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1. INTRODUCTION

Galago Environmental CC was appointed to undertake a botanical study along the proposed route for the Mokolo-Crocodile river pipeline phase 1. The objective of the study was to delimit and map plant communities along the proposed pipeline route and to list the plant species occurring in each community. Special attention was paid to the presence or possible presence of Red Data species, Orange Listed species, alien species and medicinal species. The current ecological status and the conservation priority of the vegetation on the site were assessed.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To assess the current habitat and conservation status on the study site.
- To list the species on the site and to recommend necessary actions in case of occurrence of endangered, vulnerable or rare species.
- To highlight potential impacts of the development on the vegetation of the pipeline route.
- To provide management recommendations to mitigate negative and enhance positive impacts should the proposed development be approved.

3. SCOPE OF STUDY

- All plant species discernable at the date of the survey are listed.
- Medicinal and alien species are indicated with symbols in the tables.
- The ecological sensitivity and conservation priority of the vegetation are evaluated.
- Measures to minimize the negative impact of development on the vegetation are suggested.

4. STUDY AREA

The pipeline route is located in several quarter degree grid squares ranging from Steenbokpan in the west to Lephalale in the east and then south to Mokolo dam (Figure 1; Annexure A). It extends from west to east over the Limpopo Sweet Bushveld and Waterberg Mountain Bushveld to the south. In the area of waypoint 031 some elements of Central Sandy Bushveld such as *Acacia burkei*, *Combretum zeyheri* and *Terminalia sericea* occur but the vegetation still closely resembles Waterberg Mountain Bushveld.

The Limpopo Sweet Bushveld extends from the Crocodile and Marico rivers down the Limpopo river valley into the tropics past Tom Burke. The landscape features plains, some areas undulating or irregular with thickets of *Acacia erubescens*, *Acacia mellifera* and *Dichrostachys cinerea* in disturbed areas. The vegetation unit is considered least threatened. Less than 1% is statutorily conserved and about 5% transformed, mainly by cultivation (Mucina & Rutherford, 2006).

Waterberg Mountain Bushveld is located in the Waterberg Mountains, including the foothills, escarpment and tablelands south of the line between Lephalale and Marken. The landscape consists of rugged mountains with vegetation grading from

Faurea saligna-*Protea caffra* bushveld on higher slopes to *Burkea africana*-*Terminalia sericea* savanna in the lower-lying valleys. The grass layer is moderately developed. The conservation status is regarded least threatened. About 9% is statutorily conserved mainly in the Marakele National Park and Moepel Nature Reserve. More than 3% is transformed by cultivation (Mucina & Rutherford, 2006).

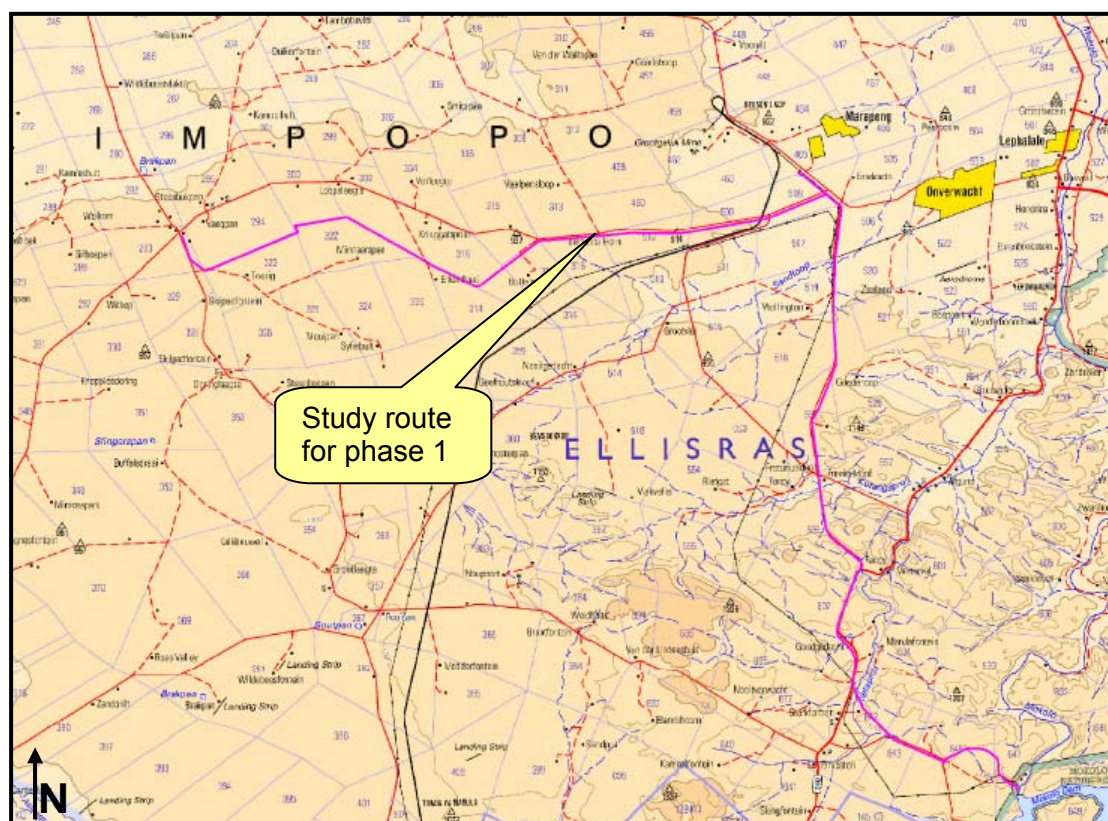


Figure 1: Locality map of the study site.

