

Human Footprint in Snow Leopard Habitat of the Bhutan Landscape

Raster Dataset

Summary

This map represents the human footprint clipped to snow leopard habitat in the Bhutan Snow Leopard Landscape. The human footprint is a proxy for potential current and future degradation.

Description

This map represents existing and potential future degradation and human threats to snow leopard, their habitats, and their prey (such as hunting of snow leopards and prey, human wildlife conflict, etc). It is based on measures of human accessibility that includes distance to roads, distance to population centers, and land cover and land use. Input layers were reclassified and then summed to produce a potential degradation and human influence layer (Sanderson et al. 2002). See reference below for more information on methods.

Credits

Wangmo, D., Forrest, J., Sindorf, N., Muktan, V. 2017. Landscape Analysis and Mapping of Snow Leopard Habitat in the Bhutan Landscape. Chapter 3 of Landscape Mapping for Biodiversity Conservation, Water Resources Management, and Climate Adaptation at Six Sites in the Snow Leopard Range (eds, Forrest J., Sindorf, N., Bartlett, R.). Available at: www.thirdpoleglob.org