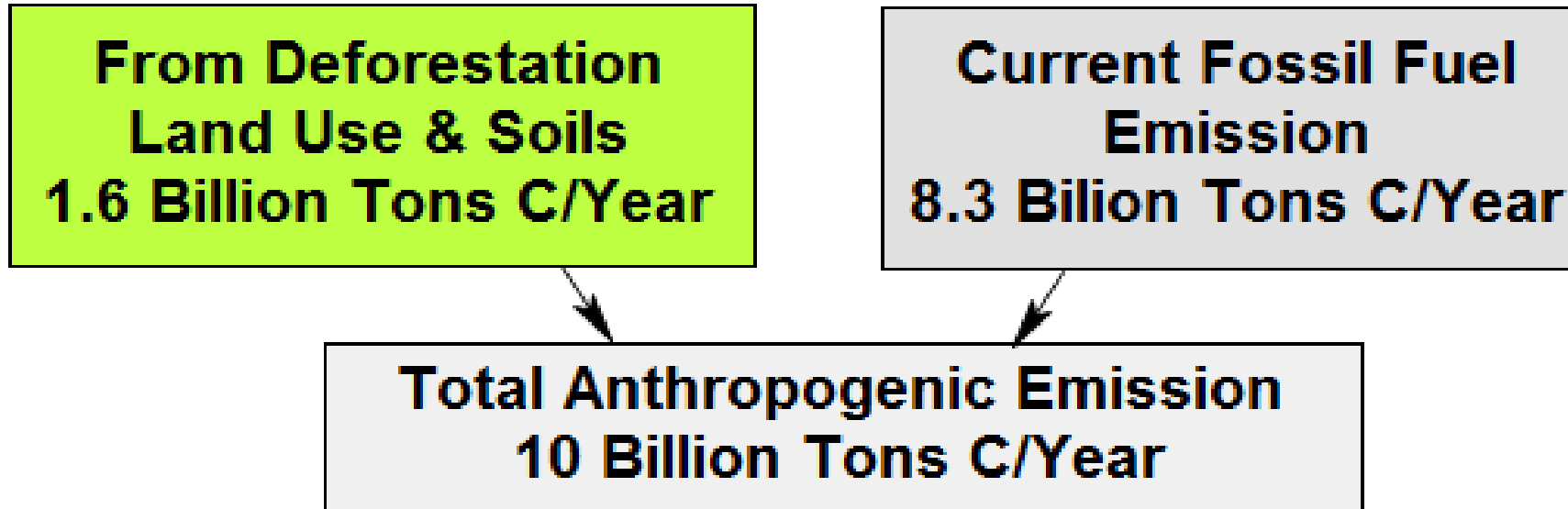
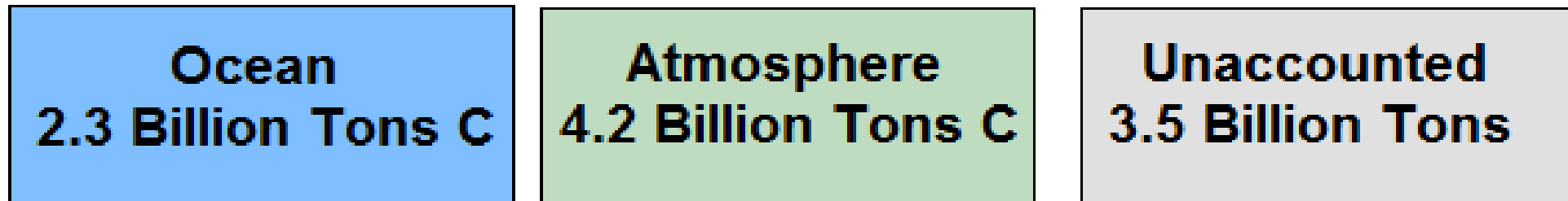


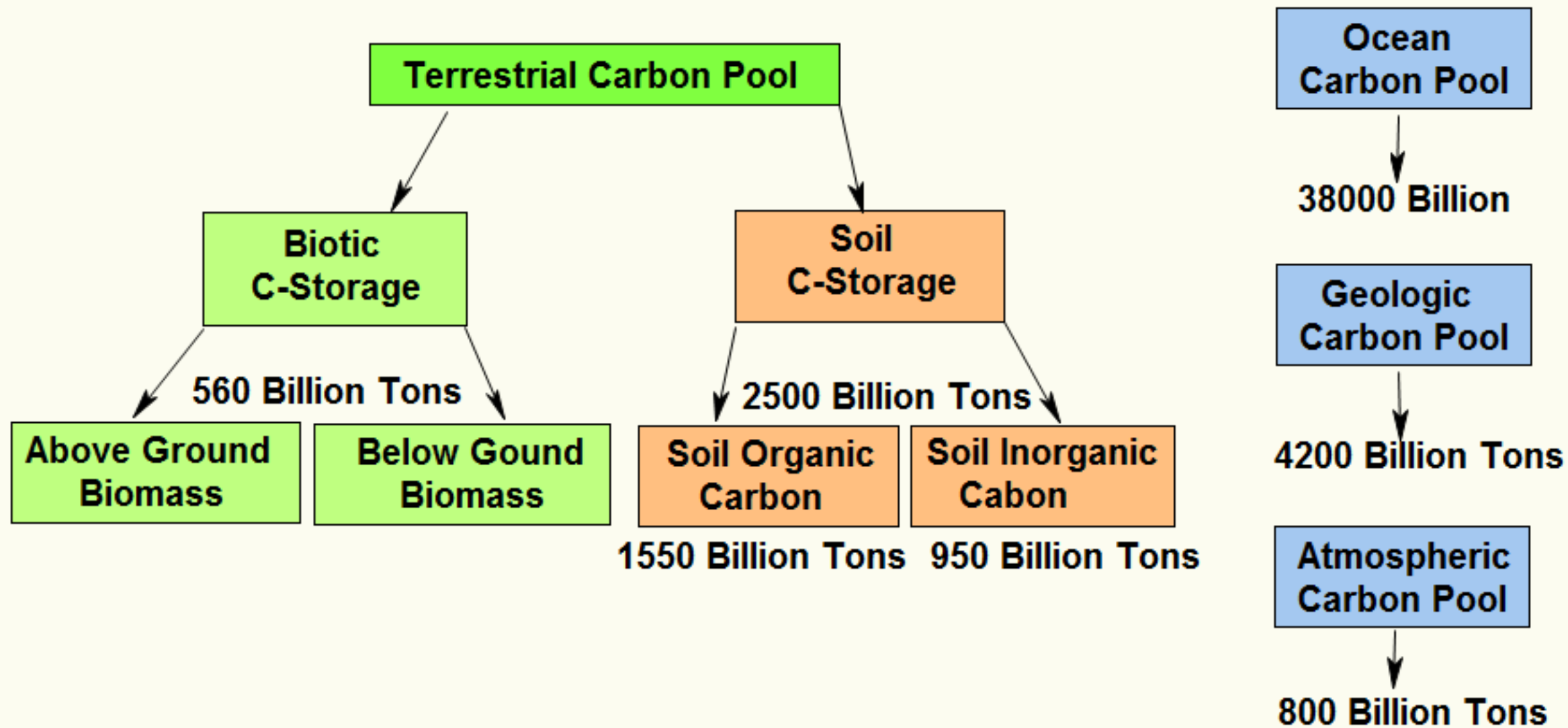
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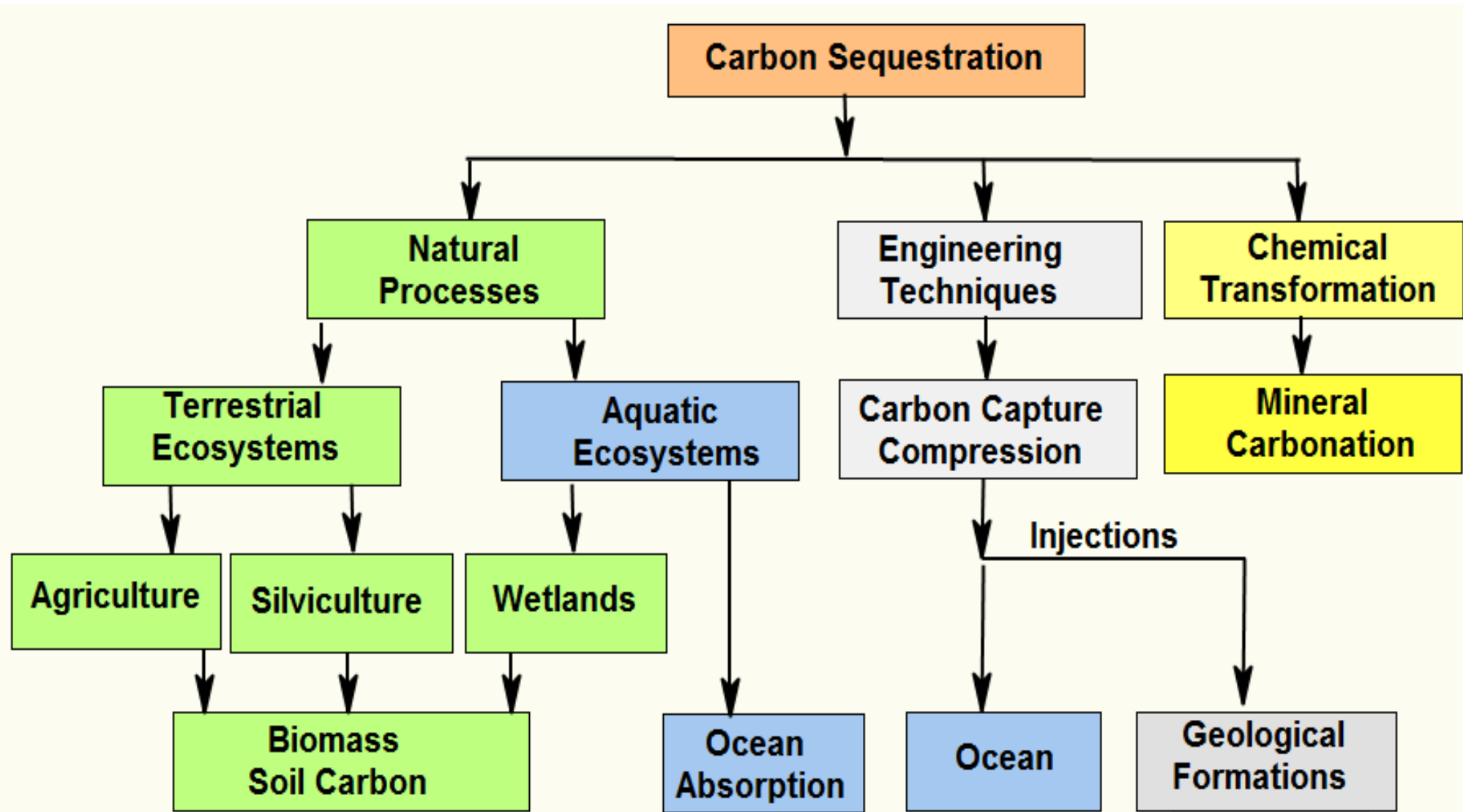


