

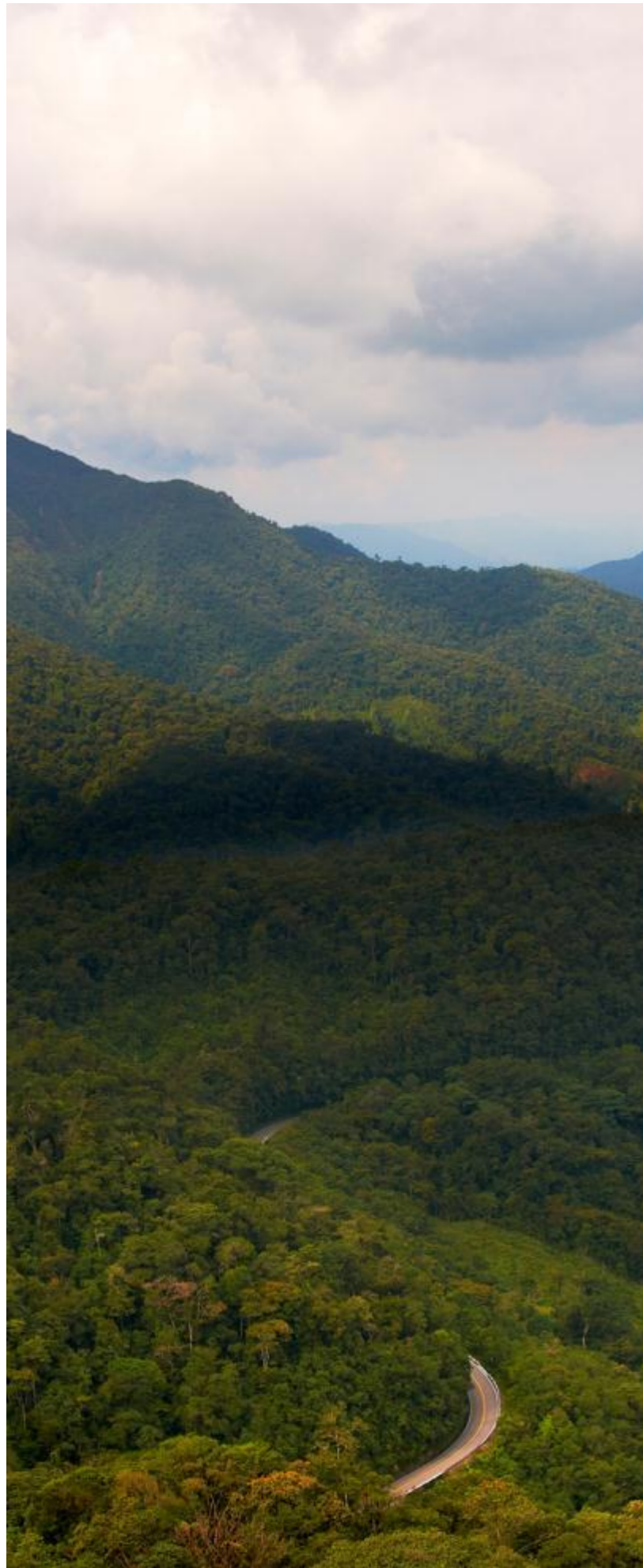
REDD+ Benefit Sharing

On the ground experiences

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CI's REDD+ Work

Climate Policy

Engaged with UNFCCC, California, etc

Market Building

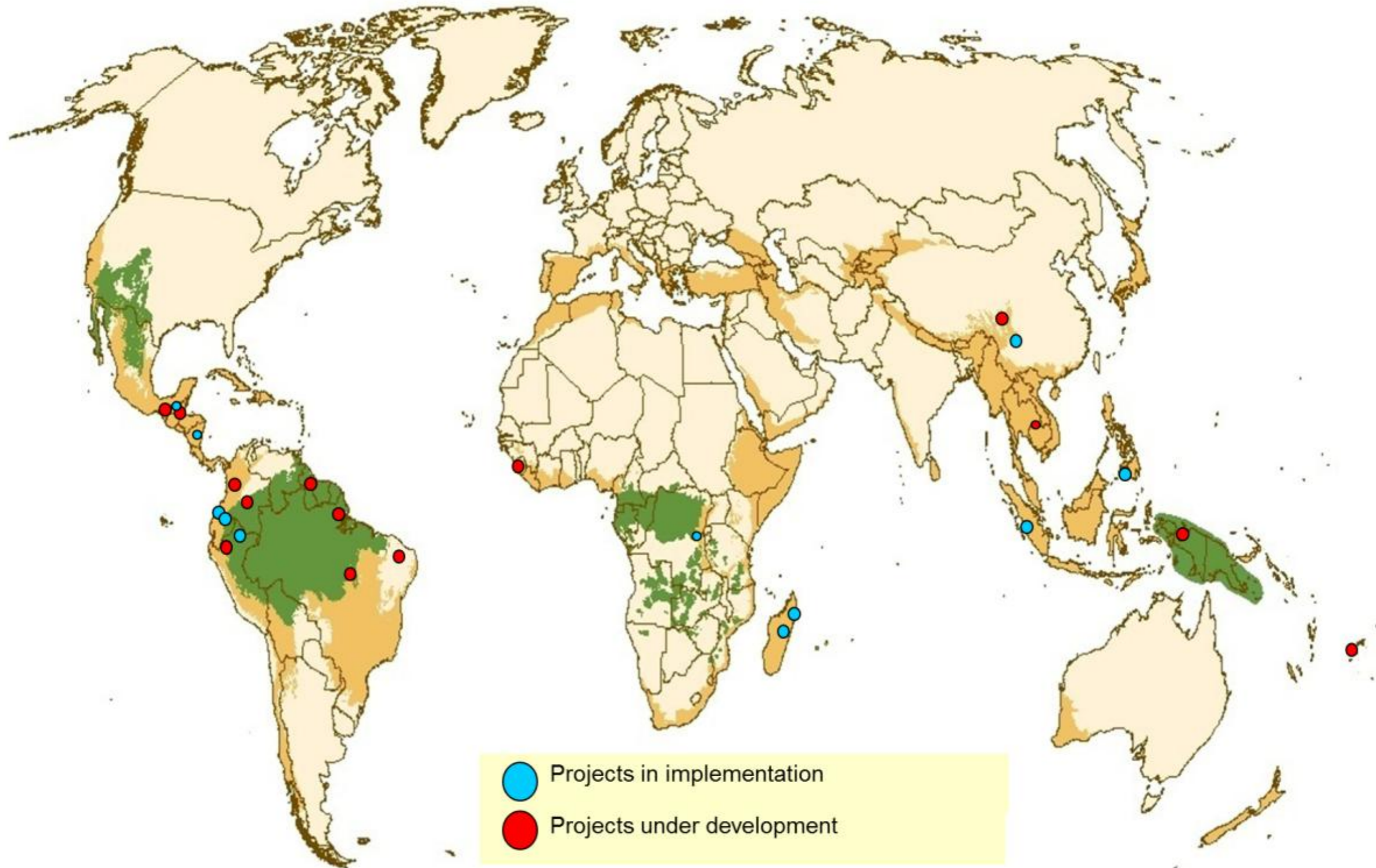
Helped develop market leading VCS, CCB Standards

Capacity Building

To date nearly 900 individuals in 12 countries have benefited from CI training and on-going support

Pilot Initiatives

20+ pilots: different strategies, funding sources, goals





REDD+ Benefit Sharing : Core Principles

- Fair, Participatory & Transparent
- Benefits tied to conservation outcomes
- Benefits must be real & verifiable
- Benefit sharing forms a core part of project design
- Primary mechanism for delivery is the **conservation agreement** model



REDD+ = reduced deforestation

HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THIS?

Globally over 300 conservation agreements signed

- 9 countries
- ~ 40,000 beneficiaries
- ~ \$20M in benefits to communities
- ~ \$15M raised in carbon finance since 2009
- ~ 2M hectares protected



Alto Mayo is **under threat**

Recently paved highway built through the forest led to increased population and illegal logging

One of the highest deforestation rates amongst Peruvian national protected areas, main driver is unsustainable sun-grown coffee production



Project Interventions

1

Improve the governance and enforcement

2

Promote sustainable land use through Conservation Agreements

3

Increase environmental awareness locally

4

Ensure sustainability through long-term financing

5

Amplify impact of REDD project into broader development agenda at the local, regional and national level

