



HUONG SON FORESTRY AND SERVICE ONE-MEMBER Co., Ltd.

MODEL

*Sustainable Forest Management according to FSC Standards for
Ecosystem Services – Enhancing Forest Carbon Sequestration and
Storage at Hương Sơn Forestry and Service Co., Ltd.*

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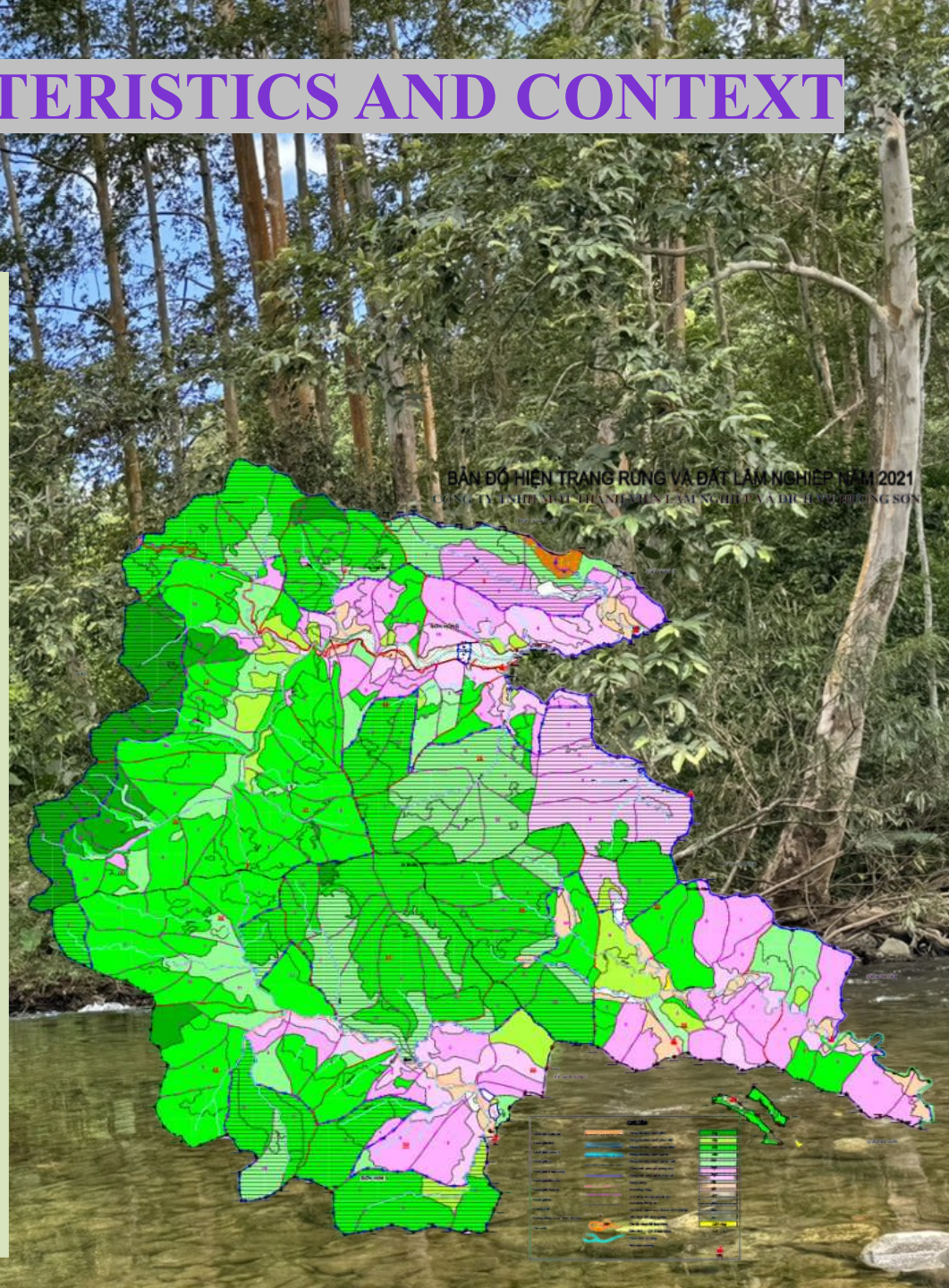
I. CHARACTERISTICS AND CONTEXT

Huong Son Company, formerly Huong Son State Forestry Enterprise, was established in March 1955. It is a 100% state-owned enterprise, operating in the border area and investing in agriculture and rural development.

