

Local Ecological Footprinting Tool

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This report contains a series of maps and tables identifying parts of the landscape which are relatively more important because of the ecological features found there.

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1 Introduction

The Local Ecological Footprinting Tool (LEFT) was developed to provide a simple-to-use tool for industries and landowners who have to make quick preliminary decisions about land-use change, and to assist in minimising the environmental impact of their operations.

The tool processes a series of high-quality open-access environmental datasets using standardised algorithms to produce maps at 30m resolution of land cover class, number of globally threatened terrestrial vertebrate and plant species, biodiversity of terrestrial vertebrates and plants, habitat intactness, wetland habitat connectivity, number of migratory species, and vegetation resilience. These results are aggregated in a single summary map showing the pattern of relative ecological value.

This report briefly describes the methods and datasets used to generate the maps for the specified area of interest. Further details on the modelling approach, datasets, and choice of ecological variables can be found in Willis et al., (2012; 2014; 2015) and Long et al., (2016 – in press)

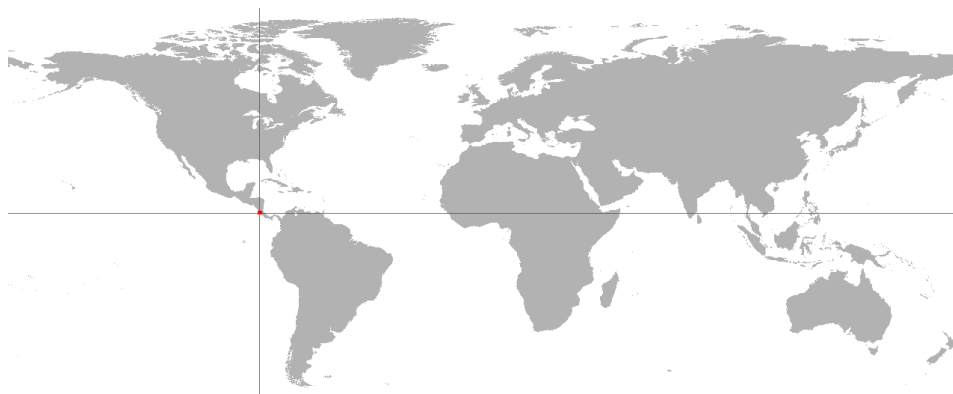
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Area of Interest

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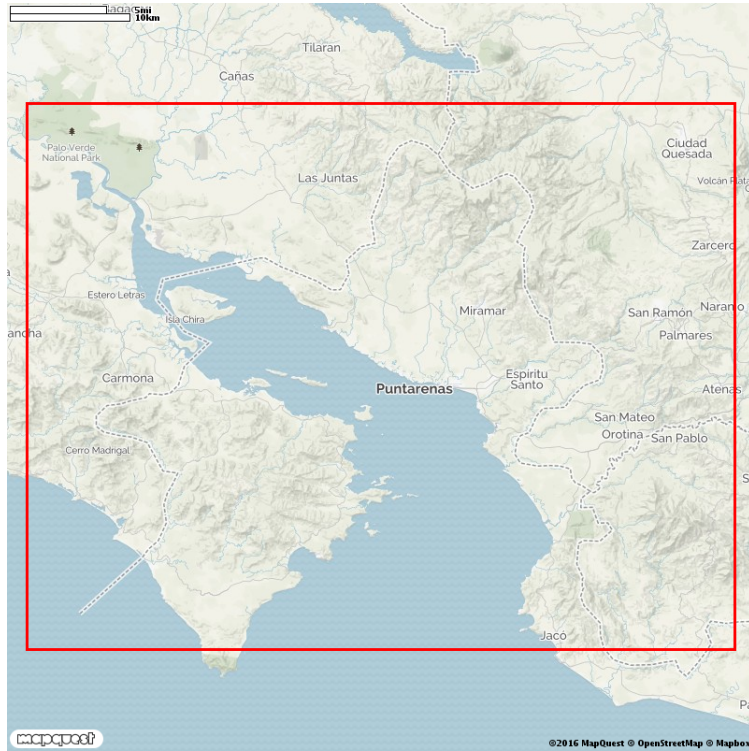
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Longitude: 85.40°W to 84.36°W



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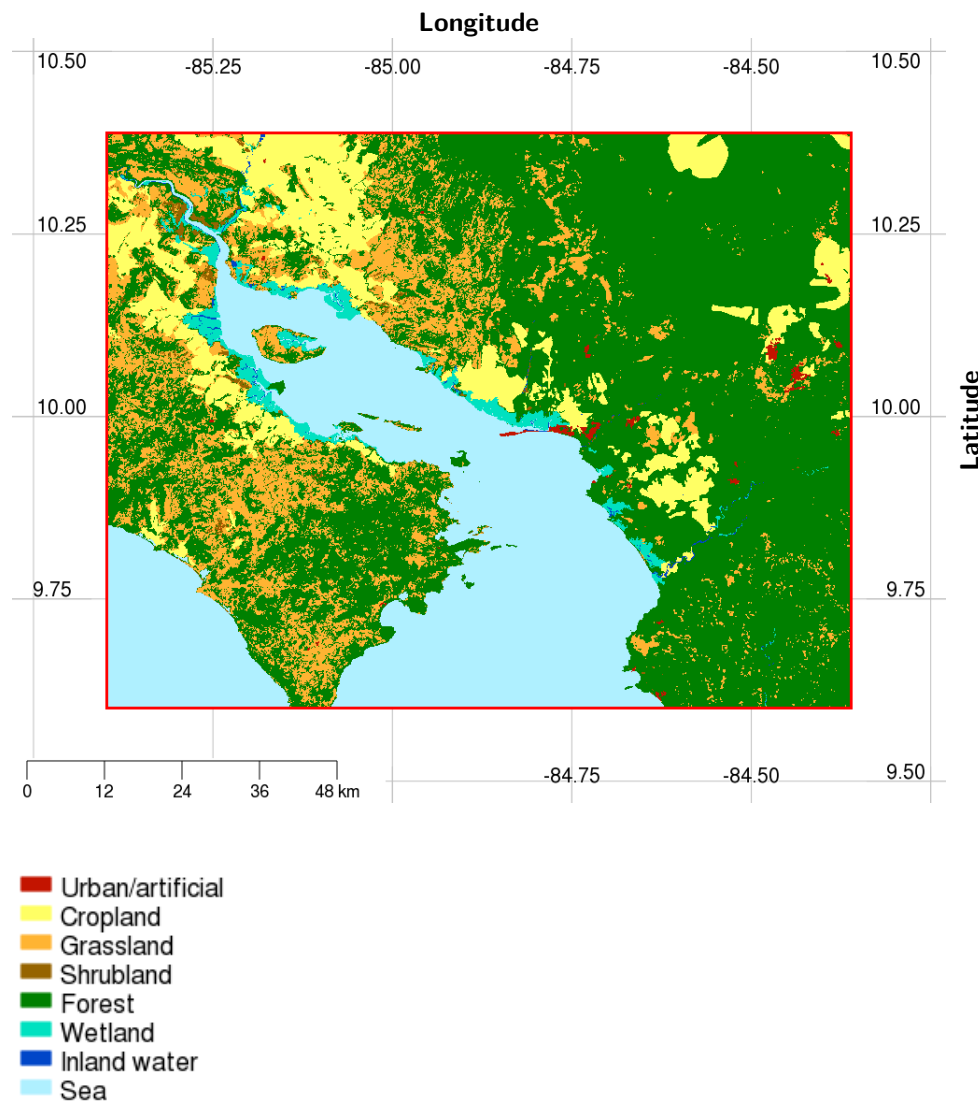
To provide context for the specified area of interest, a map showing features such as roads and the names of settlements was created from OpenStreetMap data.