5. METHODS

The survey was carried out on 25 and 26 March 2009. Eleven waypoints were randomly chosen along the Phase 1 pipeline route and the plants in a strip plot 100m long and 50m wide were identified at each waypoint (Figure 2). The locations of waypoints were precisely determined with GPS and plotted on the pipeline route with GIS. The delimitation of vegetation units is indicated on the satellite maps provided in Annexure A.

The site was scrutinised for Red Data and Orange Listed species that might occur in this habitat. Attention was also paid to the occurrence of alien species and declared weeds.

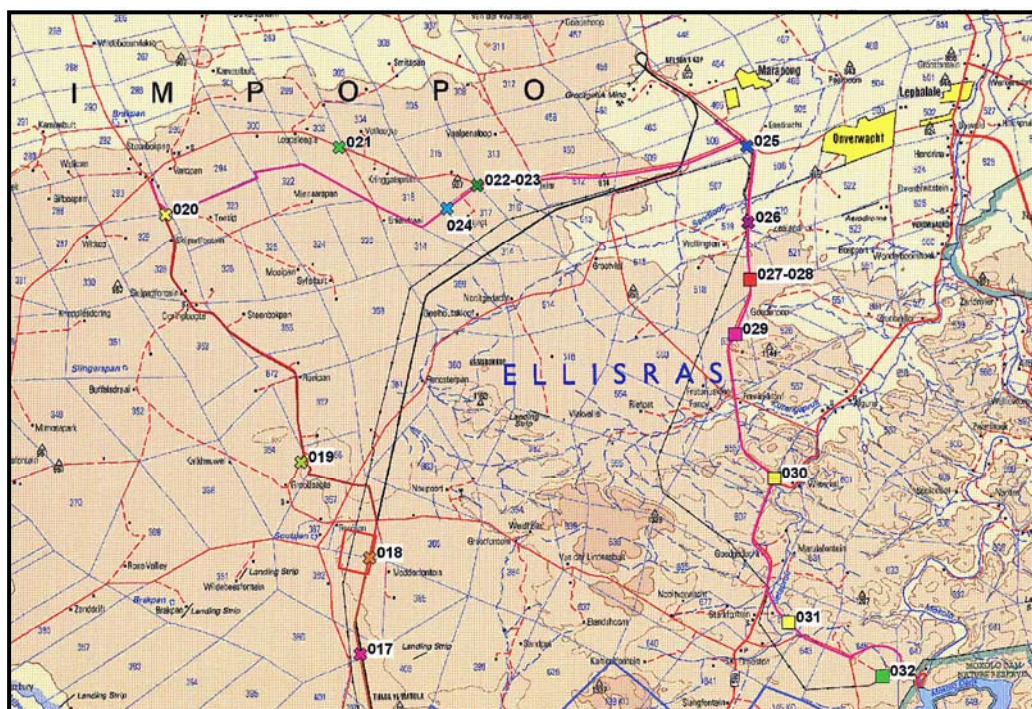


Figure 2: The Phase 1 pipeline route indicating the location of waypoints 020 to 032.

6. RESULTS

6.1 Plant communities

It was not attempted to delimit communities in a study area of such vast extent. However, the different vegetation units were mapped and the variation in species composition as a result of differences in edaphic factors, moisture and altitude in each unit discussed.

6.2 Medicinal species

Medicinal plant species are indicated in tables 1 and 2. Of the 166 plant species recorded on the pipeline route, 10 species were reported to have medicinal properties (Van Wyk *et al.* 2002; Van Wyk & Wink, 2004).

6.3 Alien species

The alien plant species are indicated in the tables with an asterisk. The diversity of alien species is low because of the natural condition of the vegetation. The names of Category 1 Declared weeds are printed in bold and the removal of these plants is compulsory by law.

6.4 Orange listed species

No Orange Listed species were found on the study site.

6.5 Red listed species

No Red Data species were found on the study site.

6.6 Limpopo Sweet Bushveld (Annexure A)

The soil is predominantly sandy loam with dominant tree species *Combretum apiculatum*, *Acacia erubescens*, *Acacia nigrescens* and *Commiphora* species; dominant shrub species are *Grewia monticola*, *Grewia bicolor*, *Grewia flava* and *Euclea undulata*. *Eragrostis rigidior*, *Urochloa mosambicensis* and *Eragrostis congesta* are the most abundant grass species (Figure 3). In disturbed areas and low-lying clayey areas thickets of *Acacia erubescens*, *Acacia mellifera*, *Dichrostachys cinerea* and *Spirostachys africana* are dominant (Figure 4).

Of the 117 species recorded, nine species are known to have medicinal properties. Only four alien species were recorded of which *Cereus jamacaru* is a Category 1 Declared weed and must be eradicated. No Red Data or Orange Listed species were found.