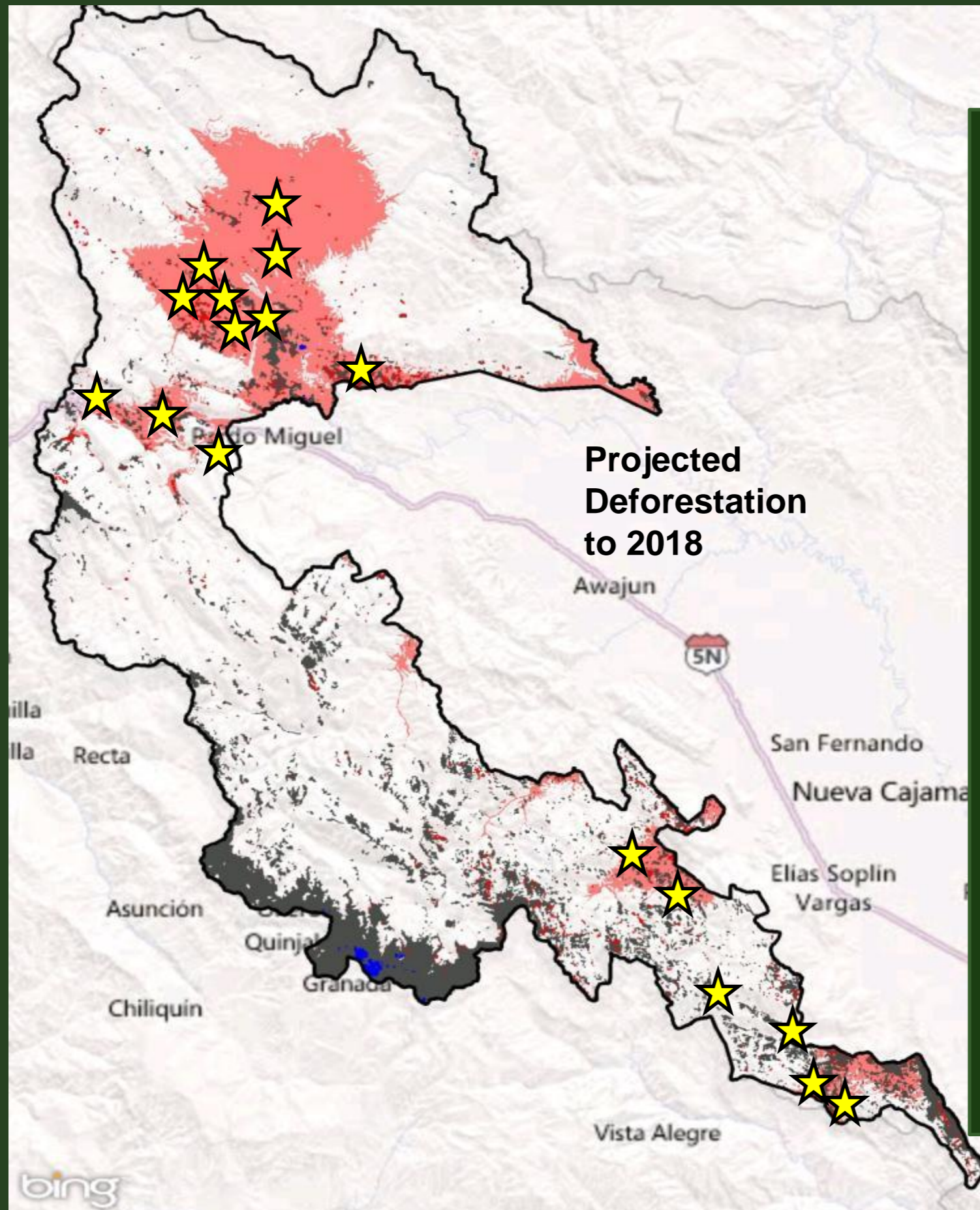
REDD+ Initiative

Conservation agreements signed with over 200 families

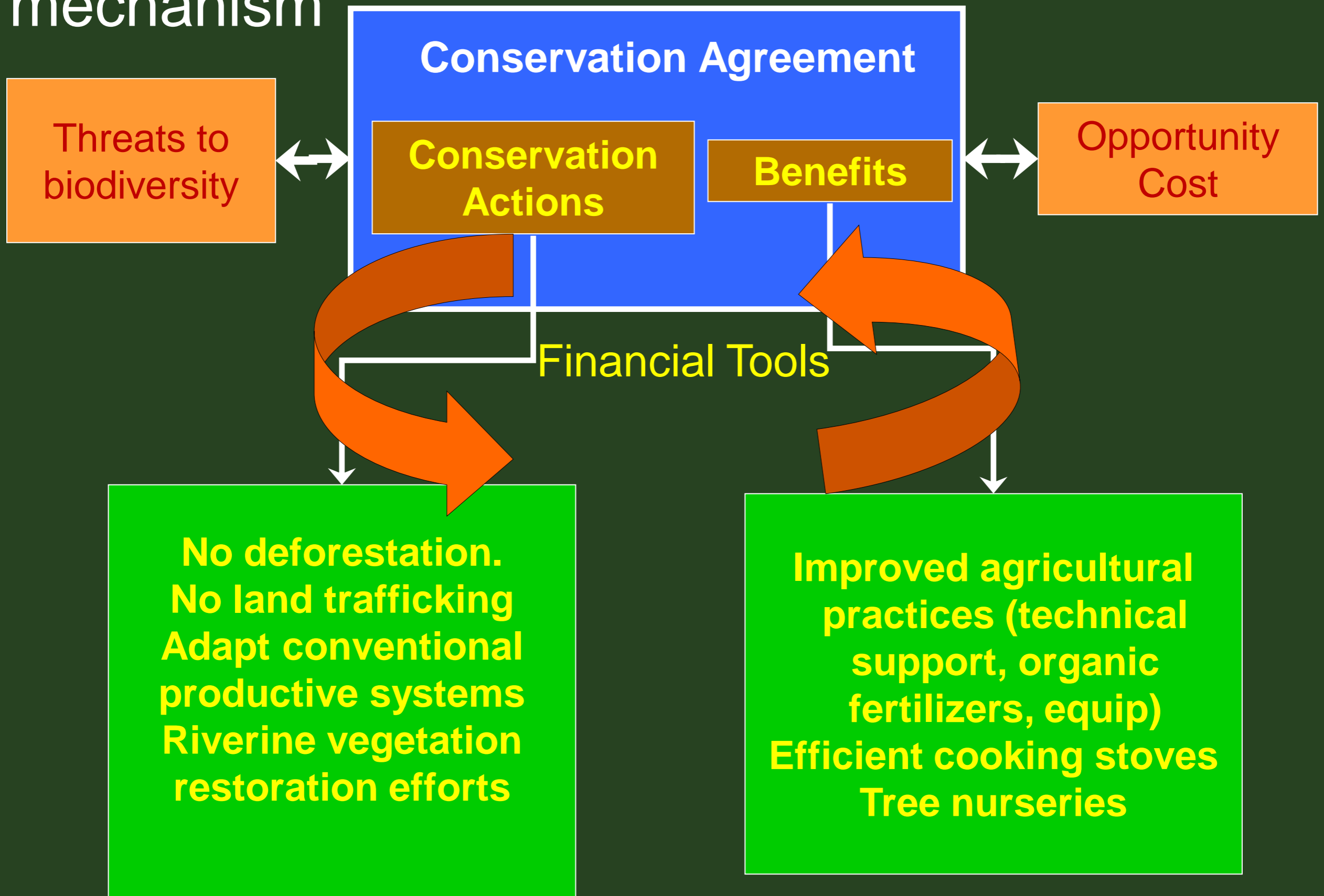
Non-compliance results in cancellation of services

Farmers are Provided with a package of assistance

Contracts are signed with government



Conservation Agreements as benefit sharing mechanism



Conservation Agreements: Providing benefits to improve livelihoods and conserve ecosystem services

