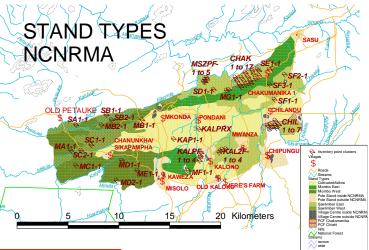
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MAPPING AND INVENTORY RESULTS FOR NYAMPHANDE NATURAL RESOURCE MGMT AREA (Petauke District, Eastern, Zambia)

DIRECTLY ADDRESSING ISSUES OF MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABLE HARVEST OF MIOMBO TIMBER / NONTIMBER FOREST PRODUCTS

DATA COLLECTION: 2003-2004

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NYAMPHANDE COMMUNITY NATURAL RESOURCE MIOMBO MANAGEMENT AREA - 20,000 ha

INVENTORY RESULTS FROM DATA COLLECTED IN 2003-2004

SUMMARY (1): DESCRIPTION OF INVENTORY

Type of inventory: For larger-diameter forest land: Stratified random plot placement combined with 4-plot clusters in more remote areas.

For smaller-stemmed fallow areas: Fixed rectangles of 50m x 10m (= .05ha) were sited in specific areas near villages. Data were processed in ForestCalc in Eastern Province

Total number and type of plots: 113 plot centers for measuring 2-factor prism/variable radius plots (larger trees) and 3-meter-radius regeneration/sunde counts; 28 small-stemmed fallow plots of 0.05ha.

Basis for delimitation of stands: Year 2000 SPOT panchromatic image from Satellite Applications Center, South Africa; scale 1:25,000; resolution 10 meters; georeferenced to Zambia 1970s 1:50,000 topographic sheets.

Stands delimited from imagery:

- Chakumanika PCF (437 ha) Pterocarpus angolensis dominant; 44 spp.
- Chilandu PCF (349 ha) Miombo and sawtimber up to 50cm; 32 spp.
- "Open Sawtimber" (total 3,770 ha) large crowns visible on image are today mostly *Acacia*, but regeneration in sawtimber is better than "Open Miombo" and there are more and larger stems per hectare. Locals call this forest type "mputu"; also called "munga". By far, this stand type had the greatest proportion of plots suitable for agriculture, according to village informants. 67 spp.
- "Open Miombo" (total 4,810 ha) Drier, shallower soils with smaller stems and most of the sunde, Brachystegia, and Julbernardia. Locals call this forest type "msenga". This stand type was least suitable for agriculture, according to village informants. Most diverse: 71 spp.
- 10-yr-old (5,800 ha+) and 20-year-old (3,030 ha+) Fallow sites ("Visala") mixed with cultivated land (total 8,830 ha+) some plots were measured by variable radius, and others by rectangular shape. As expected, lowest diversity but greatest number of stems/ha.

SUMMARY (2): TOTALS ON 20,000 HA

SAWTIMBER:

Sawn volume: 788,000 planks or 11,000 cubic meters of first and second-quality wood in 2- to 3-meter lengths

Saw trees:

SPECIES	DIAM CLASS	TOTAL	SPECIES	DIAM CLASS	TOTAL
PREFERRED:	35 to 65 cm	41,418	LESSER-KWOWN:	35 to 65 cm	45,283
	25 cm	40.112		25 cm	71.360

PREFERRED = mukwa, Pericopsis, Afzelia, phingo

LESSER-KNOWN = Brachystegia spiciformis, Khaya, Kirkia, Sclerocarya, Terminalia sericea

SELECTED NON-TIMBER PRODUCTS

CHARCOAL: 2,700,000 50-kg bags

BARK HIVES: 408,500 hives worth an estimated ZK 817 million to producers

BARKROPE: 1.3 million bundles worth an estimated ZK 675 million to producers

COFFINS CARVED FROM BRANCHES: 113,800 units worth ZK 568 million

FORKED POLES: 2,500,000 units worth ZK 2.5 Billion to producers

COOKING STICKS: 381,000 worth ZK 572 million to producers

FIREWOOD: 10,300,000 headloads worth ZK 15.5 Billion if all sold

BIOMASS: (WOODY parts only)

CURRENT DRY WEIGHT	CURRENT GREEN WEIGHT	TOTAL CARBON STOCK
1.6 million tonnes	3.2 million tonnes	800,000 tonnes

(For trading carbon credits at the rate of \$20 per tonne, an accounting of effects of management activities would have to be devised.)

TOTAL WOODY SPECIES RECORDED: 101

SUMMARY (3): RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES BASED ON INVENTORY RESULTS

Ideas for sensitization topics

- Present the inventory results back to the communities and the Council
- Don't depend on current harvest rates of commercial sawtimber to be sustainable
- Promote other species as equally valuable
- "Waste no trees" message continues
- Pay attention to regeneration of each user group's product
- Relate diversity and abundance of wildlife to diversity and abundance of tree species/habitat
- Encourage establishment of bigger "permanent community forests"
- Solicit input from communities on how to achieve all the above

Ideas for activities based on economic and sustainability aspects

- Set up a Biodiversity Reserve under UNEP/IUCN
- Study more on wildlife species in the area and how game regeneration can be assured under a GMA-type programme
- Set up Village Harvest Committees who will maximize economic benefit during field clearing
- Trade some carbon credits (requires detailing management plan actions and their effects on biomass)
- Open marketing centers for forest products, including lesser-known timber species
- Do more training on better techniques
- Sensitize on certification for eventual certification-seeking project
- Solicit input from communities on how to achieve all the above