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3 Land cover

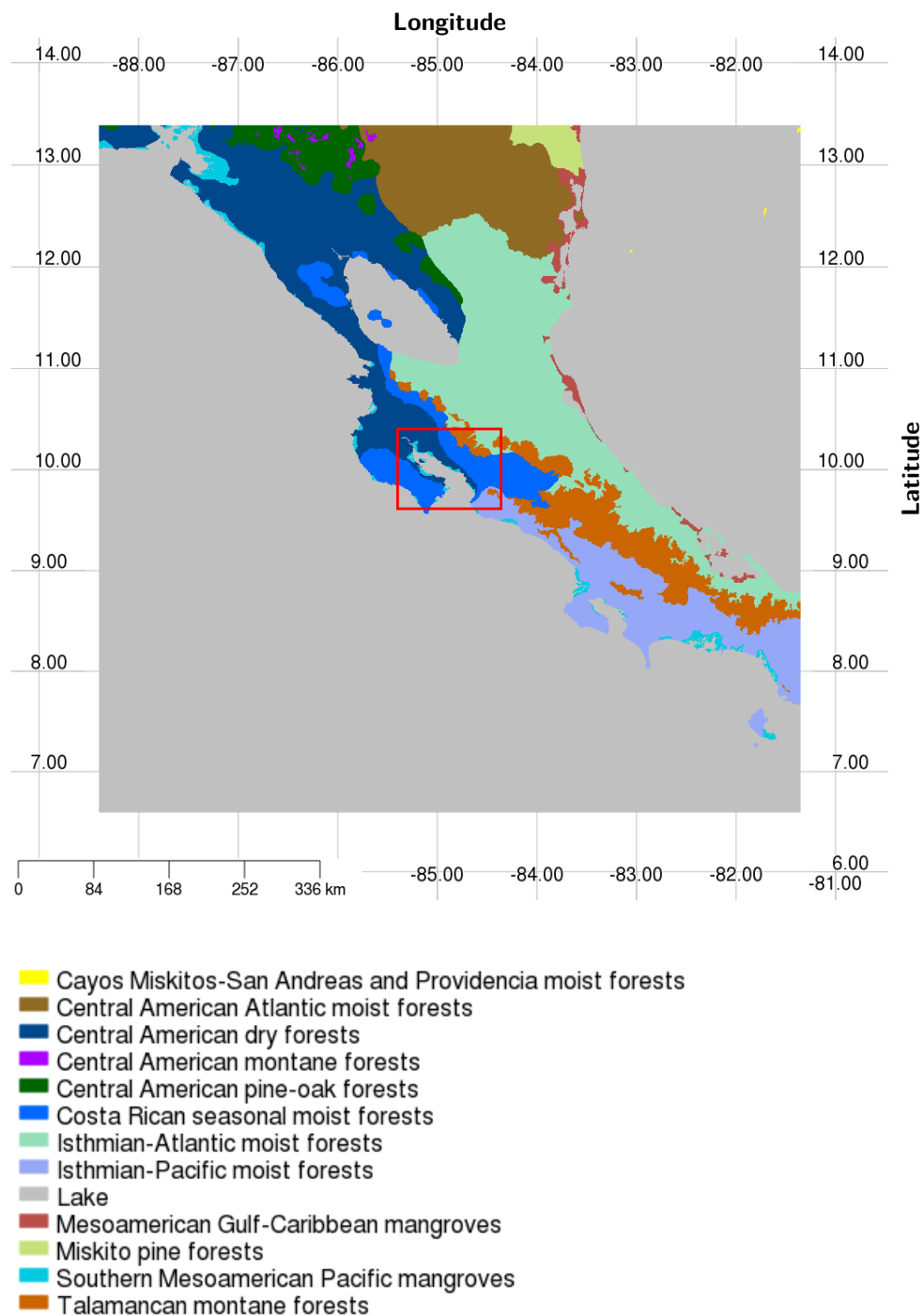
A map showing land cover in the year 2010 was derived from the GlobeLand30 data set (Copyright National Geomatics Center of China, DOI:10.11769/GlobeLand30.2010.db). Pixels were classified to land cover categories from multispectral Landsat and HJ-1 images, plus auxiliary data. In isolated areas without GlobeLand30 coverage, GlobCover 2009 land cover was used instead (Copyright ESA GlobCover Project, led by MEDIAS-France). OpenStreetMap land polygons were used to mask sea pixels.



Land cover map of the specified area of interest. Spatial resolution is 1 arcsec, or approximately 30 metres.

4 Ecoregions

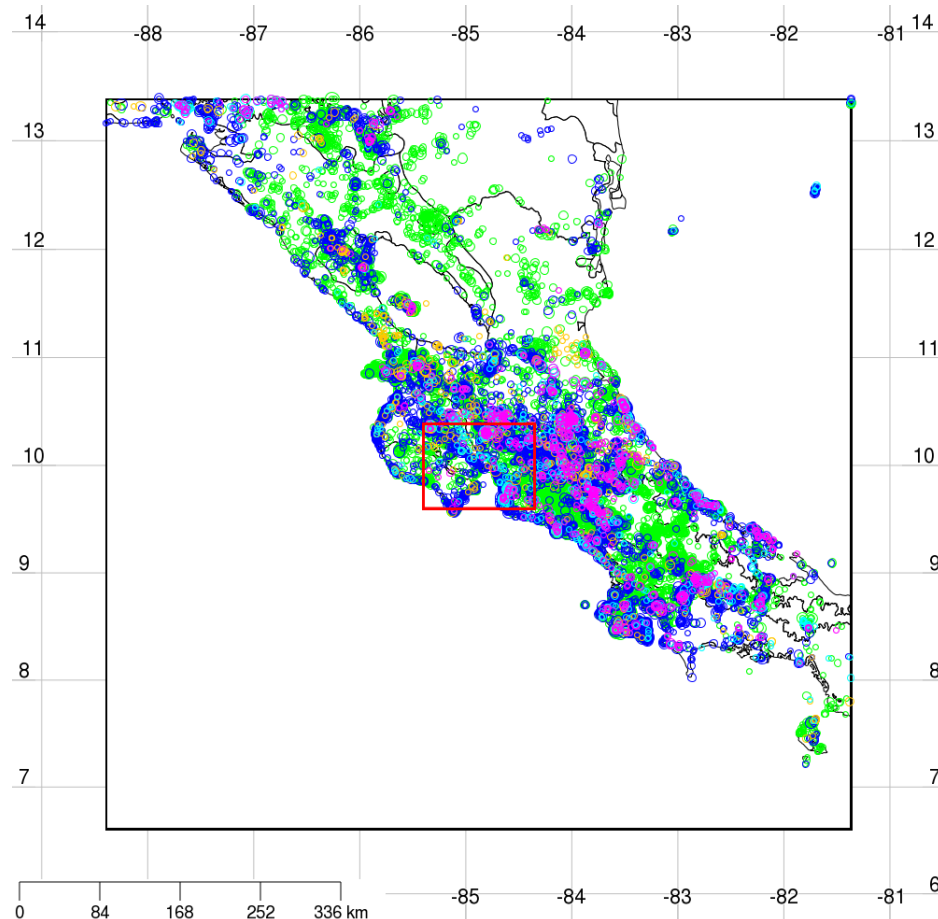
The WWF Terrestrial Ecoregion Classification (Olson et al. 2001) was used to identify the ecoregion(s) containing the specified area of interest. Relevant georeferenced biodiversity records were retrieved for this area from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF, www.gbif.org). In addition, species occurrence data in the same ecoregions, up to a 3-degree buffer, were obtained to ensure a maximum number of records for modelling.



