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1 **Summary**

2 Millions of people living in poverty depend on non-timber forest products (NTFPs), yet  
3 forest protection causes displacement, replacement or reduction of NTFP extraction  
4 activities, with implications for human welfare. Here, we assess the impact of forest  
5 protection on a novel measure of wellbeing that incorporates both objective and  
6 subjective components of people's lives. In five villages near forests with mixed  
7 protection status in Tanzania, household perceived need for firewood is compared  
8 with actual consumption to provide a simple metric of firewood sufficiency. Firewood  
9 sufficiency varied with forest protection status, with non-compliance inferred by  
10 household ability to meet firewood needs despite forest access restrictions. Fuel-  
11 efficient stove ownership improved perceived ability to meet firewood needs, however  
12 actual consumption remained unchanged. Firewood sufficiency was significantly lower  
13 for those sourcing firewood outside forests, and increased household awareness of  
14 the management authority significantly reduced firewood consumption. In a forest  
15 landscape of mixed protection status, pressure will likely be displaced to the forest  
16 with the least active management authority, affecting their efficiency as non-extractive  
17 reserves. Our findings reinforce the need for a landscape approach to forest  
18 management planning that accounts for local needs, to avoid leakage to other less  
19 well-protected forests and detriment to household welfare.

## 20 **Introduction**

21 More than 800 million people worldwide depend on forests for food, fuel and income  
22 (TEEB 2010). Traditional woodfuels, including firewood and charcoal, account for 55%  
23 of harvested wood (FAO 2013). Between 27% and 34% of pan-tropical traditional  
24 woodfuels are harvested unsustainably (Bailis et al. 2015). Forest protection  
25 necessitates restrictions on non-timber forest product (NTFP) extraction, with resulting  
26 welfare implications for local communities and trade-offs between conservation and  
27 human wellbeing (Hosonuma et al. 2012, McShane et al. 2011, Schelhas & Pfeffer  
28 2009).

29 Economic valuation of the total value of forests at multiple scales can improve  
30 understanding of these trade-offs, enabling calculation of the cost-benefit ratio of  
31 protection at both global and local levels (Naidoo & Ricketts 2006). Appreciating the  
32 economic contribution of NTFPs to wellbeing is essential if compensation is to be  
33 provided for restricted extraction, such as through payments for ecosystem services  
34 (PES) initiatives (Wunder 2013). However, wellbeing is multi-faceted, and may be  
35 defined as 'a state of being with others, which arises where human needs are met,  
36 where one can act meaningfully to pursue one's goals, and where one can enjoy a  
37 satisfactory quality of life' (McGregor 2008). There is growing consensus that  
38 evaluating the impacts of conservation interventions on wellbeing should include both  
39 objective and subjective components of people's lives (Agarwala et al. 2014, Lange et  
40 al. 2016, Woodhouse et al. 2015). Here, we present a novel approach to the  
41 assessment of forest protection trade-offs that incorporates these linked material and  
42 perception based indicators of wellbeing, by comparing perceived need for firewood  
43 with actual usage.

44 Examination of forest protection trade-offs must also incorporate concerns for leakage,  
45 when the benefit of protecting one forest area is negated by the displacement of  
46 resource extraction elsewhere (Ewers & Rodrigues 2008). Robinson and Kajembe  
47 (2009) identify four possible effects of forest access restrictions at the village-level: (1)  
48 villagers displace extraction elsewhere (leakage), (2) villagers replace extraction with  
49 increased purchase from markets, potentially intensifying pressure on other forests  
50 supplying those markets, (3) villagers reduce extraction quantities, with potentially  
51 negative welfare impacts, and (4) villagers cultivate more resources on their own or  
52 village land. In addition to these, we identify two further possible effects whereby (5)  
53 villagers do not comply with management and continue extraction activities, and (6) in  
54 the case of extraction for fuel, villagers switch to alternatives where available (e.g.  
55 gas). To predict these effects and inform management decisions, spatial-temporal  
56 models of NTFP use help to define a landscape that does not solely account for  
57 ecological characteristics, but includes interactions between these and socioeconomic  
58 conditions (Robinson et al. 2011). Models indicate that if labour and resource markets  
59 function efficiently, then extraction restrictions will not lead to leakage, however  
60 imperfect and costly markets will lead to displacement of activities into unprotected  
61 areas (Robinson et al. 2011; Albers & Robinson 2013).

62 In this paper, we present a novel method for examining the impact of protected status  
63 on wellbeing and the implications for leakage. We do this by analysing household  
64 ability to meet NTFP needs in the vicinity of forests of mixed protected status in rural  
65 Tanzania. NTFPs, such as firewood and charcoal, account for over 90% of total energy  
66 consumption in Tanzania (Felix & Gheewala 2011). Fuel-efficient stoves can increase  
67 cooking efficiency by 30-75%, and a range of development efforts promote the use of  
68 such stoves in Tanzania (Jetter & Kariher 2009, Still et al. 2011). However, on average

69 the population of Tanzania and its largest city Dar es Salaam has increased annually  
70 by 2.7% and 5.6% respectively between 2002 and 2012 (NBS 2013). Such population  
71 growth is predicted to increase pressure on forest resources, acting as a major driver  
72 of forest degradation (Felix & Gheewala 2011, Hosier et al. 1993).

73 Tanzania is now piloting methods for policies aimed at reducing emissions from  
74 deforestation and degradation (REDD+) linked to its existing participatory forest  
75 management (PFM) programme (Burgess et al. 2010). Early lessons from REDD+  
76 pilot projects indicate new challenges have emerged, with trade-offs between long-  
77 term protection and short-term needs, as well as concerns for leakage (Blomley et al.  
78 2016). With high dependence on firewood for energy in our study villages, we compare  
79 household perceived need for firewood with actual consumption to provide a simple  
80 metric of ability to meet firewood needs (henceforth: firewood sufficiency). The effect  
81 of household variables and forest protection status on firewood sufficiency is analysed,  
82 and the implications for wellbeing and leakage in this landscape of forests with mixed  
83 protection status assessed.

