

THE NATIONAL FOREST MONITORING SYSTEM

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Forest Cover Monitoring Unit



Establishment of
the *Forest Cover
Monitoring Unit*

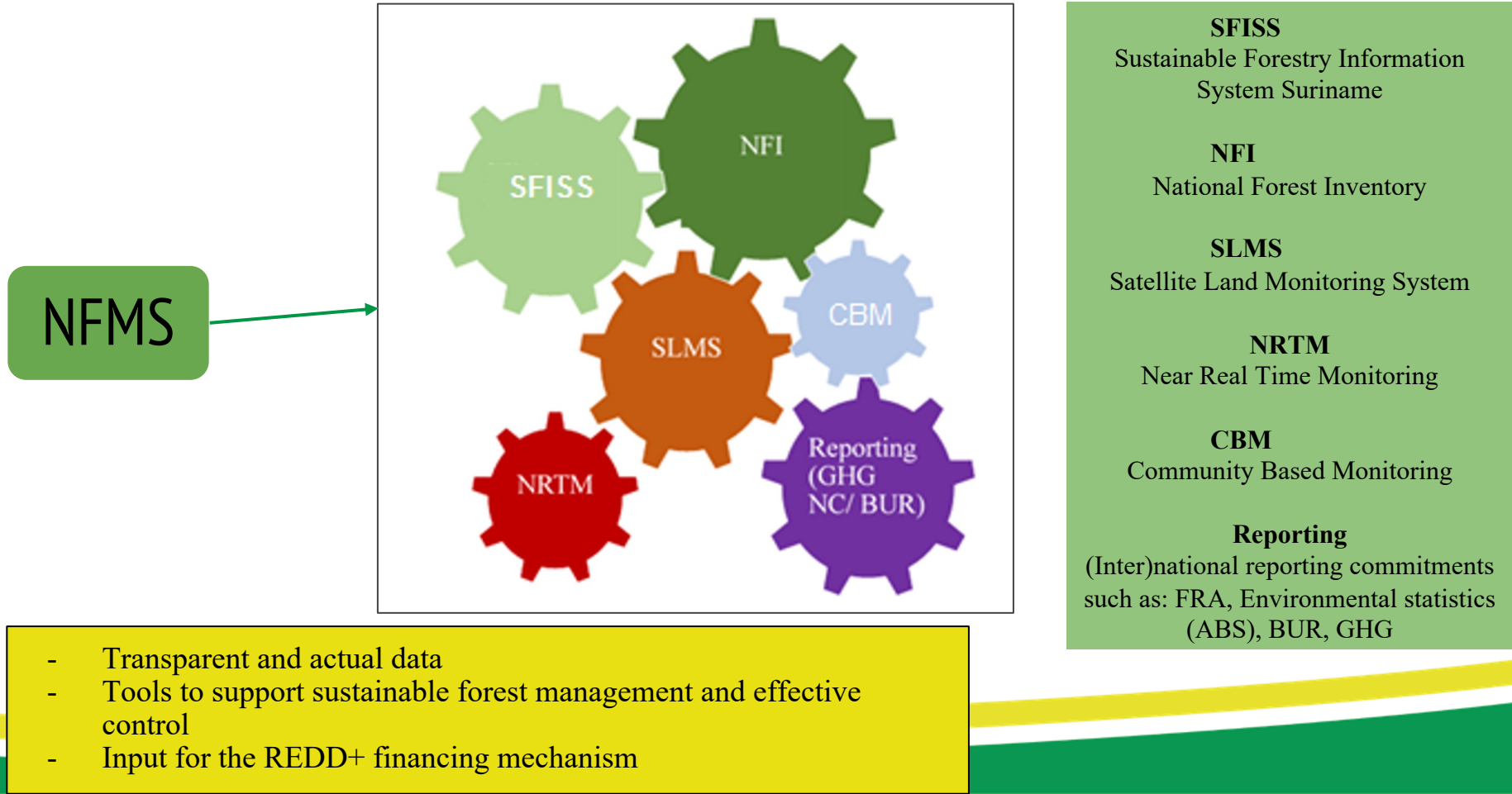
Forest Cover Monitoring Unit
(FCMU)

