer zone from the edge of the river is thought to be sufficient to conserve the riparian zone.

7 CONCLUSION

A holistic approach was deliberately followed during this study to address present limitations in the consolidation and confirmation of key biodiversity information and consequently biodiversity priorities of the study area.

The study area is a mosaic of which the vegetation and habitat ranges from extensively degraded in most of the southern parts to pristine patches of grassland in the northern parts. Some of the remaining patches of grassland and rocky outcrops in the study area contain not only Near Threatened species but also threatened plant and animal species. In other parts of the study area large areas are unfortunately covered by alien invasive Australian *Acacia* species and exotic *Eucalyptus* species (gum trees). Though some of these exotic trees harbour some raptor bird species, these are not threatened and can in the case of this study, not weigh up against loss of indigenous grassland patches which serve as habitat for a number of localised plant and animal species.

A key issue at the study area is the apparent continuous ecological degradation of indigenous grassland and unique indigenous bushclumps in the area, witnessed for one, by the author of this document, in the past decade. If this trend of habitat degradation continues, habitat loss and loss of plant and animal species of particular conservation are most likely scenarios.

Another critical issue is that the entire study area is increasingly isolated and that corridors and buffer zones should be viewed in that context. Grassland and bushclump patches as well as sensitive species to be conserved in the area are unlikely to be linked to the Rietvlei Reserve as a continuous corridor, i.e. any conserved areas are more likely to be viewed in terms of stepping stone corridor models. Buffer zones such as required for species of particular conservation concern is impractical in this case and have already been compromised by extant developments, if not entirely. It may, however, and is then vital to have as great as possible connectivity of conserved areas in the study area itself, south of Irene. Such planning of the entire area falls beyond the scope of this study but should be conducted as soon as possible.

A summary of important considerations at each site follows (see Table 5.1 and Table 5.2 for an outline):

Doornkloof Ptn 107

- Doornkloof Ptn 107 is situated north of a large substation but contains large patches of pristine and diverse grassland.
- Northern and north western parts of the site contain an extant habitat of the VULNERABLE beetle species *Ichneustoma stobbiai*. Population of the beetle *Ichneustoma stobbiai* in this area does not appear to be as strong as the population east of Irene Market Parking Area but could with careful planning and eradication of exotic tree species be connected to the core population lower down.
- A large patch of alien invasive trees (mainly Australian *Acacia* species) is present at the south-western parts of the site. Eradication of this patch will benefit conservation of indigenous grassland and associated fauna in the area.

Doornkloof Ptn 129

- Doornkloof Ptn 129 is ecologically increasingly degraded in terms of available quality indigenous grassland habitats.
- Areas of particular high sensitivity fall outside Doornkloof Ptn 129 but near its western boundary such as indicated (Figure 3).
- There are numerous exotic tree species, especially at the western and north western parts of the site. These exotic trees at the western boundary of the site where have already started to encroach on unique localised ecosystems of chert rock and bushclumps next and west of Doornkloof Ptn 129.

Rietvlei 7

- Numerous tracks, pylons, excavations and some exotic tree species reflect disturbances in the area. A rocky outcrop is present but also appears to be increasingly degraded.
- Despite these disturbances a VULNERABLE fern species, *Cheilanthes deltoidea* subsp. *silicicola* is found on chert rock at the rocky outcrop east of the cement factory.
- An area of very high sensitivity occurs in the shallow valley east of the rocky outcrop at the site. This area includes habitat and a significant population of the ENDANGERED orchid, *Habenaria mossii*, a Near Threatened orchid *Habenaria kraenzliniana* and a Near Threatened herbaceous plant species, *Cleome conrathii*.

Rietvlei 6

- Rietvlei 6 is increasingly degraded and considered to be of low sensitivity.
- Informal settlements in the area have expanded to the south-eastern parts of the site and are further cause for ecological degradation in the area.
- Vast majority of trees that either occur in clumps or dot the landscape are exotic species, of which *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* (red gum) was visibly abundant during the site surveys.

Strawberry Farm Phase 2

- Degradation and transformation of indigenous grassland are severe at most of Strawberry Farm Phase 2.
- A patch of indigenous grassland containing the Near Threatened succulent *Lithops leslei* and a Near Threatened herbaceous species *Cleome conrathii* enters the north-eastern extreme of the site. These are very important to set aside from any developments.

- Aquatic ecosystems such as a quarry (central-southern part) and a perennial active channel (north-eastern parts) are present at the site. The quarry is surrounded by exotic *Eucalyptus* (gum trees). Riparian zone of the active channel is highly transformed and exotic plant species are visibly abundant.

Strawberry Farm Phase 1

- Strawberry Farm Phase 1 is another site in the area that is of which the indigenous grassland is highly degraded or transformed.
- A large informal settlement is spreading at the site, resulting in an increase of tracks and poorly managed human impacts such as informal dumping and pollution.
- An area outlined in yellow that enters the north-western extreme of the site contains the Near Threatened succulent species *Lithops leslei* and a Near Threatened herbaceous species *Cloeme conrathii*. Owing to an apparent increase of tracks, trampling and informal dumping the future of the *Lithops leslei* population is precarious given the status quo.
- Aquatic ecosystems such as a perennial active channel (north-western parts) and a non-perennial small water course are present.
- Vegetation of riparian zones and vegetation associated with the non-perennial narrow water course are in an obvious degraded state and visibly infested by exotic trees and weeds.

An opportunity presents itself to secure some diverse and highly sensitive grassland south of Irene through careful planning and eradication of large patches of exotic trees. This report removes some uncertainties and gives an indication of areas of particular high sensitivity and suggests some indicators of the conservation of these. The planning and management of the study area falls beyond the scope of this report, however, decisions cannot be postponed any longer, because the area is in a constant state of degradation.

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ANNEXURE 1: Plants

List of plant species that have been recorded or are likely to occur in the study area

Plant species are listed alphabetically under life forms that are generally recognizable.
Plant species marked with an asterisk (*) are exotic.

