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Message from the Director

Greetings!



It is indeed my pleasure to be given the opportunity to convey a message in this publication. First of all, congratulations for the effort to publish an informative booklet on Permanent Forests of Sarawak.

Permanent Forest Estate (PFE) has been in existence as early as in 1920's. While the main function is for timber production, PFE is also a very important area for water catchment, source of livelihood for local communities, biodiversity conservation and other ecosystem services it provides for the socio-economic prosperity of rakyat Sarawak.

After such a long journey and the on-going data cleaning, we now have 3,964,880 hectares with 117 PFEs as at December 2020. It is our department's effort with the support from relevant agencies to achieve the 6-million-hectare target area for gazetted PFE. It is a long and challenging process but the journey will definitely continue.

It is my hope that this book will provide an insight of the PFE of Sarawak and enhance the understanding on our precious PFE.

DATU HAMDEN BIN HAJI MOHAMMAD
Director of Forests

Preface

This book is a compilation of information on the Permanent Forests of Sarawak with special focus on Permanent Forest Estate (PFE), its current status and the way forward in managing our precious PFE. The Department aims to constitute more PFEs to achieve a 6-million hectare target as stipulated in the Sarawak's land use policy. The publication of this book is another initiative apart from various awareness programmes held to enhance the understanding on the purpose of gazettelement of PFE which is not only for timber production (logging and planted forest industry) but also for conservation, research, recreation opportunity and other ecosystem services it could provide.

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Background: PFE at a Glance

Permanent Forests Estate (PFE)

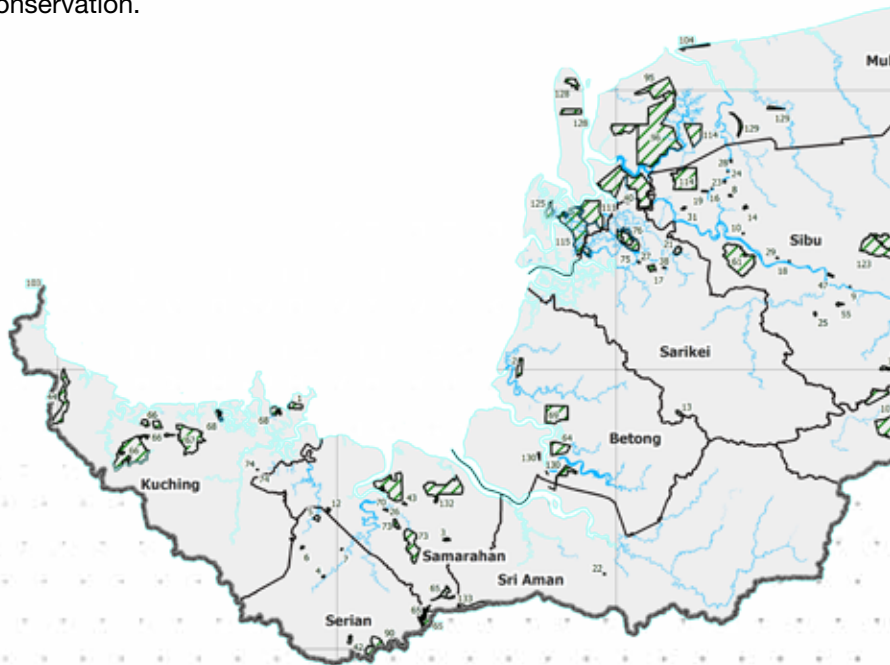
Permanent forests means “all forests reserves, protected forests, communal forests, Government reserves and planted forests in the state (Section 2, Forests Ordinance 2015)”.

Permanent Forest Estate (PFE) comprises of Forest Reserve, Protected Forest, Communal Forest and Government Reserve which are managed under the jurisdiction of Forest Department Sarawak.

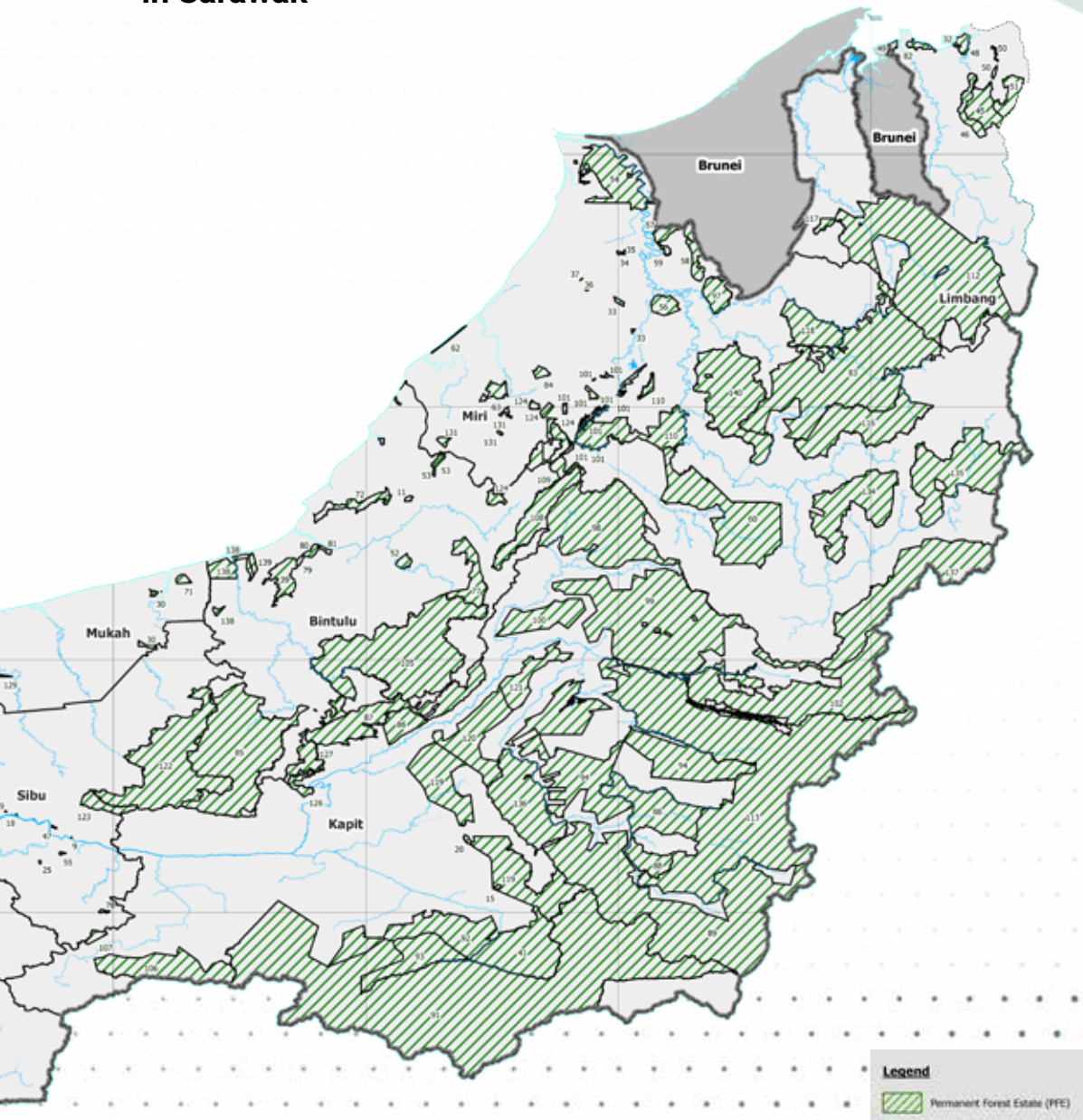
The first PFE gazetted in Sarawak was Sg. Semenggoh Forest Reserve or known as Semenggoh Forest Reserve. It was gazetted on 15 November 1920. It was a valuable research forest and arboretum. However, this forest reserve was revoked on 17 February 2000 and gazetted into Semenggoh Nature Reserve for the purpose of conservation.

A century since the first gazettement of forest reserve, the Forest Department had managed to gazette a cumulative area of 5,647,719 hectares of PFEs based on gazette notification record. However, the size of the area is declining over time due to excisions and revocations to give way to the development, conservation and other needs. Based on records, 1,084,703 hectares had been excised or ceased to become PFE.

Currently, the Department is managing one hundred and seventeen (117) PFEs, covering an area of 3,964,880 hectares. Out of this, 44 are protected forests, 42 forests reserves, 29 communal forests and 2 are Government Reserves.