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## 85 **Methods**

### 86 **Study Area**

87 Data were collected in five forest-adjacent villages in the Kilombero and Kilosa districts  
88 (Morogoro region; Fig. 1), neighbouring the biodiversity-rich Eastern Arc Mountains  
89 (Burgess et al. 2007). Villages were selected to maximise variation in protected status  
90 whilst minimising geographic spread, to avoid high variation in ecological and social  
91 factors. To preserve household anonymity, villages were identified by number and  
92 adjacent forests by their protection status: one forest protected as a National Park

93 (NP), one under JFM, two under CBFM (CBFM1; CBFM2) and the remaining forest in  
94 management transition (transition forest; Table 1).

95 One year prior to NP gazettelement in 1992, the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)  
96 and the Tanzanian National Park Authority (TANAPA) began a ten-year project  
97 promoting tree nurseries and fuel-efficient stoves in villages on the eastern border of  
98 the park, to reduce dependence on the forest (Harrison 2006). During this time  
99 TANAPA allowed villagers weekly entry to extract dead firewood. This concession  
100 continued until June 2011, when it was banned given concerns for the impact on  
101 biodiversity (Rovero et al. 2008). All five study-villages occur in this area east of the  
102 NP. Agriculture is the predominant livelihood activity in these districts, and pressure  
103 on resources is high (Gorenflo & Orland 2013).

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105 [FIGURE 1 HERE]

106 [TABLE 1 HERE]

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108 Data Collection

109 Between March and December 2011, 500 household questionnaires were  
110 administered across study-villages to gauge NTFP use and household-level socio-  
111 economic and demographic variables. In each village, focus groups were used to  
112 jointly identify village-specific wealth indicators, such as asset ownership, and  
113 households assigned to either a high-income or low-income wealth category with the  
114 assistance of village councils. Total village household lists were then stratified by sub-  
115 village and wealth (after Lund et al. 2008), and random number generation used to  
116 select 100 household heads/village as respondents. This number of questionnaires

117 was chosen to maximise variability in responses whilst maintaining a logistically viable  
118 sample size.

119 Questionnaires were administered by enumerators local to each village in the wet  
120 (May-June) and dry (November) season to capture seasonal variation in NTFP use.  
121 The geographic coordinates of all 500 households were recorded. Multiple questions  
122 relating to NTFP use were asked to facilitate triangulation of data. Households were  
123 asked to identify their major source of cooking energy, how this was obtained and the  
124 monthly quantity consumed. Households were asked to identify all nearby forests,  
125 whether they extracted from that forest, and products extracted. Households were also  
126 asked to recall their NTFP use each month in that season. Specifically, for each  
127 product, households were asked to recall the quantity extracted per month, the  
128 frequency of extractions and the extraction location. Households were also asked to  
129 recall the quantities purchased, sold and consumed per month. Finally, households  
130 were asked the perceived quantity needed per month. The aim of this data collection  
131 method was to compare like-for-like quantities, rather than econometric valuation.  
132 Rapid assessment methods, such as those employed here, have been shown to have  
133 good congruence with more detailed assessment in comparison of interview-based  
134 methods (Jones et al. 2008).

### 135 Data Analysis

#### 136 NTFP utilisation and protected area compliance

137 Households were coded into those that either solely extracted NTFPs, solely bought  
138 NTFPs or both extracted and bought NTFPs. Extraction location for each product was  
139 coded by the forest protection status (NP, CBFM1, CBFM2, JFM, transition) or  
140 household agricultural fields or private woodlot (Fields/Private) or purchase (Buy). The

141 percentage of households extracting each NTFP was calculated by extraction location.  
142 Compliance with management rules and regulations was inferred through reporting of  
143 number of NTFPs extracted, being firewood only or multiple products. This measure  
144 of compliance is susceptible to under-reporting, as despite best efforts to elicit truthful  
145 answers through data triangulation and use of local enumerators, some households  
146 may have under-reported their NTFP use, or indicated extracting from non-forest  
147 areas for fear of repercussions.

#### 148 Firewood Sufficiency

149 The mean quantities of firewood extracted, bought, sold, consumed and needed per  
150 household were calculated across both wet and dry seasons to provide average  
151 monthly rates (bundles/month). Reported household firewood consumption was cross-  
152 validated via calculation of quantities extracted, bought and sold. Household firewood  
153 sufficiency was calculated by deducting household perceived mean quantity of  
154 firewood needed/month from mean quantity consumed/month. This method builds on  
155 other household-scale approaches to define firewood sufficiency by going beyond a  
156 purely qualitative understanding (Dovie et al. 2004). Whilst moving towards a more  
157 rigorous quantitative approach, the method explicitly retains a subjective component  
158 common to recent definitions of wellbeing by allowing respondents to estimate their  
159 own need (Agarwala et al. 2014, Milner-Gulland et al. 2014). Negative sufficiency  
160 indicated a deficit in household firewood needs, zero values indicated that needs were  
161 met and positive values indicated a surplus of firewood. Households were then  
162 grouped by extraction location, and one-way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) and  
163 Tukey posthoc tests used to compare differences in mean household firewood  
164 sufficiency between extraction locations.

165 Between wet and dry season surveys, the aforementioned firewood collection ban  
166 commenced in the NP and also JFM. If households indicated a switch in extraction  
167 location from either NP or JFM between surveys, the difference between mean wet  
168 season firewood sufficiency and mean dry season firewood sufficiency was tested  
169 using Student's t-tests. All statistical analyses were carried out using R (version 3.0.0;  
170 <http://cran.r-project.org>).

#### 171 Determinants of Firewood Sufficiency

172 Further analysis was carried out to determine what factors might predict household  
173 firewood need, consumption and sufficiency independently. A broad set of 16  
174 household-level demographic, wealth and environmental predictor variables were  
175 chosen based on previous investigations into NTFP consumption correlates (e.g.  
176 Foerster et al. 2012; Table 2). All variables were coded from household questionnaire  
177 data. Dependence on NTFPs for energy was represented by whether households  
178 used firewood alone as their major energy source, or in combination with charcoal.  
179 Previous analysis found variation in household awareness of each forest management  
180 authority in this study sample, with clear awareness of NP status, yet no awareness  
181 of JFM and low engagement in PFM (Latham 2013). Given this, awareness was also  
182 included as a binary variable in all models.

