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Context for today's talk

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Ultimate aim is to explore how international payment for global ecosystem services (focusing on REDD+) can best contribute to poverty alleviation



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Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation





WP 6: To estimate the magnitude and distribution of net welfare impacts of alternative PES approaches at local scales (including evaluation of impacts of the existing Coridor Ankeniheny-Zahamena 'CAZ' REDD+ scheme).

This part of WP6:







Because of the sensitivity of the topic we didn't use large teams of enumerators but all data was collected by core members of the research team (with two additional assistants)





Topics covered by this research are highly sensitive (e.g. tavy within a protected area)

Therefore developing trust with local informants was vital for data quality. Upholding that trust is a vital ethical consideration.





WARNING!

- All the analyses we present today are preliminary. This data collection finished in September and data entry was finalised only in mid-October.
- We are presenting to you at an early stage in the interest of being open and getting your views but please note this is not a final analysis.
- Data collection is ongoing.





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The identification of 'Persons Affected by the Project' in the corridor Ankeniheny-Zahamena pilot REDD+ project

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Outline

- 1. Context of World Bank social safeguard payments in CAZ
- 2. What are the characteristics of communities identified as eligible for safeguards? (desk-based analysis)
- 3. What are the characteristics of households identified as eligible for safeguards? (field work)
- 4. Next steps for WP6





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1. Context of World Bank social safeguard payments



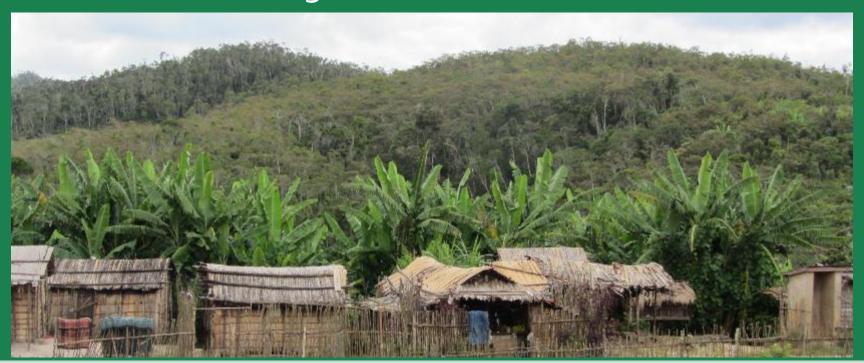
- World Bank has had social safeguards (to identify and manage social risks) in place for about 20 years
- Currently undergoing consultation on how these can be improved and strengthened





Environmental & Social Standard 5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement

"When land acquisition or restrictions on land use cannot be avoided, the Borrower will offer affected persons compensation at replacement cost, and other assistance as may be necessary to help them improve or at least restore their standards of living or livelihoods"





CAZ REDD+ project aims to generate carbon credits by reducing deforestation-main driver of which is *tavy*

Therefore project success depends on economic displacement of people from livelihoods based on *tavy*





Plan to ensure social safeguards are met in CAZ project was published in 2012

The criteria used for identification of Persons Affected by the Project was:

- 1) Live around the proposed protected area
- 2) Directly use natural resources
- 3) Use natural resources within the 'core' of the protected area

2500 PAP households in 25 fokontany identified as eligible

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2. What are the characteristics of communities identified as eligible to receive social safeguards or not? (desk-based analysis)



CAZ is a large area, identifying those areas likely to contain PAPs is difficult. Given that the REDD+ project aims to stop *tavy*, deforestation (2005-2010) is a proxy (not perfect) for areas where livelihoods are likely to be impacted by the project



