

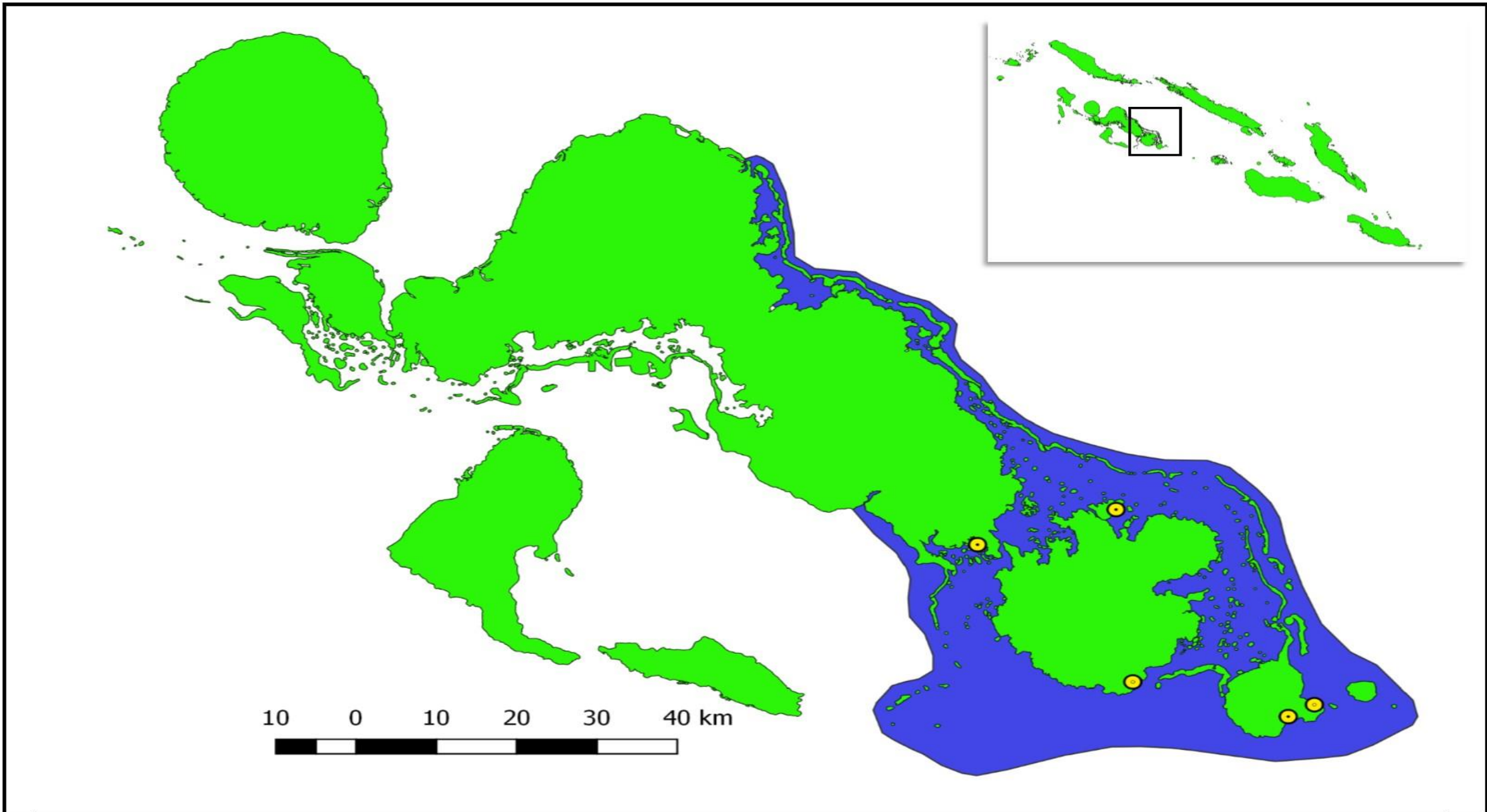
Marovo Lagoon Conservation Efforts



Outline

- Working with Communities
- Lessons
- Challenges
- Recommendation





Working with Communities



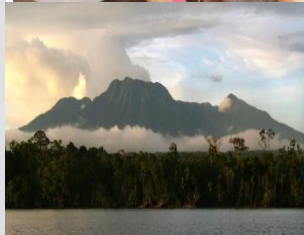