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186 Covariation between predictor variables was assessed using Pearson correlation and  
187 Variance Inflation Factors, and all variables were retained (Pearson  $P \leq 0.7$  and/or  
188  $VIF \leq 5$ ; Zuur et al. 2010). Variables with uneven spread (occupation, 98% farmer) were  
189 excluded from models. Before modelling, variables with a strong skew were

190 transformed as follows: age, hhsiz, assets (square root), land (cube root) and  
191 response variables firewood need, firewood consumption (log10) and firewood  
192 sufficiency (cube root).

193 Generalised linear models (GLMs) with a Gaussian error function were used to  
194 investigate the influence of the same predictor variables on (1) firewood need, (2)  
195 firewood consumption, and (3) firewood sufficiency. Spline correlograms (nfc package;  
196 Bjornstad 2012) were used to test for spatial-autocorrelation as observations of  
197 households facing equivalent socio-economic and environmental factors might not be  
198 independent. Significant spatial auto-correlation was present at short lag-distances of  
199 3km, 4km and 4km for need, consumption and sufficiency data, respectively. With only  
200 five villages sampled, it was not appropriate to include village as a random factor using  
201 generalised linear mixed models (e.g. Crawley 2002). However, spline correlograms  
202 of the Pearson residuals suggested spatial correlation was successfully  
203 accommodated by each GLM through the inclusion of the extraction\_location variable.  
204 Minimum adequate models were obtained using backwards-forwards selection based  
205 on the Akaike Information Criterion (Murtaugh 2009). Some levels within the  
206 categorical variable extraction\_location did not contribute to final models, and so  
207 seven independent binary variables ('True' or 'False') were created ('Buy',  
208 'Fields/Private', 'Transition', 'CBFM1', 'CBFM2', 'JFM' 'NP'), and backwards-forwards  
209 selection repeated. Final models were validated through observation of residual  
210 spread. Analyses of deviance were used to test the probability that the amount of  
211 deviance explained was not significantly reduced from the full (unreduced) model  
212 (p[D]; Zuur et al. 2010). The probability that the slope estimate of each variable was  
213 significantly different from zero was determined, based on a t distribution (Quinn &  
214 Keough 2002). The False Discovery Rate (FDR; Benjamini & Hochberg 1995)

215 correction of alpha values for repetitive testing was employed on slope estimates for  
216 each model in turn, resulting in 95% significance alpha cut-offs of 0.05, 0.039 and  
217 0.025 for need, consumption and sufficiency models, respectively.

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## 219 **Results**

### 220 NTFP Utilisation and protected area compliance

221 All households were dependent on NTFPs as their main source of energy; 48% stated  
222 use of both firewood and charcoal, 47% stated firewood only and 5% charcoal only.  
223 Of the 500 households surveyed, 434 (86.8%) indicated extracting NTFPs, of which  
224 166 (38.2%) households supplemented with additional purchases, and 59 households  
225 (11.8%) only purchased NTFPs (Fig. 2; 1.4% unanswered). Over half of households  
226 extracting NTFPs obtained these from a forest (n=263; 60.6%); of which 60.8% (32%  
227 of total sample) were non-compliant with forest management by indicating extraction  
228 of more than just dead firewood. The remainder of households extracting NTFPs did  
229 so from agricultural fields or private woodlots (n=156; 35.9%; 3.5% unanswered).

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231 [FIGURE 2 HERE]

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233 Households indicated extracting multiple NTFPs from the PFM forests (JFM, CBFM1  
234 & CBFM2; Fig. 3). All households using these forests, except for one using the CBFM1  
235 forest and two using the CBFM2 forest, indicated non-compliance with the rules and  
236 regulations. Households using the transition forest stated similar extraction of NTFPs,  
237 although given this forest was not formally protected this type of use could not be  
238 categorised for compliance. Of the households extracting from the NP, 95.5% stated  
239 extraction of firewood only before the ban was implemented, in line with management.

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241 [FIGURE 3 HERE]

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243 Firewood Sufficiency

244 Household perceived firewood sufficiency varied from -99.0 to +40.0 bundles/month,  
245 with mean household sufficiency of -6.43 ( $\pm 12.71$ ) bundles/month across all villages.

246 Sufficiency varied significantly between extraction locations (Fig. 4). Households with  
247 very low sufficiency ( $< -10$  bundles/month,  $n=82$ ) all reported modest consumption  
248 quantities based on the sample average, yet excessively high perceived need for  
249 firewood. The opposite was true for households with very high sufficiency ( $> +10$   
250 bundles/month,  $n=5$ ), which reported similarly modest quantities of firewood needed  
251 yet consumed exceedingly high quantities. Households extracting from JFM had the  
252 highest mean sufficiency ( $0.21 \pm 0.83$  bundles/month), indicating household firewood  
253 needs were on average met. Households extracting from all other locations had  
254 negative mean sufficiency, indicating an inability to meet firewood needs, with lowest  
255 mean sufficiency in households extracting from CBFM1 ( $-2.9 \pm 0.65$  bundles/month).  
256 Households extracting from fields or private areas had significantly lower sufficiency  
257 than households extracting from all forests except for transition forest and CBFM1,  
258 suggesting difficulty in meeting needs when extracting from outside forested areas.

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260 [FIGURE 4 HERE]

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262 All households extracting firewood from NP in the wet season indicated a switch in  
263 extraction location to fields or private areas after the ban was enforced, between  
264 surveys. Despite this, no significant difference in firewood sufficiency was found

265 between seasons (mean wet season= $-2.49\pm 4.65$  bundles/month, mean dry season=  
266  $2.84\pm 6.54$  bundles/month,  $t=0.30$ ,  $p=0.78$ ), although any long-term impacts of the ban  
267 might not be reflected within the short timeframe of the study. No such switch was  
268 reported by households extracting from JFM in the dry season.

#### 269 Determinants of Firewood Need, Consumption and Sufficiency

270 Extraction location and household demographic, wealth and environmental variables  
271 best-predicted firewood need, consumption and sufficiency (Table 3). Household  
272 perceived need for and consumption of firewood were significantly reduced if sourced  
273 from markets or extracted from CBFM2. Households extracting from fields or private  
274 areas, transition forest and CBFM1 had significantly higher perceived need for  
275 firewood. Indeed, sufficiency of households extracting from field or private areas and  
276 CBFM1 were significantly lower yet not retained in the consumption model, signifying  
277 this increased need was not met by quantities consumed from these areas.  
278 Households extracting from JFM consumed significantly more firewood, and were  
279 significantly more capable of meeting firewood needs.