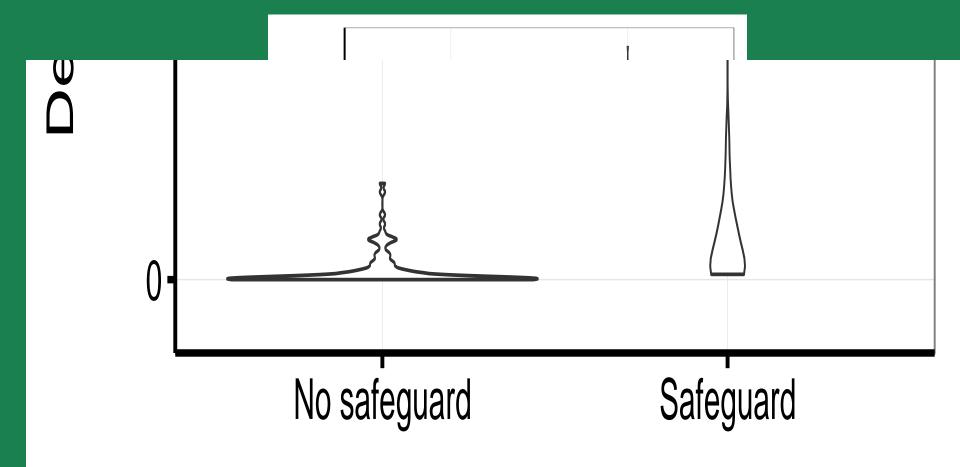


Expectation: Fokontany identified as eligible for safeguards would be more forested and have had greater deforestation between 2005-2010 (ie more people dependent on forest clearance) than those not identified.



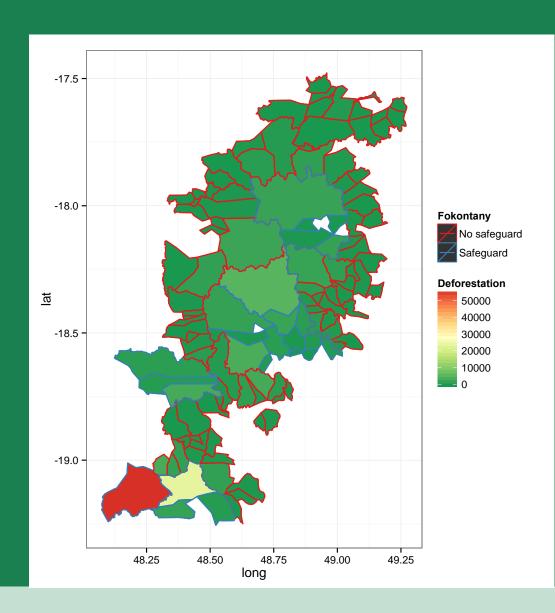


- 25 fokontany were identified as eligible for safeguards (out of 121)
- Safeguard fokontany have on average higher deforestation between 2005-2010 BUT lots of variability





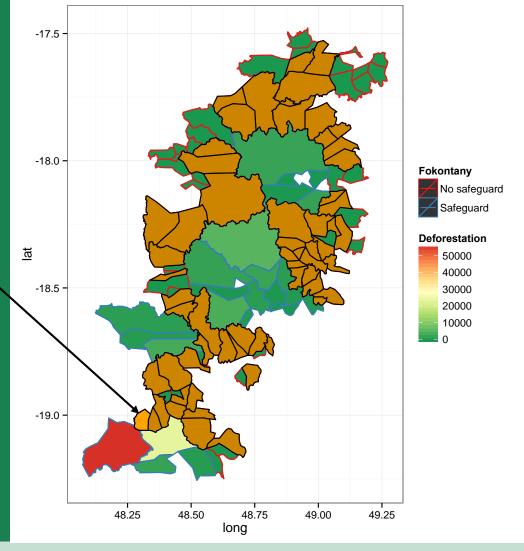
This shows the amount of deforestation (2005-2010) and which fokontany have been identified as having PAPs and those which have not





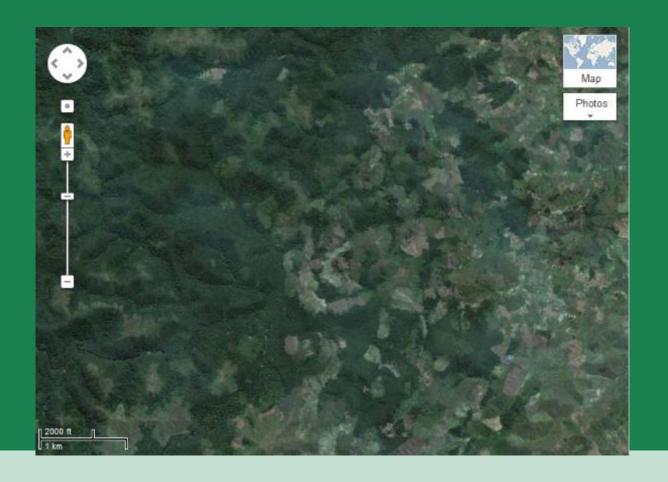
61 of the 96 fokontany judged as not containing any PAPs had non-zero deforestation 2005-2010







Conclusions: Fokontany with the highest history of deforestation have been identified as eligible for safeguards, however there are some fokontany very likely to contain PAPs which have not been identified (further work needed).