Annual Absorption



Estimated Global Carbon Storage





Benefits of Increasing Soil Carbon

- **Reduced CO₂ Emissions**
- **Improves Ecosystem Services**
- **Creates a more Diverse and Resilient Ecosystem**
- **Increases Biomass and Food Production**
- **Reduces Erosion Degradation and Pollution**



Carbon Stock in Grassland-Shrubland Mountain Ecosystem

Based on A. Ward's PhD Thesis- University of Queensland 2016

60.5-82.8 Billion Tons C
98% in Soil

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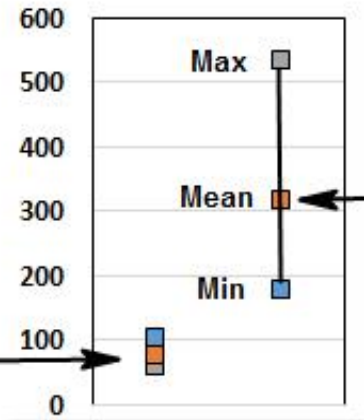
< 3% of Global C in Soils



| Countries | Area Million ha | Carbon-Stock Billion Tons |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| China | 299 | 17.5-23.6 |
| Russia | 151 | 12.9-17.8 |
| USA | 94 | 10.5-13.8 |
| Canada | 119 | 5.5-7.6 |
| 4 Country Total | 663 | 46.4-62.8 |
| % of Global Total GSL | 71% | 76% |

| Countries | Area Million ha | Carbon-Stock Billion Tons |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Ecuador | 1.58 | 0.22-0.33 |
| Colombia | 1.53 | 0.31-0.43 |
| Venezuela | 0.31 | 0.13-0.20 |
| 3 Country Total | 3.42 | 0.66-0.96 |
| % of Global Total GSL | 0.36% | 1.10-1.16% |

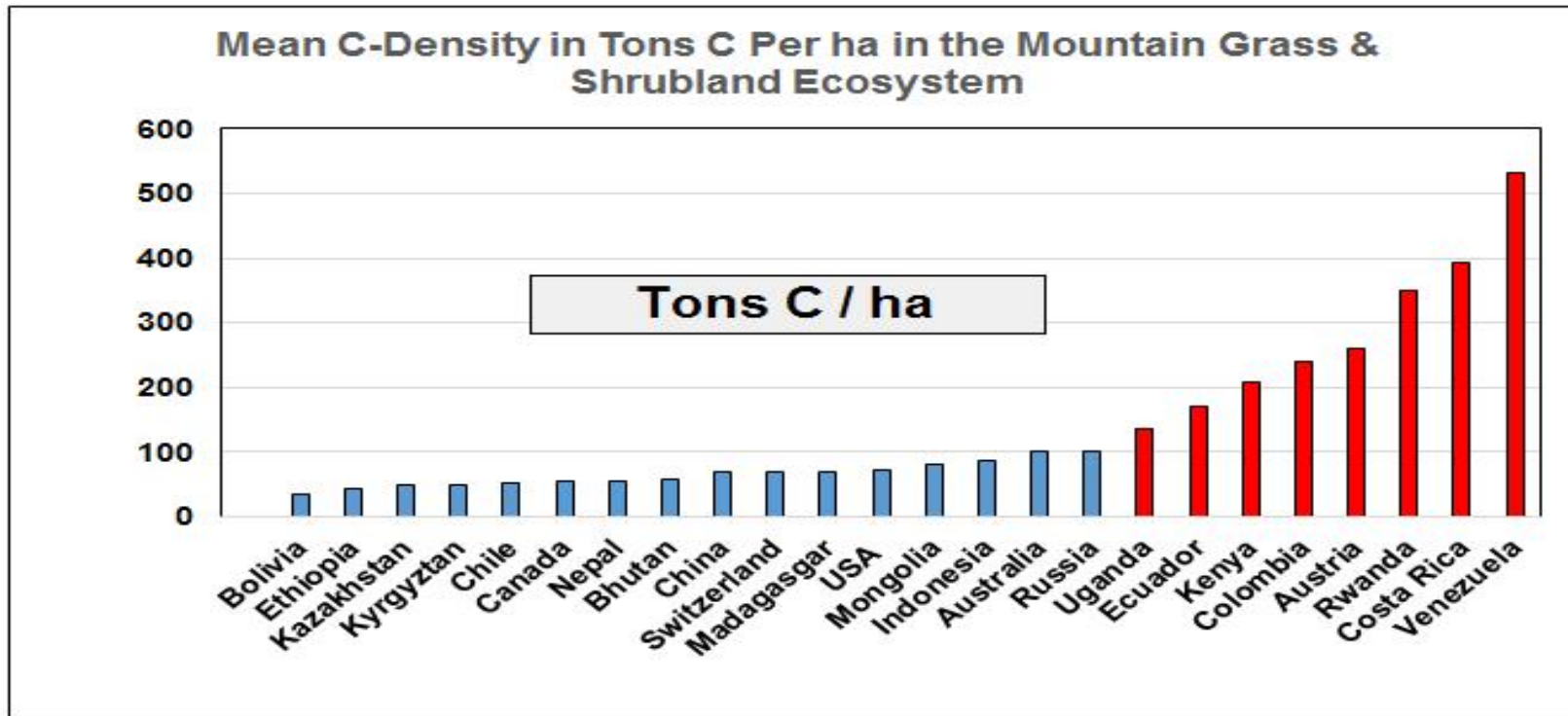
| Countries | Mean C-Density t C / ha |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| China | 68.7 |
| Russia | 101.7 |
| USA | 70.6 |
| Canada | 58.6 |



