

Eyes on the Forest

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Summary Table: Chains of Custody (CoC) from Natural Forest Blocks to Buyers

CoC ID	Actor	Logging/ loading site	Forest block name	Starting date of logging	Logging area (Ha)	Wood supplied (m ³)	Departure time/date/ license plate # of the truck(s)	Stopping sites /time /date /truck(s)	Final destination/ time/date/ truck(s)	CoC route	Buyer	Likely violated laws
B3001		Loading Site: 00 27 34 N 102 00 09 E	Kuala Kampar Block				Time/Date: 11:30:00 AM 2/14/2005 License plate #: BM 8614 AS	Stopping Site: 00 25 31 N 101 44 46 E Time and Date: 02:30:00 PM 2/14/2005 No. Truck : BM 8614 AS	Final destination: 00 29 42 N 101 29 18 E Time and Date: 05:37:00 PM 2/14/2005 No. Truck : BM 8614 AS	Map 1	Sawmill	Link to analysis
B4001	PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari	Loading Site: 00 09 13 S 102 13 56 E	Kerumutan Block				Time/Date: 02:25:00 PM 2/16/2005 License plate #: BM 8053 LU	Stopping Site: 00 07 51 S 102 09 25 E Time and Date: 03:05:00 PM 2/16/2005 No. Truck : BM 8053 LU	Final destination: 00 28 05 N 101 54 28 E Time and Date: 07:45:00 PM 2/16/2005 No. Truck : BM 8053 LU	Map 2	APRIL (RAPP)	Link to analysis
B4002	PT Anugerah & PT. Majalengka (20 people operating in the field)	Logging Site: 00 00 35 N 102 25 31 E	Kerumutan Block	23-Oct-03	715 Ha							Link to analysis

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B5001	PT Citra Sumber sejahtera (4 groups operating in the field)	Loading Site: 00 45 27 S 101 57 42 E	Bukit Tiga Puluh Block							Map 3		Link to analysis
B5002	PT.Bukit Betabuh Sei Indah	Loading Site: 00 42 53 S 102 04 07 E	Bukit Tiga Puluh Block									Link to analysis
B8001	'M Group' (6 people operating in the field)	Loading Site 1: 01 15 42 N 100 58 58 E Loading Site 2: 01 16 38 N 100 53 26 E	Libo Block			20-25 ton/ group every week	Time/Date : 12:40:00 PM 2/16/2005 License plate #: BM 8179 DB, BM 9181 AM		Final destination: 01 15 51 N 101 8 42 E Time and Date : 01:30:00 PM 2/16/2005 No. Truck : BM 8179 DB, BM 9181 AM	Map 4	Sawmill Ajo	Link to analysis

Legal Analysis of Forestry Law Violations by the Chain of Custodies Investigated

Eyes on the Forest investigates forest conversion, logging and fires in the eight large forest blocks remaining in Riau. Some of these activities are also illegal. Below is our legal analysis of each CoC we identified in February.

Kuala Kampar Block Chain of Custody (B3001, Map 1)

The legality of the chain of custody from Kuala Kampar Block cannot be verified yet, due to unverified information about the actor of logging activities, logging site, transportation document and permit of the sawmill company that received the timber.

Kerumutan Block Chains of Custody (B4001 and B4002, Map 2)

Two companies logging in the Kerumutan Block possess licenses for Industrial Timber Plantations (IUHPHHK-HT). This allows them to manage unproductive natural forests. However, field investigations found that the logging sites were located inside productive natural forests. This is in direct violation of Government Regulation No. 34/2002, article 30, clause 3 and Ministry of Forestry Decree No.21/Kpts-II/2001, which state that IUHPHHK-HT licenses are not permitted on productive natural forests; they are only permitted on wasteland areas. In addition, such logging activities destroyed natural forest and therefore violate Law No. 41/1999, article 50, clause 2, and article 78, clause 1. The two companies; PT Anugrah & PT Majalengka were logging in HTI concession belongs to APRIL's partner; PT Mitra Taninusa Sejati.