Operational in 2012; Launch in 2013

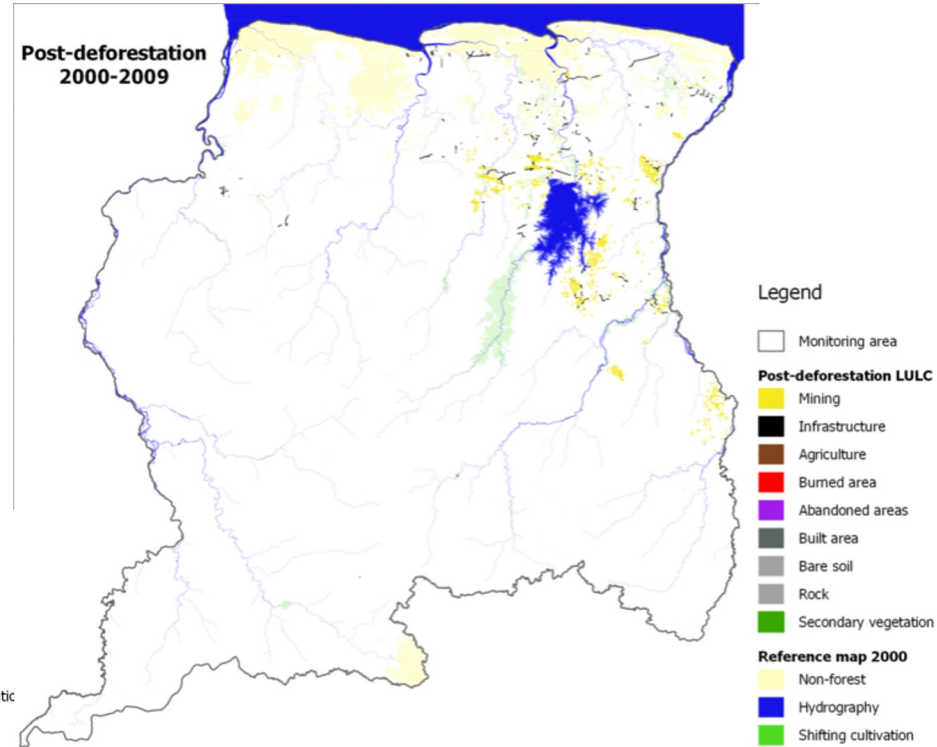
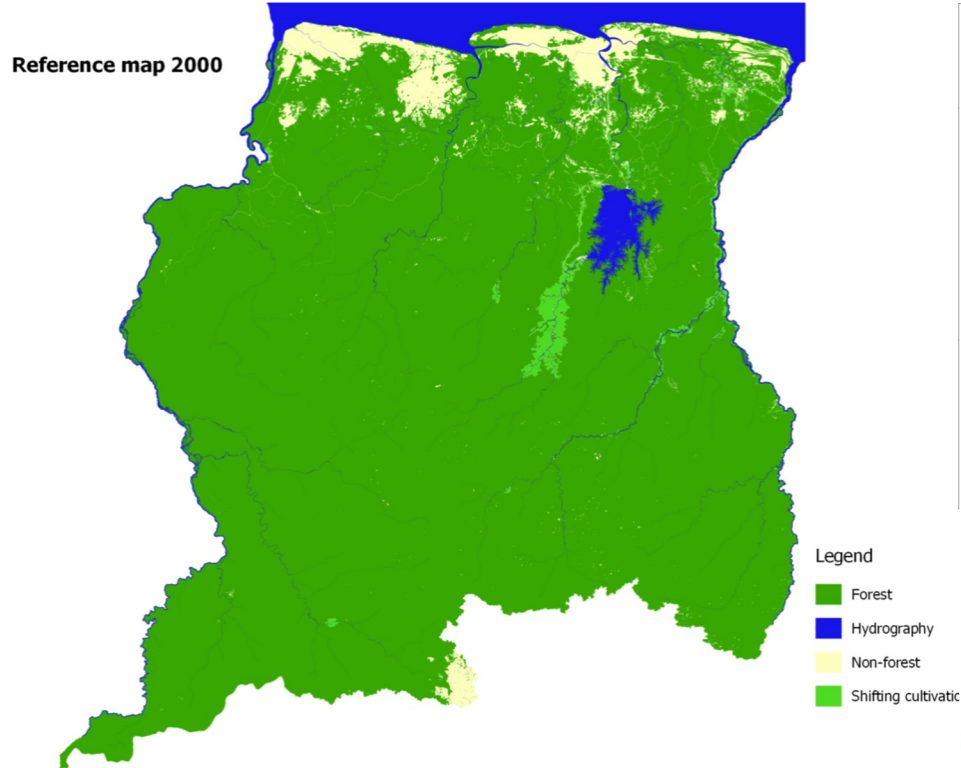
Overall Goal: "To contribute to the strengthening of the National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS) by **generating information about changes in forest cover** for Suriname that is **reliable, up-to-date, accessible, understandable and transparent**, serving multiple purposes amongst others optimized policy, policy implementation (e.g. national land use planning, sustainable management of the forest, REDD+) and law enforcement in the field (e.g. gold mining, mangrove forest)."

