Seeing REDD: The Opportunity for a Climate-Conservation Double Dividend Through Avoided Deforestation

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Outline

- Background and Research Questions
- Example of a REDD project in voluntary markets
- Structure of non-profit implemented REDD projects
- Structure of for-profit REDD projects
- Exploring how for-profit REDD projects can incorporate an additional incentive for biodiversity protections

1.) Can IPES Work for Biodiversity?

We specifically consider the option of integrating biodiversity IPES with carbon IPES.

2.) Can REDD provide this link?

How can we make sure that forests protected through REDD provide biodiversity conservation in addition to reduced emissions?

While REDD has the potential to deliver a climateconservation double dividend, this potential may not be realized



Monoculture InvasiveOnly Reduced Emissions



Diverse Natural Growth
Reduced Emissions and
Biodiversity Conservation



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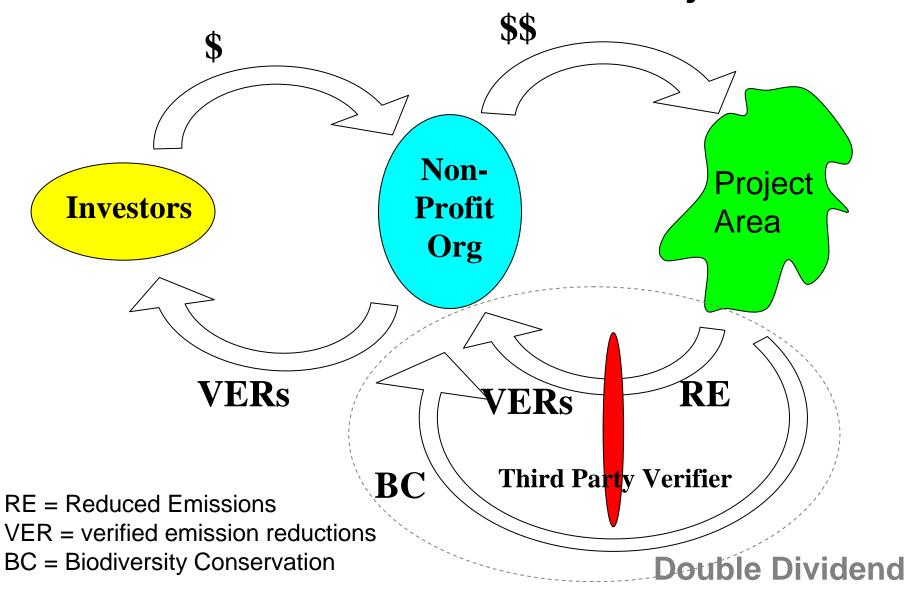
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Protects 832,000 hectares of tropical forest in Bolivia

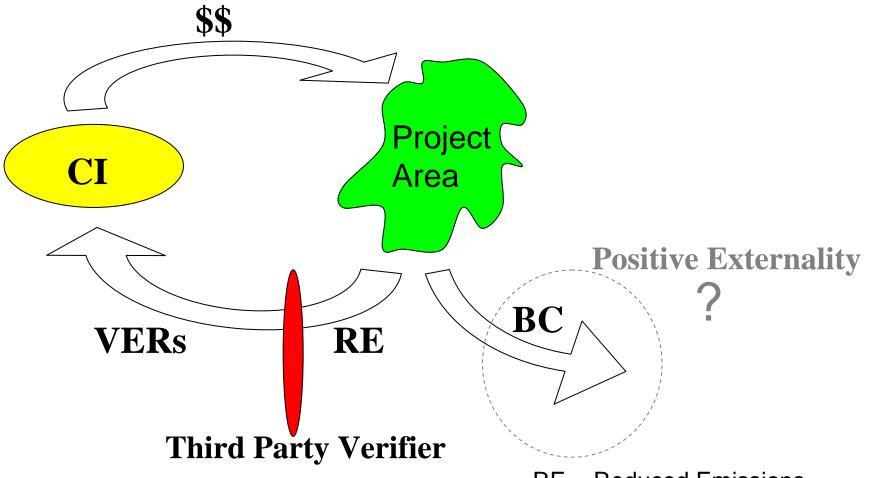
Investors	Contribution (Million US\$)	Offsets to be Assigned (tCO2e)
The Nature Conservancy	2.6	0
Private Investors (AEP, BP, Pacificorp)	8.25	527,427
Government of Bolivia	0	506,743
Total	10.85	1,034,170

- Offsets awarded to the Bolivian Government to be sold on Chicago Climate Exchange
- Revenue earned will go to park protection, community development and climate change capacity building