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281 [TABLE 3 HERE]

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283 Larger households had significantly increased perceived need for and consumed more  
284 firewood, while those with more valuable assets perceived a greater need for but  
285 consumed less firewood (Table 4). Households owning a fuel-efficient stove had  
286 significantly improved ability to meet firewood needs, with significantly lower perceived  
287 need for firewood although consumption quantities were unchanged. Household  
288 awareness of the forests' management authority significantly reduced firewood

289 consumed, indicating a positive relationship between awareness of protection status  
290 and compliance with management.

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292 [TABLE 4 HERE]

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## 294 **Discussion**

295 Household NTFP extraction provides a general indication of low compliance with  
296 forest protection in the study area, with the exception of households extracting from  
297 NP. Awareness of NP status was high, and this is reflected by most households  
298 extracting firewood only from this forest and the stated switch in extraction location  
299 post-ban. The mean deficit in firewood sufficiency of households extracting from NP  
300 also reflects compliance, as the restrictions in place limit the quantity households can  
301 extract regardless of their perceived need. The opposite is true for households  
302 extracting from JFM, as no households were aware of JFM status and findings reflect  
303 non-compliant NTFP extraction and no switch in extraction location post-ban.  
304 Households extracting from JFM were significantly more likely to meet their resource  
305 needs, indicating household extraction was unrestricted by management and use of  
306 this forest was as required. Findings indicate support for previous research that found  
307 compliance increased with awareness of the forest rules and regulations in Uganda  
308 (Nkonya et al. 2008). However, a direct relationship between awareness and  
309 compliance cannot be inferred here, and compliance will be influenced by numerous  
310 factors such as the status and enforcement of protection in each area (e.g. Rovero  
311 2007).

312 Households extracting from CBFM1 and CBFM2 also indicated low compliance given  
313 high reporting of extracting more than firewood. Unlike JFM households, the majority

314 of CBFM households were aware of these forests' community-based authority;  
315 however, very few were actively engaged in management. Interestingly, perceived  
316 need for and consumption of firewood was significantly reduced in households  
317 extracting from CBFM2. This may indicate some level of success of community-led  
318 management in this village, with households more conscious of firewood quantities  
319 consumed. Conversely, households extracting from CBFM1 were significantly less  
320 likely to meet their firewood needs. The condition of CBFM1 or its distance from the  
321 village may have limited the perceived ability of this forest to supply household needs  
322 (e.g. Robinson et al. 2002). Indeed, most households in the CBFM1 village reported  
323 extraction from the NP, stating access was easier due to distance and firewood  
324 extraction permitted before the ban. However, further investigation is required to  
325 deduce the reasons for the observed differences in sufficiency between the two CBFM  
326 forests. This would necessitate information relating to the ecological condition of each  
327 forest, as well as quantitative and qualitative assessment of management  
328 effectiveness.

### 329 Determinants of Firewood Utilisation

330 NTFP dependence has previously been associated with low wealth (Adhikari et al.  
331 2004). Interestingly, we found that increased assets resulted in higher perceived need  
332 for firewood whilst actual consumption decreased, perhaps due to a switch to  
333 alternative, non-forest sources of energy. Decreased consumption was also observed  
334 in households solely purchasing firewood. These households also indicated a lower  
335 perceived need for firewood, perhaps reflecting the influence of a financial transaction  
336 on perceived firewood need as opposed to extracting the resource at no monetary  
337 cost. Nevertheless, findings suggest that perceived firewood need and sufficiency are  
338 indeed influenced by subjective characteristics of wellbeing not directly linked to

339 objective fuel requirements; exemplified here by wealthier households aspiring  
340 towards greater fuel use than they in fact consumed each month. This highlights the  
341 value of our methodology which explicitly incorporates subjective components of  
342 wellbeing, firstly by allowing respondents to define their own perceived need and  
343 secondly by comparing these perceptions with actual consumption. The excessive  
344 firewood deficits and surfeits observed in some households illustrates the degree to  
345 which these perceptions can be exaggerated, warranting further examination into the  
346 factors influencing both the need for NTFPs and their actual use. For example, the  
347 higher perceived need for firewood among households extracting from certain sources  
348 might reflect the difficulty in obtaining fuel from those areas, with this increased  
349 difficulty creating the sense that more is needed than in fact would actually be used.

350 Our observed relationship between firewood sufficiency and fuel-efficient stove use  
351 presumably resulted from a perception of improved fuel efficiency within these  
352 households. It could be argued that households owning stoves might be more  
353 engaged in sustainability discussions in the area (e.g. Harrison 2006), and that stove  
354 ownership alone has improved perceived wellbeing whilst actual consumption remains  
355 unchanged. It has been recommended that policies to conserve tropical forests be  
356 conducted in parallel with projects aimed at enhancing fuel-efficiency, such as through  
357 the use of modified stoves (Fisher et al. 2011). However, our findings indicate that the  
358 actual efficiency-savings of stoves needs careful examination if any perceived benefits  
359 are to be realised in practise (e.g. Hanna 2012, Bailis et al. 2015). Such examination  
360 would benefit future efforts to enhance more sustainable fuel use in the area. In  
361 addition, improving local-awareness of forest protection status and methods in  
362 agroforestry is recommended, given the positive relationship indicated between

363 awareness and compliance and the observed decrease in sufficiency when firewood  
364 is extracted from agricultural areas.

### 365 Implications for Leakage and Wellbeing

366 The difficulty of the non-forest firewood sources to meet household needs presents  
367 long-term concern for leakage. This is especially significant in this area given the  
368 firewood ban, and the observed non-compliance within less-well protected forests  
369 such as JFM or transition forest. The specific challenges impeding household ability  
370 to meet resource needs outside forest areas need to be measured, however land  
371 availability for tree planting and alternative energy opportunities in the area are limited  
372 (Gorenflo & Orland 2013, pers. obs.). Considering the six effects of resource access  
373 restriction previously outlined, the potential for either (1) displacement, (3) reduction  
374 or (5) non-compliance are most significant. This has serious implications for either  
375 long-term forest protection in the area given leakage or non-compliance, or detriment  
376 to local welfare through inability to meet fuel and food demands. This welfare impact  
377 is significant given restricted NTFP access in Tanzania is likely to hit the poorest the  
378 hardest (Schaafsma et al. 2014), while the potential for leakage presents concern for  
379 the area's important biodiversity (Burgess et al. 2007). Such outcomes are especially  
380 significant in areas containing forests of mixed protection status. The presence of  
381 multiple independent forest authorities creates potential for locally-based  
382 management decisions that might not take the larger socio-ecological landscape into  
383 consideration. With local-dependence on NTFPs unaddressed, such decisions can  
384 have serious implications for forest protection or human wellbeing within the  
385 landscape. Within our study area long-term monitoring of household NTFP utilisation  
386 is needed to assess the impact of the firewood ban on both household welfare and  
387 leakage, given the proximity of other, less-well protected forests. Indeed, considerable

