



Reconnect Borneo:

Business Transformation in Orangutan Landscapes

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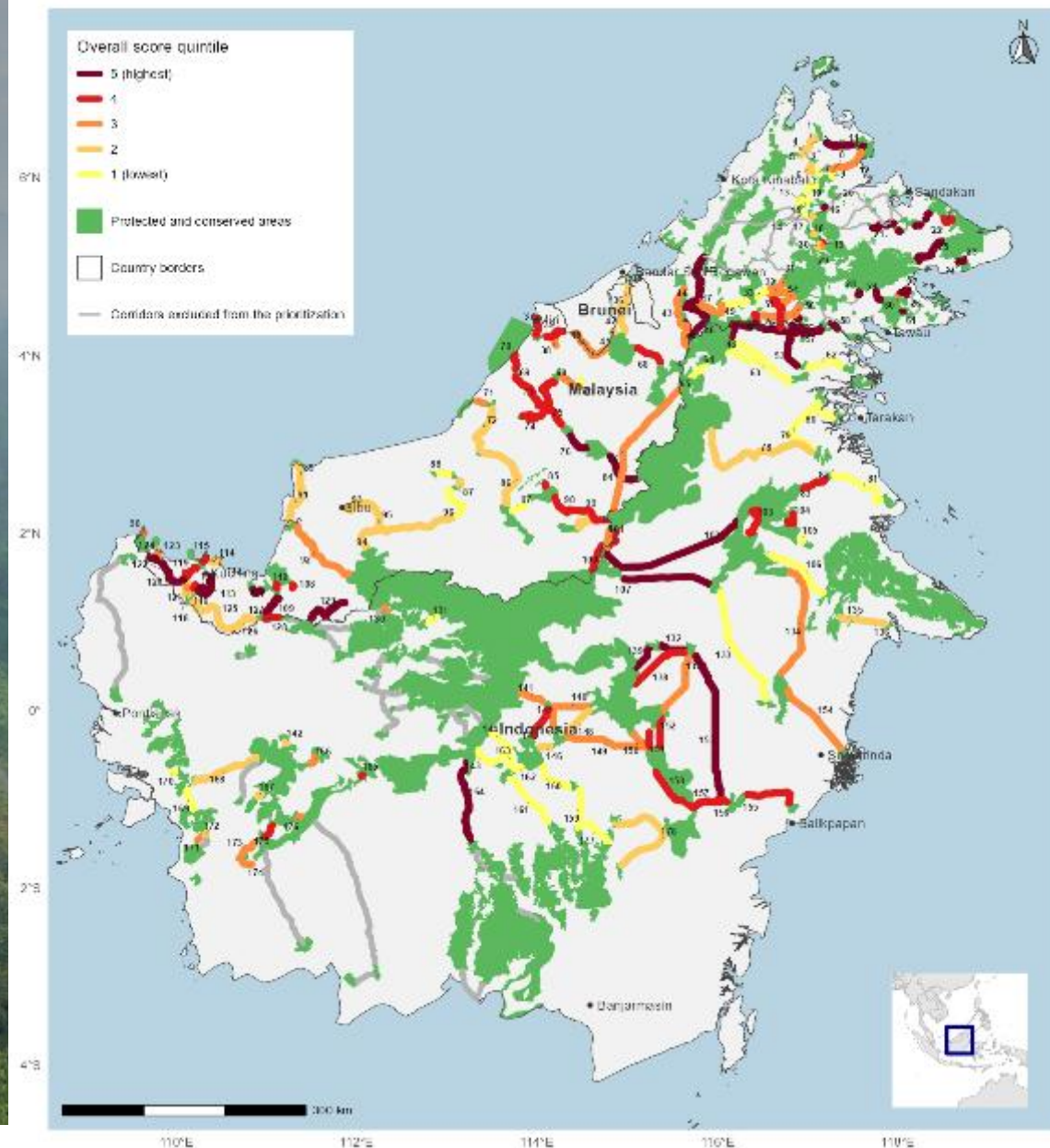
178 Modelled Corridors

Connecting Protected and Conserved Areas
~15.9 million hectares (21% of Borneo's 74 million ha total land mass)

Modeled 4 km-wide corridors
~ 3 million hectares at 4% of Borneo

71 out of 178 corridors (40%) ranked high in overall scoring (Brown and Red)

Note: Map intended to provide guidance; decisions are not limited to the results of this study.





