



Lunch Session 3 Presented by the GPSC:

Urban Biodiversity, Natural Capital Accounting, and Nature-based Infrastructure

Singapore, Edmonton, London, and Sao Paulo approaches

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BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION IN DENSELY POPULATED CITIES: SINGAPORE'S APPROACH

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Singapore on the Equator

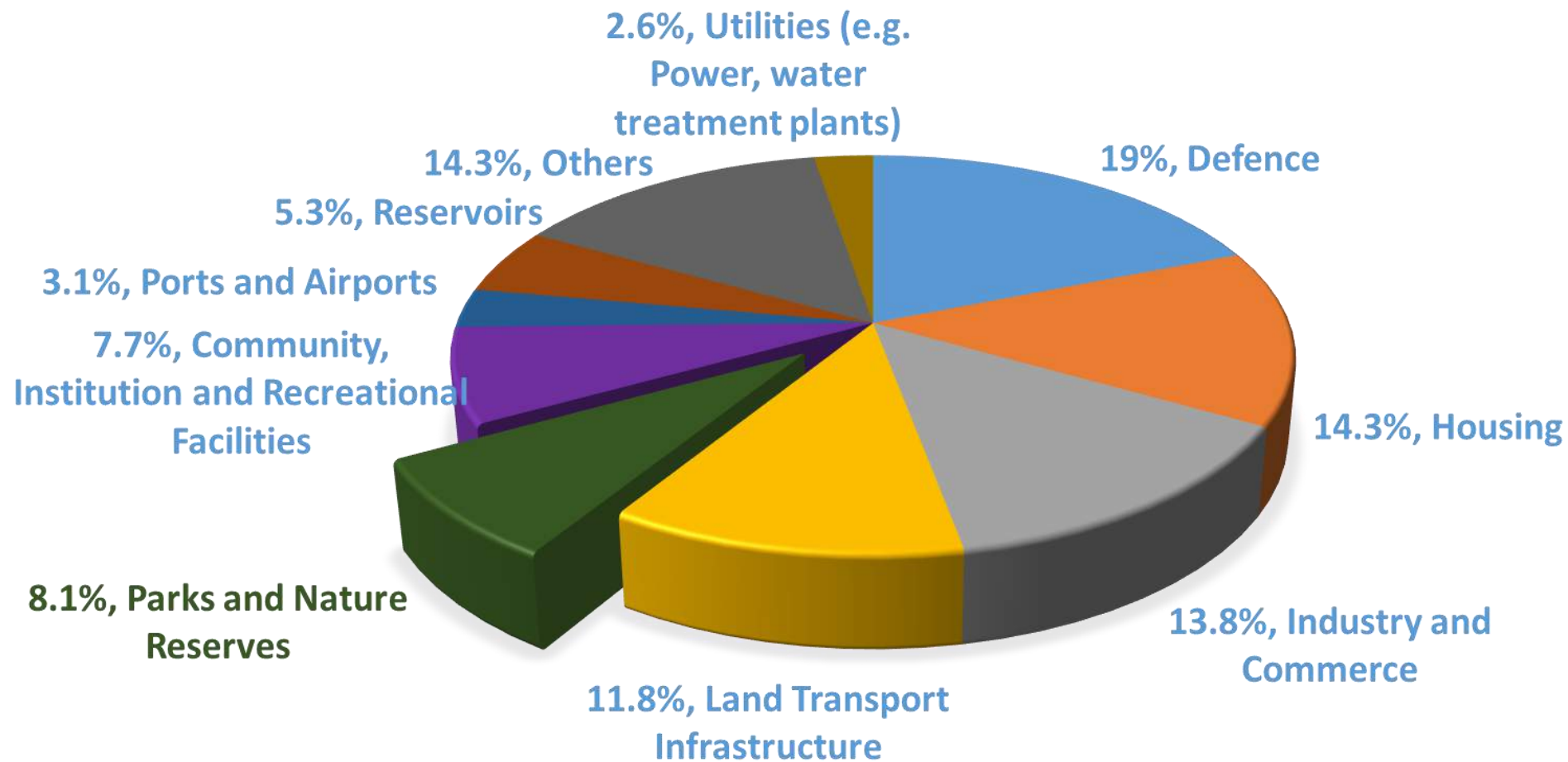


- Climate of perpetual summer and high rainfall
- Rich diversity of flora and fauna

Comparing Statistics

	WASHINGTON DC	SINGAPORE
PHYSICAL AREA	61 sq miles 158 sq km	278 sq miles 720 sq km
POPULATION	672,391 persons	5.8 million persons
POPULATION DENSITY	11,023 persons/sq mile 4,256 persons/sq km	20,863 persons/sq mile 8,056 persons/sq km

Singapore's landuse



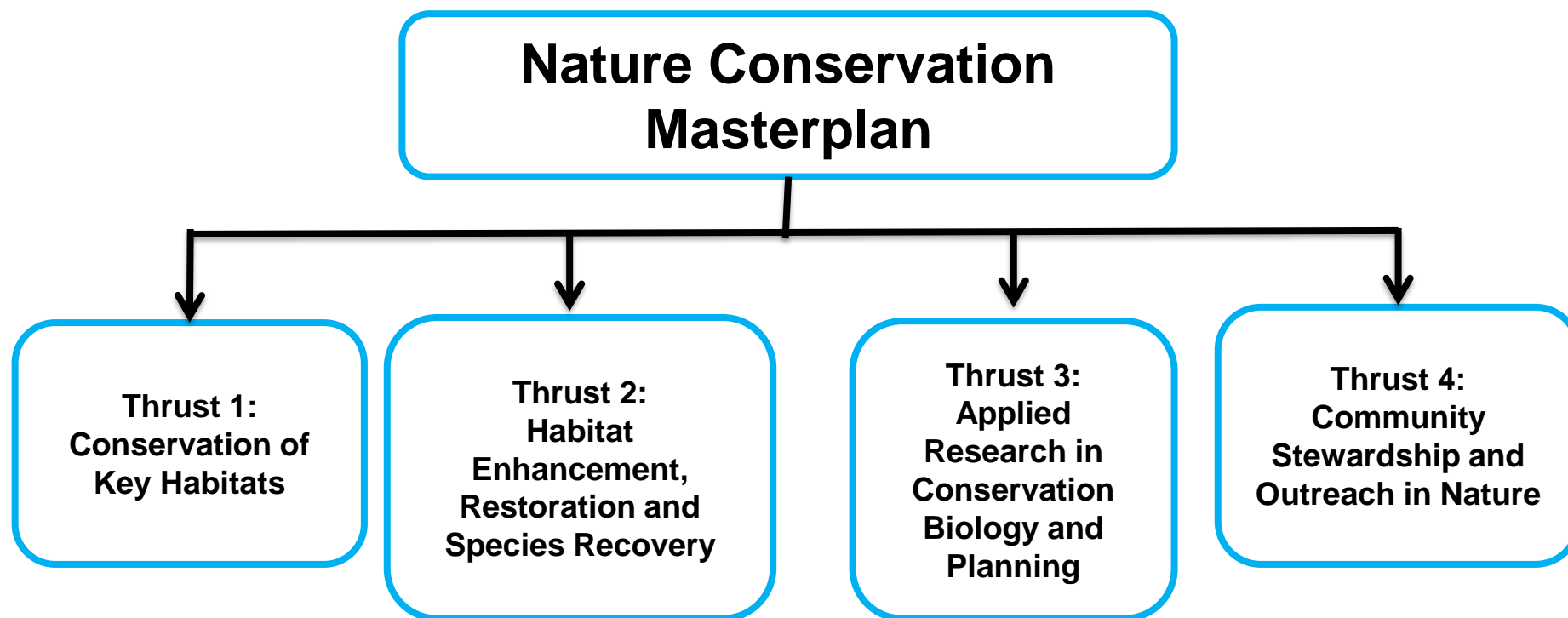
Is There Biodiversity in Singapore?





A list of Singapore's native biodiversity

- **2215** native vascular plant species
- **403** bird species
- **102** reptile species
- **85** freshwater fish species
- **334** butterfly species
- **131** dragonfly species
- more than **800** spider species
- **35** true mangrove tree species
- **12** seagrass species
- **255** hard coral species
- **50** sea anemone species



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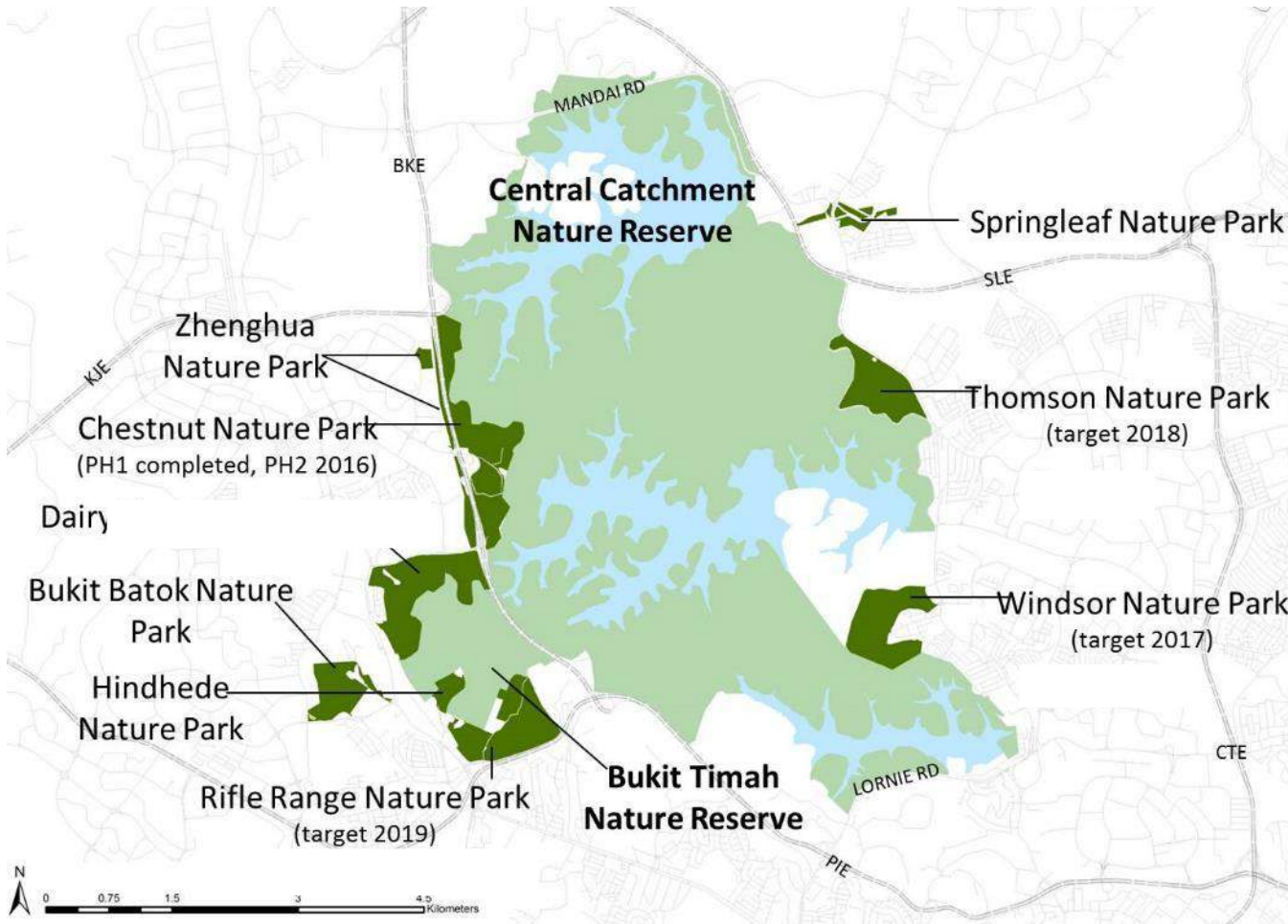


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Sisters' Islands Marine Park

1b Secure and Enhance Buffer Areas



1d Develop ecological connections



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Roadside trees

1d Develop ecological connections



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Yishun Central (Parkway Treatment)

1d Develop ecological connections



Kampung Admiralty

1d Develop ecological connections



ParkRoyal@Pickering

2a Habitat Enhancement and Restoration



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Pulau Tekong Mangrove Project



2a Habitat Enhancement and Restoration



Marina at Keppel Bay

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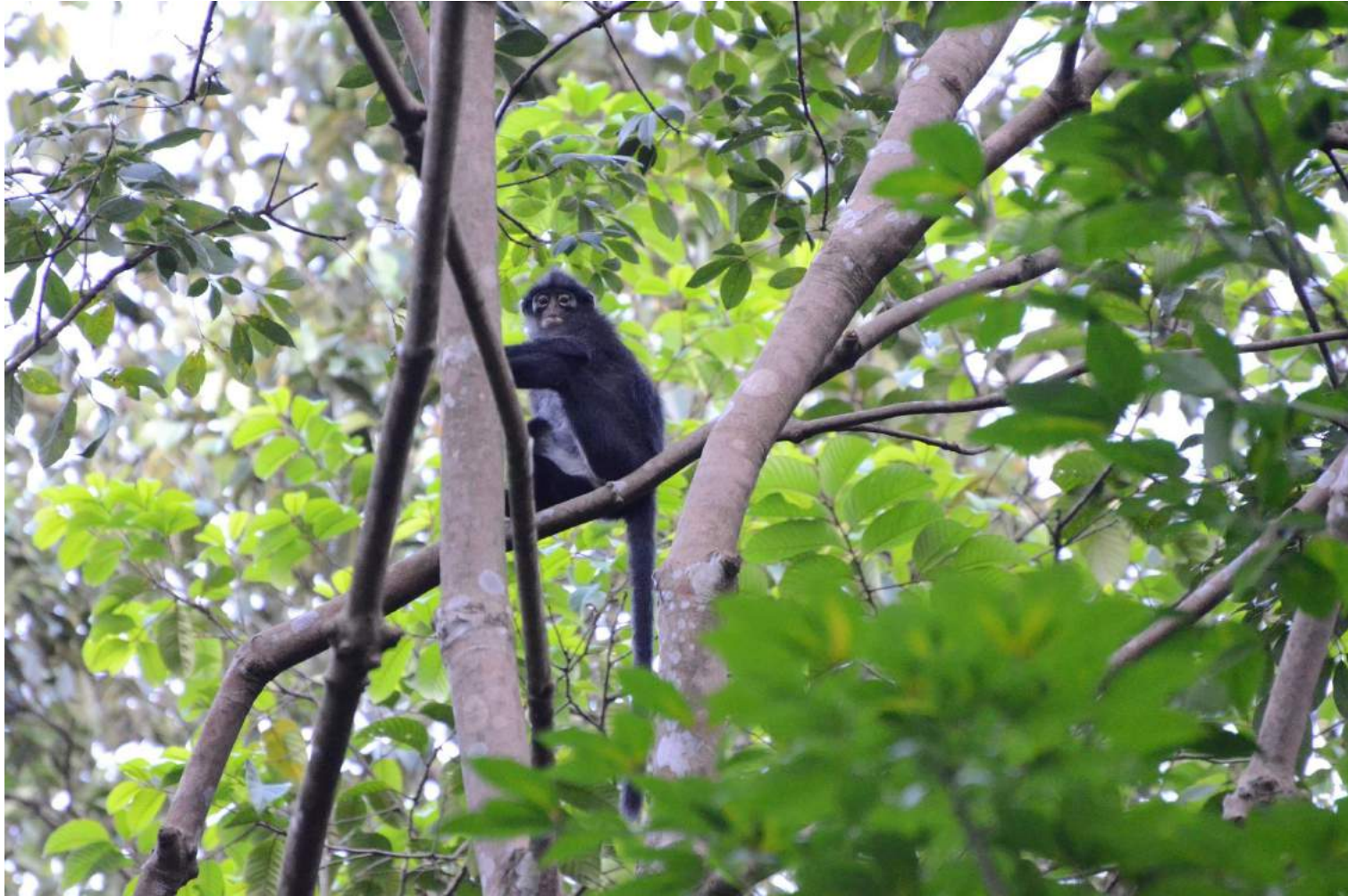
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Fusionopolis

2b Species Recovery

Raffles' Banded Langur (*Presbytis femoralis femoralis*)

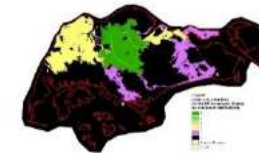
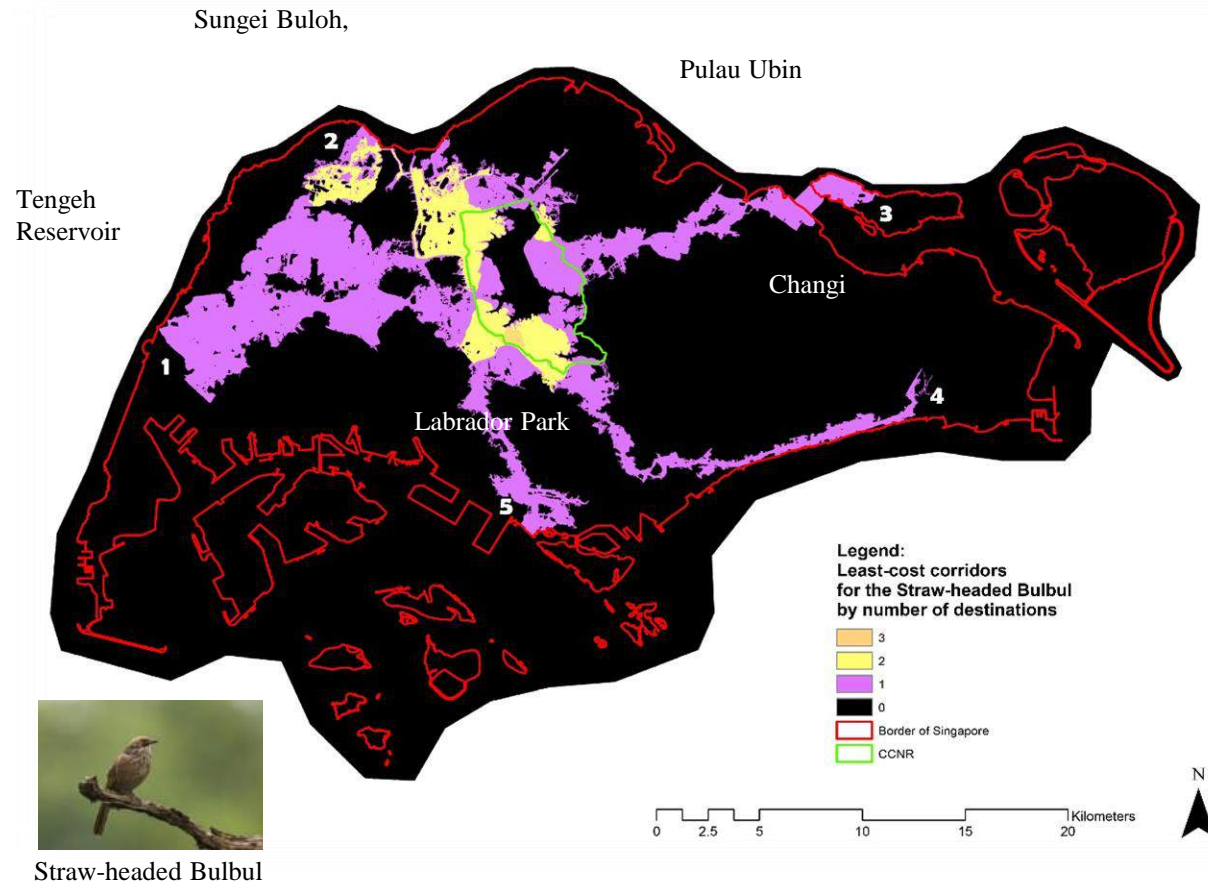