"Monitoring the Forest Cover in the
Amazon Region"

National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS)



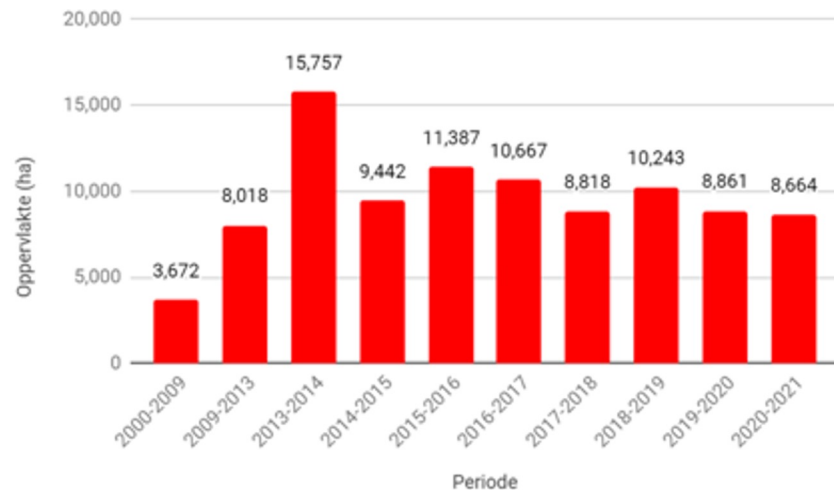
Satellite Land Monitoring System(SLMS)