| Countries | Mean C-Density t C / ha |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| Ecuador | 171.6 |
| Colombia | 239.7 |
| Venezuela | 530.2 |

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Global Average | 60 t C / ha |
|-----------------------|--------------------|





**US \$ 1.2-11.8 Billion
(Based On Carbon Price of \$ 36 / t CO2)**

| Sequestration Rate Between 2000-2015 | | Value |
|---|----------|-----------------------------------|
| 112 Million t CO2 / Year | = | \$ 1.2-11.8 Billion / Year |
| Total Stored CO2 in Ecosystem = 250 GT | = | \$ 2.5-26 Trillion |

A. Ward 2016. The extent and value of carbon stored in the mountain grasslands & shrublands globally, and the prospect of using climate finance to address natural resource management issues. PhD thesis. University of Queensland, School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Management, Australia, 165 pp.

Different Soils Have Different Soil Organic Matter Content



Benefits of Organic Carbon in Soils

Physical Functions

Aggregate Stability

Soil Structure Soil Stability

Hydrological Properties

Water Holding Capacity,
Infiltration, Hydraulic Conductivity

Aeration Properties

Improved Air Movement
through the Soil

Thermal Properties

Improved Heat Transfer

Chemical Functions

Nutrient Exchange

Increases Cation Exchange Capacity

Nutrient Availability

Slow release of Nutrients through
Decomposition (e.g. Phosphorus)

Organic-Inorganic Interactions

Bilds Organo-Mineral Complexes

Biological Functions

Energy & Food

Provides Source of Energy & Food
for Microbes

Decomposition

Releases Nutrients (N, P, S, etc)
by recycling

Transfer Functions

Transfers Nutrients with Water to
other Plants (Mycorrhizal Fungi)

Disease Control

Biological Control of some Diseases

Benefits from Increasing Soil Carbon

Increases Soil Water Holding Capacity

- **Improves Water Availability to Plants**
- **Reduces Plant Stress During Drought**
- **Increases Biomass Production**

Increases Soil Nutrient Holding Capacity

- **Improves Biomass Production**
- **Makes more N, P, S, Ca, Mg, K, Zn available to Plants**
- **Reduces Leaching and Water Pollution**

Increases Microbial Activity

- **Enriches Species Diversity**
- **Improves Decomposition and C-Conversion**
- **Provides Nutrients to Plants & Increases Mychorrhizal Fungi that Feeds Water & Nutrients to Adjacent Plants**

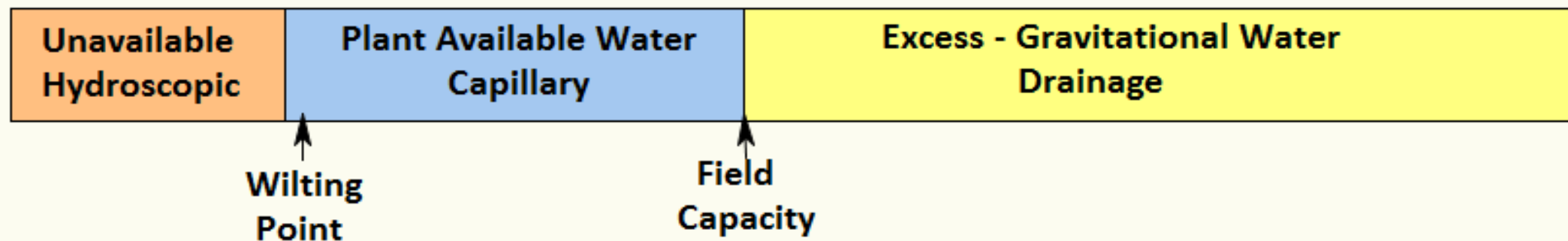
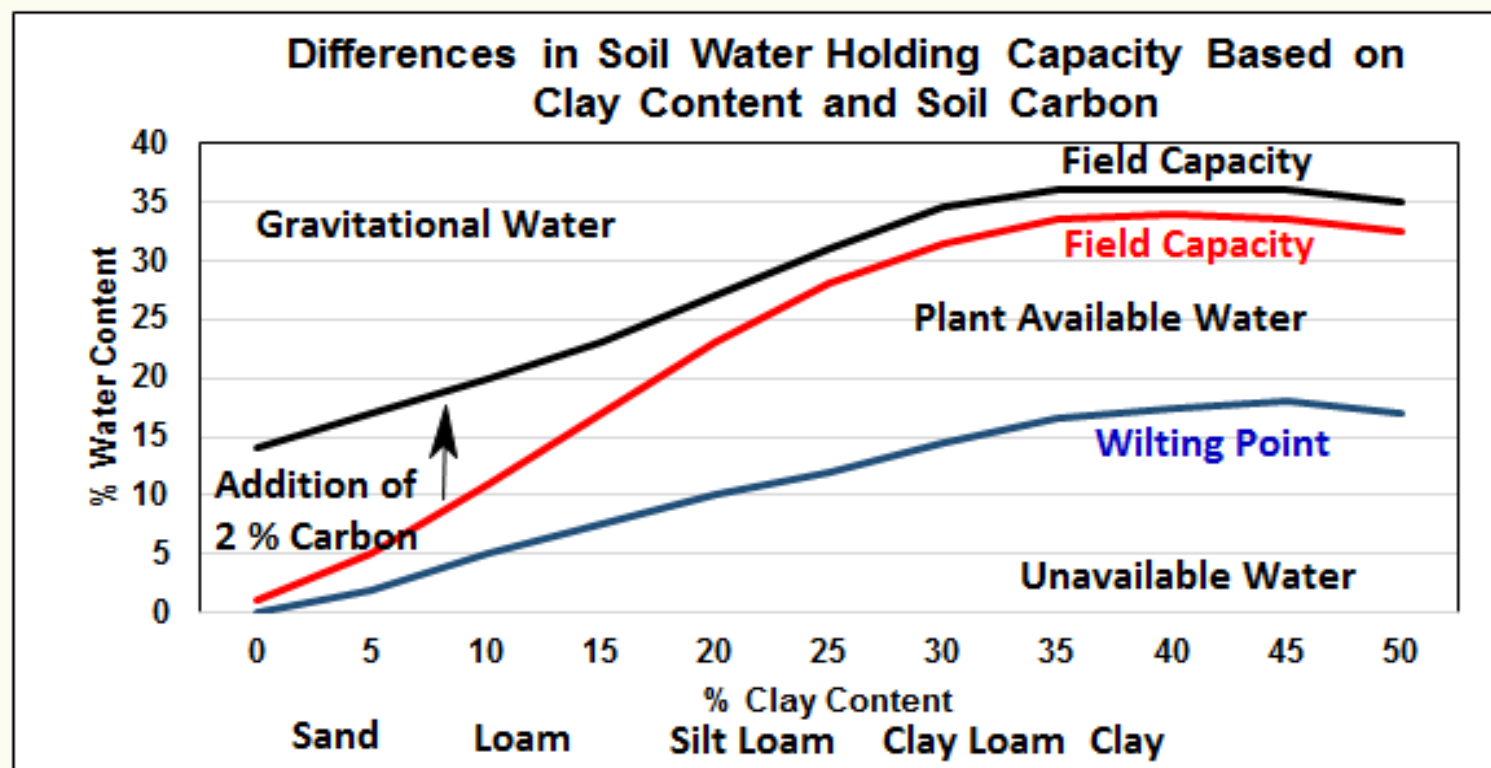
Improves Water Infiltration Capacity

