

HCV 1 Biodiversity Value

HCV 1.1 Protected areas

Definition

All forest areas that have been legally gazette as Protected Areas under Malaysia legislation (either federal or state), are HCV 1.1. The Master List of Protected Areas in Malaysia, commissioned by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, has listed all areas that fall under this category, and should therefore be the first point of reference. However, it is noted that in Sarawak there is no overlap between FMUs and TPAs.

Findings

- Northern Gunung Rara Sustainable Forest Management Project Area is about 64,386 ha and consist of five Totally Protected Area, i.e. Mt Magdalena FR (Class I), Northern Gunung Rara FR (Class I), Batu Timbang FR (Class VI) and Imbok FR (Class VI).

Management Prescription

- All designated HCV areas are manage under natural forest management and no conversion of forest is permitted.
- Conduct periodic patrolling and surveillance in accessible HCV areas to curb illegal activities such as encroachment and poaching. Any signs of encroachment should be reported and dealt with immediate actions.
- Demarcation of HCV boundaries on the ground for all designated HCVs within the TPAs is not required since 100 % overlaps occurred among other HCV elements.

Monitoring

- Periodic monitoring and control should be carried out to prevent encroachment in the FMU.
- Twice yearly progress reports in reporting of the progress of activities as prescribed in the approved Annual Work Plan (AWP), encompassing reporting of monitoring results of known HCV attributes.

Site perspective

Mt Magdalena FR (Class I), Northern Gunung Rara FR (Class I), Batu Timbang FR (Class VI) and Imbok FR (Class VI) that prescribe protection and preservation management of ecosystem function and prohibit all forms of destructive activities.

The rationale for the identification of HCV attribute

The entire Mt Magdalena FR (Class I), Northern Gunung Rara FR (Class I), Batu Timbang FR (Class VI) and Imbok FR (Class VI) is categorised as HCV 1.1 (Figure 1).

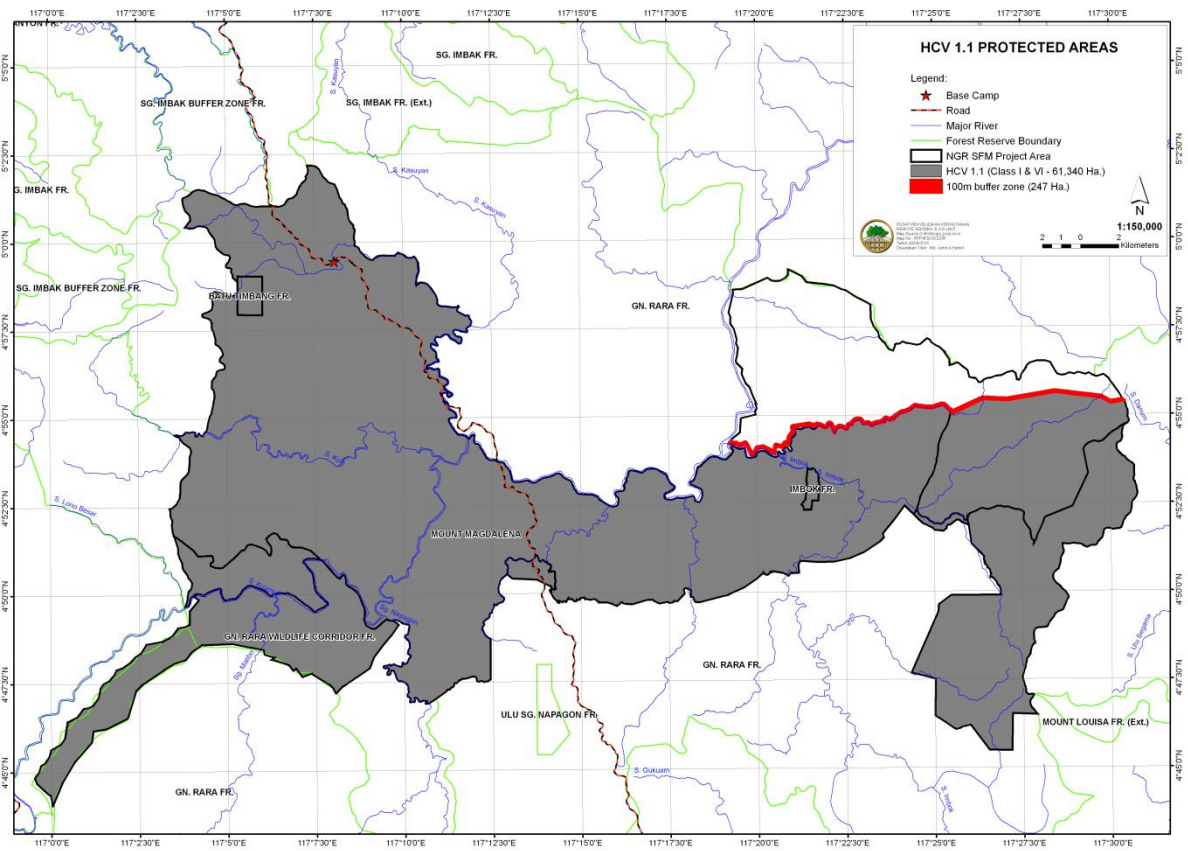


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