388 leakage of NTFP extraction activities into more distant forests has been observed after  
389 PFM implementation in Tanzania (Robinson and Lokina 2011). Thus, findings lend  
390 empirical support to growing theory behind the need for a landscape planning  
391 approach to forest conservation policies (Robinson et al. 2011).

## 392 Wider Implications

393 Understanding and addressing the issue of leakage is particularly important for PES  
394 and REDD+ if carbon benefits are to be meaningful and permanent. REDD+ in  
395 particular is expected to provide poverty alleviation and biodiversity conservation  
396 benefits additional to climate change mitigation. Thus, local welfare costs of restricted  
397 NTFP use ought to be assessed alongside the global benefit of addressing climate  
398 change. Such spatial ecosystem valuation can help evaluate the trade-offs between  
399 local and international communities to inform policy (e.g. Schaafsma et al. 2012). In  
400 addition, carbon accounting at the national level will need to include the potentially  
401 offsetting emissions of displaced NTFP extraction activities (Robinson et al. 2013).  
402 Fisher et al. (2011) estimate that the implementation costs of measures to alleviate  
403 forest dependency, such as raising agricultural yields and increasing stove use,  
404 remain feasible within REDD+ policies despite exceeding the opportunity costs of  
405 carbon conservation. However, household energy needs will still need to be met  
406 despite compensation through PES or REDD+, and the source of this energy will need  
407 to be considered at multiple scales and by multiple forest authorities.

408 **Figure Legends**

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410 Figure 1. Location of the five study-villages and adjacent forests. Adapted using data  
411 on Eastern Arc Mountain boundaries and forests from Platts et al. (2011), Protected  
412 Area boundaries from UNEP-WCMC (2010), transition forest and Selous Game  
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414 Forest boundaries from WWF (2006). Data on spatial infrastructure with the  
415 assistance of the Valuing the Arc project (<http://www.valuingthearc.org>).

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417 Figure 2. Schematic representation of NTFP use by all households, including  
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422 Figure 3. Percentage of households extracting each NTFP by extraction location  
423 (n=Number of households).

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425 Figure 4. Mean household monthly firewood sufficiency, and 95% confidence intervals  
426 based on the t distribution, by extraction location in order of increasing protection  
427 status. Letters indicate significant differences in sufficiency between associated  
428 extraction locations based on one-way analysis of variance and subsequent Tukey's  
429 honest significant differences (Tukey's HSD \*\*\*p<0.001, \*\*p<0.01, \*p<0.05).

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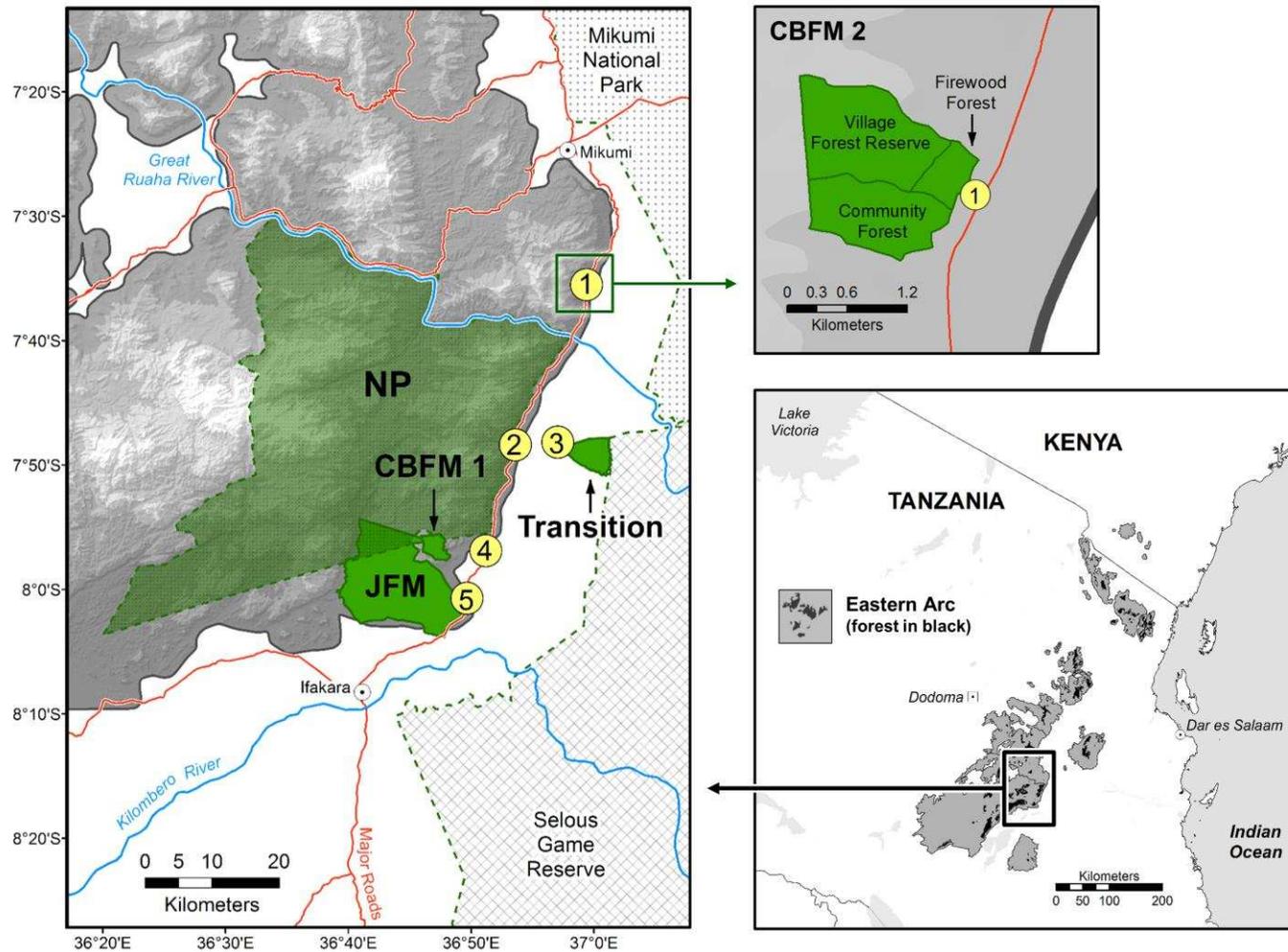


