

Asia Pacific roadmap on primary forest conservation: food for thoughts

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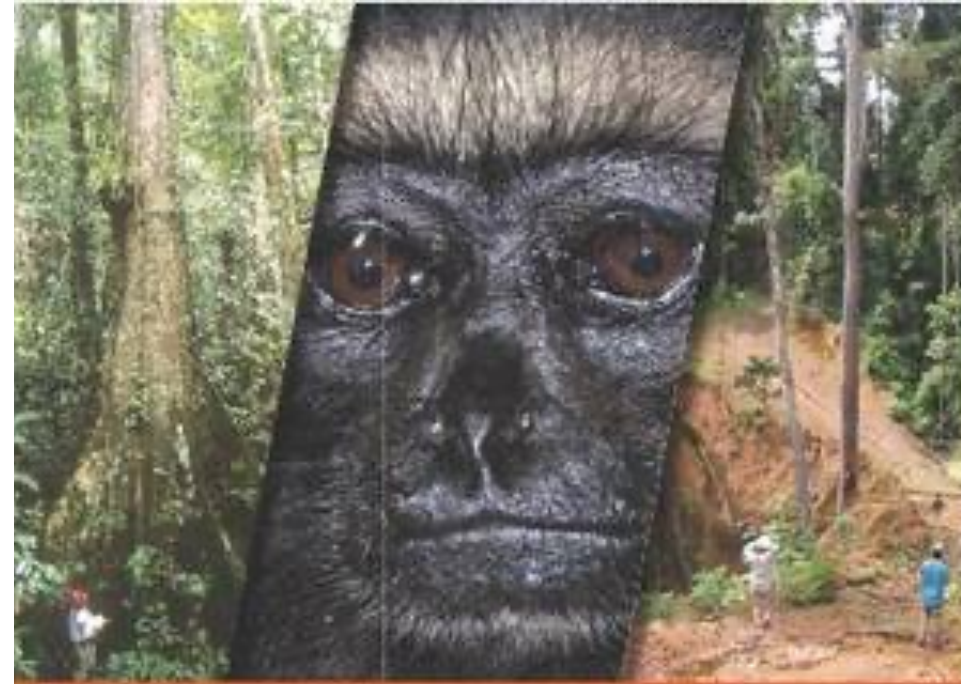
Three questions as food for thought

- Primary or not primary?
- Do we need to practice “triage”?
- Are “novel forests” the new primary?



Primary or not primary?

- Where do we put the threshold of human use to define primary forests?
- Are logged-over forests of equivalent value to primary forest?
- How do we consider primary forest areas that have been disturbed by natural events (hurricanes, fires)?



Life after logging

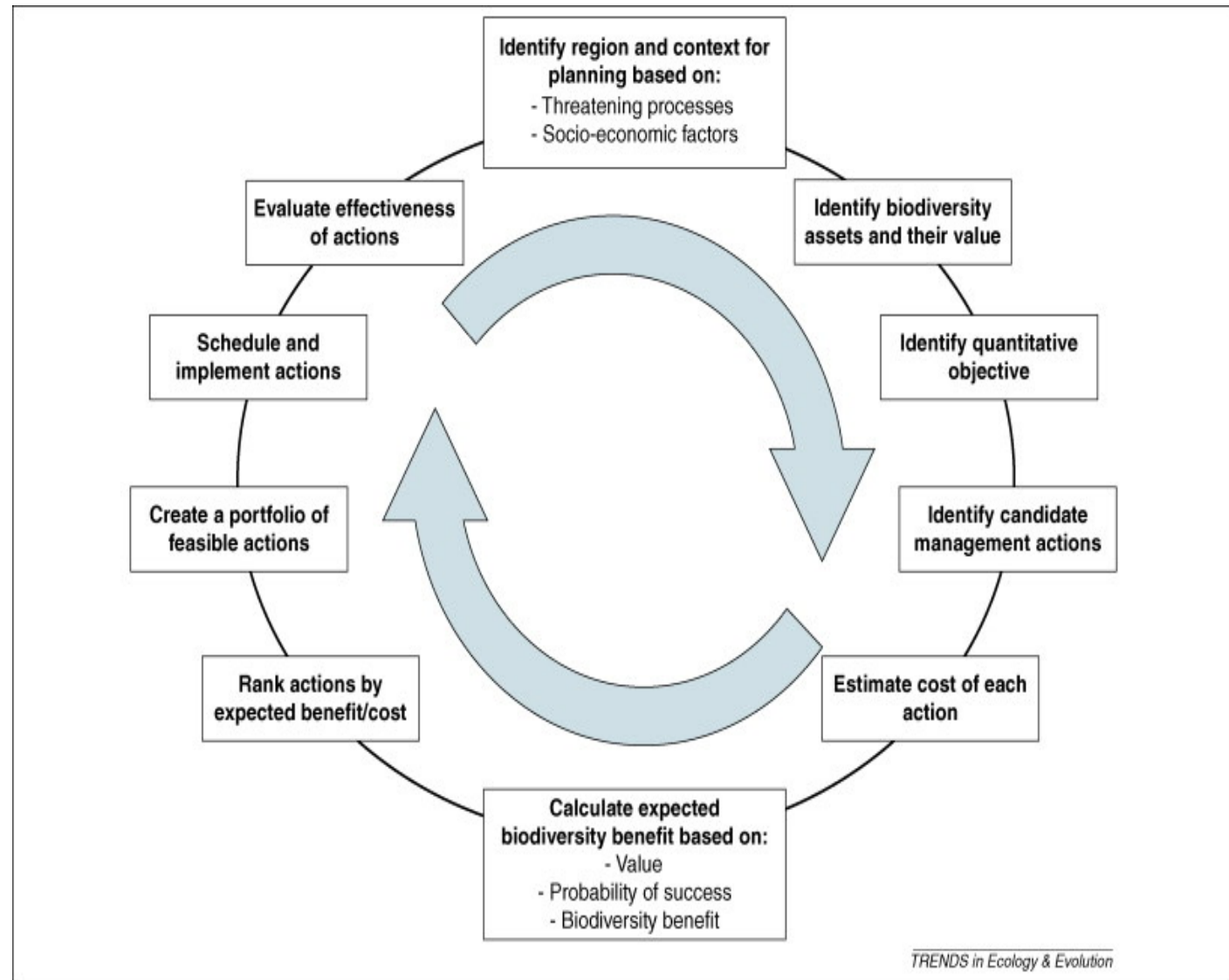
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Do we need to practice “triage”?

- When is a remnant primary forest too small to be “saved”?
- Do we need to invest resources into ecosystems we believe are very likely doomed (e.g. montane cloud forests or dry forests of the Pacific Islands)?
- How do we prioritize for the largest efficiency to the dollar invested?



Will “novel forests” the new primary?

- Puerto Rico lost all its forests but is now covered by forests that regrew naturally after abandonment of sugarcane. These novel forests are not primary but play exactly the same role... how to consider these in our conservation efforts?

Next big idea in forest conservation? Recognize the value of novel forests

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*Ariel Lugo overlooking an urban watershed in
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