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Understanding migration to protected area buffer zones in Costa Rica utilizing cultural consensus analysis

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ABSTRACT. Human migration to the world's protected areas' (PA) buffer zones is widely seen as a significant threat to conserving biodiversity. Research since 2005 has demonstrated some evidence for global migration trends but also highlighted the simultaneous need to understand the local, contextual factors that drive migration around individual PAs. Investigation into human migration patterns to these buffer zones has frequently relied on methods that do not accurately capture the calculus used by migrants in their decisions. The research presented here uses a mixed-methods, cognitive anthropological approach to assess the motivations of Costa Rican migrants to the buffer zones of three national parks. Employing cultural consensus analysis methodology in combination with a demographic analysis based on the Costa Rican census, this study was able to develop important insights into Costa Rican migrant motivations. Importantly, the research finds that there is not a single cultural model among the migrants surveyed regarding conditions driving their decisions. However, data collected indicate significant trends in migrants' evaluation of critical variables driving decisions, how they relate to one another, and their significance to these migrants. Thus, migrant assessments of the conditions of these variables in both previous and current communities reveal a more complex, contextual picture. This work demonstrates the potential of cognitive anthropological methods to help unpack migrant decision making and help conservation managers understand the factors that drive migration to surrounding communities. The analysis provides further evidence supporting calls for methods that help managers and communities understand the particularities of migration behavior in PA contexts.

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INTRODUCTION

The relationship between population growth in protected area (PA) buffer zones and its potential impacts upon biodiversity is a concern for conservation biologists, practitioners, policy makers, and social scientists (Ypsilantis 1992, Harmon and Brechin 1994, Scholte 2003, Hoffman 2017, Oglethorpe et al. 2007). The negative effects of habitat fragmentation on biodiversity resulting from population-induced pressure on resources within and outside PAs is a primary concern (Hansen and Rotella 2002, DeFries et al. 2005, Hansen and DeFries 2007). Fragmentation in human-dominated landscapes outside PAs can increasingly isolate plant and animal populations with concomitant impacts on genetic flow, decrease species resilience to changing environments and the effects of climate change, and lower species richness both outside PAs and inside PA borders (Sherbinin and Freudenberger 1998, Hansen and DeFries 2007, Estes et al. 2012, Bamford et al. 2014). Another issue derived from increasing human populations on the borders of PAs is the threat of direct consumption and trade in plants, trees, and wildlife (Bamford et al. 2014). It is, therefore, critically important for biodiversity conservation and conservation practitioners to understand the processes that drive population growth in PA buffer zones.

As with all human population growth there are two possible explanations of PA buffer zone population increases: localized birth rate increases or the arrival of new populations via migration. This paper engages the latter causal mechanism with the specific aim of investigating the ways that PAs and PA policies are linked, or not, to migrant decision making. George Wittemyer and colleagues' seminal paper in *Science* (2008) shows that excessive population growth measured on PA edges is rooted in

migration, not natural population growth. Their study, based on 306 PAs in Africa and Latin America, showed population growth in PA buffer zones exceeding that of comparable rural areas (Wittemyer et al. 2008). Further, Wittemyer et al. (2008) hypothesized that this migration was the result of the socioeconomic benefits created by the dominant conservation praxis of the late 20th century, specifically conservation and development projects. They suggested that migration-based growth is encouraged by PAs because conservation and development policies provide economic incentives (e.g., employment opportunities), ecosystem services (e.g., natural resources), and infrastructural benefits (e.g., roads) not present in similar rural locations, which "pull" migrants to PA buffer zones.

The Wittemyer et al. (2008) article is widely cited, often uncritically (Hoffman 2017). An analysis conducted in June 2020 showed over 350 citations according to Scopus and over 620 citations according to Google Scholar. That said, the findings and hypotheses from the article have been critiqued from several angles. First, some explicitly question the methods and analysis upon which their hypotheses are based (Joppa et al. 2008, 2009, 2010, Joppa 2012). Others caution that the hypothesized connection between PAs, conservation and development policies, and human migration to buffer zones is not fully supported when specific conservation contexts are examined (Davis 2011, Fay 2011, Hoffman 2011, Hoffman et al. 2011, Estes et al. 2012, Zommers and MacDonald 2012, Bamford et al. 2014, Salerno et al. 2014, Gupta 2015, Hartter et al. 2015, Ament and Cumming 2016, Brambilla and Ronchi 2016, Cripps and Gardner 2016). To their credit, Wittemyer et al. (2008) suggested that the hypothetical explanations based on their meta-analysis needed to

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be analyzed in specific contexts. Attempts have been made to produce explanatory models on the relationship between PAs and migration based on the synthesis of contextual, anecdotal information, or both (Oglethorpe et al. 2007, Scholte and De Groot 2010).