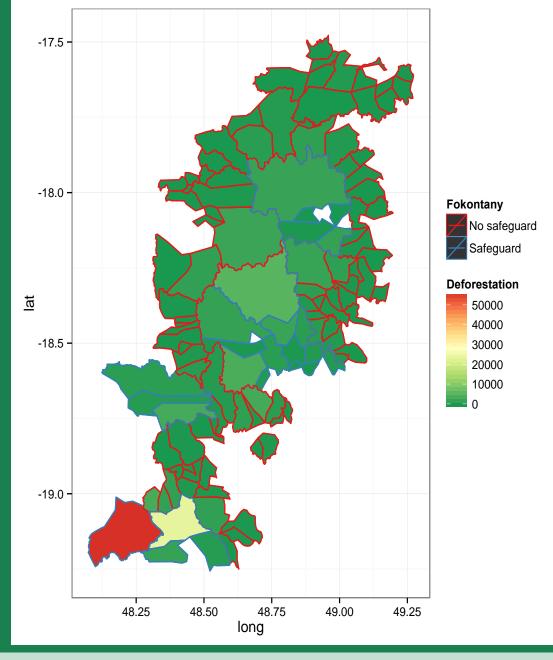


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3. What are the characteristics of households identified as eligible to receive social safeguards or not? (field work)





We worked in Ampahitra-very high deforestation from 2005-2010. 77 households were identified as PAPs



Expectation: HHs identified as PAPs would own more *tavy* land, be more dependant on wild-harvested products, be more recently established, live further from the fokontany centre (proxy for distance to the forest).

BUT if process of identification was affected by elite capture then we might expect PAP households to be closer to the village centre, richer, better connected socially (e.g. part of COBAs).





Sampling: we needed a random sample which properly represented all households in the study area, avoiding bias towards the relatively easily accessible or socially well-connected



→ Required a good sampling frame



Challenges:

- Poor quality of data (e.g. many villages not on map)
- Many scattered households (shift with season)
- Many households are not registered in any village ('unofficial' households)





Developing the sampling frame......

Fokontany Level

 Collect local available information on villages (sketch map)

Village Level

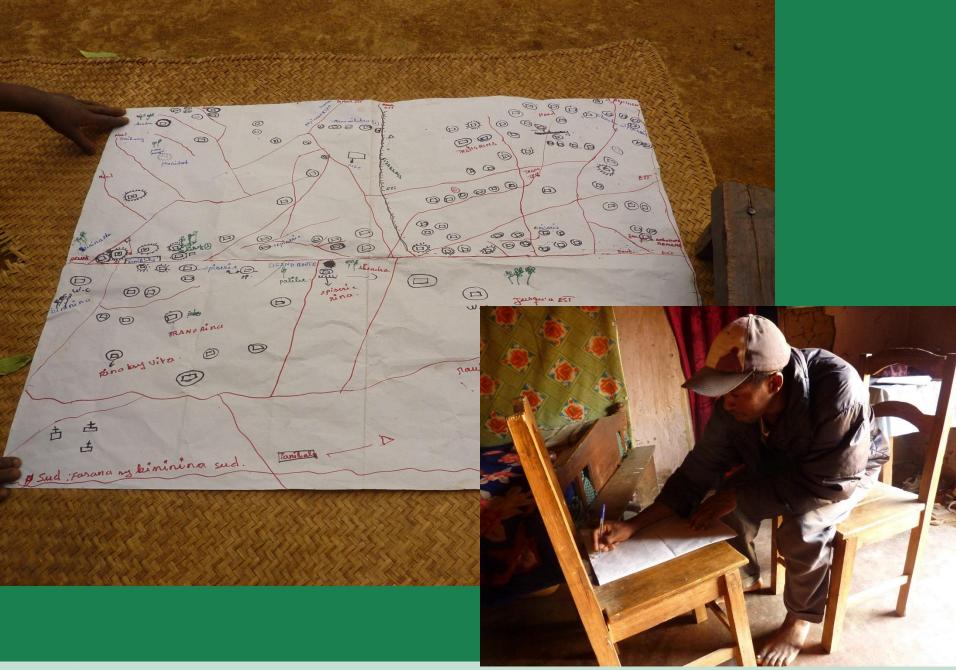
 Collect information on households and hamlets (sketch map & GPS)