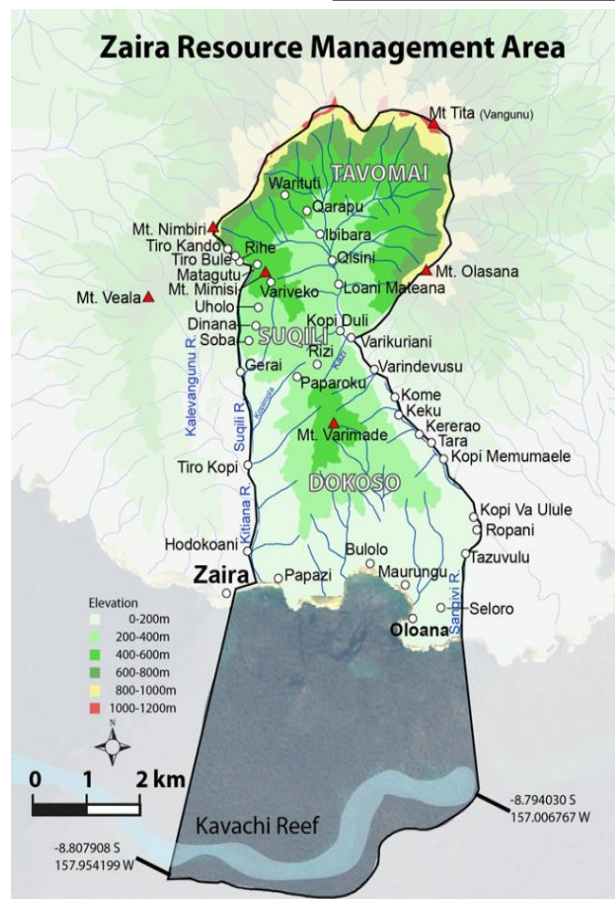
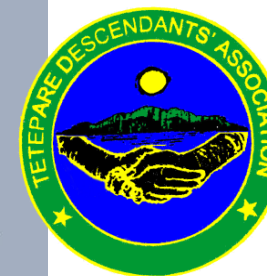
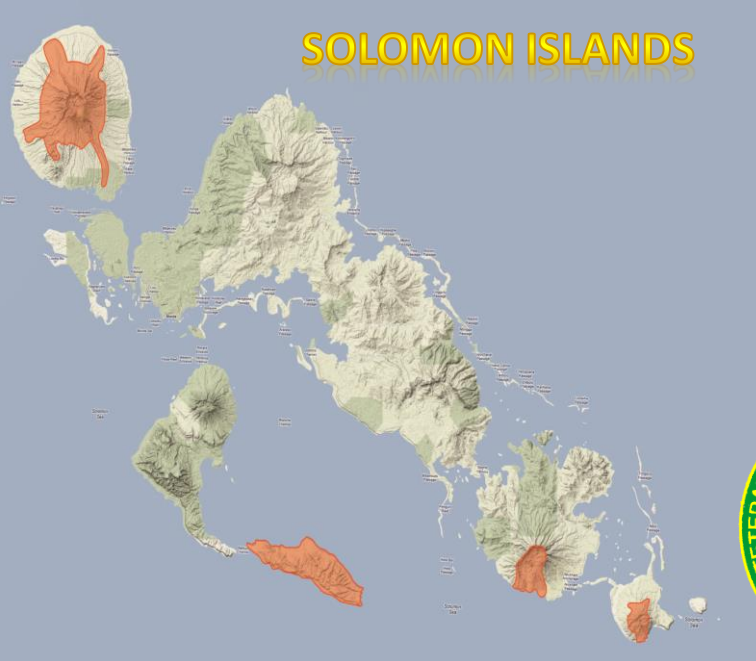
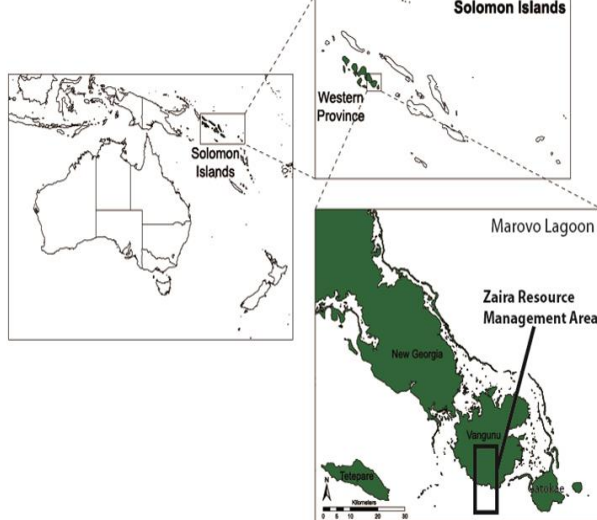
Environmental Awareness and field Activities in Schools