Since its publication, some work has explicitly explored the veracity of Wittemyer et al.'s hypotheses on the relationship between PAs and migration (Hoffman 2011, Levang et al. 2012, Guerbois et al. 2013, Baird 2014, Bamford et al. 2014, Salerno et al. 2014, Gupta 2015, Hartter et al. 2015). Most analyses are based upon a combination of demographic, geospatial, and interview / survey methods to determine the following: (a) demographic changes and migration patterns; (b) locations of demographic and ecological change; and (c) attitudes and/or motivations of migrants in communities within the buffer zones of PAs. The social science methodologies are dominated by focus group, survey, and oral history approaches, and only a few studies exclusively focus on understanding migrant perspectives. At regional or PA-level scales, these authors find some evidence to support Wittemyer et al.'s (2008) "attraction model," but state that refining the scale of analysis illuminates variation based upon demographics, environmental factors, and political-economic history. Yet, none of these studies explicitly utilize cognitive approaches to determine whether migrants to PA buffer zones think similarly about the relationship between migration and specific, contextual factors.

Thus far, the research on PAs, population growth, and migration has not demonstrated a singular pattern, and testing Wittemyer et al.'s hypotheses in relation to cognitive data explicitly derived from migrant perspectives and motivations was not yet attempted. In order to fill this gap in knowledge and test the hypothesized drivers or PA-buffer zone migration, we examine Costa Rican migrants' motivations for relocating to the 10-km buffer zones of three Costa Rican National Parks: Carara, Arenal, and Barra Honda. Ten km buffer zones were intentionally chosen in order to replicate the limits employed by Wittemyer et al. (2008). We combine cognitive anthropological methods, particularly cultural consensus analysis (CCA), to examine the relationship between PAs, human migration, and population growth in PA buffer zones. CCA tests the shared knowledge of a societal sub-group regarding a particular cognitive realm or "domain," in this case Costa Rican migrants and their motivations for migrating to PA buffer zones. It is important to note that this study specifically focused on the internal migration of Costa Ricans and not that of foreigners. By applying these methods to three different national park contexts in Costa Rica, we test whether a general cultural model of migration can be built and whether Costa Rican buffer zone migrants' motivations reflect the hypothesis proposed by Wittemyer et al. (2008).

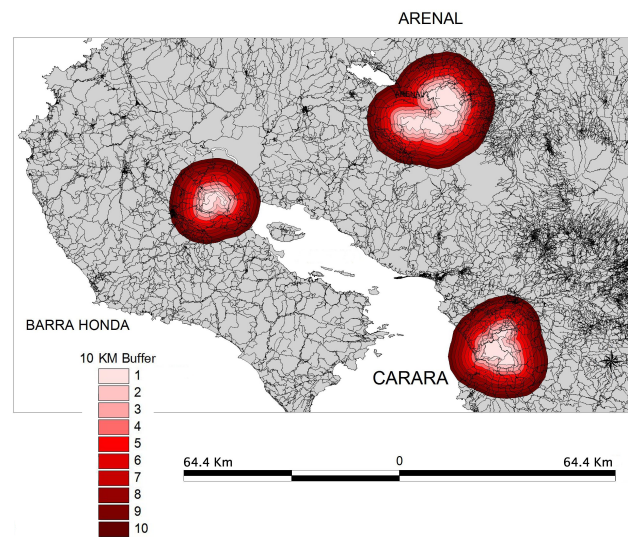
METHODS

Rationale for parks selected

We intentionally selected Carara, Arenal, and Barra Honda national parks (see Fig. 1) out of the 26 national parks and the 160 PAs in Costa Rica for several reasons. First, it was important to maintain consistency by only investigating national parks. Costa Rica has various categories of PA ranging from those that

do not allow resource use (i.e., national parks) to those that integrate resource exploitation into its mandate (i.e., protected zones). Standardizing the park category ensured consistency and removed spurious correlations related to the potential for legal resource use within PA borders. Second, all three parks were included in the data set that formed the basis for Wittemyer et al.'s (2008) original analysis. Third, this approach differs from Wittemyer's indiscriminate use of PAs that failed to create a consistent and comparable sample for which they were already critiqued (see Hoffman 2011). Finally, earlier published research showed very divergent characteristics leading to different migration patterns in these parks (Hoffman 2011).

