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Farmers’ willingness to participate in tree plantation project

Farmers in Kruwi and Hwidiem, forest fringe communities in the Mampong Forest District of Ghana, have shown great interest to participate in the proposed reforestation project. According to the farmers, the reasons for their willingness to participate in the project are as follows.

1. Land for farming is scarce in the community so the proposed project will serve as a source of land for the farmers to inter-plant their food crops with the trees.
2. The food crops the farmers will grow will support their livelihoods for at least 3 years.
3. The extent of the forest is declining due to illegal farming and logging, so giving out degraded portions of the forest land for the tree plantation project will help reduce the illegal farming practices in the reserve while reforesting degraded areas.

Left: Farmers for the project. Right: Mapping project site.