- Currently, the Company is assigned by the State to manage and protect 19,867.36 ha of forest and forestry land located within the administrative boundaries of Son Tay, Son Kim I, and Son Hong communes, Huong Son district, Ha Tinh province, with 28 km of border line.

The Company is assigned to perform:

- Public service tasks: Forest management, protection, and development; Provision of forest environmental services; Socio-economic development in border areas associated with national defense and security.
- Business tasks: Exploitation, processing, and trading of agricultural and forestry products; Agroforestry production; Survey and design of silvicultural projects.



II. FSC APPROACH



In 2012, the Company received support from SNV Vietnam (both financially and technically) to gradually access the FSC principles and criteria. In 2013, SNV Vietnam officially signed a cooperation agreement to provide financial and technical support for the Company to obtain Controlled Wood certification.

In 2014, when the Government issued Decision No. 2242/QĐ-TTg approving the scheme to strengthen natural forest logging management (suspending natural forest logging), SNV supported the Company to gradually shift to sustainable forest management in accordance with FSC standards for ecosystem services – Enhancing carbon sequestration and storage.

Since 2013, we have achieved several results as follows:



1. Introduction to FSC Standards and Forest Certification

The Company introduced FSC standards and certification to staff, local authorities, stationed units, and nearby households, outlining the roadmap for implementing SFM. Stakeholder consultations identified potential conflicts and risks related to land use, community rights, livelihoods, and biodiversity, while suggesting measures for social and environmental benefits. Training covered occupational safety, reduced impact logging, FPIC, forest inventory, carbon assessment, and specialized software use.