Results

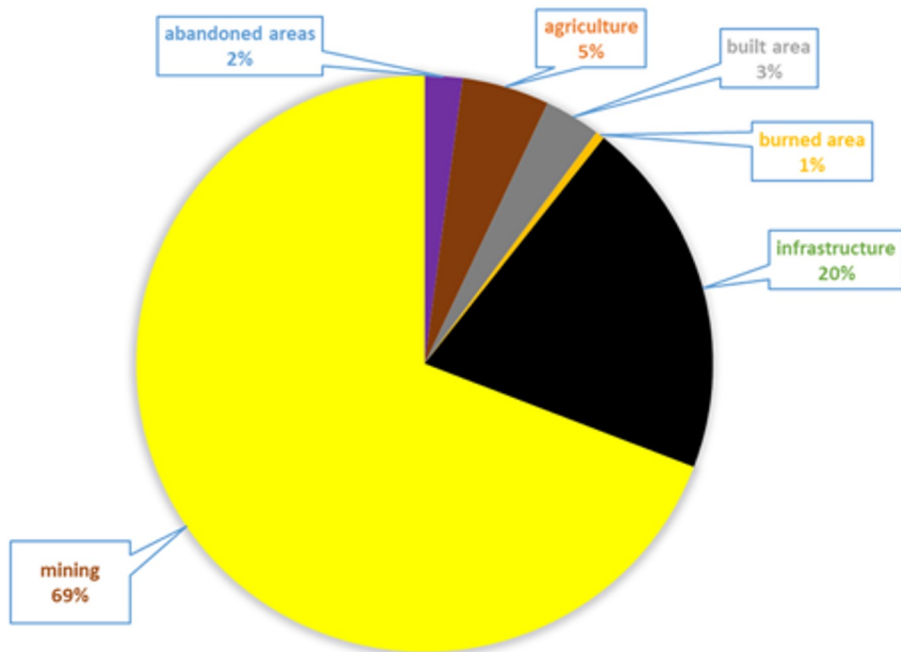
Deforestation: 2000-2021

Jaarlijkse ontbossing over de monitoringsperioden

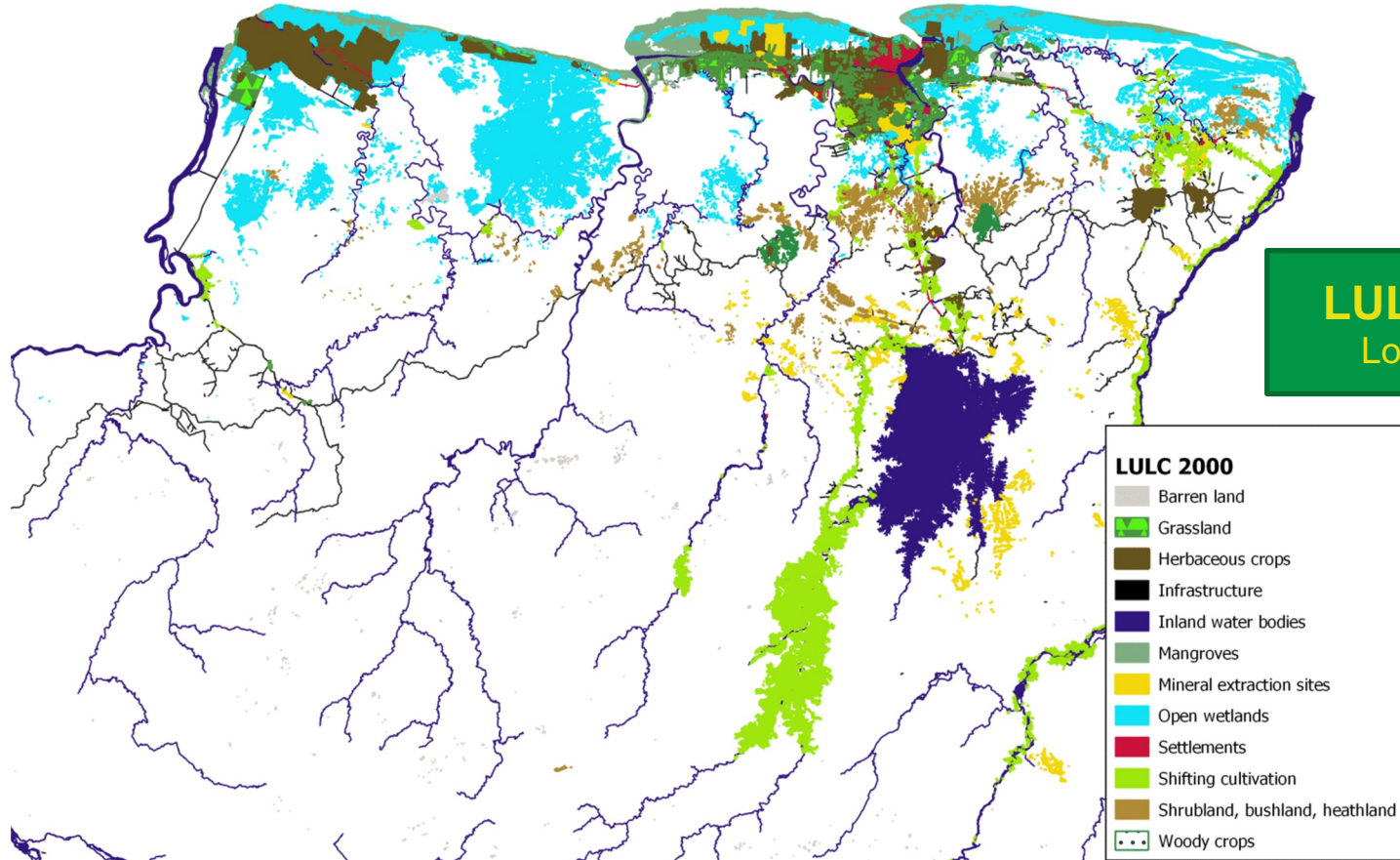


Drivers of deforestation: 2000-2019

POST-DEFORESTATION LULC 2000-2019 (%)