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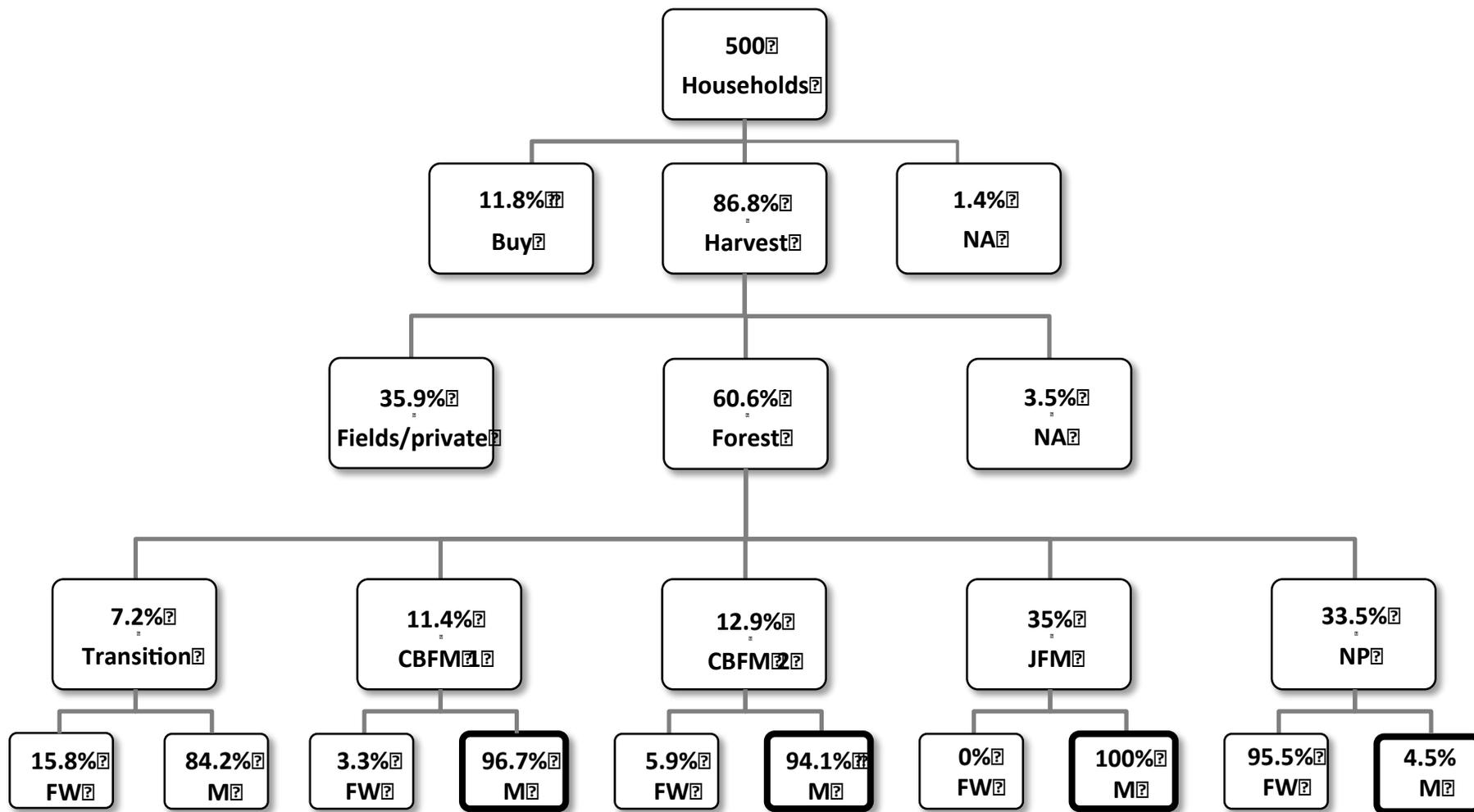


Figure 2. Schematic representation of NTFP use by all households, including extraction location (NA=question unanswered, FW=Households extract firewood only, M=Households extract multiple NTFPs (>1), Bold boxes=non-compliant resource extraction according to rules and regulations defined in Table 1.