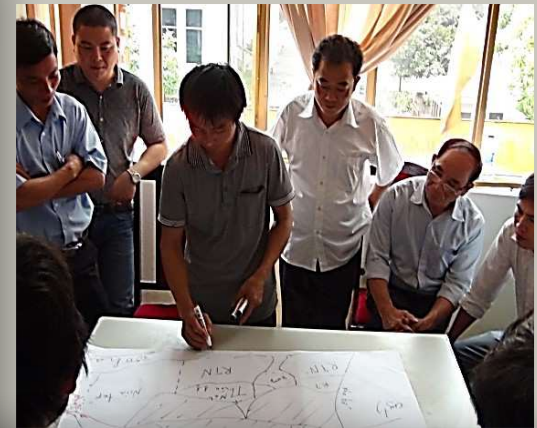


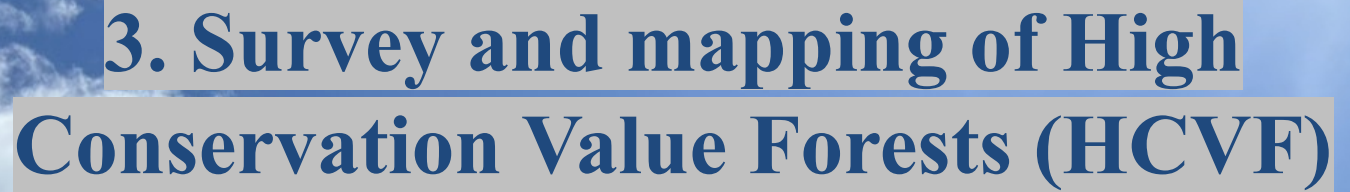


2. Stakeholder identification, training, and consultation

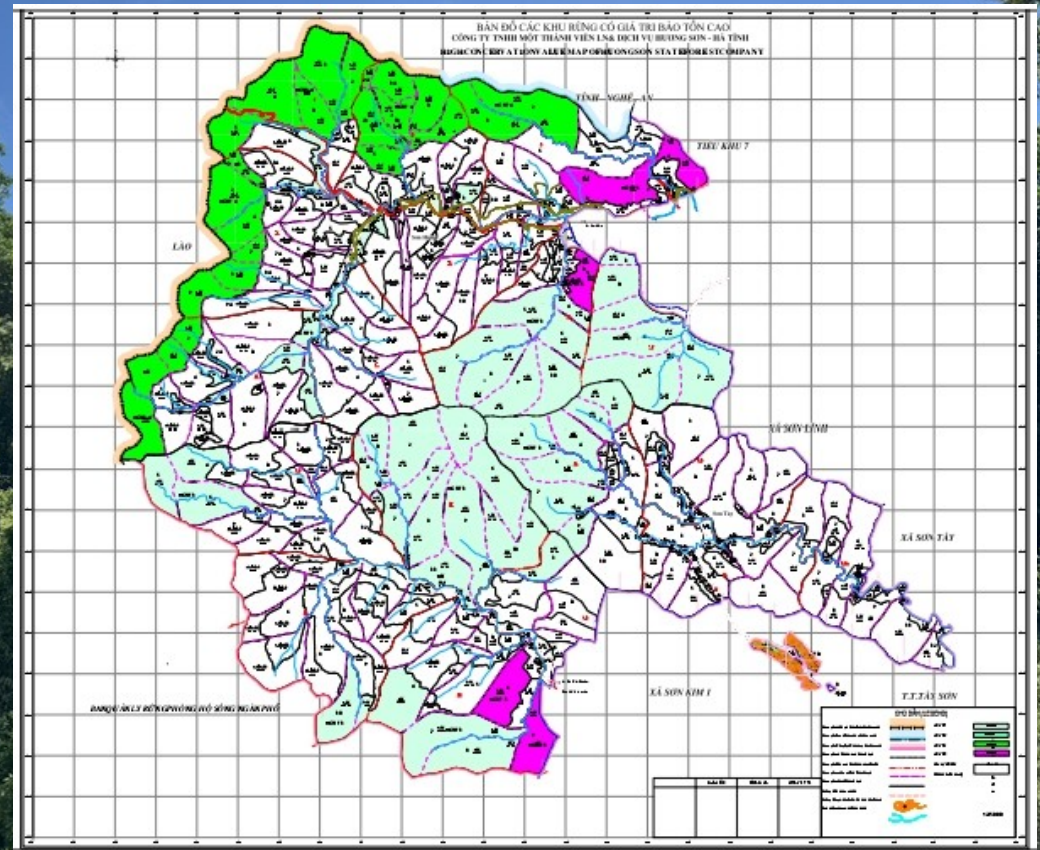
Stakeholder consultations revealed potential conflicts and risks related to land use rights, community livelihoods, and biodiversity conservation, while identifying measures to enhance social and environmental benefits in company-managed forests.

Training included occupational safety, reduced-impact logging, FPIC, forest and carbon inventory, and specialized software.