3a Applied Research in Conservation Biology & Planning

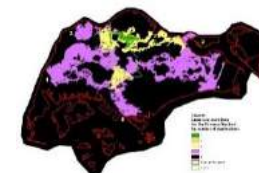


Satellite-level Research - Ecological Modeling for Conservation

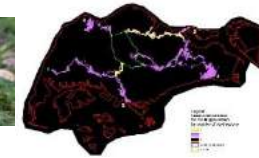
Individual least-cost corridors of selected birds



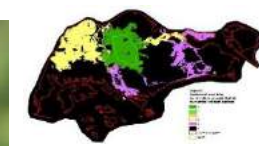
White-rumped
Shama



Crimson Sunbird



Magpie Robin



Olive-winged Bulbul



**12 shorebirds
of 5 species
are now
heading to
their
breeding
ground**

Ground-level research – Flora and Fauna Surveys



Camera Trap



Micro-level research – Micropropagation and genomics



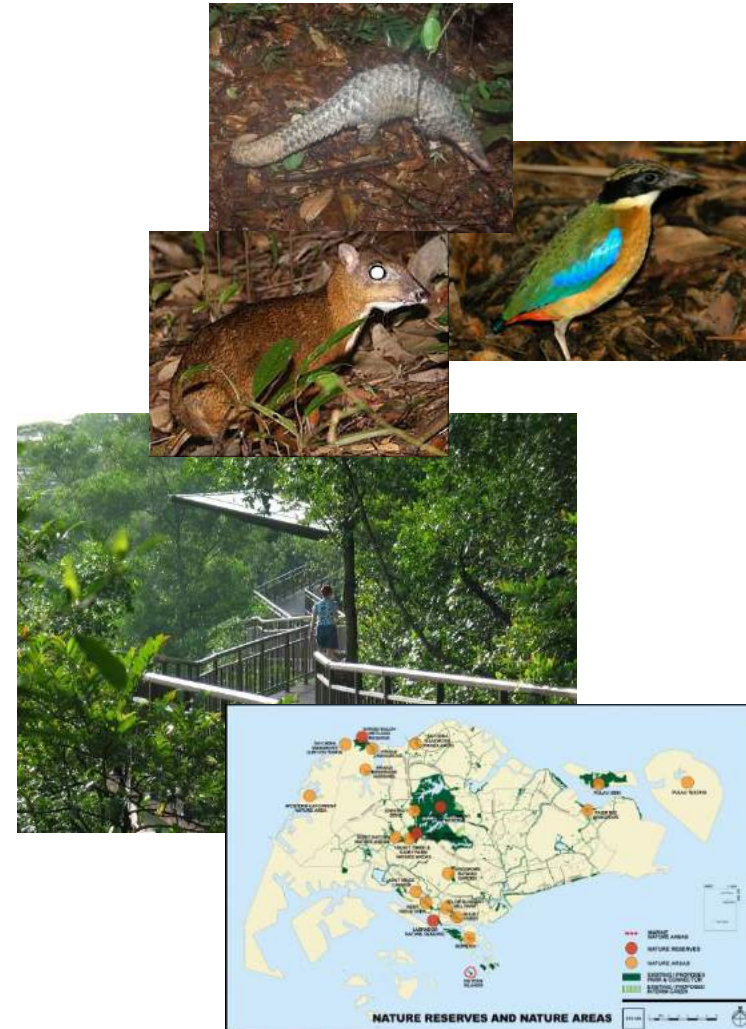
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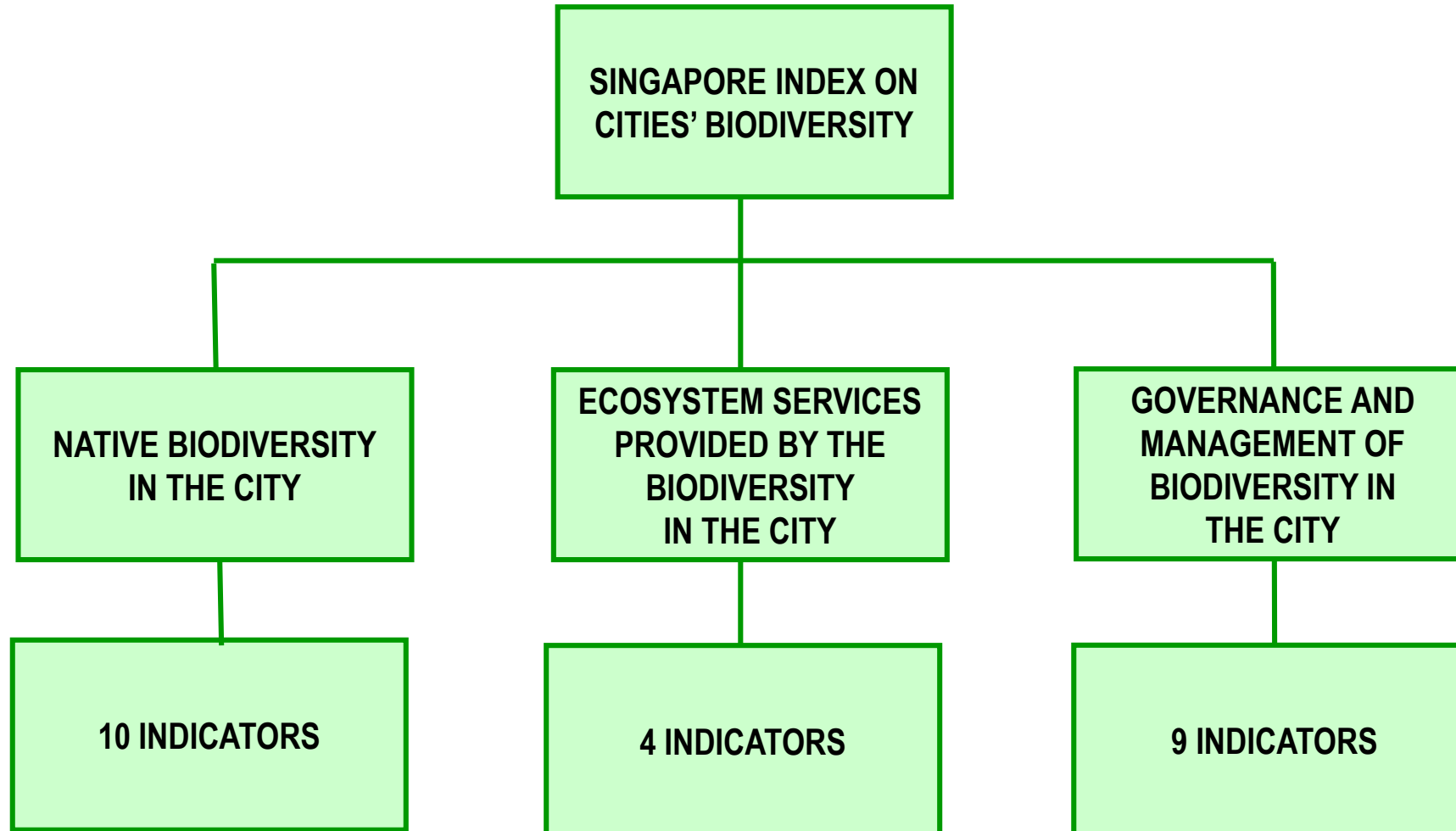
How did the SI develop?

3 components for the Index:

- Native biodiversity in the city
- Ecosystem services provided by native biodiversity in the city
- Governance and management of native biodiversity in the cities



Singapore Index On Cities' Biodiversity (SI)



Singapore Index – Application World-wide

26 city governments have applied the SI:

Auckland/Waitakere	Krabi
Bandung/West Java	La Antigua Guatemala
Bangkok	Lisbon
Brussels	London
Chiang Mai	Mira-Bhayandar
Curitiba	Montreal
Durban	Nagoya
Edinburgh	Phuket
Edmonton	Porto
Hamilton	Singapore
Heidelberg	Tallinn
Helsinki	Vitoria-Gasteiz
Hyderabad	Los Angeles

Singapore Index – Application World-wide

12 cities in the process of applying:

Calgary	Iloilo
Costa Rica	Ourense
Cuenca	Paris
Galle City	Stockholm
Hong Kong	Thane
Kaoshiung	Wellington

SI applied by academics to 14 cities:

Chiba	Kyoto
Frankfurt	Neubrandenburg
Fukuoka	Osaka
Hiroshima	Sapporo
Kawasaki	Sendai
Kitakyusyu	Tokyo
Kobe	Yokohama

Other Applications of the SI

- Guidelines on how to enhance native biodiversity
- Provision of biodiversity inputs into the master planning of cities
- Basis for calculation of economic value of biodiversity and ecosystem services
- As the biodiversity component of other indices

SINGAPORE, A **GREEN** & **BLUE** BIOPHILIC CITY IN A GARDEN

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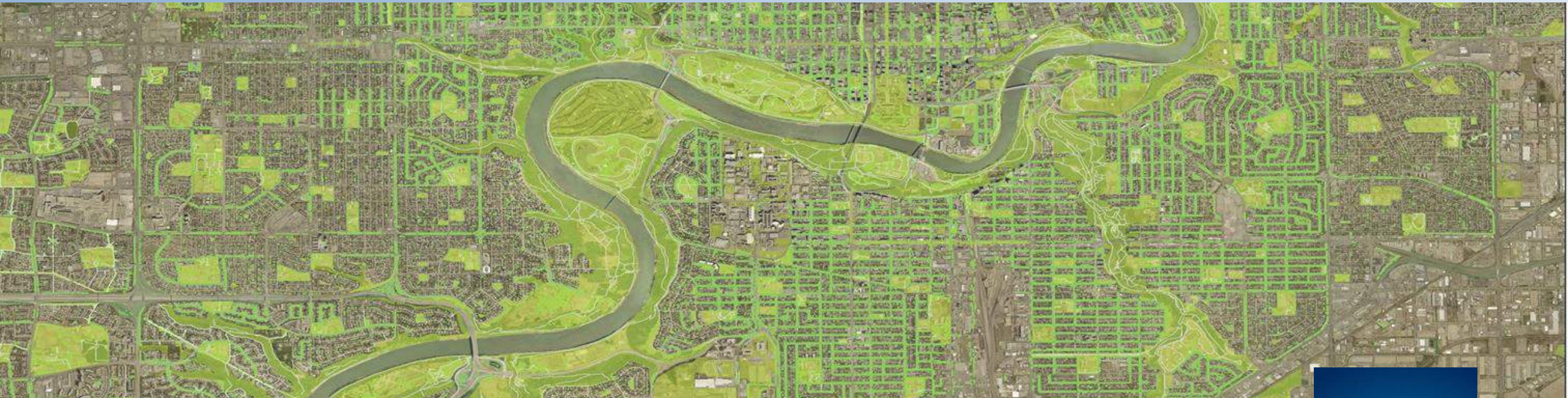
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Designing for urban wildlife passage in an increasingly fragmented world

World Bank BBL Presentation on Urban Biodiversity, Natural Capital Accounting, and Nature Based Infrastructure

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Biomes modified from Olson et al. (2001)

Forests

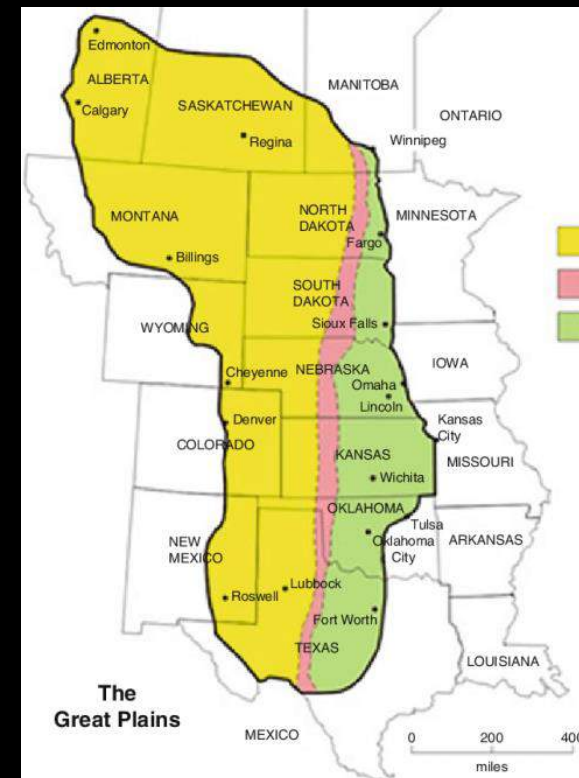
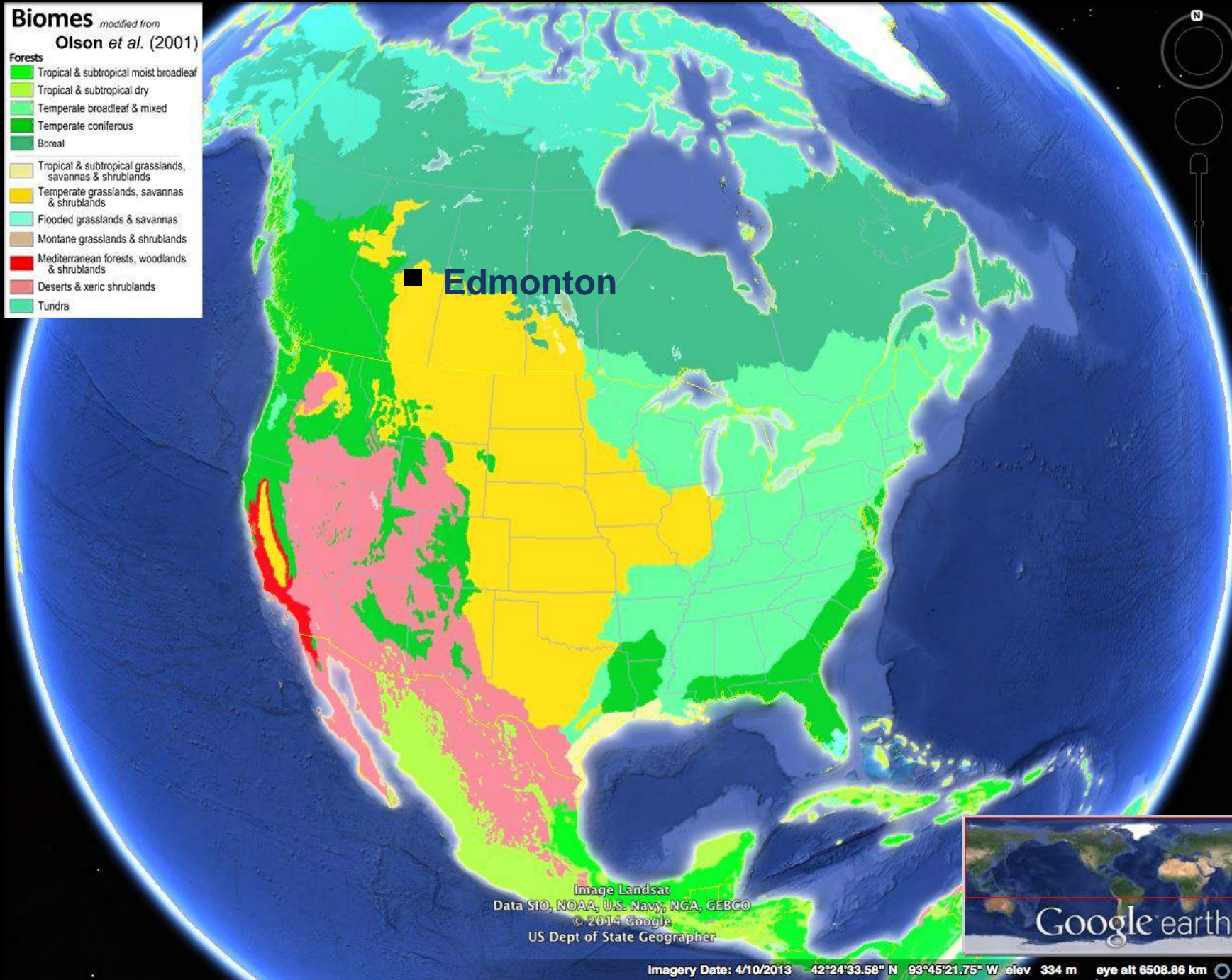
- Tropical & subtropical moist broadleaf
- Tropical & subtropical dry
- Temperate broadleaf & mixed
- Temperate coniferous
- Boreal

Grasslands & Shrublands

- Tropical & subtropical grasslands, savannas & shrublands
- Temperate grasslands, savannas & shrublands
- Flooded grasslands & savannas
- Montane grasslands & shrublands

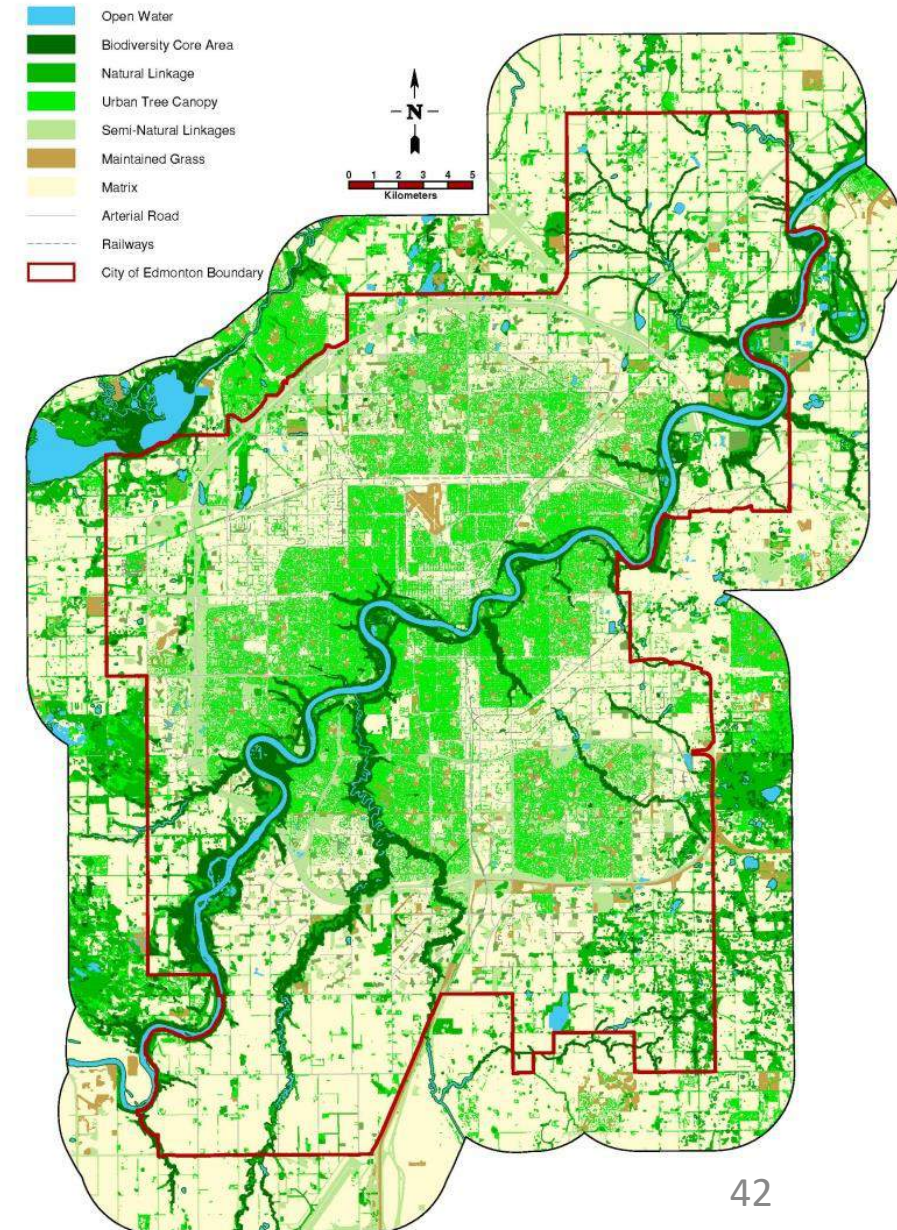
Other Biomes

- Mediterranean forests, woodlands & shrublands
- Deserts & xeric shrublands
- Tundra