- **Minimizes Surface Runoff,**
- **Reduces Erosion and Suspended Sediments**
- **Reduces Water Logging and Flooding**

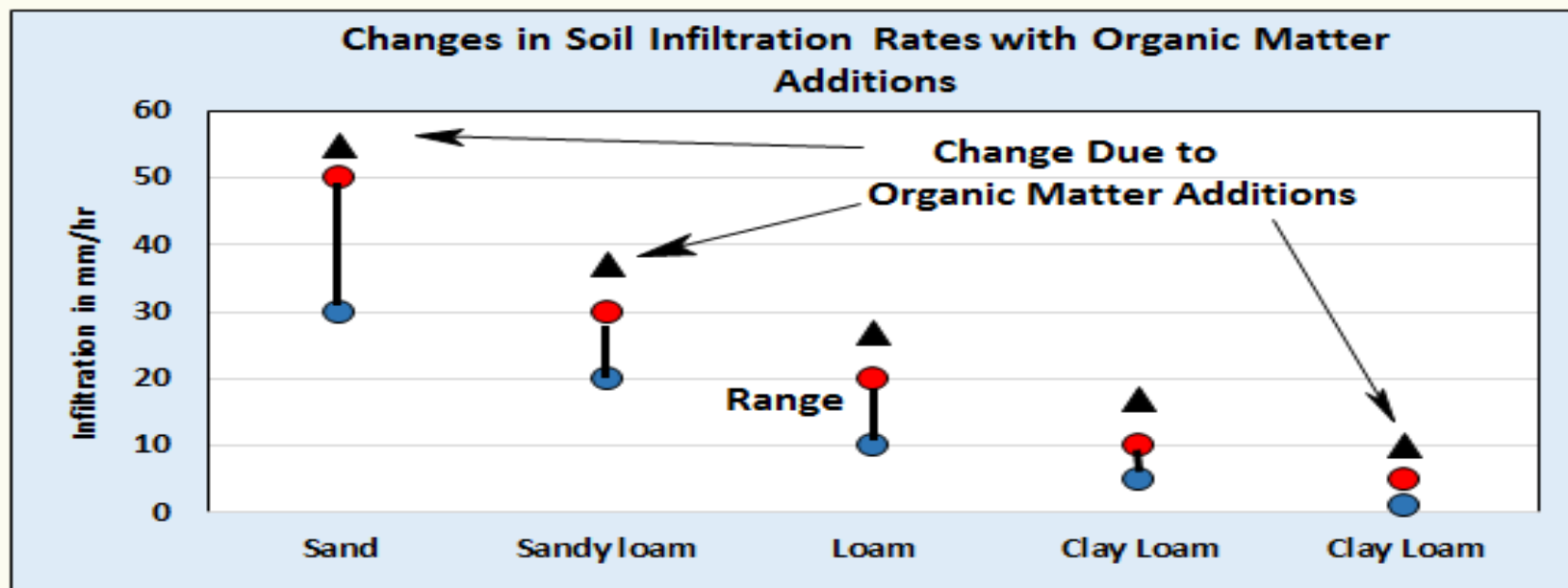
Converting CO₂ into Soil Storage

- **Improves Biomass Production**
- **Reduces CO₂ Emissions**
- **Converts CO₂ into long term storage**

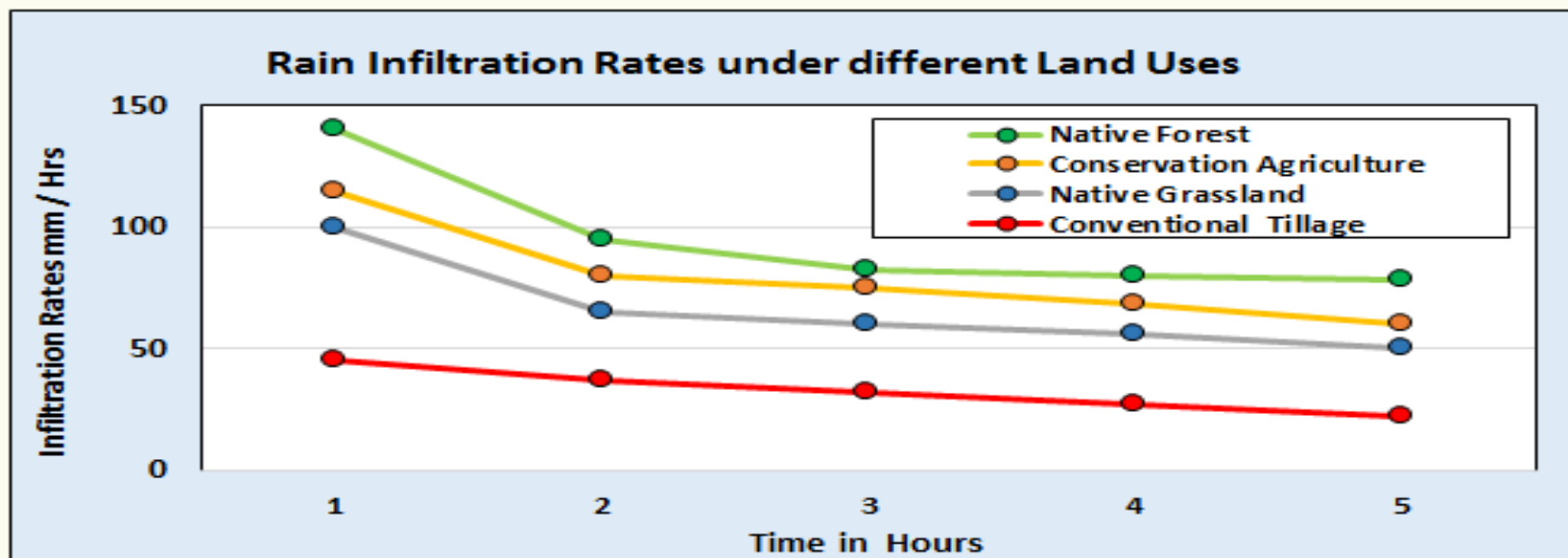
Soil Water Holding Capacity and Potential Increases with Organic Carbon Additions