Hamlets level

Visited hamlets in person to cross check information (GPS), and map HHs location (sketch map & GPS)

→ Approximately 33% of total time for survey was constructing the sampling frame











We mapped 468 households, did household interviews with 203 (stratified by location)

39 of this random sample had been identified as PAPs.



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Work Package 6: Fanadihadiana isan-tokantrano

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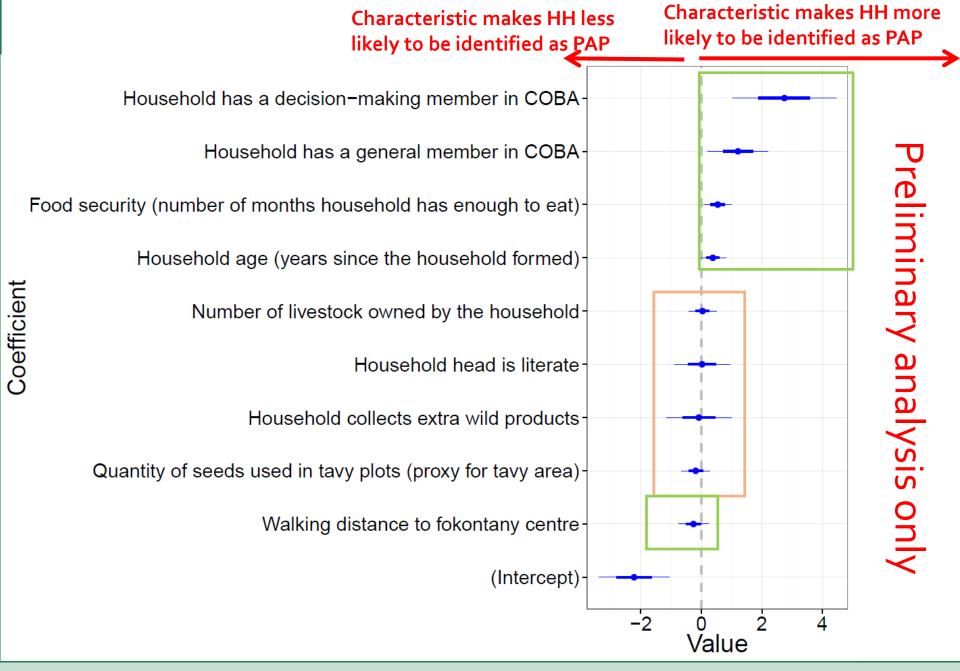


We built a binomial Generalised Linear Model to explore which variables predict whether a HH is identified as a PAP

NOTE: We don't have information (yet) on the opportunity cost of conservation restrictions by households, we are just looking at potential indicators of those affected by conservation restrictions









Expectation (if PAPs are those most dependent on

We found

forest for livelihoods)