City of Edmonton Ecological Network (2018)

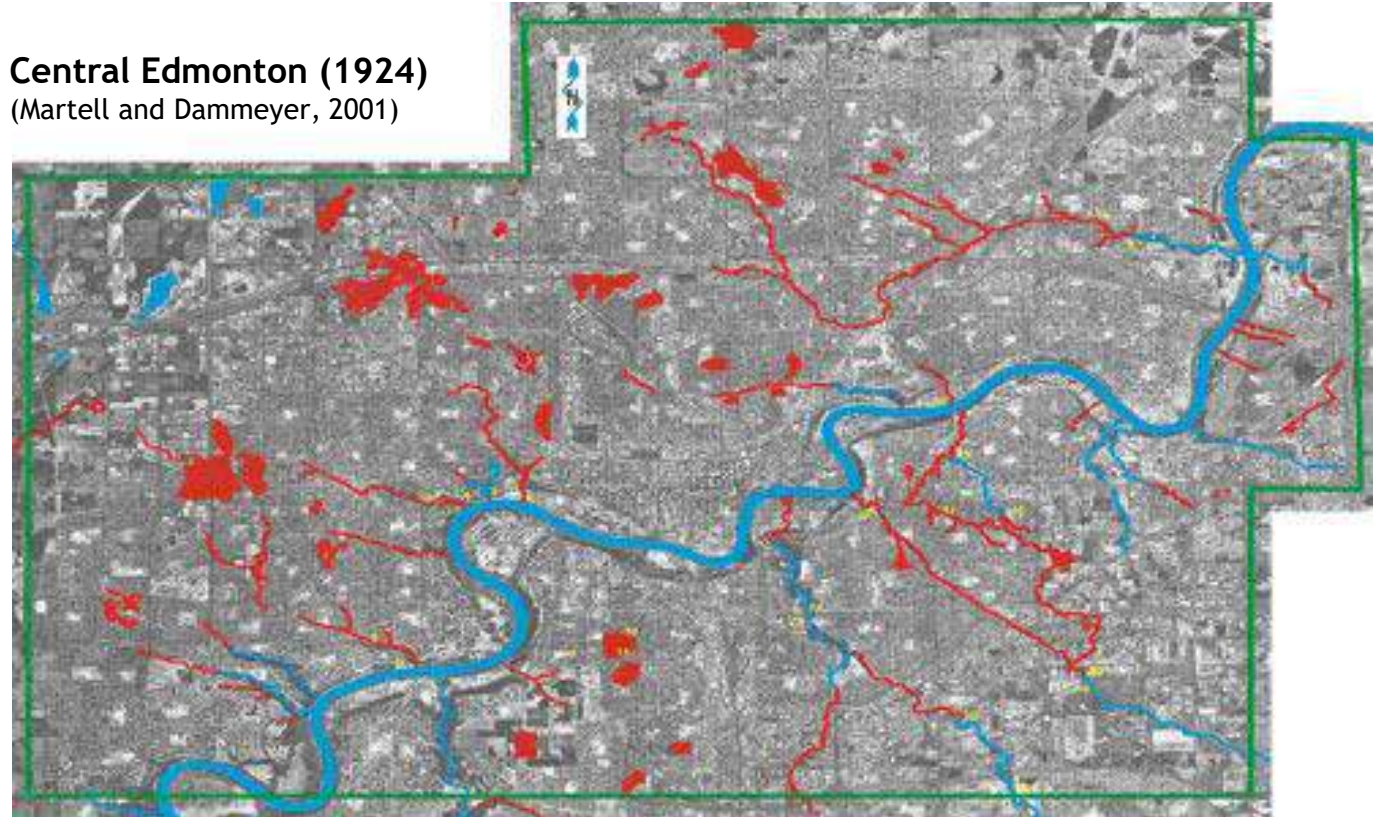


Threats to Urban Biodiversity

Habitat loss and fragmentation is the single largest threat to biodiversity conservation in an urban area

Lost wetlands and drainage courses

Central Edmonton (1924)
(Martell and Dammeyer, 2001)



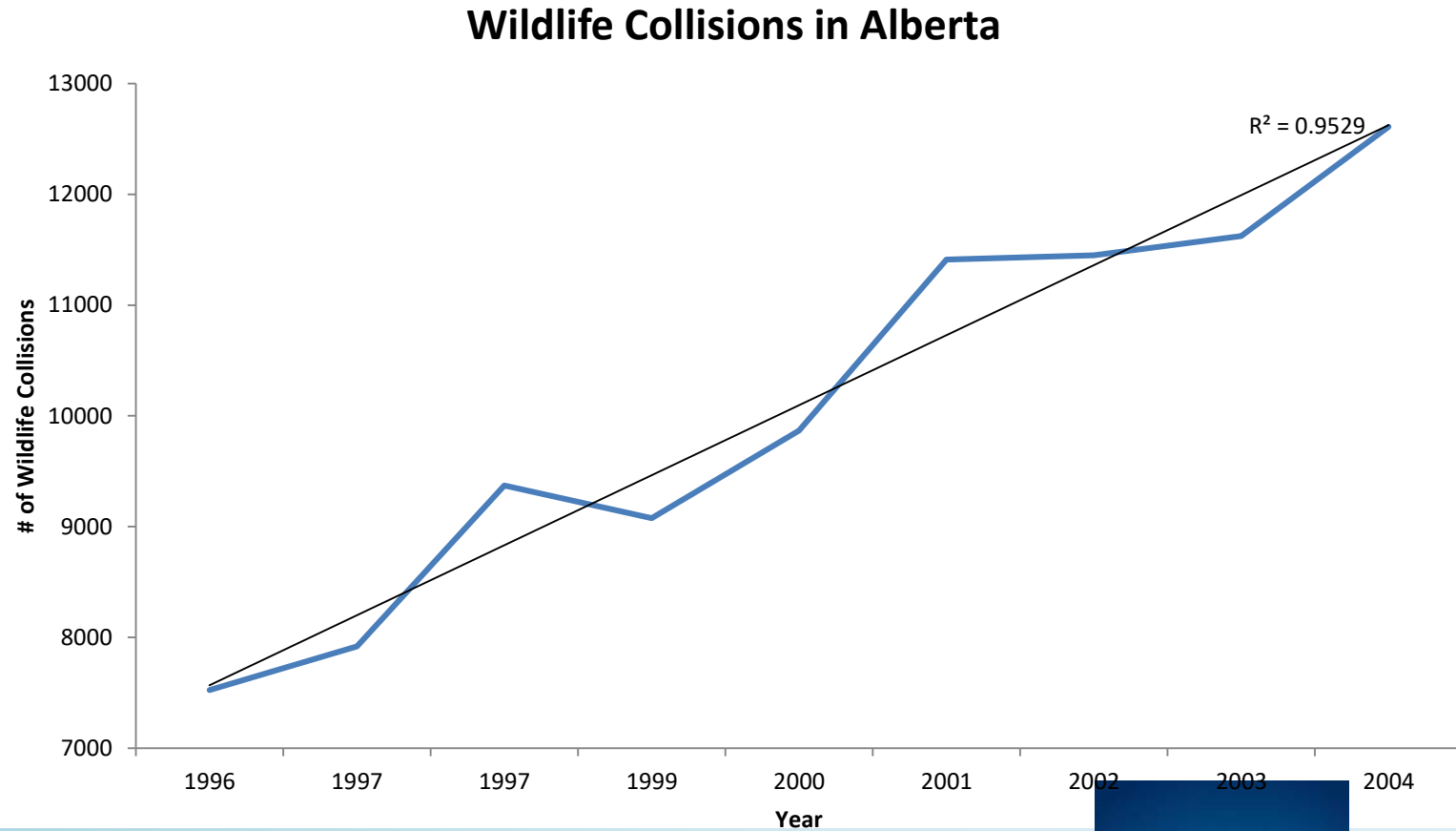
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Barriers to the movement of wildlife are created as development constrains the ecological network. Development creates barriers to movement – specifically Edmonton's transportation network



A Growing Alberta Trend

From 2011 to 2014
there were over
70,453 wildlife
collisions in Alberta

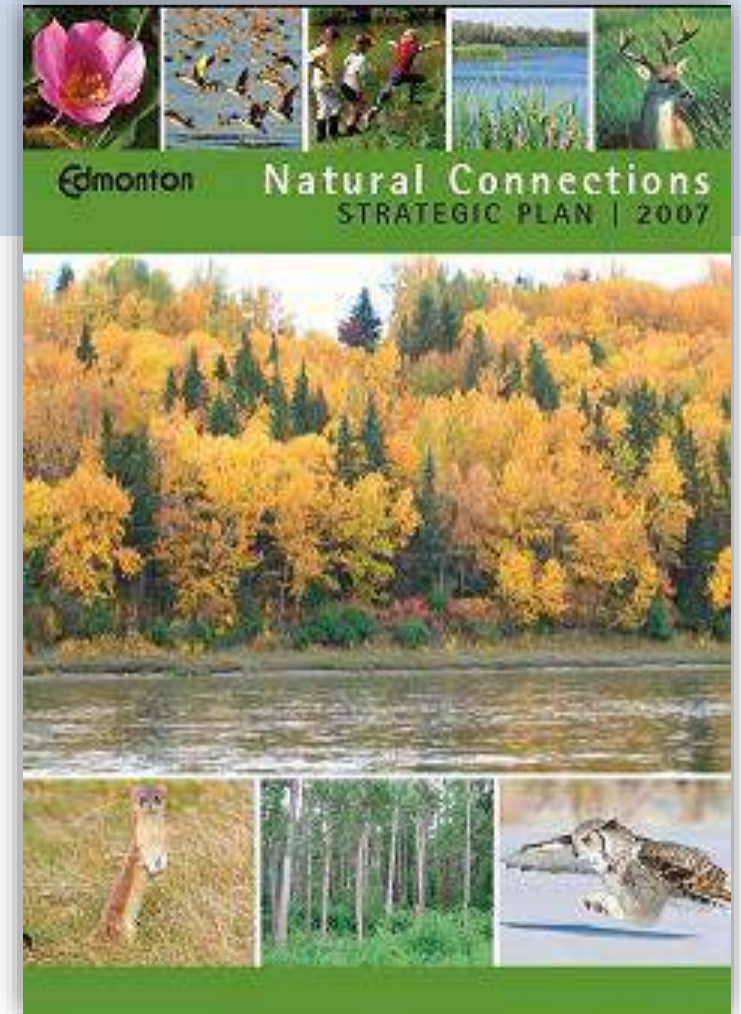
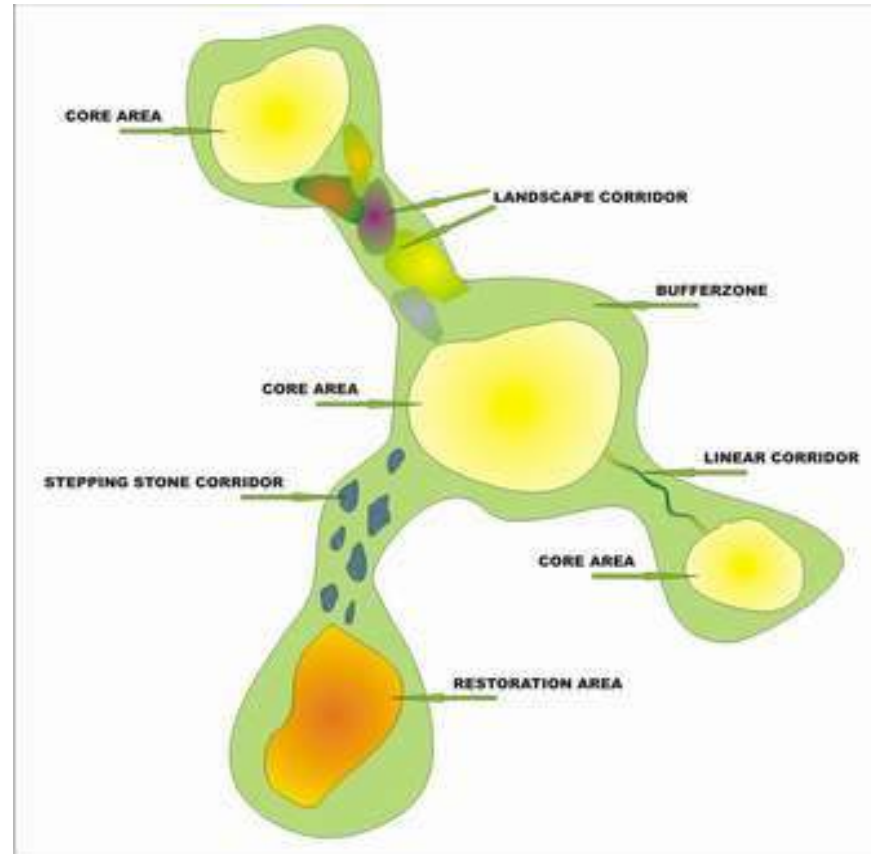


In 2007, Edmonton recognized the issue and set its sights on finding a resolution to maintain habitat connectivity and protecting urban biodiversity



Natural Connections Strategic Plan, 2007

Natural Area system to
be designed around:
*ecological
connections,*
not
*isolated protected
areas*



2007

Our 1st purpose designed suburban wildlife passage

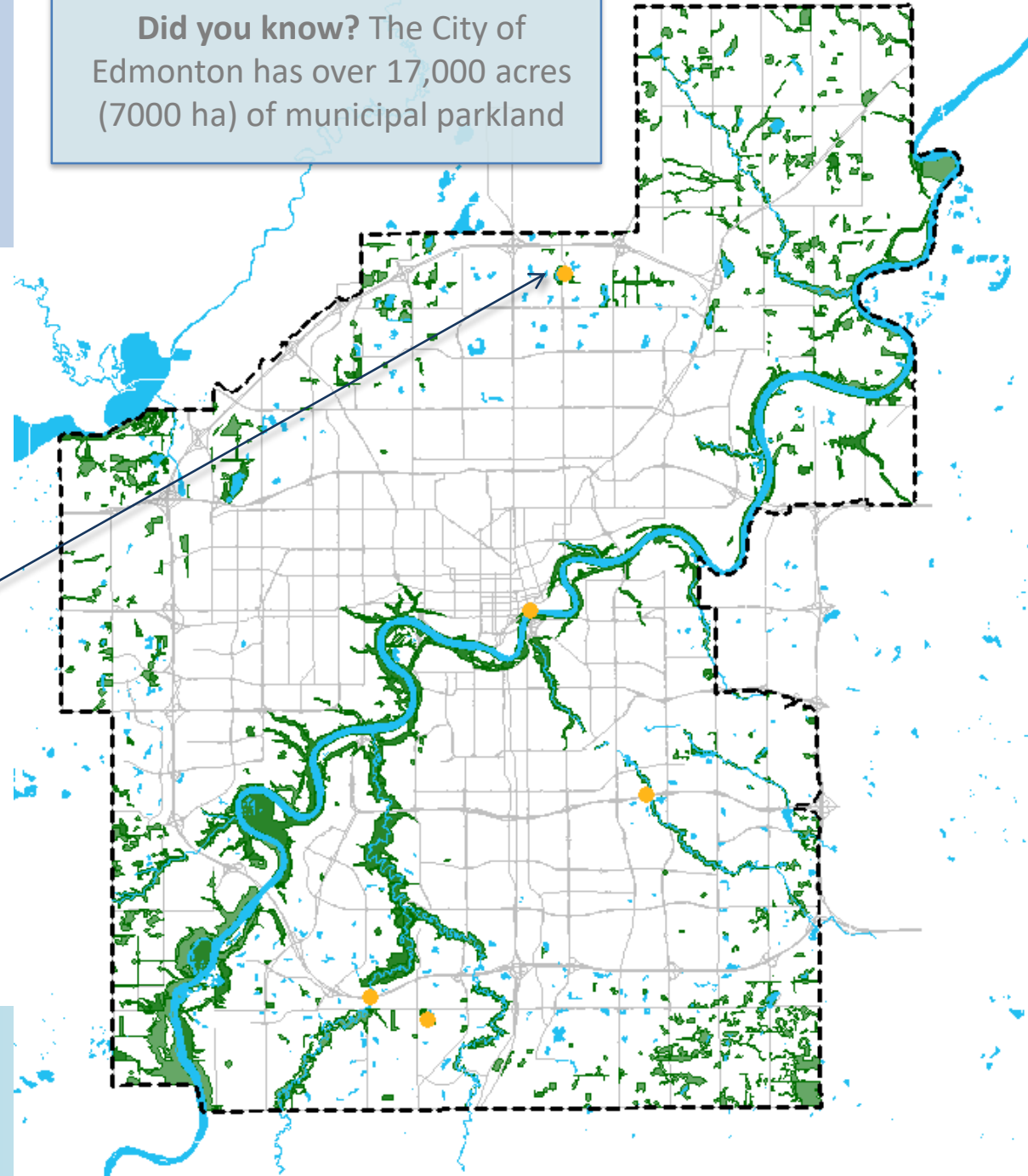


First dedicated wildlife passage.

Designed for small mammals.