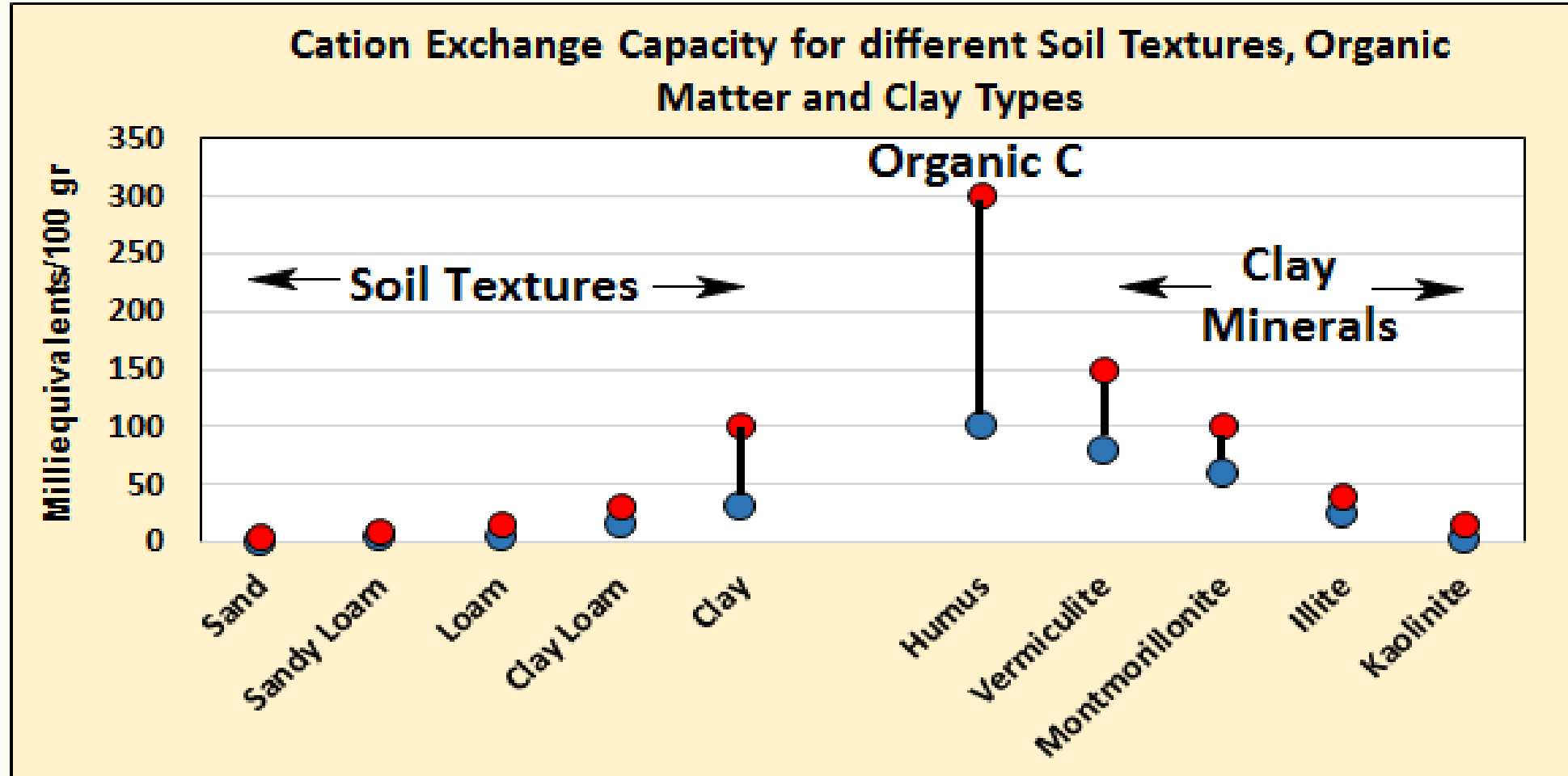
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The Role of Soils and Land Use & Cover



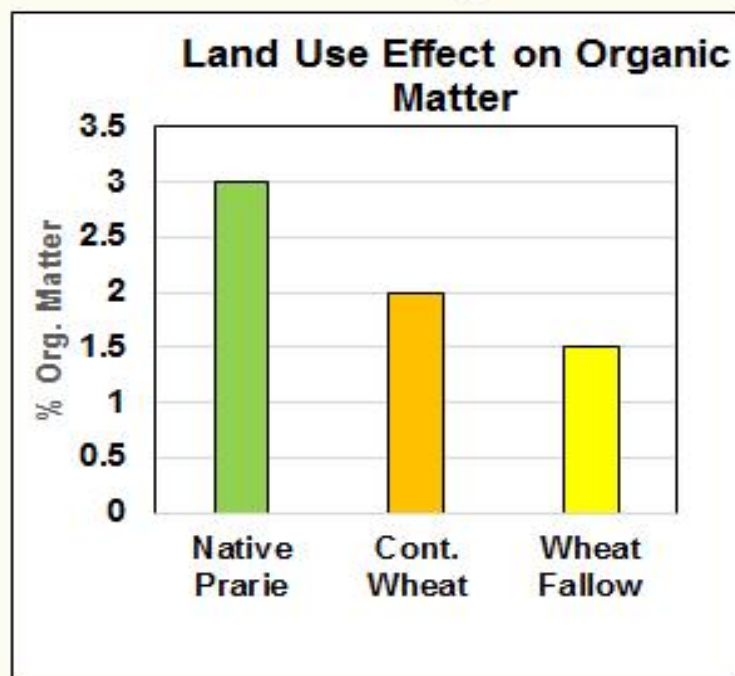
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Soil Organic Matter

| Soils | Virgin | Cultivated |
|------------|--------|------------|
| Brown | 3-4% | 2-4% |
| Dark Brown | 4-5% | 3-5% |
| Black | 6-10% | 4-6% |
| Dark Gray | 4-5% | 2-3% |
| Gray | 1-2% | 1-2% |

Source: Alberta Agriculture



Organic Matter Decline 30-50%
Lickacz & Penny 2001

How to increase Organic Matter

Add Manure
Reduce Tillage
Grow N-Fixing Trees and Crops
Lime The Soils

Benefits

Increases Water Holding Capacity
At 4% OM WHC increases 60%
Sequesters Carbon
Improves Nutrient Holding Capacity



Renzina Soils Developed in Limestone

bog



swamp



marsh



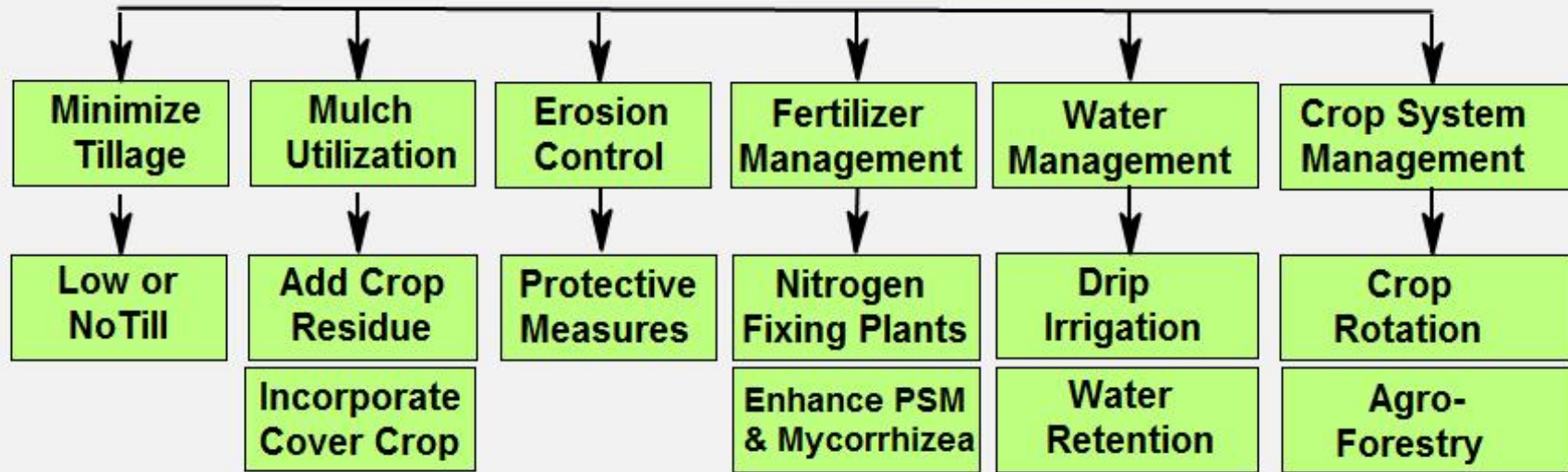
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shallow water