Except for the zone running through the town of Steenbokspan and the developed areas near Lephalale, the vegetation along the pipeline route can be regarded as sensitive and has a high conservation priority. The occurrence of protected trees such as *Sclerocarya birrea* is of importance.



Figure 3: Trees and shrubs growing on sandy loam.



Figure 4: *Acacia* species and *Spirostachys africana* growing on clayey soils.

Table 1: Plant species recorded in the Limpopo Sweet Bushveld.
Alien species are indicated by * and medicinal species by ♥.

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Acacia burkei</i>	Black monkey thorn
<i>Acacia caffra</i>	Common hook-thorn
<i>Acacia erioloba</i>	Camel thorn
<i>Acacia erubescens</i>	Blue thorn
<i>Acacia karroo</i> ♥	Sweet thorn
<i>Acacia mellifera</i> subsp. <i>detinens</i>	Black thorn
<i>Acacia nigrescens</i>	Knob-thorn
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Scented pod
<i>Acacia robusta</i> subsp. <i>rubusta</i>	Broad-pod robust thorn
<i>Acacia tortilis</i> subsp. <i>heteracantha</i>	Umbrella thorn
<i>Achyranthes aspera</i> var. <i>aspera</i> *	Burweed
<i>Albizia anthelmintica</i> ♥	Worm-bark false-thorn
<i>Albizia harveyi</i>	Bushveld false-thorn
<i>Aloe chabaudii</i>	
<i>Ammocharis coranica</i>	Seeroogblom
<i>Aristida adscensionis</i>	Annual three-awn
<i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>barbicollis</i>	Spreading three-awn
<i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>congesta</i>	Tassel three awn
<i>Aristida stipitata</i>	Long-awned grass
<i>Asparagus</i> sp.	Wild asparagus
<i>Bauhinia petersiana</i> subsp. <i>macrantha</i>	Kalahari bauhinia
<i>Blepharis integrifolia</i> var. <i>integrifolia</i>	
<i>Boscia albitrunca</i>	Shepherd tree
<i>Boscia foetida</i> subsp. <i>rehmanniana</i>	Foetid shepherd tree
<i>Bothriochloa insculpta</i>	Pinhole grass
<i>Burkea africana</i>	Wild seringa
<i>Carissa bispinosa</i>	Forest num-num
<i>Cenchrus ciliaris</i>	Foxtail buffalo grass

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Cereus jamacaru</i> *	Queen of the night
<i>Chamaecrista capensis</i> var. <i>capensis</i>	
<i>Chloris virgata</i>	Feather-top chloris
<i>Clerodendrum ternatum</i>	
<i>Combretum apiculatum</i>	Red bush-willow
<i>Combretum hereroense</i>	Russet bush-willow
<i>Combretum zeyheri</i>	Large-fruited bush-willow
<i>Commelina africana</i>	
<i>Commelina benghalensis</i>	
<i>Commelina</i> sp.	
<i>Commiphora angolensis</i>	Sand corkwood
<i>Commiphora mollis</i>	Velvet-leaved corkwood
<i>Commiphora pyracanthoides</i>	Common corkwood
<i>Crotalaria eremicola</i> subsp. <i>eremicola</i>	
<i>Cucumis zeyheri</i>	Wild cucumber
<i>Cyperus margaritaceus</i> var. <i>margaritaceus</i>	
<i>Dicerocaryum eriocarpum</i>	Devil's thorn
<i>Dichrostachys cinerea</i> subsp. <i>africana</i> var. <i>africana</i>	Small-leaved sickle bush
<i>Dicoma tomentosa</i>	
<i>Digitaria eriantha</i>	Common finger grass
<i>Diheteropogon amplexans</i>	Broad-leaved bluestem
<i>Dombeya rotundifolia</i> var. <i>rotundifolia</i> ♥	Wild pear
<i>Ehretia rigida</i>	Puzzle bush
<i>Elephantorrhiza elephantina</i> ♥	Elephant's root
<i>Enneapogon cenchroides</i>	Nine-awned grass
<i>Eragrostis gummiflua</i>	Gum grass
<i>Eragrostis pallens</i>	Broom love grass
<i>Eragrostis rigidior</i>	Curly leaf
<i>Eragrostis superba</i>	Saw-tooth love grass
<i>Eragrostis trichophora</i>	Hairy love grass
<i>Euclea natalensis</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	Natal guarri
<i>Euclea undulata</i> ♥	Small-leaved guarri
<i>Evolvulus alsinoides</i>	
<i>Gardenia volkensii</i> subsp. <i>spathulifolia</i>	Bushveld gardenia
<i>Grewia bicolor</i>	White raisin
<i>Grewia flava</i>	Velvet raisin
<i>Grewia flavescens</i>	Sandpaper raisin
<i>Grewia monticola</i>	Grey raisin
<i>Gymnosporia buxifolia</i>	Spike-thorn
<i>Harpagophytum zeyheri</i> subsp. <i>zeyheri</i> ♥	
<i>Hermibsteadtia odorata</i> var. <i>odorata</i>	Rooiaarbossie
<i>Heteropogon contortus</i>	Spear grass
<i>Heteropogon melanocarpus</i>	
<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> *	Wild stockrose
<i>Indigofera daleoides</i> var. <i>daleoides</i>	
<i>Ipomoea magnusiana</i>	
<i>Ipomoea obscura</i> var. <i>obscura</i>	Wild petunia
<i>Justicia flava</i>	
<i>Kyphocarpa angustifolia</i>	