Sources: Germishuizen (2003), Manning (2003), Manning (2009), Van Oudtshoorn (1999), Van Wyk (2000), Van Wyk & Malan (1998), Van Wyk & Van Wyk (1997), Crouch, Klopper, Burrows & Burrows (2011), Goldblatt (1986), Goldblatt & Manning (1998), Jacobsen (1983), McMurtry, Grobler, Grobler & Burns (2008), Smit (2008), Van Ginkel *et al.* (2011), Van Jaarsveld (2006), Van Wyk & Smith (2003).

TAXON	COMMON NAMES	FAMILY	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
PTERIDOPHYTA (MONILOPHYTA)	PTERIDOPHYTES/ TRUE FERNS							
<i>Cheilanthes hirta</i>		SINOPTERIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Cheilanthes viridis</i> (cf. subsp. glauca)		SINOPTERIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Pellaea calomelanos</i>		SINOPTERIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Pleopeltis macrocarpa</i>		POLYPODIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken fern	DENNSTAEDTIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
GYMNOSPERMAE	GYMNOSPERMS							
* <i>Pinus</i> species	Pine species	PINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
ANGIOSPERMAE: MONOCOTYLEDONS								
<i>Albuca setosa</i>	Fibrous Slime Lily	HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Aloe greatheadii</i> var. <i>davyana</i>	Kgopane	ASPHODELACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Aloe zebrina</i>		ASPHODELACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Alloteropsis semialata</i>	Black-seed Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Andropogon schirensis</i>	Hairy Blue Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Andropogon schirensis</i>	Stab Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Aristida adscensionis</i>	Annual Three-awn	POACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

			107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Aristida canescens</i>	Pale Three-awn	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>congesta</i>	Tassel Three-awn	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Aristida diffusa</i>	Iron Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Aristida scabrivalvis/transvaalensis</i>	Purple Three-awn	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Asparagus flavicaulis</i> subsp. <i>flavicaulis</i>		ASPARAGACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Asparagus laricinus</i>	Common Wild Asparagus	ASPARAGACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Asparagus suaveolens</i>	Wild Asparagus	ASPARAGACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Arundo donax</i>	Spanish Reed	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Bewsia biflora</i>	False Love Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Boophone disticha</i>	Poison Bulb	AMARYLLIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Brachiaria serrata</i>	Velvet Signal Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Bromus catharticus</i>	Rescue Grass	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Bulbine capitata</i>		ASPHODELACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Bulbine narcissifolia</i>		ASPHODELACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Bulbostylis burchellii</i>		CYPERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Chloris virgata</i>	Feather-top Chloris	POACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Chlorophytum fasciculatum</i>		ANTHERICACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Commelina africana</i>		COMMELINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Commelina benghalensis</i>	Wandering Jew	COMMELINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Crinum graminicola</i>	Grass Lily	AMARYLLIDACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cyanotis speciosa</i>	Doll's Powderpuff	COMMELINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cymbopogon caesius</i>	Broad-leaved Turpentine Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cymbopogon pospischilii</i>	Narrow-leaved Turpentine Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Couch Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	Yellow nutsedge	CYPERACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

			107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Cyperus species</i>		CYPERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cyperus obtusiflorus</i>		CYPERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Digitaria eriantha</i>	Common Finger Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Digitaria monodactyla</i>	Common Finger Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Digitaria tricholaenoides</i>	Purple Finger Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Diheteropogon amplexans</i>	Broad-leaved Bluestem	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Dipcadi viride</i>		LILIACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Drimia calcarata</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Drimia depressa</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Drimia sanguinea</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Eleusine coracana</i>	Goose Grass	POACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Elionurus muticus</i>	Wire Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis capensis</i>	Heart-seed Love Grass	POACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis chloromelas</i>	Narrow Curly Leaf	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis curvula</i>	Weeping Love Grass	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis gummiflua</i>	Gum Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Eragrostis nindensis</i>	Wether Love Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis micrantha</i>		POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Eragrostis racemosa</i>	Narrow Heart Love Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eragrostis superba</i>	Saw-toothed Love Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eriospermum flagelliforme</i>		ASPARAGACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Eucomis autumnalis</i> subsp. <i>clavata</i>	Common Pineapple Lily	HYACINTHACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Eulophia hians</i>		ORCHIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Eulophia welwitschii</i>		ORCHIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Eustachys paspaloides</i>	Brown Rhodes	POACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

	Grass		107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Gladiolus crassifolius</i>	Thick-leaved Gladiolus	IRIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Gladiolus permeabilis</i>		IRIDACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Habenaria epipactidea</i>		ORCHIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Habenaria kraenzliniana</i>		ORCHIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Habenaria mossii</i>		ORCHIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Habenaria nyikana</i>		ORCHIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Heteropogon contortus</i>	Spear Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hyparrhenia hirta</i>	Common Thatching Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hypoxis argentea</i>		HYPOXIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Hypoxis hemerocallidea</i>	Star Flower	HYPOXIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hypoxis obtusa</i>		HYPOXIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hypoxis rigidula</i>		HYPOXIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Imperata cylindrica</i>	Cotton Wool Grass	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Kyllinga alba</i>		CYPERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ledebouria ovatifolia</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ledebouria revoluta</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Loudetia simplex</i>	Common Russet Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Melinis nerviglumis</i>	Bristle-leaved Red Top	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Melinis repens</i>	Natal Red Top	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Michrochloa caffra</i>	Pincushion Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Monocymbium cerasiiforme</i>	Boat Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Ornithogalum tenuifolium</i>		HYACINTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Panicum maximum</i>	Guinea Grass	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Paspalum dilatatum</i>	Dallis Grass	POACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Pennisetum clandestinum</i>	Kikuyu Grass	POACEAE			Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