PT. Riau Andalan Pulp & Paper (RAPP), a pulp subsidiary of Asia Pacific Resources International Holdings Limited (APRIL) in Riau, received and stored timber taken from the logging site of CoC B4001 (see also Map 2). PT Merbau Pelalawan Lestari mentioned in the Table is APRIL's partner. Although RAPP's timber purchasing contract clearly states that the buyer is obligated to verify the logging site of its suppliers', field investigations have proven that RAPP continued to purchase timber from company whose logging sites located in productive natural forest.

Bukit Tiga Puluh Block Chains of Custody (B5001 and B5002, Map 3)

Two logging operations in Bukit Tiga Puluh Block fall under the same violations as those in the Kerumutan Block—they are logging on natural forest sites that are still productive, despite the fact that their permits only allow them to manage unproductive natural forests.

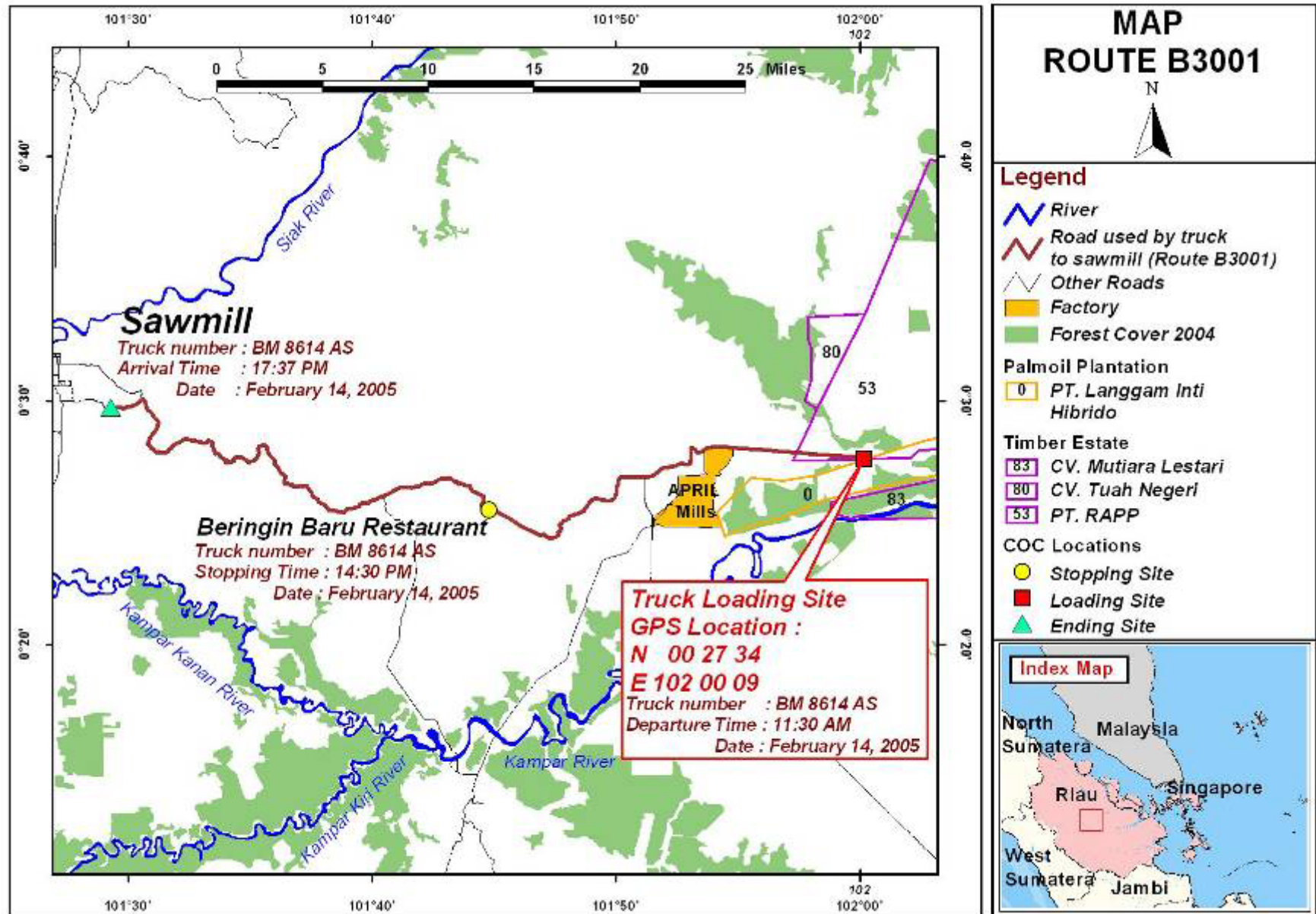
Libo Block Chain of Custody (B8001, Map 4)

Company "M" is logging in the Libo Block. However, according to an employee of "M", as well as local residents, the company does not have the proper logging permits and therefore its timber production is illegal. The company is thus violating Forestry Law No. 41/1999, article 50, clause 3, and article 78, clause 2 about prohibition on forest destruction.