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Lannea discolor</i>	Live-long
<i>Lantana rugosa</i>	Bird's brandy
<i>Maerua angolensis</i>	Bead-bean
<i>Melhania forbesii</i>	
<i>Melinis repens</i> subsp. <i>grandiflora</i>	Natal red top
<i>Monsonia angustifolia</i>	Crane's bill
<i>Ocimum americanum</i> subsp. <i>americanum</i>	
<i>Ozoroa paniculosa</i> var. <i>paniculosa</i>	Resin tree
<i>Panicum maximum</i>	Guinea grass
<i>Pavetta lanceolata</i>	Bridal bush
<i>Perotis patens</i>	Cat's tail
<i>Phyllanthus parvulus</i>	Dye bush
<i>Pogonarthria squarrosa</i>	Herringbone grass
<i>Portulaca kermesina</i>	
<i>Portulaca quadrifida</i> *	Wild purslane
<i>Rhoicissus revoilii</i>	Bushveld grape
<i>Rhynchosia totta</i>	
<i>Sarcostemma viminalis</i> subsp. <i>viminalis</i>	Melktou
<i>Schmidtia pappophoroides</i>	Sand quick
<i>Sclerocarya birrea</i> subsp. <i>caffra</i> ♥	Marula
<i>Setaria ustilata</i>	
<i>Sida alba</i>	Spiny sida
<i>Sida dregei</i>	Spider-leg
<i>Solanum panduriforme</i>	Poison apple
<i>Solanum tettense</i> var. <i>renschii</i>	
<i>Spirostachys africana</i>	Tamboti
<i>Sterculia rogersii</i>	Star chestnut
<i>Stipagrostis uniplumis</i> var. <i>uniplumis</i>	Silky bushman grass
<i>Tephrosia rhodesica</i> var. <i>rhodesica</i>	
<i>Terminalia sericea</i> ♥	Silver cluster-leaf
<i>Tragia rupestris</i>	
<i>Tylosema esculentum</i>	
<i>Urochloa mosambicensis</i>	Bushveld signal grass
<i>Vernonia poskeana</i> subsp. <i>botswanica</i>	
<i>Waltheria indica</i>	
<i>Xenostegia tridentata</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	
<i>Ximenia americana</i> var. <i>microphylla</i>	Blue sourplum
<i>Ximenia caffra</i> var. <i>caffra</i>	Sourplum
<i>Ziziphus mucronata</i> ♥	Buffalo thorn
<i>Zornia milneana</i>	

6.7 Waterberg Mountain Bushveld (Annexure A)

The soil is mainly coarse-grained shallow and sandy, alternated by outcrops of sandstone and conglomerate. *Diplorhynchus condylocarpon*, *Bridelia mollis*, *Pseudolachnostylis maprouneifolia* and *Albizia brevifolia* are common tree species on rocky, shallow-soiled areas (Figure 5). In low-lying areas deep, fine-grained sandy soil is the preferred substrate for *Terminalia sericea*, *Peltophorum africanum*, *Combretum zeyheri* and *Dombeya rotundifolia* which are common for Sandy Bushveld (Figure 6). An interesting phenomenon is the occurrence of *Kirkia acuminata* which is common in the Mopane Bushveld (Figure 7).

Seven of the 112 species recorded are known to have medicinal value and three alien species were found. No Red Data or Orange Listed species occur in this vegetation unit.

The zone along the existing pipeline is already transformed; therefore it is not sensitive. The vegetation either side of the route and that of the section between Steenbokpan and Lephalale is natural primary savannah and are considered ecologically sensitive.



Figure 5: Vegetation on rocky, shallow sandy soil.



Figure 6: Vegetation on low-lying, deep sandy soil. Note the abundance of Silver cluster-leaf.



Figure 7: *Kirkia accuminata* growing at the margin of Waterberg Mountain Bushveld.

Table 2: Plant species recorded in the Waterberg Mountain Bushveld.

Alien species are indicated by * and medicinal species by ♥.

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Acacia burkei</i>	Black monkey thorn
<i>Acacia erubescens</i>	Blue thorn
<i>Acacia mellifera</i> subsp. <i>detinens</i>	Black thorn
<i>Acacia nigrescens</i>	Knob-thorn
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Scented pod
<i>Acacia robusta</i> subsp. <i>robusta</i>	Broad-pod robust thorn
<i>Acacia senegal</i> var. <i>rostrata</i>	Bushy three-hook thorn
<i>Acalypha indica</i>	
<i>Achyranthes aspera</i> var. <i>aspera</i> *	Burweed
<i>Albizia brevifolia</i>	Rock false-thorn
<i>Albizia tanganyicensis</i>	Paper-barked false-thorn
<i>Aloe marlothii</i> subsp. <i>marlothii</i>	Mountain aloe
<i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>barbicollis</i>	Spreading three-awn
<i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>congesta</i>	Tassel three-awn
<i>Aristida stipitata</i>	Long-awned grass
<i>Boscia albitrunca</i>	Shepherd tree
<i>Brachiaria nigropedata</i>	Black-footed grass
<i>Bridelia mollis</i>	Velvet sweet-berry
<i>Chamaecrista capensis</i> var. <i>capensis</i>	
<i>Chloris virgata</i>	Feather-top chloris
<i>Chrysopogon serrulatus</i>	Golden beard grass
<i>Combretum apiculatum</i>	Red bush-willow
<i>Combretum imberbe</i>	Leadwood
<i>Combretum molle</i>	Velvet bush-willow
<i>Combretum zeyheri</i>	Large-fruited bush-willow
<i>Commelina</i> sp.	
<i>Commiphora mollis</i>	Velvet-leaved corkwood
<i>Corchorus kirkii</i>	