					7	6	2	1
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	POACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 6
<i>Pogonarthria squarrosa</i>	Herringbone Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Scadoxus puniceus</i>	Red Blood Lily	AMARYLLIDACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Schizachyrium sanguineum</i>	Red Autumn Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Schizocarpus nervosus</i>	Wild Squill	HYACINTHACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Scheonoplectus brachyceras</i>		CYPERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Setaria incrassata</i>	Vlei Bristle Grass	POACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Setaria megaphylla</i>	Broad-leaved Bristle Grass	POACEAE		Dn 129				
<i>Setaria nigrirostris</i>		POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Setaria sphacelata</i> var. <i>sphacelata</i>	Common Bristle Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Setaria sphacelata</i> var. <i>torta</i>	Creeping Bristle Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Sorghum halepense</i>	Johnson Grass	POACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Sporobolus africanus</i>	Ratstail Dropseed	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Sporobolus festivus</i>	Red Dropseed	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Sporobolus fimbriatus</i>	Dropseed Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Sporobolus stapfianus</i>	Fibrous Dropseed	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Themeda triandra</i>	Red Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Trachyandra saltii</i>		ASPHODELACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Trachypogon spicatus</i>	Giant Spear Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Tricholaena monachne</i>	Blue-seed Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Trichoneura grandiglumis</i>	Small Rolling Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Triraphis andropogonoides</i>	Broom Needle Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Tristachya biseriata</i>		POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Tristachya leucothrix</i>	Hairy Trident Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	

<i>Tristachya rehmannii</i>		POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Tulbaghia leucantha</i>		ALLIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Typha capensis</i>	Bulrush	TYPHACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Urelytrum agropyroides</i>	Quinine Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Urochloa mosambicensis</i>	Bushveld Signal Grass	POACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Xerophyta retinervis</i>	Black-stick Lily/ Monkey's Tail	VELLOZIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
ANGIOSPERMS: DICOTYLEDONS			Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Acacia baileyana</i>	Bailey's Wattle	MIMOSACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Acacia caffra</i>	Common Hook-thorn	MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
* <i>Acacia dealbata</i>	Silver Wattle	MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Acacia decurrens</i>	Green Wattle	MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Acacia karroo</i>	Sweet Thorn	MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Acacia mearnsii</i>	Black Wattle	MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Acalypha angustata</i>	Copper leaf	EUPHORBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Acalypha caperonioides</i>		EUPHORBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Acalypha villicaulis</i>	Heart-leaved Brooms and Brushes	EUPHORBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Acanthospermum australe</i>	Prostrate Starbur	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129				
* <i>Achyranthes aspera</i>	Chaff Flower	AMARANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Alternanthera pungens</i>	Duwweltjie	AMARANTHACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Alysicarpus rugosus</i> subsp. <i>perrennirufus</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Amaranthus hybridus</i>	Pigweed	AMARANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ancylobotrys capensis</i>	Rock Wild Apricot	APOCYNACEAE			Rv 7			
* <i>Araujia sericifera</i>	Moth catcher	ASCLEPIADACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Anthospermum rigidum</i> subsp. <i>rigidum</i>		RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Argemone ochroleuca</i>	White-flowered	PAPAVERACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

	Mexican poppy		107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Asclepias adscendens</i>		APOCYNACEAE		Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Aster harveyanus</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Barleria macrostegia</i>		ACANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Berkheya radula</i>		ASTERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Bidens bipinnata</i>	Spanish blackjack	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Bidens pilosa</i>	Common blackjack	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Campuloclinium macrocephalum</i>	Pom Pom Weed	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Canthium gilfillanii</i>	Velvet Rock Alder	RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Celtis africana</i>	White Stinkwood	CELTIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
* <i>Celtis australis/ Celtis occidentalis/ Celtis sinensis</i>	Exotic Stinkwoods	CELTIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Chaetacanthus costatus</i>		ACANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Chamaecrista capensis/ comosa</i>		CAESALPINIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Chamaesyce inaequilatera</i>	Smooth Creeping Milkweed	EUPHORBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Chenopodium album</i>	White Goosefoot	CHENOPODIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Scotch Thistle	ASTERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Clematis brachiata</i>	Traveller's Joy	RANUNCULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		Sf 1
<i>Cleome conrathii</i>		CAPPARACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Cleome monophylla</i>	Single-leaved Spindle Pod	BRASSICACEAE (or Capparaceae)	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Combretum erythrophyllum</i>	River Bushwillow	COMBRETACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Combretum molle</i>	Velvet Bushwillow	COMBRETACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Convolvulus sagittatus</i>		CONVOLVULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Conyza albida/ bonariensis/ canadensis</i>	Tall Fleabane	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Conyza podocephala</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Corchorus asplenifolius</i>		MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Crabbea angustifolia</i>		ACANTHACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

			107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Crabbea hirsuta</i>		ACANTHACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Crassula capitella</i>		CRASSULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Crassula setulosa</i>		CRASSULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Cryptolepis oblongifolia</i>		PERIPLOCACEAE	Dn 107					
<i>Cucumis hirsutus</i>		CUCURBITACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cucumis zeyheri</i>		CUCURBITACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Cussiona paniculata</i>	Highveld Cabbage Tree	ARALIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Cynoglossum lanceolatum</i>		BORAGINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Datura ferox</i>	Large Thorn-apple	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Datura stramonium</i>	Common Thorn-apple	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Dianthus mooiensis</i>	Wild Pink	CARYOPHYLLACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Dicoma anomala</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Dichrostachys cinerea</i>	Sickle Bush	MIMOSACEAE (or Fabaceae)	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Dimorphotheca spectabilis</i>	Blou Bietou	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Diospyros lycioides</i> var. <i>guerkei</i>	Bluebush	EBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Dombeya rotundifolia</i>	Common Wild Pear	STERCULIACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Elephantorrhiza elephantina</i>		MIMOSACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Englerophytum magalismontanum</i>	Transvaal Milkplum	SAPOTACEAE		Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Eriosema burkei</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Eriosema cordatum</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
* <i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i>	Red Gum	MYRTACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Euclea crispa</i>	Blue Guarri	EBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Euphorbia trichadenia</i>	Melkbol	EUPHORBIACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Felicia muricata</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	MORACEAE			Rv			