Terrestrial Ecoregions in the specified area of interest and in a surrounding 3-degree buffer.

5 Species occurrence data

The map below indicates the distribution of the georeferenced GBIF species occurrence records of amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, and plants for the specified area of interest plus a 3-degree buffer zone. Any duplicate records (of the same species recorded more than once in the same location) were removed. Text files containing these records are available in the output zip file (see Appendix 1: Output Files).

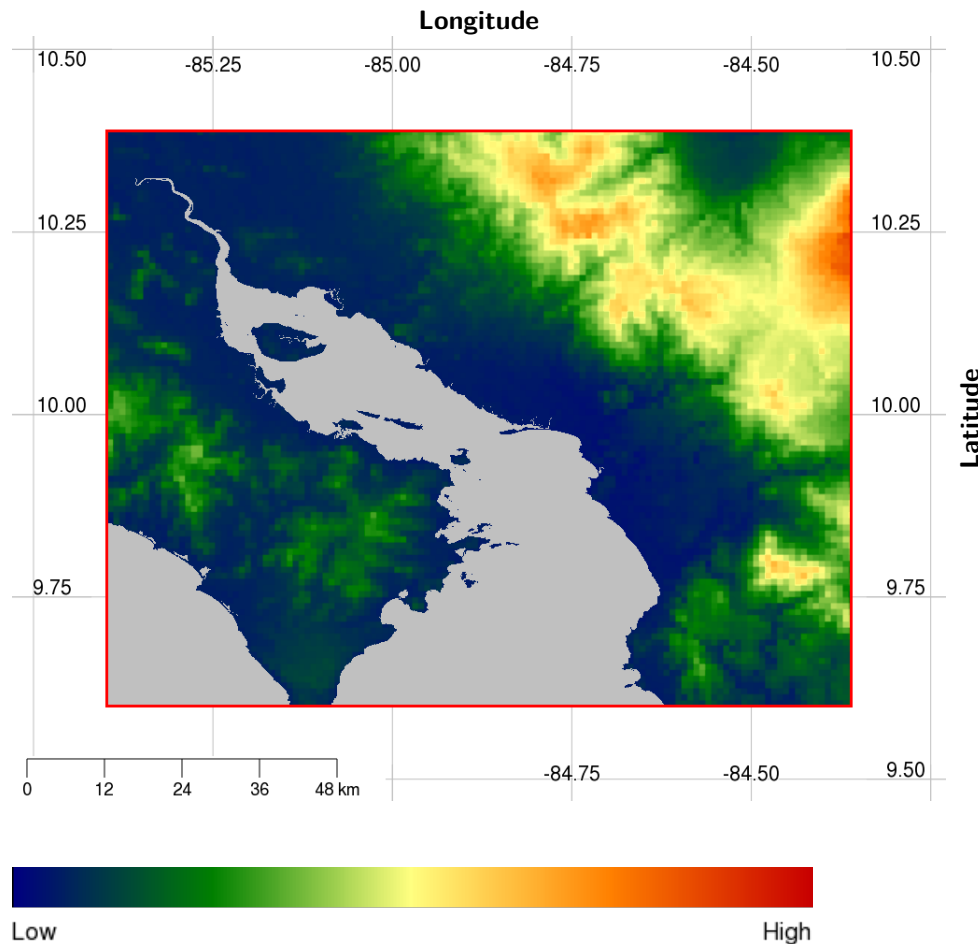


Taxon	Number of species	Number of Records	Colour
Amphibians	185	1766	Pink
Reptiles	259	2028	Light blue
Mammals	206	1653	Orange
Birds	836	33960	Dark blue
Plants	8697	46117	Green
Total	10183	85524	

The table above indicates the number of species occurrence records retrieved from GBIF for the specified area of interest plus buffer zone. Circles on the map are colour coded by taxonomic group (Amphibians – pink; Reptiles – light blue; Mammals – orange; Birds – dark blue; Plants – green).

6 Spatial pattern of biodiversity

The species records retrieved from GBIF (above) were combined with environmental covariates to express the pattern of biodiversity (beta-diversity, i.e. spatial turnover in species) across the area of interest. To do this, a Generalised Dissimilarity Model (GDM; Ferrier et al 2002) was run. The environmental covariates used in the model were annual mean temperature, annual mean precipitation, temperature seasonality, precipitation seasonality (Hijmans et al 2005), soil nitrogen, soil water holding capacity (Land and Water Development Division, FAO 2003), and land cover class (GlobCover 2009).



Beta-diversity in the specified area of interest. High values of beta-diversity (in red) represent greater spatial heterogeneity in the set of species present compared to other parts of the area of interest. Low beta-diversity values (in blue) indicate a relatively homogeneous set of species.

7 Vulnerability

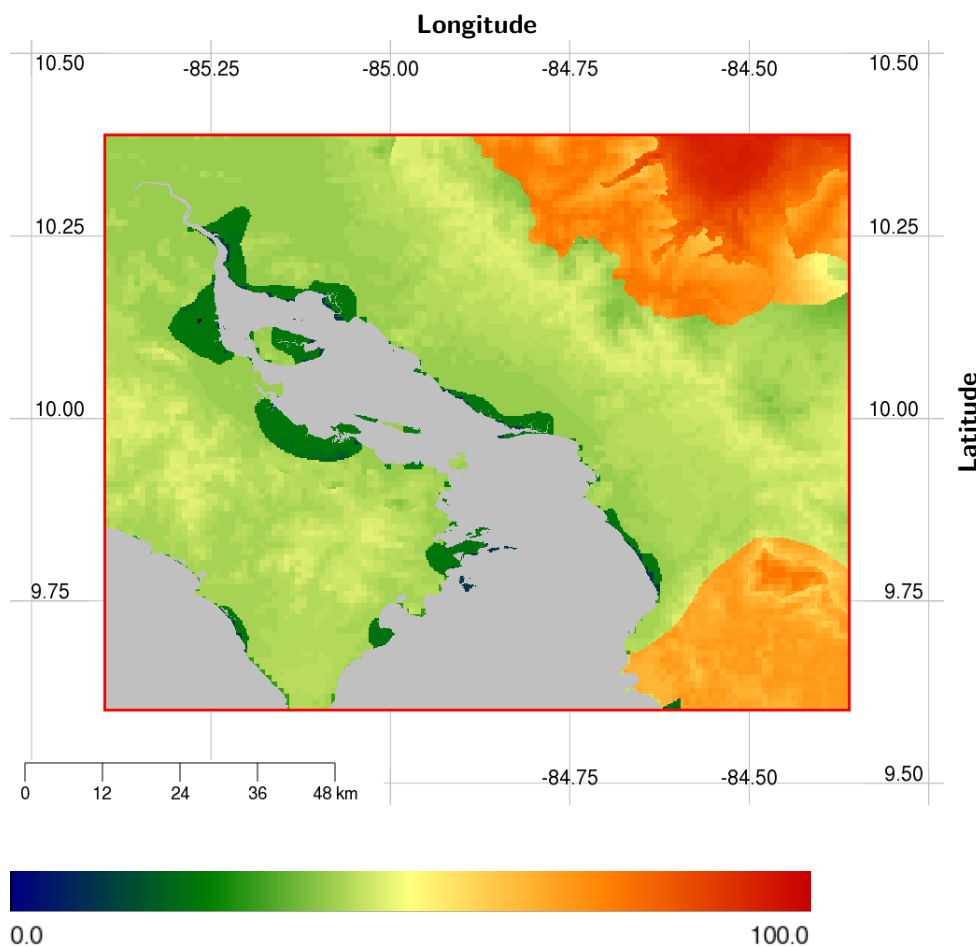
The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species (IUCN 2014) was queried to find the names of threatened species in the specified area of interest. All terrestrial amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, and plants determined by the IUCN to be either Critically endangered (CR), Endangered (EN), Vulnerable (VU), or Near Threatened (NT) were extracted. The Red List also identified the countries and sub-national administrative regions where each species is native (excluding areas where the species is vagrant or introduced).