OUR 2030 VISION

"Borneo's forests and landscapes are ecologically connected across borders, sustaining biodiversity, ecosystem services, and resilient livelihoods for IP&LCs."

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Our Objectives for Reconnect Borneo

SPECIES



No net decline

Population of flagship species stable by 2030

FINANCE



\$150–200M

Nature investment mobilised

FOREST



15.9M ha

Core areas & corridors protected

PEOPLE



1.5M+

IP&LCs with equitable benefits

CORRIDORS



178 corridors

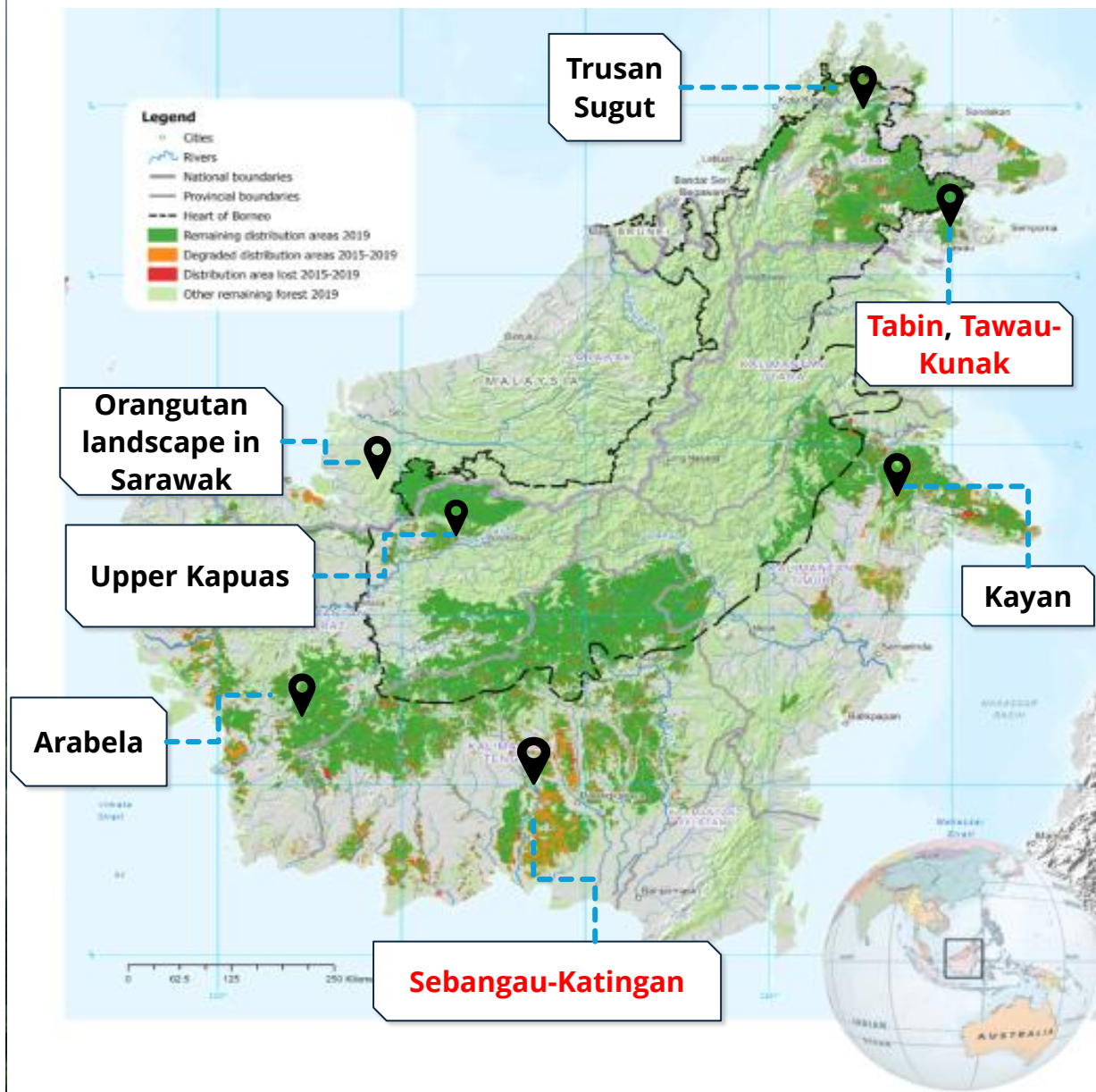
Functionally connected priority links

POLICY



20+ laws

Biodiversity policies adopted



Scaling up Orangutan Conservation: Sustainable Financing and Deforestation & Conversion Free Supply Chain

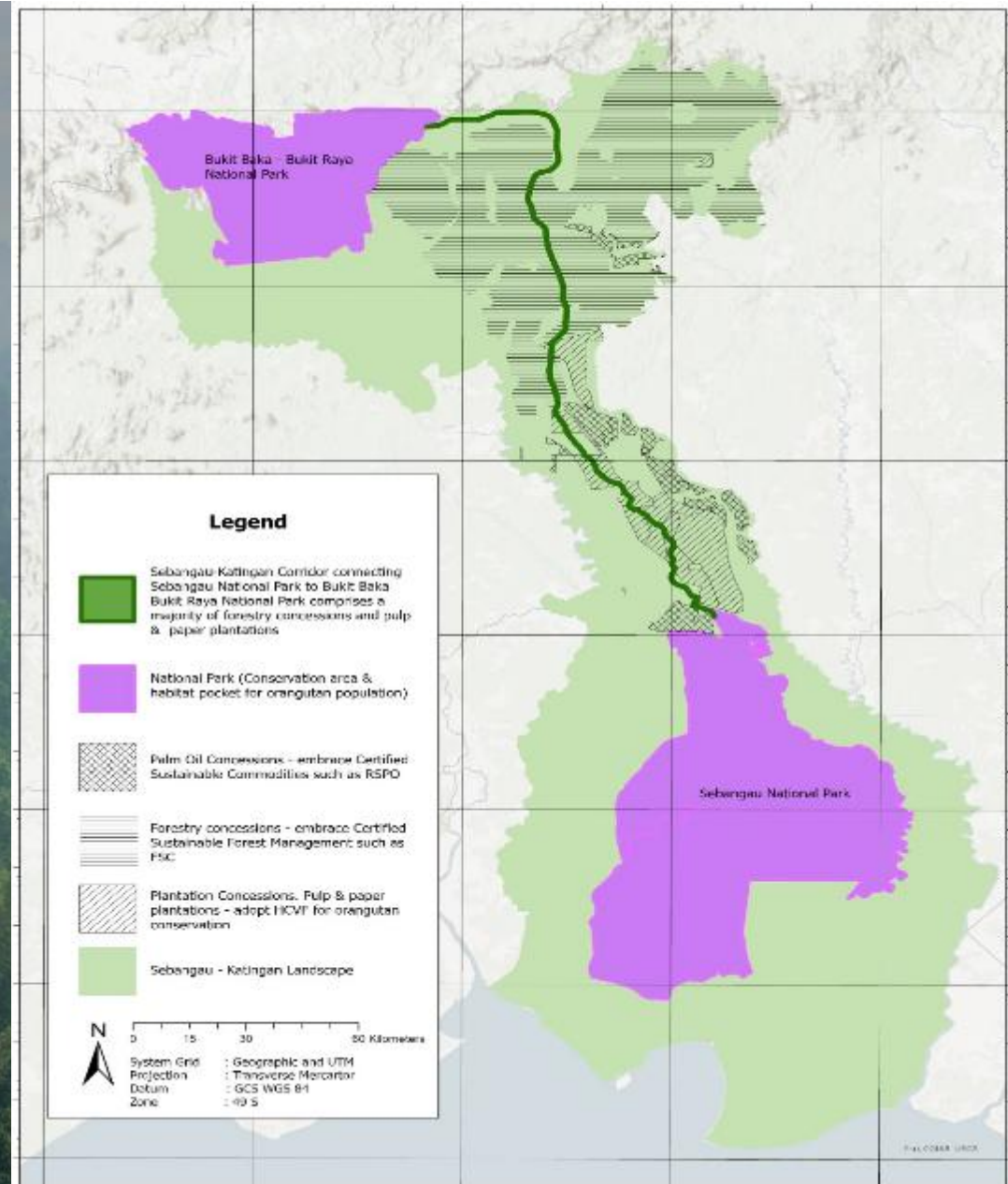
OBJECTIVES:

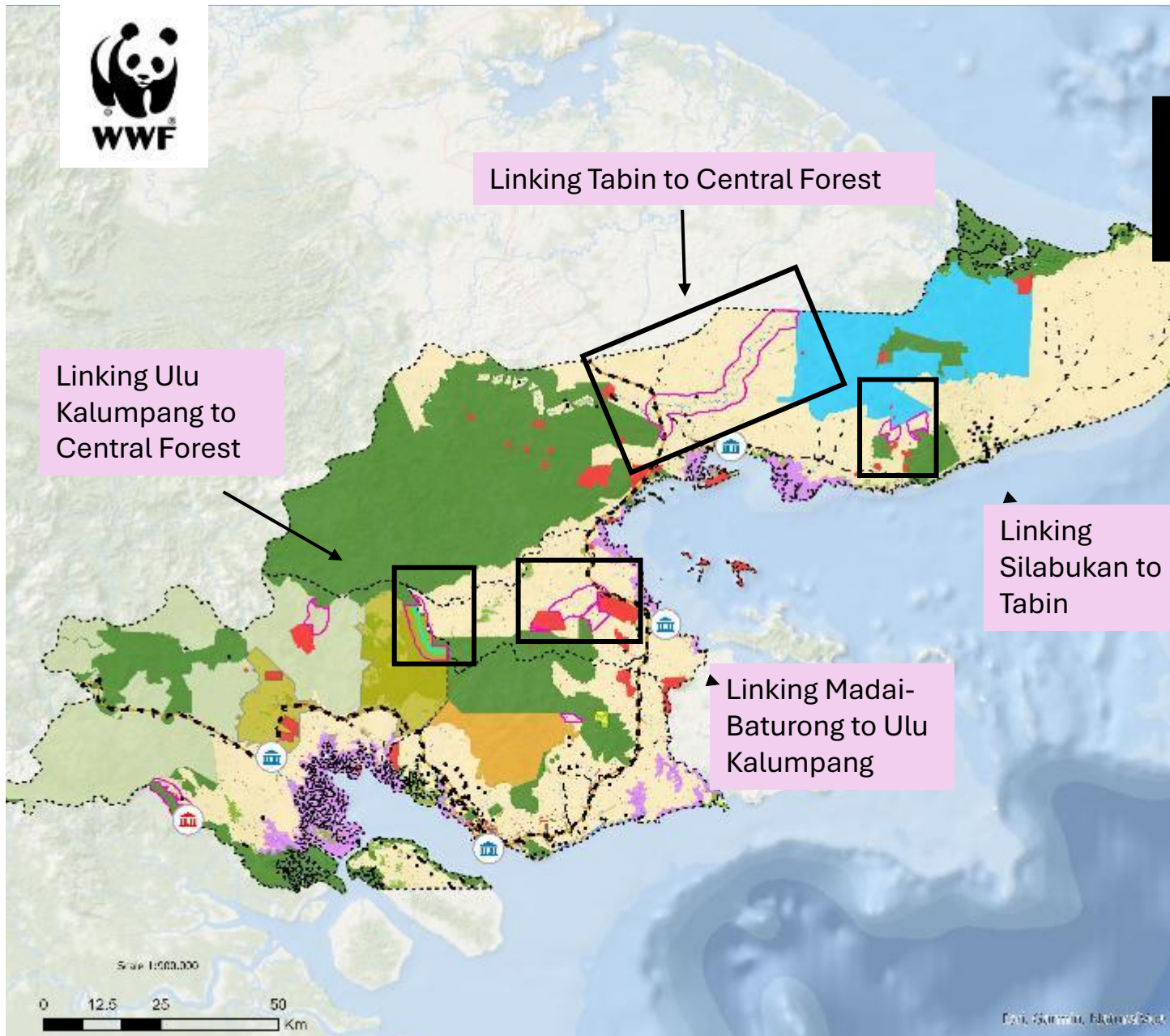
1. High Conservation Value forests are conserved, and Reconnect Borneo modelled corridors are restored enabling movement of healthy orangutan populations
2. Sustainable financing mechanisms pilot-tested and implemented for Deforestation-Conversion Free commodities along the entire value-chain



