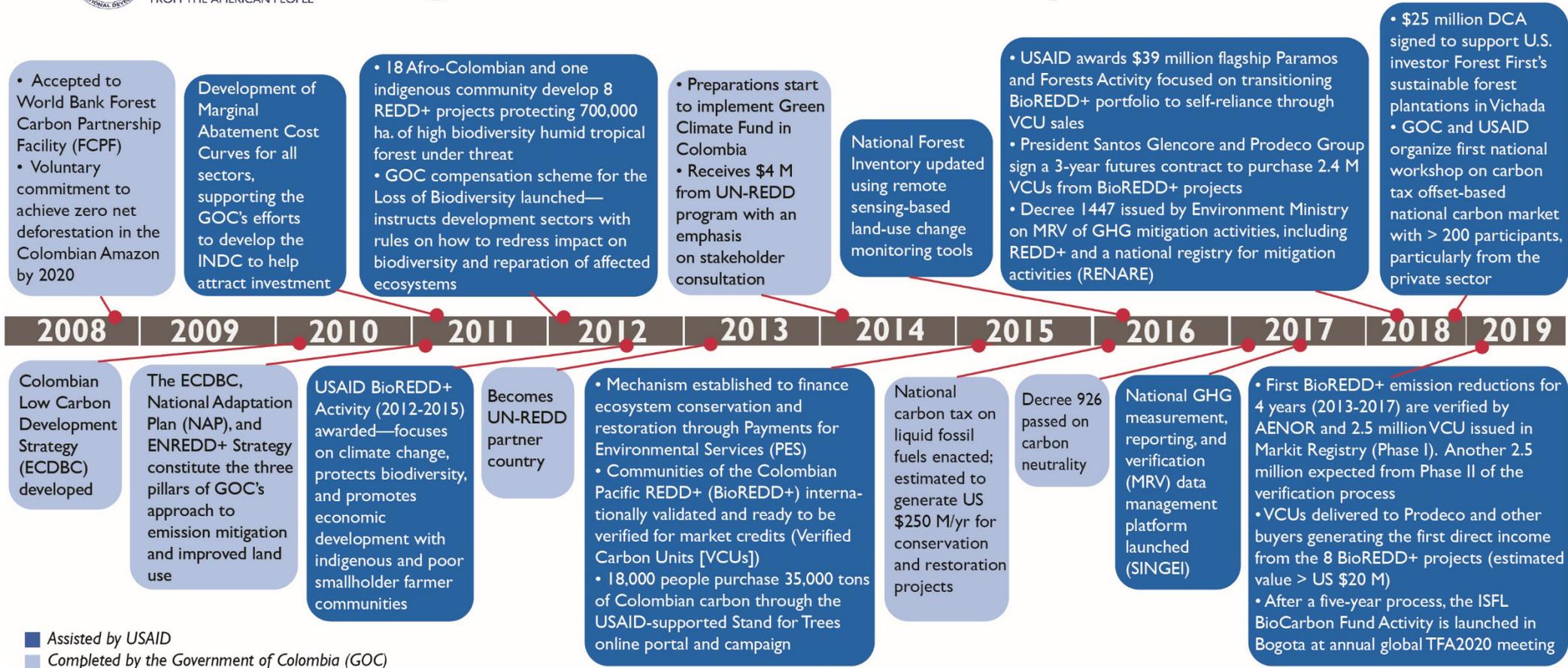
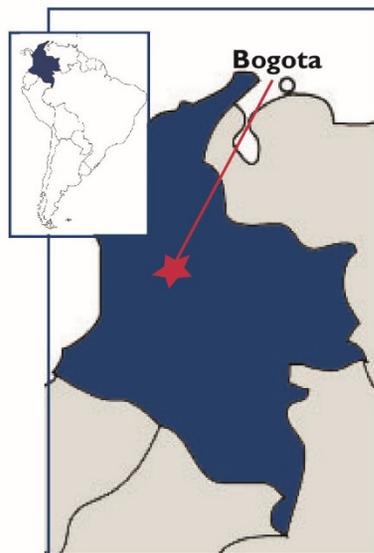


Progress Toward Sustainable Landscapes in Colombia



■ Assisted by USAID
 ■ Completed by the Government of Colombia (GOC)

Over 51 percent of Colombia's national territory is forested. Since 1995, 5.4 million hectares (ha) of natural forest have been lost, with 59.5 million ha remaining. From 1990 through 2012, 71 percent of Colombia's national greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions resulted from changes in land use, primarily from deforestation. The major drivers are agriculture and livestock expansion, illicit crops, settlements, and infrastructure. USAID's sustainable landscapes efforts in Colombia seek to halt deforestation, its direct and indirect impacts, and reduce GHG emissions. USAID has worked closely with the Government of Colombia to improve land cover information, develop low emission land management strategies, and align policies and strategies to conserve and restore critical ecosystems and their services while promoting rural development.



Working with local partners and the Government of Colombia, USAID assistance has supported measurable improvements in land cover information, stakeholder consultations, and incentives to reduce deforestation. Since 2011...

- 700,000 ha under improved natural resource management as a result of USG assistance
- \$65.5 million of investments mobilized (USD) for sustainable landscapes as supported by USG assistance (includes contributions to the FCPF Colombia program, GOC, and private funds—Caqueta & Vision Amazon Strategy—to promote restoration and economic alternatives in illegal gold mining areas)
- 25.4 M metric tons CO₂e of GHG emissions reduced, sequestered, or avoided through sustainable landscape activities supported by USG assistance (2016-2026)