

# Identifying priorities for Forest Landscape Restoration based on participatory mapping and forest inventories at subnational level – Togo



## SUMMARY

Forest landscapes and the benefits they provide are crucial for the wellbeing of people in Togo. Many landscapes, however, are degraded due to unsustainable use of resources. It is crucial to improve their conditions, via restoration, for improving food security and access to water. This solution defines concrete options for forest landscape restoration (FLR) and land use planning based on participatory mapping and forest resource inventories at subnational level covering 410,000 ha. It provides the basis for the sustainable management of agrarian, forest and mangrove ecosystems with different land tenure systems, contributing to the AFR100 pledge and the wellbeing of the local population, climate change adaptation and biodiversity conservation.

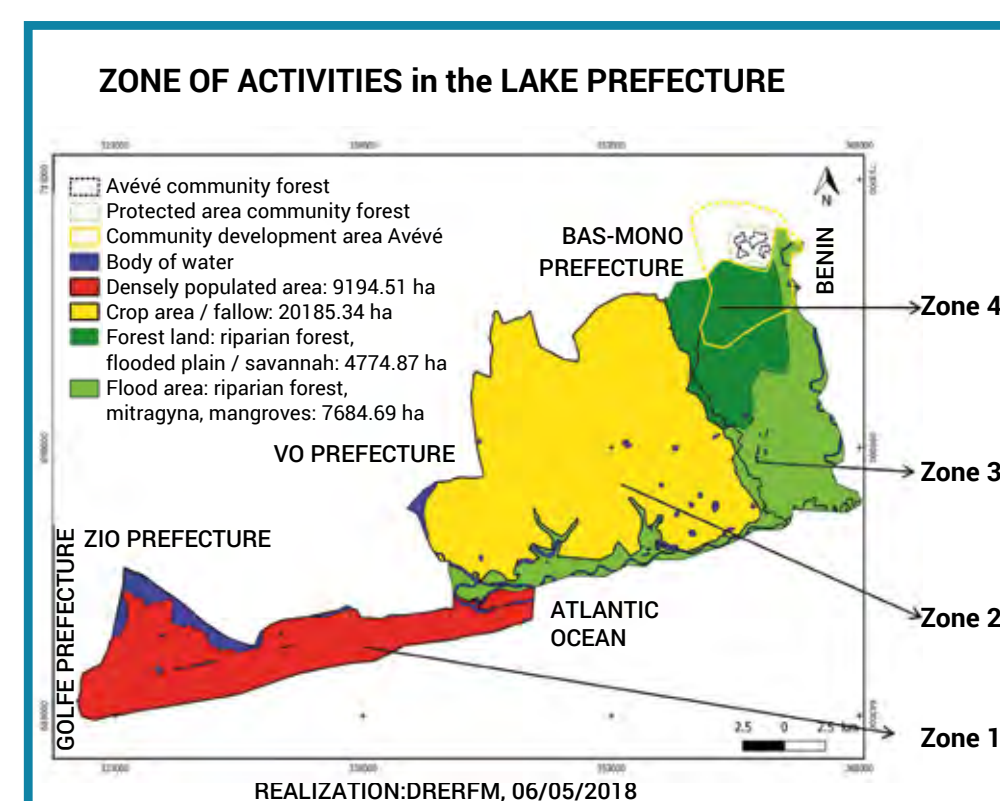
## BUILDING BLOCKS



1 Participatory mapping



2 Forest inventory

