MAKING RESILIENT LANDSCAPES FOR WILDLIFE AND PEOPLE A REALITY

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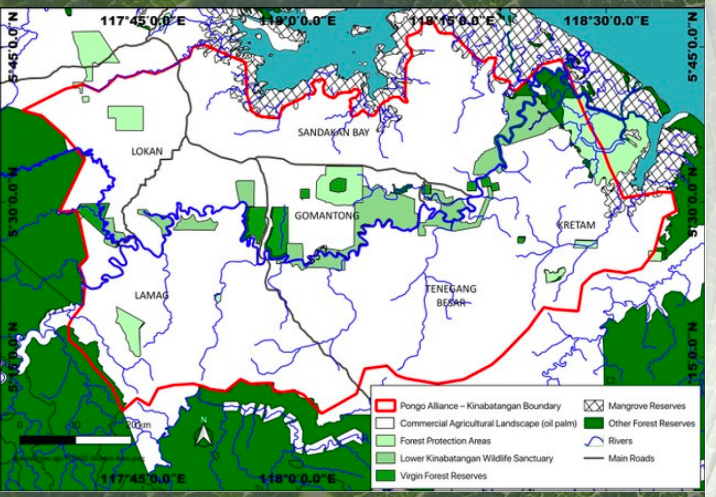
is a partnership of conservation practitioners and visionary oil palm growers. PONGO Alliance uses the skills of its cross disciplnary partners and the expertise of local field team members to assist the industry in achieving their mandated sustainability goals.

The initial focus of our work is to serve both a species (the orangutan) and and industry (palm oil production) that is too often misrepresented by polarising special interest groups.

Our initial area of engagements is the lowlands of the Kinabatangan River, an area well suited to both oil palm agriculture and orangutans.

Today, the wild orangutan population in the Kinabatangan is at a critically tipping point. Without oil palm industry cooperation, long-term viability of this Critically Endangered and fully protected species in the wild is not assured. By working together, we aim to create a paradigm shift in agricultural practice that reframes the oil palm industry as one that supports rather than destroys orangutan habitats.

PONGO Alliance engagement area in the Kinabatangan:




Partners with estates in Sabah to date: Sawit Kinabalu Shd. Bhd., Sime Darby Plantations Shd. Bhd.and Wilmar International Ltd.

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**PONGO Alliance engages the industry with a holistic approach. We work in confidence with company's sustainability team to reach and exceed certification targets in effective and documentable ways by providing**

Scientific survey expertise and capacity building of sustainability teams to effectively collaborate with researchers in monitoring orangutan patterns of use. This way, we can better understand how to support their habitat needs.

Restoration techniques and specific recommendations for enrichment of set-asides that support growth of plants that are useful to both wildlife and people. Planting trees is good – Growing trees is better!

Scientifically accurate but assessable outreach education materials to resolve misperceptions, mitigate conflict, improve knowledge and compliance of laws and foster coexistence with Asia's emblematic only Great Ape species.

A forum for open dialogue between conservation practitioners and the oil palm industry to mutual benefit.

**Together we can assure a sustainable future for both oil palm and wildlife in the Kinabatangan region.**

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