Non-Profit REDD Projects



For-Profit REDD Projects

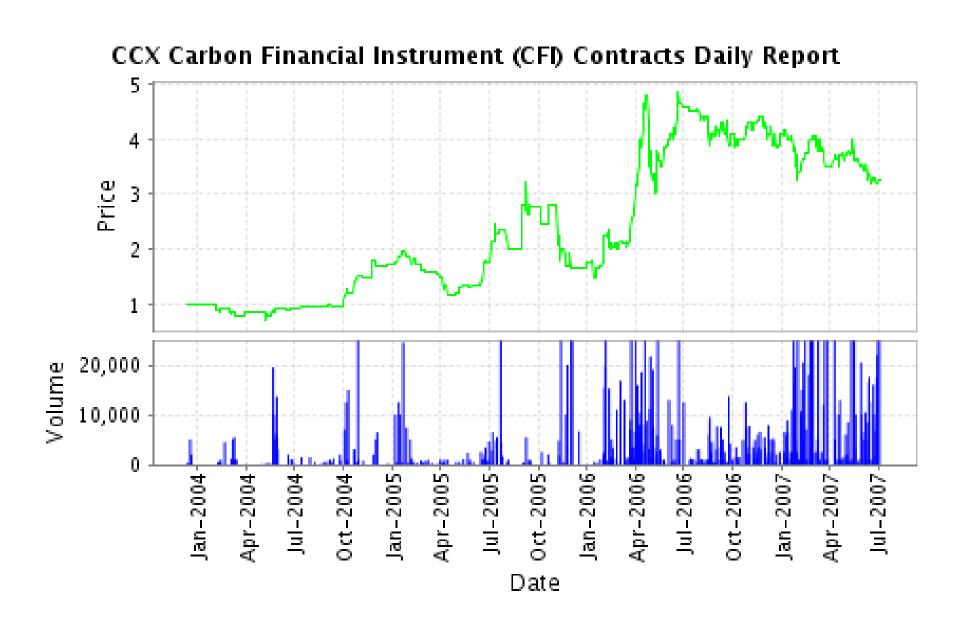


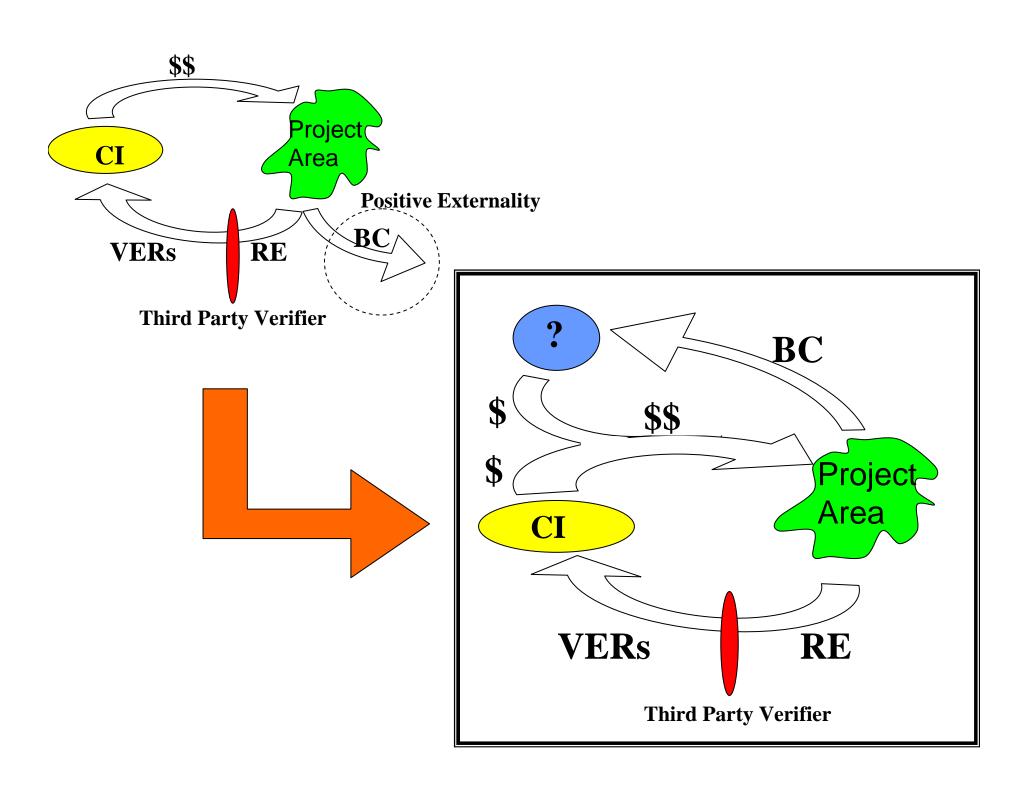
RE = Reduced Emissions

VER = verified emission reductions

BC = Biodiversity Conservation

Growth of the Chicago Climate Exchange





2 Types of Biodiversity Beneficiaries

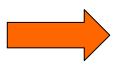
General

A globally diffuse set of actors who demand general conservation efforts for the option and existence values they provide