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Corchorus longipedunculatus</i>	
<i>Croton gratissimus</i> var. <i>gratissimus</i>	Lavender fever-berry
<i>Dicerocaryum eriocarpum</i>	Devil's thorn
<i>Dichrostachys cinerea</i> subsp. <i>africana</i> var. <i>africana</i>	Small-leaved sickle bush
<i>Digitaria eriantha</i>	Common finger grass
<i>Diplorhynchus condylocarpon</i>	Horn-pod tree
<i>Dombeya rotundifolia</i> var. <i>rotundifolia</i> ♥	Wild pear
<i>Elephantorrhiza elephantina</i> ♥	Elephant's root
<i>Englerophytum magalismontanum</i>	Stem-fruit
<i>Eragrostis aspera</i>	Rough love grass
<i>Eragrostis pallens</i>	Broom love grass
<i>Eragrostis rigidior</i>	Curly leaf
<i>Eragrostis trichophora</i>	Hairy love grass
<i>Euclea natalensis</i> subsp. <i>angustifolia</i>	Natal guarri
<i>Euclea undulata</i> ♥	Small-leaved guarri
<i>Euphorbia neopolycnemoides</i>	
<i>Ficus abutilifolia</i>	Large-leaved rock fig
<i>Flueggea virosa</i> subsp. <i>virosa</i>	White-berry bush
<i>Gardenia volkensii</i> subsp. <i>spathulifolia</i>	Bushveld gardenia
<i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i> ♥	Milkweed
<i>Gomphrena celosioides</i> *	Bachelor's button
<i>Grewia bicolor</i>	White raisin
<i>Grewia flava</i>	Velvet raisin
<i>Grewia flavescens</i>	Sandpaper raisin
<i>Grewia monticola</i>	Grey raisin
<i>Gymnosporia buxifolia</i>	Spike-thorn
<i>Gymnosporia tenuispina</i>	Bell spike-thorn
<i>Hermannia grisea</i>	
<i>Heteropogon contortus</i>	Spear grass
<i>Hexalobus monopetalus</i> var. <i>monopetalus</i>	Shakama plum
<i>Hibiscus trionum</i>	Bladderweed
<i>Indigofera daleoides</i> var. <i>daleoides</i>	
<i>Indigofera oxytropis</i>	
<i>Justicia flava</i>	
<i>Kirkia acuminata</i>	White seringa
<i>Kyphocarpa angustifolia</i>	
<i>Lannea discolor</i>	Live-long
<i>Limeum</i> sp.	
<i>Melhania burchellii</i>	
<i>Melhania forbesii</i>	
<i>Melinis repens</i> subsp. <i>grandiflora</i>	Natal red top
<i>Mimusops zeyheri</i>	Moepel
<i>Mundulea sericea</i>	Cork bush
<i>Ochna inermis</i>	Stunted plane
<i>Ozoroa paniculosa</i> var. <i>paniculosa</i>	Resin tree
<i>Panicum maximum</i>	Guinea grass
<i>Pappea capensis</i>	Jacket-plum
<i>Pavetta lanceolata</i>	Bridal bush
<i>Pellaea calomelanos</i> var. <i>calomelanos</i>	

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Peltophorum africanum</i>	African wattle
<i>Perotis patens</i>	Cat's tail
<i>Phyllanthus parvulus</i>	Dye bush
<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i> *	Wild white plumbago
<i>Pogonarthria squarrosa</i>	Herringbone grass
<i>Portulaca kermesina</i>	
<i>Pseudolachnostylis maprouneifolia</i> var. <i>maprouneifolia</i>	Kudu-berry
<i>Pterocarpus rotundifolius</i> subsp. <i>rotundifolius</i>	Round-leaved bloodwood
<i>Pupalia lappacea</i> var. <i>lappacea</i>	
<i>Rhoicissus revoilii</i>	Bushveld grape
<i>Rhynchosia totta</i>	
<i>Sarcostemma viminalis</i> subsp. <i>viminalis</i>	Melktou
<i>Schotia bracypetala</i>	Weeping boer-bean
<i>Sclerocarya birea</i> subsp. <i>caffra</i> ♥	Marula
<i>Setaria ustilata</i>	
<i>Sida cordifolia</i>	Flannel weed
<i>Sida dregei</i>	Spider-leg
<i>Solanum panduriforme</i>	Poison apple
<i>Spermacoce senensis</i>	
<i>Spirostachys africana</i>	Tamboti
<i>Strychnos madagascariensis</i>	Black monkey orange
<i>Tephrosia longipes</i> subsp. <i>longipes</i>	
<i>Terminalia sericea</i> ♥	Silver cluster-leaf
<i>Tragia rupestris</i>	
<i>Tricholaena monachne</i>	Blue-seed grass
<i>Trichoneura grandiglumis</i>	Small rolling grass
<i>Triumfetta rhomboidea</i> var. <i>rhomboidea</i>	
<i>Vernonia poskeana</i> subsp. <i>botswanica</i>	
<i>Vigna vexillata</i>	
<i>Waltheria indica</i>	
<i>Ximenia americana</i> var. <i>microphylla</i>	Blue sourplum
<i>Ximenia caffra</i> var. <i>caffra</i>	Sourplum
<i>Ziziphus mucronata</i> ♥	Buffalo thorn
<i>Zornia linearis</i>	
<i>Zornia milneana</i>	

