

# Community Based Participatory Watershed Development



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# Outline of Presentation

1. CBPWD - Guideline
2. Challenges
3. Best Practices
4. Watershed  
Development Planning

# 1. Concepts of Watershed Development

**A) Watershed:** is defined as any surface area from which runoff resulting from rainfall is collected and drained through a common confluence point. The term **watershed** is synonymous with a drainage basin or catchment area

# A Watershed Unit

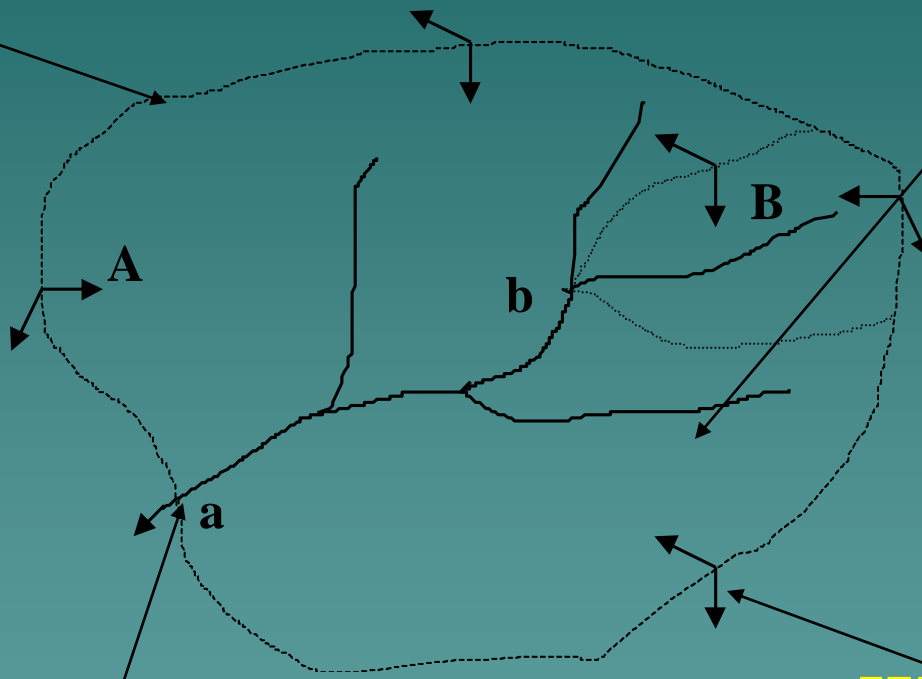
# Watershed boundaries

# Drainage line

## Water flow direction

## Common outlet

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# A WATERSHED COULD START FROM SMALL GULLY

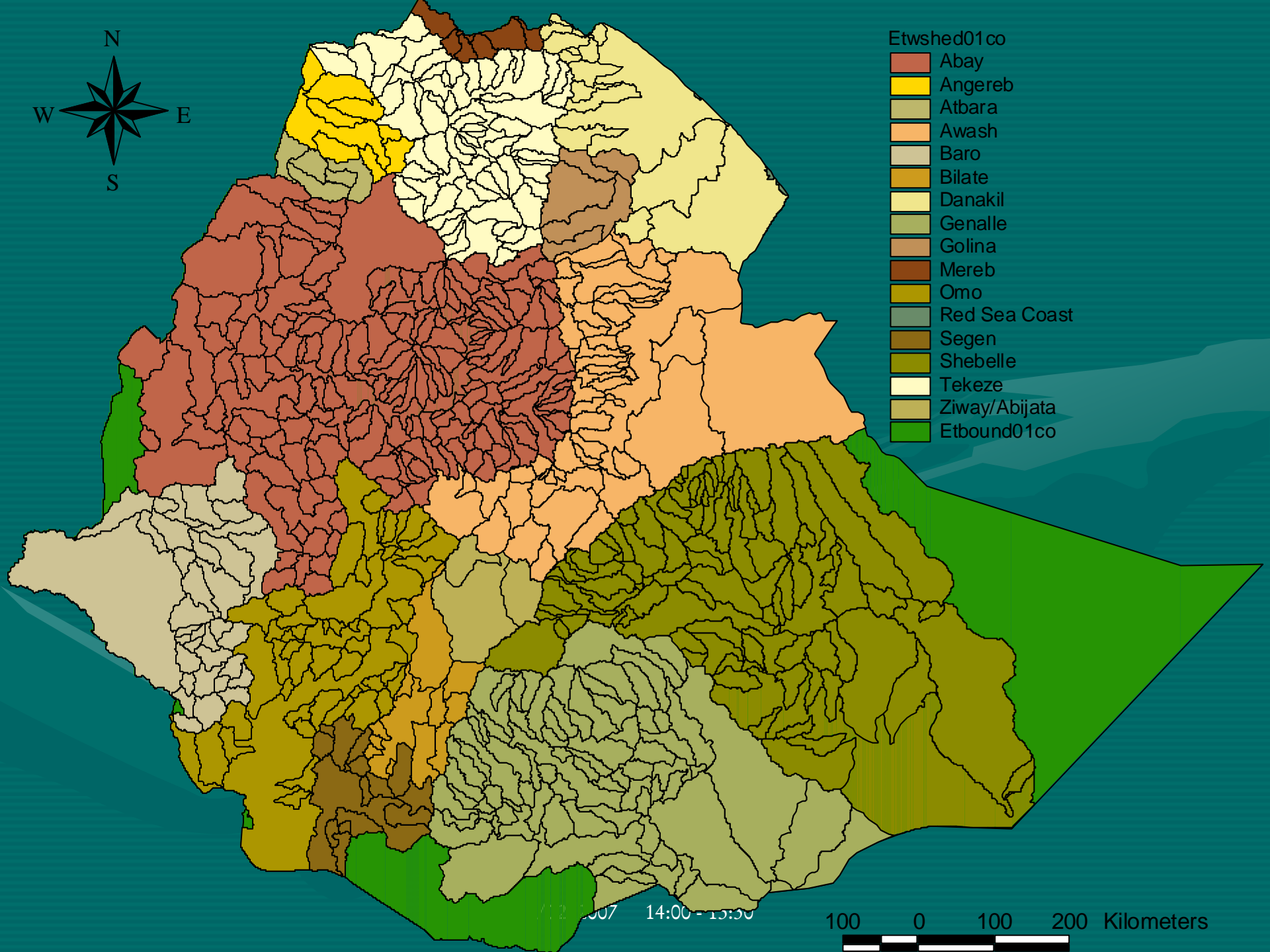


B) **Watershed Development:** can be defined as the **rational utilization** of all the natural resources for optimum production to fulfill the present need with minimal degradation of natural resources such as land, water, and environment.









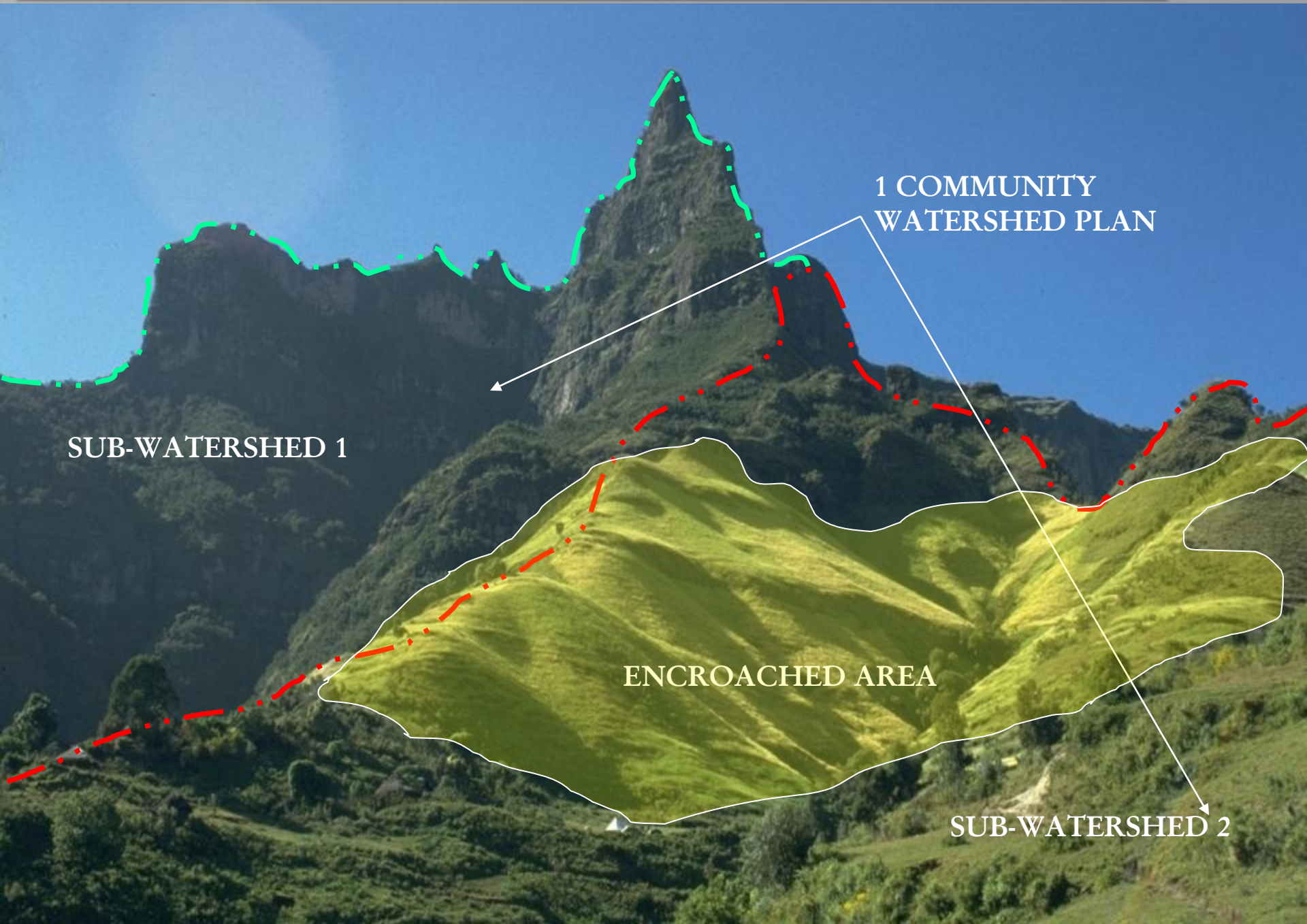


# Problems – in Watersheds

Most rivers are transboundary

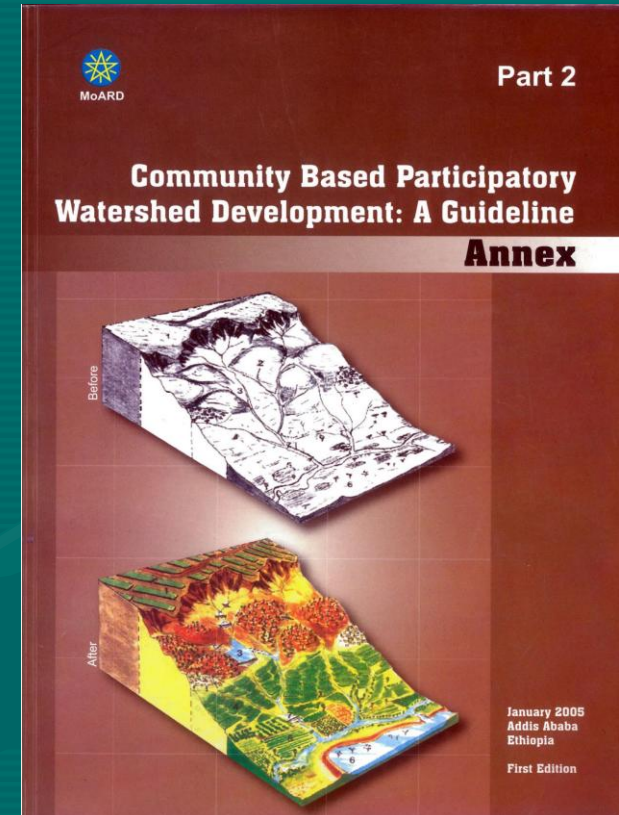
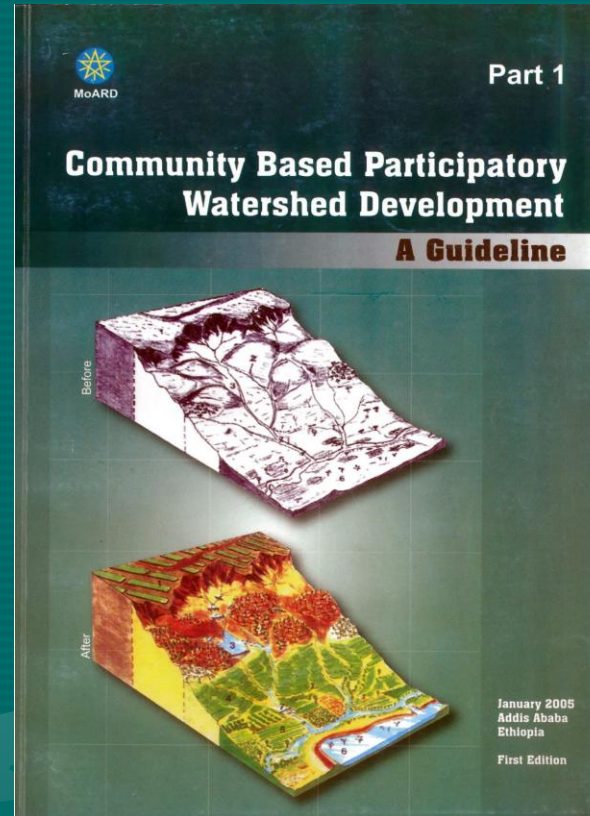
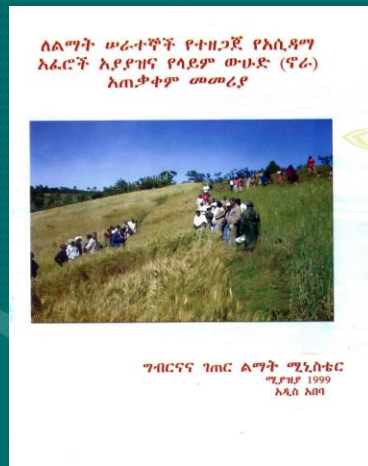
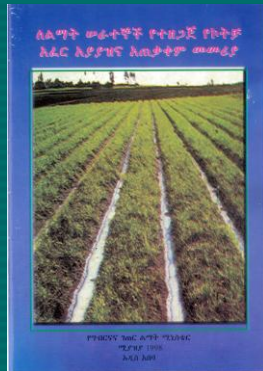


# WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT KEY IN COMPLEX LANDSCAPES





# Preparation and Distribution of SLM Related Manuals and Conduct Trainings



# C) Participatory watershed development.

people's needs and aspirations drives planning process

- Land owners
- Landless
- Involvement of people in
  - Planning
  - Implementation
  - Monitoring and Evaluation
  - Joint decision making
  - Make changes if necessary
- Full participation of men and women
- Multi-disciplinary and multi-institutional approach
- Multiple interventions



# Why Watersheds?

- ◆ **Physically, they are easy to define, and are a unit that can be replicated**
- ◆ **Their development incorporates all of the programs, resources, and regulatory tools available to protect ecosystem and human health within a catchment**
- ◆ **Watershed development is successful only when the economic welfare of the watershed stakeholders is being improved, thus....**
- ◆ **Watershed development and economic development go hand-in-hand.**
- ◆ **COMMUNITIES NEED GOVERN THE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA**

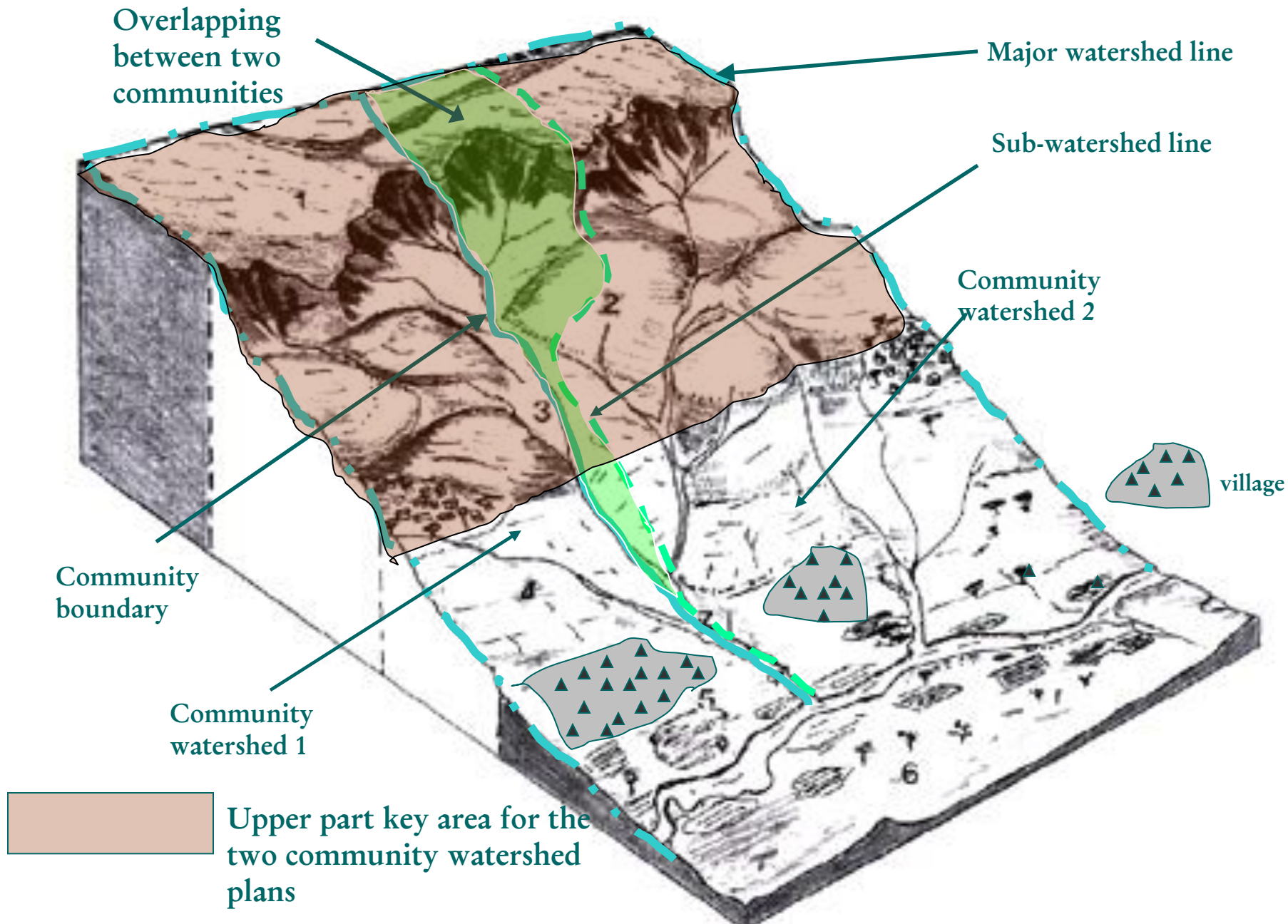
## 2. Main Principles of watershed development

- Participatory
- Gender sensitive
- Building upon local experience and strength
- Realistic, Integrated, Productive, Manageable
- Watershed logic respected – Ridge to valley
- Cost sharing/empowerment/ownership building
- Complementary to food security and rural devt.

- ### 3. Size of the watershed
- Size as function of potential and diversity
  - Diverse development potential tend to be smaller
  - In drier or pastoral areas may tend to be larger
  - Size can vary depending on single or multiple interventions
  - Effective planning needs a suitable watershed size
  - If large difficult to organize the community
  - If large difficult to undertake surveying, planning, implementing, and monitoring tasks at one go
  - Decision-making unit for any watershed is the community
  - Starting point for planning is the community and its surroundings

**Suggested size is from 200 to 500ha**

# Community watershed relationships – Example





4. Three scenarios exist with respect to watershed vis a vis community size:

4.1 Watershed boundary coincides with community boundary – ok

4.2 Watershed boundary is greater than community boundary - include more communities

4.3 Watershed boundary is smaller than community boundary – include only a portion of a community

# **6. Components of watershed: overview**

## **6.1 Biophysical (water, land, vegetation)**

## **6.2 Socioeconomic (population, farming systems, social setups, economic activities, vulnerability profile, gender, etc.)**

## **6.3 Watershed degradation features**

**6.3.1 Depletion of water resources**

**6.3.2 Soil erosion and land degradation**

**6.3.3 Impoverishment of the vegetative cover**

**6.3.4 Damage to Infrastructure**

# 7. Existing and untapped potentials for optimizing use of water and soil in a watershed

- 7.1 Water harvesting opportunities
- 7.2 Land rehabilitation and reclamation
- 7.3 Protection, development and sustainable management of forests
- 7.3 Sustained, long lasting and effective use of rural infrastructure
- 7.4 Promotion of income generation activities
- 7.5 Watershed development and conflict resolution

# Community Based Participatory Watershed Development Guideline

## Main objective:

1. Effective and common approach to community based planning for NR development and productivity intensification,
2. Selection and implementation of suitable technologies under different agro-ecological conditions and their sequentially correct implementation
3. Identify untapped and/or under-estimated potentials in watersheds
4. Reference material for TVET Colleges and FTCs

## Components:

### **PART 1: Community-based Participatory Watershed Planning Guideline**

- . Section (A): Scope and Planning Procedures for PWD
- . Section (B): Information Kits on Technologies for PWD

### **PART 2: Annexes – 9 annexes**



# PWD GUIDELINE DESCRIPTION:

## PART 1: Community-based Participatory Watershed Planning Guideline

### Section (A): Scope and Planning Procedures

#### Scope:

- Introduction
- Rationale and objectives
- Enabling policies and strategies
- Definitions
- Concepts and principles of PWDP
- Components of watershed (Biophysical, socio-economic)
- Size of watershed 200 – 500 ha

# Procedures and Steps:

- STEP 1** Getting started at district/project level:  
Prioritization and selection of watersheds
- STEP 2** Getting started at community level (CWTs)
- STEP 3** Biophysical and socio-economic survey
- STEP 4** Identification and prioritization of interventions  
that bring change
- STEP 5** Getting the options and interventions discussed  
and approved by the General Assembly
- STEP 6** Development map, inputs and action plan
- STEP 7** Implementation strategy
- STEP 8** Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation

# Procedures

- Procedure 1: Do the trend analysis exercise
- Procedure 2: Do the Village Mapping exercise and presentation
- Procedure 3: Conduct the Transect Walk exercise and presentation (the group will make presentation)
- Procedure 4: Do the Institutional Analysis
- Procedure 5: Do vision of change exercise
- Procedure 6: Conduct the Problem Identification and Ranking exercise
- Procedure 7: Collect additional information using the questioner (**Annex 9**) and secondary data

# District level staff composition

The CORE group will include:

- 1 Soil Conservation Expert
- 1 Forestry / Agro-forestry Expert
- 1 Agronomist (plant management, IPM)
- 1 Water harvesting / Irrigation Expert
- 1 Livestock Expert
- 1 Food security Expert (Economist, Socio-economist, Agricultural Economist)
- 1 Home Agent
- 1 Land Use and Administration Expert
- 1 Cooperative / Marketing and Inputs Expert
- 1 Rural Road Construction Expert

# Composition at the Community/Sector level

The Location/sublocation composition will include:

- Chairman
- Secretary
- The DA (s)
- One male representative/leader of each community
- One female representative/leader of each community (village)
- Respected and influential persons
- Representative of the Youth

# **Information Kits on Technologies - Section (B)**

I) Main description and features

II) Type of Infotechs

1. Physical SWC (8)
2. Flood Control and Drainage (5)
3. Rainwater/Runoff Harvesting (20)
4. Soil Fertility Management and Biological Soil Conservation (12)
5. Agroforestry, Forestry and Forage Development (9)
6. Gully Control (5)
7. Feeder Roads (8)



## **PART 2: ANNEXES**

Annex 1 Participatory mapping and understanding of the target area

Annex 2 Participatory planning and socio-economic survey

Annex 3 Biophysical survey and mapping

Annex 4 Simple survey methods

Annex 5 Interventions and their suitability

Annex 6 Summary of national work norms

Annex 7 List of Useful Plant Species

Annex 8 Community-based solidarity efforts

Annex 9 Planning formats – samples

# Mode of Guideline Preparation

- A steering/technical committee established
- All active stakeholders in PWDP have been invited in first draft preparation for 7 days workshop.
- MoARD, GTZ, WFP, USAID (AMAREW), ILRI, Provincial offices have contributed.
- Translation into 3 national languages and printing of 60,000 copies.
- Funding by USAID and WFP.
- ToT for District level experts followed by DAs and communities -Training Module
- Streamlining to NGOs
- Community plans were then prepared and are under implementation



Given challenges and  
examples of bad practices







Hillside cleared of vegetation for fuelwood and income source by the poor – Shayi area



Clearing hillsides for charcoal production – on the road from Bishan Behe to Kalicha





Gully created as a result of the culvert – in Dhangego KA of Kersa






Gully from the culvert eating perennial crops (chat) in Dhangego KA of Kersa



Culvert not  
extended to  
the natural  
waterway –  
in Harla  
Belina KA







Gully created  
from foot path  
and cattle  
trafficking lines –  
Gende Boru



Gully form  
foot path  
and cattle  
trafficking  
lines –  
Gende Boru





Sisal plantings not being able to withstand gully erosion – Gende Goro Seka





## Wasted land in Awale area





## Cultivation of steep slope and formation of rills - Awale area





# A living testimony of past erosion levels > 5m- near Harla





# A living testimony of past erosion levels – near Harla





Poor terrace  
construction  
and absence  
of  
maintenance  
G. Borte



Farmers are forced to grow crops on coarse sand and gravelly soils – G. Oda





# Non functional community water points – G. Goro Seka





Not properly constructed HH WH (pond) with geo-membrane lining G. Goro Seka  
continued...





Developed spring collection chamber and takeoff is destroyed by flood – Lege Biyo in G. Oda





## Water supply pipe line taken away by flooding – L. Ejeru in G. Ejeru





## A family/HH in a challenging environment - Ejeru





**Survival needs and lack of opportunities: you will need to deal with many of these critical situations**



**Cultivation of extreme slopes**





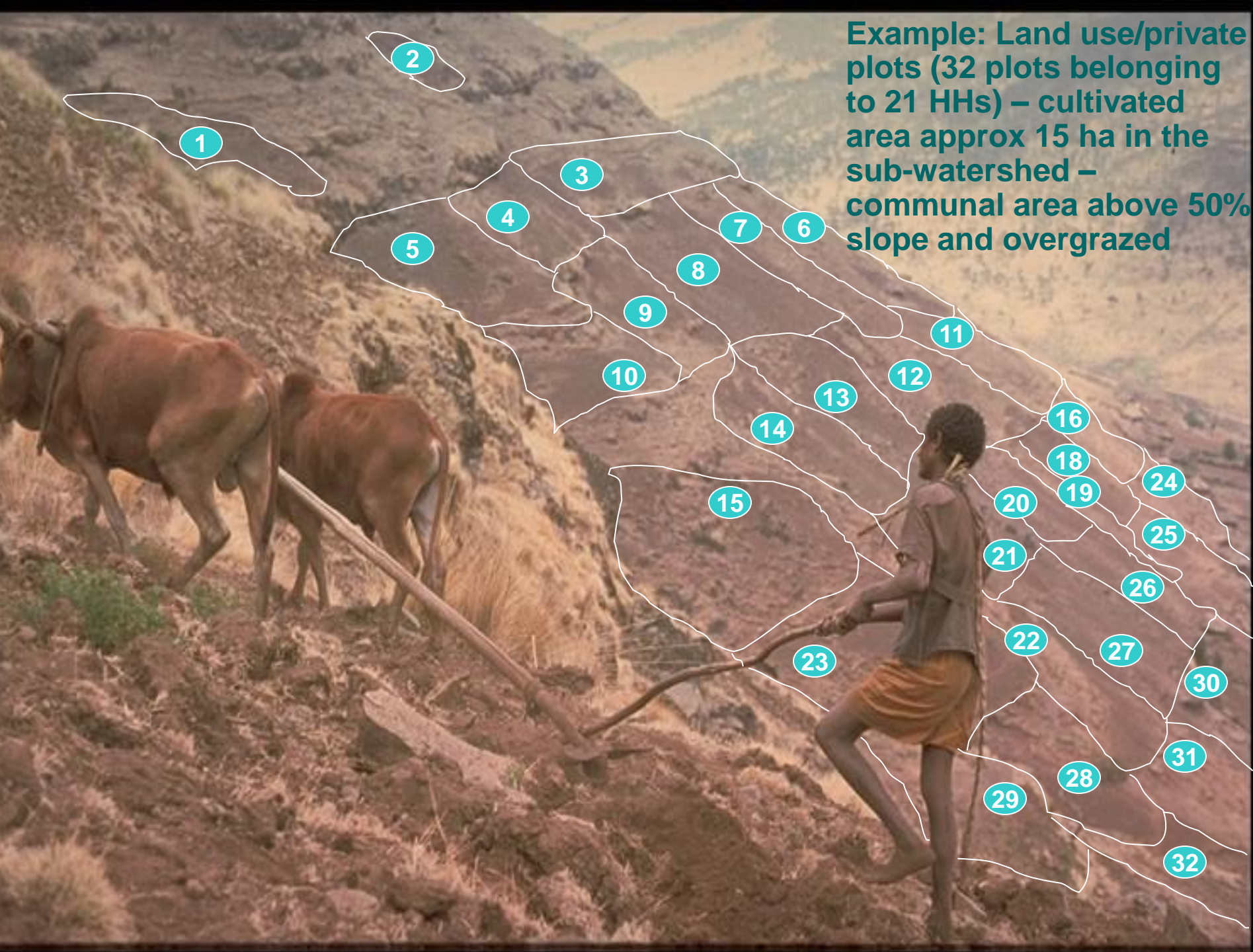
>50% slope

30-50% slope

25-30% slope



**Example: Land use/private plots (32 plots belonging to 21 HHs) – cultivated area approx 15 ha in the sub-watershed – communal area above 50% slope and overgrazed**