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<i>Ficus ingens</i>	Red-leaved Fig	MORACEAE			Rv 7			
* <i>Flaveria bidentis</i>	Smelter's bush	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Gazania krebsiana</i> subsp. <i>serrulata</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Geigeria burkei</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		
<i>Gerbera piloselloides</i>	Swarteebossie	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Gerbera viridifolia</i> subsp. <i>viridifolia</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	Honey Locust	CAESALPINIACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Gnidia capitata</i>		THYMELAEACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Gnidia kraussiana</i> var. <i>kraussiana</i>		THYMELAEACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Gnidia microcephala</i>		THYMELAEACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Gnidia sericocephala</i>		THYMELAEACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i>	Milkweed	APOCYNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Gomphrena celosioides</i>	Bachelor's Button	AMARANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Graderia subintegra</i>	Wild Penstemon	OROBANCHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Gymnosporia buxifolia</i>	Common Spike-thorn	CELASTRACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Haplocarpha lyrata</i>		ASTERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Helichrysum acutatum</i>		ASTERACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Helichrysum cerastioides</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Helichrysum nudifolium</i>	Hottentot's tea	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Helichrysum rugulosum</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Helichrysum setosum</i>	Yellow Everlasting	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Hemizygia pretoriae</i>		LAMIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hermannia cordata</i>		MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Hermannia depressa</i>	Creeping Red Hermannia	MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1

<i>Hermannia transvaalensis</i>		MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Hibiscus microcarpus</i>		MALVACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Hibiscus pusillus</i>		MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Hibiscus trionum</i>	Bladder hibiscus	MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hilliardiella aristata</i> (= <i>Vernonia natalensis</i>)		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Hilliardiella oligocephala</i> (= <i>Vernonia oligocephala</i>)		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Indigastrum burkeanum</i>			Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Indigofera hedyantha</i>	Black-bud Indigo	FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Indigofera heterotricha</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6		Sf 1
<i>Indigofera hilaris</i>	Red Indigo Bush	FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Indigofera melanadenia</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Indigofera suffruticosis</i>			Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ipomoea bolusiana</i>		CONVOLVULACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Ipomoea crassipes</i>		CONVOLVULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ipomoea oblongata</i>		CONVOLVULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ipomoea ommaneyi</i>	Beespatat	CONVOLVULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Ipomoea purpurea</i>	Common Morning Glory	CONVOLVULACEAE		Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Justicia anagalloides</i>		ACANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Kalanchoe thyrsiflora</i>		CRASSULACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Kiggelaria africana</i>	Wild Peach	KIGGELARIACEAE (or Flacourtiaceae)			Rv 7			
<i>Kohautia amatymbica</i>		RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Kyphocarpa angustifolia</i>		AMARANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lactuca inermis</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lannea edulis</i>		ANACARDIACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Lantana rugosa</i>		VERBENACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv			

			107	129	7			
* <i>Lepidium bonariense</i>	Pepperweed	BRASSICACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Ligustrum</i> species	Privets	OLEACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lippia javanica</i>	Fever Tea	VERBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lithops lesliei</i> subsp. <i>lesliei</i>		MESEMBRYANTHEMA CEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Lotononis calycina</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lotononis foliosa</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Lotononis laxa</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Macleodium zeyheri</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
* <i>Malva parviflora</i>	Small Mallow	MALVACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Malvastrum coromandelianum</i>	Malvastrum	MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Medicago sativa</i>	Lucerne	FABACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Melia azedarach</i>	Seringa	MELIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Melilotus alba</i>	Bokhara Clover	FABACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Mirabilis jalapa</i>	Four O'clock	NYCTAGINACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Monsonia angustifolia</i>	Crane's Bill	GERANIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Morea stricta</i>	Bloutulp	IRIDACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Morus alba</i>	Common Mulberry	MORACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Nemesia fruticans</i>		SROPHULARIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Neorautanenia fivifolius</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	Wild Tobacco	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129				Sf 1
<i>Nidorella anomala</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Nidorella hottentotica</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ocimum obovatum</i>	Cat's whiskers	LAMIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Oenothera rosea</i>	Rose Evening Primrose	ONAGRACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Oenothera stricta</i>	Yellow Evening	ONAGRACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

	Primrose		107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Oldenlandia herbacea</i>		RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Sweet Prickly Pear	CACTACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Osteospermum muricatum</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Oxalis corniculata</i>	Creeping Sorrel	OXALIDACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Oxalis obliquifolia</i>	Oblique-leaved Sorrel	OXALIDACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Ozoroa paniculosa</i>	Bushveld Ozoroa	ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Pachycarpus schinzianus</i>	Dark-eyed Bell	APOCYNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Parapodium costatum</i>		APOCYNACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Parinari capensis</i> subsp. <i>capensis</i>	Dwarf Mobolo Plum	CHRYSOBALANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Pearsonia cajanifolia</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Pearsonia sessillifolia</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Pelargonium luridum</i>		GERANIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Pentanisia angustifolia</i>		RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Pentarrhinum insipidum</i>	African Heartvine	APOCYNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Persicaria lapathifolia</i>		POLYGONACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Peucedanum magalismsontanum</i>	Wild Parsley	APIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Phyllanthus incurvus</i>		EUPHORBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Narrow-leaved plantain	PLANTAGINACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Pollichia campestris</i>	Waxberry	ILLECEBRACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Polygala amatymbica</i>		POLYGALACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	SF 1
<i>Polygala hottentotta</i>		POLYGALACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Polygala rehmannii</i>		POLYGALACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Populus x canescens</i>	Grey Poplar	SALICACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Populus deltoides</i>	Match Poplar	SALICACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1