Reconnect Borneo in Indonesia: Sebangau-Katingan landscape

- Connectivity between the National Parks of Sebangau and Bukit Baka Bukit Raya improved
- Orangutan movement improves as a result, enabling climate adaptation
- Key activities to maintain connectivity:
 - 1) Enhancing protected area management at the national parks
 - 2) Sustainable certification for palm oil and forestry concessions (RSPO & FSC)
 - 3) Adoption of High Conservation Value Forest for orangutan conservation in pulp & paper plantations





Reconnect Borneo in Malaysia: Tabin, Tawau and Kunak Landscapes

Palm Oil Plantations allocate land for wildlife corridors.

Existing pilot project with SD Guthrie across 13,000 ha of plantation

Regenerative Palm Oil Framework based on Six Pillars:

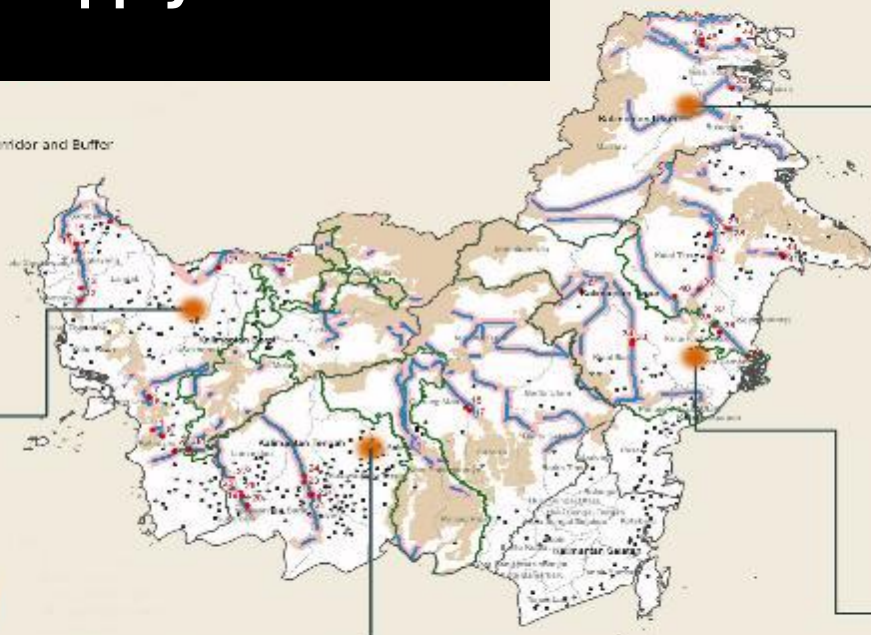
- 1) Crop profitability and soil health
- 2) Ensure social and economic wellbeing
- 3) Biodiversity Conservation
- 4) Ecosystem services
- 5) Climate resilience
- 6) Reducing greenhouse gas emission



Corporate Off Takers for Sustainable Financing & Deforestation Conversion Free Supply Chains

LEGEND

- Province Boundary
- District Boundary
- Landscape WWF
- Ecology Corridor
- Buffer 5km Corridor
- Core Area
- CPO Mills Inside Corridor and Buffer
- Other CPO Mills