# BROKENA EARTH DAM



# Gully acting as moisture suction from the soil in deeper profiles





# Gully and degradation





**Steep slope cultivation without conservation**







Poor plastic lining





# Examples of Best Practices



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# Dugout Ponds Design Considerations

Site Selection; Lining Requirement

Geo-membrane  
Lining  
Needs proper placement





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# Drained water is stored for later use





**Drained water is stored for later use**





# Goregutu wereda subwatershed





# WATER HARVESTING





## Hemi-spherical tanks



## Hand-dug well



## Circular tanks for WH



## Dome capped WH structure





# Benefits from WH and SSI - Vegetables, Fruits and Forages





# Technologies on small scale irrigation



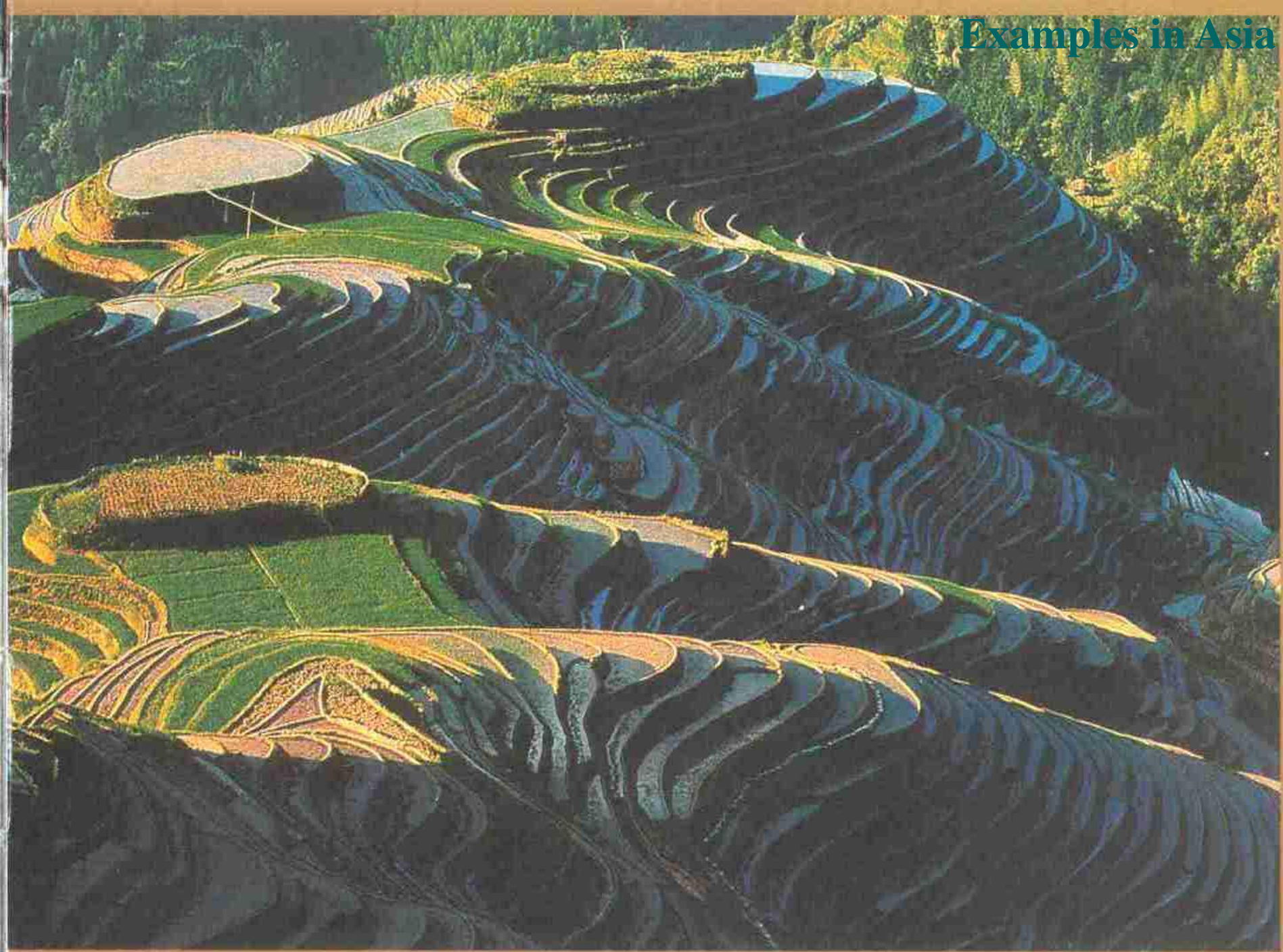


# Apple production at Homestead



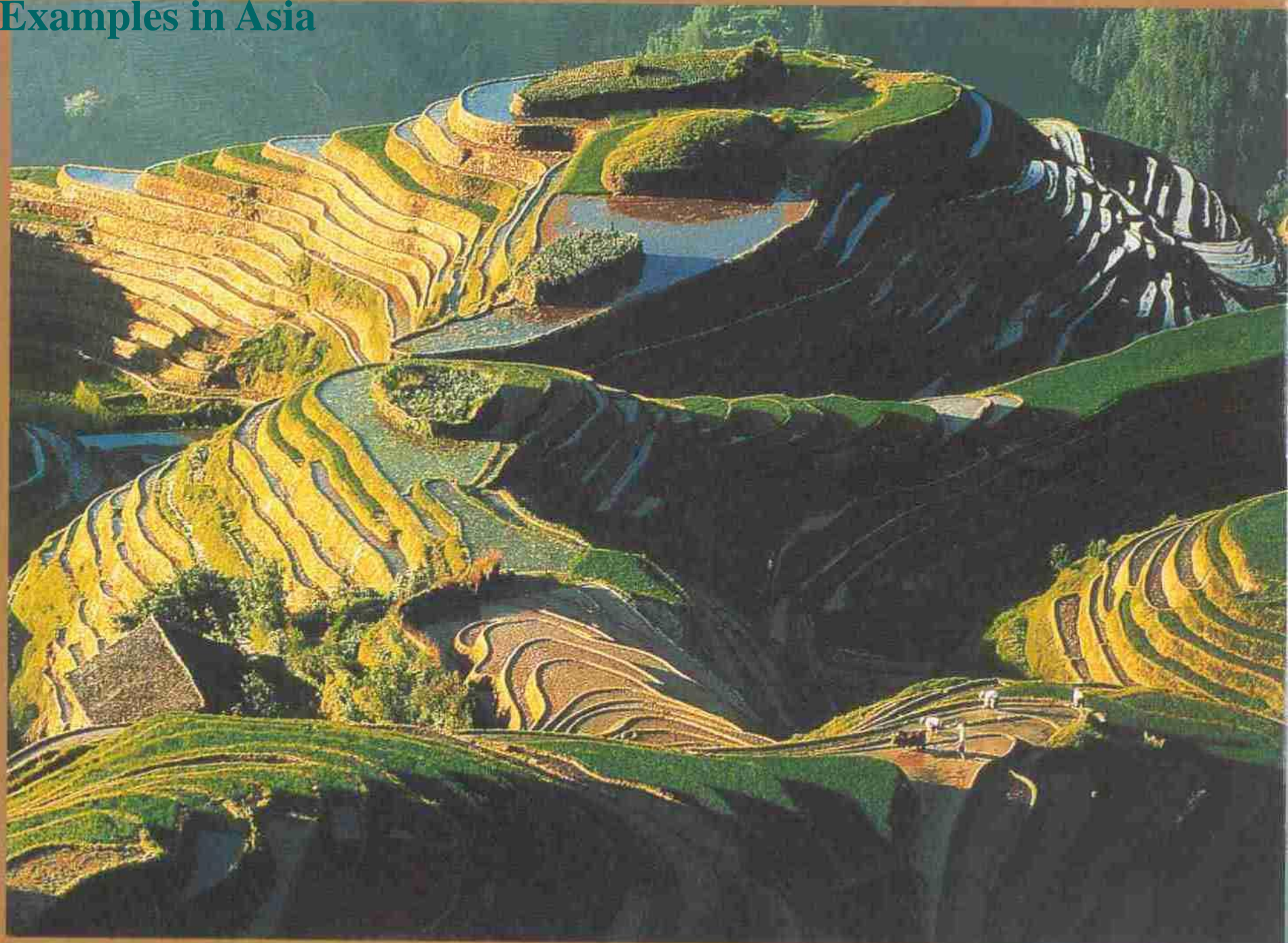


## Examples in Asia





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# Terraces in RWH - Asia





## Rainwater collection









Area closure, natural regeneration and terracing of the foot slopes for cultivating crops –  
on the road side from Eje Aneni to Awale





Mechelo or *Haika saligna* a riverside plant for gully and waterway stabilization – G. Goro Seka/G. Boru





Foot path  
side  
plantings  
with  
*Euphorbia*  
*tirucalli*  
G. Oda





Contour farming with Ch  
- Dhangago KA of Kersa





## Contour plantings of Chat – near L. Gogeti as one goes to Adada







More closer look to the stone terraces near Harla, note the height

Another more closer look to the stone terraces near Harla





# Cultivation along the cricks with stone faced bench terraces – on the road from Bishan Behe to Belewa





Runoff  
diversion  
and canal  
in L. Ejeru

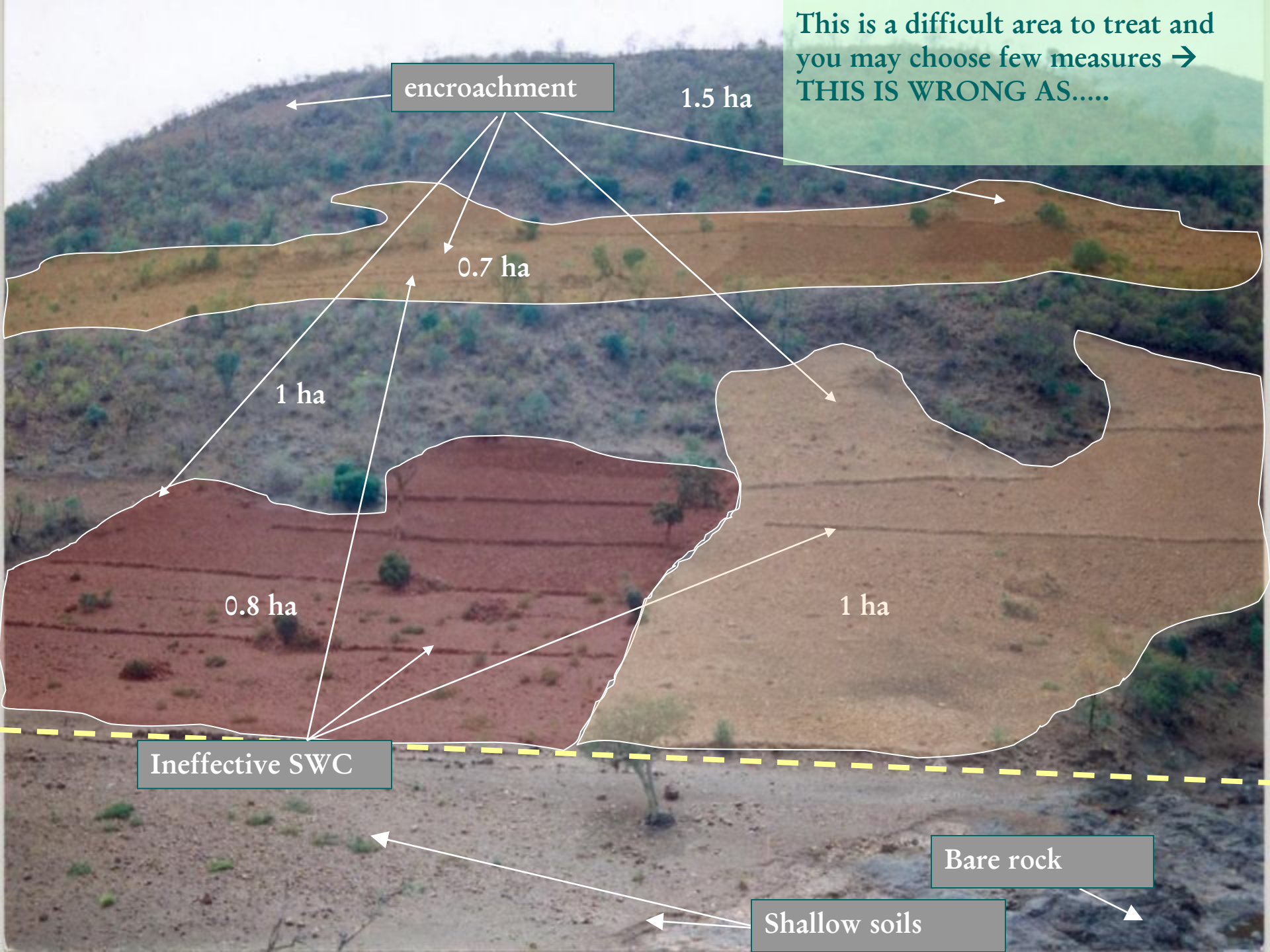


# Example: Some changes appear impossible but most of the time this is proven wrong

- Sub-unit of cultivated land below encroached communally overgrazed land – 5 hectares
- All slopes  $< 50\%$  gradient and severe erosion
- 3 households cultivating the area







