

*Forests cover about 4 billion hectares,
31 percent of the earth's land surface*



Forests are being lost at an alarming rate



- Forest loss: 2000 to 2010: 130 million hectares of forest
- 13 million hectares per year

Climate Change

< 350 ppm CO₂ < 1W m²
(350 – 500 ppm CO₂;
1-1.5 W m²)

Ozone depletion

< 5 % of Pre-Industrial 290 DU
(5 - 10%)

Biogeochemical loading: Global N & P Cycles

Limit industrial fixation of N₂ to 35 Tg N yr⁻¹(25 % of natural fixation)
(25%-35%)
P < 10× natural weathering inflow to Oceans
(10× – 100×)

Atmospheric Aerosol Loading

To be determined

Ocean acidification

Aragonite saturation ratio > 80 % above pre-industrial levels
(> 80% - > 70 %)

Global Freshwater Use

<4000 km³/yr
(4000 – 6000 km³/yr)

Rate of Biodiversity Loss

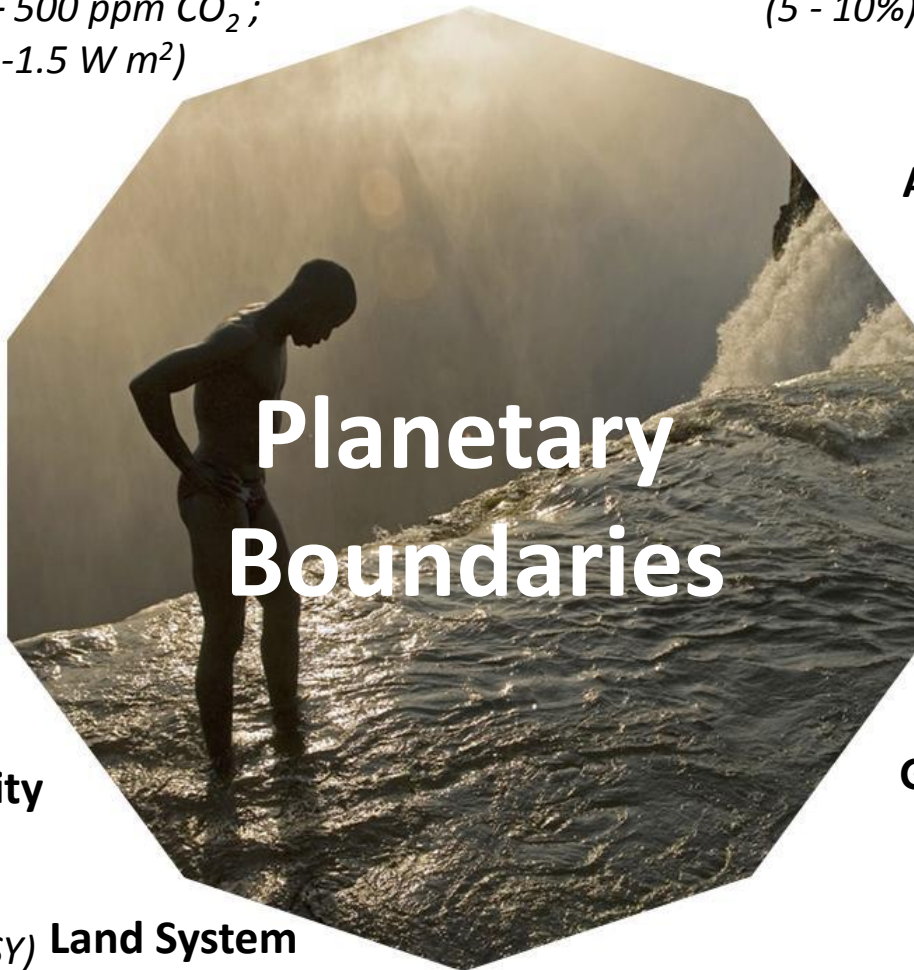
< 10 E/MSY
(< 10 - < 1000 E/MSY)

Land System Change

≤15 % of land under crops
(15-20%)

Chemical Pollution

Plastics, Endocrine Desruptors, Nuclear Waste Emitted globally
To be determined



Planetary Boundaries





Ecosystem-based resilience to climate change:

- Forests x concrete solutions
- Forest restoration



**+ 1 billion people depend directly on forests, + 350 M
of the world's poorest, 60 million indigenous people**

People do not deforest because they are stupid or ignorant; there is an economic logic that drives deforestation





- **80% of global deforestation**: driven by expansion of agricultural frontiers
 - food demand increase by 2050: 70%



An essential goal (Viana 2003):

