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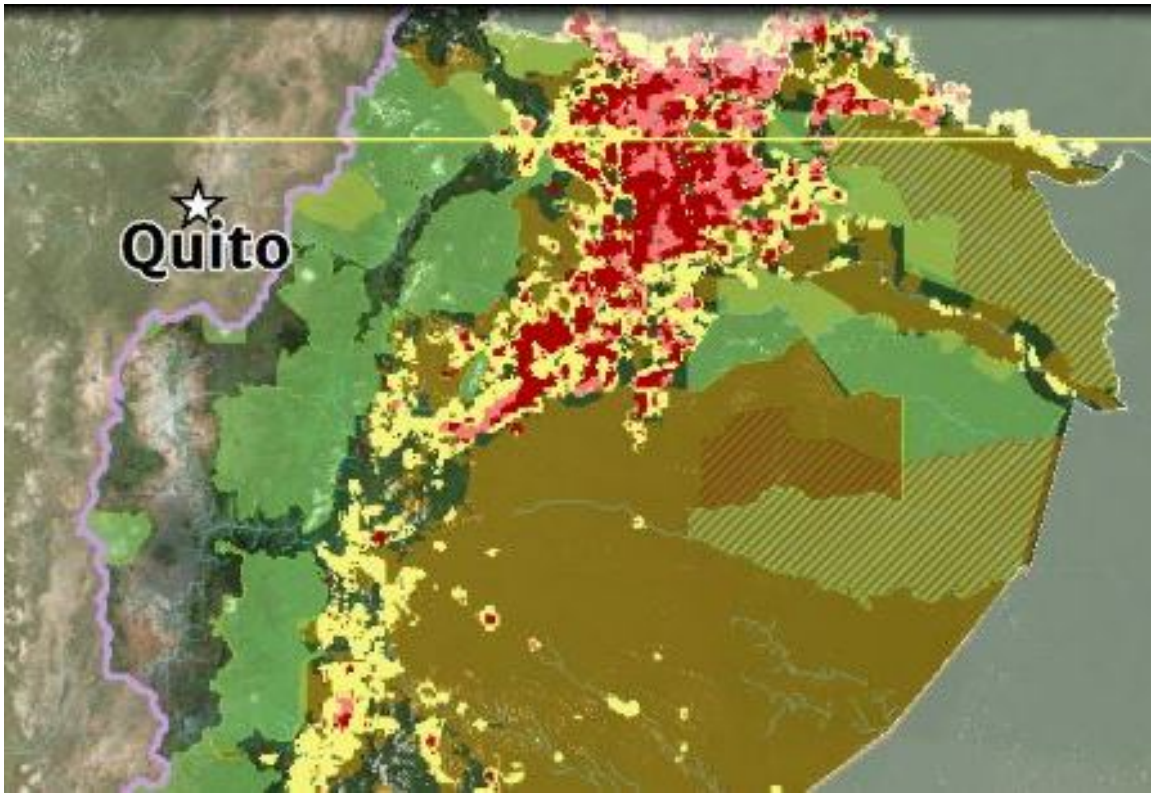

Hotspots de deforestación en la Amazonía Ecuatoriana

Here, we highlight **deforestation hotspots**, the areas with the highest deforestation densities, in the mega-diverse **Ecuadorian Amazon**.

We then zoom in and focus on a dynamic area in the north that is located between three important protected areas (Sumaco, Yasuní y Cuyabeno).

We show a series of **satellite images** that indicate that the primary deforestation drivers (causes) in these hotspots are oil palm and other agricultural activities.

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