LULC 2000



Alone we go fast, together we go FAR

The collage consists of six photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion. The top-left photo shows a group of about ten people, including several in military uniforms, standing behind a large map titled 'Landgebruik- en landbedekkingskaart Marowijne v2.0'. The top-right photo shows a large group of people, mostly in military uniforms, posing for a group photo. The middle-left photo shows a group of people sitting in a room, participating in a meeting or training session, with a laptop and projector visible. The middle-right photo shows a group of people standing in front of a projector screen displaying a map. The bottom photo shows a group of people standing together, some in military uniforms, in front of a computer monitor showing a map.



Field visits and drone usage for validation

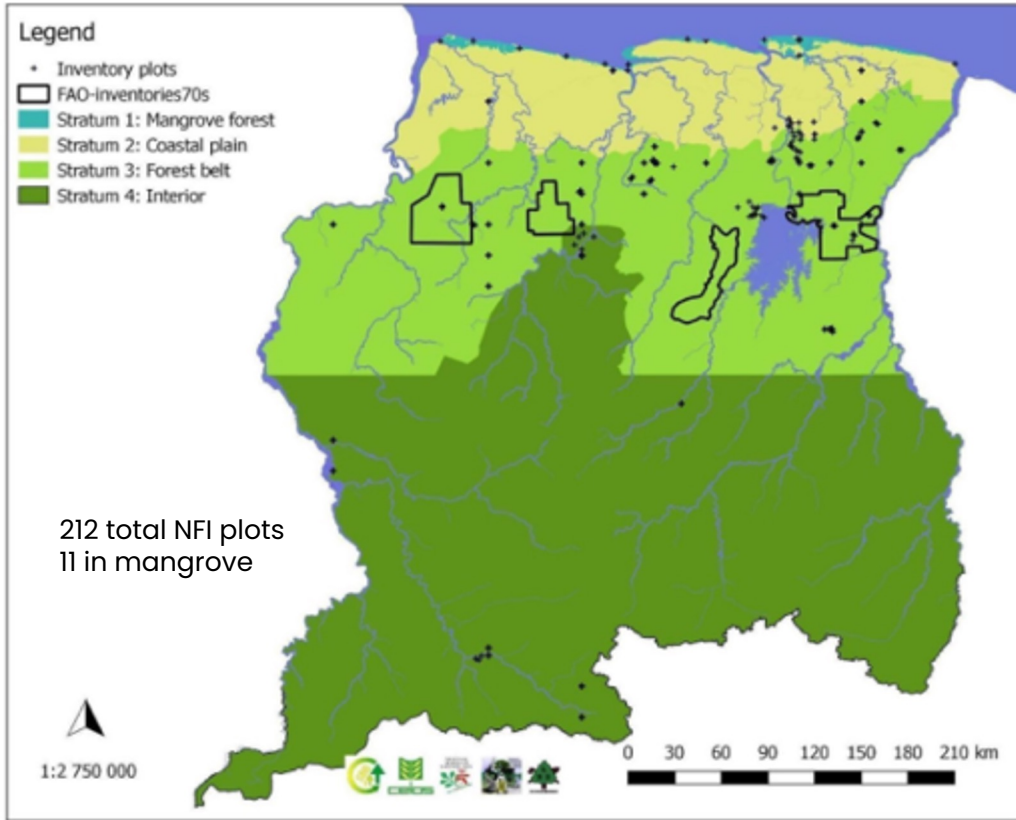


Online NFMS platform for data sharing and transparency.

