

Review of: "Stakeholders' Perception of Socioecological Factors Influencing Forest Elephant Crop Depredation in Gabon, Central Africa"

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Very interesting work! I have some questions and a final comment:

I wonder why, in the group of professionals interviewed, the authors did not include crop production technicians.

What kind of conservation (actual, not theoretical) efforts have the National Parks? Are they all alike?

How is the relationship between local people and the National Parks?

It seems that logging activities and others relative to the wood market are influencing the interaction between local people and elephants. I would suggest to explicitly address the main actors involved in the system, and describe their interests and how these are affecting the CDI, no matter if they were interviewed or not. The results are much richer than the Conclusion section is reflecting; this could be easily improved.