Distribution of Permanent Forest Estates (PFEs) in Sarawak

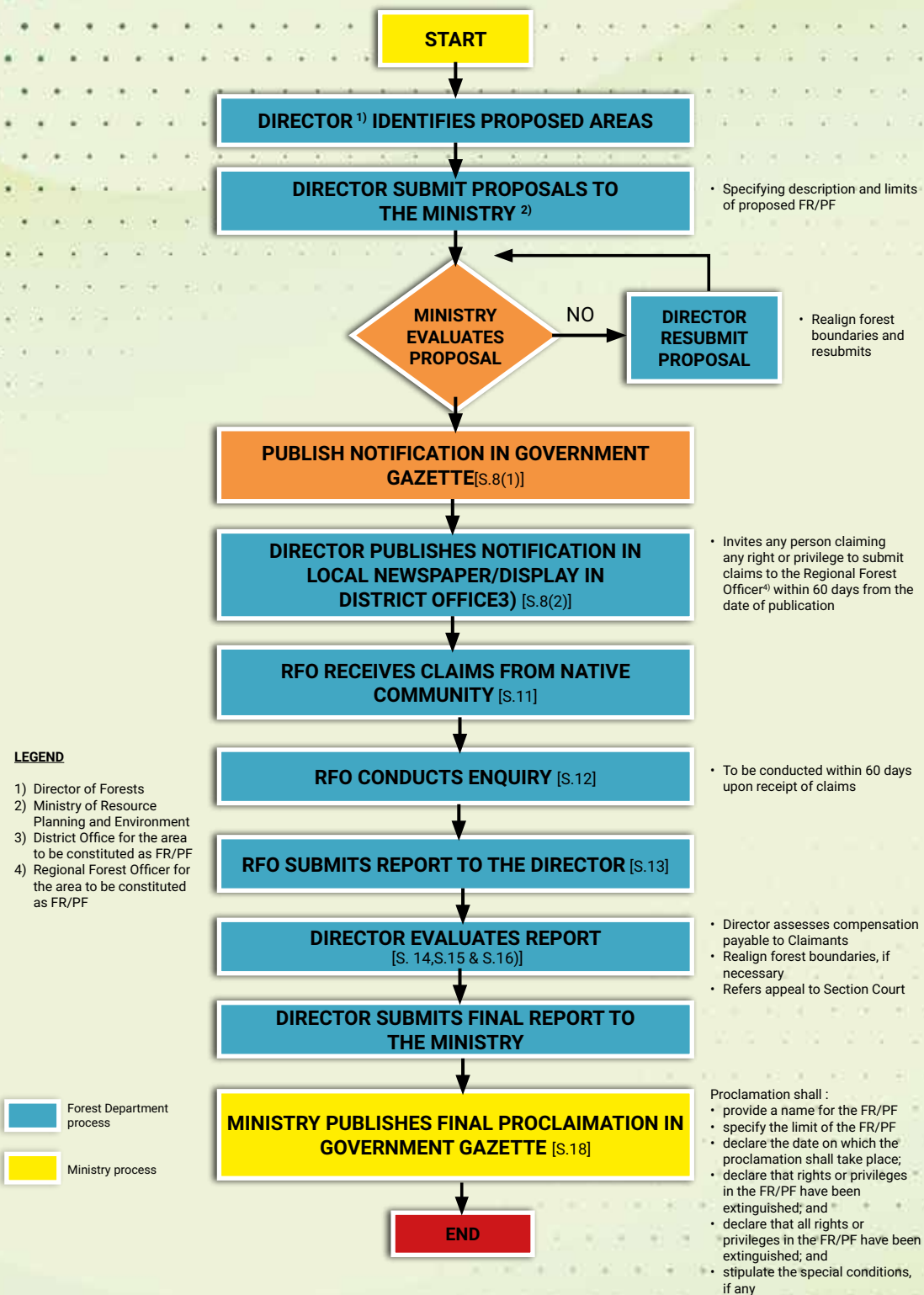




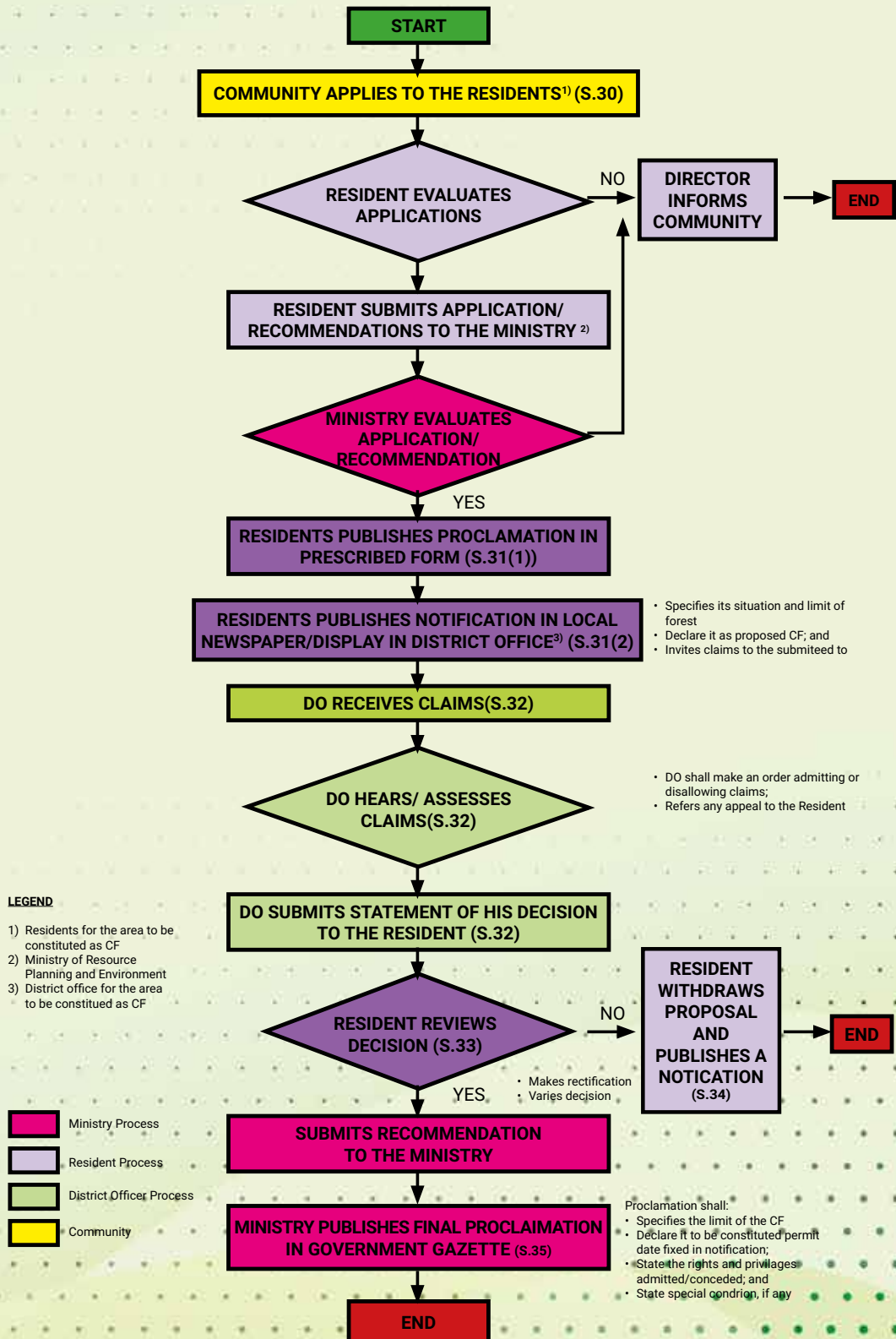
Process for Constituting Forest Reserves and Protected Forests

(Forests Ordinance 2015)

**PROCEDURE FOR CONSTITUTING FOREST RESERVE (FR) AND PROTECTED FOREST (PF)
(IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8 OF PARTS III OF FOREST ORDINANCE, 2015 [CAP 71])**



PROCEDURE FOR CONSTITUTING COMMUNAL FOREST (CF) (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30 OF PARTS III OF FOREST ORDINANCE 2015 [CAP 71] SARAWAK)





An aerial photograph of a vast, dense tropical forest. The canopy is thick and layered, showing a variety of green shades from deep forest green to bright, sunlit yellow-green. The perspective is from directly above, looking down on the forest floor. The text 'Categories of PFE' is overlaid in the bottom right corner.