KOPI, Statistic portal launched in March 2021



National Forest Inventory



Mangrove NFI → GCCA+

GCCA+ Suriname adaptation program project:

“setting up a mangrove biodiversity monitoring system”

- 11 Sampling Units

Biomass assessment

- Above ground biomass
 - Trees with DBH ≥ 10 cm
 - total height, commercial height, decay status and the stem quality
- Soil organic carbon
 - thickness of the organic litter
 - soil sampling

Biodiversity Assessment

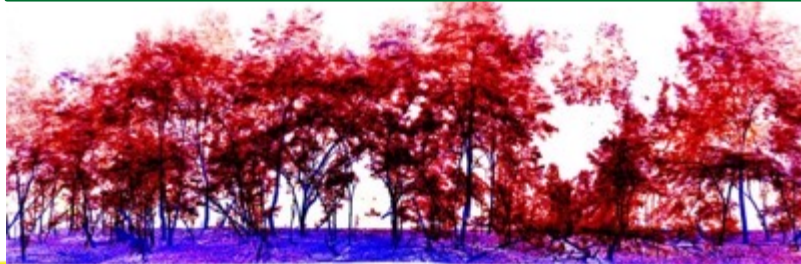
- Floristic assessment
- Birds



Mangrove NFI → GCCA+ 2



- Re-measurement of the mangroves to estimate the growth rate
- Adding new mangrove NFI plots
- Use of Terrestrial Lidar Scan (TLS) to estimate biomass



Sustainable Forestry Information System Suriname



SFISS launched in mid-2019



- Improve the service to the sector
- Stimulate sustainable logging
- Reducing illegal logging
- Increased transparency

www.sbbsur.com/SFISS

Community Based Monitoring



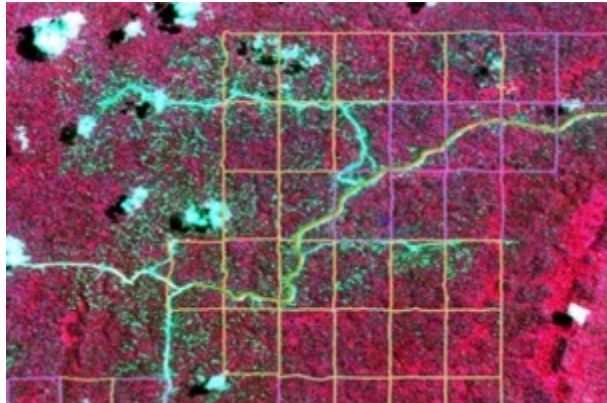
Information sharing sessions



Trainings

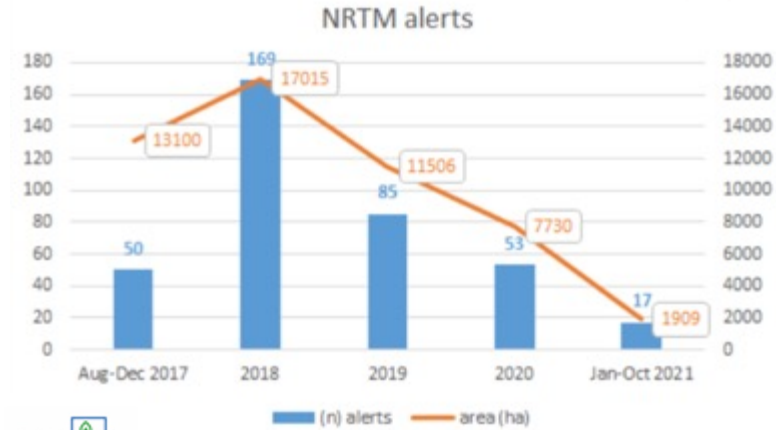


Near Real Time Monitoring



Detect unplanned logging using recent satellite images

Early Warning System: detection forest degradation on different levels using Sentinel 1 images



Moving towards automated degradation detection



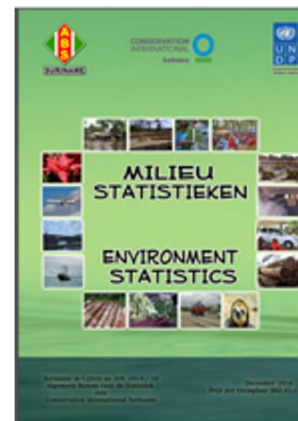
Note: The maps tentatively show 4 degradation classes: (1) >15%; (2) >20%; (3) >26%; (4) >34%. These values can be adapted by the user, and are used for fast evaluation. Accurate forest/biomass loss calculations are not based on these (discrete) degradation classes, but on the underlying (continuous) data and LC maps.