PAPs would own more tavy land

No effect

PAPs would live closer to the

Live closer to the fokotany centre

forest

No effect

PAPs would be more dependent on forest products

PAPs would be more recently established

PAPs are longer established



Expectation (if PAP identification suffered some

We found

elite capture) PAPs would be closer to the

True

village centre PAPs would be richer

No difference in livestock

ownership but PAPs are more food secure PAPs are more likely to be in

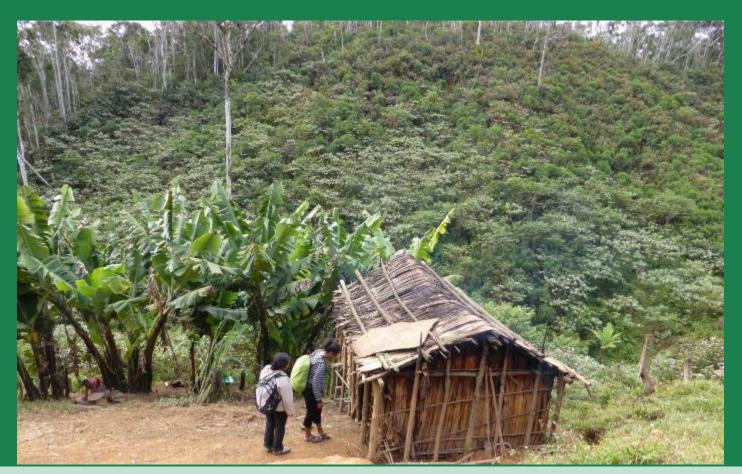
PAPs would be better

COBA and COBA committee and are longer established households



connected socially

Conclusions: There is some evidence of elite capture in the identification of the PAPs. This would be very hard (and costly) to avoid due to the very poor background data on populations and their distributions.







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4. Next steps for WP6 (net local welfare impacts of PES)



- 1. Qualitative work to complement quantitative findings
- Continue field work in 3 other 'in-depth' sites-will allow us to estimate the opportunity cost of conservation restrictions
- 3. Desk-based work (led by CI) on the transaction costs of different approaches to distributing benefits form carbon payments
- 4. Field work (led by CI) on the efficacy of different approaches to distributing benefits form carbon payments at reaching the poorest (and avoiding elite capture)



Thank you!

- CI (especially Ando Rambeloson) and World Bank (especially Paul-Jean Feno) for sharing information on safeguarding
- MEEF, CI and local leaders for permission to carry out the research
- The many people who took part in the research
- Our funders











Extra slides

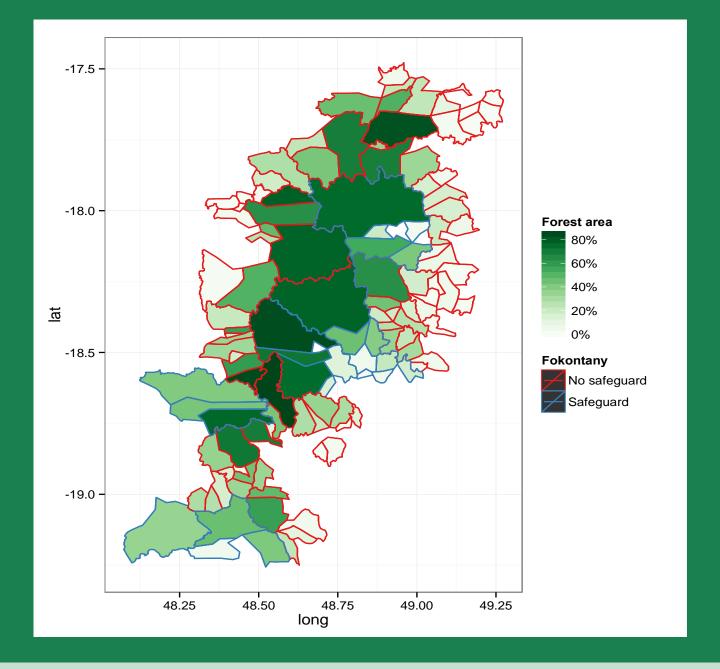


Ethics: compensation

- We compensated people with thank-you gifts for their time and knowledge sharing
- Limited the value around 3000 Ar (\$1)
- When we needed a full day or half day (and for them to come with us to fields) we pay same rate as guides









