

Liberia National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan(NBSAP)

Biodiversity Planning Description

Liberia's NBSAP was prepared from June 2002 to February 2004. Preparation was done through stakeholder consultations both provincially and nationally involving over 300 participants from diverse backgrounds and interests. The work was supervised by a 25 member steering committee and a planning team of 10 members drawn from relevant ministries and agencies of Government, academic institutions, local and international non-governmental organizations, and other stakeholders. The main laws to which this NBSAP is linked are: The National Environmental Policy of Liberia; the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Act; and the Environment Protection and Management Law. The NBSAP has been adopted by the Government.

What did we achieve?

Two protected areas have been established with combined areas of 193,500 ha. Eight additional protected areas have been proposed.

National laws have been promulgated for protection of threatened species.

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A five -year forest management plan is now in place to enhance sustainable forest use.

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A NAPA has been prepared, with emphasis on adaptation measures in agriculture and coastal erosion.

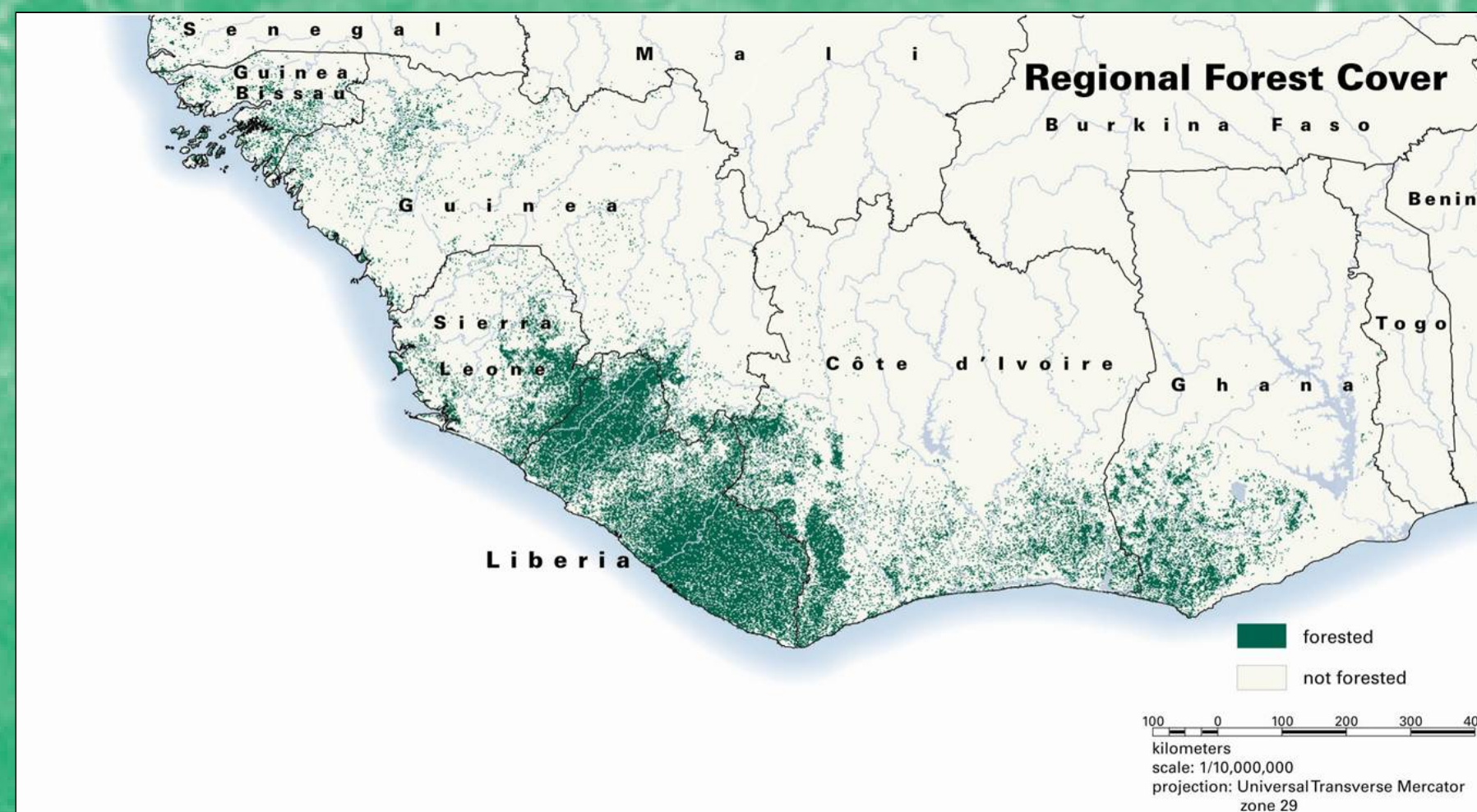
2010 Biodiversity Target

1. Promote conservation of ecosystems & habitats
2. Promote the conservation of species diversity
3. Promote the conservation of genetic diversity
4. Promote sustainable use and consumption
5. Reduce pressures from habitat loss
6. Control threats from invasive alien species
7. Address challenges from climate change and pollution
8. Maintain capacity of ecosystems to provide services
9. Maintain cultural diversity of indigenous & local communities
10. Ensure fair & equitable benefit sharing from genetic resources
11. Ensure provision of adequate resources



" I have no doubt that Liberia will follow the path on which nations seen as good examples of friends of the environment walk, and that we will not be found relenting on this course...the situation is urgent ... the time to take action is now..."

C. Gyude Bryant
Head of State, Republic of Liberia



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