This is a difficult area to treat and you may choose few measures → **THIS IS WRONG AS.....**

encroachment

1.5 ha

0.7 ha

1 ha

0.8 ha

1 ha

Ineffective SWC

Bare rock

Shallow soils



...IT CAN CHANGE TO

THIS!

trenches & closure

Bee hives

eyebrows

Closure - revegetation

Cutoff drains

waterway

bunds

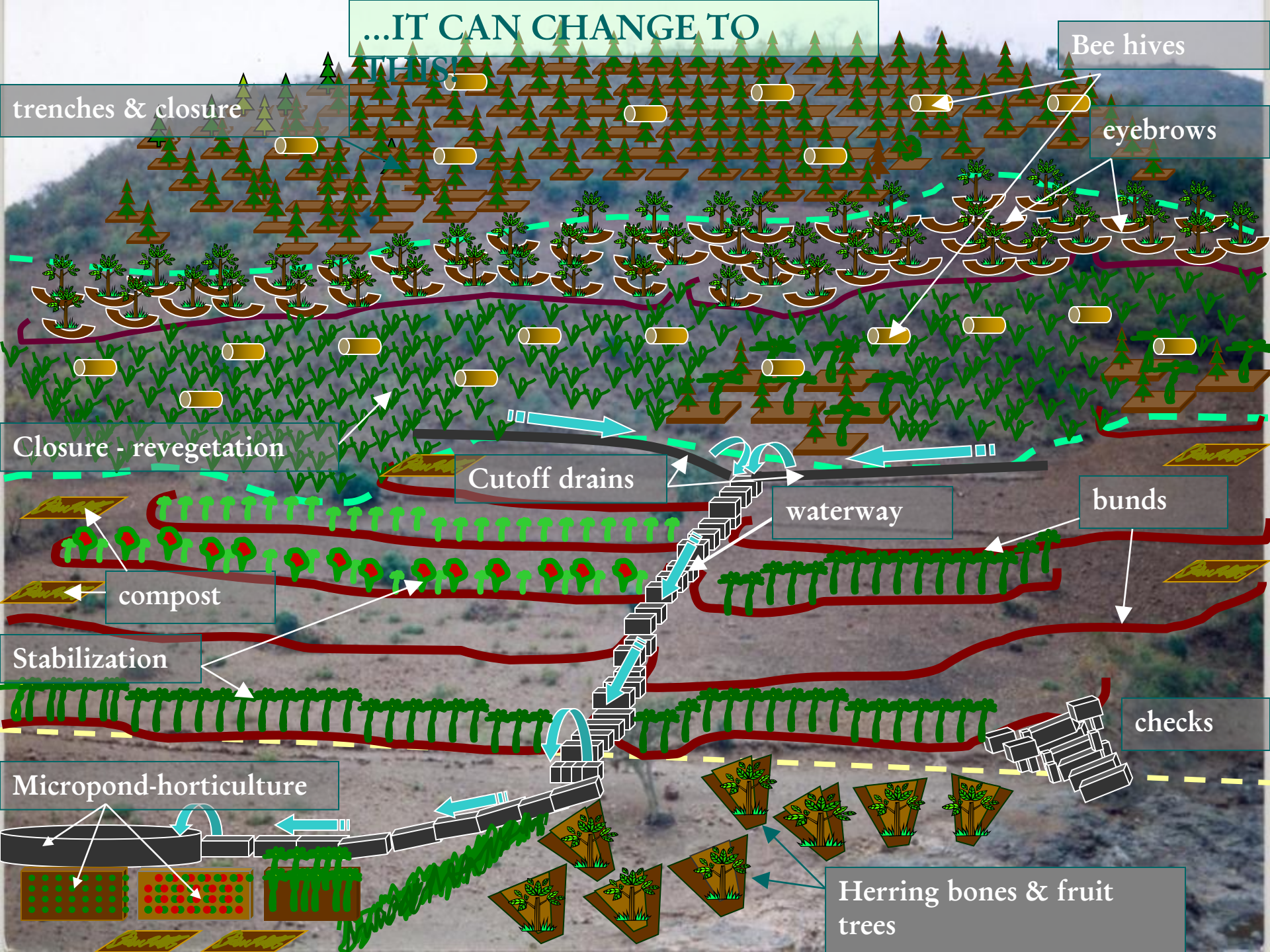
compost

Stabilization

Micropond-horticulture

checks

Herring bones & fruit trees





# Examples in Ethiopia

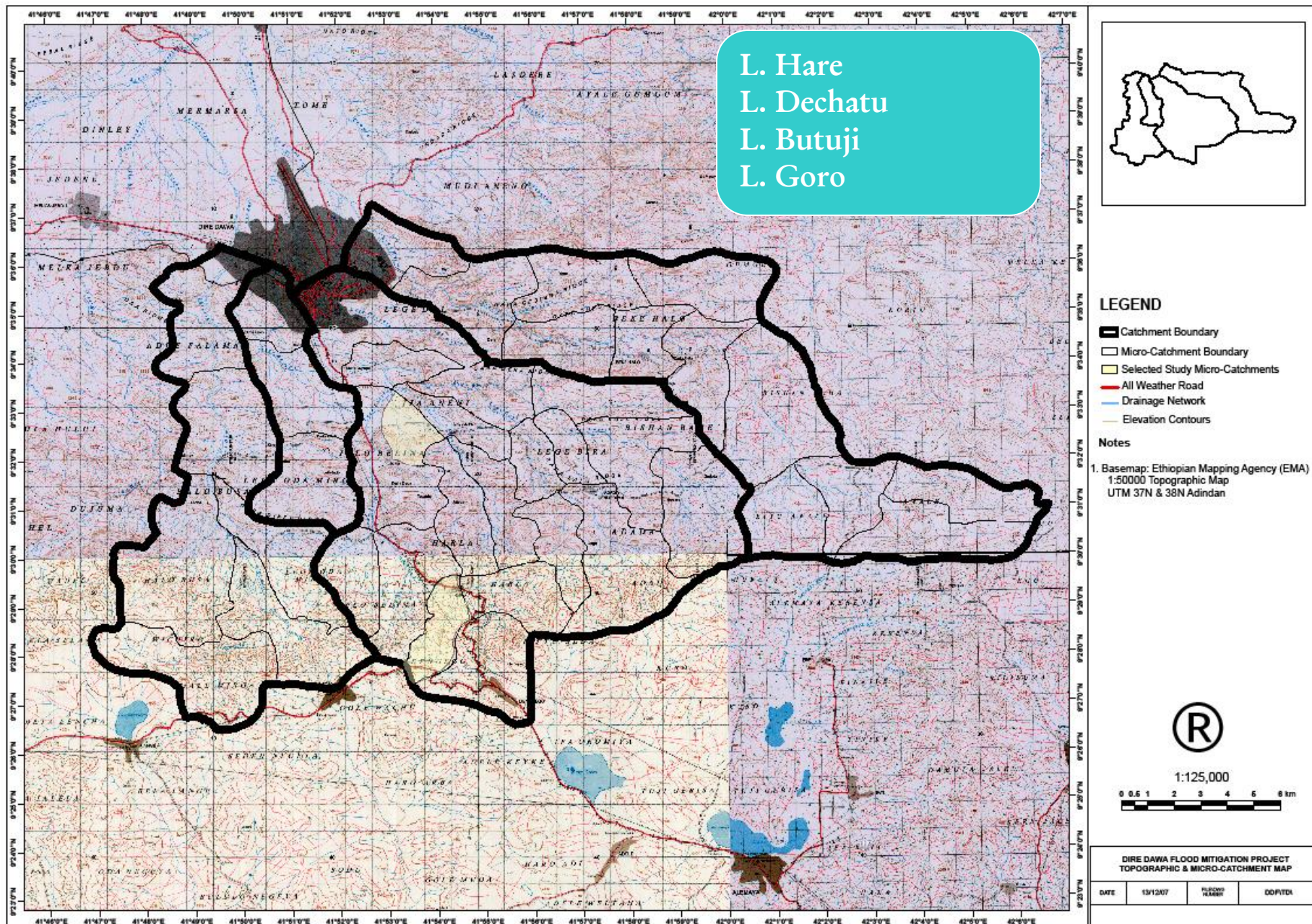


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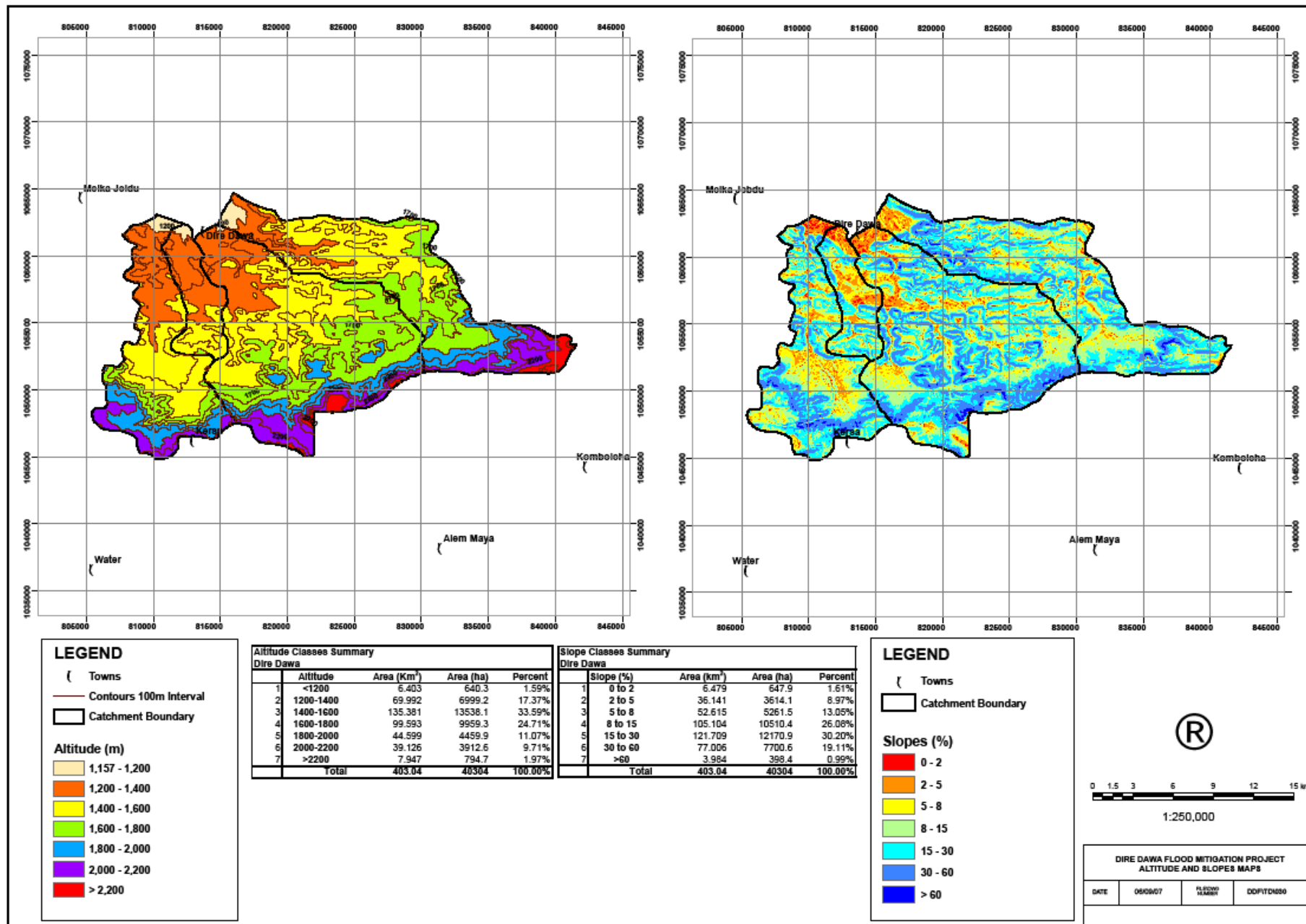