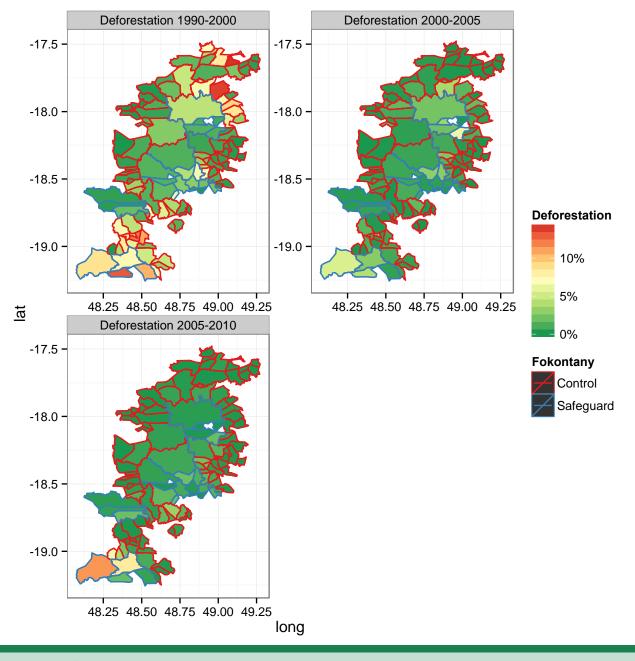


 Figure 3. Spatial distribution of deforestation by proportion of fokontany



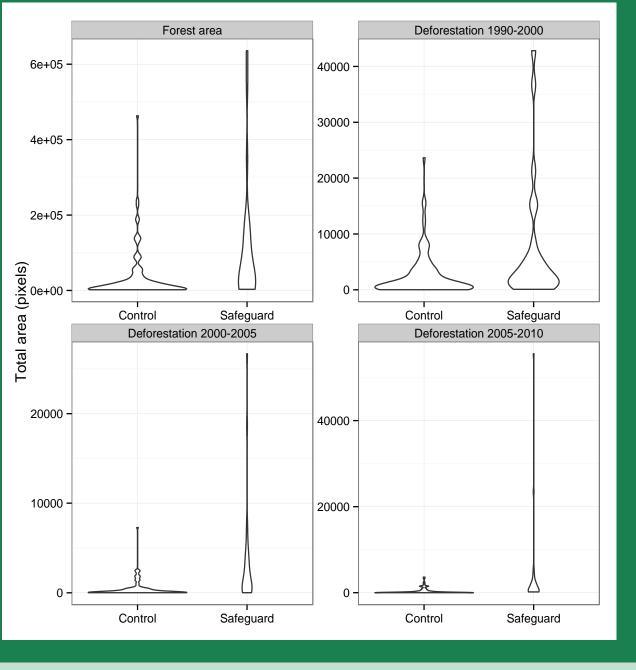


Figure 4. Total forest area and deforestation by fokontany for all fokontany overlapping the protected area. For all variables the distributions are significantly different at the P<0.05 level using a 2 sample KS test.



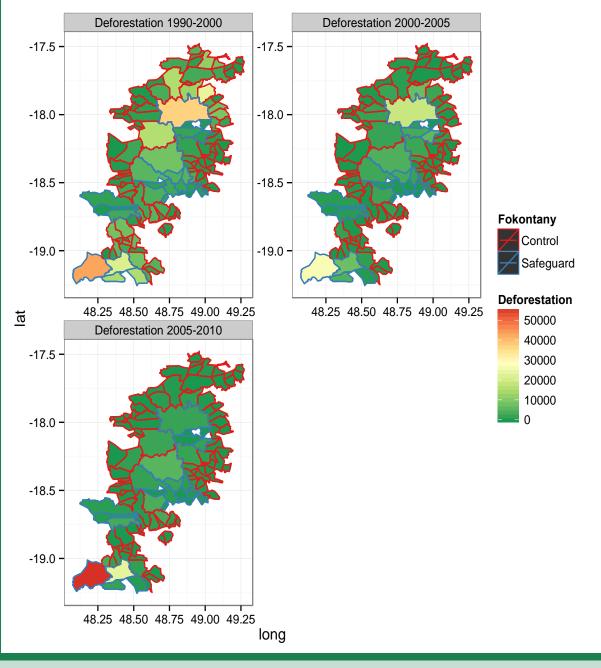
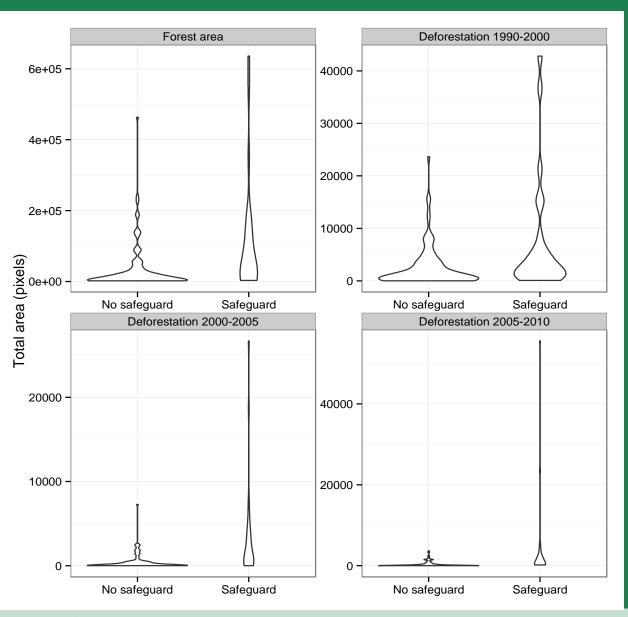