Categories of PFE

Types of PFE

Protected
Forest

44
PF

Communal
Forest

29
CF

Forest
Reserve

42
FR

Government
Reserve

2
GR

Grand total: 117 PFEs



Forest Reserve

FOREST RESERVE

Forest Reserve is a production forest where the management and forest revenue collections are made sustainably based on the principles of Sustainable Forest Management (SFM). The rights and privileges of the local community are recognized based on certain limits. In addition, potential water catchment areas are also protected in Forest Reserves.

Existing Forest Reserve

Distribution of Forest Reserve by Division

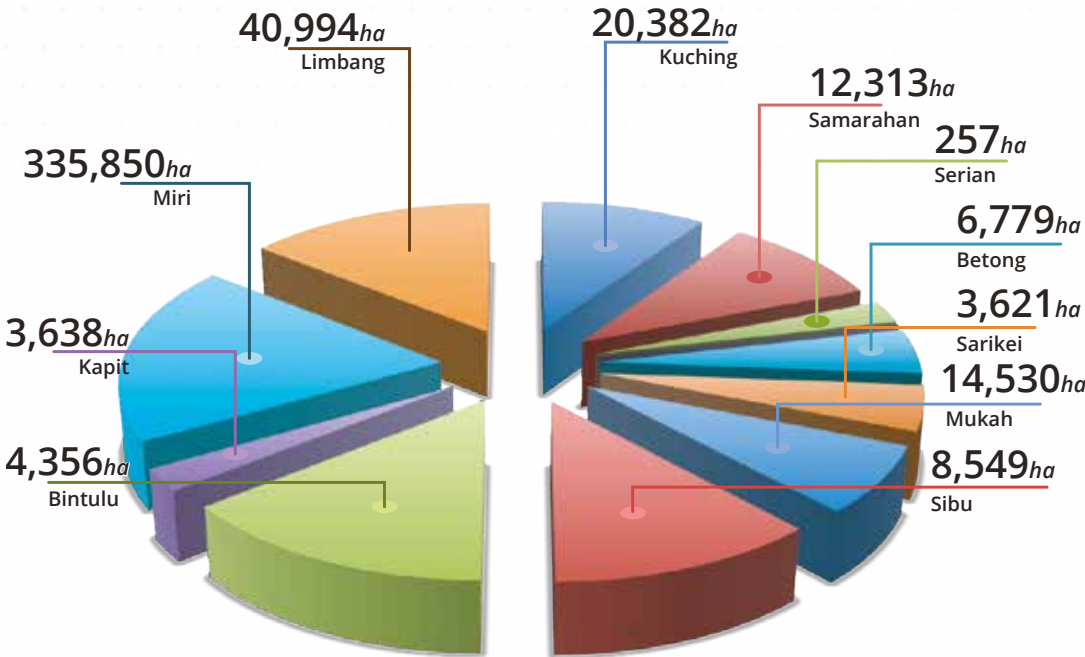


Table: Distribution of Forest Reserve by Forest Type

No.	Forest Type	No. of FR	Area (ha)
1	Hill	20	440,046
2	Peat Swamp	20	96,522
3	Mangrove	2	4,699
Total		42	541,267

Kuching Division

GUNONG PUEH FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 22 JUNE 1927

GAZETTE NO.: CXLV, 1927

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 4,081

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SARAWAK MANGROVE FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6 MARCH 1924

GAZETTE NO.: XLVI, 1924

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,137

FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

SEMPADI FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 581

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 15,156

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SIXTH MILE FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10 JULY 1924

GAZETTE NO.: CVI, 1924

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 7

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Samarahan Division

GUNONG NGILI FR (WEST)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 AUGUST 1995

GAZETTE NO.: 2445

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 54

FOREST TYPE: HILL.

SABAL FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 28 NOVEMBER 1927

GAZETTE NO.: 331

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 2,613

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SEDILU FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1923

GAZETTE NO.: CXL111

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 5,762

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SIMUNJAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 OCTOBER 1959

GAZETTE NO.: 1089

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 3,884

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Serian Division

GUNONG APENG FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 8 MAY 1958
GAZETTE NO.: 726
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 257
FOREST TYPE: HILL

Betong Division

RIMBAS FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1958
GAZETTE NO.: 1521
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,348
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SARIBAS-KALAKA FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 SEPTEMBER 1957
GAZETTE NO.: 1002
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 4,431
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Sarikei Division

BANATANG FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 AUGUST 1951
GAZETTE NO.: 791
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 59
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

STABAR FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1951
GAZETTE NO.: 1227
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,272
FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

Mukah Division

BALINGIAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 21 APRIL 1973

GAZETTE NO.: 1399

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,333

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

DARO FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 20 MARCH 1924

GAZETTE NO.: LXXIX

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 11,682

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SETUAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JUNE 1953

GAZETTE NO.: 544

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,515

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Kapit Division

GAYUM FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JULY 1953

GAZETTE NO.: 704

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 53, 638

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Sibu Division

BAWANG ASSAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 AUGUST 1952

GAZETTE NO.: 958

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 97

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

KANOWIT FR (EAST)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JULY 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 642

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 124

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

MAJAU FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JANUARY 1952

GAZETTE NO.: 1408

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 164

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

NAMAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 MARCH 1953

GAZETTE NO.: 350

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 7,798

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SUNGAI LANGKAH FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 FEBRUARY 1953

GAZETTE NO.: 1685

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 366

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Bintulu Division

BUAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 4 JANUARY 1977
GAZETTE NO.: 809
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 10,955
FOREST TYPE: HILL

KUBUD FR (EAST)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 21 MARCH 1969
GAZETTE NO.: 1136
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,185
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

LABANG FR (AMALGAMATION)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1954
GAZETTE NO.: 33
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 1,477
FOREST TYPE: HILL

SIMILAJAU FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1959
GAZETTE NO.: 1716
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 9,381
FOREST TYPE: HILL

SUJAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 AUGUST 1995
GAZETTE NO.: 2444
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 17,371
FOREST TYPE: HILL

SUNGAI SEGAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 11 DECEMBER 1930
GAZETTE NO.: 24
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,987
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Miri Division

BELURU FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 24 JUNE 1938

GAZETTE NO.: 749

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,135

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

LOWER BARAM FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1957

GAZETTE NO.: 1708

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 37,063

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

MARAU FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 FEBRUARY 1978

GAZETTE NO.: 838

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 6,678

FOREST TYPE: HILL

MARUDI FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1931

GAZETTE NO.: 192

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 13,376

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

NAKAN-KALULONG FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 23 AUGUST 1984

GAZETTE NO.: 3417

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 88,131

FOREST TYPE: HILL

NIAH FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 5 AUGUST 1956

GAZETTE NO.: 682

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 4,554

FOREST TYPE: HILL

NIAH-SUAI FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 1964

GAZETTE NO.: 1732

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 857

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

TUTOH APOH FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000

GAZETTE NO.: 2295

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 184,056

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Limbang Division

BELANSAT FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 18 DECEMBER 1926
GAZETTE NO.: CLXXIV
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 182
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

KANAYA FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 17 DECEMBER 1956
GAZETTE NO.: 1587
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 23,599
FOREST TYPE: HILL

KAYANGERAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 18 DECEMBER 1925
GAZETTE NO.: IV
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 3,067
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

KENALIAN FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1953
GAZETTE NO.: 1337
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 1,204
FOREST TYPE: HILL

KOTA FR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1956
GAZETTE NO.: 1534
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 10,708
FOREST TYPE: HILL

TERENTANG FR **(AMALGAMATION)**

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958
GAZETTE NO.: 580
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,235
FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