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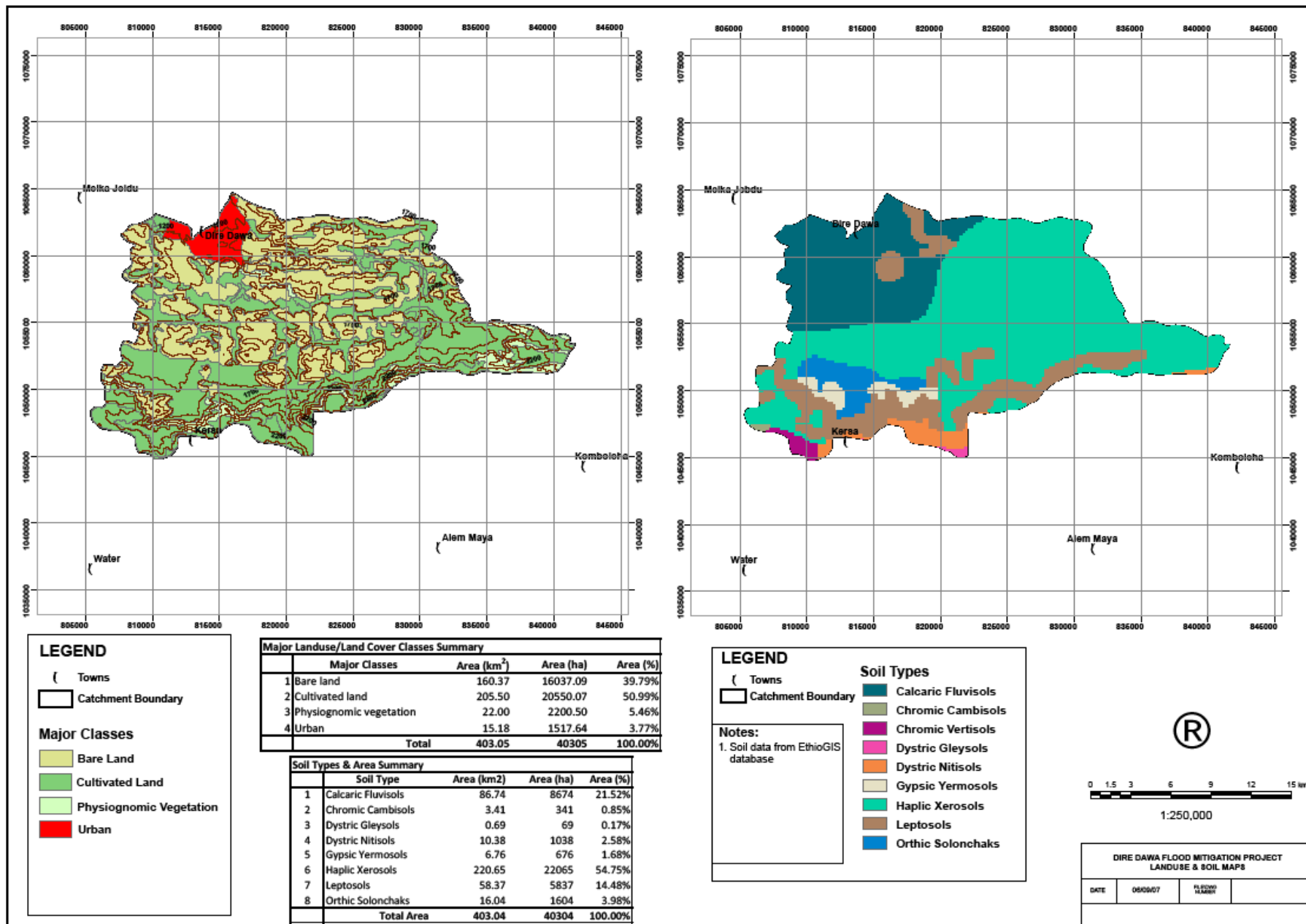