Fig. 1. Map of the study area. The study was set in the 10-km buffer zones (concentric lines) of three Costa Rican national parks (from left to right): Barra Honda National Park, Arenal Volcano National Park, and Carara National Park. The peninsula in the image is the Nicoya Peninsula found in the northwest of the country.



Carara is characterized by a buffer zone with explosive population growth due to internal migration, but this is largely unrelated to the park in itself and could be characterized as "incidental." Carara is located on the central Pacific coast and very close to several growing beach communities such as Jacó and Playa Herradura. Arenal was seen as the best fit for Wittemyer et al.'s "pull" model and potentially provided insight into migration to buffer zones that fit an idealized conservation and development paradigm. Arenal is famous for its picturesque namesake volcano and the ecosystem services it provides, such as hot springs, along with a diverse set of conservation and tourism development initiatives within a 40-km radius. Thus, the Arenal region supports a robust ecotourism-based regional economy in addition to strong agricultural production. Last, Barra Honda had virtually no population growth and very little internal migration to its buffer zone that enabled it to function as a "control" in which the link between development, migration, and the park is largely non-existent. Barra Honda offers its unique cave system for exploration, but there is little

other tourist attraction to the area, and the surrounding communities are characterized by a rural economy in decline for decades. It is precisely because of these marked variations in context that they were chosen.

Cultural consensus analysis

Cultural consensus analysis (CCA) allows social scientists to test whether a group of people has a set of knowledge or perceptions upon which there is agreement / consensus (Miller et al. 2004, Bernard 2017). CCA is a statistical method that grew out of cognitive anthropology and cultural consensus theory (CCT), which views culture as sets of knowledge that are shared by members of a society. From this perspective, it is the sharing of and consensus about this knowledge that forms the basis for what is commonly referred to as culture (d'Andrade 1984, Dressler et al. 2005, Copeland 2011). CCT assumes that groups share a single cultural model and that social scientists can determine the degree to which there is consensus in a group about a certain cultural domain via mathematical testing (Romney et al. 1986, 1987, Borgatti 1994). A domain is an organized set of words, concepts, sentences, all on the same level of contrast, that jointly refer to a singular conceptual sphere (Weller and Romney 1988). Thus, CCA allows researchers to probe variation within groups and to decipher cultural "truths" and the degree to which these truths are shared in a statistically meaningful, reliable, and replicable way (Strong and White 2020). By acknowledging informants' given answers as being probabilistic rather than inherently true, CCA searches for cultural truths not in individual responses but in the degree of sharing of these responses (Strong and White 2020).

Statistically, CCA works from a correlation matrix of respondents to estimate a linear function summarizing the similarities in their ratings (Dressler et al. 2018). There are two general approaches to operationalizing CCT theory in the form of CCA, the formal and informal model. This work uses the informal model, which is essentially a factor analysis (principal components analysis) of people (Weller 2007). In the informal model, each participant is given a competence score that tells the researchers how well each individual's responses correspond with those of the group. The informal model is, therefore, a set of statistical procedures that estimates both the answers to questions and respondent accuracy for answering those questions, which is calculated as a competence score (Weller 2007). A competence score is a measure of the degree to which participants' individual knowledge fits to that of the overall model developed from the entire group (Romney et al. 1986, Dressler et al. 2005, Copeland 2011). The correlations of individuals to the linear function provides their cultural competence, or the degree to which their understanding of the domain corresponds to the aggregated knowledge (Dressler et al. 2018). Individuals' responses can then be combined in a weighted average (weighted by each respondent's competence), which is referred to as the culturally correct answer key that is, in essence, how a culturally competent member of that society would answer those questions (Dressler et al. 2018). In sum, CCA facilitates the determination of the existence of a cohesive cultural domain, the cultural competence of each respondent, and the culturally "correct" answer key to the survey (Strong and White 2020).