National and international reporting



- GHG reporting (UNFCCC)
- UNFF reporting
- CBD National reporting
- Environmental statistics (ABS)
- Forestry sector analyses (SBB)
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**NFMS in
place**

Next:

- Moving towards receiving carbon credits
- Moving towards REDD+ results-based payments



FREL's submitted to the UNFCCC

FREL 2018

Deforestation:

- Anthropogenic activities such as Mining, Agriculture etc.
- Forest fires

Forest degradation:

- Roundwood production

FREL 2021

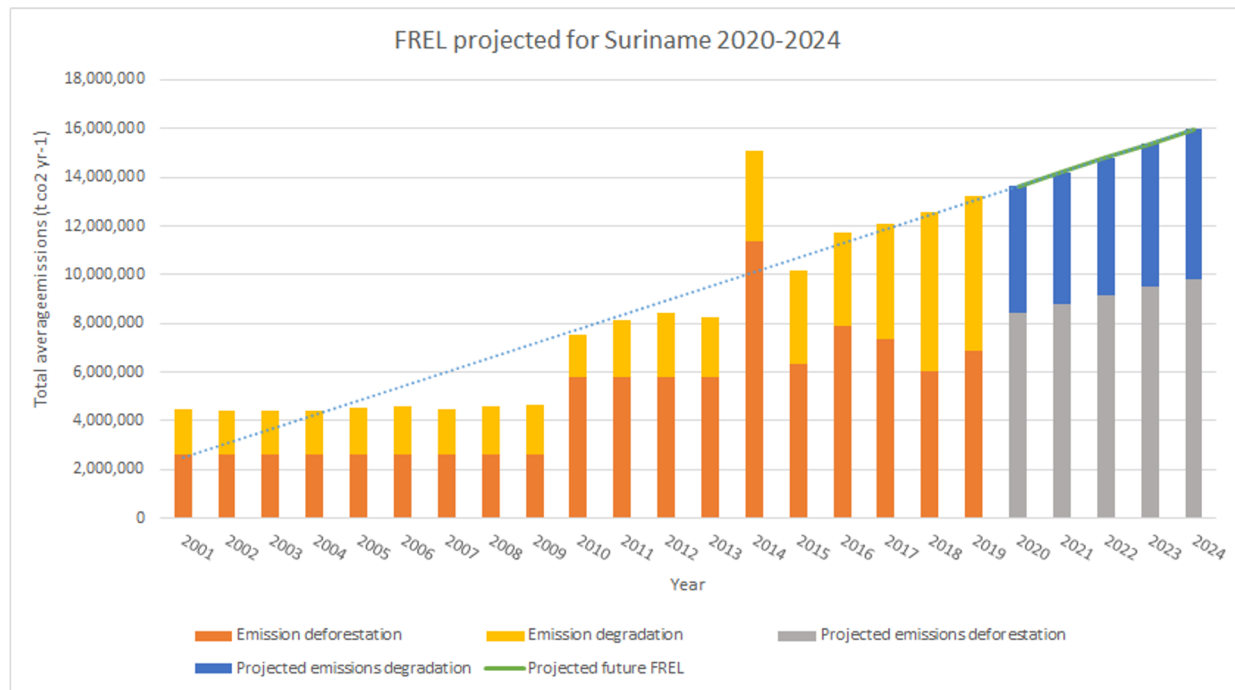
Deforestation:

- Anthropogenic activities such as Mining, Agriculture etc.
- Forest fires
- Conversion of traditional agriculture to deforestation

Forest degradation:

- Roundwood production
- Fuelwood
- Conversion from forest to traditional agriculture