<i>Protea welwitschii</i>	Cluster-head Sugarbush	PROTEACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Prunus persica</i>	Peach	ROSACEAE				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Psammotropha myriantha</i>		AIZOACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Pygmaeothamnus zeyheri</i>	Sand Apple	RUBIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Pyracantha angustifolia</i>	Yellow Firethorn	ROSACEAE			Rv 7	RV 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	Wild Radish	BRASSICACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Raphionacme galpinii</i>		APOCYNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Raphionacme hirsuta</i>	Khadi Root	APOCYNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Rhamnus prinoides</i>		RHAMNACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Rhyncosia monophylla</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
<i>Rhyncosia totta</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Black Locust	FABACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Rorippa nudiuscula</i>		BRASSICACEAE						Sf 1
<i>Rothea hirsuta</i>	Bush Violet	LAMIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Rubia horrida</i>	Kleefgras	RUBIACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Ruellia cordata</i>	Veld Violet	ACANTHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
* <i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curly Dock	POLYGONACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Salix babylonica</i>	Weeping Willow	SALICACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Salvia runcinata</i>		LAMIACEAE					Sf 2	
<i>Scabiosa columbaria</i>	Wild Scabious	DIPSACACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Schkuhria pinnata</i>	Dwarf Marigold	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Searsia discolor</i>		ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Searsia lancea</i>	Karree	ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129			Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Searsia leptodictya</i>	Mountain Karree	ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107					
<i>Searsia pyroides</i>	Common Wild Currant	ANACARDIACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	Sf

			107	129	7	6	2	1
<i>Searsia rigida</i>		ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Searsia zeyheri</i>		ANACARDIACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Senecio affinis</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Senecio coronatus</i>	Sybossie	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Senecio inaequidens</i>	Canary Weed	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Senecio inornatus</i>		ASTERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Senecio oxyriifolius</i>	False Nasturtium	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Senecio venosus</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Seriphium plumosum</i>	Bankrupt Bush	ASTERACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Sida dregei</i>		MALVACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Silene burchellii</i>	Gunpowder Plant	CARYOPHYLLACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	
* <i>Solanum mauritianum</i>	Bugweed	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Solanum panduriforme</i>	Poison Apple	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Solanum sisymbriifolium</i>	Dense-thorned Bitter Apple	SOLANACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Sowthistle	ASTERACEAE		Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Sphenostylis angustifolia</i>	Wild Sweetpea	FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Striga asiatica</i>	Witchweed	OROBANCHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Striga elegans</i>	Large Witchweed	OROBANCHACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Tagetes minuta</i>	Khakiweed	ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Tephrosia capensis</i> var. <i>capensis</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Tephrosia longipes</i>		FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7		Sf 2	
<i>Tephrosia semiglabra</i>		FABACEAE			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Teucrium trifidum</i>		LAMIACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Thesium</i> sp.		SANTALACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Thesium utile</i>		SANTALACEAE	Dn	Dn	Rv	Rv	Sf	

			107	129	7	6	2	
* <i>Tipuana tipu</i>	Tipu Tree	FABACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	Yellow Goat's Beard	ASTERACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Triaspis hypericoides</i>		MALPIGHIACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Ursinia nana</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Vangueria infausta</i>	Wild Medlar	RUBIACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
* <i>Verbena aristigera</i>	Fine-leaved Verbena	VERBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Verbena bonariensis</i>	Purple top	VERBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
* <i>Verbena brasiliensis</i>		VERBENACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Vernonia galpinii</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Vernonia staehelinoides</i>		ASTERACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7			
<i>Vigna vexillata</i>	Narrow-leaved Sweetpea	FABACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Wahlenbergia denticulata</i>	Bellflower	CAMPANULACEAE	Dn 107		Rv 7			
<i>Xysmalobium undulatum</i>		APOCYNACEAE					Sf 2	Sf 1
<i>Zanthoxylum capense</i>	Small Knobwood	RUTACEAE			Rv 7			
<i>Ziziphus zeyheriana</i>	Dwarf Buffalo-thorn	RHAMNACEAE	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	

ANNEXURE 2: Mammals

List of mammals species that have been or could possibly be recorded at the study area.

Compiled by R.F. Terblanche

Sources: Apps (2012); Skinner & Chimimba (2005); Rautenbach (1982); Stuart & Stuart (2000)

Note that the species are listed alphabetically under the distinctive orders for easy reference.

ORDERS AND SPECIES	COMMON NAMES ENGLISH/ AFRIKAANS	LOCAL STATUS
ORDER CHIROPTERA BAT ORDER		
<i>Neoromicia capensis</i> (A. Smith, 1829)	Cape Serotine Bat	Likely, forager: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Nycteris thebaica</i> E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1813	Egyptian Slit-faced Bat	Likely, forager: Dn107, Dn129
<i>Scotophilus dinganii</i> (A. Smith, 1833)	African Yellow Bat	Moderate: Sf2, Sf1
<i>Tadarida aegyptiaca</i> (E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1818)	Egyptian Free-tailed Bat	Likely, forager: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
ORDER MACROSCELIDEA SENGI ORDER		
<i>Elephantulus myurus</i> Thomas & Schwann, 1906	Eastern Rock Elephant- Sengi	Suitable rocky habitat, but presence needs confirmation
ORDER EULIPOTYPHLA SHREW AND HEDGEHOG FAMILY		
<i>Crocidura cyanea</i> (Duvernoy, 1838)	Reddish-grey Musk Shrew	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Crocidura hirta</i> (Peters, 1852)	Lesser Red Musk Shrew	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
ORDER RODENTIA RODENT ORDER		
<i>Aethomys ineptus</i> (Thomas & Wroughton, 1908)	Tete Veld Rat	Likely Dn107, Dn129, Rv7