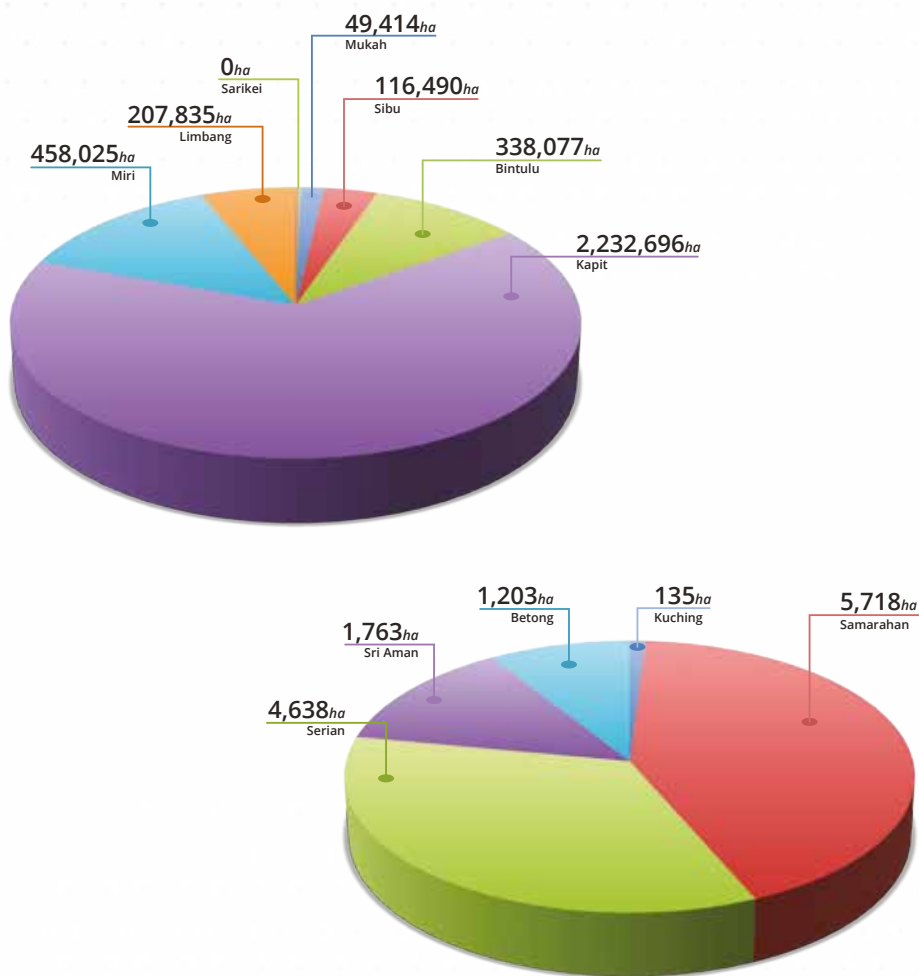


Protected Forest

PROTECTED FOREST

The primary purpose of constitution is the general protection of soils and waters, and the terrain or vegetation is of such a nature that intensive management as an important productive forest is unlikely to be practicable; or if an extensive Permanent Forest is constituted in little-known territory, where the correct use of all the land cannot yet be determined. In Protected Forests, the Forest Law admits wide rights to the people of Sarawak to take forest produce for their own domestic use, to hunt and to fish, and to pasture cattle.

Existing Protected Forest



Distribution of Protected Forest by Forest Type

No.	Forest Type	No. of PF	Area (ha)
1	Hill	32	3,338,891
2	Peat Swamp	10	67,280
3	Mangrove	2	9,822
Total		44	3,415,993

Kuching Division

DATU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 20

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 135

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Sri Aman Division

SILANTEK PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 AUGUST 1955

GAZETTE NO.: 1139

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,763

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Samarahan Division

SEBUYAU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1954

GAZETTE NO.: 1243

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 5,718

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Serian Division

BALAI RINGIN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 18 NOVEMBER 1935

GAZETTE NO.: 1416

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 4,638

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Betong Division

SARIBAS-LUPAR PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 28 AUGUST 1987

GAZETTE NO.: 5706

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,203

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Sibu Division

LOBA KABANG PF (AMALGAMATION)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 589

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 9,038

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

MUKAH HILLS PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 790

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 107,452

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Mukah Division

BATANG JEMORENG PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 AUGUST 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 787

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 4,728

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

BATANG LASSA PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 1171

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 25,670

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

IGAN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 16 DECEMBER 1952

GAZETTE NO.: 1603

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 518

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

LEPAH PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 AUGUST 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 789

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 5,759

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

LOBA PULAU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 AUGUST 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 788

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 8,821

FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

PALOH PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1952

GAZETTE NO.: 1357

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,000

FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

PULAU BRUIT PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 30 SEPTEMBER 1951

GAZETTE NO.: 956

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 2,036

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

RETUS PF (AMALGAMATION)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 588

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 880

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Kapit Division

BAHAU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 FEBRUARY 1937

GAZETTE NO.: 239

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 291,837

FOREST TYPE: HILL

BAH-SAMA PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1935

GAZETTE NO.: 1472

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 66,563

FOREST TYPE: HILL

BALLEH PF (AMALGAMATION)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 584

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 624,524

FOREST TYPE: HILL

BALUI PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1985

GAZETTE NO.: 250

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 152,804

FOREST TYPE: HILL

BELAGA PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 14 JANUARY 1985

GAZETTE NO.: 2121

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 305,284

FOREST TYPE: HILL

DANUM PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 31 JANUARY 1985

GAZETTE NO.: 1120

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 135,478

FOREST TYPE: HILL

KATIBAS-BANGKIT PF (EAST)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000

GAZETTE NO.: 2302

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 44,426

FOREST TYPE: HILL

KATIBAS-BANGKIT PF (WEST)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000

GAZETTE NO.: 2301

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 2,216

FOREST TYPE: HILL

LINAU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1985

GAZETTE NO.: 178

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 371,797

FOREST TYPE: HILL

MUJONG-MERIRAI PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1952

GAZETTE NO.: 1448

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 159,758

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Bintulu Division

PELAGUS PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 19 MAY 1936

GAZETTE NO.: 469

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 16,249

FOREST TYPE: HILL

TAMAN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 FEBRUARY 1949

GAZETTE NO.: 71

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 61,759

FOREST TYPE: HILL

ANAP PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 587

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 129,106

FOREST TYPE: HILL

KAKUS-PANDAN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 586

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 143,026

FOREST TYPE: HILL

KEBULU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 9 MARCH 1937

GAZETTE NO.: 340

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 35,522

FOREST TYPE: HILL

NIAH-JELALONG PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1959

GAZETTE NO.: 1581

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 18,693

FOREST TYPE: HILL

TATAU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 SEPTEMBER 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 863

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 11,730

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Miri Division

BATU BELAH PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 DECEMBER 1936
GAZETTE NO.: 1144
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 10,905
FOREST TYPE: HILL

BOK-TISAM PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MAY 1951
GAZETTE NO.: 512
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 3,467
FOREST TYPE: HILL

LEMITING PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 SEPTEMBER 1951
GAZETTE NO.: 881
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 41,426
FOREST TYPE: HILL

MARINGONG PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000
GAZETTE NO.: 2296
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 61,143
FOREST TYPE: HILL

MELANA PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 16 AUGUST 1938
GAZETTE NO.: 1001
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 26,350
FOREST TYPE: HILL

SAWAI PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 OCTOBER 1954
GAZETTE NO.: 966
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 2,123
FOREST TYPE: HILL

SULING-SELAAN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000
GAZETTE NO.: 2299
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 58,046
FOREST TYPE: HILL

TAMA ABU PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000
GAZETTE NO.: 2298
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 79,668
FOREST TYPE: HILL

TAPANG-BAIONG PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000
GAZETTE NO.: 2297
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 97,377
FOREST TYPE: HILL

TELANG USAN PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 AUGUST 1955
GAZETTE NO.: 1383
GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING
AREA (HA): 77,520
FOREST TYPE: HILL

