



**Figure 1:** Large part of the study area dominated by sugarcane



Figure 2: Farm dams are constructed to support agriculture and forestry



**Figure 3:** Looking south along Corridor 3, showing Scarp Forest at the Ongoye Forest Reserve, with KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Grassland in the foreground



**Figure 4:** Intact Coastal Belt Grassland habitat along Corridor 3, with Scarp Forest patches in the valleys



Figure 5: The Thukela River pictured here along Corridor 2, also traverses Corridor 3 and Relatively minor drainage line along Corridor 2 with a large seasonal floodplain and wetland area



**Figure 6**: The Mthatuze River along Corridor 3 in the north of the study area



**Figure 7:** The southern extent of the study area is dominated by sugarcane farming as illustrated here by the typical habitat at Substation Site F

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## Site photographs





Figure 8: Intensively developed landscape north of the Thukela River along Corridor 2, showing the existing Eskom power line as well as the mix of sugarcane and homesteads



**Figure 9**: Rural landscape south of the Ongoye Forest within Corridor Alternative 1. The landscape consists of alternating transformed areas associated with homesteads and intact grasslands or forest patches

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