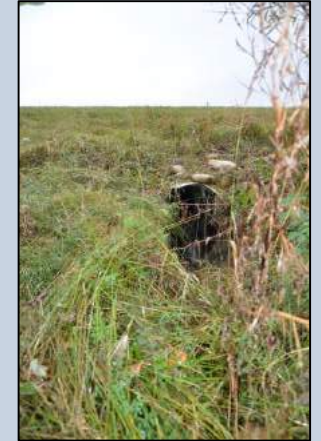
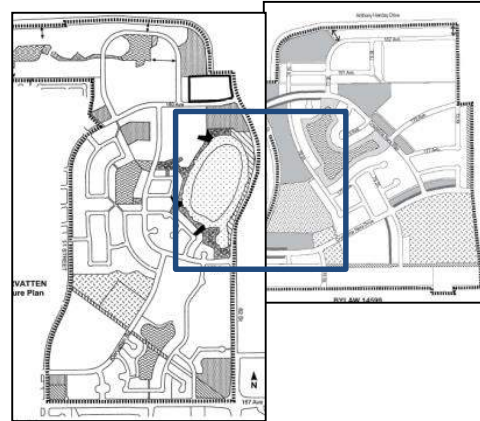
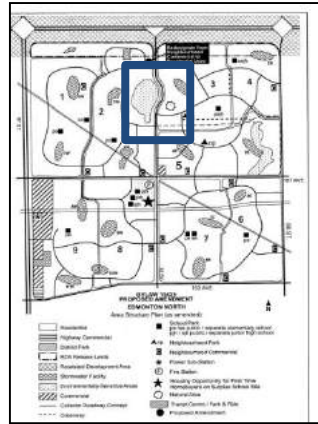


Did you know? The City of Edmonton has over 17,000 acres (7000 ha) of municipal parkland



2007

Planning for wildlife passages occurred at last stage of municipal planning process



Strategic Plans,
Policies +
Guidelines

Area Structure
Plans

Neighbourhood
Structure Plans

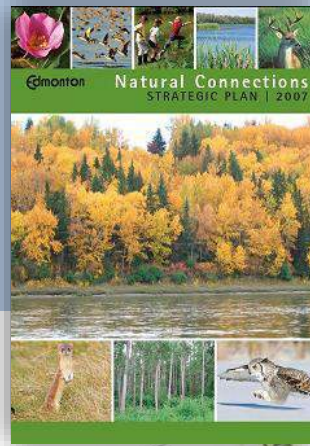
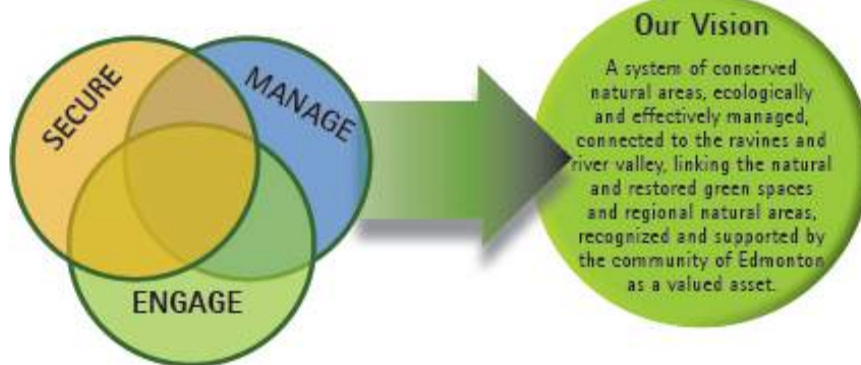
Zoning +
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Servicing
Agreements

Development +
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and Detailed
Design

2007 Paradigm shift

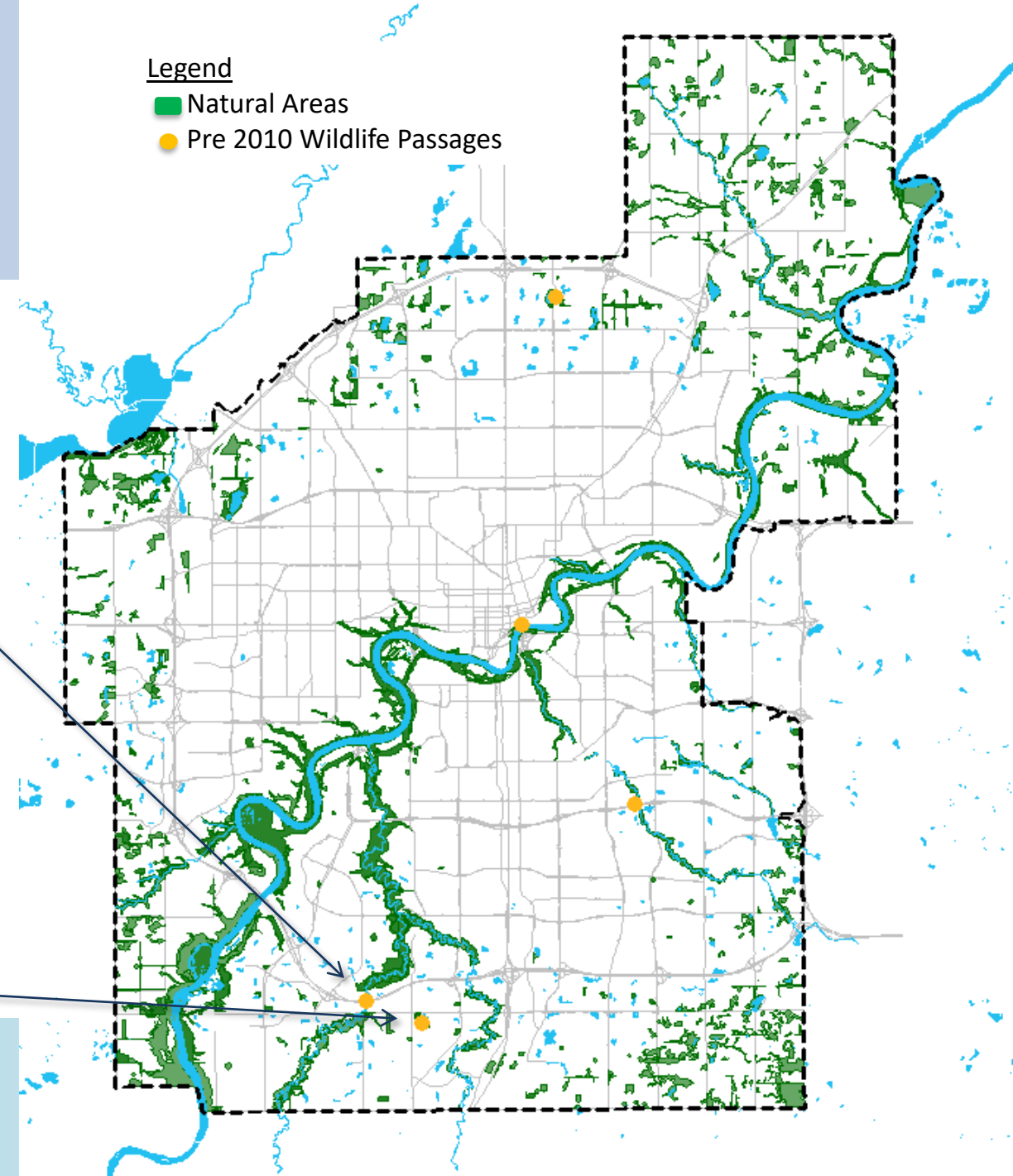
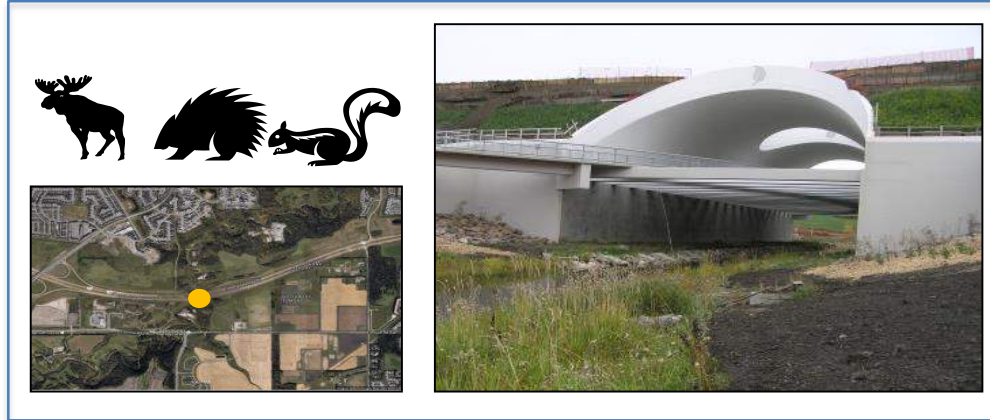
The City moves from focusing on the protection of isolated habitat patches to that of an **Ecological Network Approach**.

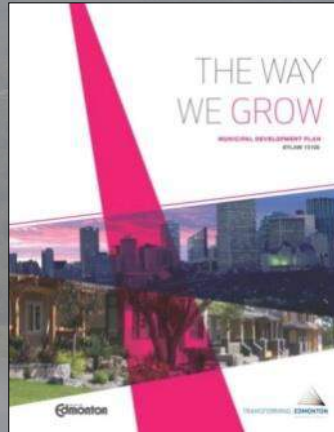
Natural Area system to be designed around ecological connections.



Pre-2010 Five passages constructed

Five dedicated wildlife passages constructed ranging from a large mammal underpass to a rolled curve





In 2010, Edmonton embedded its ecological network goal into its highest municipal planning document:
Municipal Development Plan

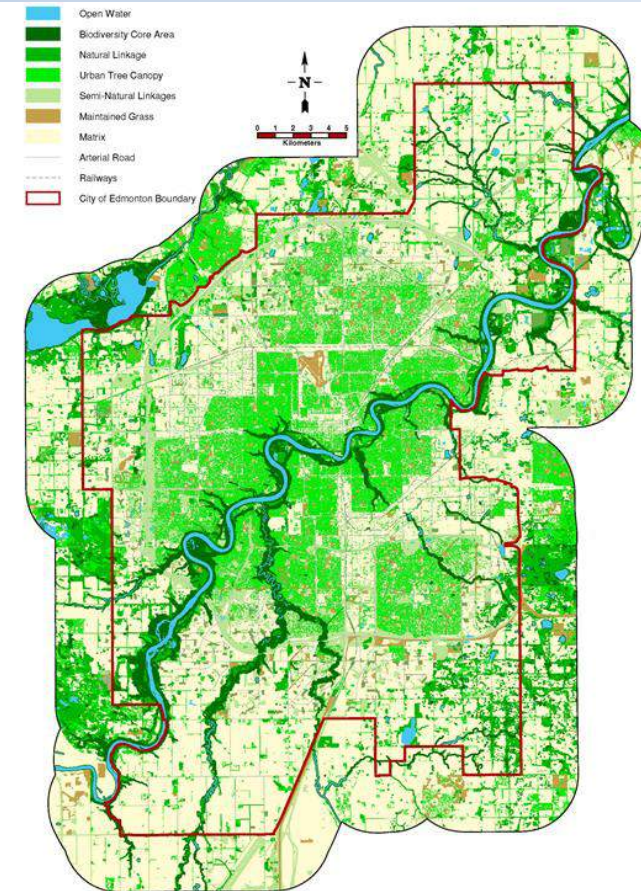
*“Edmonton protects, preserves, and enhances its natural environment by... maintaining a **functional ecological network**”*

- 1 of only 9 strategic goals, The Way We Grow

Protecting Edmonton's Ecological Network

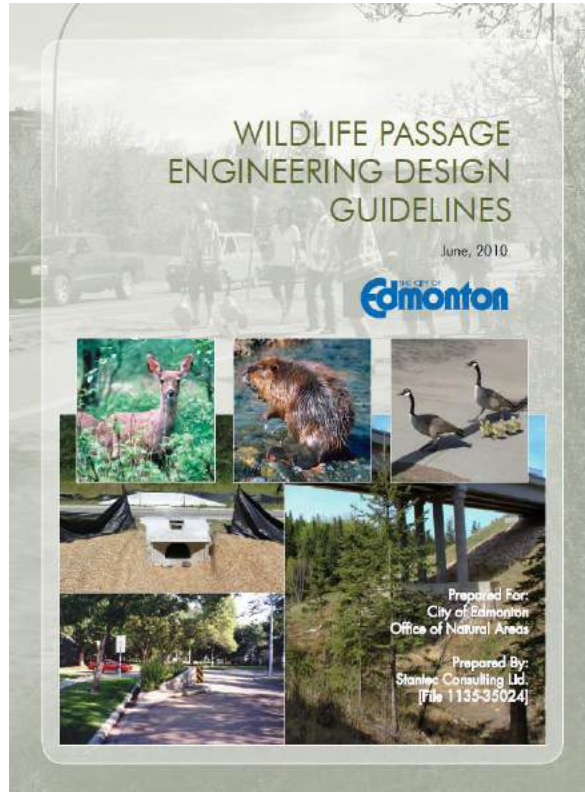
Landscape Characteristics:

- Steep and deep ravines – pre-glacial waterways and melt channels
- 178 species of birds (32 sensitive/at risk)
- 47 species of mammals (4 sensitive/at risk)
- Many wild animals present – including within the Downtown Core
- Animals include: moose, deer, lynx, beavers, skunks, porcupines to name a few.
- Edmonton is a biodiversity hotspot for fish in Alberta



2010

Wildlife Passage Engineering Design Guidelines (WPEDG) created by engineers for engineers



Project Objectives:

- 1) Maintenance of biodiversity and regional ecological connectivity within a fragmented urban landscape
- 2) Create a manual that is “engineer friendly”

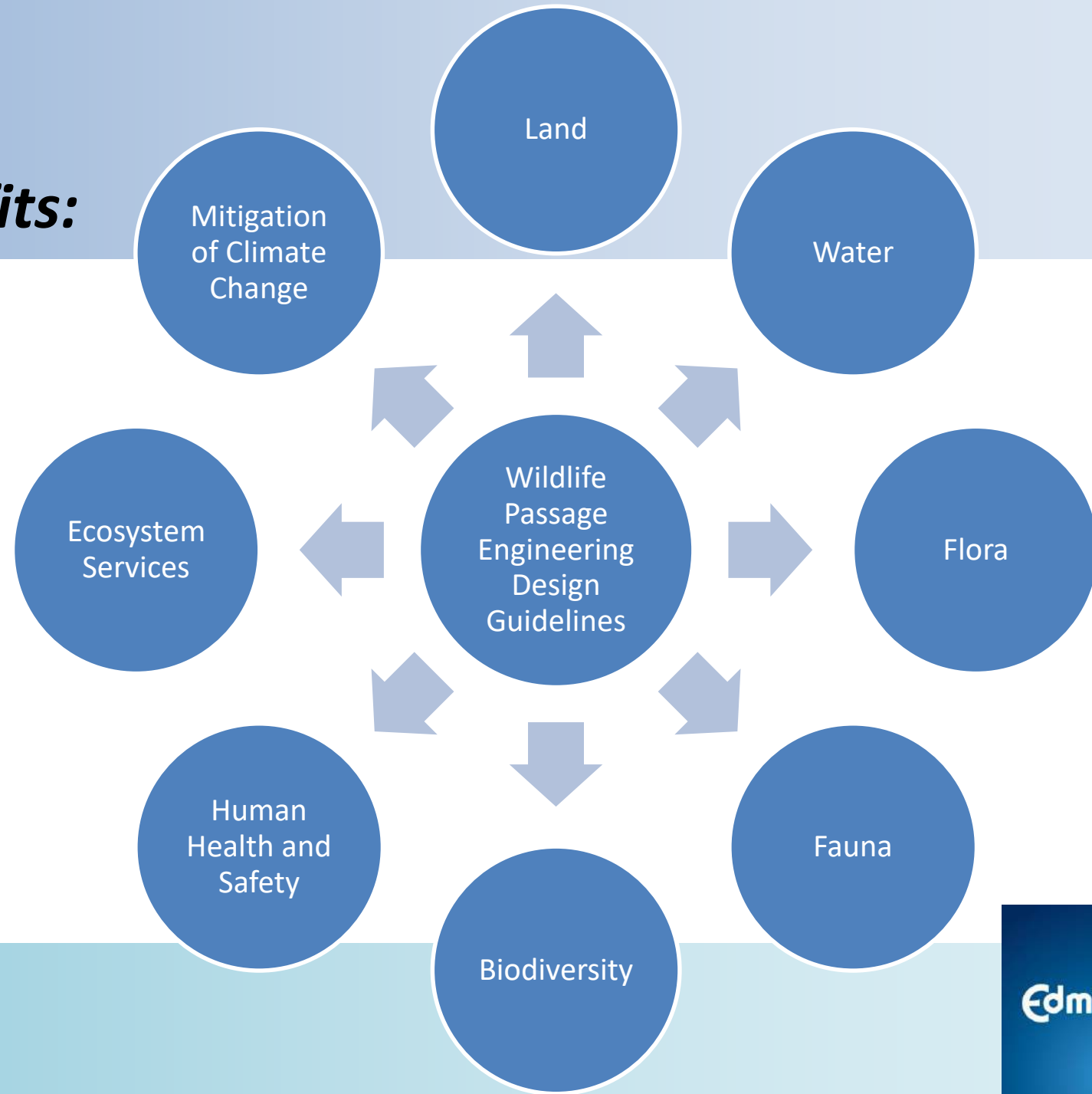
Outcomes:

- 1) To maintaining habitat connectivity and reduce genetic isolation among the city’s wildlife populations, and
- 2) Reduce human/wildlife conflict



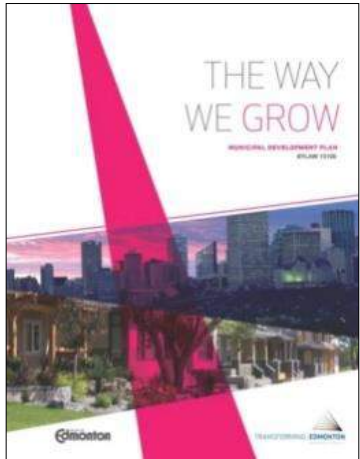
WPEDG multiple benefits:

The City is working to ensure that ecological connectivity remains on the land base to provide multiple benefits



2014

Passage identification incorporated earlier into planning process



Incorporation of planning for wildlife passages in high level plans that are informed by ecological network studies

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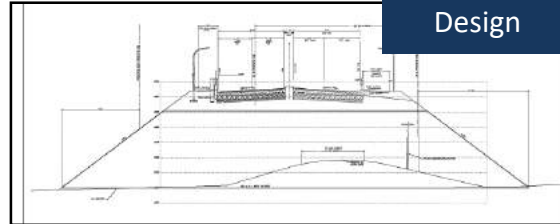
Edmonton

2010-
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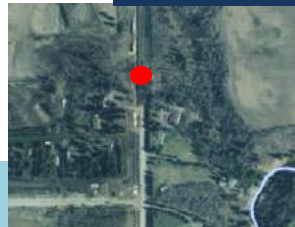
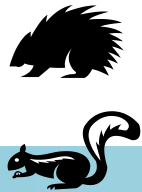
27 more wildlife passages