The Global Administrative Areas database version 2.0 (www.gadm.org) was then used to create polygons comprising all the administrative regions in each species range defined by the IUCN. Each polygon represented the potential maximum extent of occurrence, within which a species distribution should be modelled. The same extent was used to sample background environmental variables for species distribution modelling.

For each threatened species, all unique geo-referenced records within the potential maximum extent were obtained from GBIF. A set of environmental covariates was then created for each location with a GBIF record. The covariates used were land cover from GlobCover 2009, mean annual temperature, temperature seasonality, total annual precipitation, and precipitation seasonality from Hijmans (2005), and elevation and slope from Farr (2007).

The potential distribution of each threatened species with more than 10 unique occurrence records was modelled using MaxEnt (Maximum Entropy Algorithm; Phillips et al., 2006). MaxEnt creates a climate-suitability model for each species, predicting where a species could potentially occur based on the habitat conditions where it is known to occur.

A list of the threatened vertebrate species included in modelling can be found in Appendix 2.

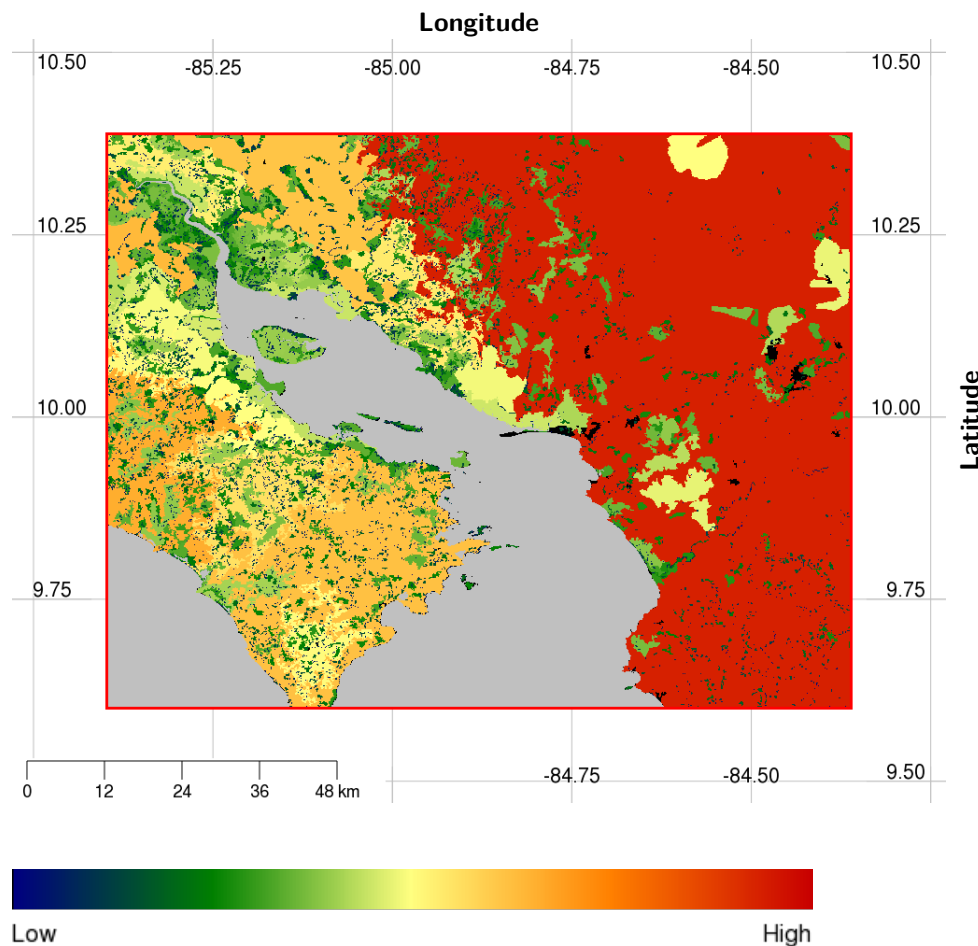


Vulnerability map showing the number of globally threatened (CR, EN, VU) and near-threatened (NT)

terrestrial vertebrates and plants estimated to occur in the specified area of interest. Red indicates where the landscape contains the highest number of threatened species. See Appendix 2 for a list of species names.

8 Intactness

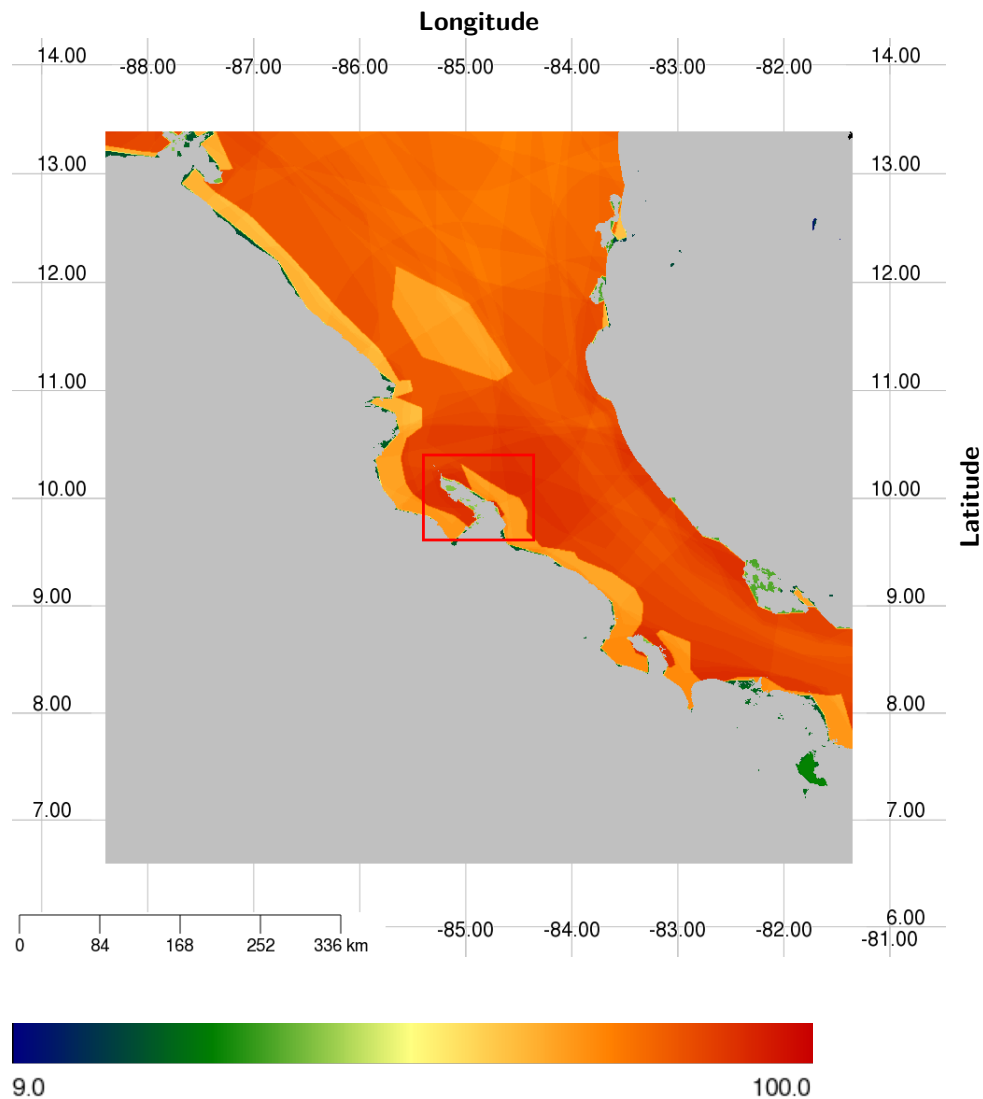
To identify patches of intact habitat in the specified area of interest, the land cover map described above was reclassified. Pixels in the urban/artificial, bare ground, and snow/ice categories were omitted from consideration. Every remaining pixel was assigned to a group of neighbouring pixels with the same land cover class, and the area of each group in hectares was calculated. In the resulting map those areas with a greater intact patch size are less fragmented, and carry a higher ecological value.