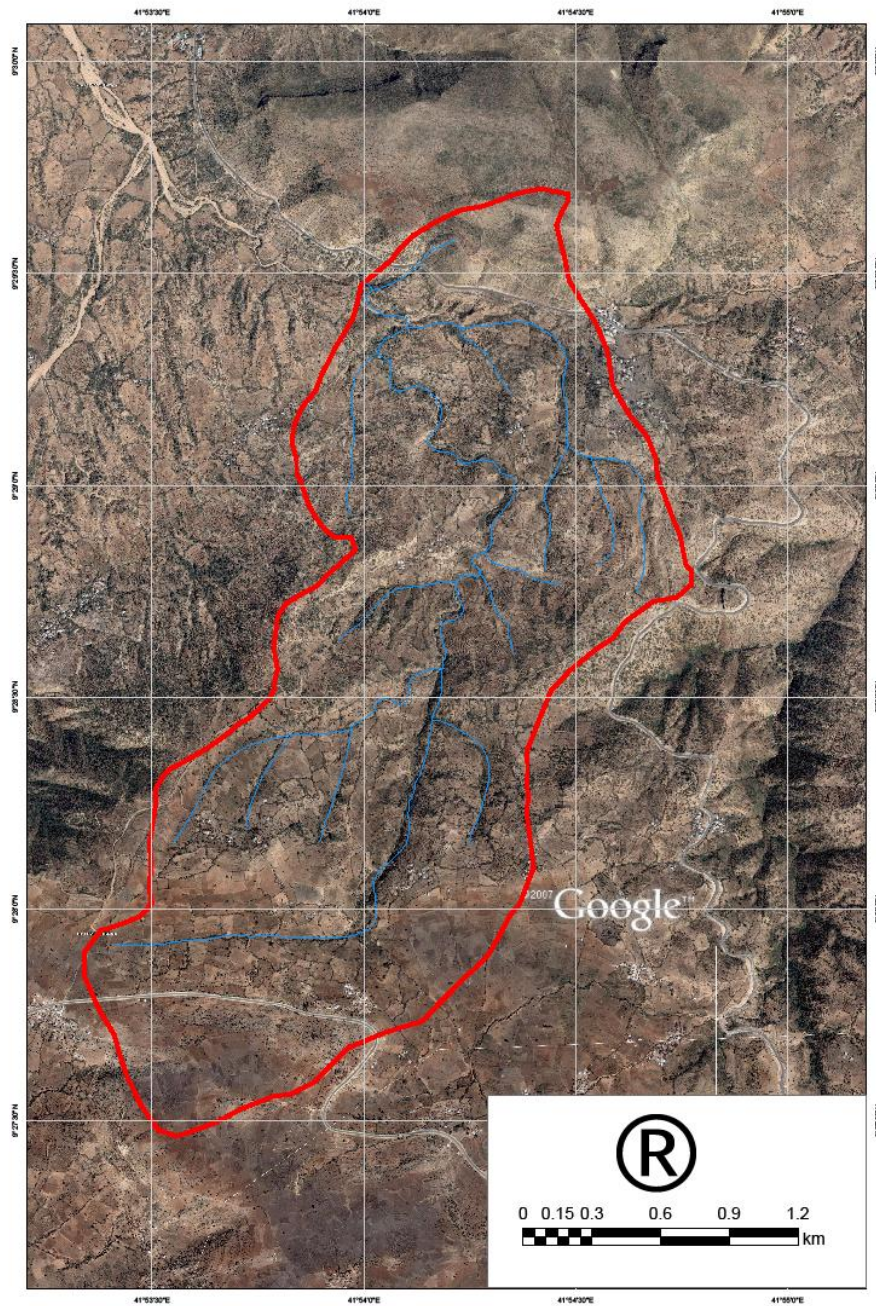




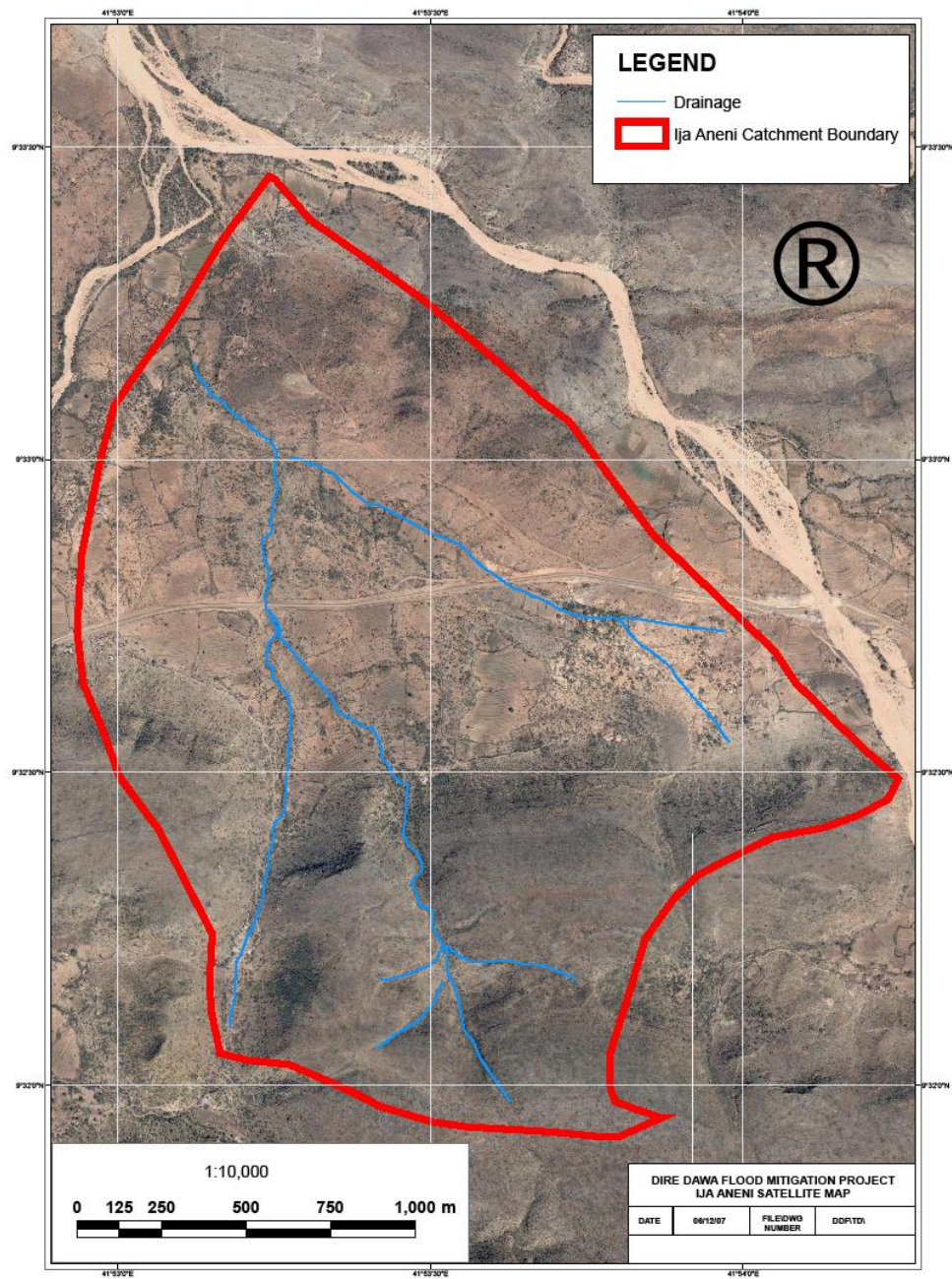


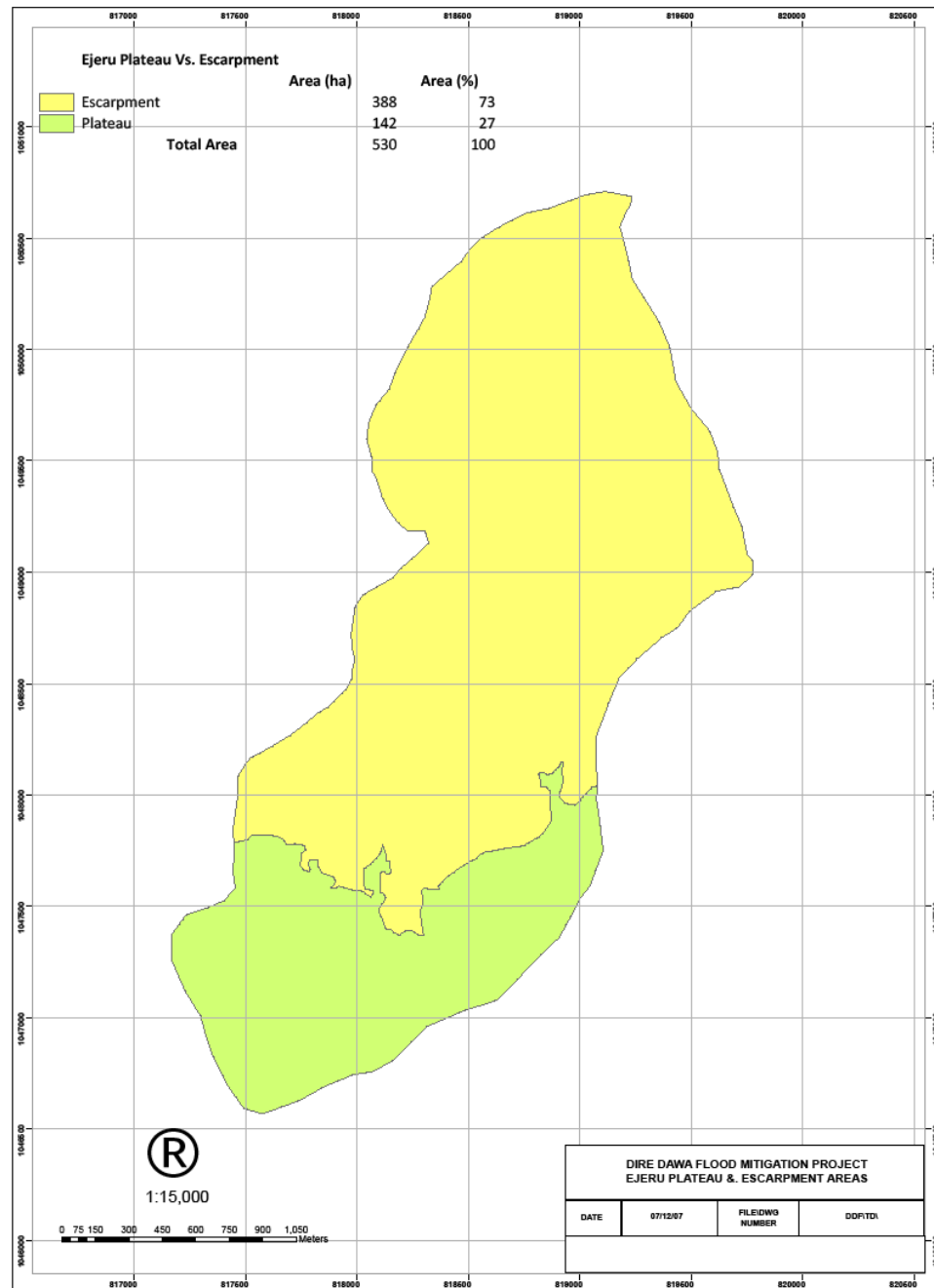




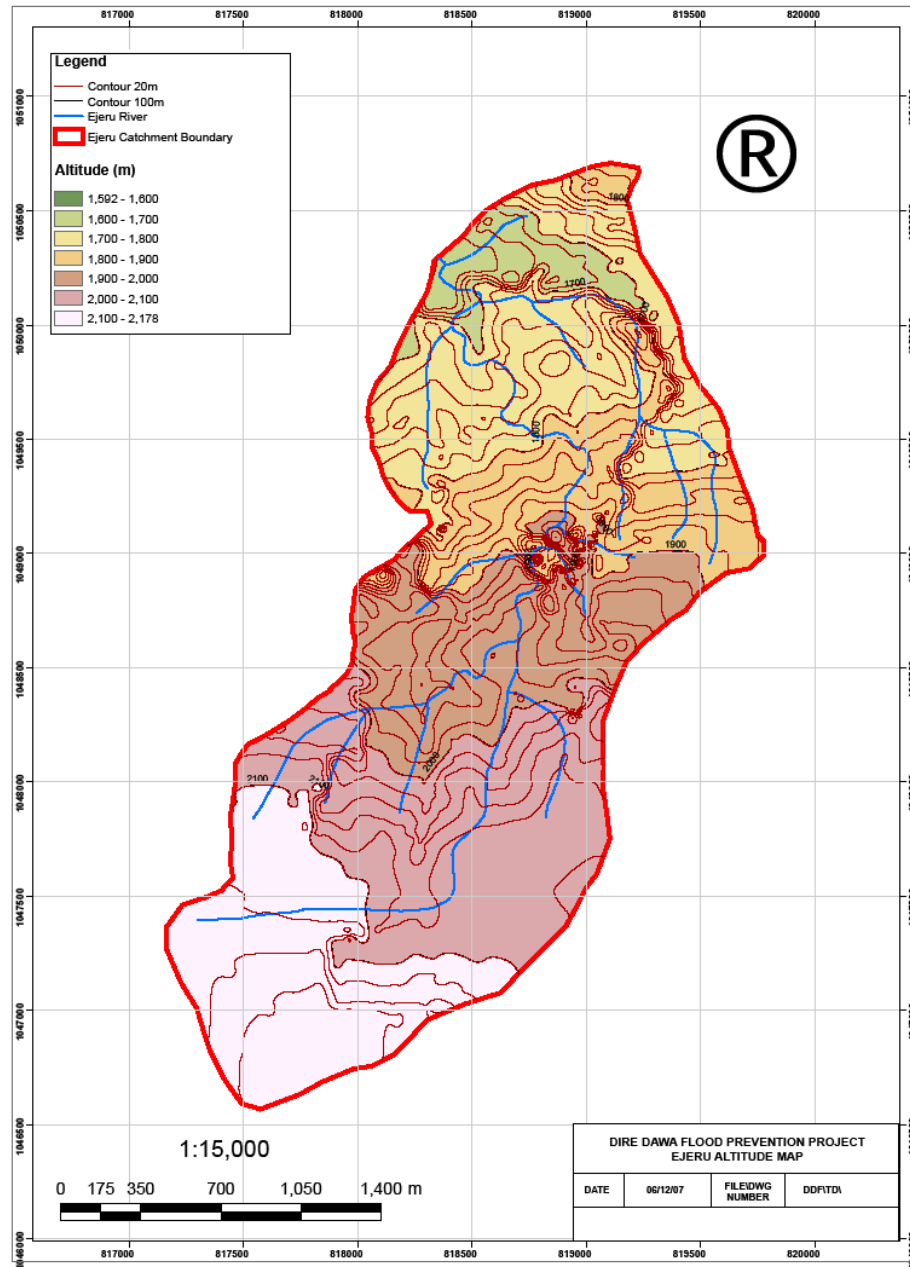


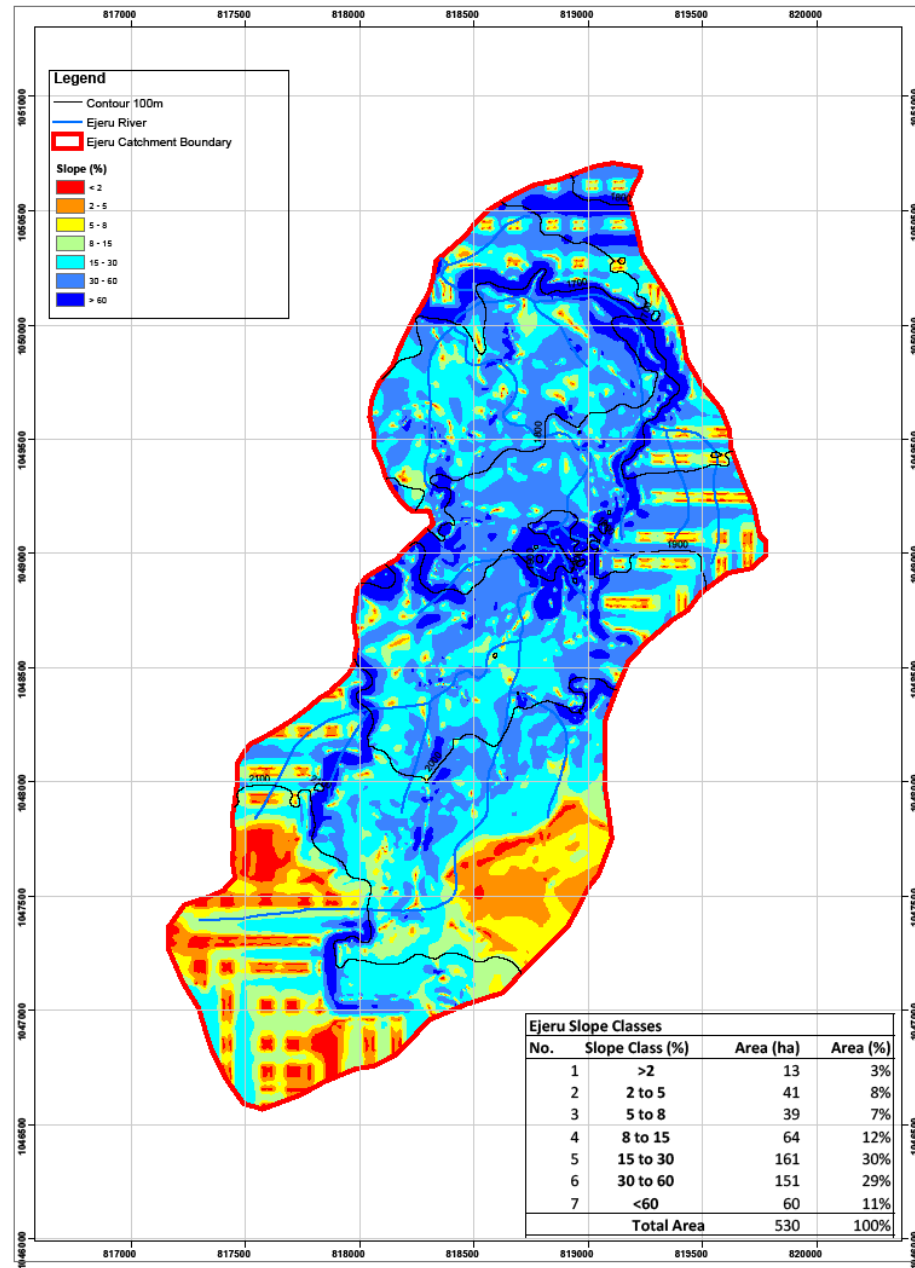




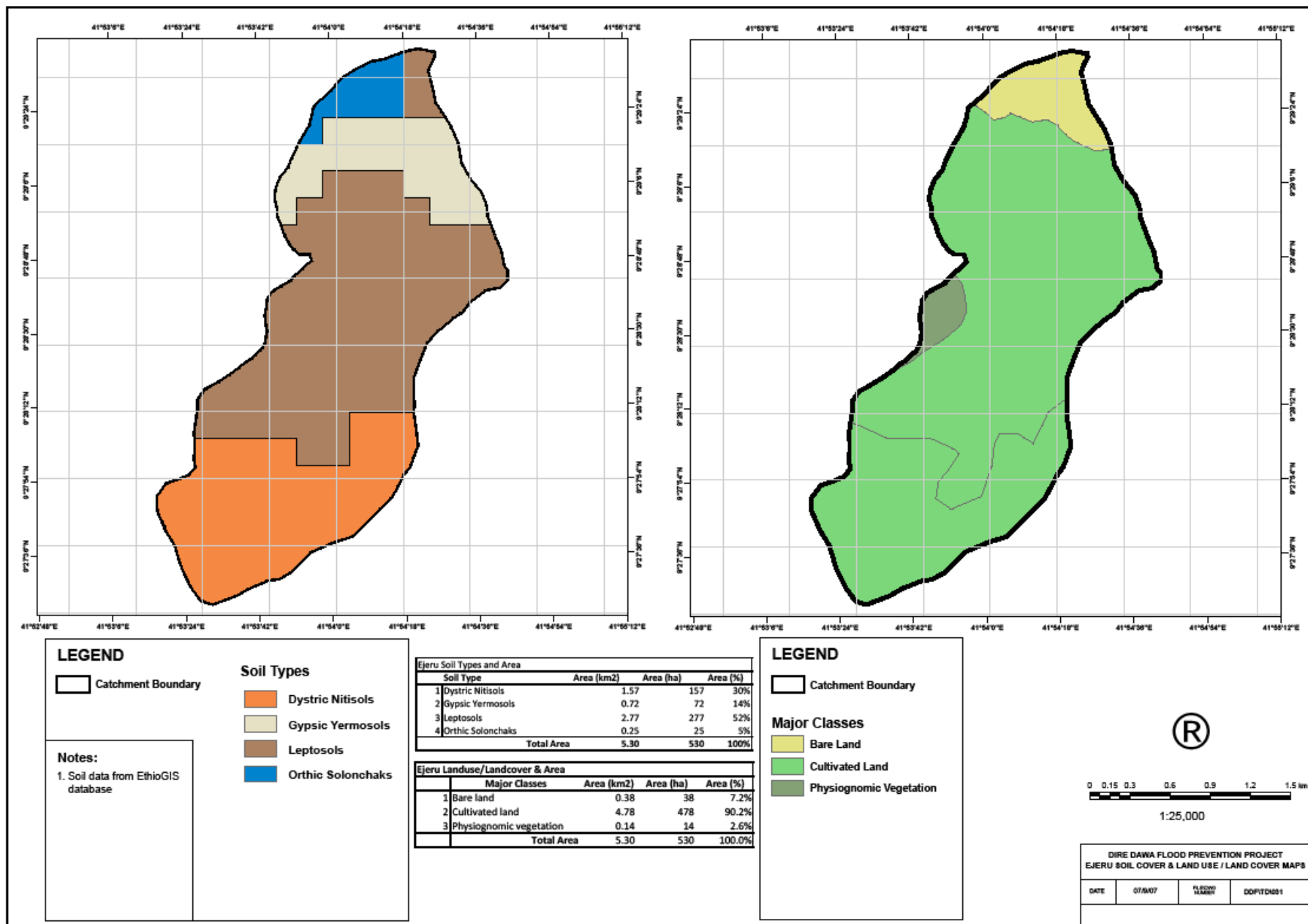


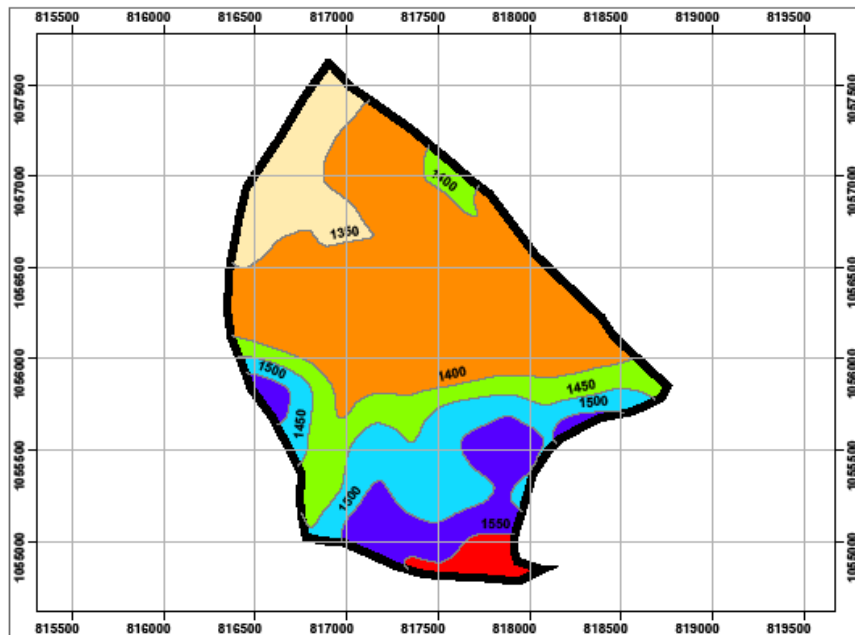












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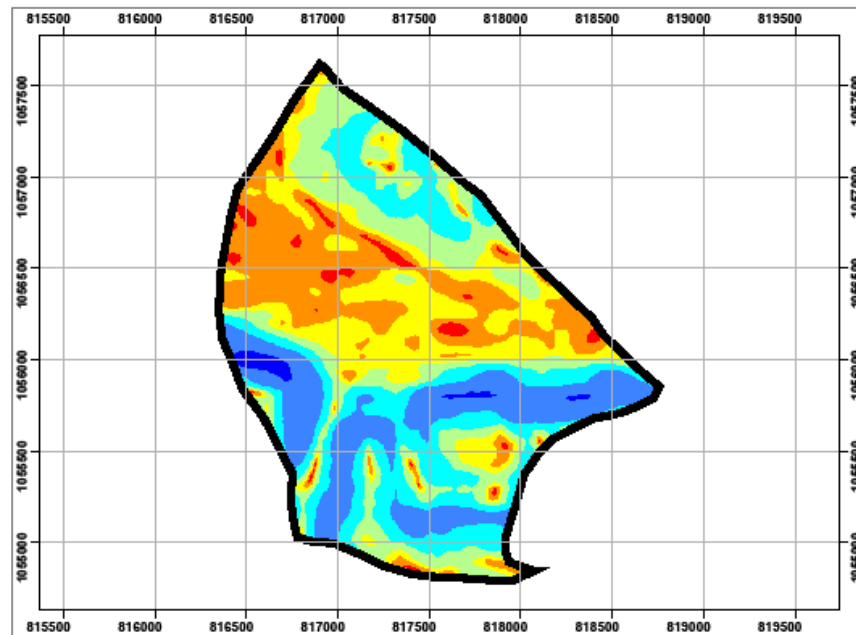
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#### Altitude (m)

- 1,300 - 1,350
- 1,350 - 1,400
- 1,400 - 1,450
- 1,450 - 1,500
- 1,500 - 1,550
- 1,550 - 1,579

Altitude Table

	Altitude (m)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Area (ha)	Area (%)
1	<1350	0.40	40	10.5%
2	1350 - 1400	1.83	183	47.7%
3	1400 - 1450	0.49	49	12.8%
4	1450 - 1500	0.59	59	15.4%
5	1500 - 1550	0.42	42	10.9%
6	>1550	0.10	10	2.7%
	<b>Total Area</b>	<b>3.84</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