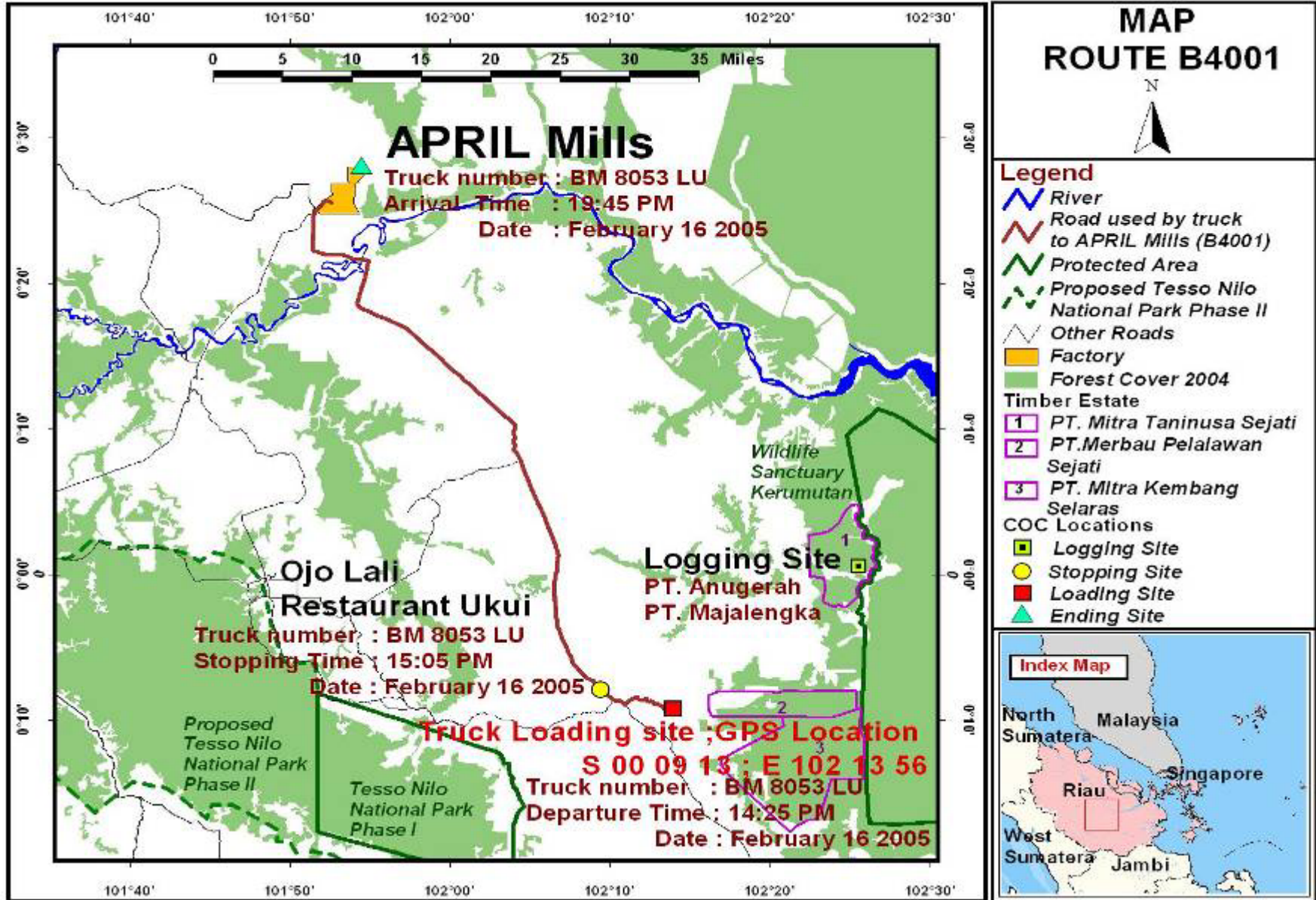
This is not the only violation in the Libo Block Chain of Custody. According to a local village leader, the Ajo Sawmill does not possess proper permits and therefore its production is also illegal.