Intactness map. Values express the size of the land cover patch to which each pixel belongs ($\ln(\text{patch area in ha}) \times 10$). Urban, bare, and snow pixels were assigned an intactness value of 0. Resolution of the data is 1 arcsec, or about 30m.

9 Connectivity: Migratory species

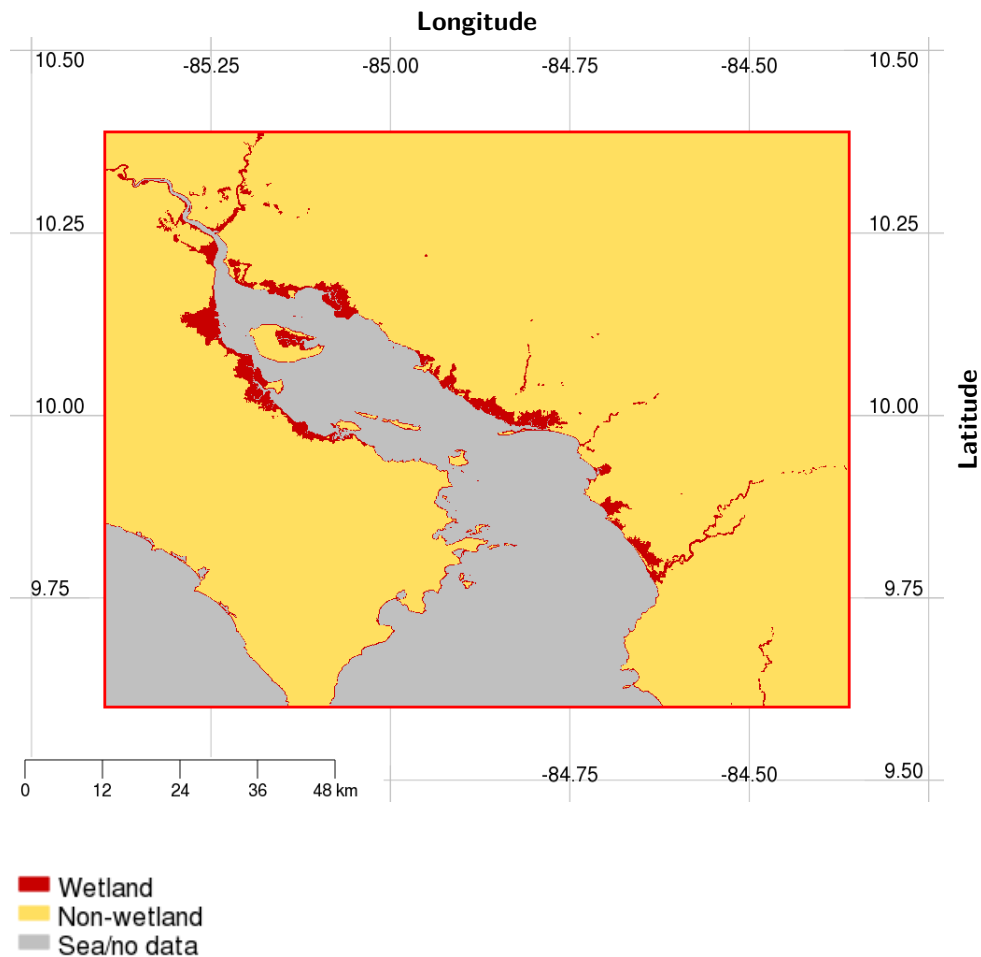
Habitat connectivity across a landscape is usually achieved through wetland corridors and/or other migratory routes. To remotely characterise important migratory routes, the Global Register of Migratory Species (GROMS; www.groms.de; Riede 2004) was queried. This database provided both a list of 4,430 migratory vertebrate species (terrestrial birds and mammals) and digital maps describing the migratory routes for >1,000 of those species. Grids for all species shown to have a migratory route across the area of interest were added together to yield an estimate of migratory species density.



Number of migration corridors overlapping the specified area of interest. A list of the migratory species potentially crossing this area can be found in Appendix 3.

10 Connectivity: Wetlands

A measure of wetland dispersal corridors across the specified area of interest was derived from the land cover map described previously. Pixels within 100 metres of water bodies were identified. Those buffer zones, along with pixels classed as Inland water or Wetland, were assigned a high ecological value of 1. All other land pixels were given a value of 0.



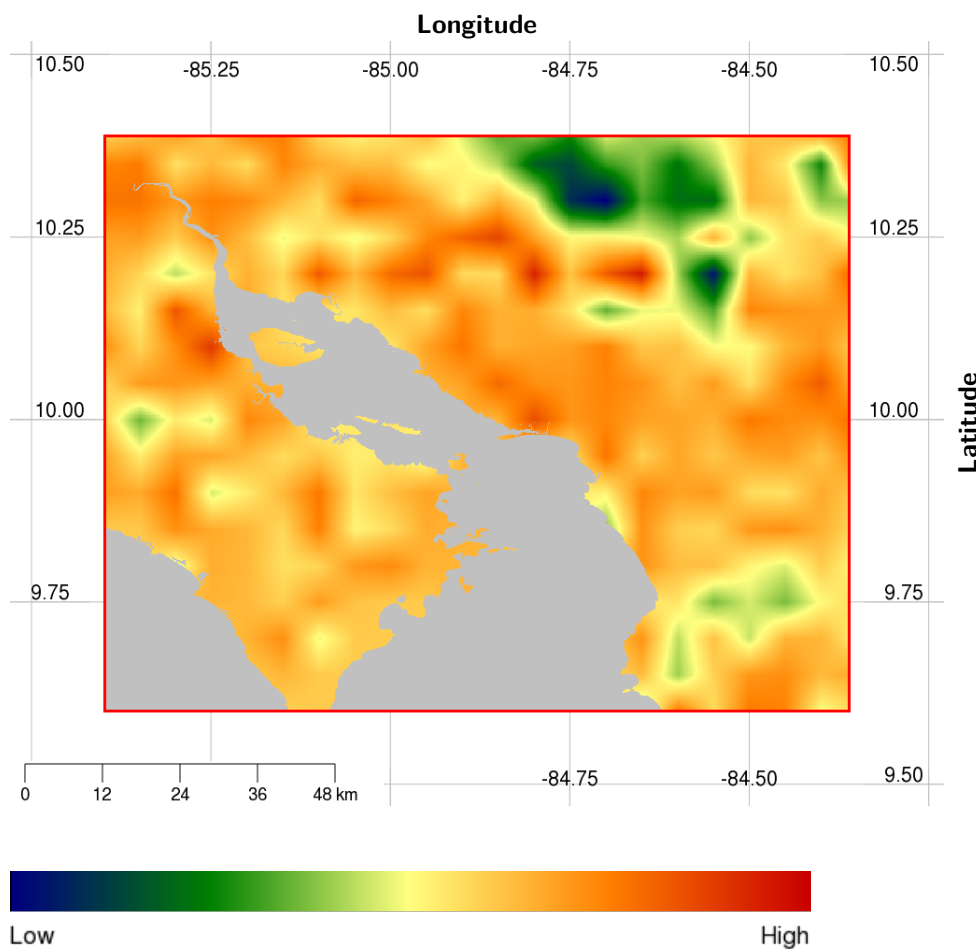
Wetland connectivity showing areas of open water, permanent wetland, or within 100m of water. The resolution of the data is 1 arcsec, approximately 30m.