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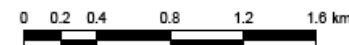
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#### Slope (%)

- < 2
- 2 - 5
- 5 - 8
- 8 - 15
- 15 - 30
- 30 - 60
- > 60

Slope Table

	Slopes Classes (%)	Area (km2)	Area (ha)	Area (%)
1	< 2	0.07	7	1.9%
2	2 to 5	0.77	77	20.0%
3	5 to 8	0.76	76	19.7%
4	8 to 15	0.76	76	19.9%
5	15 to 30	0.80	80	20.9%
6	30 to 60	0.64	64	16.6%
7	> 60	0.04	4	1.0%
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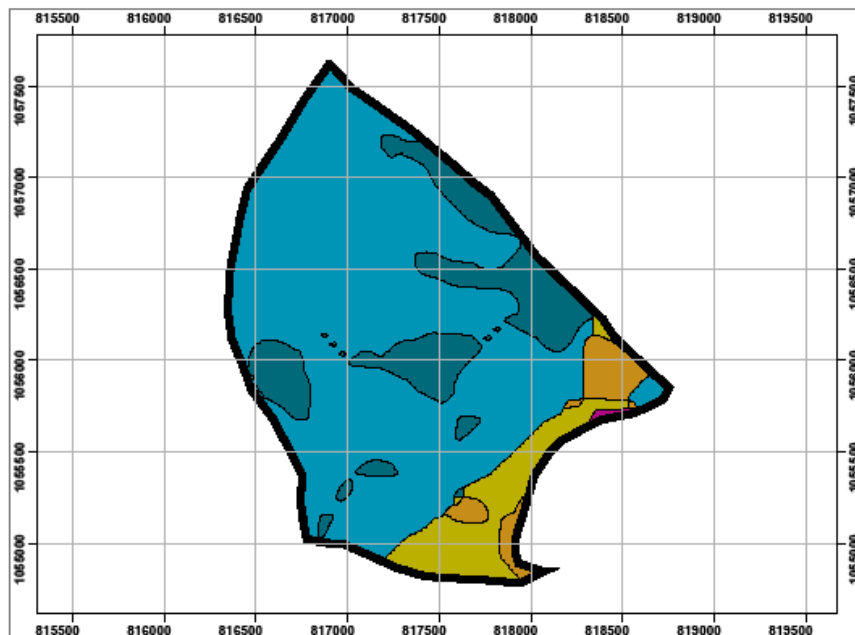


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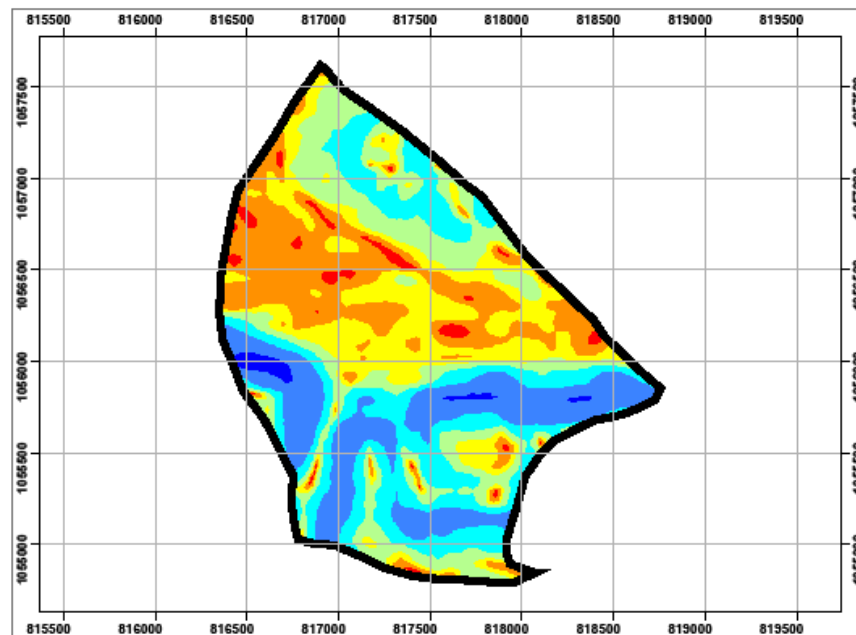
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### Soil Types

- Calcaric Fluvisols
- Chromic Vertisols
- Eutric Cambisols
- Haplic Phaeozems
- Lithosols

Soil Table

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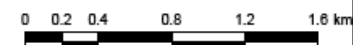
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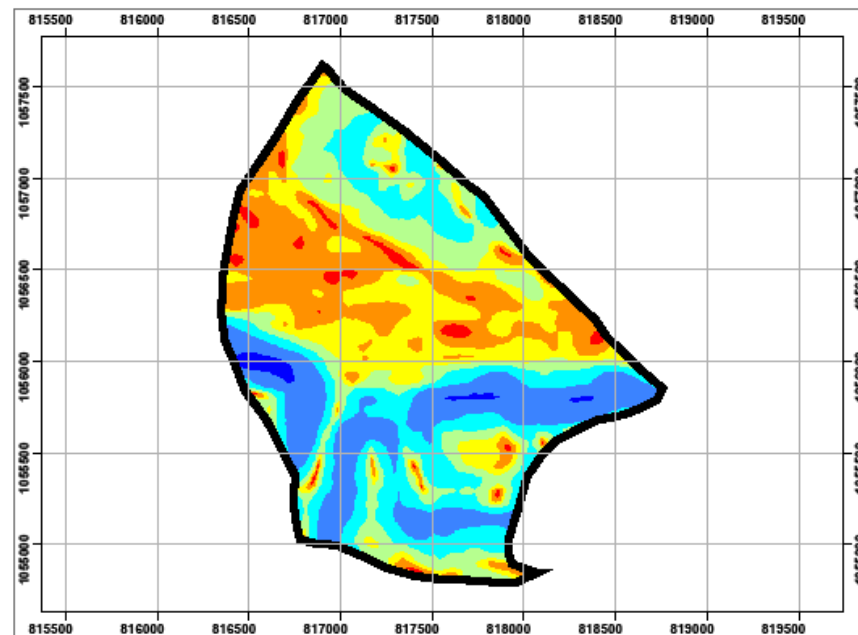
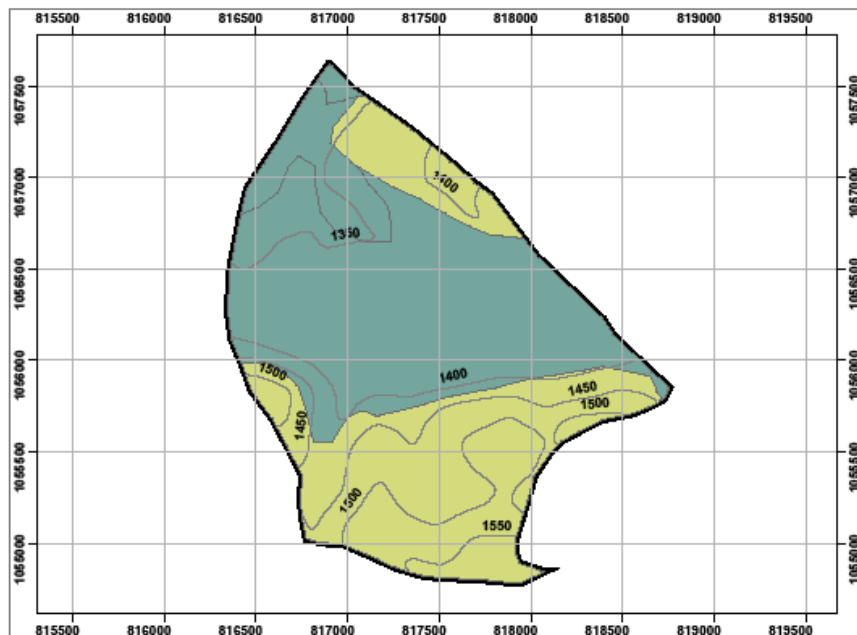
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### Major Classes

- Bare Land
- Cultivated Land

	Major Classes	Area (km2)	Area (ha)	Area (%)
1	Bare land	1.66	166	43.3%
2	Cultivated land	2.18	218	56.7%
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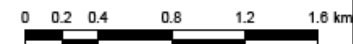
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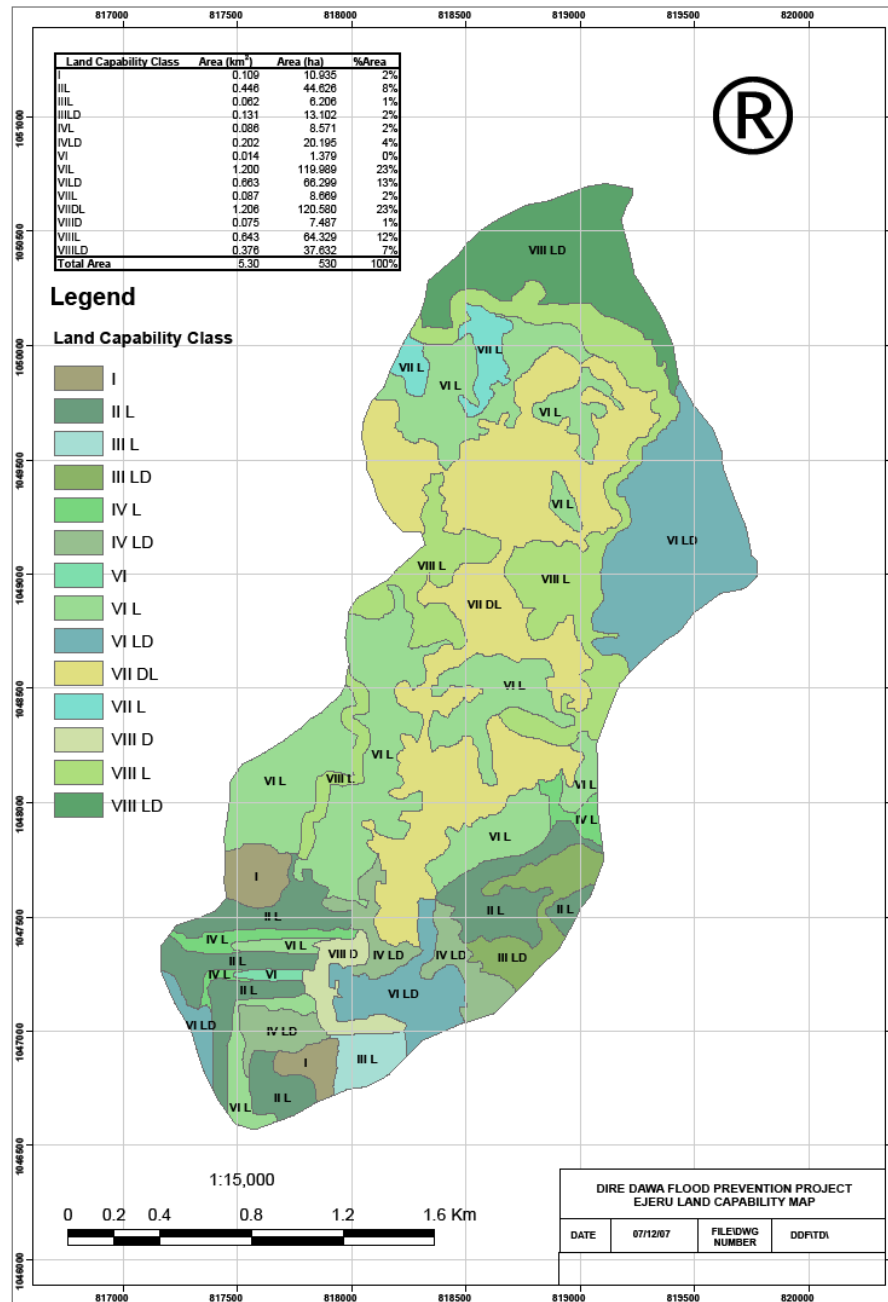