Hawks Pass: 1st bridge structure
in a non-ravine environment

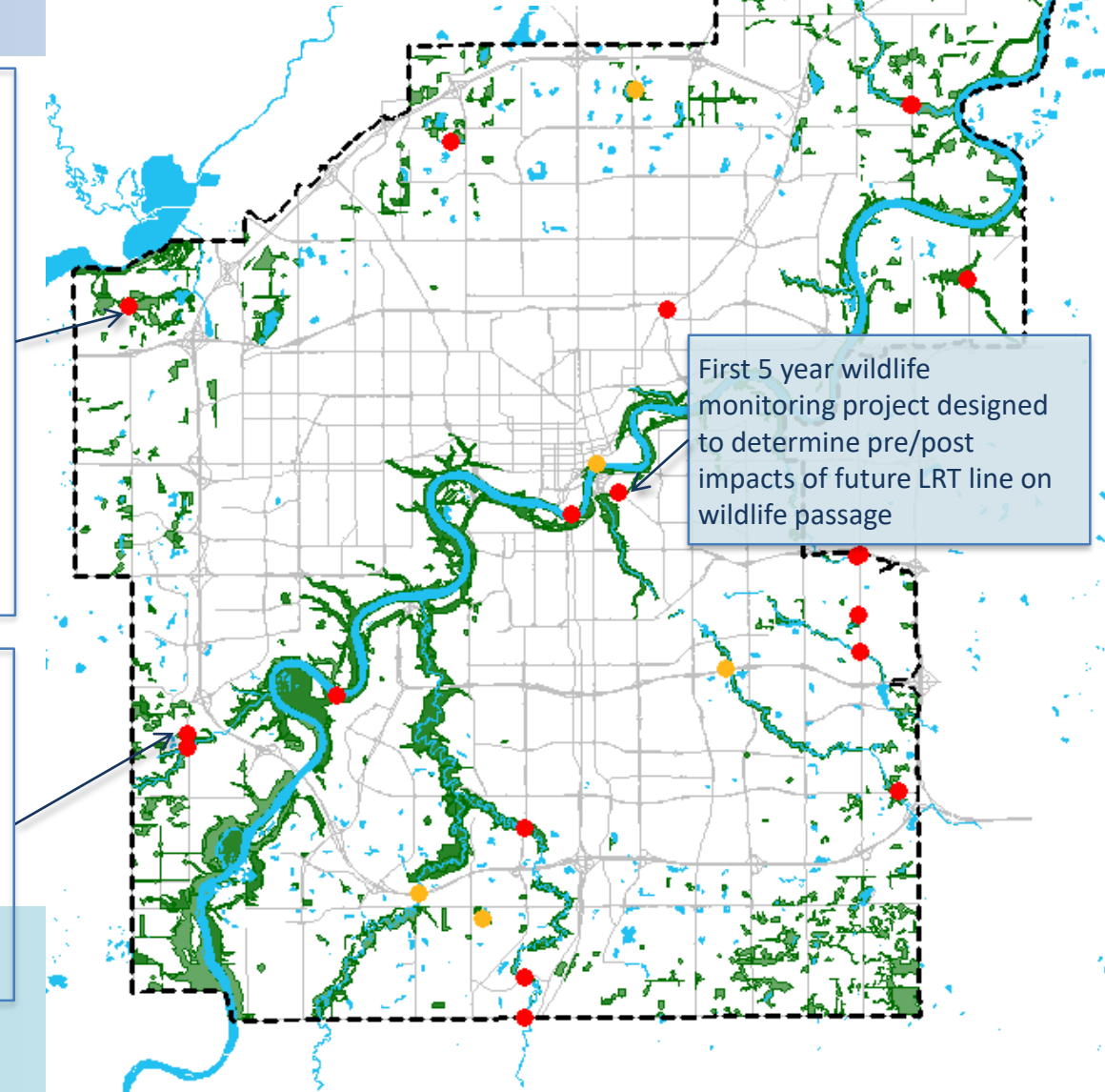


Dual culvert: to connect tributary
with creek

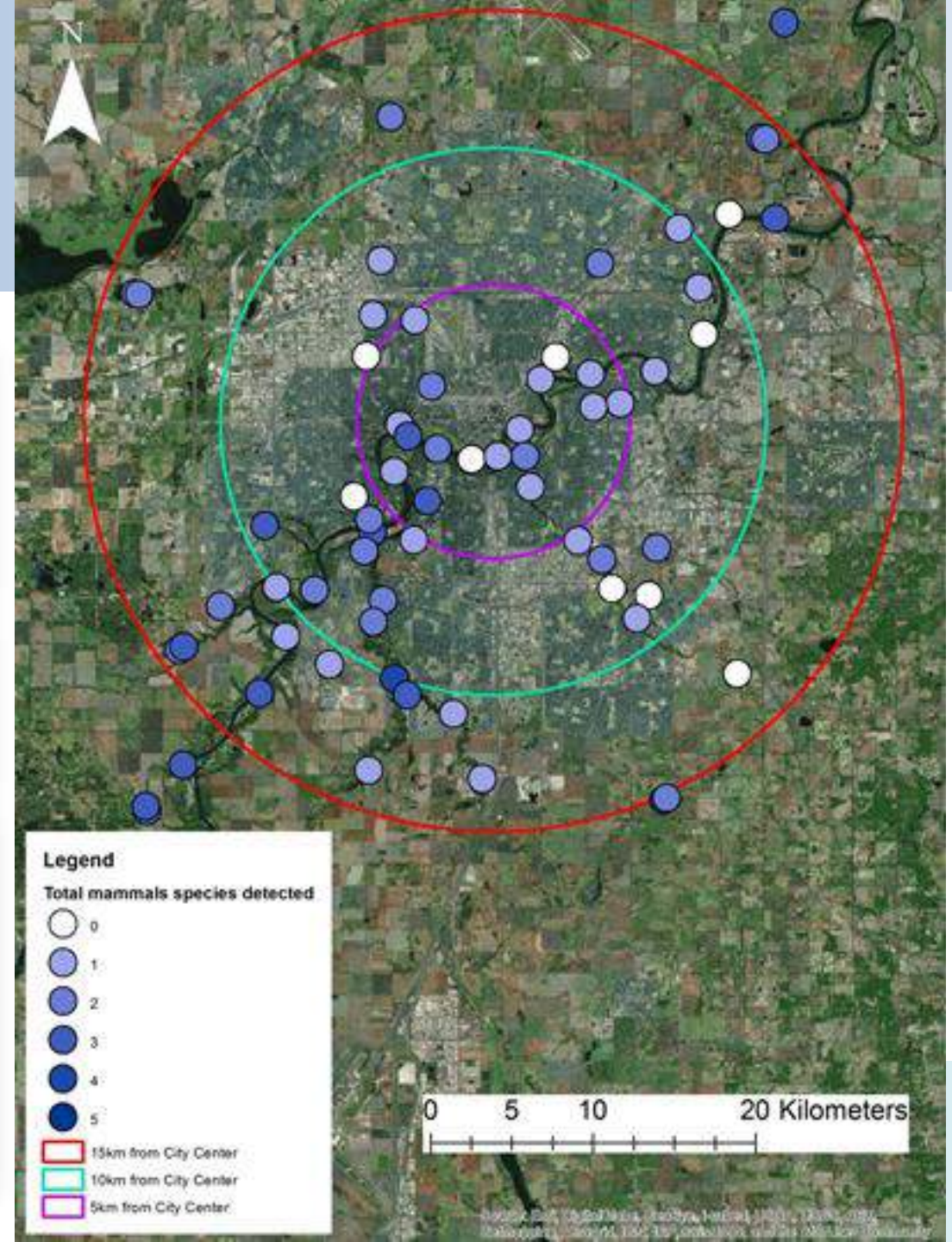
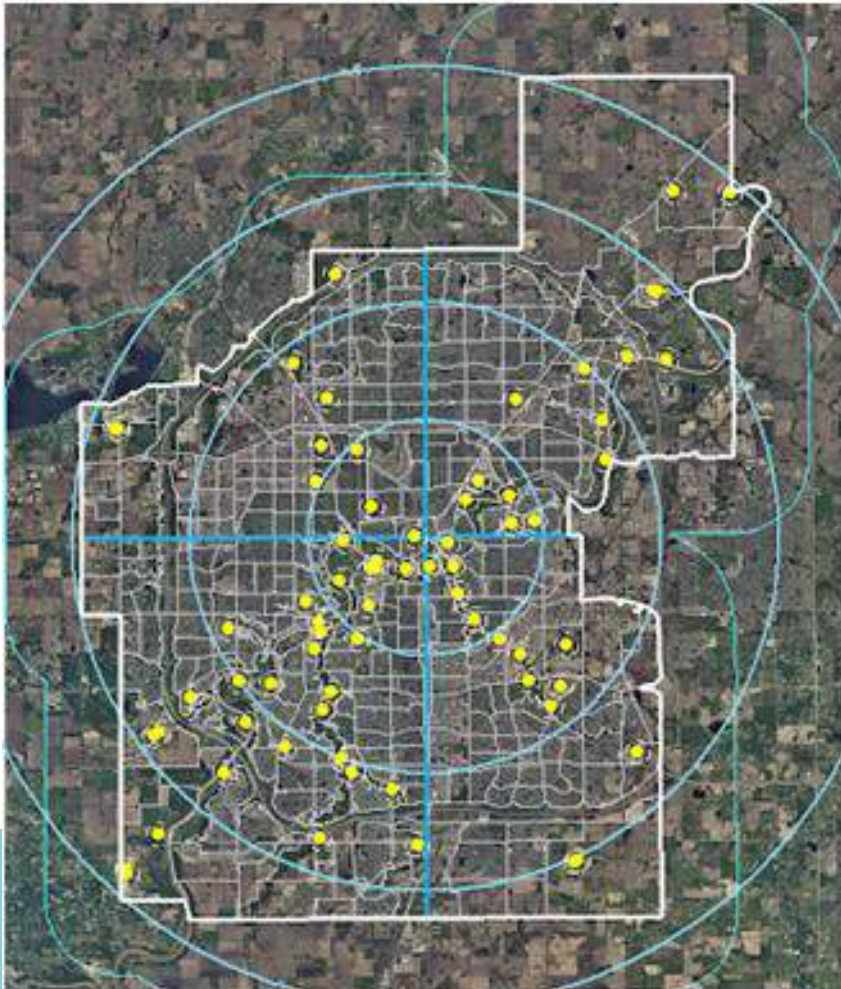


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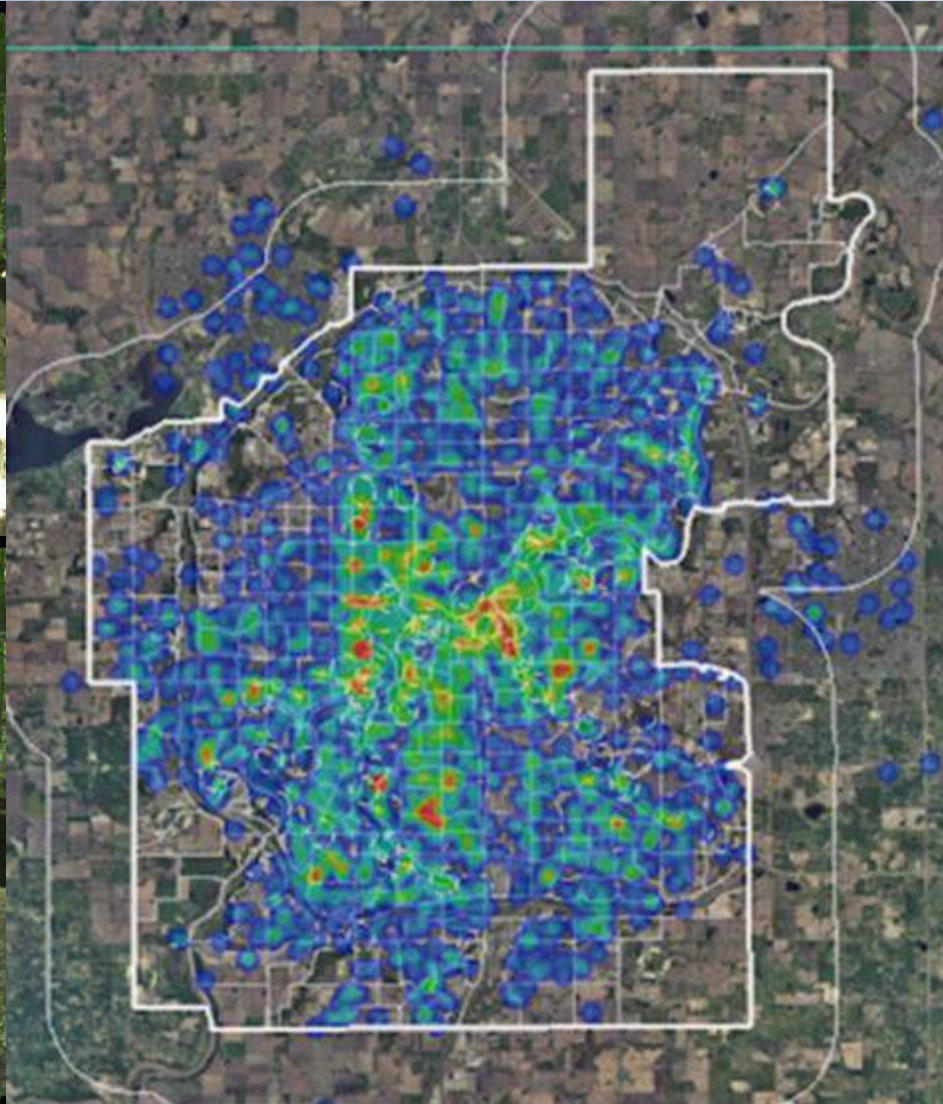
- Natural Areas
- Pre 2010 Wildlife Passages
- Post 2010 Wildlife Passages



Wildlife monitoring



Urban Coyote Monitoring



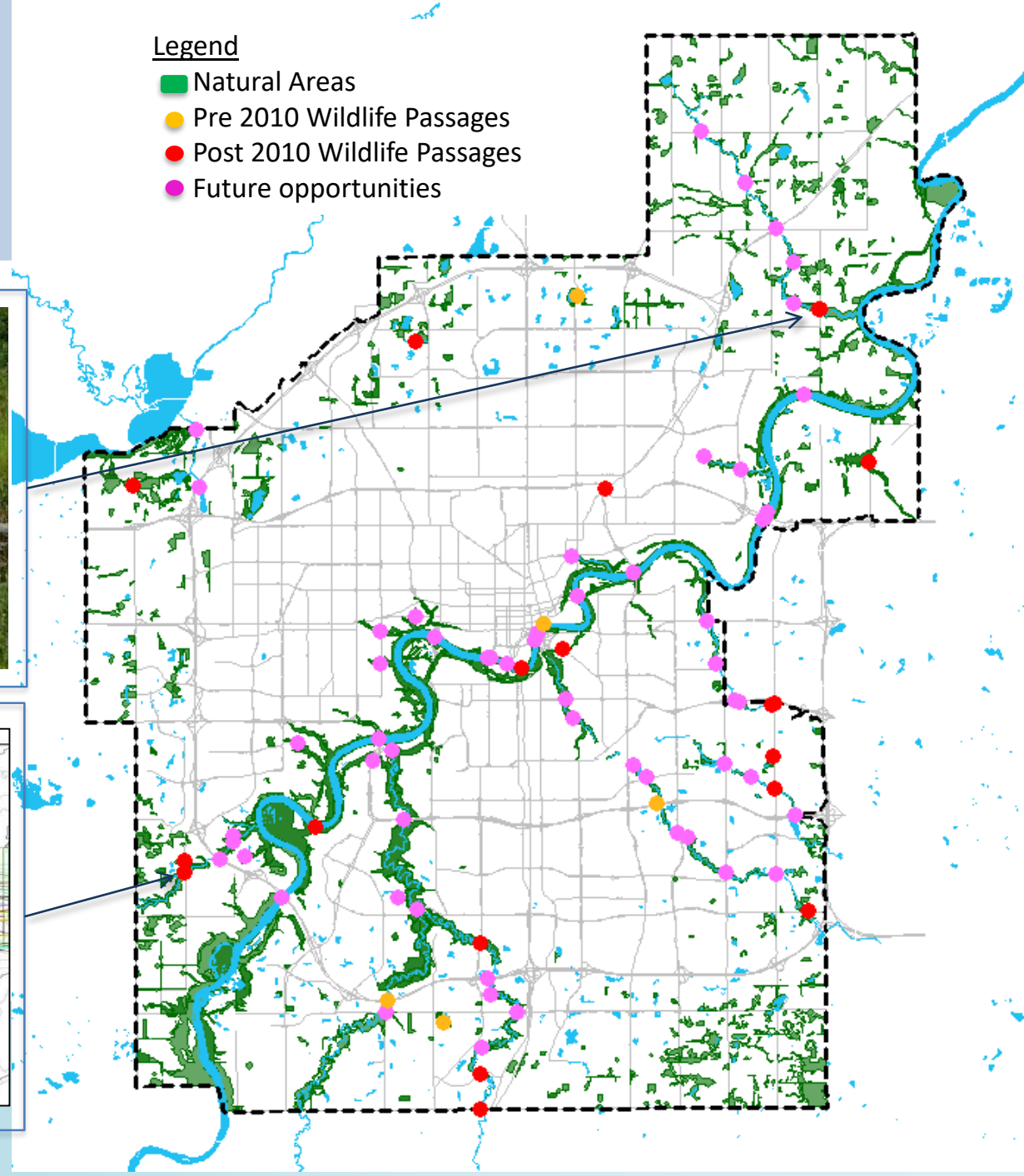
2019+ Future opportunities

Examples of passages with a restoration component

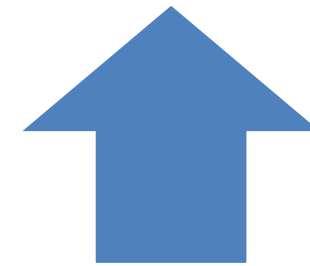
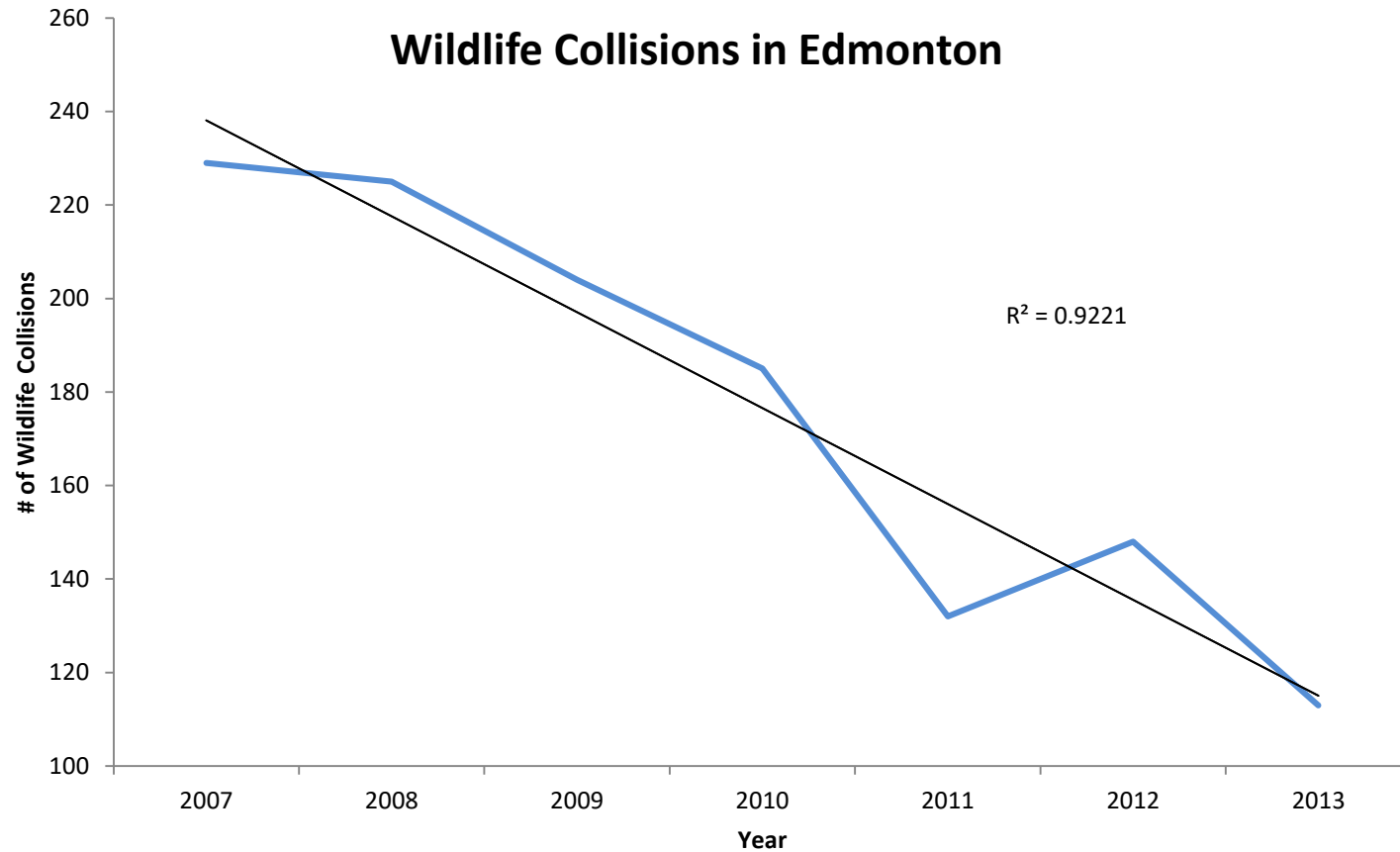


Legend

- Natural Areas
- Pre 2010 Wildlife Passages
- Post 2010 Wildlife Passages
- Future opportunities



Positive Results



While the population of Edmonton **increased** by 160,000



The number of wildlife collisions **decreased** by 51%

Support from partners

The project's greatest success is how Edmonton's ecological connectivity goals have been embraced by the private and public sector

"Through my experience from across Alberta with large mammals, I can personally attest that the work completed in the city on deer and moose crossings is a unique initiative for a Canadian municipality outside of the Mountain Parks."

— Provincial biologist with 60 years experience

"Edmonton's wildlife passage initiative is one of those innovative programs that works to incorporate sustainability in our City. It encourages all of us to develop a new level of local expertise in wildlife passage design, which sets us apart from other municipalities."

—an Edmonton land developer

"This initiative is a recognizable effort by the municipality which is working towards creating a sustainable and resilient city by prioritizing biodiversity protection in its transportation and drainage planning."

... The wildlife passage project is a perfect example of how the City effectively engages various disciplines with the intent of finding a common approach to biodiversity conservation."

— ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

Thank you!



