

Literature & case study review on protected areas and conservation schemes outcomes

Case study template

Context

1. Biophysical conditions
2. Socio-economic conditions
 1. Land tenure, inequities
 2. Structural inequalities and legacies of colonization, disenfranchisement
3. Political conditions/governance context (relevant institutional framework and policy)

Protected area establishment

4. What were the goals of the reserve?
5. Were there trade-offs made among multiple objectives, and if so how were they addressed?
6. How strict was the protection?
7. How were these restrictions enforced?
8. If access reserve was allowed, were there provisions for sustainable use?
9. To what extent were decisions made based on threats/drivers of change?
10. Is there a plan for financial sustainability?

Decision-making, values

11. Who was/is involved? What roles did they play?
12. Was this process contested? If so, how? (e.g., protest, counter-organizing, sabotage).
13. Whose values were reflected/excluded?

14. Whose forms of knowledge and worldviews were included/excluded?
15. Were there any individual benefits of the reserve to stakeholders (e.g., resources availability?)
16. Was there any compensation (in-kind or monetary) for relocation or access restrictions?
17. Did stakeholders perceive distribution of costs and benefits as just? Why or why not?

Changes over time

18. How has the protection status changed over time?
19. What has and is informing the process of management?
20. Who was/is involved? What roles did they play?
21. Whose values were reflected/excluded?

Outcomes

22. What outcomes have been evaluated?
 1. Ecological (e.g., forest cover, species richness)
 2. Social (e.g., livelihoods, poverty, population, reserve access, decision-making)
 3. Conflicts (human-wildlife, people & guards, broader citizens vs. elected officials)
 4. Ecosystem services
23. How were outcomes evaluated? What methods or proxies were used?
24. At what spatial and temporal scale?
25. Were subjective measures (perceptions, attitudes) measured?
26. How positive or negative were the outcomes and what were the trade-offs?
27. Who are the beneficiaries of positive outcomes? Who bears negative outcomes?