

MINISTRY OF LAND POLICY & FOREST MANAGEMENT



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DEPUTY PERMANENT SECRETARY FOREST MANAGEMENT

Institutional framework

- The Ministry of Land Policy and Forest Management is responsible for the care of nature and forest management.
- The Subdirectorate forest management of the Ministry of Land Policy and Forest Management is responsible for the forest and nature policy of the Ministry.
- This task is carried out by the Department of Forest Management and its Nature Management Division, as well as the green foundations of the Ministry. (STINASU, JSOOC and SBB)

Framework

- ▶ Forest Management policy for the coming period will focus on increasing the state's earning capacity while respecting forest conservation and biodiversity by promoting sustainable use of these natural resources and adjusting the ministry's non-tax revenues.
- ▶ The aim is to ensure the optimal exploitation of the forest resource and its sustainable and rational use. This is done through responsible nature management and protection and control of compliance with rules and regulations relating to the production of wood and wood products, flora and fauna, in order to balance the interaction between economic development and nature conservation for current and future generations.

Objectives

- ▶ Adaptation of national laws and regulations related to nature and forest management for both in and outside the protected areas.
- ▶ Adequate and effective nature and forest management in protected areas as well as outside the protected areas.
- ▶ Initiate processes to establish new protected areas in consultation with local communities.
- ▶ Stimulating sustainable forestry, logging as well as the harvesting of NTFPs from plants and restoration of forests.
- ▶ Sustainable management and use of wild animals and plants.
- ▶ Promoting sustainable nature and ecotourism in protected areas.

Protected Areas

- Suriname has 4 categories of protected areas:
- Eleven (11) nature reserves (Noord Coppenamemonding NR, Galibi NR, Wia Wia NR, Brinckheuvel NR, Wanekreek NR, Peruvia NR, Gopie NR, Boven Coesewijne NR, Hertenrits NR, Sipaliwini NR and Central Suriname Nature Reserve (CSNR));
- Four (4) Special Management Areas/Multiple Use Management Areas (Bigi Pan MUMA, North Coronie MUMA, North Saramacca MUMA, North Commewijne/Marowijne MUMA)
- One (1) Natural Park (Brownsberg)
- Two (2) Specially Protected Forest (Kabo and Mapane)

Natural park (Brownsberg)

- ▶ STINASU has leasehold for 75 years
- ▶ The park is 12,200 ha and covers the entire Brownsberg.
- ▶ The heights on the plateau range from 473 m at the headquarters on the northern part of the plateau to 514 m in the central part.

Ecosystems / flora / fauna

- ▶ Mountain ecosystems 7 (all at high elevations only)
- ▶ Tree species 383
- ▶ Orchid species 112 (40 species at high elevations only)
- ▶ Plants of waterfalls 175
- ▶ Species of flowering plants 933
- ▶ Species of fernlike plants 80
- ▶ Species of mosses (40 number of mosses found at waterfalls only)
- ▶ Total number of “higher” plants 1053

- ▶ Mammals 117
- ▶ Birds 350
- ▶ Reptiles 64
- ▶ Amphibians 24
- ▶ Fishes 52
- ▶ Total number of Vertebrates 607
- ▶ Invertebrates unknown

Thank you