2nd FREL to the UNFCCC



- Based on historical data of 2000-2019
- Projection for the period: 2020-2024

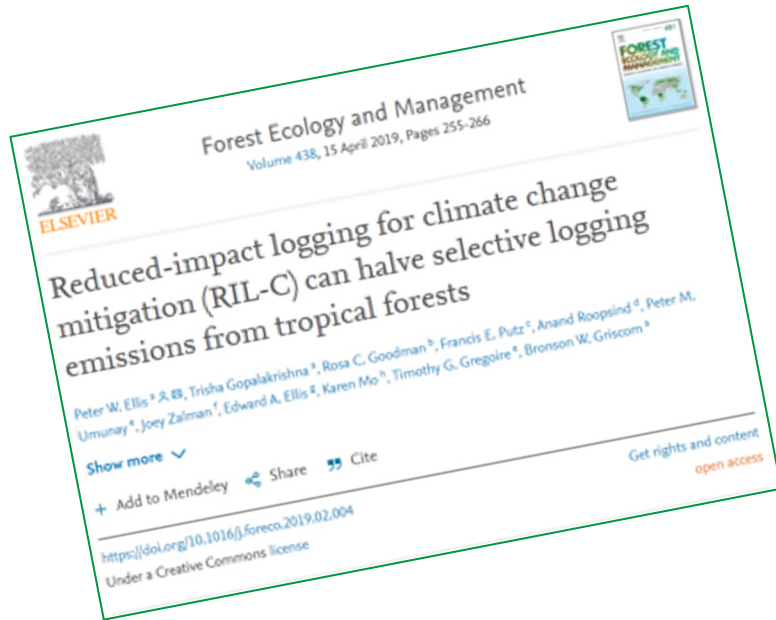
This modified second FREL predicts the following annual CO₂-Emissions (t CO₂-eq per year) based on the selected projection

methods:

- 2020: 13,631,401 t CO₂
- 2021: 14,216,717 t CO₂
- 2022: 14,802,032 t CO₂
- 2023: 15,387,347 t CO₂
- 2024: 15,972,662 t CO₂

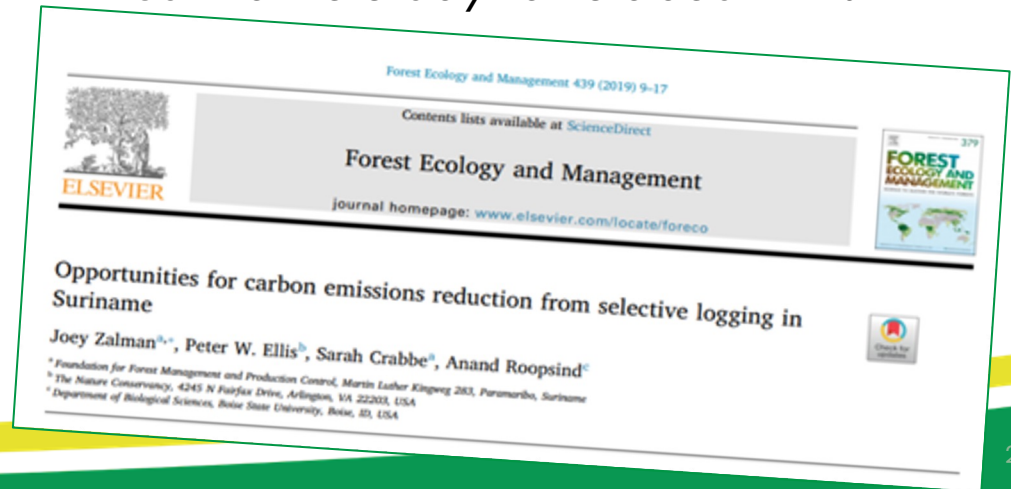
Climate Smart Forestry(CSF) program

- Reducing CO2 emissions from the forestry sector
- Based on previous research by J. Zalman in 2017



Global study indicates that CSF can reduce emissions with 50%

Suriname study talks about 40%



Climate Smart Forestry(CSF) program



Reduce damage to the environment



Leave less trees behind in the forest and at the log yards

**How to
reduce
emissions?**



Haul roads and log yards




More efficient skid trail planning

**Submit ER to
VERRA to get
carbon credits**



Next steps

1. Setting up a MRV system to get results-based payments
 2. Build capacity in automated detection of deforestation and forest degradation
 3. Study forest regrowth to include removals for carbon credits
 4. Strengthen institution(s), private sector and forest-based communities in the CSF process
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Thank you!
Alone you can go far, but together
we can go further!

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