Limbang Division

LIMBANG PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 2000

GAZETTE NO.: 2300

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 205,364

FOREST TYPE: HILL

MEDALAM PF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JULY 1959

GAZETTE NO.: 733

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 2,471

FOREST TYPE: HILL



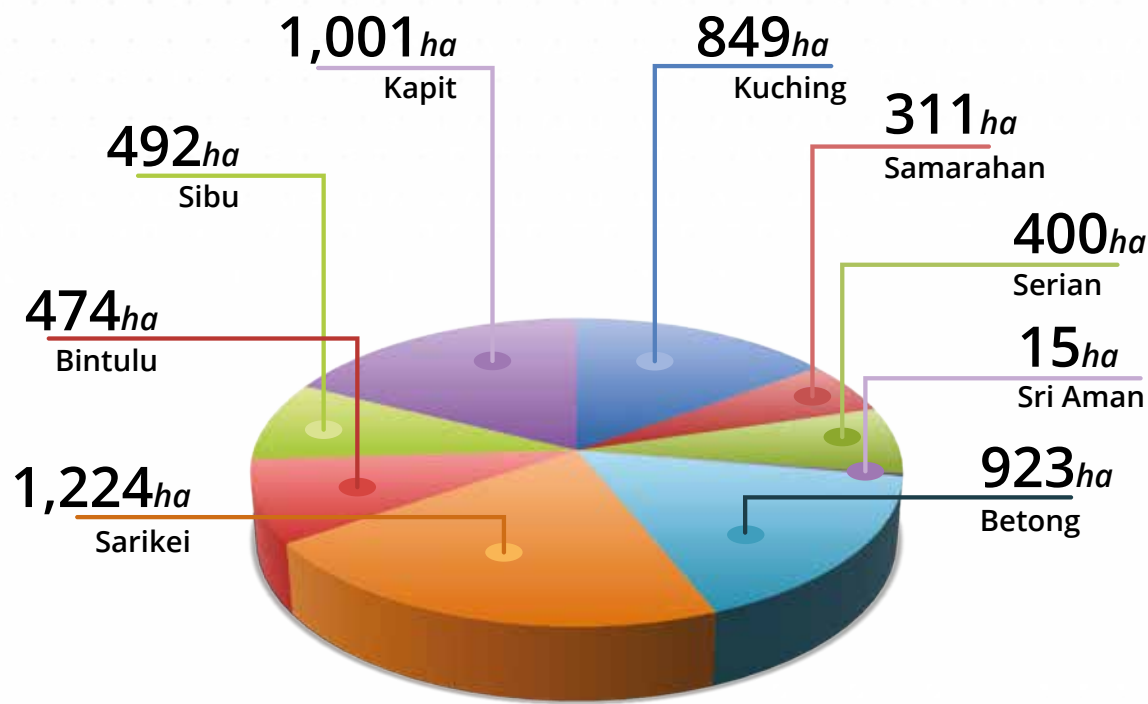
Communal Forest

COMMUNAL FOREST

Communal Forest serves as a special forest area for the use of the local community for their own needs and uses with certain limits. The gazette of a Communal Forest is at the request of the local community.

Existing Communal Forest

Distribution of Communal Forest by Division



Distribution of Communal Forest by Forest Type

No.	Forest Type	No. of CF	Area (ha)
1	Hill	7	1,924
2	Peat Swamp	20	3,297
3	Mangrove	2	468
Total		31	5,688

Kuching Division

BAKO CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1957

GAZETTE NO.: 1706

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 849

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Samarahan Division

KAMPONG KEPAYANG CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 26 MARCH 1983

GAZETTE NO.: 1640

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 142

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SINIAWAN CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JANUARY 1962

GAZETTE NO.: S 216

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 110

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

TABUAN ALIT CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 APRIL 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 418

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 59

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Serian Division

KATIYU CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JULY 1959

GAZETTE NO.: 842

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 44

FOREST TYPE: HILL

LUBOK ANTU-SAMARAHAN CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MARCH 1962

GAZETTE NO.: S 26

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 268

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

MUNGGOH-BABI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 MAY 1980

GAZETTE NO.: 1244

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 68

FOREST TYPE: HILL

MUNGGU KUPI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 25 MAY 1984

GAZETTE NO.: 2396

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 20

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Sri Aman Division

SUTONG CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1977

GAZETTE NO.: 2767

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 15

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Betong Division

KABONG CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 15 APRIL 1961

GAZETTE NO.: S 96

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 923

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Sarikei Division

SUNGEI IPOH CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 17 JUNE 1949

GAZETTE NO.: 670

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 235

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SUNGEI SELIDAP CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3 JANUARY 1949

GAZETTE NO.: 14

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 432

FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

SUNGEI TULAI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 26 AUGUST 1966

GAZETTE NO.: 1605

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 522

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

TANAH PUTEH HILIR CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 16 JUNE 1948

GAZETTE NO.: 630

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 35

FOREST TYPE: MANGROVE

Sibu Division

PALALA CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 22 MARCH 1957

GAZETTE NO.: 389

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 53

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

RUMAH ANCHAL CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1961

GAZETTE NO.: S 219

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 9

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SALIM CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 4 APRIL 1958

GAZETTE NO.: 419

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 15

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SUNGEI DABEI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 1956

GAZETTE NO.: 1450

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 11

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SUNGEI ENKALAT CF

EFFECTIVE DATE:

GAZETTE NO.: 1138

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 62

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SUNGEI MELUAN CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1954

GAZETTE NO.: 1139

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 110

FOREST TYPE: HILL

SUNGEI PANGAI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1954

GAZETTE NO.: 1140

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 23

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

T.R. JANDA CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1965

GAZETTE NO.: 2192

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 55

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Sibu Division

T.R. MUT CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 DECEMBER 1965

GAZETTE NO.: 2191

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 10

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

T.R. RUNJOH AK JANDA CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 JANUARY 1988

GAZETTE NO.: 1635

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 77

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

TANJONG KELEPU CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 24 APRIL 1959

GAZETTE NO.: 601

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 44

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

ULU SUNGEI NIBONG CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 1956

GAZETTE NO.: 1451

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 23

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

Kapit Division

SUNGAI MALINAU CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 17 JUNE 1949

GAZETTE NO.: 672

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 636

FOREST TYPE: PEAT SWAMP

SUNGEI MERIRAI CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 17 JUNE 1949

GAZETTE NO.: 671

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 364

FOREST TYPE: HILL

Bintulu Division

SETAJAM CF

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 APRIL 1957

GAZETTE NO.: 311

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 474

FOREST TYPE: HILL



Government Reserve

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Government Reserve (GR) is an area of State land required for a Federal or State public purpose, or may be so required in the future, and it is considered that the area should not be available for alienation. GR allocated for Forest Department is mainly for research purposes and any other purpose deemed appropriate by the Government from time to time.

Miri Division

BAKAS GR

EFFECTIVE DATE: 16 OCTOBER 1975

GAZETTE NO.: 3126

GAZETTE STATUS: EXISTING

AREA (HA): 1,932

FOREST TYPE: HILL

BAKAM GR

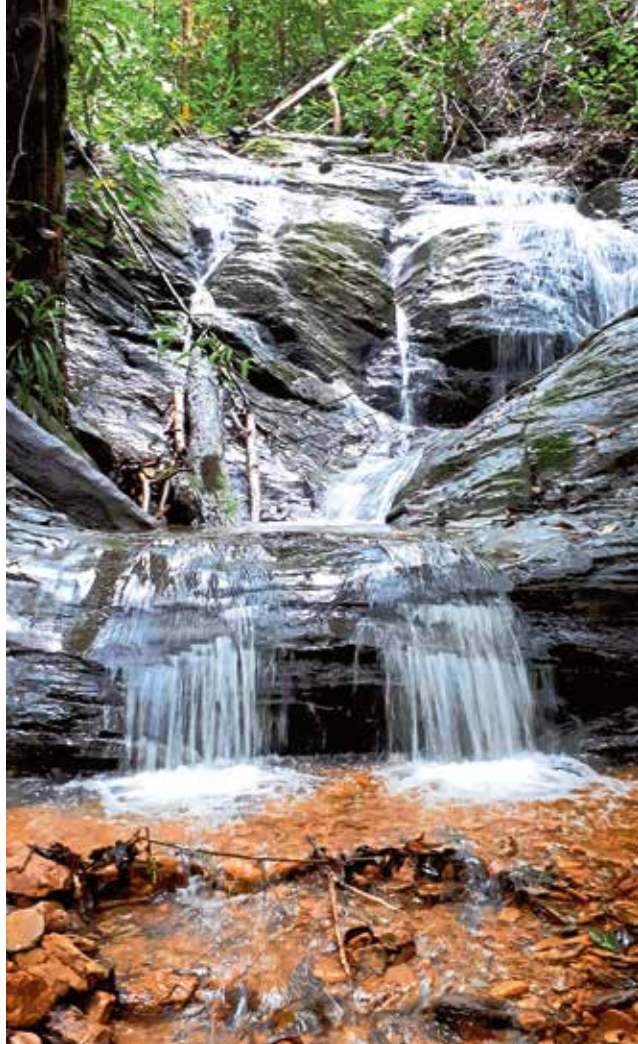
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FOREST TYPE: HILL