11 Resilience

The resilience of vegetation to climate perturbations was estimated using monthly time series of Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI) and three climate variables. A PCA regression was performed between EVI and air temperature, the ratio of actual to potential evapotranspiration, and cloud cover for the period 2000-2013. This identified the months when EVI is related to climate drivers and measured the strength of that relationship over 14 years.

Next the variability in EVI and in each climate variable was calculated. A measure of sensitivity to each climate variable was determined by dividing EVI variability by climate variability, thus measuring how much EVI varied per variation in climate (i.e. the nervousness of EVI to climate).

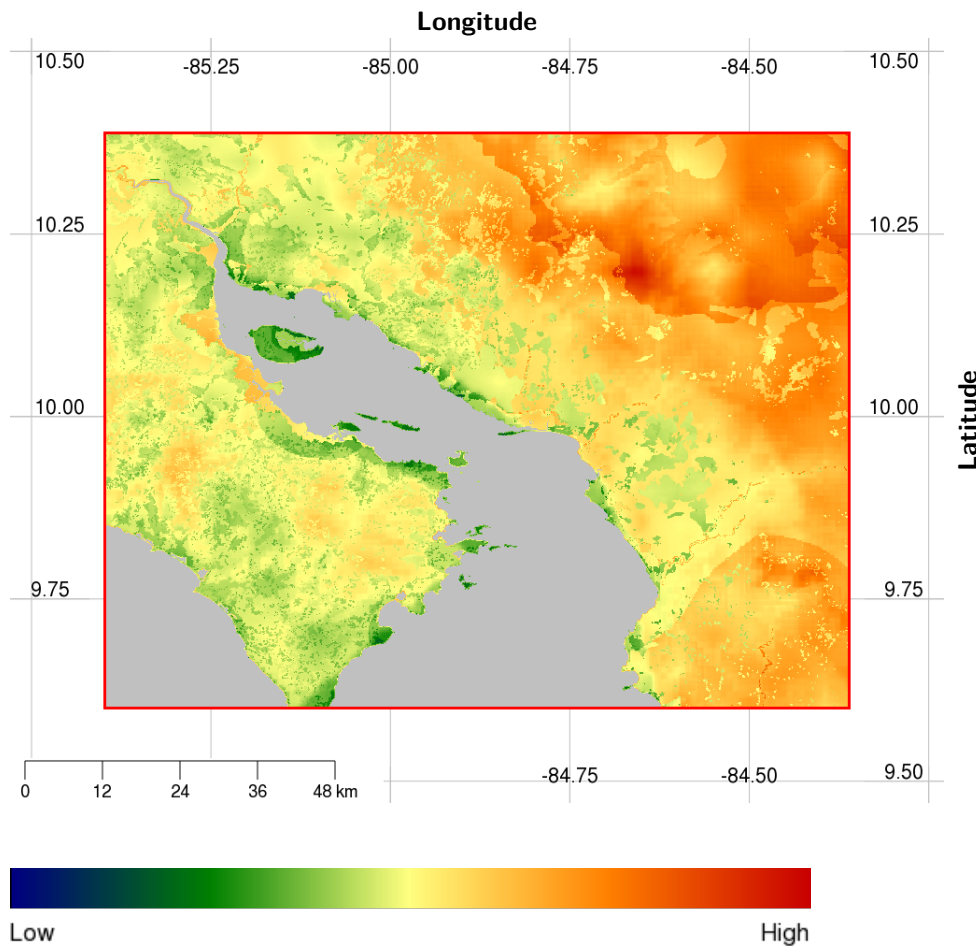
In the resultant resilience map, high values indicate areas where vegetation maintained greenness despite fluctuations in climate. Low resilience values reveal areas where photosynthetic activity changed when climate anomalies occurred.



Red indicates regions of greater vegetation resilience to climatic perturbations.

12 Summary Ecological Value

In addition to the preceding maps, a summary ecological valuation (SEV) was calculated for the specified area of interest. In this, each of the above layers was standardised into a map of Z-scores. Z-scores were then added together to show the landscape pattern of each layer on a scale comparable to all the other layers. For example, a pixel with the same value as the mean of its layer across the area of interest would have a Z-score of 0, while a pixel one standard deviation above the mean for that layer would have a Z-score of 1, and a pixel one standard deviation below the layer mean would have a Z-score of -1.



Summary ecological value of all LEFT layers in the area of interest. Areas with high SEV are relatively important across several measures of ecological value, while areas with low SEV are relatively less important. The resolution of the data is 1 arcsec, approximately 30m.

13 Data assurance information: Data Assurance Metric (DAM)

The output and validity of results will be significantly influenced by the availability or, conversely, the paucity, of data available in the databases for the selected region. The most critical data in this respect are the species occurrence records contained in GBIF. Due to sampling bias, GBIF coverage for some regions of the world is better than others (Gaiji et al., 2013). In order to provide a first estimate of the confidence that can be placed in the output from a region, a metric to assess the density of species occurrence records was devised. In this, the number of species records was obtained from GBIF for each taxonomic group (amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, plants) in the user-specified area of interest, as well as in a much larger reference area comprising the WWF ecoregions that intersect the area of interest. Species density was then calculated by dividing the number of different species in an area by the size of the area raised to an exponent of 0.2. Exponentiation is necessary in order to consistently control for the logarithmic form of species-area relationships and allow species densities from areas of different sizes to be directly comparable (Rosenweig 2012). The density of local species occurrence records for a taxonomic group can be compared to the density of records for the same group in the much larger reference area. This gives a first approximation of the degree to which the GBIF records available for a specified area of interest provide a good representation of the species expected in that area, based on wider biogeographical patterns and species-area relationships.

The table below shows species densities for the area of interest and the broader reference area, and the ratio of those densities. A representation score above 1.0 means that the number of species records retrieved was higher than expected, so the data are more reliable. Representation below 1.0 indicates poorer GBIF coverage and less reliable species data.