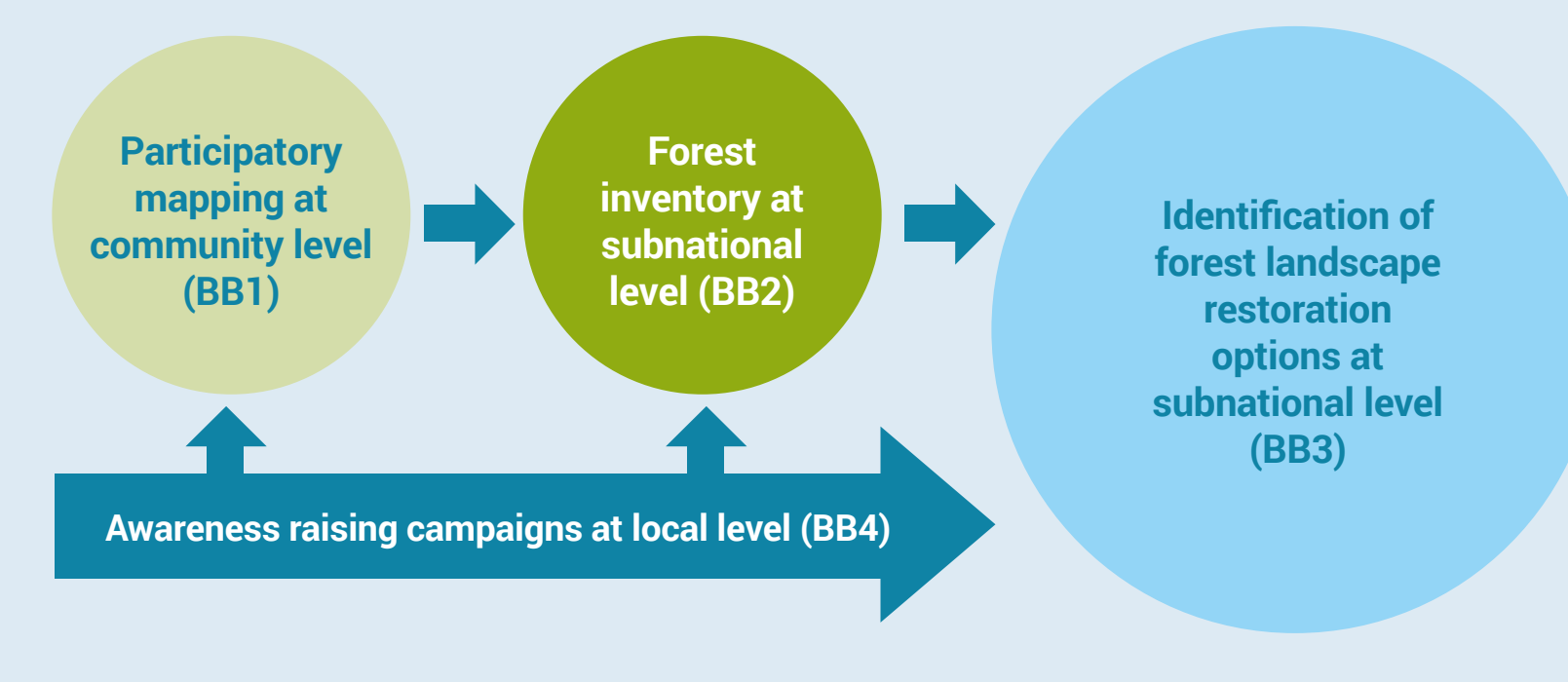


3 Identification of forest landscape restoration options



4 Awareness raising campaigns at local level

## Identifying FLR priorities based on participatory mapping & forest inventories at subnational level



## IMPACTS

- 267 village leaders and 150 representatives from 77 local communities in 9 cantons participated in training activities
- ~ 8,000 people (incl. women's groups) participated in awareness raising activities;
- Mapping helped identifying legal forest ownership
- Trust was built and partnerships strengthened between civil society and government
- A FLR plan has been set up, defining concrete restoration options in four distinct ecological zones
- The regional forest administration is able to reproduce the approach in other prefectures based on a process guide for mapping and inventories
- Results of FLR activities directly contribute to the management of land-based carbon stocks in the context of the national REDD+ strategy and international climate change commitments (NDC)