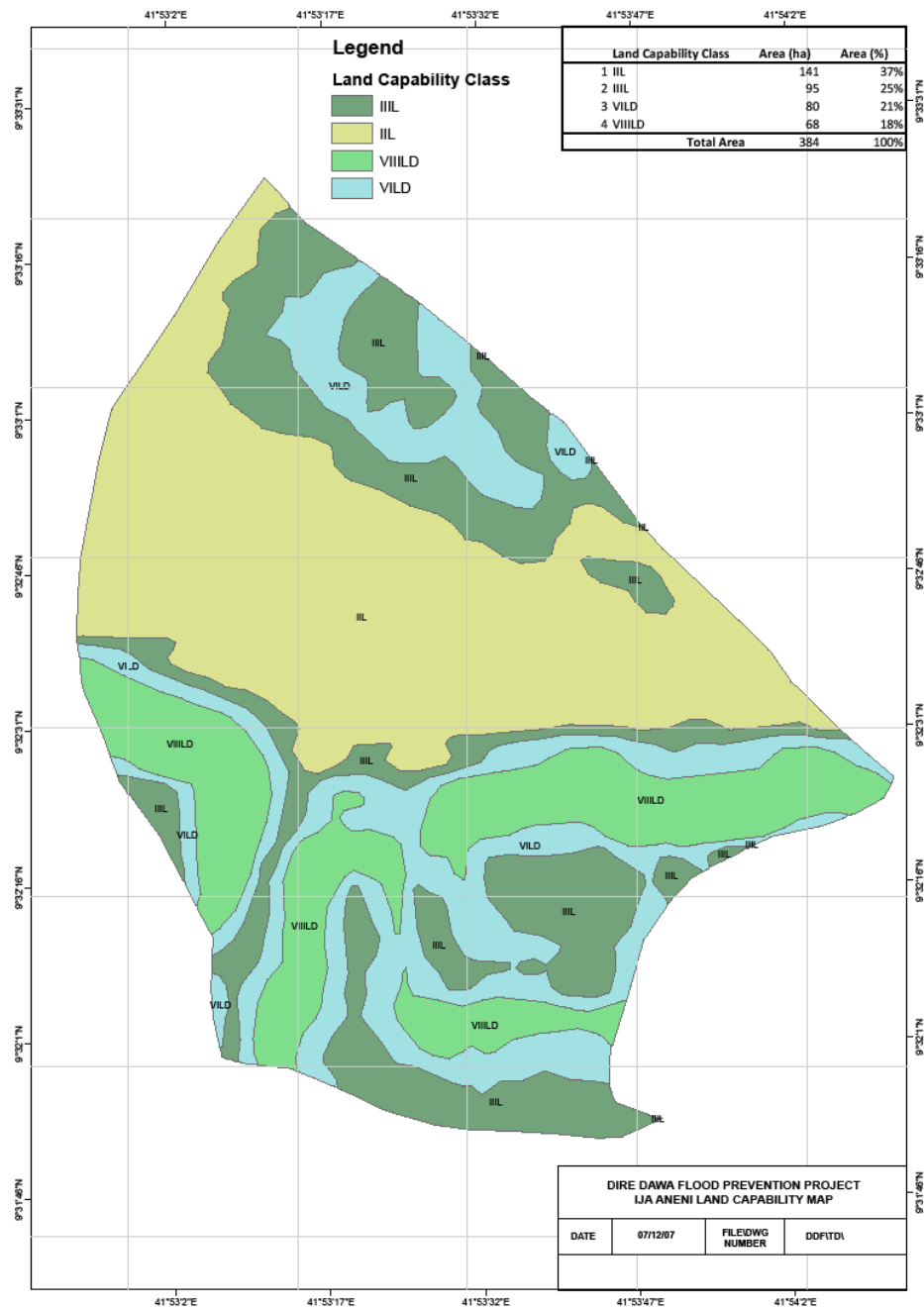
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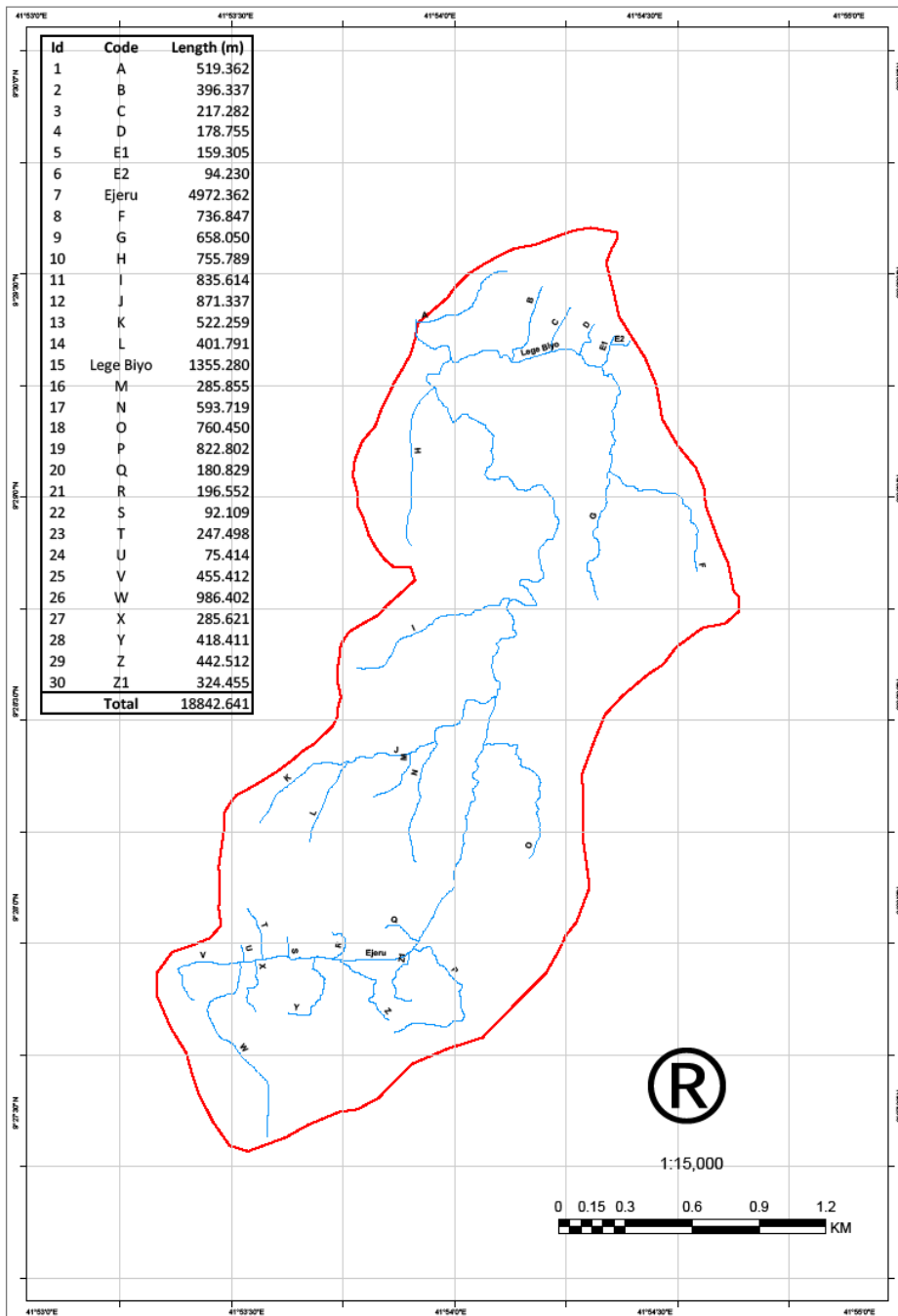
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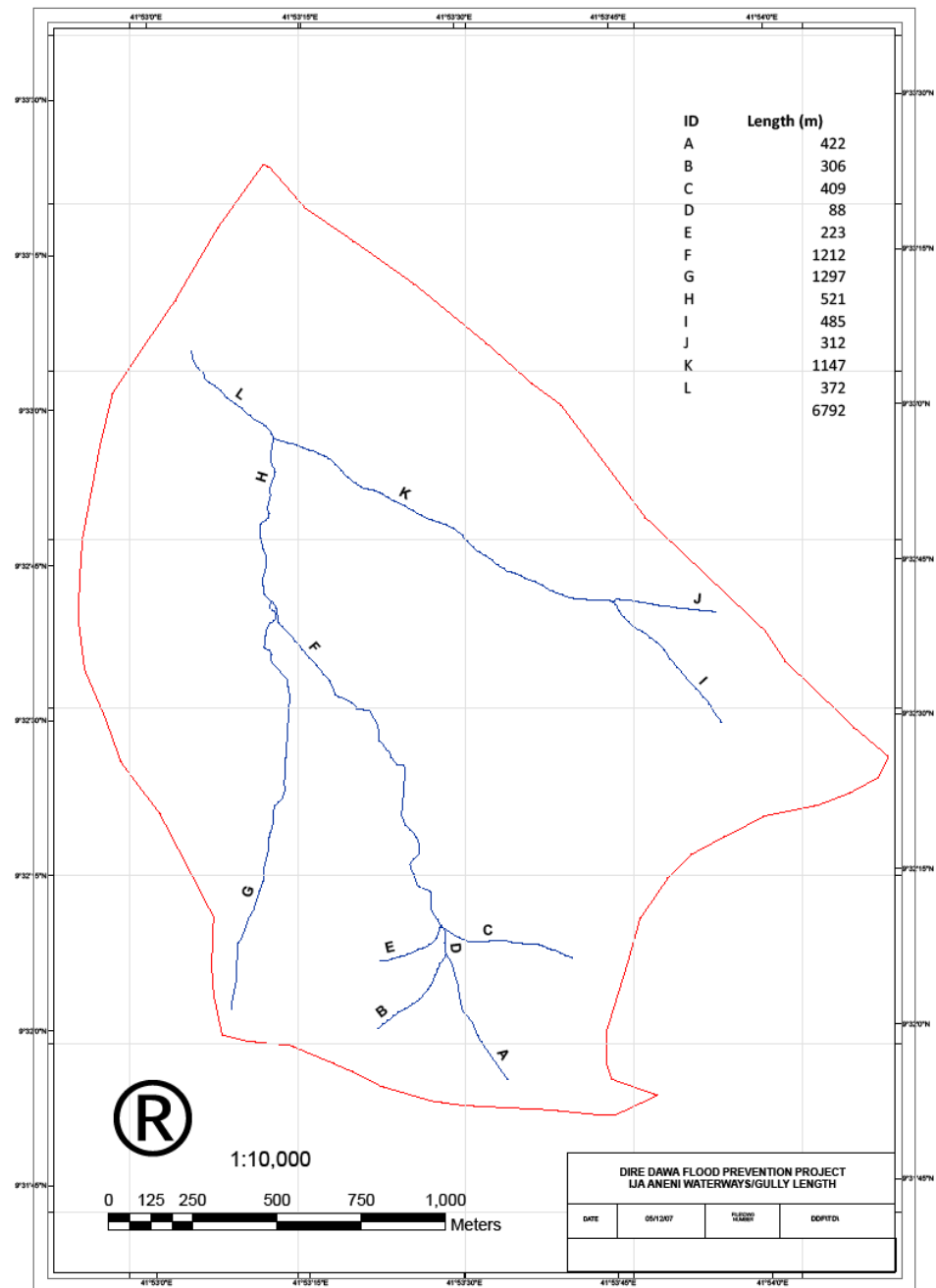














No	Section Code	Length in m	Treatment required
1	A	422	Gully treatment
2	B	306	Gully treatment
3	C	409	Gully treatment
4	D	88	Gully treatment
5	E	223	Gully treatment
6	F	1212	2 SS dam
7	G	1297	Gully treatment
8	H	521	1 SS dam
9	I	485	Gully treatment
10	J	312	Gully treatment
K	K	1147	2 SS dam
12	L	372	Gully treatment
Total		6794	Gully treatment

## Summary of SWC Costs for Study Micro-Catchments

Item	Ejeru	Eje Aneni
Area (ha)	530	384
All LDUs Costs	946009	233654
LDU Costs	590960	565508
Total cost	1,536,969	799,162
Cost Birr/ha	2,900	2,081



# PWD: RECOGNIZING PEOPLE'S AND WATERSHED POTENTIALS



Plateau treated with stone faced bunds with runoff-runon system using C/CA 1:1 – tie ridging and stabilization along bunds with legume trees/shrubs + control grazing.

SS dams in series + closure of catchment area (plantation of crops on SS dam based upon sedimentation rate – start with ring cultivation).

Escarpment under closure + checkdams on small gullies

Hillsides with trenches and eyebrow basins C/CA 3-5:1 for trees +/- cash crops in lower slopes.

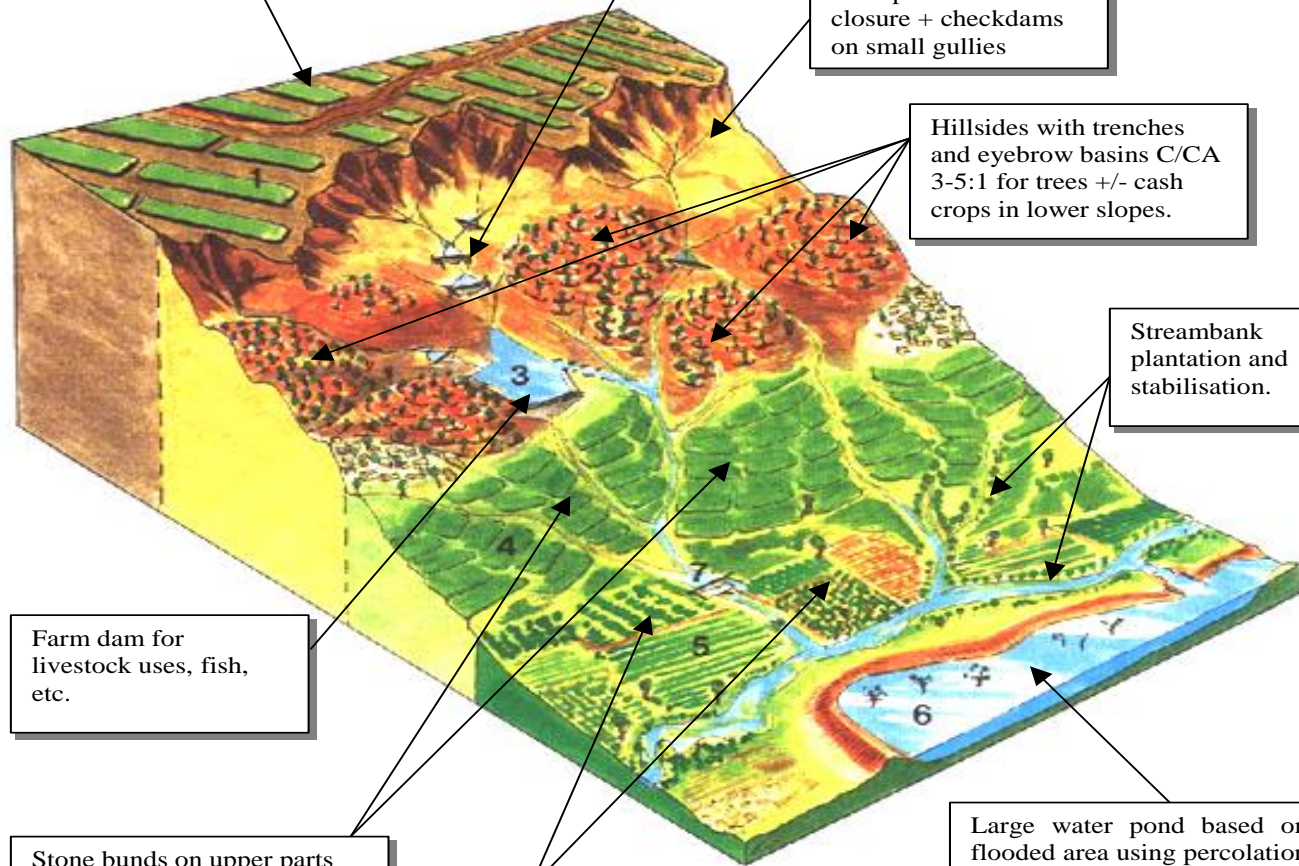
Streambank plantation and stabilisation.

Farm dam for livestock uses, fish, etc.

Stone bunds on upper parts and stone faced soil bunds on medium and lower slopes + lateral spillways and gully control. Bunds also stabilised with legume shrubs.

Irrigated perimeters using hand-dug wells (each for 0.1-0.25 ha plots) – horticulture. Microponds also possible, including in villages.

Large water pond based on flooded area using percolation dam (earth dam + gabion flow structure). Cultivation during the dry season on residual moisture.





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