Join us to jointly deliver on these impacts:

- 1) Orangutan High Conservation Value Forests effectively conserved by forestry concessions, pulp & paper, and palm oil plantations
- 2) 250,000 palm oil smallholders contributing to 500,000 hectares of certified sustainable palm oil
- 3) Deforestation free supply-chains in Borneo protect against further orangutan habitat loss



Financing Strategy for ReConnect Borneo

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Reconnect Borneo: Taking action in corridors





Matching actions to capital

Different activities generate different cash flows, time horizons and public benefits.

ACTIVITY	BEST-FIT CAPITAL	WHY
Conservation	Grants • public finance • (carbon) credits	High public-good value; limited direct cash flow
Restoration	Blended finance • results-based payments • carbon credits	Upfront cost; benefits and revenues mature later
Productive landscapes	Corporate finance • SLLs • loans • guarantees	Commercial activity can carry repayable capital
Policy & enabling systems	Grants • technical assistance • public budgets	Invests in governance, data and market conditions

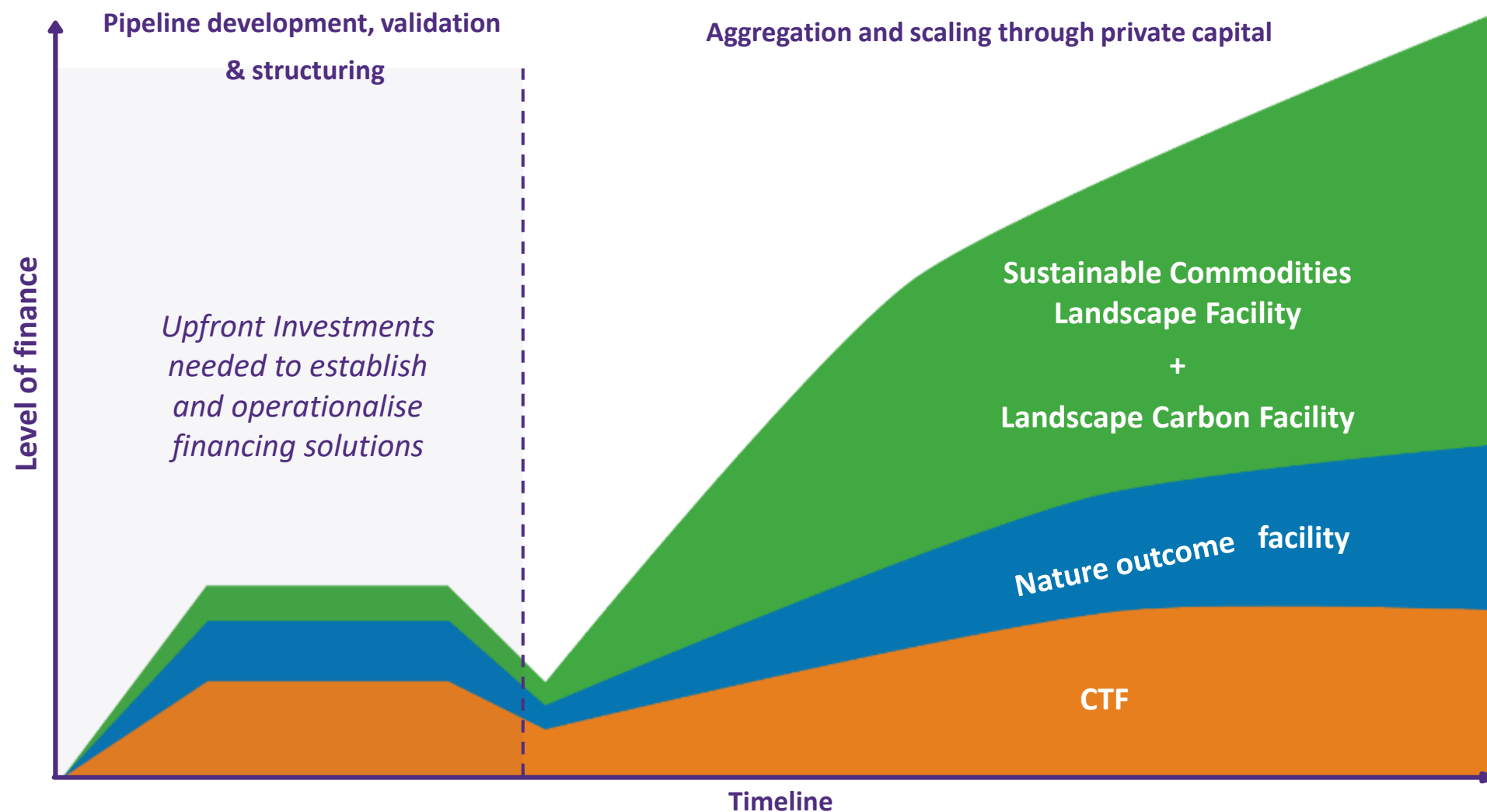
Core principle: use concessional capital to unlock, not replace, commercial and corporate capital