Taxon	Species density in area of interest	Species density in reference area	Representation
Amphibians	19.25	21.65	0.89
Reptiles	25.10	25.90	0.97
Birds	102.91	105.79	0.97
Mammals	26.43	25.93	1.02
Plants	1337.08	1336.42	1.00

14 Data assurance information: Compared to other regions (COAM)

To appreciate the importance of the ecological values obtained for the specified area of interest relative to other regions, a 'compared to other areas metric' (COAM) was calculated. This metric used the polygons of the WWF Terrestrial Ecoregion Classification (Olson et al, 2001) to identify zones ecologically similar to the area of interest. Zonal statistics were then used to assess the importance of each LEFT layer relative to the same measure over the entire ecoregion. For each layer, the difference in standard scores between the area of interest and the broader ecoregions is presented in the following chart. This shows whether a study area is relatively more or less ecologically valuable than other regions with similar biogeographic characteristics.

List of ecoregions which intersect the region of interest:

Central American dry forests; Costa Rican seasonal moist forests; Isthmian-Atlantic moist forests; Isthmian-Pacific moist forests; Southern Mesoamerican Pacific mangroves; Talamancan montane forests

Layer	Min	Max	Mean	SD	Ref. Mean	Ref. SD
Beta-diversity	0.61	0.75	0.64	0.03	0.74	0.07
Vulnerability	0.00	94.00	48.79	14.96	46.29	4.01
Intactness	0.00	168.00	122.59	49.06	41.40	51.28
Migratory	24.00	93.00	82.31	11.85	81.63	9.87
Wetland	0.00	1.00	0.04	0.19	0.06	0.22
Resilience	0.63	0.93	0.82	0.04	0.81	0.05

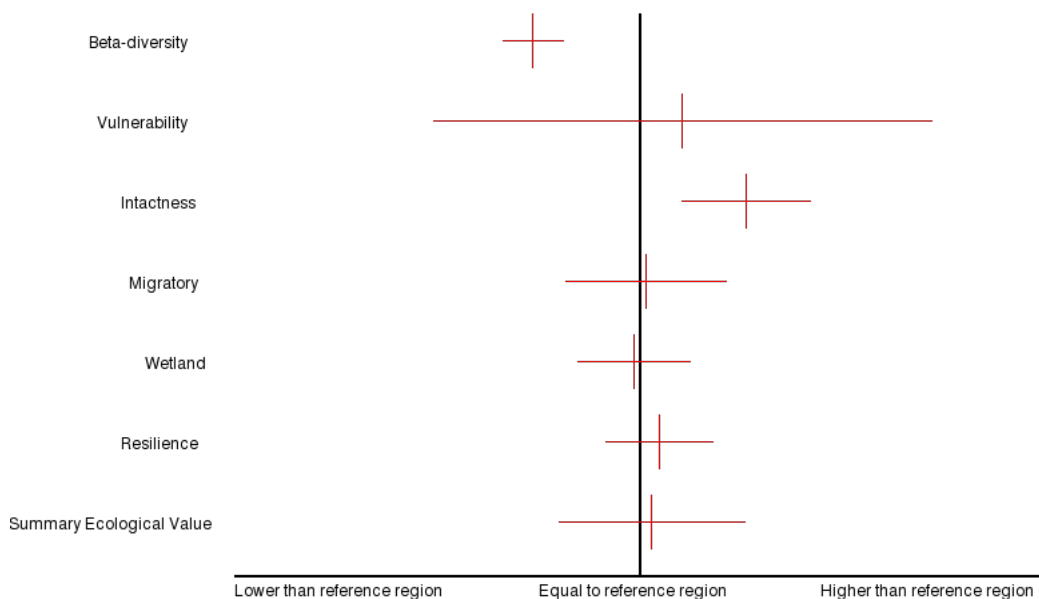


Table and chart indicating the importance of the area of interest relative to the reference region for each layer (standard scores \pm uncertainty in standard scores). If a layer has a positive standard score then the area of interest is more important than the reference region; a layer with a negative standard score is less important in the study area than in the reference region.

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Appendix 1: Output Files

Clicking on the "ZIP" button for this analysis when logged in on the LEFT website will allow you to download a file named output.zip. This contains:

In the root,

A copy of this document: report.pdf

In the folder /data/

Folders for each LEFT layer containing a copy of the styled map for that layer presented in this report. The styled maps are in PNG format.

In the folder /data/biodiversity/output/result/

Text files for each taxonomic group containing all GBIF records retrieved during this analysis: aves.txt, amphibian.txt, mammalian.txt, reptilian.txt, and plantae.txt

Clicking on the "GeoTIFF ZIP" button for this analysis when logged in on the LEFT website will allow you to download a file named geotiffs.zip. This contains:

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Folders for each of the following LEFT layers: land cover class, beta-diversity, vulnerability, fragmentation, migratory species, wetlands, resilience, and summary ecological value

Each folder contains a single geoTIFF file. This is a copy of the image for that layer subset to the specified area of interest at full spatial resolution (1 arcsec, approximately 30m). Images are either 8-bit or 16-bit depth. Projection is latitude/longitude on the WGS1984 datum. These geoTIFF files can be opened with standard desktop GIS software to perform further analyses.

Appendix 2: Vulnerable Species

The IUCN Redlist of Threatened Species (IUCN 2014) includes the following species of terrestrial mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians that have been modelled to be potentially present in the specified area of interest (NT = Near Threatened, VU = Vulnerable, EN = Endangered, CR = Critically Endangered):

Agalychnis annae (amphibian EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agalychnis_annae)
Amazilia boucardi (bird EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amazilia_boucardi)
Anoura cultrata (mammal NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anoura_cultrata)
Aphanotriccus capitalis (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aphanotriccus_capitalis)
Ateles geoffroyi (mammal EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ateles_geoffroyi)
Atelopus varius (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atelopus_varius)
Bangsia arcae (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangsia_arcae)
Bauerus dubiaquercus (mammal NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bauerus_dubiaquercus)
Bolitoglossa alvaradoi (amphibian EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bolitoglossa_alvaradoi)
Bolitoglossa lignicolor (amphibian VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bolitoglossa_lignicolor)
Bolitoglossa subpalmata (amphibian EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bolitoglossa_subpalmata)
Carpodectes antoniae (bird EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carpodectes_antoniae)
Cephalopterus glabricollis (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cephalopterus_glabricollis)
Chaetura pelagica (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chaetura_pelagica)
Chamaepetes unicolor (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chamaepetes_unicolor)
Contopus cooperi (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contopus_cooperi)
Cotinga ridgwayi (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cotinga_ridgwayi)
Craugastor andi (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craugastor_andi)
Craugastor angelicus (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craugastor_angelicus)
Craugastor persimilis (amphibian VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craugastor_persimilis)
Craugastor podiciferus (amphibian NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craugastor_podiciferus)
Craugastor ranoides (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craugastor_ranoides)
Crax rubra (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crax_rubra)
Cryptotis gracilis (mammal VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cryptotis_gracilis)
Dendroica cerulea (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dendroica_cerulea)
Duellmanohyla uranochroa (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duellmanohyla_uranochroa)
Ecnomiohyla fimbrimembra (amphibian EN) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ecnomiohyla_fimbrimembra)
Ecnomiohyla miliaria (amphibian VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ecnomiohyla_miliaria)
Egretta rufescens (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egretta_rufescens)
Electron carinatum (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Electron_carinatum)
Harpyhaliaetus solitarius (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harpyhaliaetus_solitarius)
Hylomantis lemur (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hylomantis_lemur)
Isthmohyla angustilineata (amphibian CR) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isthmohyla_angustilineata)
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Laterallus jamaicensis (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laterallus_jamaicensis)
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Procnias tricarunculatus (bird VU) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Procnias_tricarunculatus)
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Trogon bairdii (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trogon_bairdii)
Vampyrus spectrum (mammal NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vampyrus_spectrum)
Vermivora chrysoptera (bird NT) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vermivora_chrysoptera)