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Wild London? Biodiversity and the future city

Peter Massini

Lead – Green Infrastructure

Greater London Authority



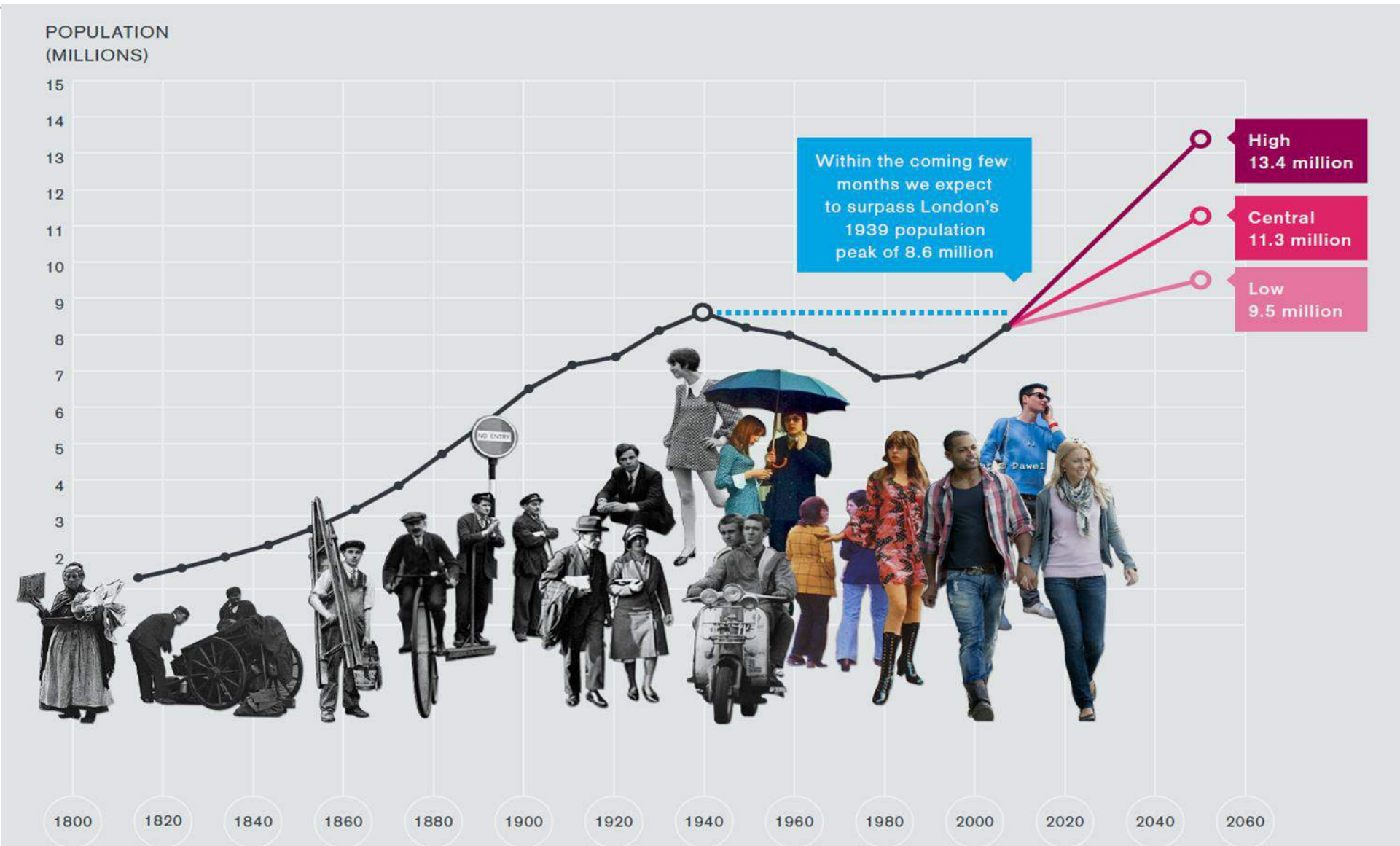
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THE LONDON PLAN

THE SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY FOR GREATER LONDON
DRAFT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

DECEMBER 2017



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London Environment Strategy

DRAFT CONSULTATION STRATEGY

AUGUST 2017



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Green infrastructure is the network of green spaces, rivers and woodlands (as well as features such as street trees and green roofs) that is planned, designed and managed to:

- promote healthier living;
- lessening the impacts of climate change;
- improving air quality and water quality;
- encouraging walking and cycling; and
- enhancing biodiversity and ecological resilience.

Policy G1 Green infrastructure

London's network of green and open spaces, and green features in the built environment such as green roofs and street trees, should be protected, planned, designed and managed as integrated features of green infrastructure.

N.b. Supporting text references natural capital accounting

Policy G6 Biodiversity and access to nature

Ensure the protection and conservation of Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation, priority species and habitats, and promote opportunities for enhancing them using Biodiversity Action Plans.

Seek opportunities to create other habitats, or features such as artificial nest sites, that are of particular relevance and benefit in an urban context.

Policy G5 Urban greening

- Major development proposals should contribute to the greening of London by including urban greening as a fundamental element of site and building design, and by incorporating measures such as high-quality landscaping (including trees), green roofs, green walls and nature-based sustainable drainage.



A Natural Capital Account for London's green spaces

London's public green space have a gross asset value in excess of £91 billion, providing services valued at £5 billion per year.

For each £1 spent by local authorities and their partners on public green space, Londoners enjoy at least £27 in value.

Londoners avoid £950 million per year in health costs due to public green space



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São Paulo, the challenges of SUSTAINABLE development and preservation of biodiversity

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City of São
Paulo
Biodiversity



Main stages of preparation:

1. Diagnosis
2. Priority Areas for Conservation and Recovery
3. Action Plan

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Rain Forest
Plan of São
Paulo

Diagnosis

Flora

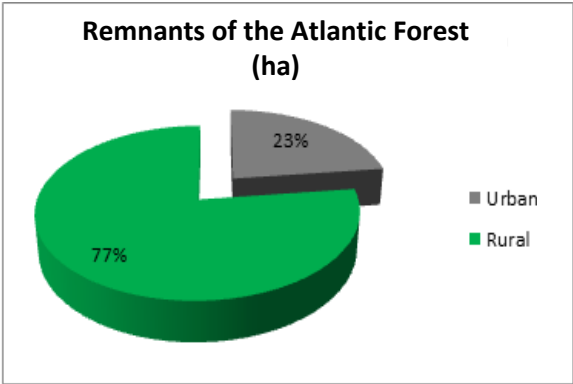
4,426 vascular species / 3,285 native species

Fauna

Class	Number of species
Mammalia	83
Birds	372
Amphibia	45
Reptilia (tortoises, crocodiles, lizards and snakes)	40
Osteichthyes (fishes)	23
Insecta (butterflies and crickets)	126
Arachnida (spiders)	09
Malacostraca (crabs and crayfishes)	02

District	Remnants of the Atlantic Forest Biome (ha)	%
Urban	10.554,25	23%
Rural	35.378,05	77%
Total	45.906,47	100,00%

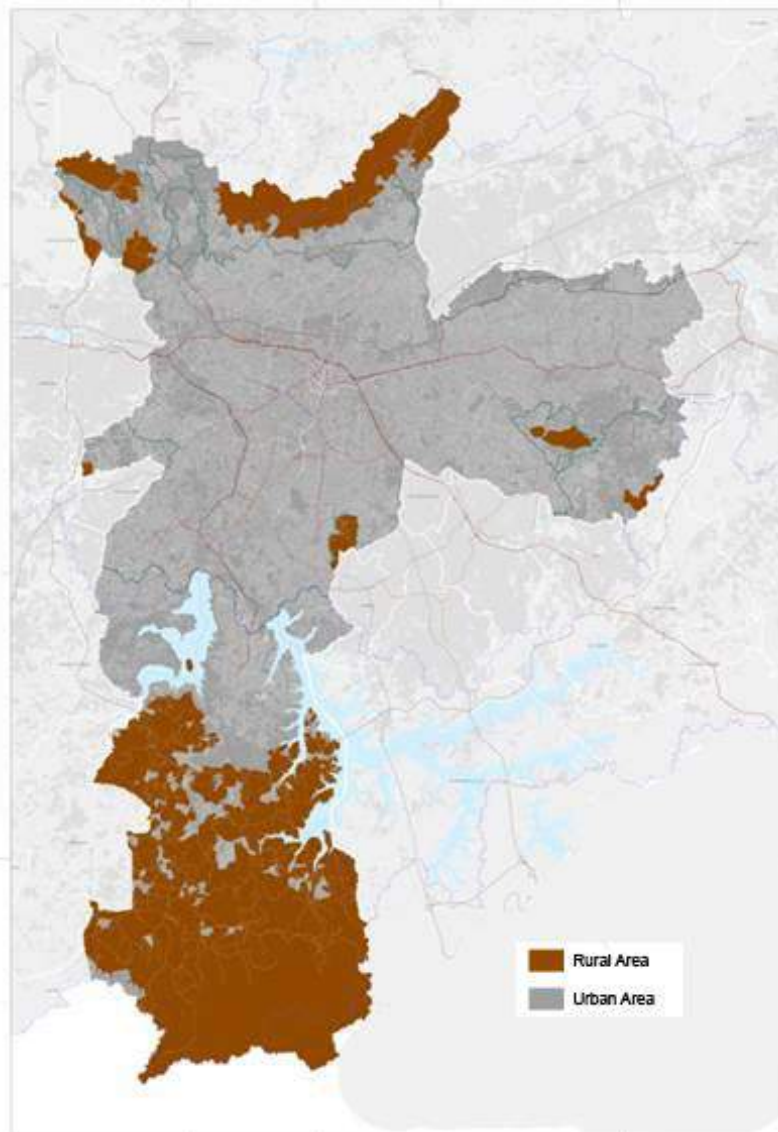
Municipality Area	Remnants of the Atlantic Forest Biome (ha)	%
152.712,00	45.906,47	30,06%



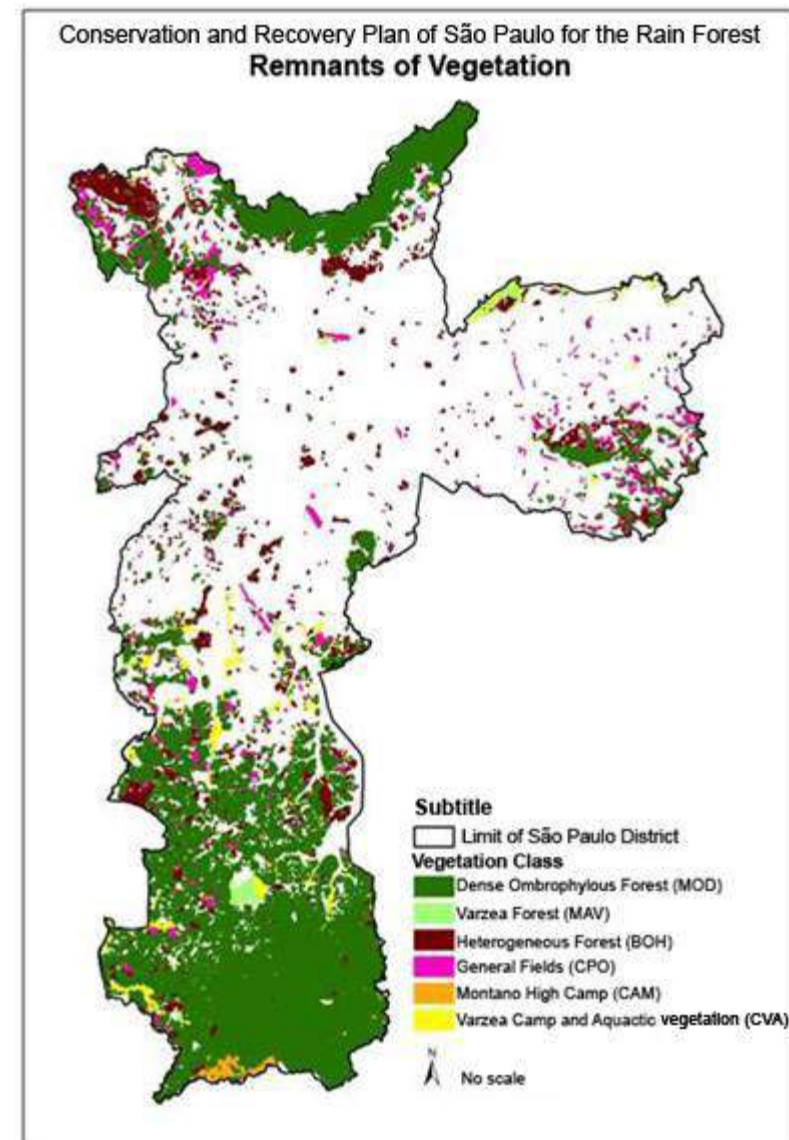
Urban Area and Rural Area

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Rain Forest Plan of São Paulo



Remnants - PMMA



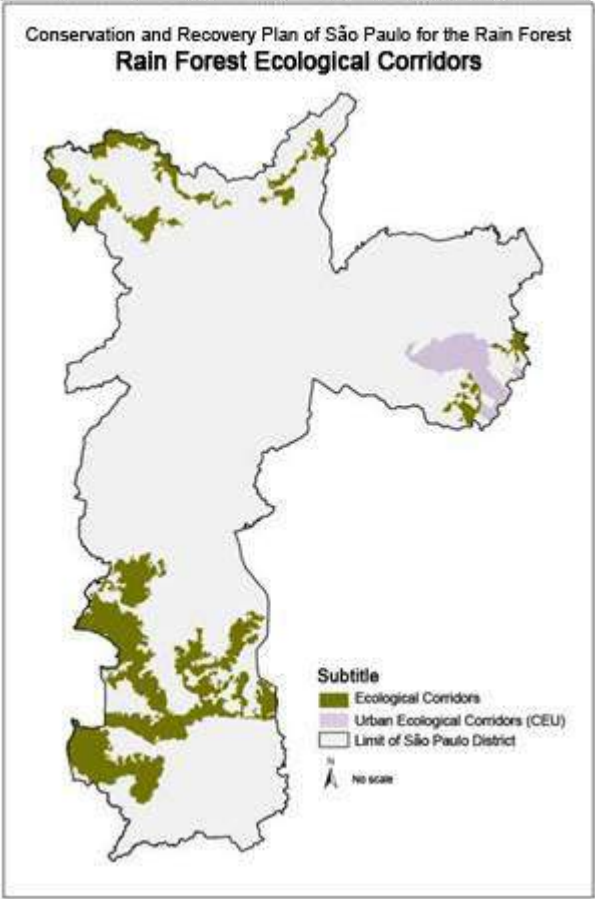
Priority Areas: Ecological Corridors

Ecological corridors are areas that have forests ecosystems with great importance and viable for the conservation of the Atlantic Forest Biodiversity, composed by conservation units groups, indigenous lands and interstitial areas. Its function is the effective protection of nature, reducing or preventing the fragmentation of existing forests, through the connection between different modalities of protected areas and other spaces with different uses of the soil.

Available in: <http://www.mma.gov.br/areas-protegidas/programas-e-projetos/projeto-corredores-ecologicos>

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Rain Forest Plan of São Paulo



Atlantic Forest from São Paulo District (%)*	Total Area of Atlantic Forest from São Paulo District (hectare)	Total Area of Atlantic Forest from Ecological Corridors (hectare)
30,06	45.932,30	15.232,35

*Approximately 1/3 is within the Corridors

Main Actions

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Rain Forest Plan of São Paulo

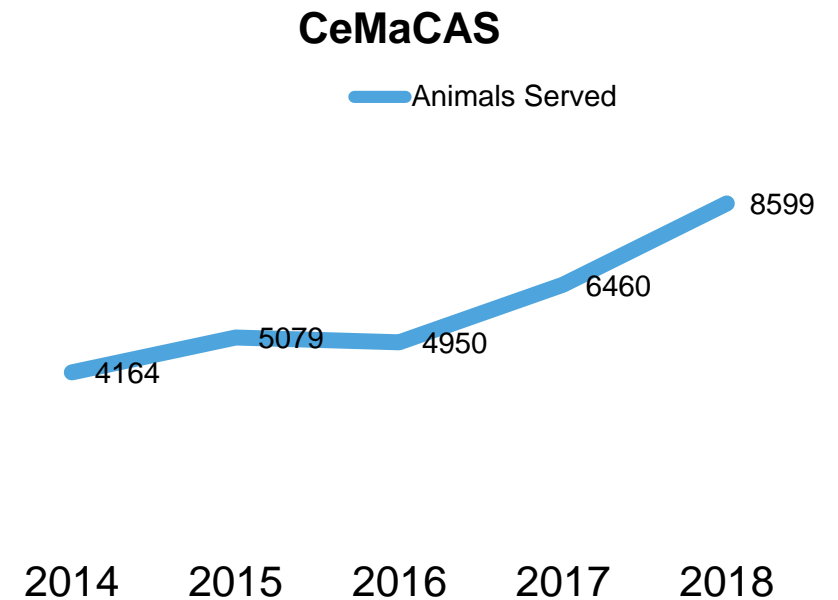
- 1.To create and implement Ecological Corridors;
- 2.Propose the creation and / or expansion of UCs, Urban Parks and Linear Parks;
- 3.To create and implement the Ecological Restoration Program in UCs, urban parks, linear parks and private areas;
- 4.To create the sustainable management development program for rural areas of the municipality of São Paulo
- 5.To improve Environmental Inspection in articulation with the State Government;
- 6.To prepare and implement the PMMA Communication Plan;
- 7.To apply the incentive instruments for conservation and recovery of remnant Rain Forest, as the PSA. (Payments for Provision of Environmental Services)
- 8.To raise and systematize studies of vegetation resilience to climate change;
- 9.To perform a study of the behavior of the regional climate against the change in the use and occupation of the soil in the vegetated areas.
- 10.To create financial incentives and technical support for the category of Private Natural Heritage Reserve

Technical Division of Veterinary Medicine and Wildlife Management

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Wildlife Care

- The Wildlife Division is prepared to attend the various species of wild animals that live in the city of São Paulo. This service is provided by technicians specialized in the premises of the Technical Division of Veterinary Medicine and Wildlife Management and Conservation of Wild Animals (CeMaCAS).
- From 1991 to 2018, 71,754 wild animals were treated.
- The Wildlife Division also conducts the wildlife county inventory. The most recent number (2018) recorded 1,121 species in 135 green areas and 5 water bodies.



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Biodiversity Planning

System of Protected Areas, Green Areas and Free Spaces (SAPAVEL)

SAPAVEL is comprised of both environmentally sensitive areas such as conservation units and parks, as well as squares, open spaces, green areas of lots, cemeteries. Such system is an important tool to contribute to the environmental agenda of the township.

Payments for Provision of Environmental Services (PSA)

Implementation of a new instrument to reward property owners who knowingly preserve areas that provide relevant environmental services for the city's sustainability, such as water production, organic agriculture, preservation of remnants of the Atlantic Forest and biodiversity.

National Wildlife Management System (SISFAUNA)

The National Wildlife Management System is an electronic system for the management and control of enterprises and activities related to the use and management of wild fauna in carriage in the national territory.

