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T0HS00000000006000023	60	23	SCHULPSPRUIT 60 HS
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T0HS00000000007700004	77	4	MOOIMEISJESFONTEIN 77 HS
T0HS00000000007700005	77	5	MOOIMEISJESFONTEIN 77 HS
T0HS00000000007700006	77	6	MOOIMEISJESFONTEIN 77 HS
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T0HS00000000007900001	79	1	MEZIG 79 HS
T0HS00000000007900002	79	2	MEZIG 79 HS
T0HS00000000007900003	79	3	MEZIG 79 HS
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T0HS00000000008000001	80	1	HOLFONTEIN 80 HS

SG Code	Farm No.	Portion No.	Farm Name
T0HS00000000008000005	80	5	HOLFONTEIN 80 HS
T0HS00000000008000006	80	6	HOLFONTEIN 80 HS
T0HS00000000008000007	80	7	HOLFONTEIN 80 HS
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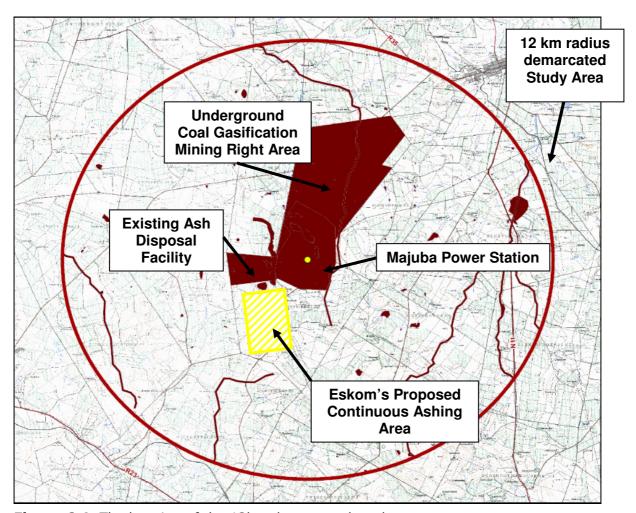


Figure 6.4: The location of the 12km demarcated study area

Table 6.2: Farm Portions associated with Eskom's proposed Continuous Ashing Area

SG_CODE	FARM_NO	PORTION	FARM NAME
T0HS0000000006700001	67	1	Roodekopjes 67 HS Portion 1
T0HS0000000008100000	81	Rem	Witkoppies 81 HS remainder
T0HS00000000008100001	81	1	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 1
T0HS00000000008100002	81	2	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 2
T0HS00000000008100005	81	5	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 5
T0HS00000000008100006	81	6	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 6
T0HS00000000008100007	81	7	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 7
T0HS0000000008100013	81	13	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 13
T0HS0000000008100014	81	14	Witkoppies 81 HS Portion 14

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## 6.3 Description of the Baseline Environment

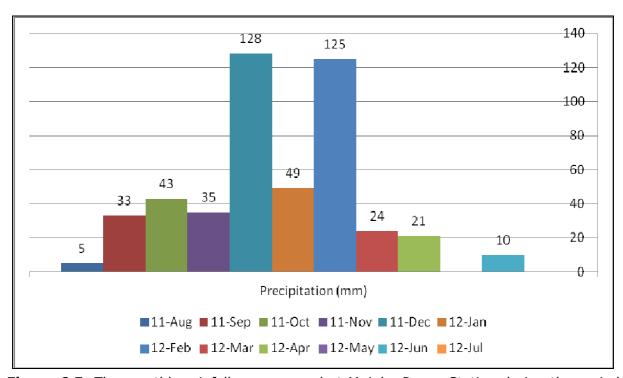
## 6.3.1 Topography

The study area, within the 12 km radius, is characterised by strong undulating character typical of the Mpumalanga province with hills and koppies to the south and east. The natural topography of the area has been disturbed as a result of various mining, agricultural and power generation activities.

## 6.3.2 Climate

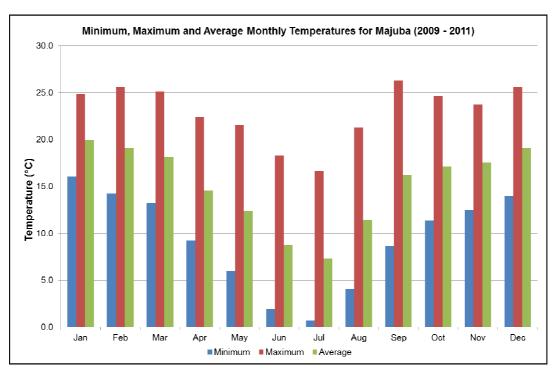
The climate in the study area can be described as typical highveld conditions with summers that are moderate and wet, while winters are cold and dry. Severe frost and snow are sometimes experienced. The area also falls within the mist belt.

The mean annual precipitation is approximately 760 mm/year, with rain experienced predominantly in the summer months (October to April). **Figure 6.5** shows the monthly rainfall for the Majuba Power Station experienced during the period August 2011 to July 2012.



**Figure 6.5:** The monthly rainfall as measured at Majuba Power Station during the period August 2011 to July 2012

Annual average maximum, minimum and mean temperatures are given as 26.3°C, 0.7°C and 15.1°C, respectively, based on the data collected at Eskom's Majuba monitoring station for the period 2009-2011. Average daily maximum temperatures range from 25.6°C in February and December to 16.6°C in June, with daily minima ranging from 16°C in January to 0.7°C in July (**Figure 6.6**).



**Figure 6.6:** Average monthly maximum, minimum and mean temperatures for Majuba Power Station

The prevailing wind direction is recorded as being co-dominant, with both easterly and west-north-westerly winds. **Figure 6.7** shows the period, day-time and night-time wind roses for the Majuba Power Station.

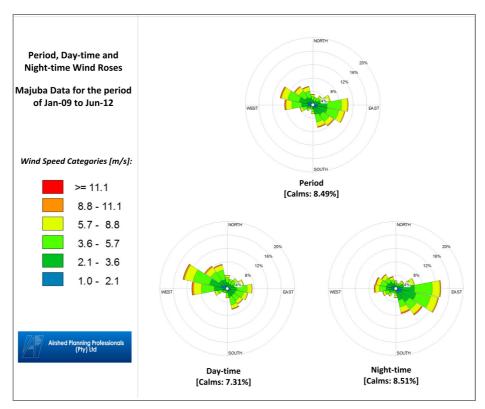


Figure 6.7: Period, day-time and night-time wind roses for the Majuba Power Station