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MRC Council Study - Macro-Economic Impact Assessment

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Outlines of Presentation

- **1.** Sector-specific cost-benefit assessment
- **2.** GDP impacts
- **3.** Future growth potential



1. Sector-specific cost-benefit analysis

- 1. 16-fold increase in economic benefits of in hydropower (2040 scenario)
- 2. Hydropower benefits partly lost in fisheries (2020 scenario: 26%, 2040 sc.:15%)

Differences to M1		Hydropower	Fisheries	Agriculture	Navigation	SUM
		В\$	В\$	В\$	В\$	
M2	Cambodia	+6.6	-4.7	+65.3	+1.3	68.4
	Lao PDR	+20.1	-3.7	+3.2	+0.1	19.7
	Thailand	+29.5	-6.4	+2.2	+0.4	25.8
	Vietnam	+9.2	-1.7	+21.0	+8.2	36.6
M3	Cambodia	+11.3	-6.3	+67.3	+8.5	80.8
	Lao PDR	+35.0	-5.0	+5.8	+1.9	37.7
	Thailand	+82.0	-8.2	+4.1	+2.9	80.8
	Vietnam	+24.9	-3.2	+26.3	+55.5	103.6

- 3. Agricultural expansion could provide large sector benefits
- 4. Navigation expansion very promising

Method

1. Calculate (disaggregate) GDP for LMB \rightarrow combine with income data from household survey (mostly rural) \rightarrow labour allocation to primary sector \rightarrow income for secondary and tertiary sector scaled up \rightarrow overall GDP range

Results

- 2. Early development scenario (2007) mostly highest GDP
- 3. Planned development scenario (2040) mostly lowest GDP
 - Agriculture demands too much workforce
 - Hydropower trade-offs (e.g. fisheries)

2. Gross Domestic Product (cont.)

GDP in billio (deflated to 2	•	M1 (2007)	M2 (2020)	M3 (2040)	M3CC (2040)	A1 (2007)	A2 (2020)	C2 (Wet)	C3 (Dry)	H1a (noHPP)	H1b (noMain)	H3 (HPP)
	Upper bound	\$50.3	\$45.6	\$46.6	\$47.7	\$50.6	\$46.8	\$46.4	\$46.3	\$48.5	\$47.6	\$47.5
Cambodia	Average	\$48.3	\$41.8	\$39.6	\$38.5	\$48.0	\$40.8	\$40.7	\$40.8	\$40.2	\$39.6	\$39.5
	Lower bound	\$46.2	\$38.0	\$32.6	\$29.3	\$45.5	\$34.9	\$35.0	\$35.4	\$31.8	\$31.5	\$31.5
	Upper bound	\$42.0	\$40.4	\$40.0	\$39.7	\$39.1	\$40.0	\$39.7	\$39.9	\$43.4	\$41.6	\$39.8
Lao PDR	Average	\$39.2	\$35.1	\$30.2	\$30.3	\$36.3	\$30.2	\$30.6	\$30.7	\$32.5	\$30.9	\$30.4
	Lower bound	\$36.3	\$29.8	\$20.5	\$21.0	\$33.5	\$20.5	\$21.6	\$21.6	\$21.6	\$20.3	\$21.0
	Upper bound	\$98.0	\$101.5	\$98.3	\$98.1	\$97.8	\$98.4	\$98.1	\$98.3	\$103.9	\$102.6	\$97.9
Thailand	Average	\$79.8	\$73.7	\$68.9	\$70.4	\$78.2	\$69.0	\$71.2	\$70.9	\$73.2	\$72.1	\$70.3
	Lower bound	\$61.5	\$45.9	\$39.5	\$42.7	\$58.6	\$39.7	\$44.3	\$43.6	\$42.5	\$41.5	\$42.8
	Upper bound	\$92.3	\$93.6	\$92.9	\$92.9	\$93.3	\$92.8	\$92.4	\$92.5	\$94.3	\$93.6	\$93.0
Vietnam	Average	\$82.3	\$82.7	\$82.5	\$81.3	\$84.4	\$84.1	\$83.8	\$83.9	\$83.9	\$84.0	\$82.1
	Lower bound	\$72.2	\$71.7	\$72.0	\$69.7	\$75.6	\$75.4	\$75.1	\$75.3	\$73.5	\$74.4	\$71.3
	Upper bound	\$282.6	\$281.1	\$277.8	\$278.4	\$280.8	\$277.9	\$276.5	\$276.9	\$290.2	\$285.5	\$278.1
LMB	Average	\$249.5	\$233.2	\$221.2	\$220.6	\$247.0	\$224.2	\$226.3	\$226.4	\$229.8	\$226.6	\$222.3
	Lower bound	\$216.3	\$185.3	\$164.6	\$162.8	\$213.1	\$170.4	\$176.0	\$175.8	\$169.4	\$167.7	\$166.6

3. Natural Capital or Future Growth Potential

M2 – M1 in B\$	MIN	Mean	MAX
Cambodia	-\$12	-\$24	-\$37
Lao PDR	-\$2	-\$1	\$0
Thailand	-\$10	-\$6	-\$4
Vietnam	-\$7	-\$5	-\$4
M3 – M1 in B\$	MIN	Mean	MAX
M3 – M1 in B\$ Cambodia	MIN -\$12	Mean -\$24	MAX -\$37
Cambodia	-\$12	-\$24	-\$37

Current reforestation plans for 2040 in Cambodia: +\$520 billion in Net Present Value



Thank you