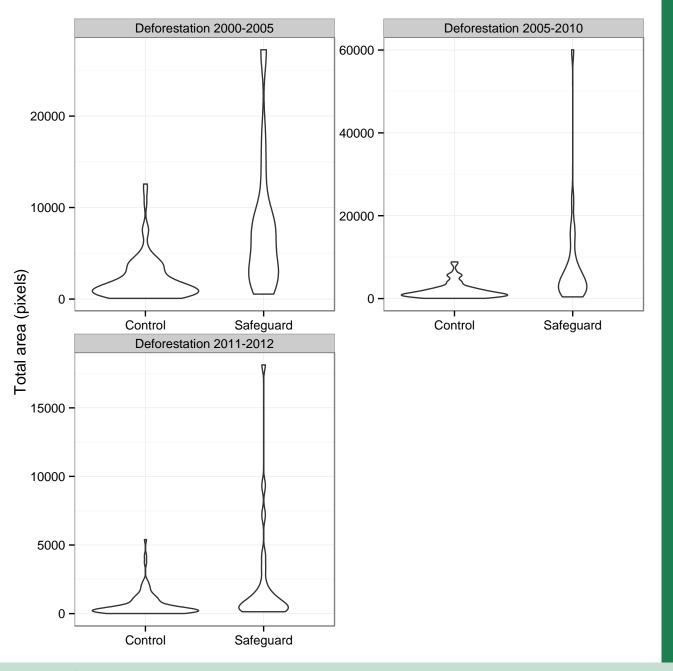
 Figure 5. Spatial distribution of absolute deforestation by fokontany.





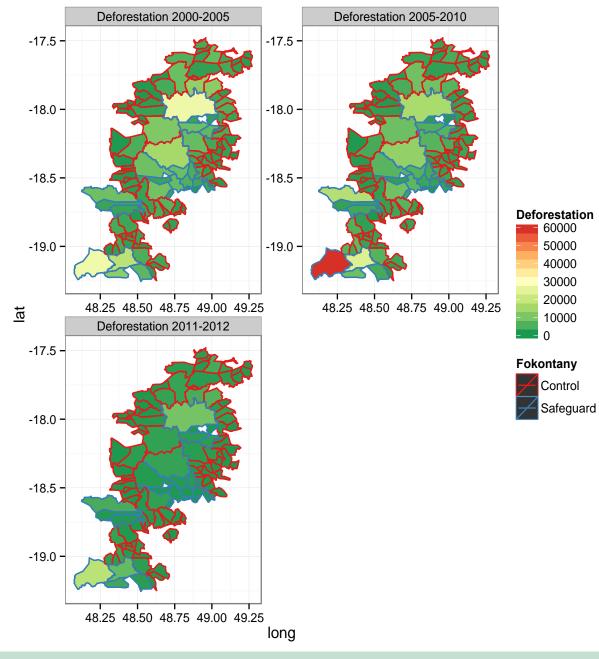
 Absolute rate of deforestation by fokontany based on CI data.





