

Dinh Hoa Proposed Cultural and Historical Site

Alternative site name(s)

An toan khu Dinh Hoa [Dinh Hoa safe area]

Province(s)

Thai Nguyen

Status

Proposed

Management board established

Yes

Latitude

21⁰55'N

Longitude

105⁰39'E

Bio-unit

06a - Tropical South China



Conservation status

The establishment of a cultural and historical site at Dinh Hoa has been approved by Thai Nguyen Provincial People's Committee, and a management board was established on 7 December 1999 (Thai Nguyen Provincial FPD 2000). However, the site has not yet been approved by MARD, and it is not listed on any official government decision or set of proposals relating to the Special-use Forests system. According to Thai Nguyen Provincial FPD, the proposed cultural and historical site covers 10,059 ha in Dinh Hoa district.

Topography and hydrology

The landscape of Dinh Hoa proposed cultural and historical site is characterised by limestone karst, at elevations between approximately 100 and 400 m.

Biodiversity value

According to Thai Nguyen Provincial FPD (2000), the site supports only 1,238 ha of natural forest, equivalent to 12% of the total area of the proposed cultural and historical site.

Conservation issues

Thai Nguyen Provincial FPD (2000) identify the major threat to biodiversity at the site to be loss of forest cover as a result of over-exploitation of forest resources by local people.

Other documented values

Dinh Hoa has been proposed as a cultural and historical site because the site was used as a safe area by the government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam during the First Indochina War.

Related projects

No information.

Literature sources

Thai Nguyen Provincial FPD (2000) [FPD questionnaire]. Thai Nguyen: Thai Nguyen Provincial Forest Protection Department. In Vietnamese.