

Property	
Fazenda Riacho Doce	
São Desidério (Bahia)	Cerrado biome
CAR: BA-2928901-06F987EF9FA1483295AD135301DD53D9	SIGEF/SNCI: 9500418045170
Area property (ha): 2,233	Coordinates property: -45.40170, -12.84063
Cleared Area	
Coordinates clearance:	-45.40269, -12.82502
246 hectares - fires alerts	period clearance: June to Aug 2021
Inside Forest Code's protected areas: No	
Type of vegetation: Forested Savanna	Priority for Biodiversity Conservation: Very high
Conservation area(s) (overlapping or bordering):	No
Indigenous Territories (overlapping or bordering):	No

Before & After Imagery: limits of the property (blue) limits of the cleared area (red)

June 2021

August 2021



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Environmental fines and embargoes			
Embargoes:	No	-	
Environmental fines:	Yes (other links)	8 environmental fines: 3 fines for clearing native vegetation without authorization – 1,600 ha, 651 ha and 2,262 ha – and 1 for illegal use of fire in 651 ha, all of them in 2012 in unknown properties in Formosa do Rio Preto (BA); 2 fines for non-compliance with environmental embargos from 2006 in two areas: 400 ha in Fazenda Terra Roxa, and 300 ha in an unknown property, both in Formosa do Rio Preto (BA); and 2 fines for unauthorised aircraft operations in Fazenda Santa Rosa and Fazenda Riacho Doce, in São Desidério (BA), in 2018	BRL 2,220,000
Ownership and other linked properties			
Company group:	Grupo Mizote		
Linked properties:	43 other properties totaling at least 97,000 hectares, including 4 properties in Correntina (BA), 27 properties in São Desidério (BA), and 13 properties in Formosa do Rio Preto (BA)		
Supply chain links			
Main Commodities	Multiple		
Confirmed supply chain link, level of certainty, and soy trader/ beef processor	Yes	High	Bunge, Louis Dreyfus, Cofco
Soy	Main exporters (municipality)	ADM (35%), Cofco (18%), Bunge (2%), Cargill (1%), Domestic Consumption (44%)	
	Warehouses (50 km radius)	26 warehouses, e.g.: 1 own silos in Fazenda Riacho Doce, 3 owned by SLC Agrícola (50,000 MT), 1 owned by Olam Agrícola (14,000 MT), and 2 owned by Agrícola Xingu (20,000 MT)	
	Supply chain links & details:	Links to Bunge, Cofco and Louis Dreyfus, not clear if through soy or other crops trading (cotton, corn)	
Beef	Main exporters (municipality)	JBS (100%)	
	Slaughterhouses (sourcing from the municipality)	17 different regional beef processors sourced cattle from São Desidério in 2017. No info about JBS.	
	Supply chain links & details:	-	
Other supply chain links and details:	Between 2014 and 2018, Paulo Mizote supplied cotton to numerous clients, including Bunge, LD commodities, Cofco, Toyoshima USA Inc, Plexus Cotton Limited, ICT Trading SA, and Paul Reinhart (based on export data)		
General comments			
<p>Grupo Mizote is involved in the production, trading and export of soy, corn, and cotton. It is one of the main cotton producers in West of Bahia state (1). Paulo Massayoshi Mizote is (co-owner) of at least seven companies in Bahia. In 2012, Mizote family was fined BRL 5.4 million for environmental infractions in Fazenda Sassapão, in Formosa do Rio Preto, having 2,262 ha embargoed by Ibama (2). Grupo Mizote is listed in the Comissão Pastoral da Terra (CPT) report as linked to an agrarian conflict involving 240 families in 2016 and 2017 (3). In 2013, Correntina's citizens started a movement called "Fora Mizote" to halt a concession to deforest 24,599 hectares of native Cerrado by Grupo Mizote in the Fazenda Barra Velha (5). Grupo Mizote collects the 11th largest volume of water in Cerrado biome in Bahia among the companies linked to the Bahia Association of Farmers and Irrigators (Aiba) and Abapa. The companies have an authorization to capture 76.3 million litres per day from the Rio Grande Basin, one of the main tributaries of the São Francisco River (6).</p> <p>Mizote family is also involved in a land dispute in Formosa do Rio Preto (BA) with alleged land grabber José Valter Dias, accused of forging documents and bribing local judges to confiscate an area of 300,000 ha (7). In 2014, MetLife Inc., one of the largest global providers of insurance, annuities, and employee benefit programs, with 90 million customers in over 60 countries, provided a loan of USD 30 million to Paulo Massayoshi Mizote (8).</p>			
<p>(1) https://doi.org/10.14393/RCT112501 (2) https://servicos.ibama.gov.br/ctf/publico/areasembargadas/ConsultaPublicaAreasEmbargadas.php (3) https://www.cptnacional.org.br/component/jdownloads/send/41-conflitos-no-campo-brasil-publicacao/14061-conflitos-no-campo-brasil-2016?Itemid=0 (5) https://www.asabrasil.org.br/noticias?artigo_id=3141 (6) https://apublica.org/2021/12/os-privilegiados-com-a-agua-do-cerrado-baiano/ (7) https://www.legalnote.com.br/publicacao-diario-oficial/00248257120158050000/54712943 (8) https://www.agrimarketing.com/ss.php?id=87690</p>			