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Biodiversity Planning

Urban Tree Management System (SISGAU)

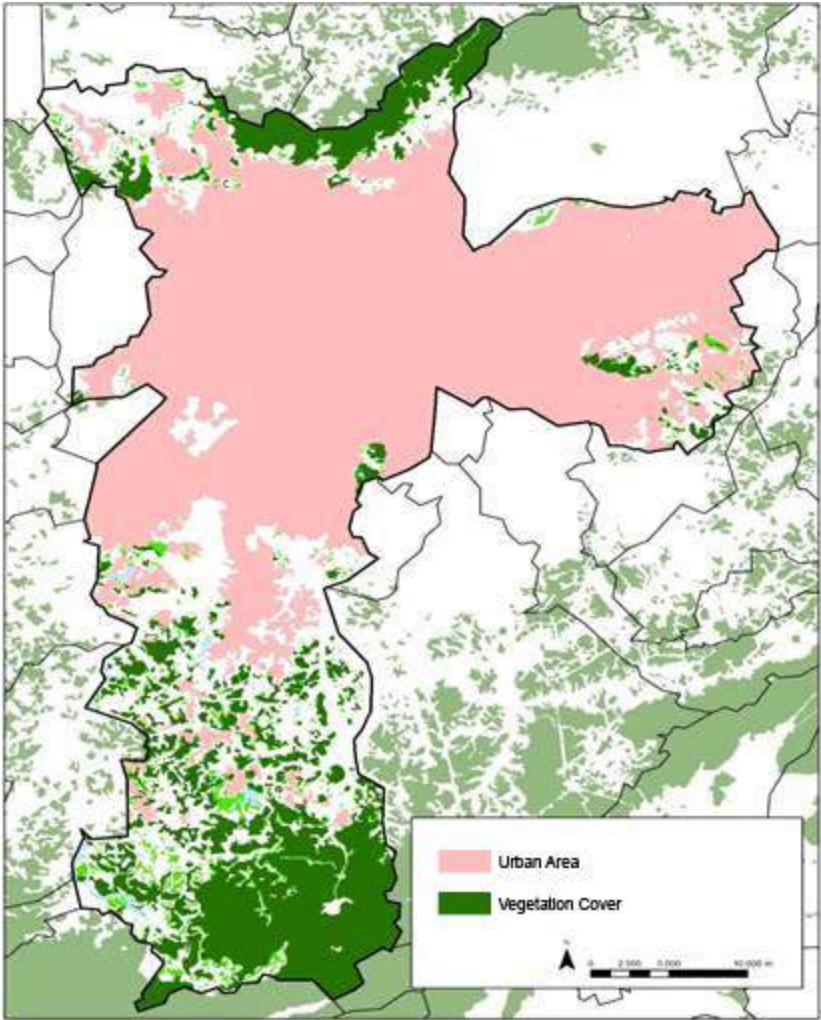
SISGAU is a web platform tool that assists the tree planting process through the construction of a register of trees, compiling information relevant to the creation of strategies for managing the specimens.

Supervision

SVMA counts on the Coordination of Environmental Surveillance (CFA), which supervises through of denunciations of environmental crimes, mainly using Law 9605/1998, which deals with criminal and administrative sanctions derived from actions harmful to the environment.

3
Indicators for
monitoring

Vegetation Cover



Green Area by Inhabitant

Green public area, in square meters per inhabitant by territorial city hall of São Paulo District

Aricanduva / Formosa / Carrão	4,13
Butantã	5,73
Campo Limpo	2,25
Capela do Socorro	16,23
Casa Verde / Cachoeirinha	17,44
Cidade Ademar	0,77
Cidade Tiradentes	4,89
Ermelino Matarazzo	4,17
Freguesia / Brasilândia	18,54
Guaianas	1,35
Ipiranga	10,7
Itaim Paulista	2,09
Itaquera	12,82
Jabaquara	4,69
Jaçanã / Tremembé	88,58
Lapa	4,71
M'Boi Mirim	6,94
Mooca	2,37
Parelheiros	358,79
Penha	15,1
Perus	63,71
Pinheiros	6,31
Pirituba	12,63
Santana / Tucuruvi	15,07
Santo Amaro	2,27
São Mateus	3,13
São Miguel	2,94
Sé	2,54
Vila Maria / Vilha Guilherme	3,03
Vila Mariana	6,8
Sapopemba	1,54
Vila Prudente	

Indicators for monitoring

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Decision Making

The SVMA considers several factors for the decision making that can directly or indirectly impact the life of the citizen, we can mention:

- Encouraging the adoption of sustainable practices in construction, solid waste disposal and environmental preservation;
- Resilience
- Long-Term Planning;
- Strategic Director Plan;

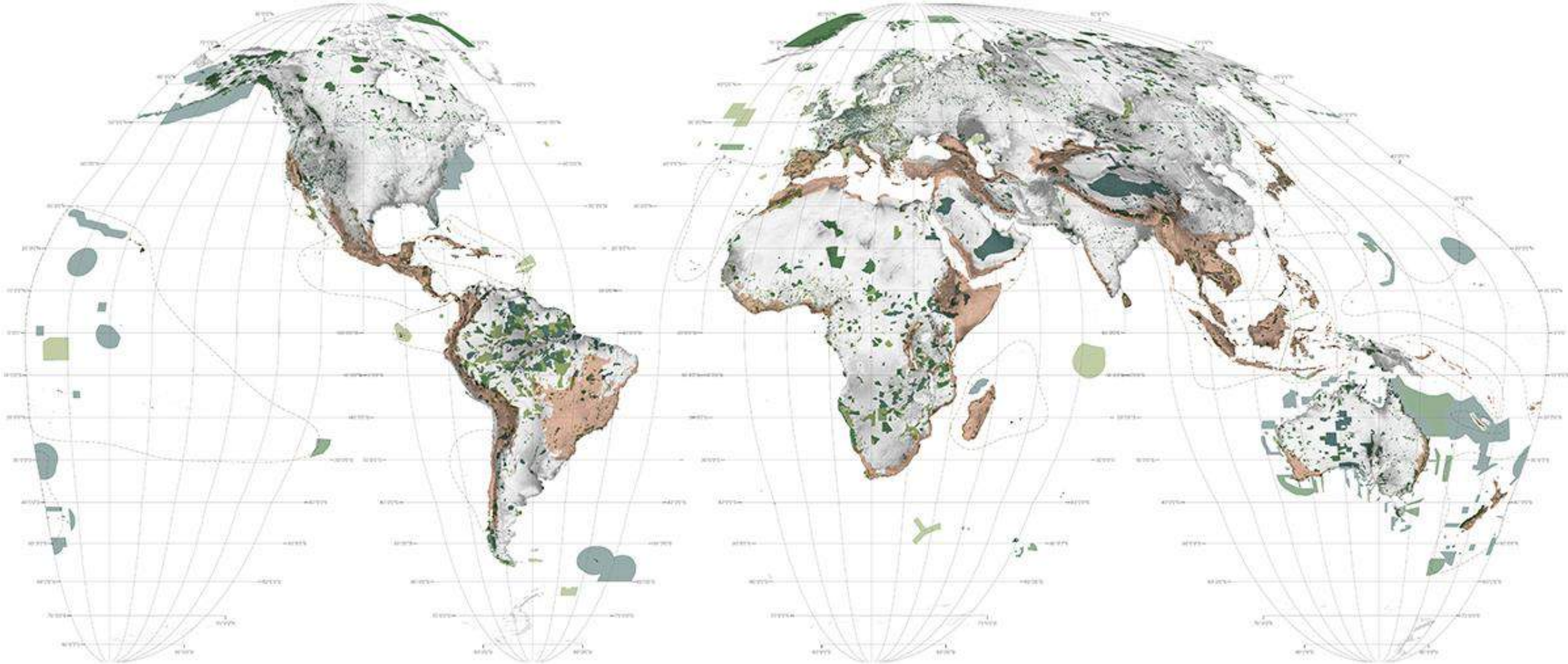
The adoption of solutions based on nature for new constructions with increased permeability, containment of rainwater, ceilings and green walls and the non-incentive to use of automobile.





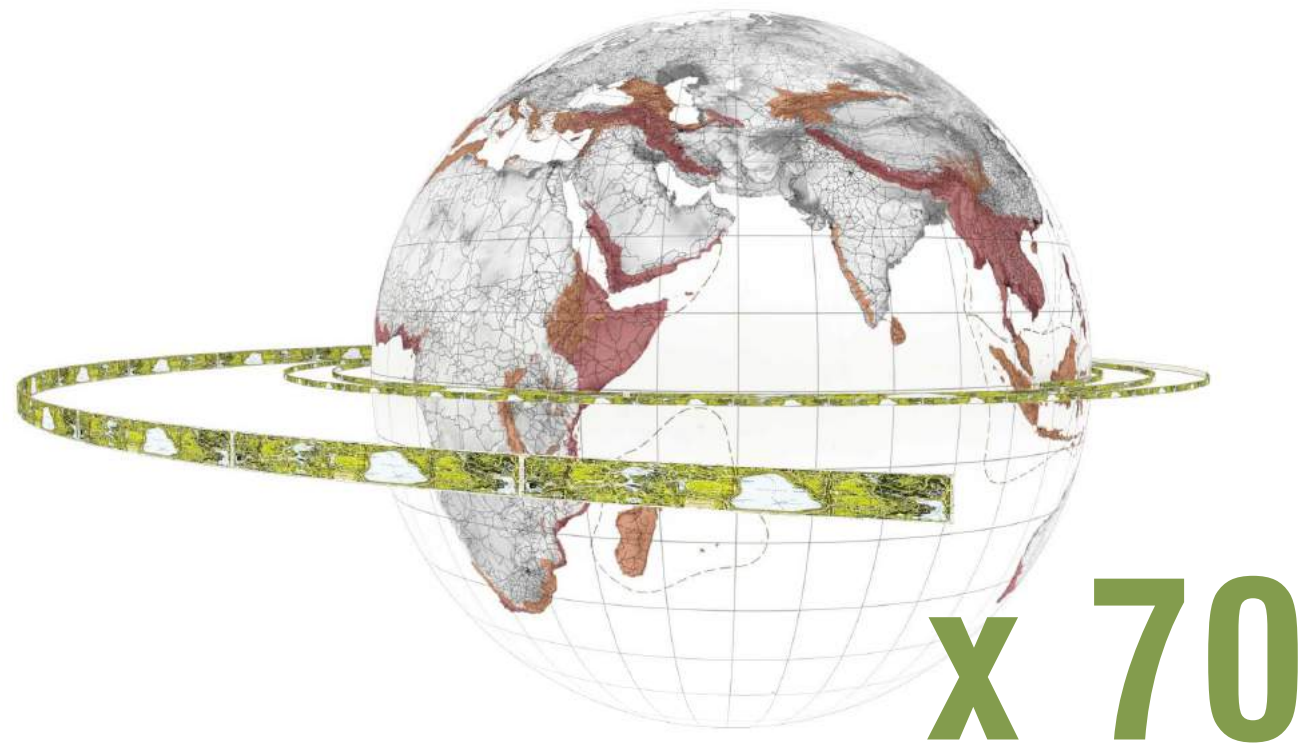
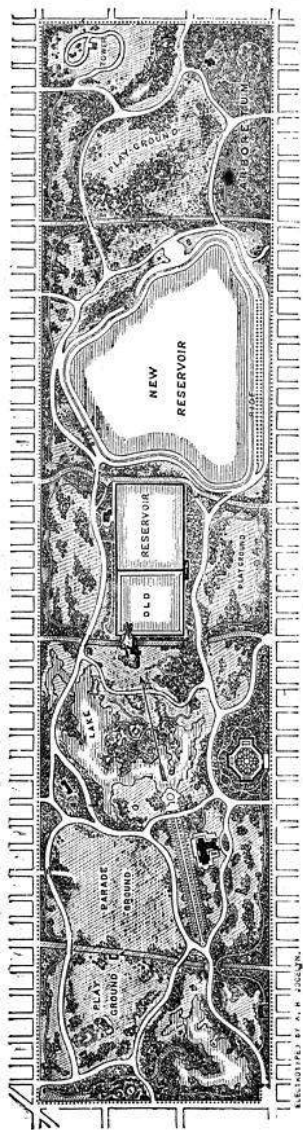
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1.6%: representative & connected

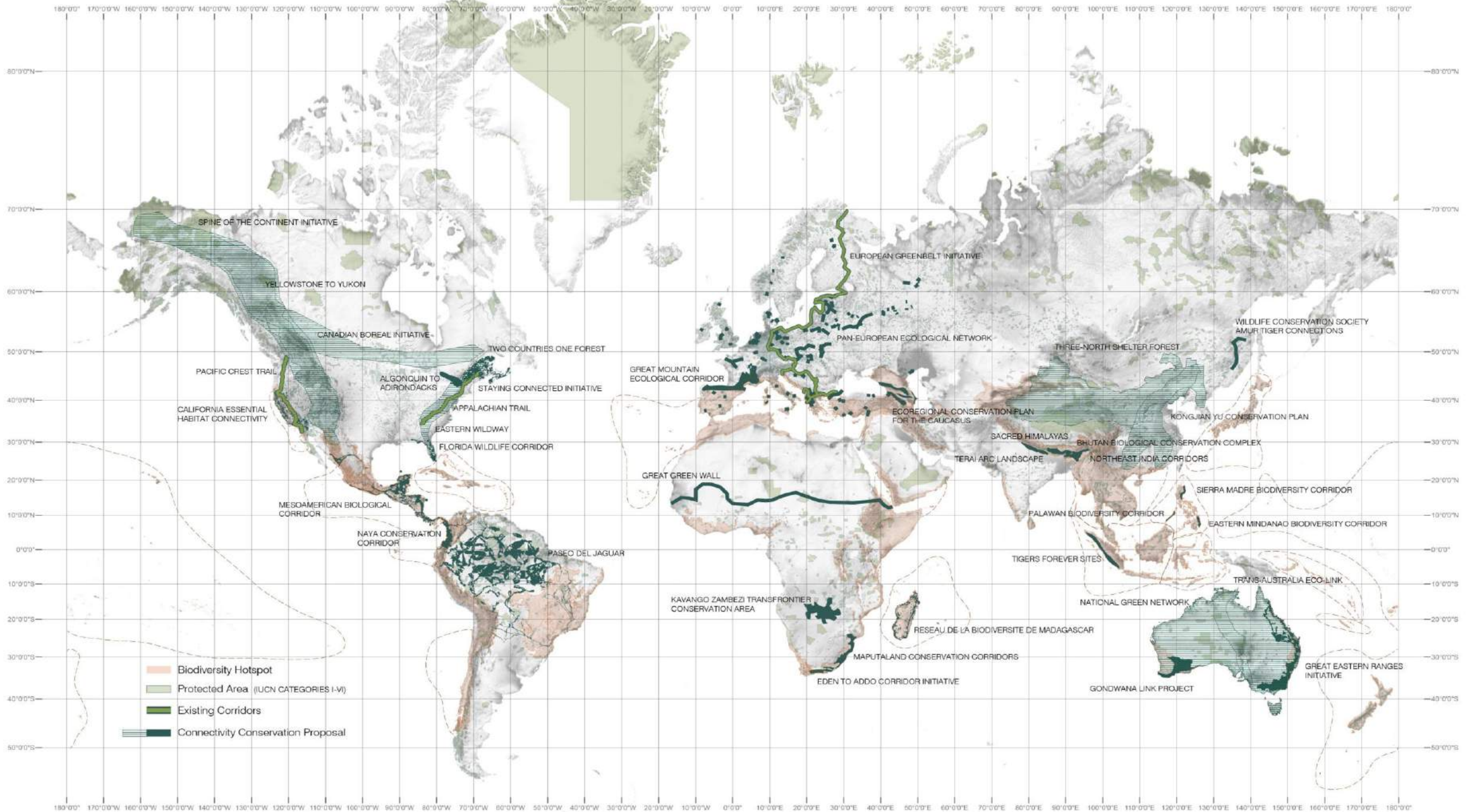




1.6% of the earth's terrestrial surface in number of Central Parks.

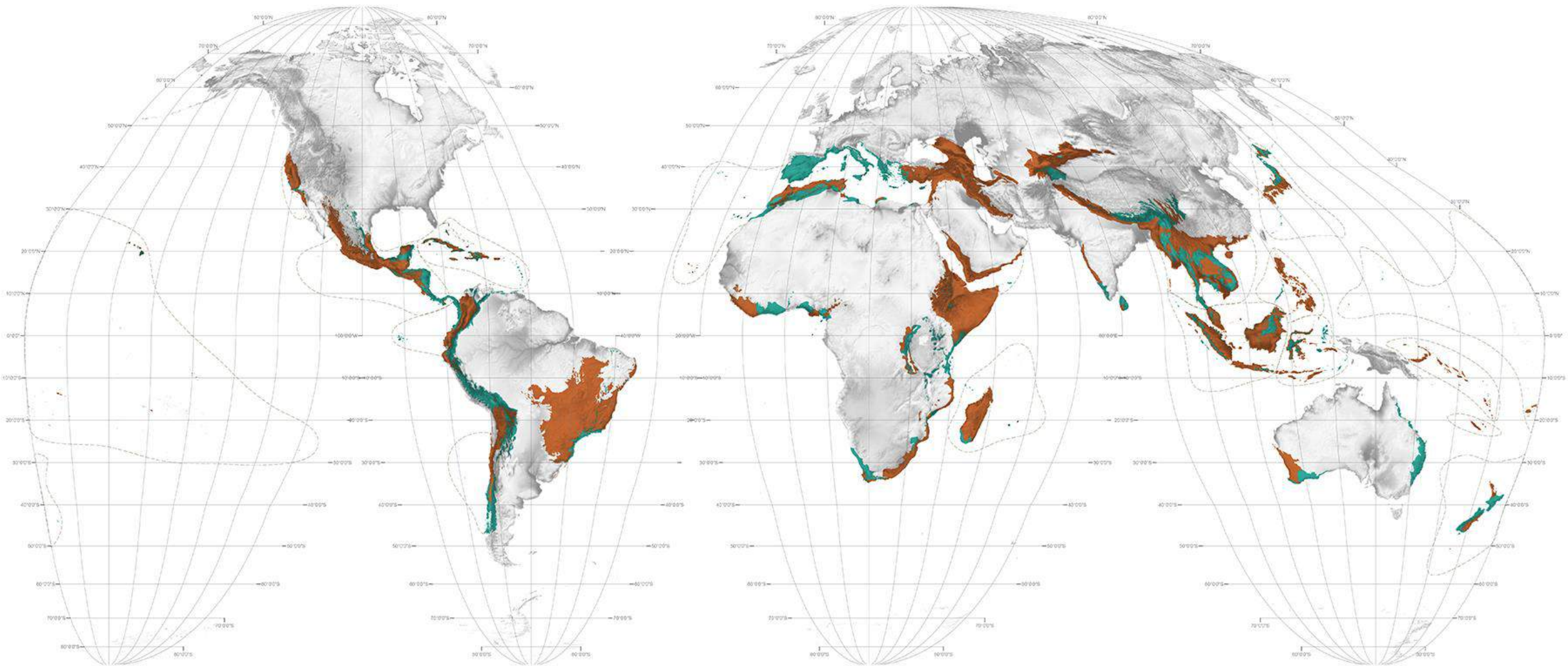


695,825 Central Parks can wrap around the globe 70 times.