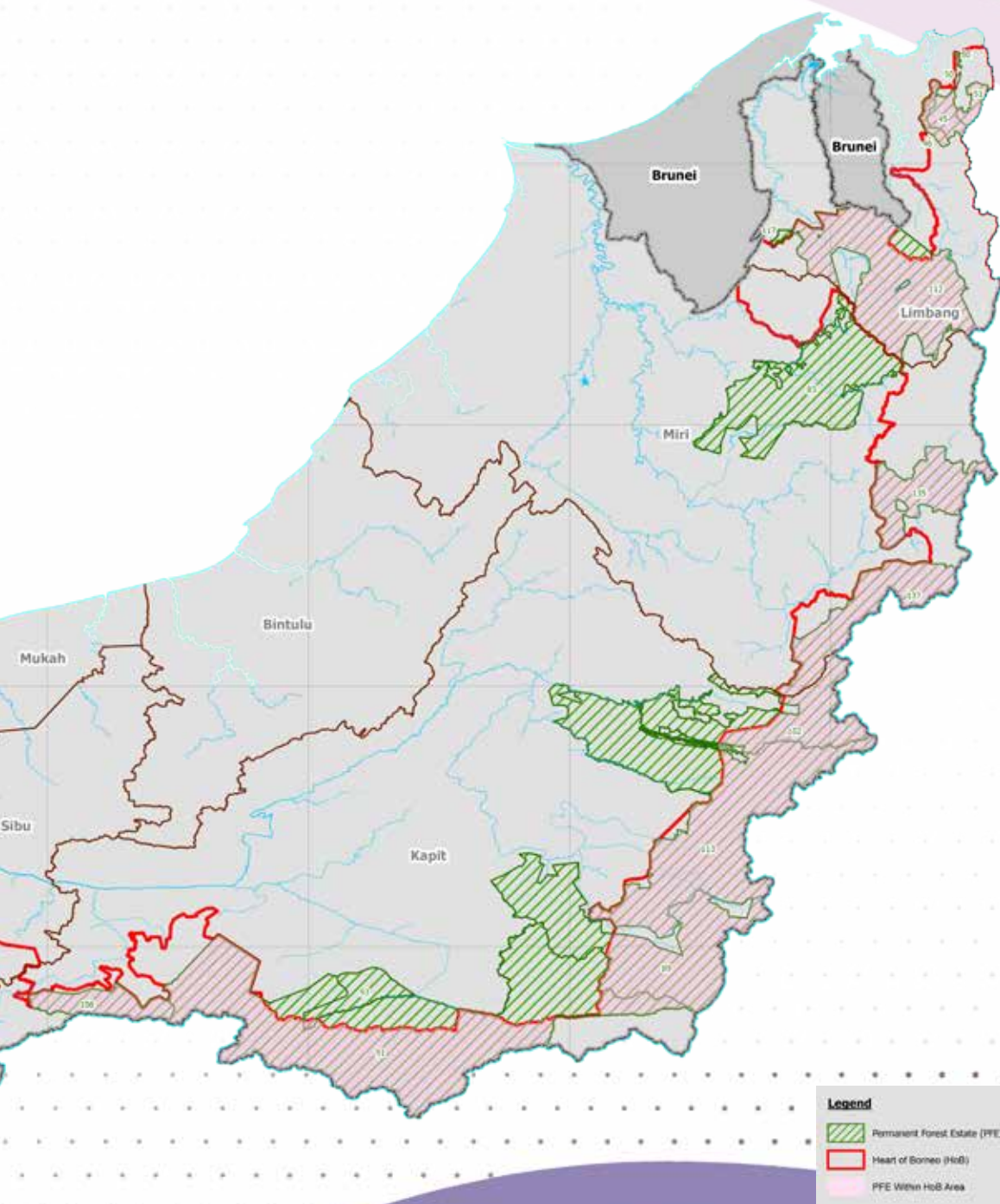
**What's in
Our PFE?**



Heart of Borneo (HoB) Initiative

The Declaration of Heart of Borneo, signed in Bali on 12 February 2007 is a voluntary transboundary cooperation between Malaysia (Sabah & Sarawak), Republic of Indonesia and Negara Brunei Darussalam that aims at enhancing and improving conservation and sustainable development agenda within and across the borders of the three nations. HoB Sarawak has an area of 2.68 million hectares, stretching from Lawas right to Tanjung Datu. 1,303,177 ha of PFE is located within this initiative which account for 33% of total PFE in Sarawak. Hence, the sustainable management of PFE is vital.





Forest Management Unit (FMU)

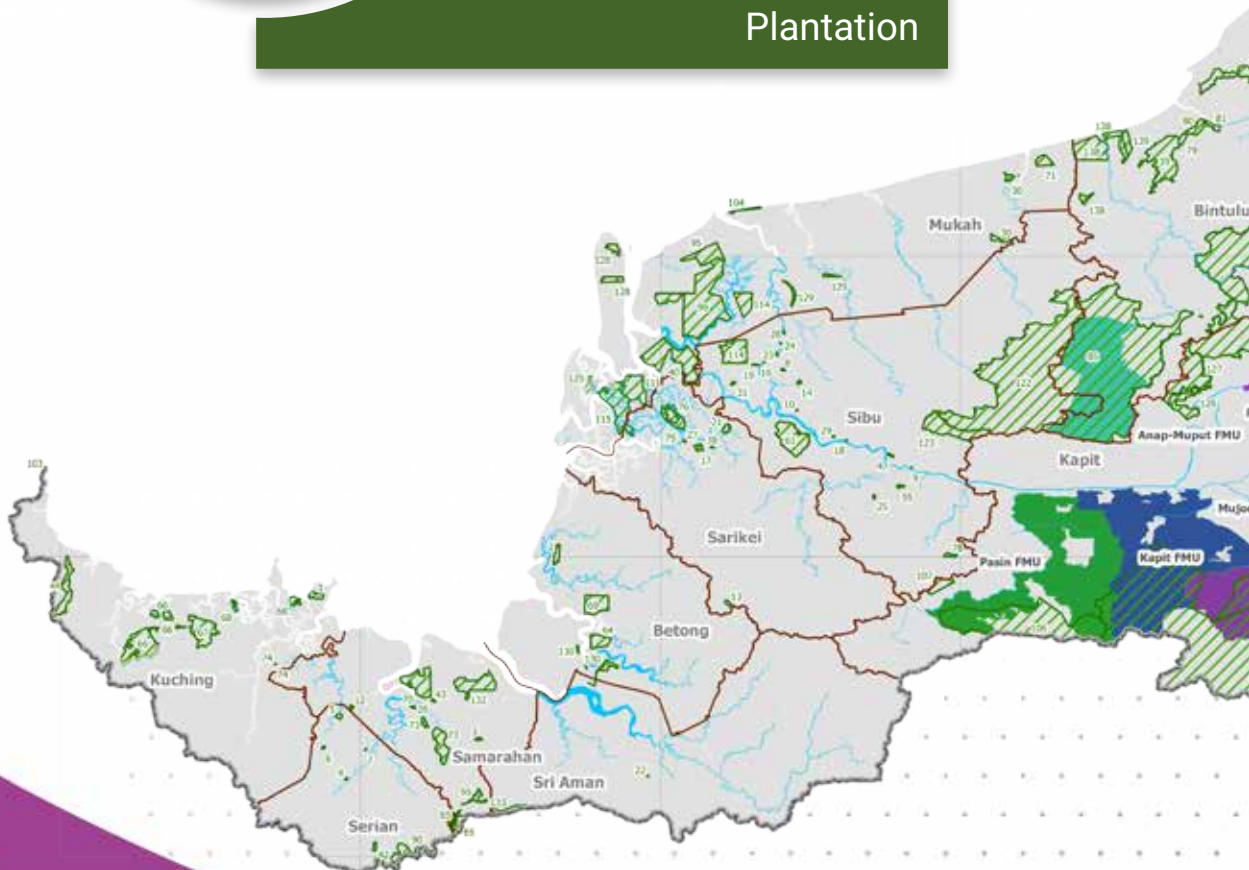
**Certified Forest
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Forest Plantation
Management Unit
(FPMU)**