Specific

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2 Possible **Payment Mechanisms**

General



Fund

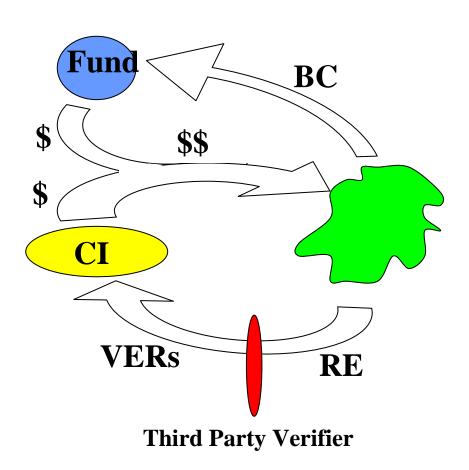
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Specific Partnership

Groups that benefit from the conservation of biodiversity within a specific area (non-profits, pharmaceutical companies, ecotourism companies, research institutions, governments, communities)

Fund = Per hectare subsidy offered to only high biodiversity REDD projects



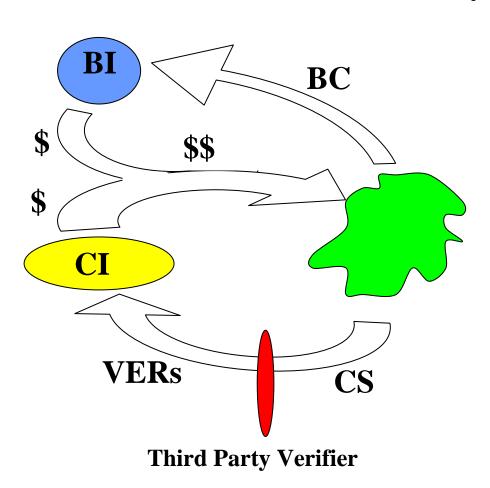
PROS

 Addresses the public goods nature of biodiversity conservation

CONS

- Quantifying biodiversity
- Defining threshold
- Deciding subsidy amount
- Diverting financing

Partnership = matching of carbon investors with biodiversity investors in a virtual marketplace

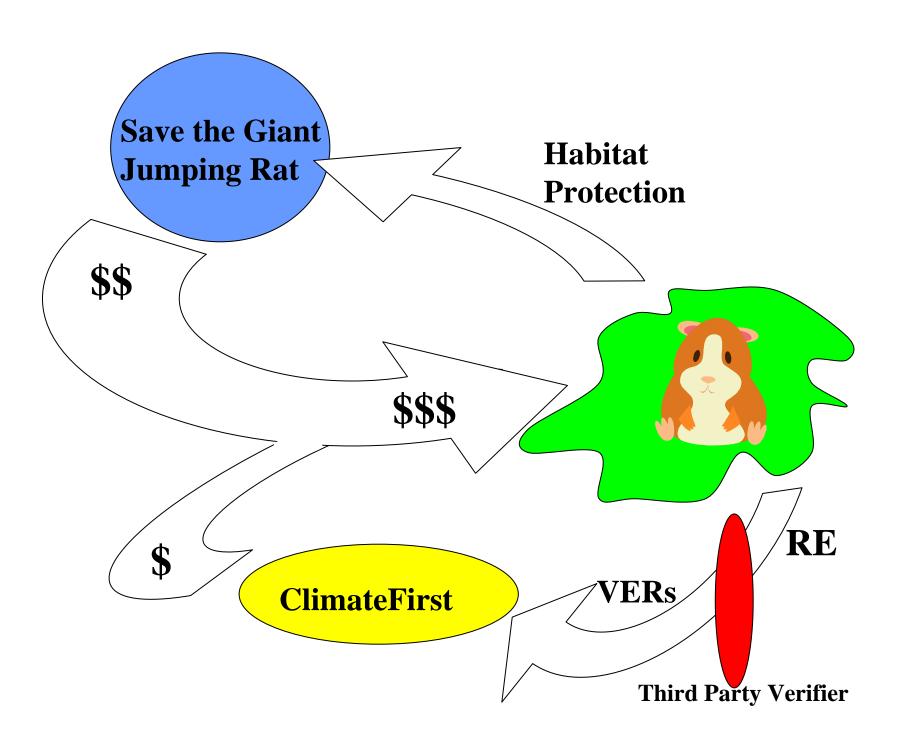


PROS

 No quantifying biodiversity, defining thresholds, deciding subsidy amounts or coming up with financing necessary

CONS

 Limited application – there are only so many specific biodiversity demanders



In Summary...

- REDD has the potential to link carbon and biodiversity IPES, if and only if a more targeted approach to REDD is adopted – one that encourages investment in only high biodiversity forests.
- 2) One way to ensure this is by combining payments for both reduced emissions and biodiversity conservation into one investment in REDD through either a fund or a partnership.