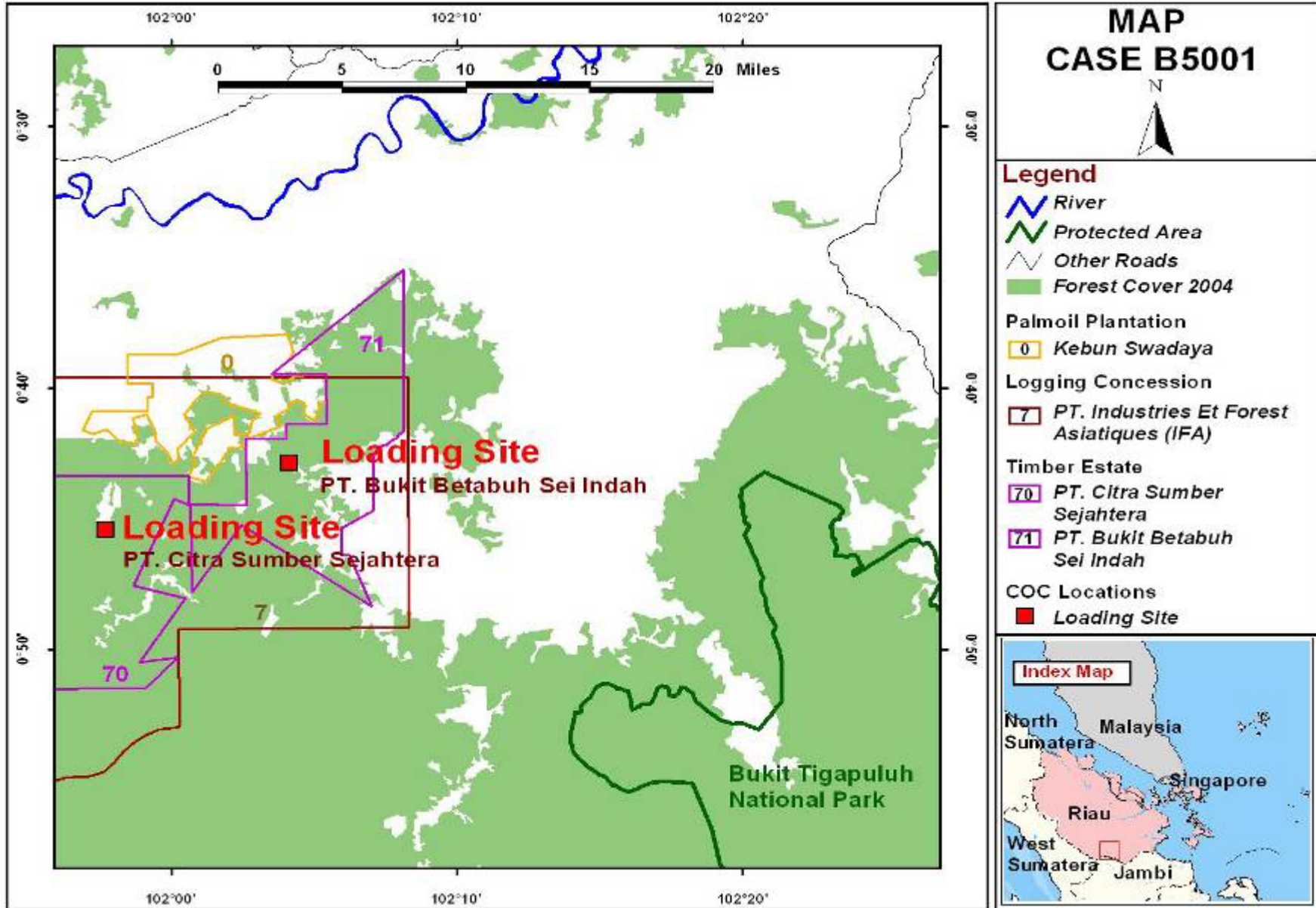
Map 1. Kuala Kampar Block Chain of Custody