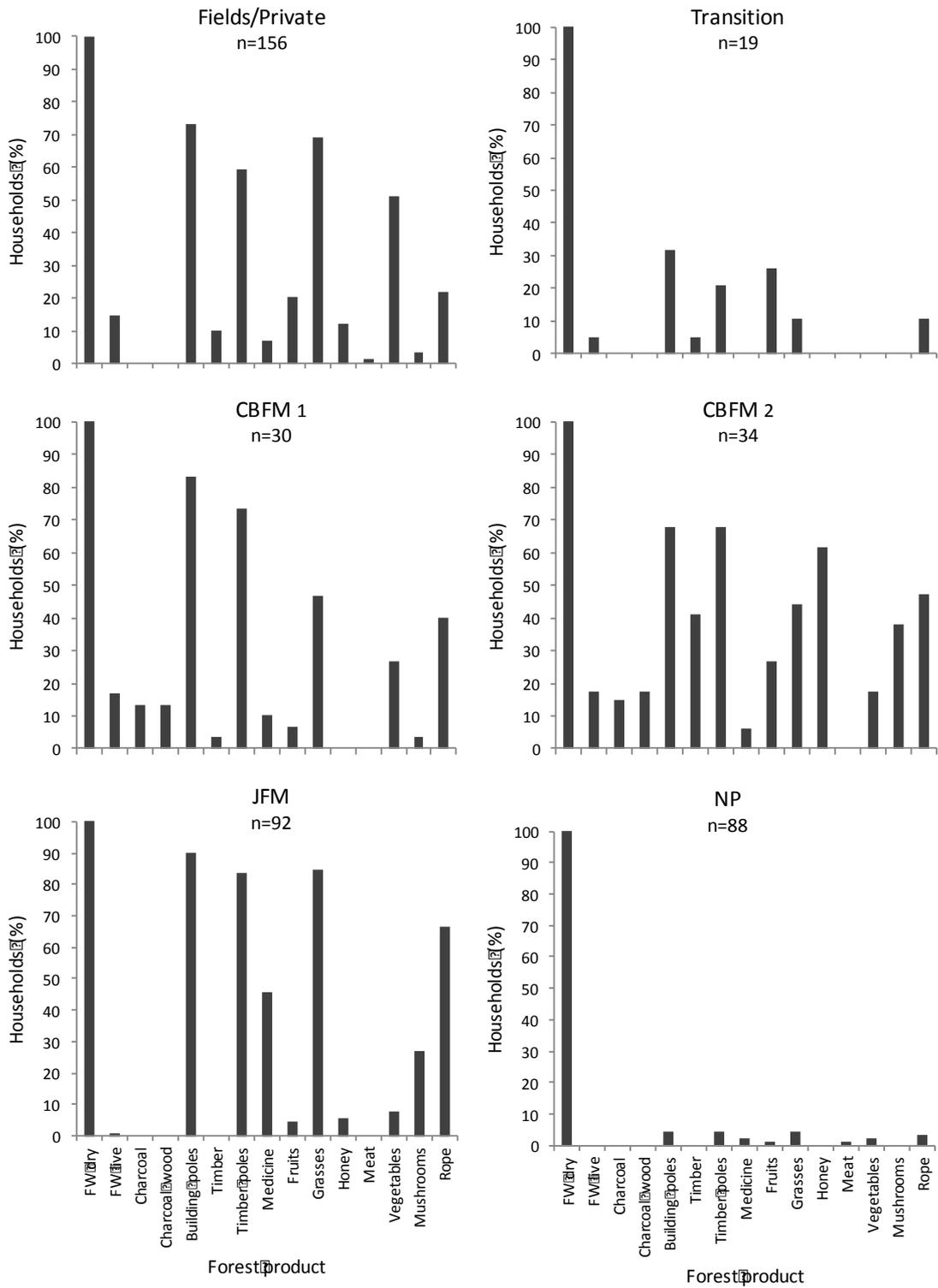


Figure 3. Percentage of households extracting each forest product by extraction location (n=Number of households).

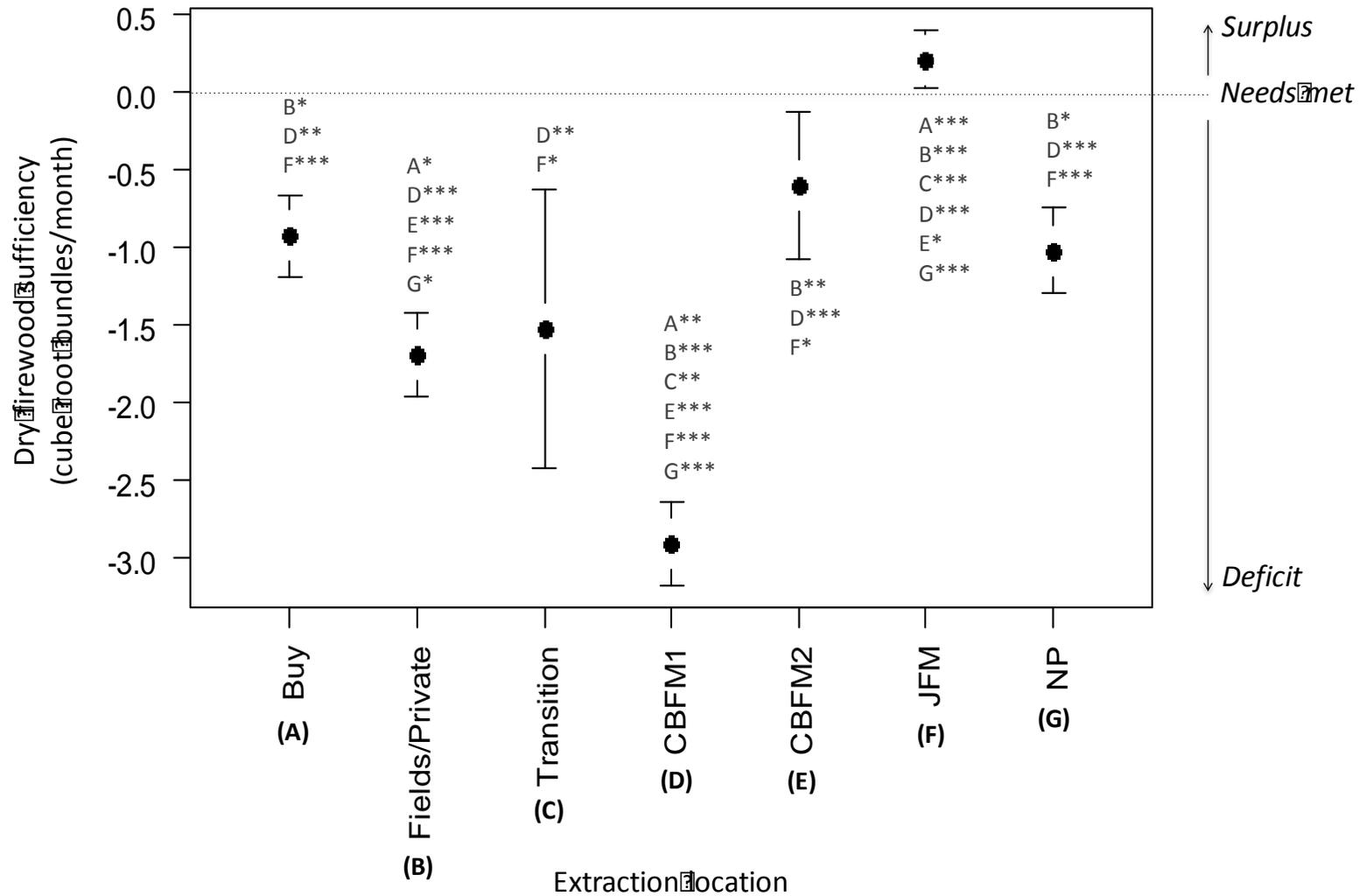


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Table 1. Description of study-villages and adjacent forests. NP = National Park, CBFM = Community-Based Forest Management, JFM = Joint Forest Management, TANAPA = Tanzania National Park Authority, R&R = Rules and Regulations, VFR = Village Forest Reserve, FWF = Firewood Forest, CGF = Community Group Forest. <sup>a</sup>Number of households; <sup>b</sup>Numbers in parenthesis indicate distance to forest from central village meeting place; <sup>c</sup>Defined through interview with forest authority representatives.

