

Nui Dai Binh Nature Reserve

Alternative site name(s)

Bao Loc

Province(s)

Lam Dong

Area

5,000 ha

Coordinates

11°27'N, 107°43'E

Agro-ecological zone

South-eastern

Decreed by government

Yes

Management board established

No

Investment plan prepared

No

VCF eligibility criteria met

A, B

Social screening criteria met

None

Conservation needs assessment prepared

No

Operational management plan prepared

No

Tracking tool completed

No

Map available

Yes

Management history

Nui Dai Binh was included on Decision No. 194/CT of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, dated 9 August 1986 (MARD 1997), which decreed the establishment of a 5,000 ha nature reserve for the conservation of good quality forest in a transition zone between low elevation and high elevation (Cao Van Sung 1995). According to Lam Dong Provincial FPD (*in litt.* 2003), an investment plan for Nui Dai Binh has not yet been prepared, a management board has not been established, and the site is currently designated as a watershed protection forest.

Nui Dai Binh is included on a list of Special-use Forests to be established by the year 2010, prepared by the FPD of MARD, as a 5,000 ha nature reserve (FPD 2003); this list has not yet been approved by the government.

Topography and hydrology

Nui Dai Binh is situated in the transitional zone between the southern Annamite mountains and the lowlands of southern Vietnam. According to Lam Dong Provincial FPD (*in litt.* 2000), elevations at Nui Dai Binh range from 176 to 1,248 m. The main topographical feature of the site is a steep-sided valley,

which runs from north-east to south-west, through which National Highway 20 passes.

Biodiversity values

Little information is available about the biodiversity values of Nui Dai Binh. However, the location of the site in a transition zone may mean that the site supports transitional faunal and floral assemblages, characteristic of both the southern Annamites and the southern Vietnamese lowlands.

Conservation issues

Nui Dai Binh is located in Bao Loc town and Bao Lam district, two major tea and coffee producing areas. Lam Dong Provincial FPD (*in litt.* 2000) report that tea and coffee cultivation are already taking place inside the protected area. It can be supposed, therefore, that clearance of forest for tea and coffee represents one of the major threats to biodiversity at the site.

Other documented values

National Highway 20, which links Da Lat city and Ho Chi Minh City, passes through Nui Dai Binh, via a steep pass. The forest on the steep slopes above the road has an important function in preventing landslides.

Related projects

No information.

Conservation needs assessment

A conservation needs assessment has not been conducted for the site.

Operational management plan

An operational management plan has not been prepared for the site.

Eligibility against VCF criteria

The site is currently ineligible for VCF support because it is not under appropriate conservation management.

Criterion	Eligibility
A _I	SA6 - Di Linh Corridor
A _{II}	
B _I	Decision No. 194/CT, dated 09/08/86
B _{II}	Nature Reserve
B _{III}	Under provincial management
C _I	
C _{II}	

Social screening requirements

A social screening report has not been prepared for the site.

Criterion	Eligibility
A	
B	
C	
D	

Literature sources

None.