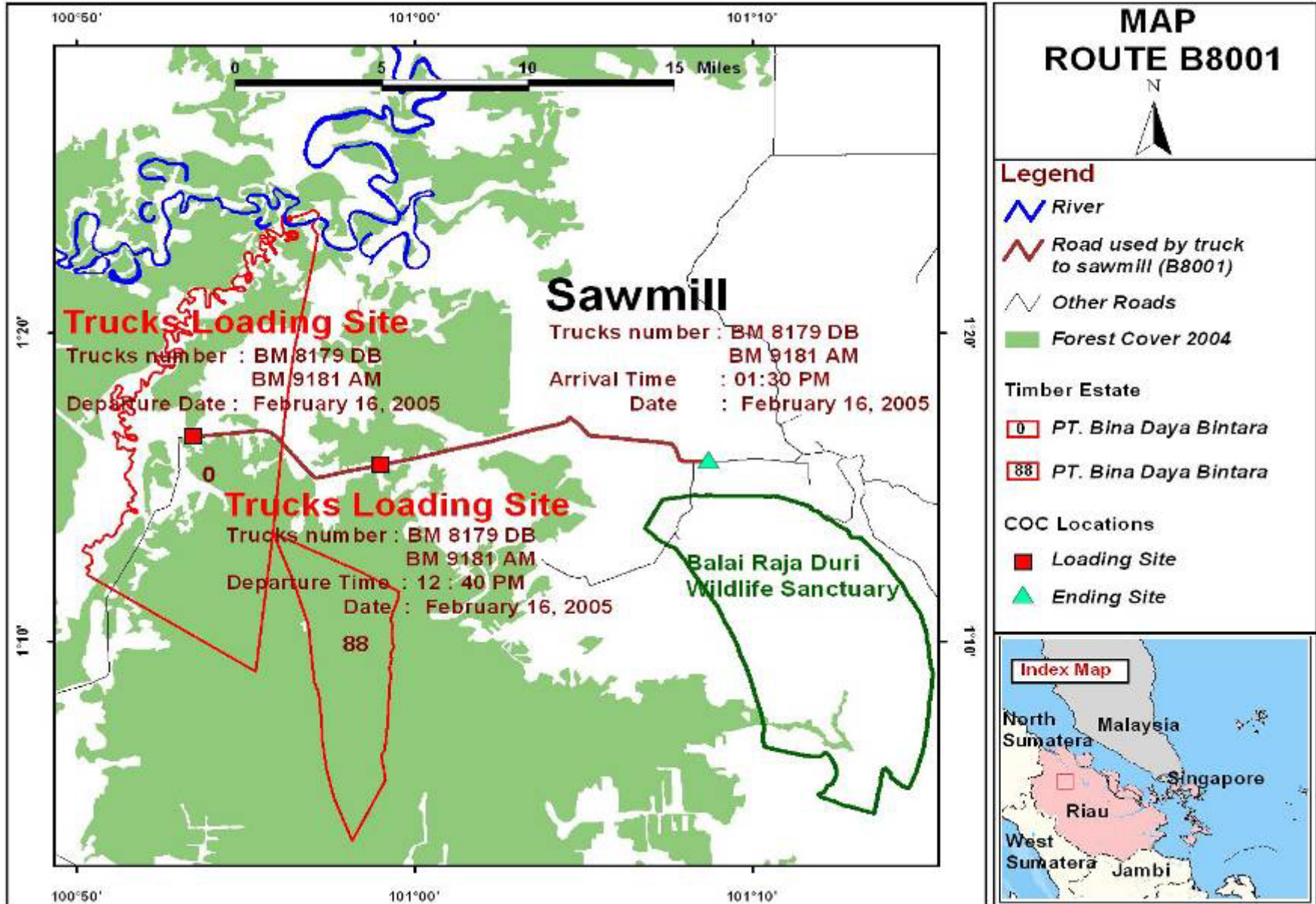
Map 2. Kerumutan Block Chains of Custody





Map 3. Bukit Tiga Puluh Block Chains of Custody





Map 4. Libo Block Chains of Custody