Whether the data demonstrates a shared cultural model is dependent on several results from the analysis, which are processed using software packages. In this study, we utilized

Anthropac (4.98) for our CCA analyses. CCA literature consistently states that the standard thresholds and minimum requirements to indicate strong consensus are the following: (1) a 3:1 ratio of the first factor eigenvalue to the second factor eigenvalue; (2) an average competence score of 0.6 or greater; (3) no negative competence scores; (4) at least 20 questions or "factors"; and (5) a minimum number of 30 participants, although this last point can be surmounted by a higher average competence score indicating model validity (Weller 2007, Bernard 2017). There is broad agreement regarding these thresholds, but others note that they are merely "rules of thumb" and that their strict use for indicating consensus within a group can be challenged mathematically (Purzycki and Jamieson-Lane 2017). As long as the other requirements are met, an average competence score of 0.5 already indicates consensus and that anything above 0.66 indicates strong consensus among the group (Weller 2007). Last, it is "by custom" that we use the first eigenvalue being three times larger than the second to determine that shared culture is driving the answers (Weller 2007).

Ultimately, CCA provides researchers with the ability to systematically verify whether there is a shared set of knowledge, and how well that knowledge is shared, amongst a group (Gatewood 2012). It was precisely CCA's capability to detect shared knowledge that drove our decision to employ it in our analysis of human migration to the buffer zones of Costa Rican national parks. The thought was that we could prove or disprove the "attraction" hypothesis put forth by Wittemyer et al. (2008) by eliciting a set of core driving concepts / conditions and testing them for agreement using CCA. In so doing, CCA would help to identify whether there is a single set of factors driving migration to all three parks, or whether specific contextual factors specific to each park could be identified in migrants' thinking.

This study followed a three-staged research procedure commonly applied in CCA research (Boster 1986, Romney et al. 1986, Bernard 2017). First, we conducted free-listing to establish the domain. Second, we used pile-sorting to understand participants' categorization of terms within the domain. Third, we gathered ratings data on each of the terms within the domain to determine if there was consensus.

Freelisting

Freelisting is a common, proven, and statistically powerful way of establishing a group's shared knowledge or cognitive domain (Berlin 1992, Brewer 1995, Quinlan 2005). Successive freelisting is also a proven technique for eliciting explanatory models (Ryan et al. 2000). Freelisting with informants provides the "domain" of terms upon which the consensus analysis was subsequently based. Freelisting was conducted during a one-month research trip in May/June 2012. The primary author used convenience sampling and the snowball method to encounter migrants in the main communities in the 10 Km buffer zones of each of the three parks selected. However, during this stage there was neither an attempt to find more specific areas where migrant households were concentrated nor a method for identifying areas more likely to have recent migrants. In total, thirty migrants to each of the buffer zones (N = 90) were interviewed. In that group 55 were men and 35 were women, the average age was 44.4 years old, and they ranged from 21 to 77 years old with a standard deviation of 15.2. Participants had spent average of 11.7 years in their current community. Participants provided a free list of words or phrases

in response to the following questions concerning characteristics of previous and current communities, ideal communities, and why people would choose to relocate:

1. What are the characteristics of this place that are attractive or are positive for migrants?
2. What are the characteristics of this place that are not attractive or are negative for migrants?
3. What are the characteristics of the town from which you migrated that are attractive or positive for migrants?
4. What are the characteristics of the town from which you migrated that are not attractive or are negative for migrants?
5. What factors (of the place) does a migrant take into account to migrate to a place?
6. What factors (of the place) does a migrant take into account to migrate away from a place?
7. What are the characteristics of your ideal community?

These freelists resulted in thousands of terms and concepts, which were re-coded by hand to reduce the number of unique terms and facilitate the analysis of salience and frequency of terms. For example, if multiple terms were used to describe the concept of work (jobs, employment, work, work opportunities), they were condensed to a single concept (work). Appendix 1 shows an example of this transformation for a sample of 30 migrants' responses to the first question. After recoding, the resulting terms for each question were analyzed for salience using Smith's S in Anthropac (4.98). Salience is a measure that combines the frequency of a term in participants' lists and the rank order of the term in the freelist to determine the most relevant terms across the sample (Borgatti 1999, Ribeiro 2012). All terms from each of the questions with a Smith's S result of 0.2 or higher were included in the final domain for the next stage of analysis. In addition, we also used simple frequency of terms to determine whether there was a clear "break" point where responses belonged to a core set of ideas frequently found across participants' freelists (Borgatti 1994). In this case, an "elbow" in data indicating this break appeared at 10% frequency, so all terms found in 10% of participants' freelists were added to the domain. The truncated results of the freelist analysis are available in Appendix 2. As a result of these two steps, we identified an overall domain of 55 terms (see Table 1) deemed to be the most salient in migrants' assessments of community conditions driving movement to the buffer zones of Carara, Arenal, and Barra Honda National Parks.