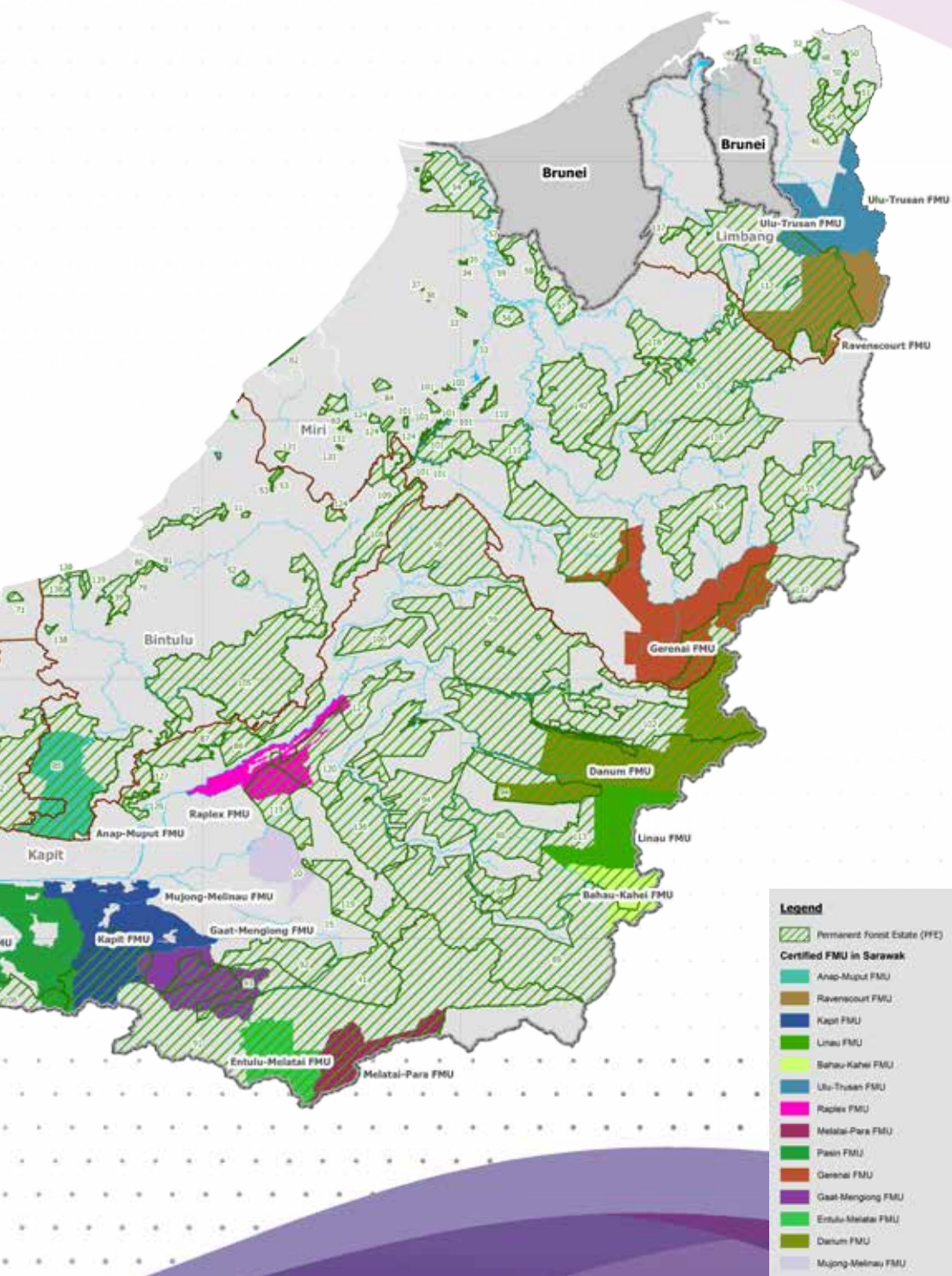
Natural Forests

- 14 FMUS certified under Natural Forest

Forest Plantations

- 5 FPMUS certified under Forest Plantation

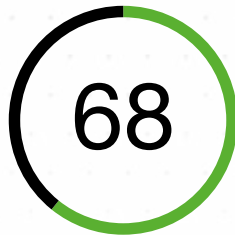




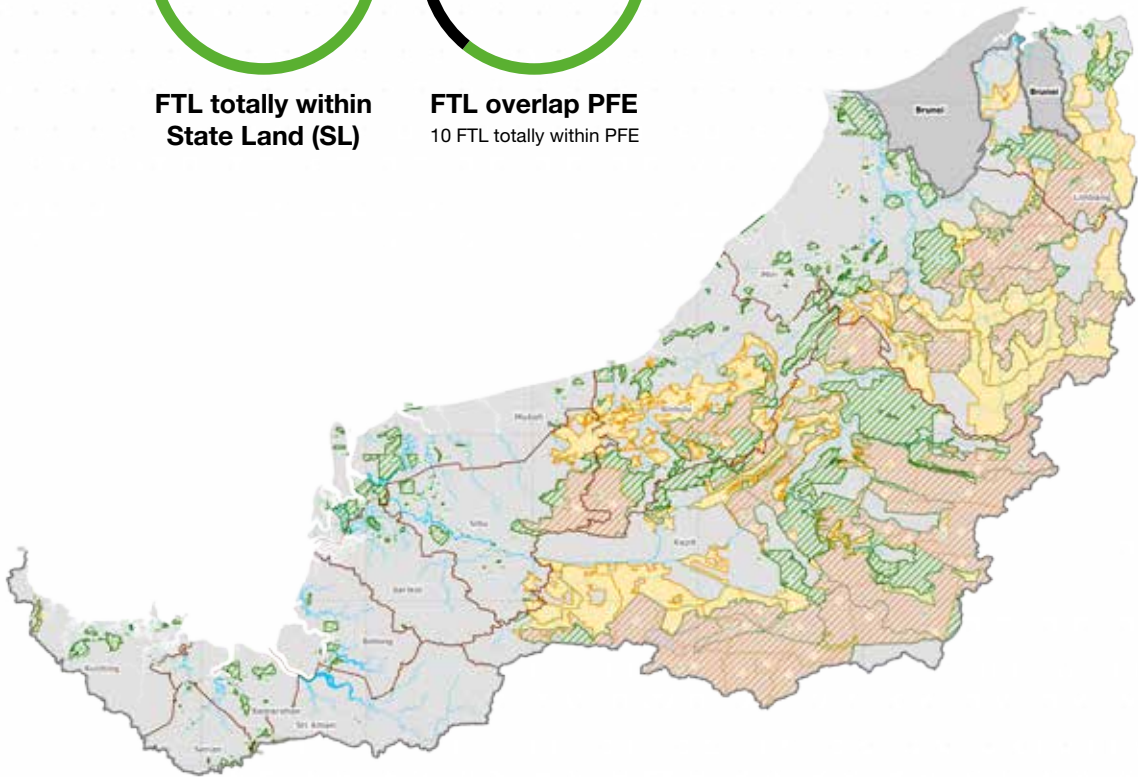
106 Forest Timber License (FTL)



**FTL totally within
State Land (SL)**

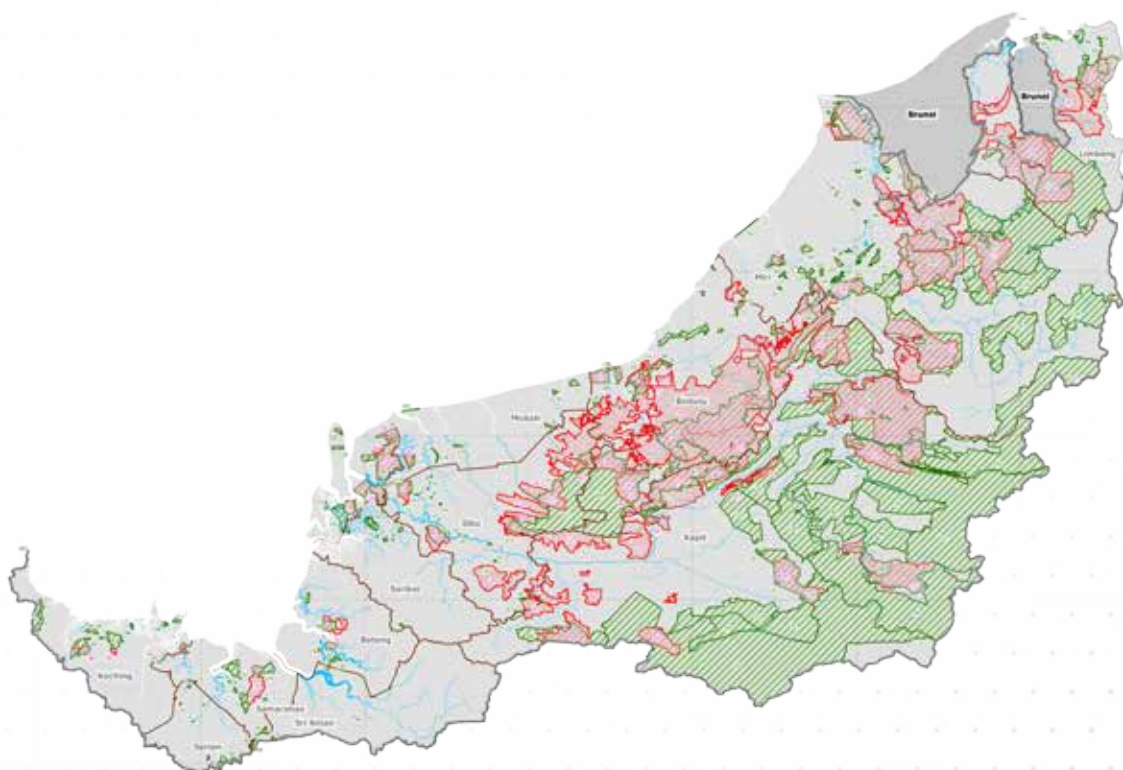


FTL overlap PFE
10 FTL totally within PFE



38 Licensed Planted Forest

Total Valid (LPF) within PFE



Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR)

FLR is the ongoing process of regaining ecological functionality and enhancing human well-being across deforested or degraded forest landscapes. It is restoring the whole landscape to meet present and future needs and to offer multiple benefits and land uses over time (IUCN).