7. FINDINGS AND POTENTIAL IMPLICATIONS

The vegetation along the Phase 1 route, outside the pipe reserve has a high conservation priority. Land use is aimed mainly on game farming which is not a degrading practice. Most of the areas adjacent to the pipeline zone are primary natural vegetation; consequently ample connectivity with natural vegetation exists. Protected trees occurring in the study area are *Acacia erioloba*, *Boscia albitrunca*, *Combretum imberbe* and *Sclerocarya birea* subsp. *africana*. These species may not be harmed in any way or, if this is unavoidable, the necessary permit must be obtained from the Department of Forestry to remove some of the mentioned trees.

8. RECOMMENDED MITIGATION MEASSURES

- An Ecological Management Plan (to be included in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) must be developed for the construction and operational phase of the development and should:
 - include an ongoing monitoring and eradication programme for all non-indigenous species, with specific emphasis on invasive and weedy species
 - ensure the persistence of all Red and Orange List species
 - minimize artificial edge effects (e.g. water runoff from developed areas and application of chemicals)
 - result in a report back to the Directorate of Nature Conservation on an annual basis.
- Where possible, trees naturally growing on the site should be retained as part of the landscaping, with specific emphasis on the following species: *Acacia erioloba*, *Boscia albitrunca*, *Combretum imberbe*, *Sclerocarya birrea* subsp. *caffra*. Measures to ensure that these trees survive the physical disturbance from the development should be implemented. A tree surgeon should be consulted in this regard. A qualified botanist must mark trees when the route is pegged and permits obtained from DWAF before any protected trees are removed.
- The crossing of natural drainage systems should be minimized and only constructed at the shortest possible route, perpendicular to the natural drainage system. Where possible, bridge crossings should span the entire stretch of the buffer zone.

Pipelines

- The appropriate agency should implement an ongoing monitoring and eradication program for all invasive and weedy plant species growing within the servitude.
- Rehabilitation of natural vegetation should proceed in accordance with a rehabilitation plan compiled by a specialist registered in terms of the Natural Scientific Professions Act (No. 27 of 2003) in the field of Ecological Science.
- Any post-development re-vegetation should use species indigenous to South Africa. Plant species locally indigenous to the area are preferred. As far as possible, indigenous plants naturally growing along the route, but would otherwise be destroyed during construction, should be used for re-vegetation.
- Where a pipeline is to traverse a wetland, measures are required to ensure that the pipeline has minimal effect on the flow of water through the wetland, e.g. by using a high level clear span bridge or box culverts rather than pipes.
- Disturbance to any wetlands during construction should be minimized. A plan for the immediate rehabilitation of damage caused to wetlands should be compiled by a specialist registered in accordance with the Natural Scientific Professions Act (No. 27 of 2003) in the field of Ecological Science. This rehabilitation plan should form part of the EMP and a record book should be maintained on site to monitor and report on the implementation of the plan.