Efforts So far.....

- Extending partnership with BAVS
- Maintain partnership with Communities
- Bringing other partners to communities
- Biocultural Studies





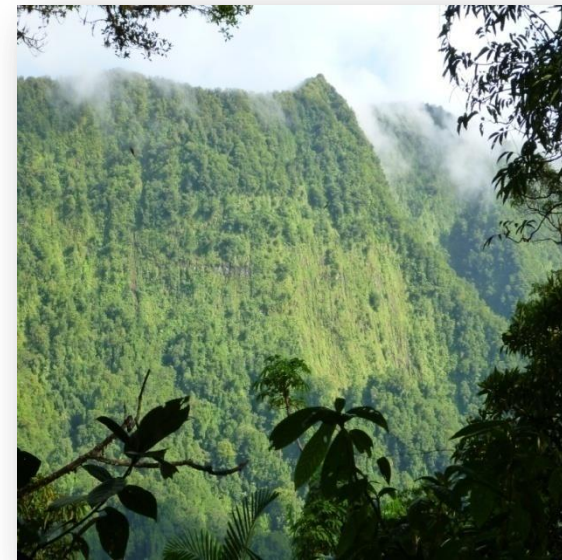
Biche Community

- Paramount Chief's Village.
- 200-300 + people
- Eastern tip Gatokae (weather Coast)
- Newly established small scale Conservation area (2005-2012)
- Last well intact forest in Gatokae Island



Zaira Community

- <200 people
- active traditional resource management practice called "*hope*" means *tabu*
- Chiefly system
- Resource management area
Established in 2010 & 2011
- covers 3 tribal area: ***Dokoso (2010), Suqili & Tavoamai (2011)***
- Last remaining intact forest corridors and coastal shorelines & reefs



Where Science meet Indigenous Knowledge

Hope Practice: OUR WAY OF LIFE

- local management through the use of indigenous knowledge better interpret science through conservation: **innovative practices, adaptive management & local governance**