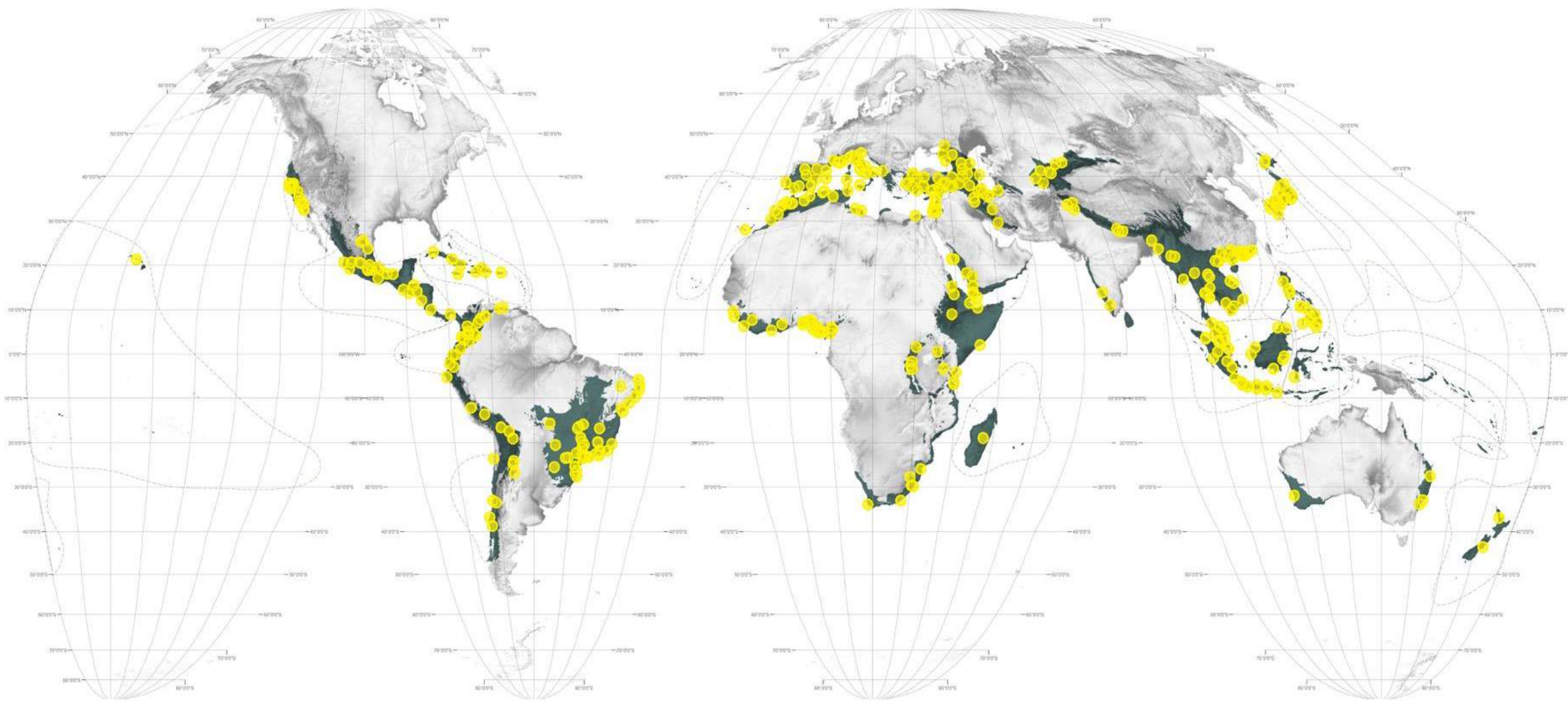




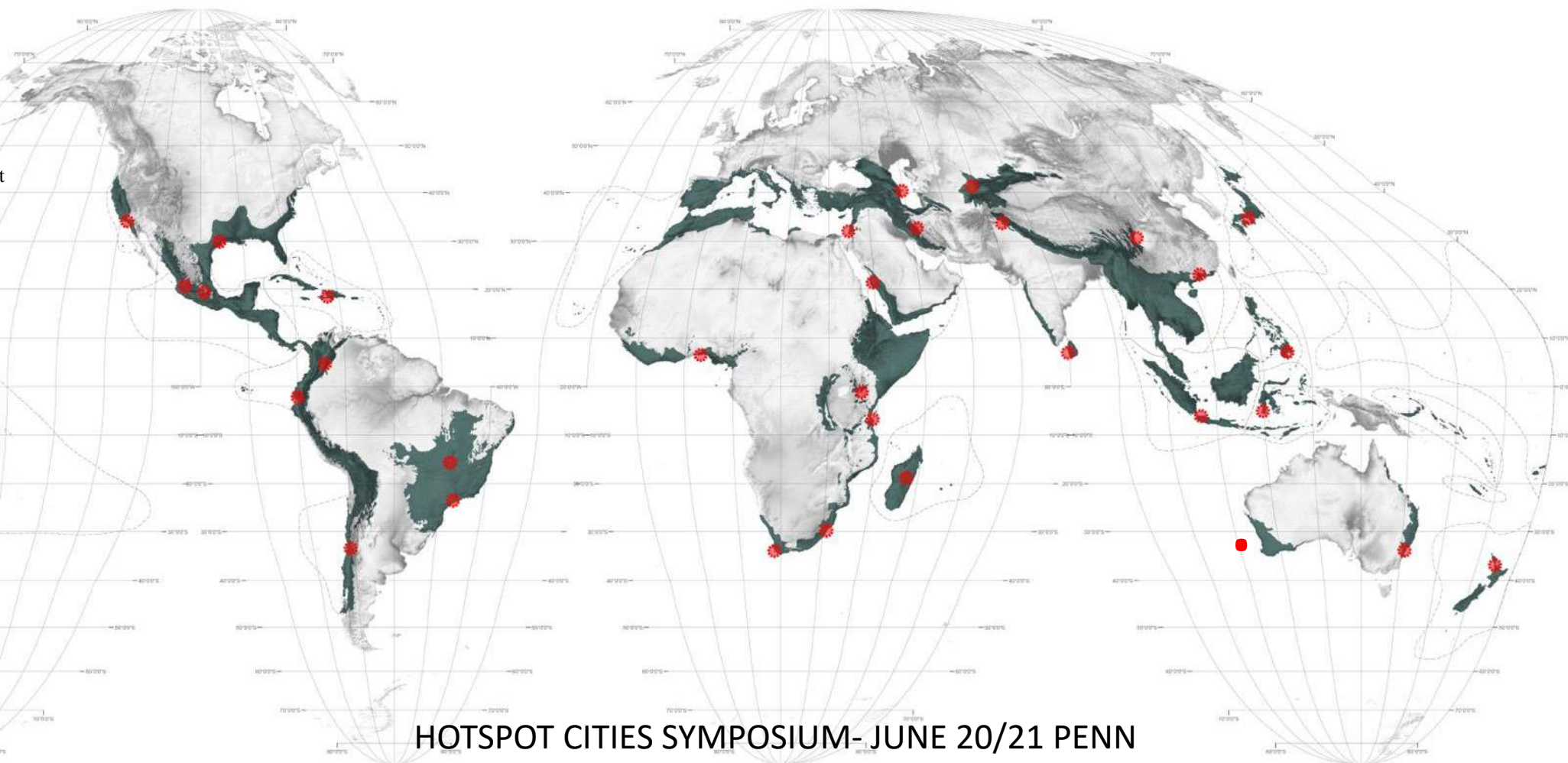
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21/36 hotspots



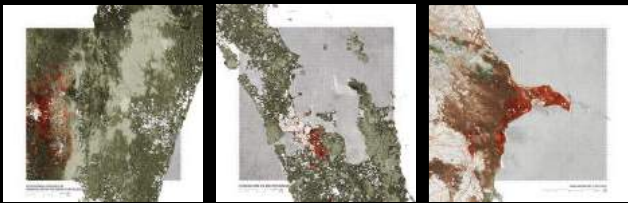
Green: Meet the 17% target
Red: Miss the 17% target



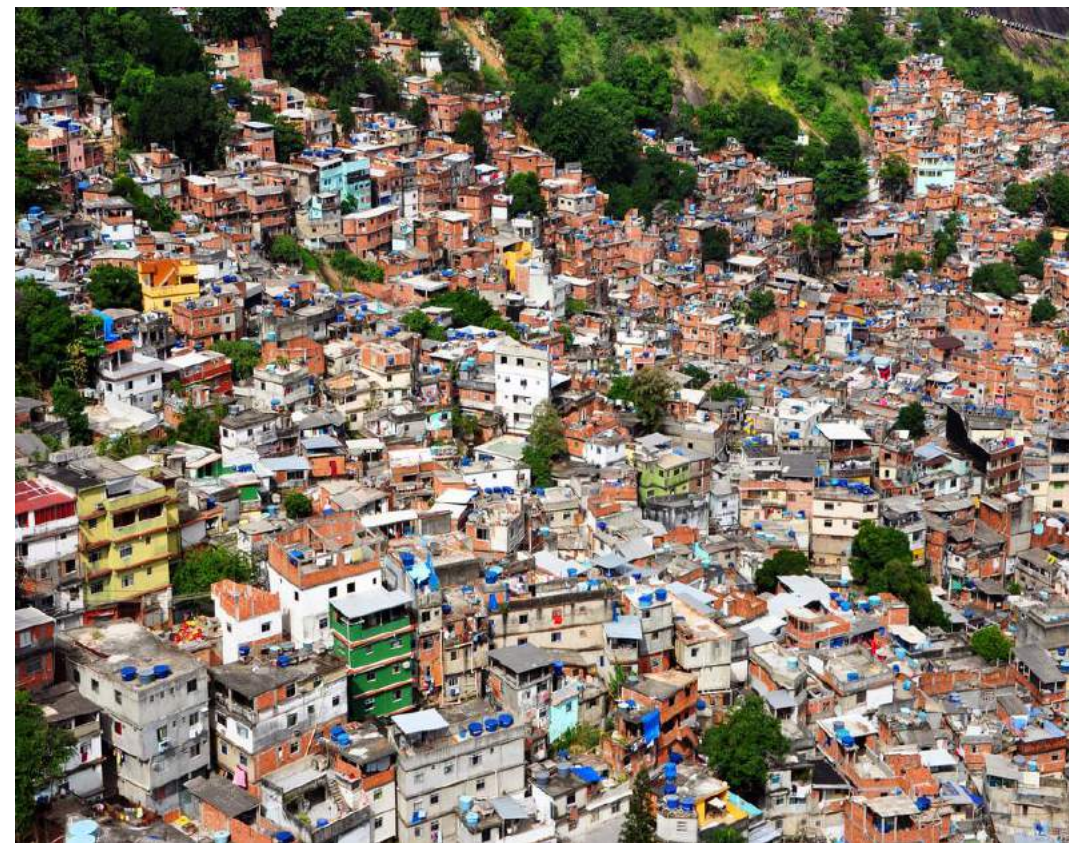
1) Atlantic Forest: Sao Paulo, Brazil;
2) California Floristic Province: Los Angeles, USA; 3) Cape Floristic Region: Cape Town, South Africa; 4) Caribbean: Port-au-Prince, Haiti; 5) Caucasus: Baku, Azerbaijan; 6) Cerrado: Brasilia, Brazil; 7) Chilean Winter Rainfall and Valdivian Forests: Santiago, Chile; 8) Coastal Forests of Eastern Africa: Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania; 9) Eastern Afromontane: Nairobi, Kenya; 10) Forests of East Australia: Sydney, Australia; 11) Guinean Forests of West Africa: Lagos, Nigeria; 12) Himalaya: Rawalpindi, Pakistan; 13) Horn of Africa: Mecca, Saudi Arabia; 14) Indo-Burma: Guangzhou, China; 15) Irano-Anatolian: Esfahan, Iran; 16) Japan: Osaka, Japan; 17) Madagascar and the Indian Ocean Islands: Antananarivo, Madagascar; 18) Madrean Pine-Oak Woodlands: Ciudad de México, Mexico; 19) Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany: Durban, South Africa; 20) Mediterranean Basin: Tel Aviv, Israel; 21) Mesoamerica: Guadalajara, Mexico; 22) Mountains of Central Asia: Tashkent, Uzbekistan; 23) Mountains of Southwest China: Chengdu, China; 24) New Zealand: Auckland, New Zealand; 25) Philippines: Davao, Philippines; 26) Polynesia-Micronesia: Honolulu, USA; 27) Southwest Australia: Perth, Australia; 28) Sundaland: Jakarta, Indonesia; 29) Tropical Andes: Bogotá, Colombia; 30) Tumbes-Choco-Magdalena: Guayaquil, Ecuador; 31) Wallacea: Makassar (Ujung Padang), Indonesia; 32) Western Ghats and Sri Lanka: Colombo, Sri Lanka.

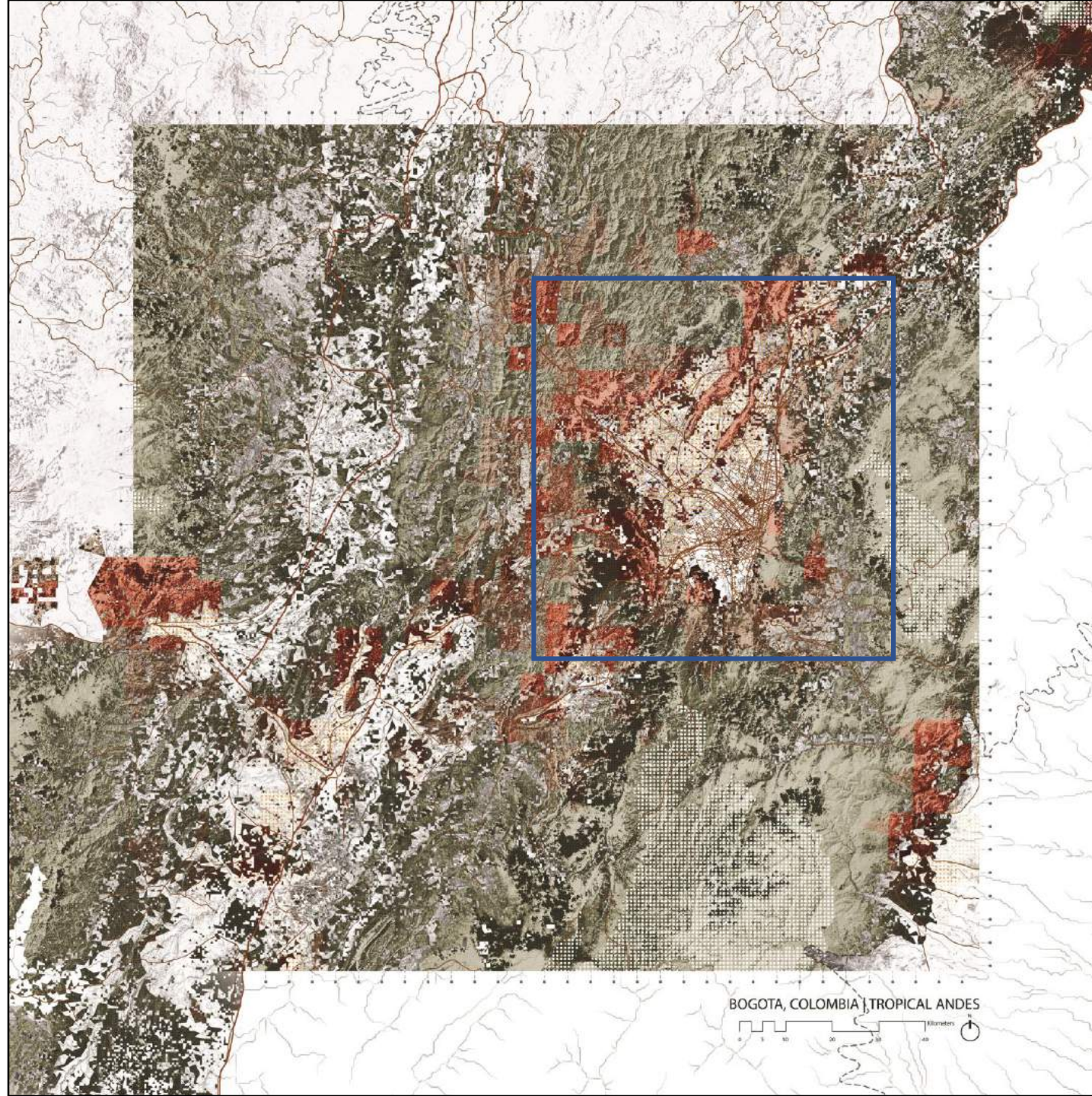


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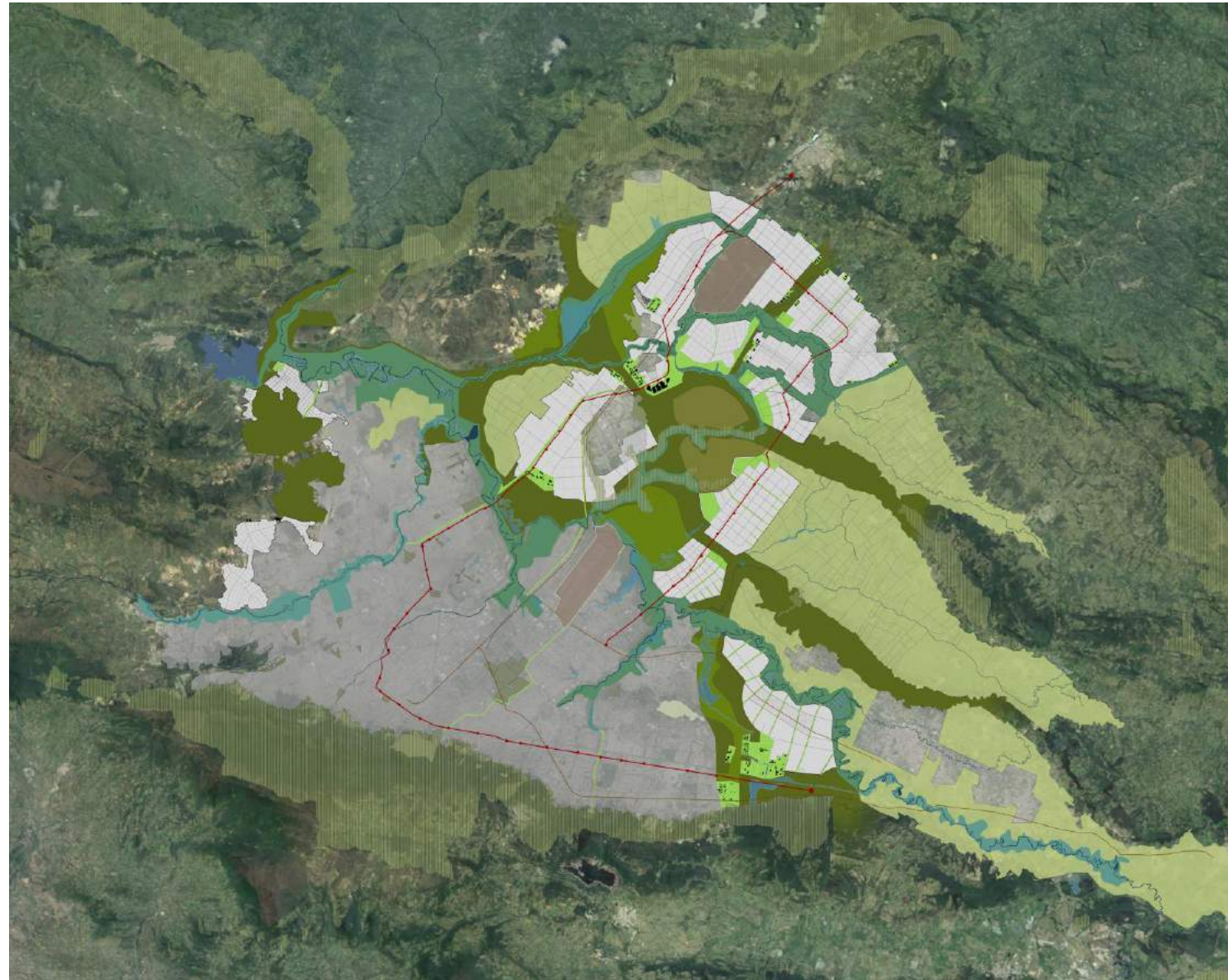


- LEGEND**
- Conflict zones
 - Urban growth
 - Protected areas
 - Water
 - Railways
 - Roads
- Left to right:*
1. Afghanistan
 2. Azerbaijan
 3. Bangladesh
 4. Bolivia
 5. Brazil
 6. Cambodia
 7. China
 8. Colombia
 9. DRC
 10. Egypt
 11. Ethiopia
 12. Guatemala
 13. Haiti
 14. Honduras
 15. India
 16. Indonesia
 17. Iraq
 18. Israel/Palestine
 19. Japan
 20. Kazakhstan
 21. Korea
 22. Laos
 23. Lebanon
 24. Mexico
 25. Myanmar
 26. Nepal
 27. Nicaragua
 28. Nigeria
 29. Pakistan
 30. Peru
 31. Philippines
 32. Russia
 33. Saudi Arabia





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