Pile-sorting and ratings

The next step in the process was to conduct pile-sorting and ratings activities with a new set of participants. Unlike free-listing, our sampling strategy for this stage of data collection refined our focus with the intention of providing a more accurate picture of recent migration trends. The Development Observatory (*Observatorio de Desarrollo*, OdD) at the University of Costa Rica utilized the 2011 Costa Rican Census to determine the location of recent migrants and provide a sampling strategy for our fieldwork. To do this, the OdD needed to map the park boundaries, map 1 km concentric rings out to 10 km, determine the geostatistical minimum units (GMU, akin to a census tract) included in each ring, and analyze the population growth in each

Table 1. Freelisting terms determined to be salient and belonging to the cultural domain and then used in rating and pile sorting exercises.

Number assigned	Terms
1	La seguridad (Security)
2	La gente (People)
3	La tranquilidad (Tranquility)
4	El trabajo (Work)
5	El clima (Climate/Weather)
6	La playa (Beach)
7	El ambiente social (Social Environment)
8	El turismo (Tourism)
9	El parque (The Park)
10	Los animales silvestres (Wild Animals)
11	La calidad de vida (Quality of Life)
12	El volcán (Volcano)
13	La paz (Peace)
14	Los ríos (Rivers)
15	Limpio (Cleanliness)
16	Lugar Bonito (Beauty)
17	La inseguridad (Insecurity)
18	Sano (Healthiness)
19	La violencia (Violence)
20	Los servicios (Services)
21	La cultura (Culture)
22	La educación (Education)
23	Las drogas (Drugs)
24	El desempleo (Unemployment)
25	Los precios (Prices)
26	Los servicios médicos (Medical Services)
27	El alcoholismo (Alcoholism)
28	El gobierno (Government)
29	La basura (Garbage)
30	La contaminación (Contamination)
31	El agua (Water)
32	La prostitución (Prostitution)
33	Ser céntrico (Centrality)
34	La familia (Family)
35	Las comodidades (Amenities)
36	El transporte (Transportation)
37	El ruido (Noise)
38	Las áreas deportivas (Sports facilities)
39	La agricultura y la ganadería (Agriculture and Livestock)
40	El comercio (Business)
41	La comida (Food)
42	La delincuencia (Delinquency)
43	Sobrepoblación (Overpopulation)
44	Las carreteras (Roads)
45	La pobreza (Poverty)
46	El campo (Countryside)
47	El tránsito (Traffic)
48	Los robos (Robberies)
49	La economía (Economy)
50	La superación (Improvement / overcoming)
51	La recreación (Recreation)
52	La luz (Electricity)
53	El Banco (Bank)
54	La naturaleza (Nature)
55	El Supermercado (Supermarket)

ring based on census data (see Table 2 for measurement of growth per ring). This work then allowed the OdD to provide a sampling strategy for each park that was proportional to both the rings with the most population growth for each park and the overall target of 100 interviews across all three parks (see Table 3). Last, the OdD identified *zonas calientes*, "hot spots," which were GMUs with higher than average in-migration within the 10 km buffer zone (see Fig. 2 for map).

Table 2. Number of migrants and percentage of migrants in each buffer zone ring in each park based on the 2011 census.

Kilometers from PA border	Arenal		Barra Honda		Carara	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
1 km	90	2.60	57	2	72	2
2 km	195	5.60	69	3	165	4
3 km	168	4.80	122	5	181	5
4 km	488	14.00	125	5	175	5
5 km	296	8.50	96	4	173	5
6 km	328	9.40	106	4	743	20
7 km	468	13.40	232	9	359	10
8 km	180	5.20	235	9	491	13
9 km	483	13.80	628	25	677	18
10 km	796	22.80	837	33	691	19
Total	3492	100.00	2507	100	3727	100

Table 3. The Development Observatory (*Observatorio de Desarrollo, OdD*) sampling strategy used for pile-sorting and ratings exercise. This was based on analysis the 2011 census for migration-based population growth. OdD provided a target number for each 1-km buffer ring at sample sizes of 45, 60, and 100 interviews. 100 interviews was selected.