<i>Cryptomys hottentotus</i> (Lesson, 1826)	African Mole-rat	Confirmed: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Hystrix africaeaustralis</i> Peters, 1852	Cape Porcupine	Likely Dn107, Dn129, Rv7
<i>Lemniscomys rosalia</i> (Thomas, 1904)	Single-striped Grass Mouse	Localised
<i>Mastomys coucha/ natalensis*</i>	Multimammate Mouse Species Complex	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Rhabdomys pumilio</i> (Spearman, 1784)	Four-striped Grass Mouse	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Tatera brantsii</i> (A. Smith, 1836)	Highveld Gerbil	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Tatera leucogaster</i> (Peters, 1852)	Bushveld Gerbil	Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
ORDER LAGOMORPHA	HARES AND RABBITS ORDER	
<i>Lepus saxatilis</i> F. Cuvier, 1823	Scrub Hare	Confirmed: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
ORDER RUMINANTIA	RUMINANTS	
<i>Sylvicapra grimmia</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Common Duiker	Confirmed (but rare in the area)
ORDER CARNIVORA	CARNIVORE ORDER	
<i>Cynictis penicillata</i> (G. Cuvier, 1829)	Yellow Mongoose	Confirmed: Dn107, Dn129, Rv7, Rv6, Sf2, Sf1
<i>Galerella sanguinea</i> (Rüppell, 1836)	Slender Mongoose	Confirmed: Rv7, Sf2; Likely: Dn107, Dn129, Rv6, Sf1

* Species complexes are under revision or else species could not reliably be identified by using external characters.

ANNEXURE 3: Birds

List of bird species that have been recorded at the study area

Compiled by R.F. Terblanche

Sources: Chittenden (2007), Hockey, Dean & Ryan (2005), Peacock (2006).

Note that the species are listed according to their Roberts Bird numbers for easy reference.

SPECIES	COMMON NAMES ENGLISH	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
Roberts Bird No.							
8	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i> Little Grebe					Sf 2	Sf 1
63	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i> Black-headed Heron				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
71	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i> Cattle Egret	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
91	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i> African Sacred Ibis					Sf 2	Sf 1
94	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i> Hadedda Ibis				Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
102	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i> Egyptian Goose					Sf 2	Sf 1
104	<i>Anas undulata</i> Yellow-billed Duck					Sf 2	Sf 1
105	<i>Anas sparsa</i> African Black Duck					Sf 2	Sf 1
127	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i> Black-shouldered Kite	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
199	<i>Pternistis swainsonii</i> Swainson's Spurfowl	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
203	<i>Numida meleagris</i> Helmeted Guineafowl	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
228	<i>Fulica cristata</i> Red-knobbed Coot					Sf 2	Sf 1
255	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i> Crowned Lapwing	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
258	<i>Vanellus armatus</i> Blacksmith Lapwing					Sf 2	Sf 1
260	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i> African Wattled Lapwing					Sf 2	
297	<i>Burhinus capensis</i> Spotted Thick-knee	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
304	<i>Afrotis afraoides</i> Northern Black Korhaan			Rv 7			
348	<i>Columba livia</i> Rock Dove	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
352	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i> Red-eyed Dove	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
354	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i> Cape Turtle-dove	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
355	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i> Laughing Dove	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1

417	<i>Apus affinis</i>	Little Swift	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
424	<i>Colius striatus</i>	Speckled Mousebird	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
426	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>	Red-faced Mousebird	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
443	<i>Merops bullockoides</i>	White-fronted Bee-eater	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
473	<i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>	Crested Barbet			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
494	<i>Mirafra africana</i>	Rufous-naped Lark	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
518	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Barn Swallow	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
520	<i>Hirundo albigularis</i>	White-throated Swallow					Sf 2	Sf 1
526	<i>Hirundo cucullata</i>	Greater Striped Swallow	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
527	<i>Hirundo abyssinica</i>	Lesser Striped Swallow	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
568	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>	Dark-capped Bulbul	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
-	<i>Turdus smithi</i>	Karoo Thrush					Sf 2	Sf 1
601	<i>Cossypha caffra</i>	Cape Robin-Chat					Sf 2	Sf 1
664	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	Zitting Cisticola	Dn 107	Dn 129			Sf 2	
713	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>	Cape Wagtail	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
732	<i>Lanius collaris</i>	Common Fiscal	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
758	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna					Sf 2	
787	<i>Cinnyris talatala</i>	White-bellied Sunbird			Rv 7			
796	<i>Zosterops virens</i>	Cape White-eye					Sf 2	Sf 1
803	<i>Passer melanurus</i>	Cape Sparrow	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
804	<i>Passer diffusus</i>	Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
814	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>	Southern Masked-weaver	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
824	<i>Euplectes orix</i>	Southern Red Bishop					Sf 2	Sf 1
852	<i>Ortygospiza atricollis</i>	African Quailfinch					Sf 2	Sf 1
854	<i>Sporaeginthus subflavus</i>	Orange-Breasted Waxbill					Sf 2	Sf 1
870	<i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>	Black-throated Canary	Dn 107	Dn 129	Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1
878	<i>Crithagra flaviventris</i>	Yellow Canary					Sf 2	Sf 1
881	<i>Crithagra gularis</i>	Streaky-headed Seedeater			Rv 7	Rv 6	Sf 2	Sf 1

ANNEXURE 4: Reptiles

List of reptile species that have been recorded or are likely to occur at the study area

Compiled by R.F. Terblanche

Sources of names and identifications:

Alexander & Marais (2007), Branch (1998), Branch (2008), Marais (2004).

Reptile species are listed alphabetically.