In Sarawak, the objectives of FLR in PFE are:

- To enrich logged-over areas with high value timber species
- To restore and conserve degraded forests in PFE
- To reduce pressure on natural forest by shifting timber production
- Towards plantation of indigenous fast growing species



Rich Biodiversity of Flora and Fauna

Like Totally Protected Area (TPA), PFE is an equally important habitat to our diverse flora and fauna species. There is an ongoing effort to document the rich biodiversity of our PFE through scientific expedition, forest resource assessment and research works.









Challenges in Managing PFE



Justification to Constitute PFEs

PFEs are often perceived as areas licensed out to big timber companies for purpose of timber production. Even though this perception is mostly true in the case of protected forests and forest reserves, not all PFEs are under licensed area. This perception resulted in resistance by the communities especially when an area was identified to be gazetted as PFEs.

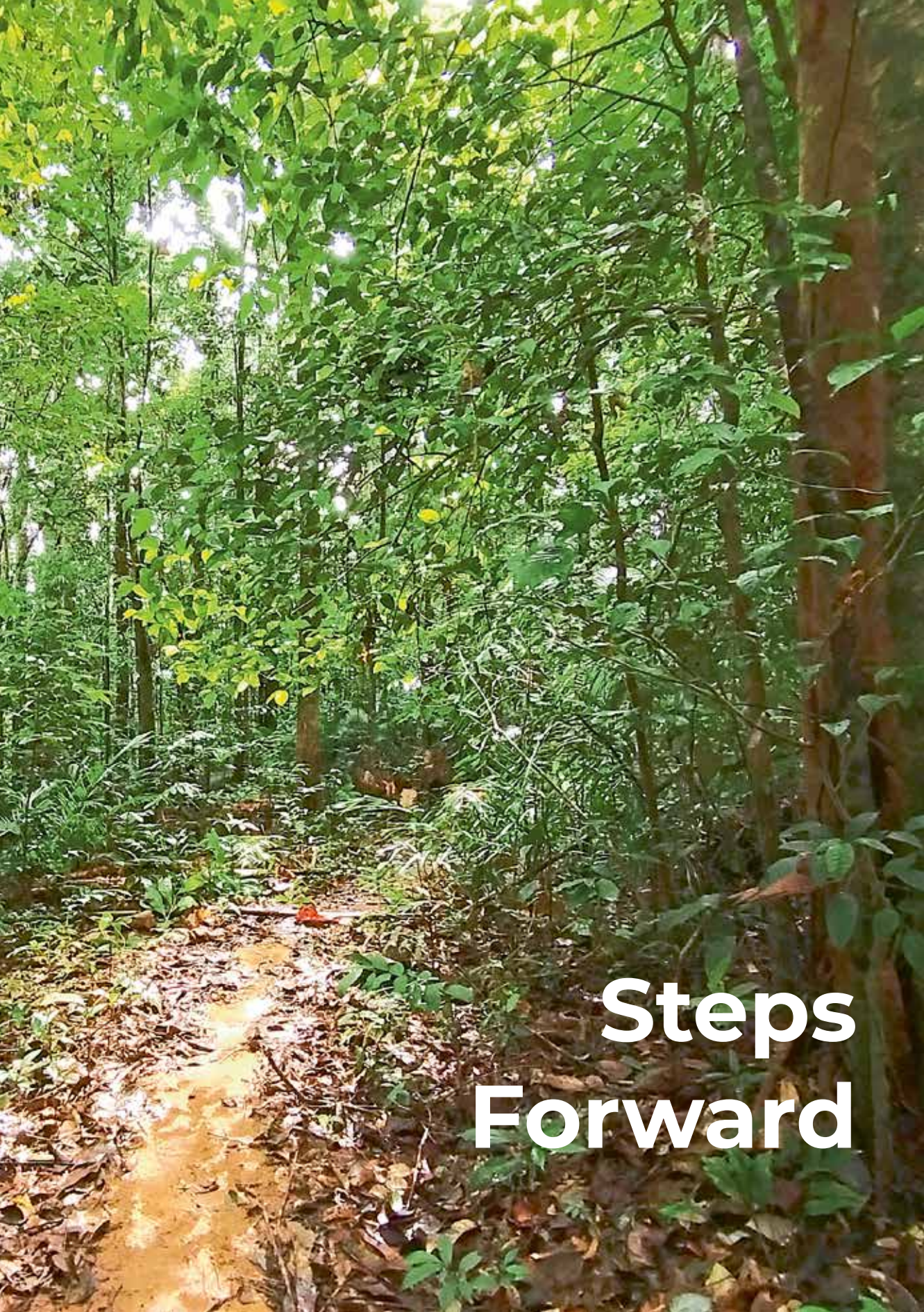
Reduction of PFE Areas Due to Revocation and Excision

Over the years, due to the needs for development and conservation, substantial areas of PFE had been either revoked or excised. Based on the department's gazette record, a total of 1,084,703 hectares had been excised from PFEs while total cumulative area ever gazetted as PFEs was 5,647,719 hectares. This area is expected to be further reduced once the data clean up is completed especially for areas which were already officially excised for Provisional Lease (PL) and direct conversion to TPAs. More than 2 million hectares of area need to be gazetted to achieve a 6-million- hectare target.

Encroachment into PFEs Especially Settlements and Other Land Uses

Competition for other land uses is a constant challenge not only for constituting new PFE areas but also the existing PFE areas. This is especially true in PFEs adjacent or bordering plantation and settlements.

Areas within PFEs that being occupied by the local communities be it for settlement or cleared for shifting agriculture often caused conflict between them and the authority or license holders. This conflict, if not addressed or resolved can affect the effort in Forest Management Certification as well as effective management of PFEs.



**Steps
Forward**

Enhance participation of local communities in co-management of PFEs

Local communities could participate in the co-management of PFEs such as Forest Landscape Restoration, community-use forest management and boundary maintenance. By involving them, it could benefit the communities and, in a way, could change the perception on PFEs i.e. not only areas for logging operations. Thus, this could help as one of the strategies to gazette more areas as PFEs.

Replacement policy for unavoidable excision of PFEs

The unavoidable excision of PFEs area is proposed to be replaced in order to maintain the area under PFEs.

Enhance usage of technologies

To boost up the monitoring of PFEs especially in the interior area of Sarawak, the use of technologies such as hyperspectral could also be leveraged on. Aerial surveillance has been proven to help in early detection of encroachment into PFEs.

Engagement with local communities

To address the issues of conflict due to illegal settlements and clearing within PFEs, the department could consider issuing “permit to use” to control and subsequently prevent more encroachment and clearing of PFEs for shifting agriculture.





What's Next For Us?

PFE shall be seen beyond just as timber production areas. The ecosystem services provided by the forest within PFE area also vital for our sources of life and general well-being.

PFE has the potential to be developed as sites for recreational/ecotourism activities. Furthermore, the society has become aware of the importance of conserving nature and health-improving activities that can be done in the wilderness. Hence, PFE could offer these opportunities.

Moving forward, PFE shall be continuously managed in a sustainable manner embracing the sustainable forest management principles. Degraded areas within PFE will be restored and sensitive habitat will be conserved and managed systematically to ensure forest within the PFE will continue to provide ecosystem services for the well-being of the people of Sarawak.