Buffer (in km)	Sample Size 45			Sample Size 60			Sample Size 100		
	Arenal	Barra Honda	Carara	Arenal	Barra Honda	Carara	Arenal	Barra Honda	Carara
4	3	2	0	3	2	0	6	3	0
6	0	0	11	0	0	15	0	0	25
7	3	0	0	5	0	0	8	0	0
9	4	3	3	5	4	4	8	6	6
10	9	4	4	11	5	6	19	8	10
Total sample needed	18	8	19	24	11	25	41	18	41

This “hot spot” approach enabled our small research team to focus fieldwork efforts on areas where it was likely for us to encounter recent migrants. Once we arrived at these hot spots, we often began our search with the proprietors of local stores, *pulperias*, to help us identify migrant households. Once identified and confirmed, we conducted the interview if they were willing as was indicated by prior, informed oral consent. To find more participants we used a snowball or “chain reference” approach by asking interviewees to identify other potential participants. Pile-sorting and scalar rating interviews were conducted over four weeks in May and June of 2013. The interviews were conducted primarily at places of residence and in Spanish. We interviewed 41 migrants in the buffer zone of Carara, 41 in that of Arenal, and 18 in that of Barra Honda. The demographic characteristics of our sample for each park and all three parks together can be seen in Table 4.

Interviews varied in length, but averaged approximately 30–45 minutes. The first task in the interview was an unconstrained pile-sort. All participants were presented with 55 laminated notecards

for each of the terms from the domain. To reduce bias from the interviewers or previous participants’ sorting, the terms were randomized and assigned a number and each of the participants received the notecards in the same order. In order to be “unconstrained,” participants were asked to put the cards into piles / groups in any way that made sense to them, that there was no right answer to the number of piles or how the piles should be organized. Once the participants were satisfied with their sorting, the numbers for the terms in each pile were recorded and the cards were returned to numerical order.

For the second task of the interview, participants were asked to rate the conditions / state of each of the 55 terms (Likert scale of 1–5) first for the community from which they had moved (hereafter referred to as the “previous” community) and then again for their current location within the buffer-zone of the national park (hereafter referred to as the “current” community). The number 1 represented very poor conditions, 3 average conditions, and 5 indicated very good conditions. Respondents were asked to rate each term for both their previous and current community. For example, we asked “How would you rate the people there (here)?” “¿Como calificaria la gente alli (aqui)?” This wording was somewhat confusing for participants and they were at times unclear if we were asking for how they personally saw the conditions, or how the conditions were perceived in general. Because we were aware that CCA is dependent on general answers and not individual, personal opinion, we clarified that we sought out ratings “in general” (*por lo general*).

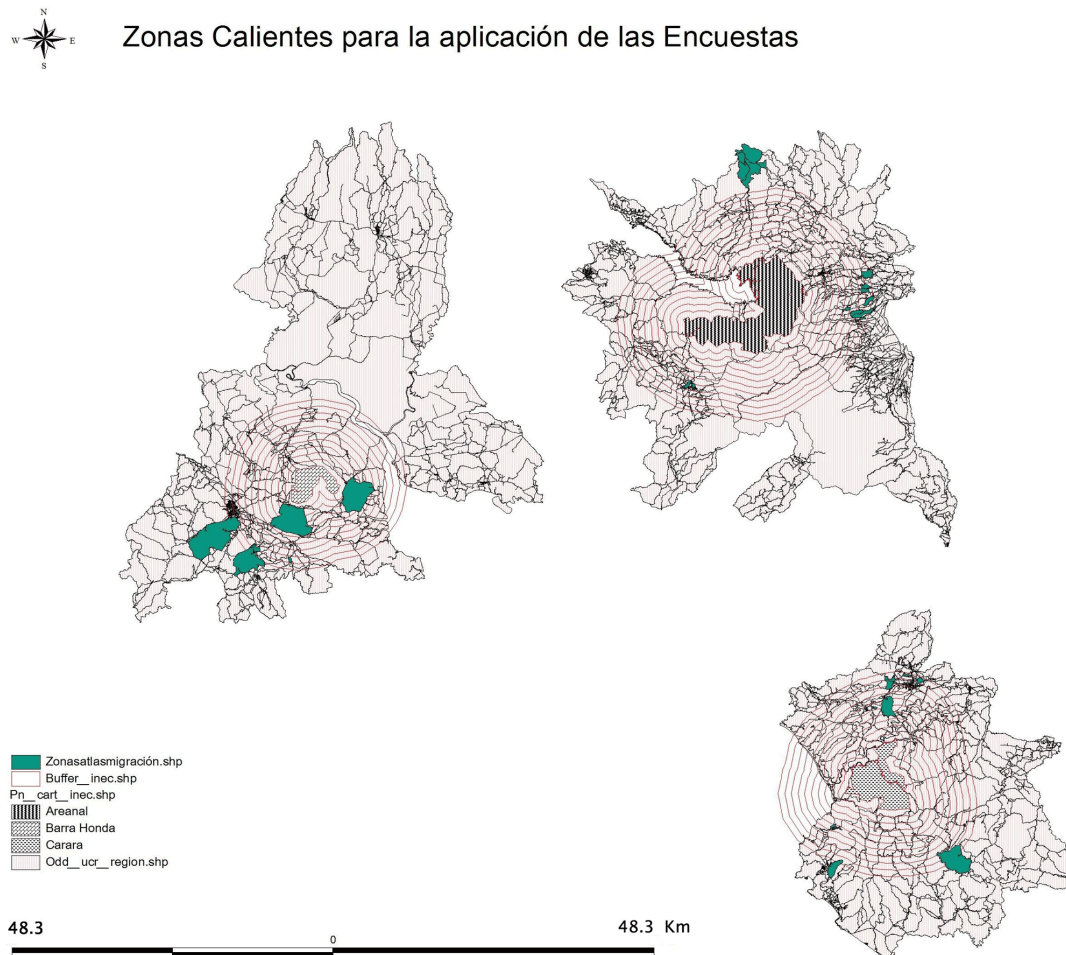
ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