SPECIES	COMMON NAMES ENGLISH	SITES
<i>Agama aculeata</i> subsp. <i>distanti</i>	Ground Agama	? ?
<i>Aparallactus capensis</i>	Cape Centipede Eater	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1
<i>Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia</i>	Herald Red-lipped Snake	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1
<i>Dasypeltis scabra</i>	Common Egg Eater	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1
<i>Lamprophis capensis</i>	Brown House Snake	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1
<i>Pachydactylus capensis</i>	Cape Thick-toed Gecko	Dn 107 Rv 7
<i>Trachylepis capensis</i>	Cape Skink	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1
<i>Trachylepis striata</i> subsp. <i>punctatissima</i>	Striped Skink	Dn 107 Dn 129 Rv 7 Rv 6 Sf 2 Sf 1

ANNEXURE 5: Amphibians

List of frog species that have been recorded at study area

Compiled by R.F. Terblanche

Sources of names, distributions and habitats:

¹Conradie, Du Preez, Smith & Weldon, ²Carruthers & Du Preez (2011), ³Du Preez (1996), ⁴Du Preez & Carruthers (2009)

Note that the species are listed alphabetically for easy reference.

SPECIES	COMMON NAMES ENGLISH/ AFRIKAANS	STATUS
<i>Amietia angolensis</i> (Bocage, 1866)	Common River Frog	Grassland streams and other permanent water bodies ^{2,4}
<i>Amietophrynus gutturalis</i> (Power, 1927)	Guttural Toad	Grassland and savanna, Breeds in permanent waterholes, streams and garden ponds ^{2,4}
<i>Schismaderma carens</i> (Smith, 1848)	Red Toad	Breeds in deep pools, farm dams and swimming pools. Forages widely and then retreats into holes in trees ^{2,4}

ANNEXURE 6: Butterflies

List of butterfly species at the study area

Compiled by R.F. Terblanche

FAMILIES, SUBFAMILIES AND SPECIES	COMMON NAMES ENGLISH/ AFRIKAANS
FAMILY: PAPILIONIDAE	SWALLOWTAIL FAMILY SWAELSTERTFAMILIE
SUBFAMILY PAPILIONINAE	SWALLOWTAILS AND SWORDTAILS SWAELSTERTE EN SWAARDSTERTE
<i>Papilio demodocus</i> (Esper, 1798)	Citrus Swallowtail Lemoenswaelstert
FAMILY PIERIDAE	WHITES, YELLOWS AND TIPS WITJIES, GELETJIES EN PUNTJIES
SUBFAMILY COLIADINAE	YELLOWS AND CLOUDED YELLOWS GELETJIES EN WOLK-ORANJES
<i>Catopsilia florella</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	African Migrant Afrikaanse Migreerder
<i>Colias electo electo</i> (Linnaeus, 1763)	African Clouded Yellow Afrikaanse Wolk-oranje
<i>Eurema brigitta brigitta</i> (Stoll, 1780)	Broad-bordered Grass Yellow Grasveldgeletjie
SUBFAMILY PIERINAE	WHITES AND TIPS SUBFAMILY WITJIES EN PUNTJIES SUBFAMILIE
<i>Belenois aurota aurota</i> (Fabricius, 1793)	Brown-veined White Grasveldwitjie
<i>Belenois creona severina</i> (Stoll, 1781)	African Common White Afrikaanse Gewone Witjie
<i>Colotis evinina evinina</i> (Wallengren, 1857)	Common Orange Tip Gewone Oranjepuntjie
<i>Colotis subfasciatus subfasciatus</i> (Swainson, 1833)	Lemon Traveller Tip Suurlemoensmous
<i>Mylothris agathina agathina</i> (Cramer, 1779)	Common Dotted Border Gewone Spikkelrandjie/ Voëlentwitjie
<i>Pinacopteryx eriphia eriphia</i> (Godart, 1819)	Zebra White Kwagga
<i>Pontia helice helice</i> (Linnaeus, 1764)	African Meadow White Bontrokkie
FAMILY NYMPHALIDAE	BRUSH-FOOTED BUTTERFLIES BORSELPOOTSKOENLAPPERS
SUBFAMILY DANAINAE	MONARCH SUBFAMILY MONARG-SUBFAMILIE
<i>Danaus chrysippus chrysippus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	African Monarch Afrikaanse Melkbosskoelapper
SUBFAMILY CHARAXINAE	CHARAXES SUBFAMILY DUBBELSTERT SUBFAMILIE
<i>Charaxes jasius saturnus</i> Butler, 1866	Saturn Foxy Charaxes Saturnus-koppiedubbelstert
SUBFAMILY SATYRINAE	BROWNS SUBFAMILY BRUINTJIES-SUBFAMILIE

<i>Paternympha narycia</i> (Wallengren, 1857)	Spotted-eye Brown Koloogbruintjie
<i>Stygionympha wichgrafi wichgrafi</i> Van Son, 1955	Wichgraf's Hillside Brown Wichgraf-rantbruintjie
SUBFAMILY BIBLIDINAE	BYBLIA SUBFAMILY BIBLIA SUBFAMILIE
<i>Byblia ilithyia</i> (Drury, 1773)	Spotted Joker Leliegrasvegter
SUBFAMILY NYMPHALINAE	PANSY SUBFAMILY GESIGGIE SUBFAMILIE
<i>Catacroptera cloanthe cloanthe</i> (Stoll, 1781)	Pirate Seerower
<i>Hypolimnas misippus</i> (Linnaeus, 1764)	Common Diadem Gewone Na-aper/ Blouglans
<i>Junonia hierta cebrene</i> Trimen, 1870	Yellow Pansy Geelgesiggie
<i>Junonia oenone oenone</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Blue Pansy Blougesiggie
<i>Junonia orithya madagascariensis</i> Guenée, 1865	Eyed Pansy Padwagttertjie
<i>Precis archesia archesia</i> (Cramer, 1779)	Garden Commodore Rots-blaarvlerk
<i>Vanessa cardui</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Painted Lady Sondagsrokkie
SUBFAMILY HELICONIINAE	ACRAEA SUBFAMILY ACRAEA SUBFAMILIE
<i>Acraea natalica natalica</i> De Boisduval, 1847	Natal Acraea Natal-se-rooitjie
<i>Acraea neobule neobule</i> Doubleday, 1847	Wandering Donkey Acraea Dwaalesel-rooitjie
<i>Acraea rahira rahira</i> De Boisduval, 1833	Marsh Acraea Moerasrooitjie
<i>Acraea serena</i> (=Acraea eponina) Fabricius, 1775	Small Orange Acraea Klein-oranjerootjie
<i>Phalanta phalantha aethiopica</i> (Rothschild & Jordan, 1903)	African Leopard Butterfly Afrikaanse Luiperdskoenlapper
FAMILY LYCAENIDAE	BLUES AND COPPERS BLOUTJIES EN KOPERVLERKIES
SUBFAMILY THECLINAE	HAIRSTREAKS AND COPPERS LANGSTERTE EN KOPERVLERKIES
<i>Aloeides aranda</i> (Wallengren, 1857)	Aranda Copper Aranda-kopervlerkie
<i>Aloeides henningi</i> Tite & Dickson, 1973	Henning's Copper Henning-se-kopervlerkie
<i>Aloeides molomo molomo</i> (Trimen, 1870)	Grassland Molomo Copper Grasveld-molomokopervlerkie
<i>Cigaritis mozambica</i> (Bertoloni, 1850)	Mozambique Bar Mosambiek-se-streepvlerkie
<i>Cigaritis natalensis</i> (Westwood, 1852)	Natal Bar Natal-se-streepvlerkie
<i>Leptomyrina henningi</i> Dickson, 1976	Henning's Black-eye Henning-se-swartogie
SUBFAMILY POLYOMMATINAE	BLOUTJIES AND CILIATED BLUES