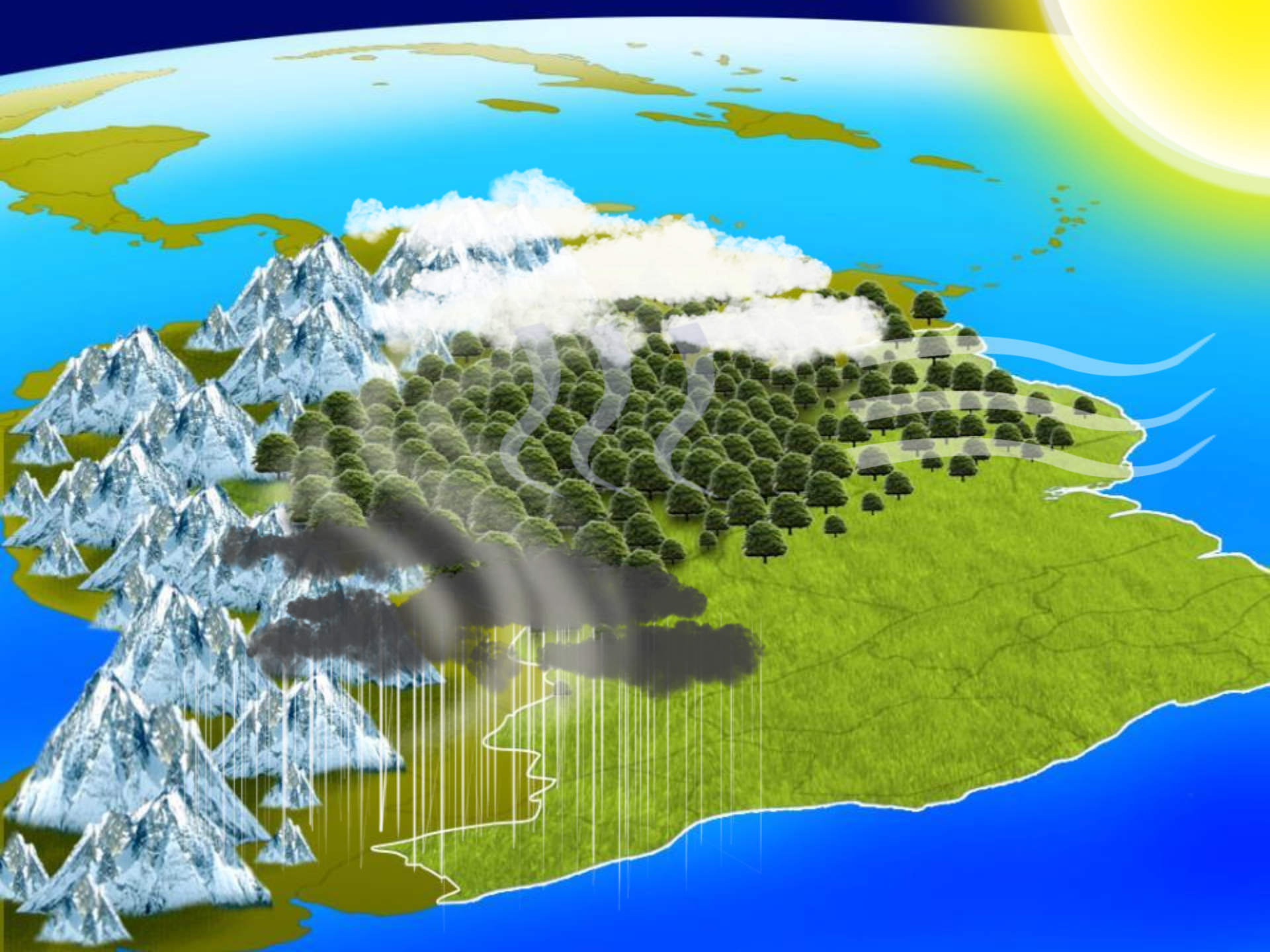
- making forests worth more standing than cut



TEEB principles (Sukhdev 2012):
recognize the value + demonstrate the value +
capture the value of these ecosystems in economic terms



changes in water cycle and precipitation, losses of biodiversity, soil erosion; in addition to negative social and cultural impacts on local populations



Energy production



Food production



Water supply to cities



10 suggested SDGs



1. End extreme poverty including hunger
2. Achieve Development within Planetary Boundaries
3. Ensure Effective Learning for All Children and Youth for Life and Livelihood
4. Achieve Gender Equality, Social Inclusion, and Human Rights for All
5. Achieve Health and Wellbeing at all Ages
6. Improve Agriculture Systems and Rise Rural Prosperity
7. Empower inclusive, Productive and Resilient Cities
8. Curb Human-induced Climate Change and Ensure Sustainable Energy
- 9. Secure Ecosystem Services and Biodiversity, and Ensure Good Management of Water and other Natural Resources**
10. Transform Governance for Sustainable Development

Targets

(1) Reduce deforestation and degradation of forests

- absolute deforestation and degradation area (hectare per year) – zero by 2030
- % deforestation and degradation relative to total forest area (per biome)
- CO₂ emissions from deforestation and degradation (tons)
- CO₂ uptake from managed forests (tons)
- absolute area of natural forests restored

Targets

(2) Increase the value of sustainably managed forest products and environmental services

- % increase in value of forest products relative to agricultural products
- % increase in value of payments made for environmental services
- Investment in forest management technology development and transfer (\$)
- Incentives to enterprises that incorporate co-benefits of forests (e.g. tax reductions - \$)

Targets

(3) Eliminate extreme poverty in forest dependent communities

- % change in social indicators of human development
- % reduction of inequalities between forest x urban populations
- % reduction of gender inequalities in forest populations

Targets

(4) Improve governance of forests

- % of forest area with clear and secure land ownership
- % of indigenous people with secure land rights
- % change in conflicts over forest use
- % reduction of illegal production of forest products and illegal deforestation

A photograph of two young girls sitting in a dark wooden boat on a body of water. The girl on the right, with long dark hair in a ponytail, is kissing a bright green parrot on the nose. The parrot is perched on a long wooden oar. The girl on the left has long blonde hair and is looking towards the other girl. The background is a calm, greyish-blue river.

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standing than cut**



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