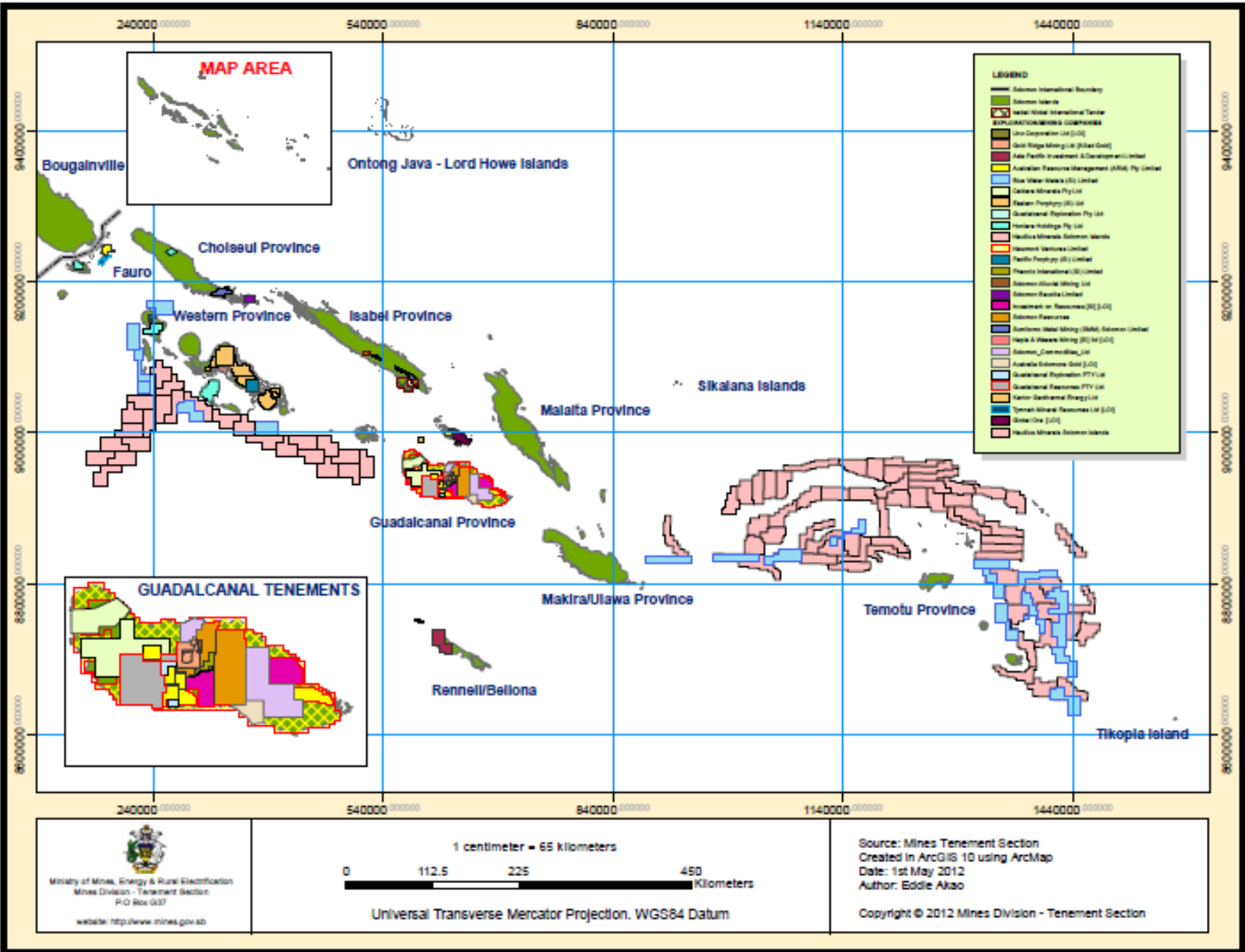
Before (2011)

Leatherback sea
turtle hatchery



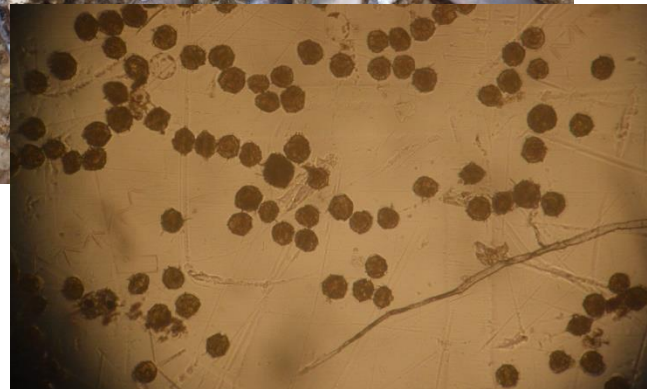
Current

Mining-The Future?



Unsustainable Practices

- Logging practices in Solomons some of the worst in the world. Social, Environmental and Economically unsustainable....



Recommendation

- Strong partnership with Government (MECDM, MFMR, Police & Justice, Culture & Tourism, etc)
- Share Skills/information within Marovo communities
- Other NGOs/Stakeholders provide capacity building needs
- Engage private sectors (support livelihood programs)