Appendix 3: Migratory Species

The following migratory species identified in the Global register of Migratory Species (GROMS; Riede et al 2004) have migration routes which intersect the specified area of interest:

Accipiter striatus; *Anas acuta*; *Anas cyanoptera*; *Anas discors*; *Anhinga anhinga*; *Aphriza virgata*; *Archilochus colubris*; *Ardea herodias*; *Arenaria interpres*; *Aythya affinis*; *Buteo albonotatus*; *Buteo brachyurus*; *Buteo jamaicensis*; *Buteo nitidus*; *Buteo platypterus*; *Buteogallus anthracinus*; *Calidris alba*; *Calidris canutus*; *Calidris mauri*; *Calidris minutilla*; *Calidris pusilla*; *Caprimulgus carolinensis*; *Cathartes aura*; *Catharus ustulatus*; *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*; *Chaetura vauxi*; *Charadrius alexandrinus*; *Charadrius semipalmatus*; *Chardrius vociferus*; *Chardrius wilsonia*; *Chlidonias niger*; *Chordeiles acutipennis*; *Chordeiles minor*; *Circus cyaneus*; *Coccyzus minor*; *Crotophaga sulcirostris*; *Cypseloides niger*; *Dermochelys coriacea*; *Egretta caerulea*; *Egretta tricolor*; *Elaenia chiriquensis*; *Elanoides forficatus*; *Elanus leucurus*; *Empidonax traillii*; *Eretmochelys imbricata*; *Eugenius fulgens*; *Falco columbarius*; *Falco femoralis*; *Falco peregrinus*; *Falco sparverius*; *Fulica americana*; *Gallinago gallinago*; *Gelochelidon nilotica*; *Haematopus palliatus*; *Himantopus himantopus*; *Hirundo rustica*; *Hydroprogne caspia*; *Ictinia plumbea*; *Jabiru mycteria*; *Larus argentatus*; *Larus atricilla*; *Larus delawarensis*; *Larus pipixcan*; *Laterallus jamaicensis*; *Lepidochelys olivacea*; *Limnodromus griseus*; *Limosa fedoa*; *Megaceryle alcyon*; *Megaceryle torquata*; *Myiodynastes maculatus*; *Myiophobus fasciatus*; *Numenius phaeopus*; *Oceanodroma leucorhoa*; *Oceanodroma markhami*; *Oceanodroma melania*; *Pelecanus occidentalis*; *Phalacrocorax olivaceus*; *Pluvialis squatarola*; *Progne chalybea*; *Progne tapera*; *Puffinus creatopus*; *Puffinus griseus*; *Rostrhamus sociabilis*; *Rynchops niger*; *Sphyrapicus varius*; *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*; *Stercorarius pomarinus*; *Sterna anaethetus*; *Sterna antillarum*; *Sterna forsteri*; *Sterna hirundo*; *Sula dactylatra*; *Sula nebouxii*; *Tardarida brasiliensis*; *Thalasseus elegans*; *Thalasseus maximus*; *Thalasseus sandvicensis*; *Tringa flavipes*; *Tringa macularia*; *Tringa melanoleuca*; *Tringa solitaria*; *Tyrannus melancholicus*; *Tyrannus savana*; *Zenaida asiatica*; *Zenaida macroura*

Appendix 4: Data Sources

Georeferenced species records obtained from the GBIF occurrence API (<http://www.gbif.org/occurrence>) are shared according to the GBIF Data Use Agreement, which includes the provision that users of any data accessed through or retrieved via the GBIF Portal will always give credit to the original data publishers. The following table lists the data sources for all occurrence records which have been used in this analysis.

Angelo State Natural History Collections (ASNHC)
Australian National Herbarium (CANB)
Avian Knowledge Network
Biologiezentrum Linz Oberoesterreich
California Academy of Sciences
Carnegie Museums
Centre for Genetic Resources, The Netherlands
Comisión nacional para el conocimiento y uso de la biodiversidad
Conservatoire et Jardin botaniques de la Ville de Genève - G
Cornell Lab of Ornithology
Cornell University Museum of Vertebrates
Costa Rica Bird Observatories
Council of Heads of Australasian Herbaria (CHAH)
European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL)
Facultad de Ciencias, UNAM
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
Field Museum
Florida Museum of Natural History
GBIF-Sweden
Harvard University Herbaria
Herbarium of the University of Aarhus
Instituto Agrônômico (IAC)
Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad (INBio), Costa Rica
Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia - INPA
Instituto de Botânica, São Paulo
Instituto de Ciencias Naturales
Instituto de Investigación de Recursos Biológicos Alexander von Humboldt
Instituto de Pesquisas Jardim Botânico do Rio de Janeiro
JBGP
James R. Slater Museum of Natural History
Louisiana State University Museum of Natural Science
Lund Botanical Museum (LD)
MNHN - Museum national d'Histoire naturelle
Michigan State University Museum
Missouri Botanical Garden
Museo Nacional de Costa Rica
Museum für Naturkunde Berlin
Museum of Biological Diversity, The Ohio State University
Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University
Museum of Southwestern Biology
Museum of Texas Tech University (TTU)
Museum of Vertebrate Zoology
Muséum d'histoire naturelle de la Ville de Genève - MHNG
National Herbarium of New South Wales
National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution
Natural History Museum
Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County
Natural History Museum, University of Oslo
Natural History Museum, Vienna - Herbarium W
Naturalis Biodiversity Center

North Carolina State Museum of Natural Sciences
 Ocean Biogeographic Information System
 Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
 RLS
 Real Jardín Botánico (CSIC)
 Red Nacional de Observadores de Aves (RNOA)
 Redpath Museum, McGill University
 Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh
 Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
 Royal Ontario Museum
 Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History
 San Diego Natural History Museum
 Senckenberg
 Staatliche Naturwissenschaftliche Sammlungen Bayerns
 Staatliches Museum für Naturkunde Stuttgart
 Texas A&M University Biodiversity Research and Teaching Collections
 The New York Botanical Garden
 UNIBIO, IBUNAM
 Universidad Nacional de Colombia
 Universidad de Antioquia
 Universidad del Valle
 Universidade Estadual Paulista - Rio Claro
 Universidade Estadual de Campinas - Instituto de Biologia
 Universidade Estadual de Feira de Santana
 Universidade Federal da Paraíba
 Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
 Universidade Federal do Paraná
 Universidade Federal do Piauí
 Universidade de Brasília
 University of Alabama Biodiversity and Systematics
 University of Alaska Museum of the North
 University of Alberta Museums
 University of Amsterdam / IBED
 University of Arizona Herbarium
 University of British Columbia
 University of Colorado Museum of Natural History
 University of Connecticut
 University of Gdańsk, Dept. of Plant Taxonomy and Nature Conservation
 University of Graz, Institute of Plant Sciences
 University of Kansas Biodiversity Institute
 University of Lethbridge
 University of Michigan Museum of Zoology
 University of South Florida Herbarium
 University of Texas at El Paso
 University of Toronto Mississauga
 University of Vienna, Institute for Botany - Herbarium WU
 University of Washington Burke Museum
 University of Wyoming Museum of Vertebrates
 Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology
 Wildlife Sightings
 Yale University Peabody Museum
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