Agronomic Actions to Improve Carbon Sequestration





Carbon Transfer From Forests to Agriculture



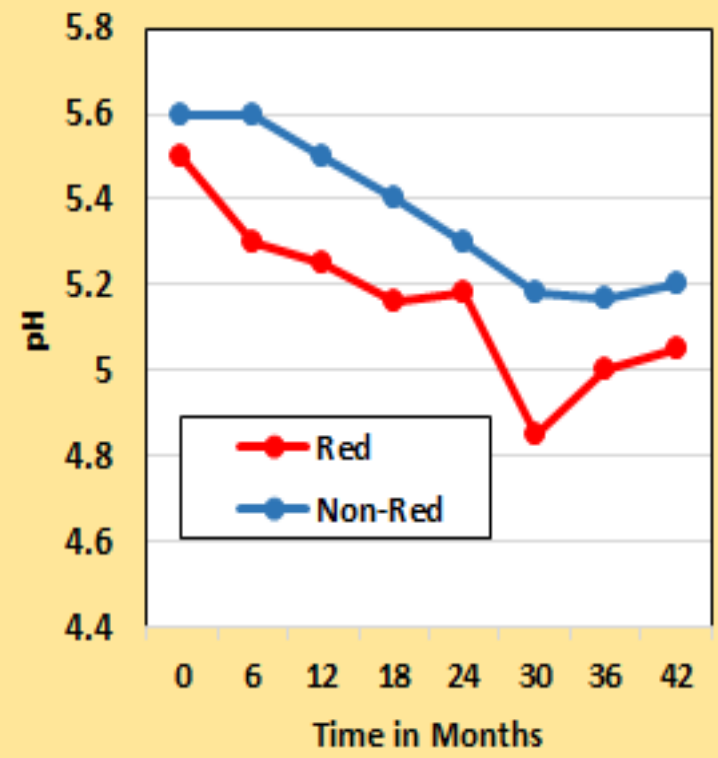


Litter Experiment With Chir Pine and Tithonia, Sunhemp and Pigeonpea

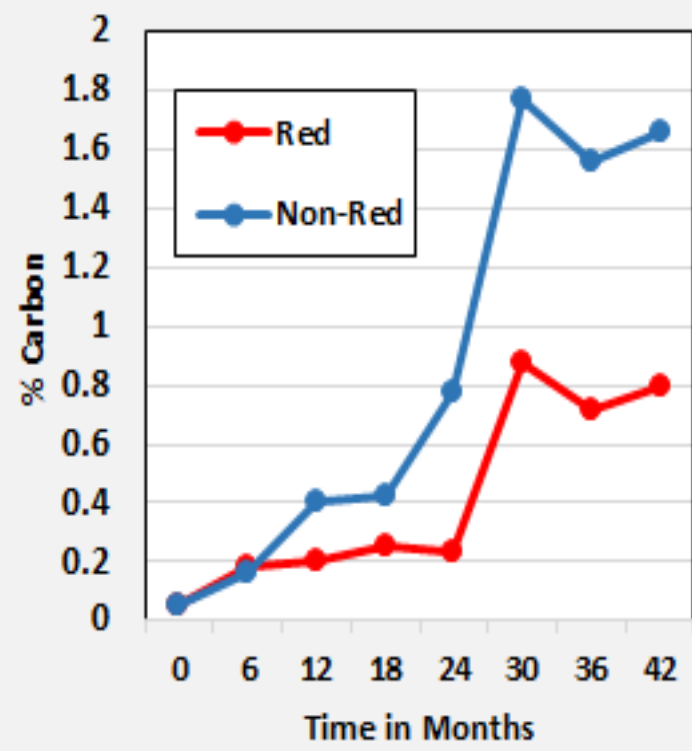


Changing Soil Conditions by Adding Pine Litter over Time (10 kg /m² every 6 months)

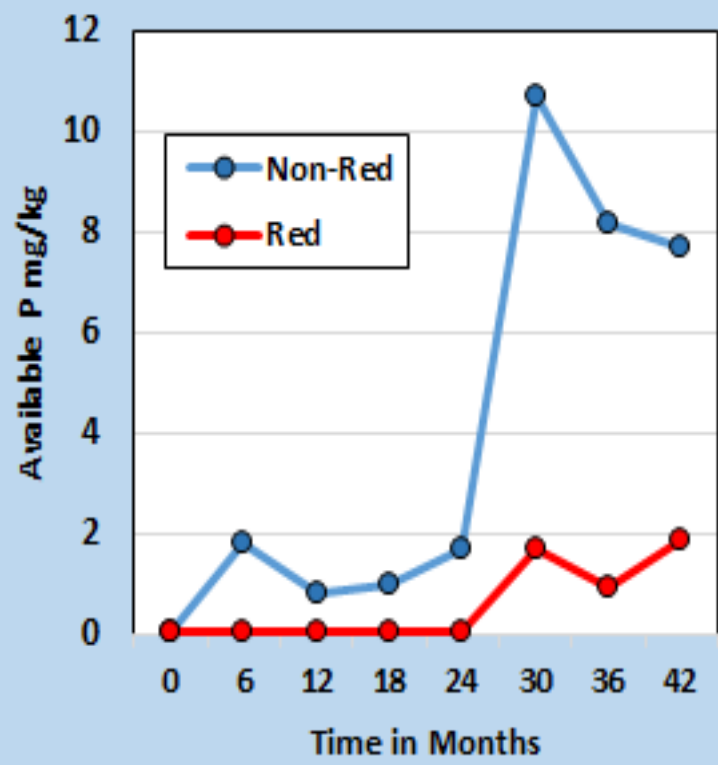
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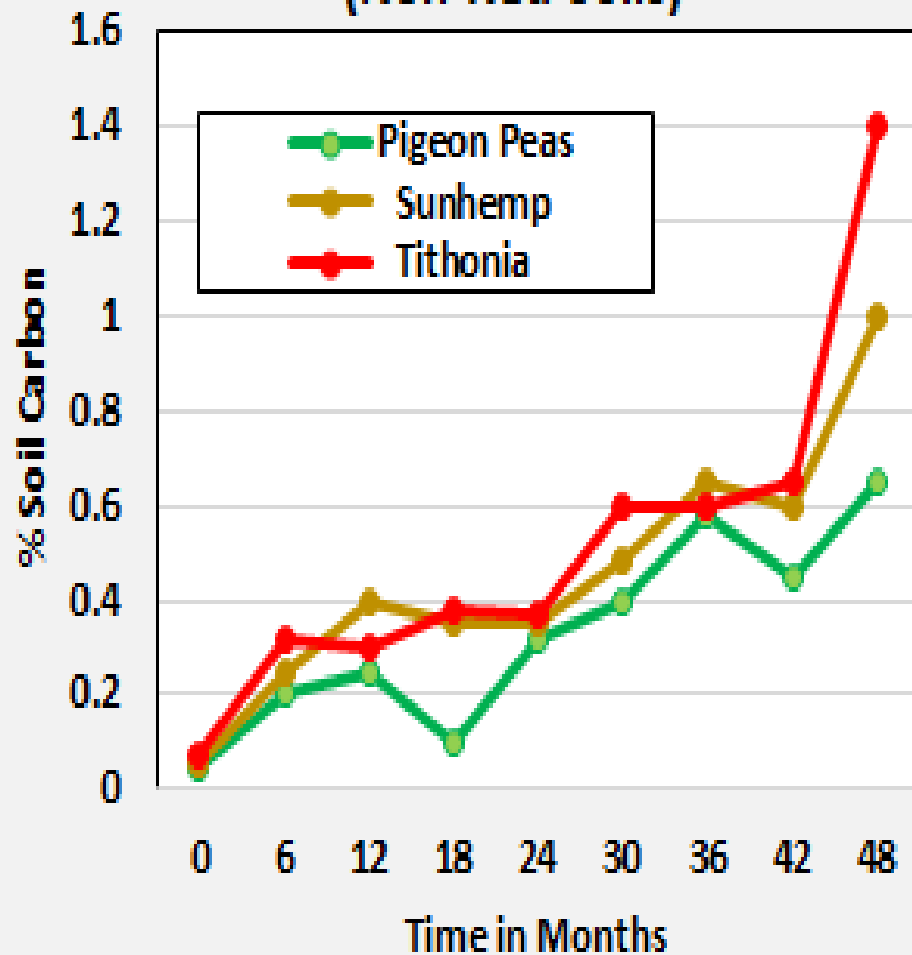
Change in Soil Carbon