Village	Village Size <sup>a</sup>	Mean Household Size	Dominant Tribe(s)	Forest Protected Status <sup>b</sup>	Forest Authority	Rules and Regulations <sup>c</sup>
1	757	4.2	Vidunda	CBFM 2; Village Forest (0.2km)	Village 1	Village forest divided into three areas: VFR – no resource extraction allowed FWF – only dead firewood extraction allowed two days a week CGF - no resource extraction allowed
2	259	4.8	Ngindo Pogoro Ndamba	NP; IUCN category II (0.3km)	TANAPA	Women allowed entry once a week to extract dead firewood, no cutting tools allowed. Ban enforced in July 2011 after which no resource extraction allowed.
3	289	3.1	Hehe Pogoro Ngindo	Transition; No formal protection (0.7km)	None	No formal R&R regarding resource use
4	1275	4.1	Pogoro Ngoni Bunga Hehe	CBFM 1; Village Forest (5.4km)	Village 4	Only dead firewood extraction allowed (i.e. no cutting tools)
5	576	5.5	Pogoro Ngindo	JFM; Forest Reserve IUCN category IV (1.4km)	Kilombero District Council & Village 5	Only dead firewood extraction allowed (i.e. no cutting tools). Ban introduced in July 2011 after which no resource collection allowed

Table 2. Description of household predictor variables. M = Male, F = Female, Y = Yes, N = No. 1TZS was equal to mean 0.000635USD during the period of data collection (March-December 2011).

Type	Variable	Description
Demographic	age	Age of household head
	gender	Gender of household head (M or F)
	education	Number of years household head in formal education
	occupation	Occupation of household head
	born	Household head born in village (Y or N)
	hhsz	Size of household (number of residents)
	hhwomen	Proportion of female residents
Wealth	land	Area of land attributed to household (hectares)
	hse_material	Main material of household (brick or mud)
	assets	Total household material asset value (*1000 Tanzanian shilling)
Environmental	incomes	Number of household income sources
	stove	Presence/absence of fuel-efficient stove (Y or N)
	woodlot	Household planted trees/woodlot (Y or N)
	energy	Household source of energy (Firewood alone or firewood and charcoal)
	aware	Household awareness of forest authority (Y or N)
	extraction_location	Household source of firewood (Buy, Fields/Private, Transition, CBFM1, CBFM2, JFM, NP)

Table 3. Linear regression models, based on backward-forward selection using AIC, of household firewood (1) Need, (2) Consumption (log10 bundles/month) and (3) Sufficiency (cube root bundles/month) versus demographic, wealth and environmental predictor variables. Statistics include the probability of deviation from a slope of zero (p), direction of the trend (positive<sup>+</sup>, negative<sup>-</sup>), the percent deviance explained by each variable (%D<sub>v</sub>), AIC, the percent deviance explained by the model (%D) and the probability of decreased deviance explained from the full model (p[D]), following analysis of deviance. Bold type indicates significant variables following FDR correction for repetitive testing ('Need'  $\alpha_{FDR}=0.05$ , 'Consumption'  $\alpha_{FDR}=0.039$ , 'Sufficiency'  $\alpha_{FDR}=0.025$ ).

Model	Predictor Variables	Model Statistics
Need (AIC = - %D = 48.2, p[D] = 0.93)	<b>Extraction Location: CBFM 1<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location: Buy<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location: CBFM 2<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location:</b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location:</b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Fuel-efficient stove ownership<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.0038 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Household size<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.0062 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Total asset value<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.015 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
Consumption (AIC = - %D = 39.2, p[D] = 0.95)	<b>Extraction Location: Buy<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location: JFM<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location: CBFM 2<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.00022 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Household size<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.00043 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Total asset value<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.0058 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location:</b>	<b>p = 0.027 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Aware of authority<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.039 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
Area land owned <sup>+</sup>	p = 0.058 (%D <sub>v</sub> =0.65)	
Household head age <sup>-</sup>	p = 0.059 (%D <sub>v</sub> =0.64)	
Sufficiency (AIC = 1052.4, %D = 41.8, p[D] = 0.93)	<b>Extraction Location: CBFM 1<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location:</b>	<b>p &lt;0.0001 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Fuel-efficient stove ownership<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.0021 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	<b>Extraction Location: JFM<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>p = 0.0046 (%D<sub>v</sub></b>
	Extraction Location: Transition <sup>-</sup>	p = 0.035 (%D <sub>v</sub>
	Household head age <sup>-</sup>	p = 0.051 (%D <sub>v</sub>
	Aware of authority <sup>-</sup>	p = 0.055 (%D <sub>v</sub> =0.64)
Planted trees/woodlot <sup>+</sup>	p = 0.068 (%D <sub>v</sub>	

Table 4. Demographic, wealth and environmental variables that best predicted household firewood need, consumption and sufficiency based on linear regression models. Arrows indicate the direction of the relationship between explanatory and response variables (black arrows indicate significant relationships following FDR correction, grey arrows non-significant relationships ( $p > \alpha_{FDR}$ ), and NA indicates that variable was not retained in that minimum adequate model after backwards-forwards AIC selection. See Table 3 for model details).

Variable	Need	Consumption	Sufficiency
Buy	↓	↓	NA
Fields/Private	↑	NA	↓
Transition	↑	↑	↓
CBFM <sup>1</sup>	↑	NA	↓
CBFM <sup>2</sup>	↓	↓	NA
JFM	NA	↑	↑
Stove	↓	NA	↑
Aware	NA	↓	↓
Assets	↑	↓	NA
Household <sup>3</sup> size	↑	↑	NA
Age	NA	↑	↓
Land	NA	↑	NA
Woodlot	NA	NA	↑