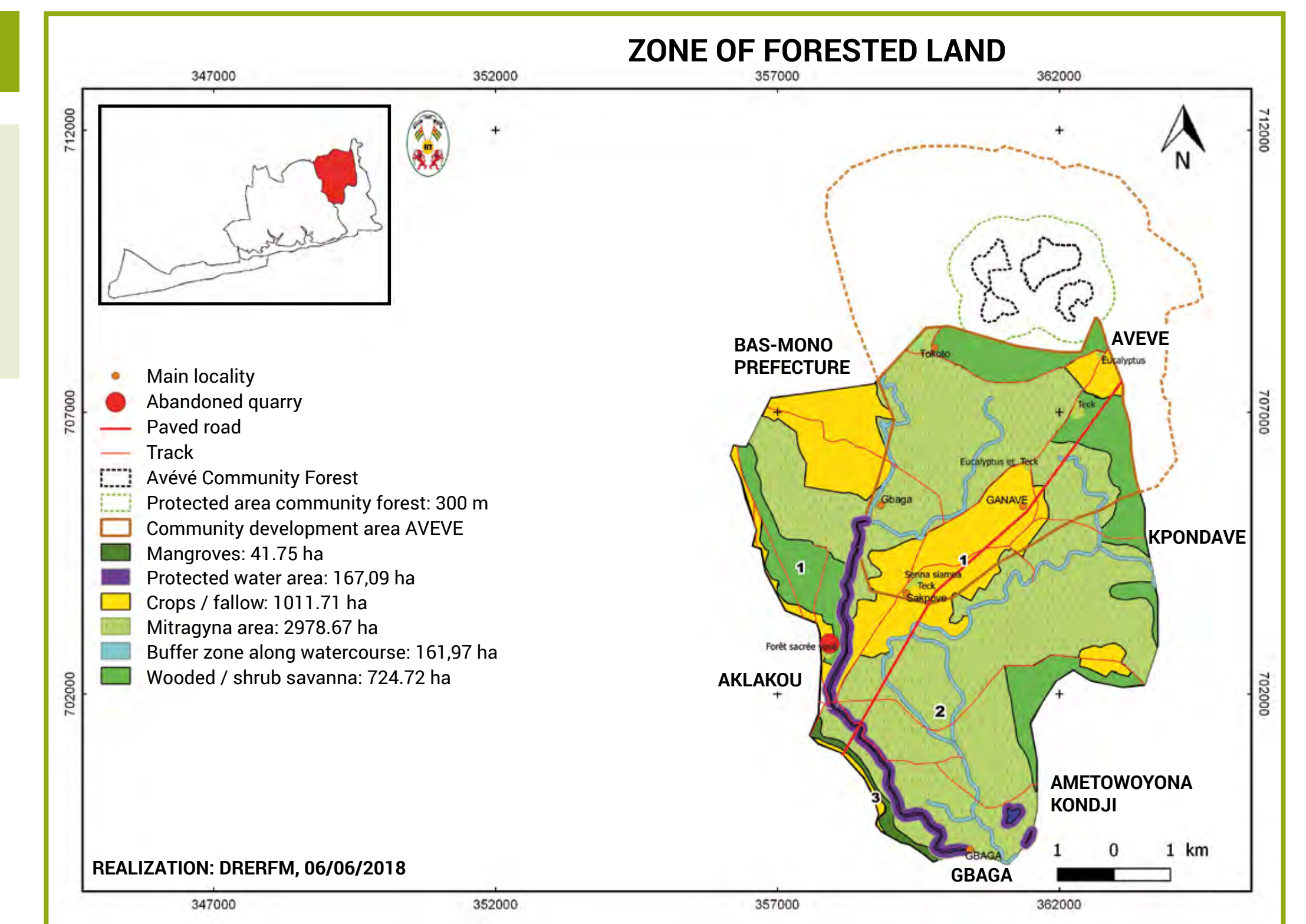
## EXAMPLE OF ZONE 3

### OPTIONS

- 1 - Enrichment, natural regeneration: 1736.41 ha
- 2 - Mitragyna silviculture, fuelwood and timber: 2978.67 ha
- 3 - Mangrove restoration and development: 41.75 ha
- 4 - Protection of riverbanks and water resources: 129, 06 ha

## BENEFICIARIES

172,148 people from 77 villages are benefitting from this measure including chiefs of the 9 cantons, presidents of village development committees, regional directorates of agriculture, fisheries, land planning, forestry & environment, as well as public administration officials



Aichi Targets



Sustainable Development Goals



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