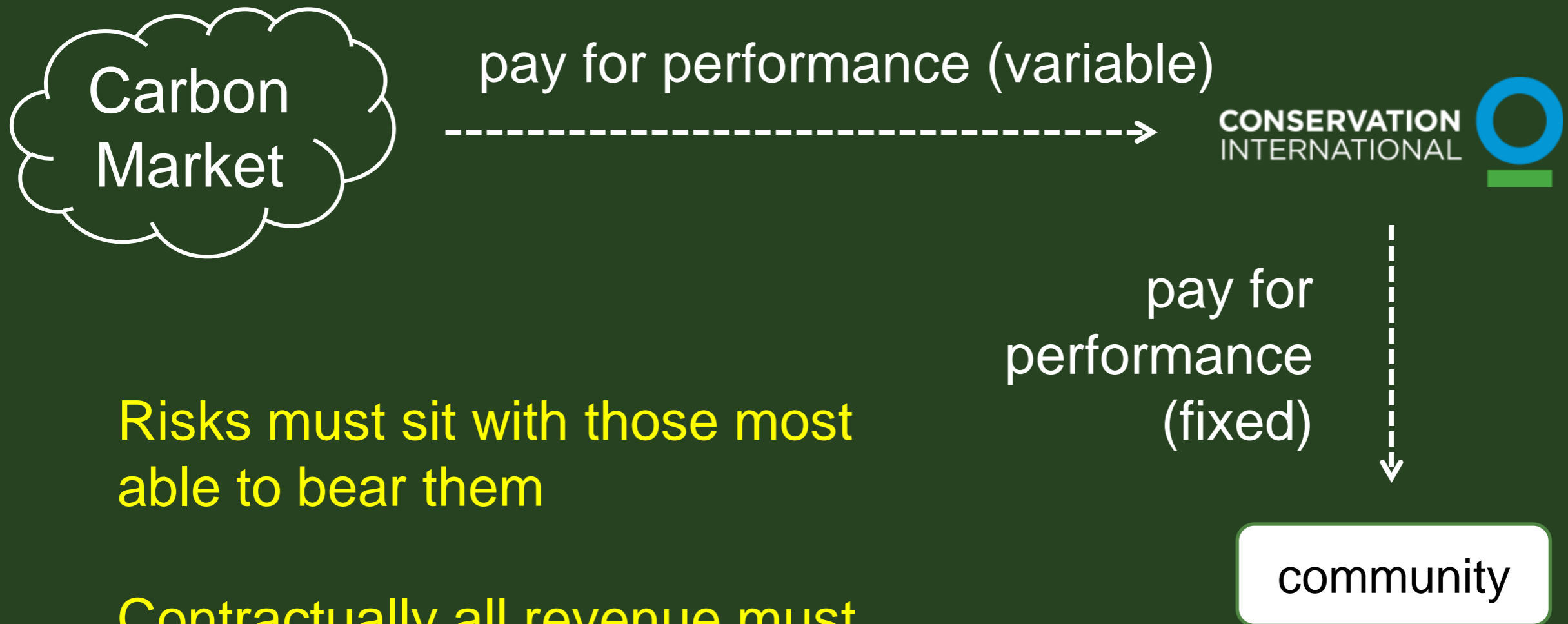
Conservation Actions

- No more clearing of primary forest and including head water and riverine forests
- No clearing or removal of vegetation cover in slopes higher than 60%
- Control migration of new settlers into the area.
- Harvesting timber harvest for commercial purposes forbidden.

Social and Economic Benefits

- Technical assistance and supplies (eg. organic fertilizer) for agricultural crops
- Capacity building in the production and certification of organic shade-grown coffee
- Improved cookstoves
- Construction of nurseries for agroforestry and coffee
- Construction of community facilities and checkpoints
- Salaries for patrolling.

Financial sustainability



Risks must sit with those most able to bear them

Contractually all revenue must go back to project

Outcomes and Benefits

So far 240+ families signed conservation agreements and improved coffee practices this year we will reach 600+ families. Next year 900+

New legal instruments created, to be replicated across Peru through government action

Clear-cutting has decreased across the region, 2.8MTCO₂e emissions avoided

Baby yellow-tailed woolly monkeys sighted by local residents

Park service strengthened, budget substantially enlarged



Scaling Up & Benefit Sharing

There are many things about REDD+ we don't know, but here is what we do know:

- There is no international market for REDD+ under the UN, nor will there be for a while
- Much of the deforestation happening is illegal, therefore policy interventions alone are insufficient
- REDD+ resources are insufficient to compensate opp cost, thus prioritization will need to happen

Practical Design Elements to Consider

Mismatch between actions / payments

Given lag, disincentives are just as important as incentives

Absorptive capacity is extremely low

Benefits need not be cash. Often government programs exist that can be re-directed or amplified

REDD+ is envisioned as pay for performance, yet most programs are not structured that way

ODA funding comes with lots of requirements, regardless of delivery partner.



Thank You!