Pile sorting: MDS and consensus

Pile sort data were compiled and entered into Visual Anthropac and were analyzed using multi-dimensional scaling (MDS), clustering and consensus. The MDS analysis produces a visualization, often referred to as a “cognitive map,” of the collective pile-sorting of a sample. Because the research team was interested in attempting to construct a cognitive model of migration for the entirety of migrants to all three parks’ buffer zones, MDS was performed on all 100 of the interviewees’ pile-sorts. The resulting images (see Fig. 3 for MDS by number and Fig. 4 for MDS by term) provide a two-dimensional representation of participants’ pile-sorting; the closer together terms are on the MDS the more frequently they were piled together and vice-versa. In addition, hierarchical clustering demonstrates the ways in which participants clustered items in their pile-sorting. As can be seen on the MDS images, five clusters were established: (1) negative / urban (blue); (2) government and business services (pink); (3) essentials for improving oneself (orange); (4) social/community conditions (black); and (5) natural resources and amenities (green).

Because pile-sort data must be converted from its multiple dimensions to fit into a two-dimensional rendering, MDS runs the risk of misrepresenting the data. Anthropac provides a “stress” value to indicate how well the image represents the original data; the closer to zero the stress value the more accurate the map is (Copeland 2011). In addition, acceptable maximum values for stress have been standardized based on the number of

Fig. 2. Each parks' 10-km buffer zones, minimum geostatistical units (GMU), and those GMU determined to be hot zones (*zonas calientes*) for recent migration highlighted in green. From left to right the parks are: Barra Honda National Park, Arenal Volcano National Park, and Carara National Park.



items to be sorted (Sturrock and Rocha 2000). For our MDS, the stress value was 0.151, which is well below the threshold of 0.372 for a domain of 55 terms as established by Sturrock and Rocha (2000).

Further, Anthropic enables users to test pile-sorting data for consensus by comparing each participants' pile sorts against all others via a factor analysis. As discussed above, the eigenratio should be 3:1 to indicate strong consensus. In our case, the pile sort data produced an eigenratio of 11.647, which indicates a strong fit to the consensus model. This means that there was strong agreement amongst our participants regarding how these terms are related to one another cognitively, and thus it can be assumed that the group shares a cultural understanding about how the terms within the specific domain relate. Put simply, our informants indicated a shared understanding of how to group these terms.