What financing solutions do we need?

	Enabling Structure	Revenue generating		Targeted incentives
	Conservation Trust Fund (CTF)	Sustainable commodities facility	Carbon facility	Nature Outcome Facility
	Scope: Channels public finance and grants Focus: Supporting conservation initiatives and pipeline development	Scope: Corporate finance based on insetting incentives How: TA for certification and regenerative practices, traceability	Scope: Carbon credits through avoided deforestation and restoration How: From restoration to (jurisdictional) REDD+ and potential article 6 transactions	Scope: Payments linked to conservation outcomes (KPIs) How: High Conservation Area's and restoration with IP&LC
Conservation	X		X	X
Restoration	X		X	X
Sustainable land use management	X	X		
Governance and policy support	X			

A changing capital mix as we scale



Who do we need?

PIPELINE + PARTNERS + CAPITAL + GOVERNANCE

LOCAL ACTORS	Project developers • communities • producers Legitimacy, delivery and local value
OFFTAKERS	(International) buyers sourcing from the landscape Demand, procurement and value-chain incentives
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	Local and international banks and investors Working capital and investment at scale
DFIs & DONORS	Seed funding • grants • guarantees • first loss Pipeline creation and risk reduction
GOVERNMENT	National and subnational authorities

1



2



3

CONVENE

Match project developers, FIs, DFIs, donors and offtakers to specific roles

STRUCTURE

Further define outcomes, cash flows, risks and capital needs

COMMIT

Agree a 12-month roadmap, owners and first funding



CALL TO ACTION

Join a focused post-COP process to shape and finance the first investable Reconnect Borneo pipeline



Thank you!

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Corporate philanthropy as a catalyst for starting the project



**Rungan Landscape,
Central Kalimantan**

Start date: 2023



**Mawas Area,
Central Kalimantan**

Start date: 2022



755
Restored
Hectares

- Peat swamp and heath forests
- High survival rates
- Maintenance, monitoring & fire patrolling

31
Native Species
Planted

- Indigenous partners local seed collection & community nurseries
- Ecological design for orangutan habitat & forest connectivity



And pioneering core benefit impact measurement

Biodiversity baselining



Social ROI



**\$4.8 of social, economic
and environmental value
for every \$1 invested**

★ ENVOY
Partnership

Disclaimer : This evaluation is based on data collected during spring and early summer 2026 and was completed before the current wildfires in Borneo. Any impacts of the wildfires on the project site, local ecosystems, or surrounding communities have not yet been assessed and are therefore not reflected in the results. Accordingly, the findings and calculations presented here should be interpreted in that context.

Transitioning from corporate philanthropy to blended finance

From ~800 hectares to accessing +14,000 hectares

1. Corporate philanthropy = key to catalytic proof-of-concepts
1. Private funding is needed to achieve scale
1. Business case that balances project economics with a locally sustained scaling approach



RECONNECT BORNEO: FINANCING NATURE AT SCALE

From Ambition to
Implementation

By WWF and Land Life.



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