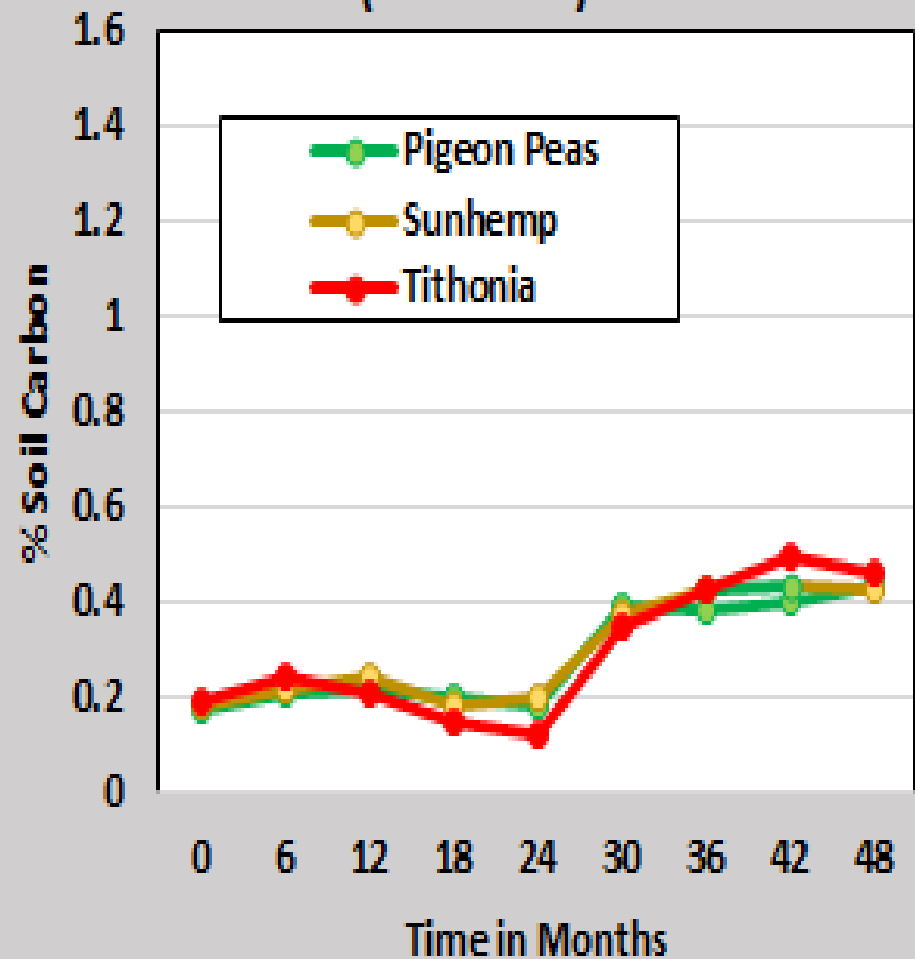
Change in Phosphorus



Change in Soil Carbon (Non-Red Soils)



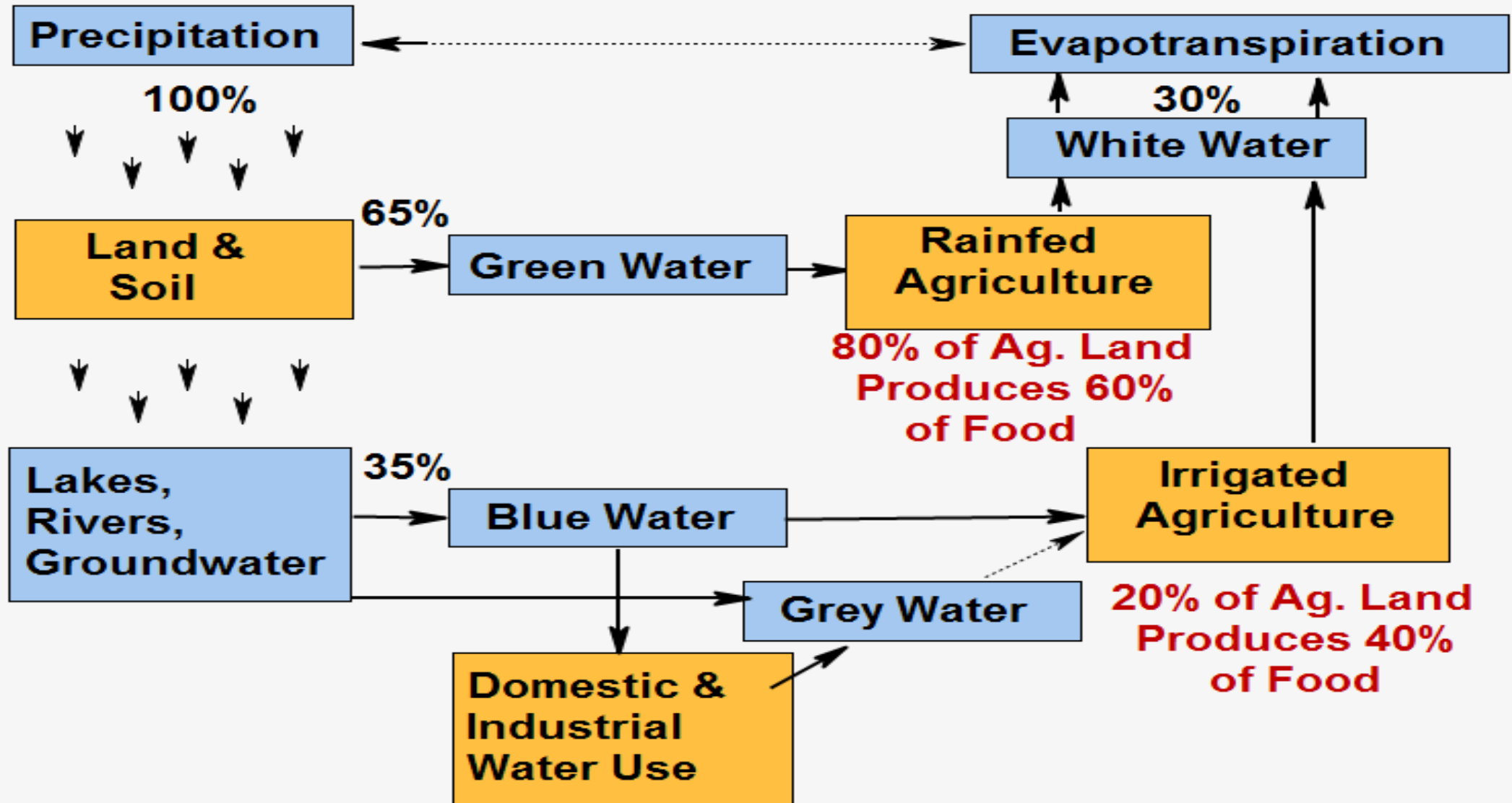
Change in Soil Carbon (Red Soils)



| | Lemon grass | Setaria | Stylo | Koduz | Golden Botton |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|
| Control no planting | | | | | |
| Lime 1x | | | | | |
| Lime 2x | | | | | |
| Manure 1x | | | | | |
| Manure 2x | | | | | |
| Lime & Manure 1x | | | | | |
| Lime & Manure 2x | | | | | |
| Control planted | | | | | |