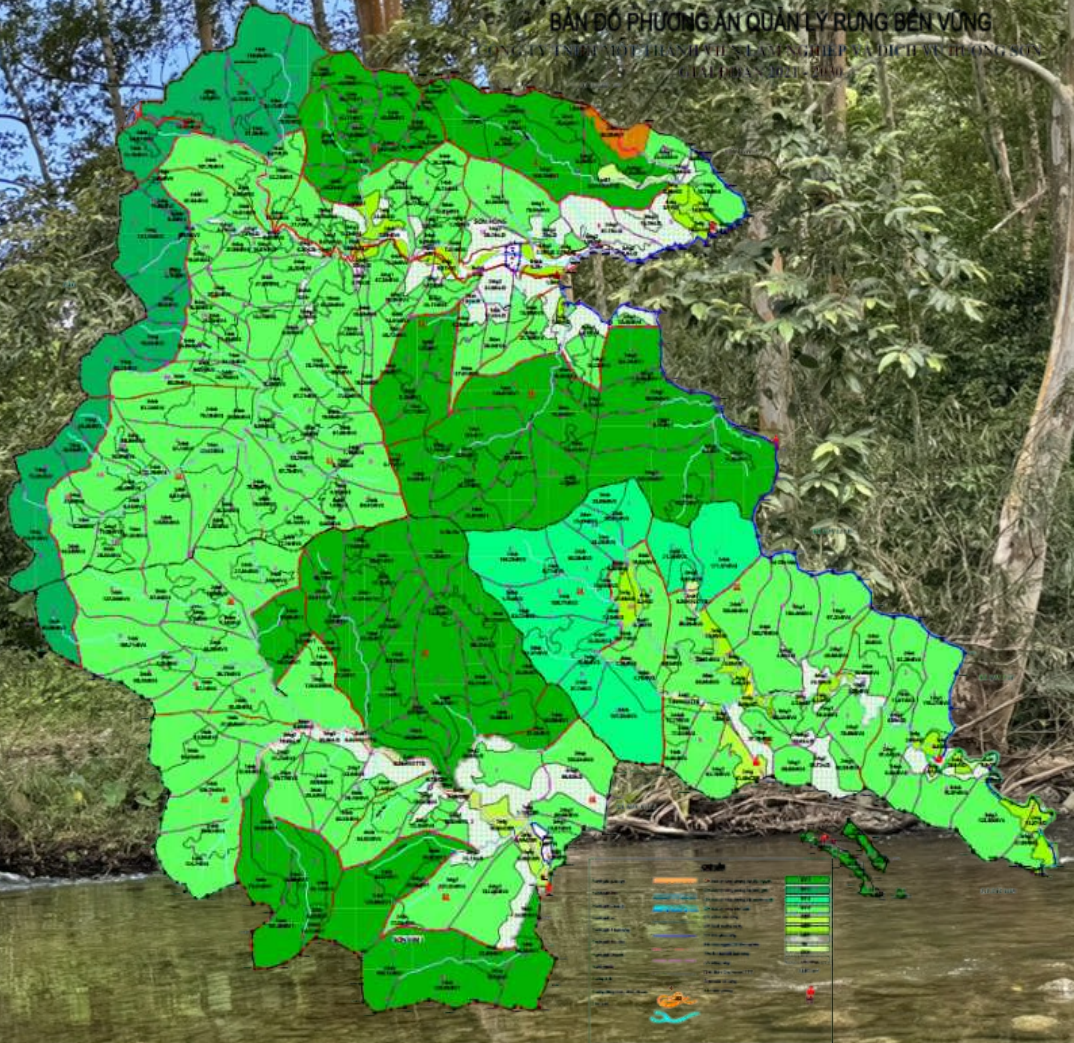


- HC VF maps developed
- Management and monitoring plans, and a strategic framework for HC VF management developed





Based on these maps, it developed FSC-compliant sustainable forest management plans.



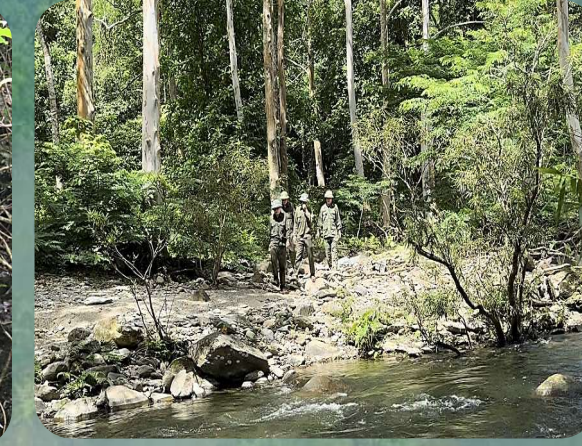


5. Identification of ecosystem services

The Company provides ecosystem services:

- Biodiversity conservation (ES1)
- Carbon sequestration and storage (ES2)
- Watershed services (ES3)
- Soil conservation (ES4)
- Recreational services (ES5)

Through stakeholder consultations, carbon sequestration and storage was selected for evaluation and certification for 2016–2030.





6. Assessment of Forest Carbon Stock

After identifying “Carbon sequestration and storage” as the ecosystem service, under guidance from SNV experts (Ms. Que Anh), we conducted carbon stock assessments using the Bao Huy method.





Measurements were carried out strictly at distributed coordinates (except in force majeure cases such as steep, inaccessible, or landslide areas).