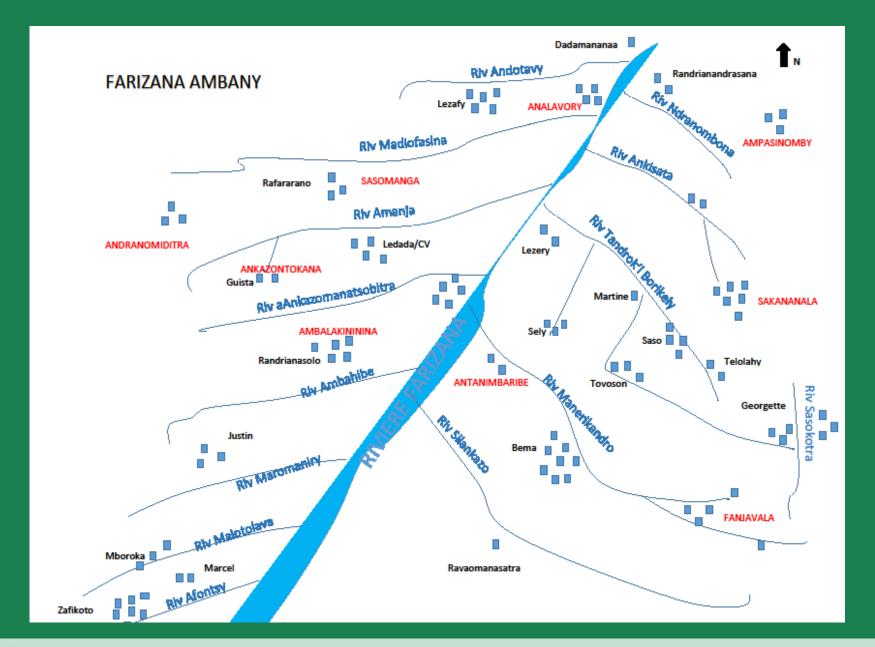
 Absolute rate of deforestation by fokontany based on Maryland data.





 Spatial distribution of deforestation based on the Maryland data.

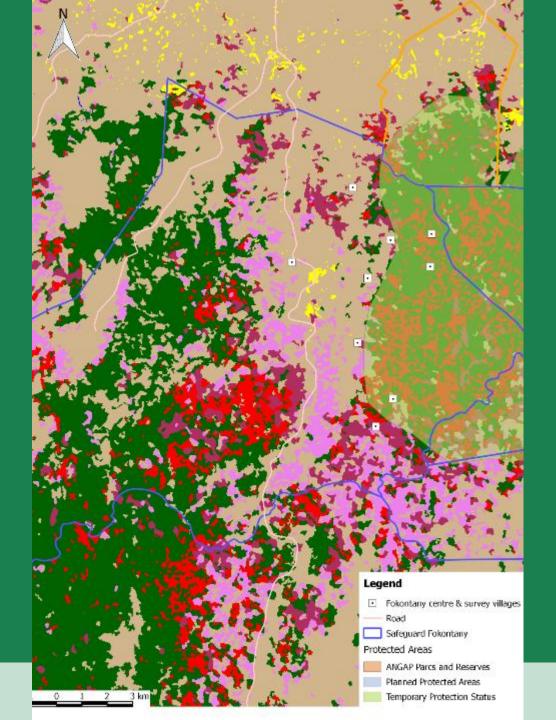






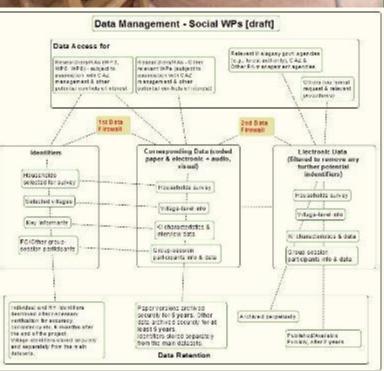
World Bank considers social issues related to CAZ were addressed in the safeguard mitigation activities planned under EP3 (integrated safeguards data sheet appraisal stage)











Everyone in the pages project has had ethics trainingencouraging us to reflect on the ethical implications of collecting such sensitive data

We have a well developed management plan (with data firewalls to protect anonymity of informants) – within the project and external to the project.





We spent a lot of time explaining the research and building relationships and trust locally

We had to ensure that they understood that their information was safe, and that participation was voluntary.

These ethical considerations took 25-35% of the total interview time

- Man days: 15 X 5 sampling frame ie 75 days, 20X5 survey ie
 100 man days (not counting Mahesh)
- 175 man days total (200 man days with Mahesh)



And 4 fokotany who (according this remotely sensed data) had zero deforestation were identified as containing PAPs