Green Water, Blue Water, White Water, Grey Water





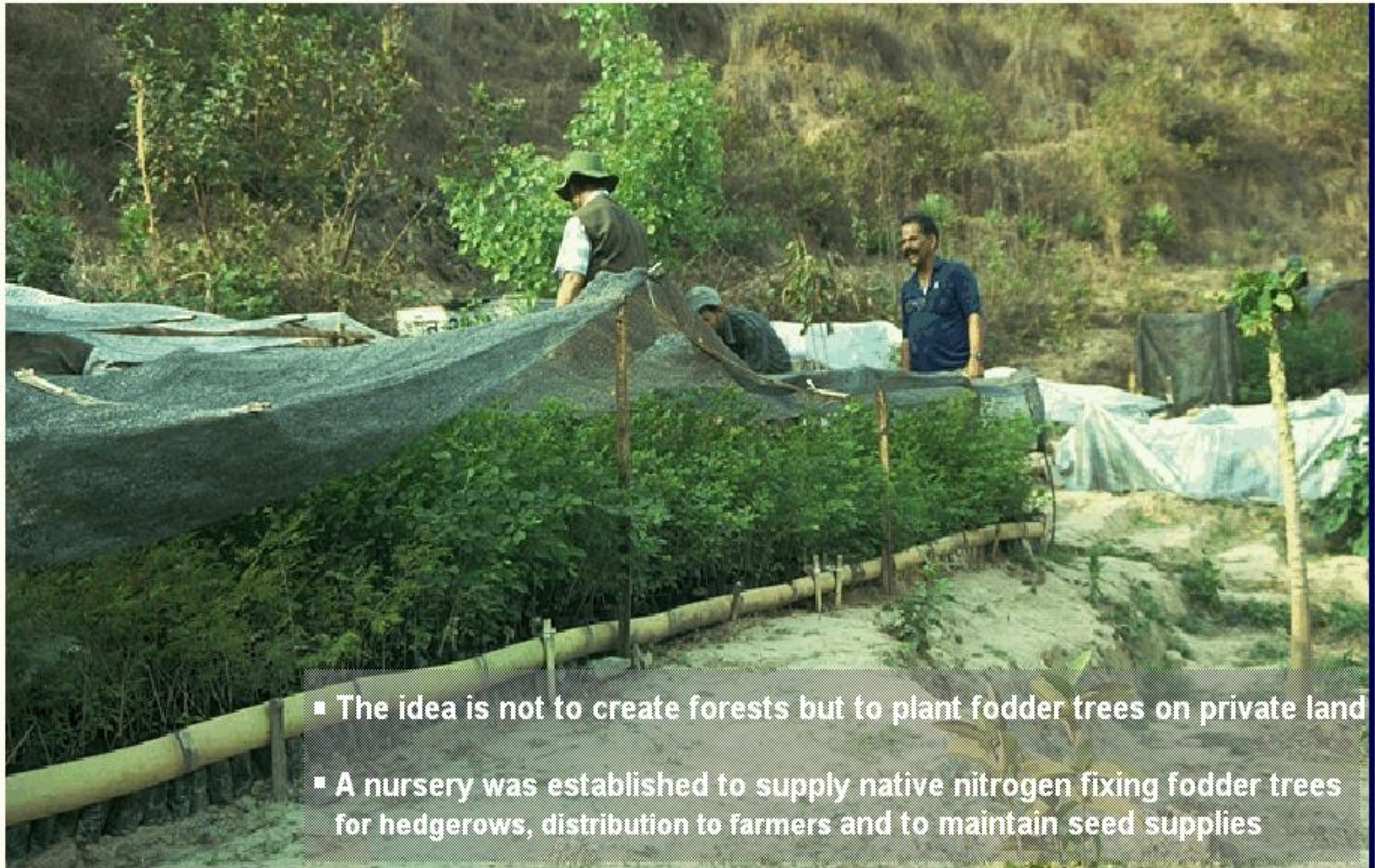
Simple bunds can retain runoff water during winter rains for a few hours. This is sufficient to recharge soil moisture and allows farmers to produce a crop of barley during the dry season (NW-Coast of Egypt - 250mm annual rainfall, rainfall only between Nov. and Feb)

Restoring a Degraded Site



Restoration Experiment





- The idea is not to create forests but to plant fodder trees on private land
- A nursery was established to supply native nitrogen fixing fodder trees for hedgerows, distribution to farmers and to maintain seed supplies

Focus on N-Fixation

Agroforestry; Fodder Trees in Hedgerows along Contour Lines



Innoculation of Mycorrhizal Fungi (P-Fixation)



Rehabilitating Degraded Land

1994



1995



1997



1997



1999



2001





Native, nitrogen fixing fodder trees:

Latin name

Nepali

Albezia lebec

Kalo siris

Albezia procora

Rato siris

Dalbergi sissoo

Sissoo

Litsea monopetala

Kutmiro

Bauhinia purpurea

Tanke

Melia azedaia

Bakaino

Acacia catechu

Khayes

most successful species

unsuccessful species

Forestry Factors to Consider to Adapt to Increased Climatic Variability

Increased Temperatures leads to:

- Increases Drought
- Increased Fire Hazards
- Increases Diseases
- Shift in Plant Communities (Altitude & Latitude)
- Warmer Stream Temperatures

Increased Rainfall Variability leads to:

- Increases Terrain Instability
- Increased Erosion & Sediment Transport
- Shift in Peakflow Events (Earlier Snow-melt)
- Longer Dry Periods and Low Flow Problems
- Rain on Snow Events

Vegetation Management Strategies

- Plant a Wide Variety of Different Tree Species
- Select Species that can be converted to Biofuel
- Include Nitrogen Fixing Trees
- Select Trees that tolerate Mycorrhizal Fungi
- Select Native Trees & Plant them at Higher Elevation to enhance survival
- Promote Biodiversity

Water Management Strategies

- Minimize Tree and Soil Disturbance
- Maintain effective Riparian Buffer Zones
- Consider Water Demand for different Tree Species to be planted
- Maintain good Soil Conditions (organic matter and high infiltration rates)
- Enhance & Protect Wetlands
- Improve Green Water Management

Direct Interventions to Improve Ecosystem Services

| Regulatory | Economic | Governance |
|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Streamline Regulations Amend Water Rights Regulate Pollution• Regulate Minimum Flow Arrange Flow Releases• Endangered Species Protection• Conservation Initiatives | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water Market & Trade Impacts• Payment for Rehabilitation• Fees for Point Sources• Fines and Taxes• Payment for Watershed Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promote Participatory Mechanisms• Assist River Basin Authorities & Councils• Promote Integrated Watershed Management• Initiate Capacity Building Programs |
| Technical | Social/Cultural | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Infrastructure Design• Initiate Soil & Water Conservation• Irrigation Efficiency• Demand Management• Water Saving Techn.• Water Efficient Crops | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create Awareness• Education Programs• Value Services Provided by Nature• Consider Land- Water Interactions | |

Enhancing Resilience in Degraded Watersheds

Enhance Vegetation Cover

Enhance Soil Conditions

Water Requirements for Trees & Shrubs & Crops
(coping with drought or assisting with drainage)

Maintain good cover to minimize erosion

Select Vegetation that enhances the nutrient regime
(N-fixation-leguminous plants & Micorrhizal fungi)

High litter production and rapid litter decomposition

Small forest open patches to increase
snow accumulation on the ground

Wetland enhancement where-ever possible

Maintain continuous riparian buffer corridor
(combined with trees, shrub and grasses)

Increase & maintain high soil organic matter

Minimize soil compaction

Enhance soil infiltration rates

Increase soil water storage capacity

Improve soil nutrient capacity



Thank you