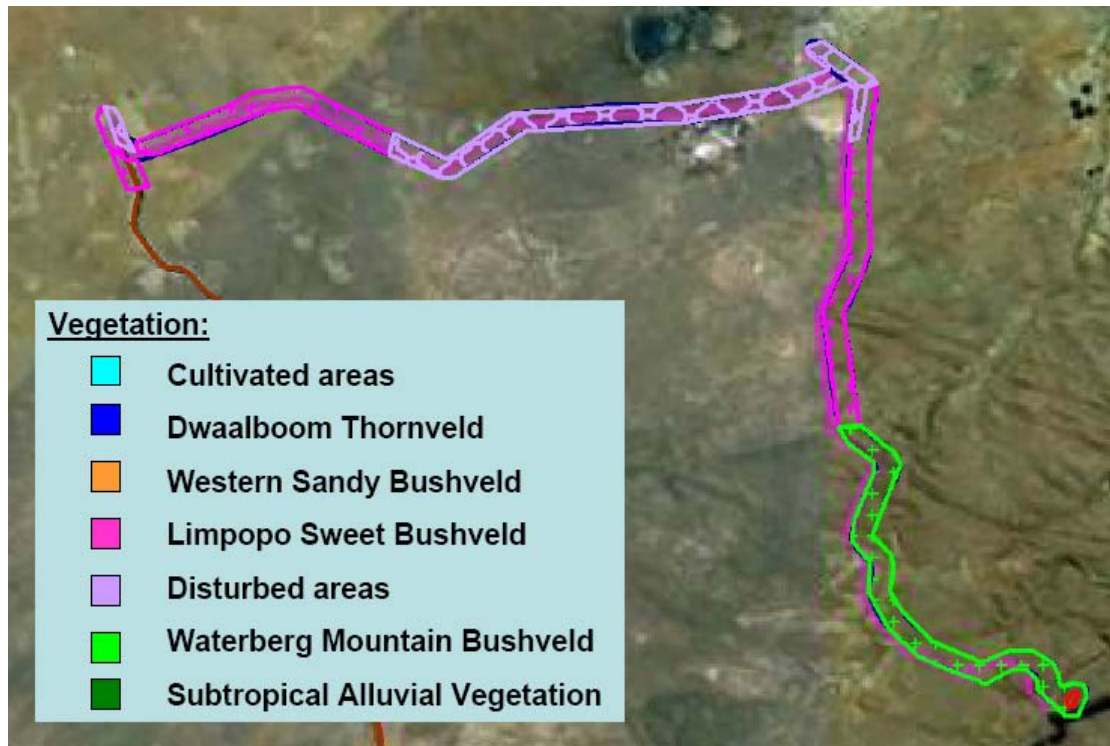
9. CONCLUSION

The vegetation on the pipeline route is considered sensitive and precautions should be taken to inflict as little damage as possible during the construction phase. Spilling of oil and fuel, dumping of rubble and water pollution must be strictly monitored. All Category 1 Declared weeds must be eradicated and protected trees should be left intact as far as possible.