BLOUTJIES EN KORTSTERTJIES

Actizera lucida

(Trimen, 1883)

Anthene amarah amarah

(Guérin-Méneville, 1849)

Anthene definita definita

(Butler, 1899)

Azanus jesous jesous

(Guérin-Méneville, 1849)

Azanus moriqua

(Wallengren, 1857)

Azanus ubaldus

(Stoll, 1782)

Cacyreus marshalli

Butler, 1898

Chilades trochylus

(Freyer, 1843)

Cupidopsis cissus cissus

(Godart, 1824)

Cupidopsis jobates jobates

(Hopffer, 1855)

Eicochrysops messapus mahallakoaena

(Wallengren, 1857)

Euchrysops osiris

(Hopffer, 1885)

Lampides boeticus

(Linneaus, 1767)

Lepidochrysops patricia

(Trimen, 1887)

Lepidochrysops plebeia plebeia

(Butler, 1898)

Leptotes brevidentatus

(Tite, 1958)

***Leptotes* species**

Tarucus sybaris sybaris

(Hopffer, 1855)

Tuxentius melaena melaena

(Trimen, 1887)

Zintha hintza hintza

(Trimen, 1864)

Zizeeria knysna

(Trimen, 1862)

Zizula hylax

(Fabricius, 1775)

FAMILY HESPERIIDAE

SUBFAMILY COELIADINAE

Coeliades forestan forestan

(Stoll, 1782)

Coeliades pisistratus

(Fabricius, 1793)

Rayed Blue

Witstreepbloutjie

Black-striped Hairtail

Swartstreep-kortstertjie

Common Hairtail

Donkerkortstertjie

Topaz-spotted Blue

Hemels-kolbloutjie

Thorn-tree Blue

Doringboombbloutjie

Velvet-spotted Blue

Fluweel-kolbloutjie

Geranium Bronze

Pelargoniumbrons

Grass Jewel Blue

Grasjuweeltjie

Common Meadow Blue

Vleibloutjie

Tailed Meadow Blue

Aasbloutjie

Grassland Cupreous Copper

Grasveldkoperbloutjie

Osiris Smokey Blue

Osiris Dowwebloutjie

Longtailed Pea Blue

Langstert-ertjiebloutjie

Patricia Blue

Patricia-bloutjie

Twin-spot Blue

Dubbelkolbloutjie

Short-toothed Blue

Korttandbloutjie

Common Blue

Gewone bloutjie

Dotted Blue

Spikkelbloutjie

Black Pie

Swartbontetjie

Hintza Pie

Hintza-bontetjie

Sooty Blue

Duwweltjiebloutjie

Gaika Blue

Gaika-bloutjie

SKIPPERS

DARTELAARS

POLICEMEN

KONSTABELS

Striped Policeman

Witbroekkonstabel

Two-pip Policeman

Dubbelkolkonstabel

SUBFAMILY PYRGINAE

Eretis umbra umbra

(Trimen, 1862)

Spialia diomus ferax

(Wallengren, 1863)

Spialia mafa mafa

(Trimen, 1870)

Spialia spio

(Linnaeus, 1764)

SUBFAMILY HETEROPTERINAE

Tsitana tsita

(Trimen, 1870)

SUBFAMILY HESPERIINAE

Gegenes niso niso

(Linnaeus, 1764)

Gegenes pumilio gambica

(Mabille, 1878)

Kedestes barberae barberae

(Trimen, 1873)

Kedestes nerva nerva

(Fabricius, 1793)

Pelopidas mathias

(Fabricius, 1798)

Pelopidas thrax inconspicua

(Bertoloni, 1850)

Platylesches ayresii

(Trimen, 1889)

SANDMEN AND ELFIN
SANDMANNETJIES EN ELWE**Small Marbled Elf**

Umbra-kabouter

Common Sandman

Kwagga-sandmannetjie

Mafa Sandman

Mafa-sandmannetjie

Mountain Sandman

Bergsandmannetjie

SYLPHS

WALSERTJIES

Grassland Dismal Sylph

Grasveld Donkerwalsertjie

RANGERS AND SWIFTS

WAGTERTJIES EN RATSVLIEËRS

Common Gold Skipper

Gewone Goud

Dark Gold Skipper

Donker Goud

Barber's Ranger

Barber-se-wagtertjie

Scarce Ranger

Seldsame wagtertjie

Black-banded Swift

Swartmerk-ratsvlieër

White-branded Swift

Witmerk-ratsvlieër

Peppered Hopper

Ayres-se-hoppertjie