

Atlantic Forest Restoration Pact — 15 Million Hectare Goal, but a Third of Regenerated Forest Is Cleared Again Within 4–8 Years (Brazil)

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Brazil

Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

The Pact targets 15 Mha restored by 2050, favouring natural regeneration; a satellite study found 4.47 Mha regenerated 1985–2019 but 1.37 Mha was cleared again, mostly after 4–8 years.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	1/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	2/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-08

[Pacto pela Restauração da Mata Atlântica \(300+ member institutions\)](#) — accessed 2026-10-08

[Piffer et al. 2022, Environmental Research Letters](#) — accessed 2026-10-08

[eCycle – A third of restored Atlantic Forest cleared again](#) — accessed 2026-10-08

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