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ANNEXURE A: VEGETATION MAP OF THE STUDY ROUTE



ANNEXURE B: PLANT SPECIES RECORDED ON PROPOSED PHASE 1 PIPELINE ROUTE

<p>ACANTHACEAE <i>Blepharis integrifolia</i> <i>Justicia flava</i></p> <p>AMARANTHACEAE <i>Achyranthes aspera</i> <i>Gomphrena celosioides</i> <i>Hermboetia odorata</i> <i>Kyphocarpa angustifolia</i> <i>Pupalia lappacea</i></p> <p>AMARYLLIDACEAE <i>Ammodorus coranica</i></p> <p>ANACARDIACEAE <i>Lannea discolor</i> <i>Ozoroa paniculosa</i> <i>Sclerocarya birrea</i></p> <p>ANNONACEAE <i>Hexalobus monopetalus</i></p> <p>APOCYNACEAE <i>Carissa bispinosa</i> <i>Diplorhynchus condylocarpon</i> <i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i> <i>Sarcostemma viminalis</i></p> <p>ASTERACEAE <i>Dicoma tomentosa</i> <i>Vernonia poskeana</i></p> <p>BURSERACEAE <i>Commiphora angolensis</i> <i>Commiphora mollis</i> <i>Commiphora pyracanthoides</i></p> <p>CACTACEAE <i>Cereus jamacaru</i></p> <p>CAESALPINIACEAE <i>Bauhinia petersiana</i> <i>Burkea africana</i> <i>Chamaecrista capensis</i> <i>Peltophorum africanum</i> <i>Schotia brachypetala</i> <i>Tylosema esculentum</i></p>	<p>CAPPARACEAE <i>Boscia albitrunca</i> <i>Boscia foetida</i> <i>Maerua angolensis</i></p> <p>CELASTRACEAE <i>Gymnosporia buxifolia</i> <i>Gymnosporia tenuispina</i></p> <p>COMBRETACEAE <i>Combretum apiculatum</i> <i>Combretum hereroense</i> <i>Combretum imberbe</i> <i>Combretum molle</i> <i>Combretum zeyheri</i> <i>Terminalia sericea</i></p> <p>COMMELINACEAE <i>Commelina africana</i> <i>Commelina benghalensis</i></p> <p>CONVOLVULACEAE <i>Evolvulus alsinoides</i> <i>Ipomoea magnusiana</i> <i>Ipomoea obscura</i> <i>Xenostegia tridentata</i></p> <p>CUCURBITACEAE <i>Cucumis zeyheri</i></p> <p>CYPERACEAE <i>Cyperus margaritaceus</i></p> <p>EBENACEAE <i>Euclea natalensis</i> <i>Euclea undulata</i></p> <p>EHRETIACEAE <i>Ehretia rigida</i></p> <p>EUPHORBIACEAE <i>Acalypha indica</i> <i>Croton gratissimus</i> <i>Euphorbia neopolycnemoides</i> <i>Spirostachys africana</i> <i>Tragia rupestris</i></p>
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<p>FABACEAE</p> <p><i>Crotalaria eremicola</i></p> <p><i>Indigofera daleoides</i></p> <p><i>Indigofera oxytropis</i></p> <p><i>Mundulea sericea</i></p> <p><i>Pterocarpus rotundifolius</i></p> <p><i>Rhynchosia totta</i></p> <p><i>Tephrosia longipes</i></p> <p><i>Tephrosia rhodesica</i></p> <p><i>Vigna vexillata</i></p> <p><i>Zornia milneana</i></p> <p><i>Zornia linearis</i></p> <p>GERANIACEAE</p> <p><i>Monsonia angustifolia</i></p> <p>KIRKIACEAE</p> <p><i>Kirkia acuminata</i></p> <p>LAMIACEAE</p> <p><i>Clerodendendrum ternatum</i></p> <p><i>Ocimum americanum</i></p> <p>LILIACEAE</p> <p><i>Aloe chabaudii</i></p> <p><i>Aloe marlothii</i></p> <p><i>Asparagus</i> sp.</p> <p>LIMEACEAE</p> <p><i>Limeum</i> sp.</p> <p>MALVACEAE</p> <p><i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i></p> <p><i>Hibiscus trionum</i></p> <p><i>Melhania burchellii</i></p> <p><i>Melhania forbesii</i></p> <p><i>Sida alba</i></p> <p><i>Sida cordifolia</i></p> <p><i>Sida dregei</i></p> <p>MIMOSACEAE</p> <p><i>Acacia burkei</i></p> <p><i>Acacia caffra</i></p> <p><i>Acacia erioloba</i></p> <p><i>Acacia erubescens</i></p> <p><i>Acacia karroo</i></p> <p><i>Acacia mellifera</i></p> <p><i>Acacia nigrescens</i></p> <p><i>Acacia nilotica</i></p> <p><i>Acacia robusta</i></p> <p><i>Acacia senegal</i> var. <i>rostrata</i></p> <p><i>Acacia tortilis</i></p> <p><i>Albizia anthelmintica</i></p> <p><i>Albizia brevifolia</i></p> <p><i>Albizia harvei</i></p>	<p><i>Albizia tanganyicensis</i></p> <p><i>Dichrostachys cinerea</i></p> <p><i>Elephantorrhiza elephantina</i></p> <p>MORACEAE</p> <p><i>Ficus abutilifolia</i></p> <p>OCHNACEAE</p> <p><i>Ochna inermis</i></p> <p>OLACACEAE</p> <p><i>Ximenia americana</i></p> <p><i>Ximenia caffra</i></p> <p>PEDALIACEAE</p> <p><i>Dicerocaryum eriocarpum</i></p> <p><i>Harpagophytum zeyheri</i></p> <p>PHYLLANTACEAE</p> <p><i>Bridelia mollis</i></p> <p><i>Flueggea virosa</i></p> <p><i>Phyllanthus parvulus</i></p> <p><i>Pseudolachnostylis maprouneifolia</i></p> <p>POACEAE</p> <p><i>Aristida adscensionis</i></p> <p><i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>barbicollis</i></p> <p><i>Aristida congesta</i> subsp. <i>congesta</i></p> <p><i>Aristida diffusa</i></p> <p><i>Aristida stipitata</i></p> <p><i>Bothriochloa insculpta</i></p> <p><i>Brachiaria nigropedata</i></p> <p><i>Cenchrus ciliaris</i></p> <p><i>Chloris virgata</i></p> <p><i>Chrysopogon serrulatus</i></p> <p><i>Digitaria eriantha</i></p> <p><i>Diheteropogon amplexans</i></p> <p><i>Enneapogon cenchroides</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis aspera</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis gummiflua</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis pallens</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis rigidior</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis superba</i></p> <p><i>Eragrostis trichophora</i></p> <p><i>Heteropogon contortus</i></p> <p><i>Heteropogon melanocarpus</i></p> <p><i>Melinis repens</i></p> <p><i>Panicum maximum</i></p> <p><i>Perotis patens</i></p> <p><i>Pogonarthria squarrosa</i></p> <p><i>Schmidtia pappophoroides</i></p> <p><i>Setaria ustilata</i></p> <p><i>Stipagrostis uniplumis</i></p> <p><i>Tragus berteronianus</i></p> <p><i>Tricholaena monachne</i></p>
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<p><i>Trichoneura grandiglumis</i> <i>Urochloa mosambicensis</i></p> <p>PORTULACACEAE <i>Portulaca kermesina</i> <i>Portulaca quadrifida</i></p> <p>PTERIDACEAE <i>Pellaea calomelanos</i></p> <p>RHAMNACEAE <i>Ziziphus mucronata</i></p> <p>RUBIACEAE <i>Gardenia volkensii</i> <i>Pavetta lanceolata</i> <i>Spermacoce senensis</i></p> <p>SAPINDACEAE <i>Pappea capensis</i></p> <p>SAPOTACEAE <i>Englerophytum magalismontanum</i> <i>Mimusops zeyheri</i></p>	<p>SOLANACEAE <i>Solanum panduriforme</i> <i>Solanum tettense</i></p> <p>STERCULIACEAE <i>Dombeya rotundifolia</i> <i>Hermannia grisea</i> <i>Sterculia rogersii</i> <i>Waltheria indica</i></p> <p>STRYCHNACEAE <i>Strychnos madagascariensis</i></p> <p>TILIACEAE <i>Corchorus kirkii</i> <i>Corchorus longipendunculatus</i> <i>Grewia bicolor</i> <i>Grewia flava</i> <i>Grewia flavescens</i> <i>Grewia monticola</i> <i>Triumphetta rhomboidea</i></p> <p>VERBENACEAE <i>Lantana rugosa</i></p> <p>VITACEAE <i>Rhoicissus revoilii</i></p>
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