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USAID HAY TAO CONSERVATION AND COMMUNITIES

RESOURCES AT RISK

Madagascar's natural resources are more imperiled than ever. Deforestation, overfishing, and population growth are accelerating. Species are vanishing.

0.5%
of global
land
mass



5%
of all species



80%
of species found
**NOWHERE ELSE
ON EARTH**

COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL

USAID is taking on this challenge through improved environmental protection, decentralized natural resource management, and sustainable community development near biodiverse areas. Our new

programs – united under the **Conservation and Communities Project (CCP)** - will demonstrate the extraordinary value of letting local communities lead the way.

158th of 188
countries on Human
Development Index
(2017)



40% projected
population
growth
by 2030



99,000 hectares of
forest lost **EACH YEAR**
[that's over **138,000**
soccer fields]



Consistently ranked
as one of the
TOP TEN
most climate
vulnerable nations.



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INTERSECTIONAL APPROACH



- 1 Gender and Youth Engagement:** a focus on often-overlooked groups.
- 2 Science and Technology Deployment:** leveraging the latest tools for conservation.
- 3 Climate Resilience:** recognizing that biodiversity protection improves readiness.

GOAL-ORIENTED, COMMUNITY-DRIVEN

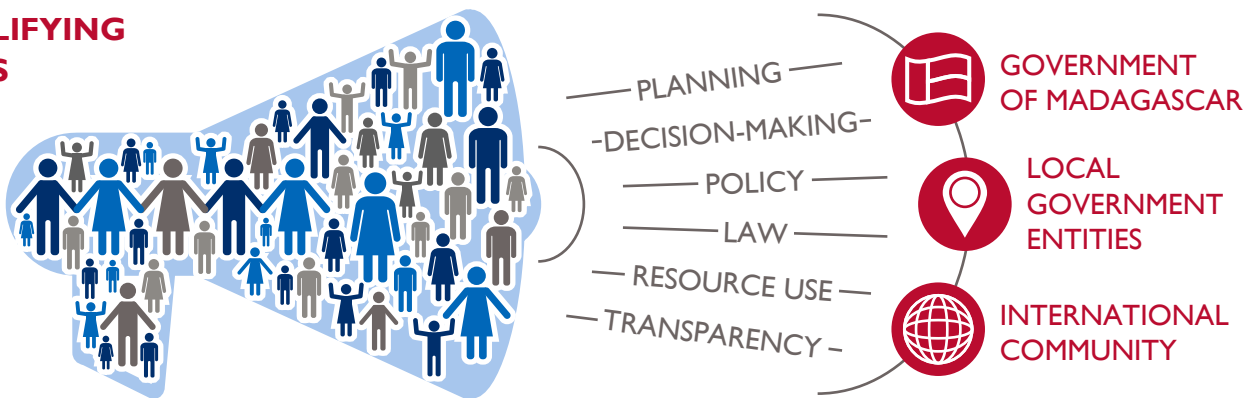


- 1** Build community capacity to manage natural resources and protect biodiversity in and around protected areas.
- 2** Improve community wellbeing through biodiversity-friendly economic development and social support services.
- 3** Decentralize governance, strengthen civil society, and improve natural resource tenure and environmental policy.

USAID Hay Tao will demonstrate what happens when the path is cleared to let local communities lead. Serving as a clearinghouse of best practices, USAID Hay Tao will build out tools and knowledge resources in support of decentralized, community-driven natural resource conservation.



BUILDING COALITIONS & AMPLIFYING VOICES



OBJECTIVE ONE
LEARN



- Improved data collection/accessibility
- Enhanced technical capacity to track climate change effects and resilience
- Training for community-based natural resource managers
- Assessment of the impacts of ownership and governance policies
- Improved economic valuation of biodiversity and ecosystem services

OBJECTIVE TWO
CONNECT



- Clearer rights and responsibilities of natural resource and land ownership
- Diffusion of science and technology innovations
- Improved coordination of donors and technical partners
- Replication of biodiversity-friendly livelihood successes

OBJECTIVE THREE
EMPOWER



- Improved rights and access for alternative livelihoods
- Documentation of local customary law's effects on resource tenure
- National laws and policies supportive of community-based management
- Strengthened civil society
- Improved policy and legal framework