Rating task: consensus analysis

To further test consensus, we used Anthropic (4.98) to analyze the 100 participants' ratings of 53 terms within the domain for both the previous and current community. Upon realizing that

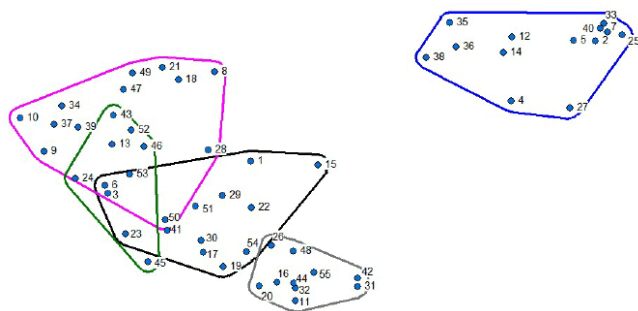
the terms "beach" and "volcano" were not found in or relevant to many participants' previous or current location we removed those ratings and conducted our analysis on the remaining 53 terms. We tested for consensus on various subsets of the data in order to understand whether the contexts of individual parks, and/or how the communities from which participants migrated, potentially impacted consensus. First, we tested all of the ratings data for all three parks and for both the previous and current community together. Second, we analyzed the ratings of just the previous and just the current communities for all three parks combined. Third, we conducted analyses on previous, current, and the combined data sets for each of the parks separately.

By parsing the analysis in this way, we intended to differentiate whether these sub-groupings differed in terms of the existence and/or strength of consensus. In so doing, we intended to test the ratings data for the following: (a) consensus around an overall cultural model for the entire sample; (b) consensus around a model for each individual park context; and (c) differences in consensus on ratings of previous versus current communities for both the total sample and for each individual park's buffer zone. The consensus results are shown in Table 5, which also includes

Table 4. Basic demographic and migration history data of the 100 participants in our pile sort and rating exercises.

	Arenal (N = 41)			Carara (N = 41)			Barra Honda (N = 18)			Total (N = 100)		
	Age	Years in previous	Years in current	Age	Years in previous	Years in current	Age	Years in previous	Years in current	Age	Years in previous	Years in current
Mean	43.7	21.8	7.8	41.2	23.5	5.2	43.4	17.8	6.2	42.6	21.8	6.4
Median	42	22	4.5	40	22	4	41.5	15.5	6	41	21	5
Mode	41	30	4	33	30	10	42	20	6	33	30	3
Max	78	43	25	72	58	15	76	43	15	78	58	25
Min	20	2	0.0055	18	4	0.005	20	0.66	0.019	18	0.66	0.005

Fig. 3. Multi-dimensional scaling (MDS) and clusters for all 100 participants' pile sorting. Numbers correspond to numbers assigned to each term found in Table 1.



the number of participants, factors (questions), and negative competence scores for each of the analyses. In addition, Appendix 3 provides the culturally correct answer key—what the consensus analysis identifies as the most likely “correct” answer amongst our participants—for the only parsing that meets the standard thresholds for consensus: the ratings of current community conditions by migrants to the buffer zone of Carara National Park.

In brief, consensus analysis performed on the ratings data from all three parks combining both previous and current communities fails to meet the standards for consensus, which means there is not a single, shared cultural model for the entire data set. As well, there is no consensus in our data when results for the entire sample from all three parks are parsed and analyzed by previous or current community (e.g., “All Parks Previous” or “All Parks Current” in Table 5). When the data is broken down by individual park, there is also no consensus when both previous and current community ratings are combined (e.g., “Carara combined”). In addition, all of these analyses have at least one negative competence score, and some of them have many negative scores, which further demonstrates the lack of a single cultural model. When the individuals with negative scores were identified, there were no obvious or discernable patterns amongst them (e.g., age, occupation, gender). Although most of the negative scores were found in the 1 km rings furthest from the parks (km 9 and km 10), each parsing contained several individuals at the same distance that had positive competence scores. Put simply, our results indicate that there is little agreement and not a single cultural model of migration to national park buffer zones amongst our sample of migrants in Costa Rica.

However, our analysis does indicate that there is evidence for consensus amongst our informants in their ratings of conditions in their current community within the buffer zone of Carara. In addition, the current community ratings for Arenal National Park are very close to meeting standard thresholds discussed above. With an average competence score of 0.49, Arenal informants' ratings come very close to the threshold of 0.5, but they do not quite meet 3:1 eigenvalue ratio expected. It is tempting to say that the Barra Honda results are approaching the standards for consensus. However, they do not because of the more stringent standards required for a sample size below 30 individuals (Weller 2007). In sum, the ratings data indicate that, for one out of three parks, there was a shared cultural model among recent migrants regarding their current community.

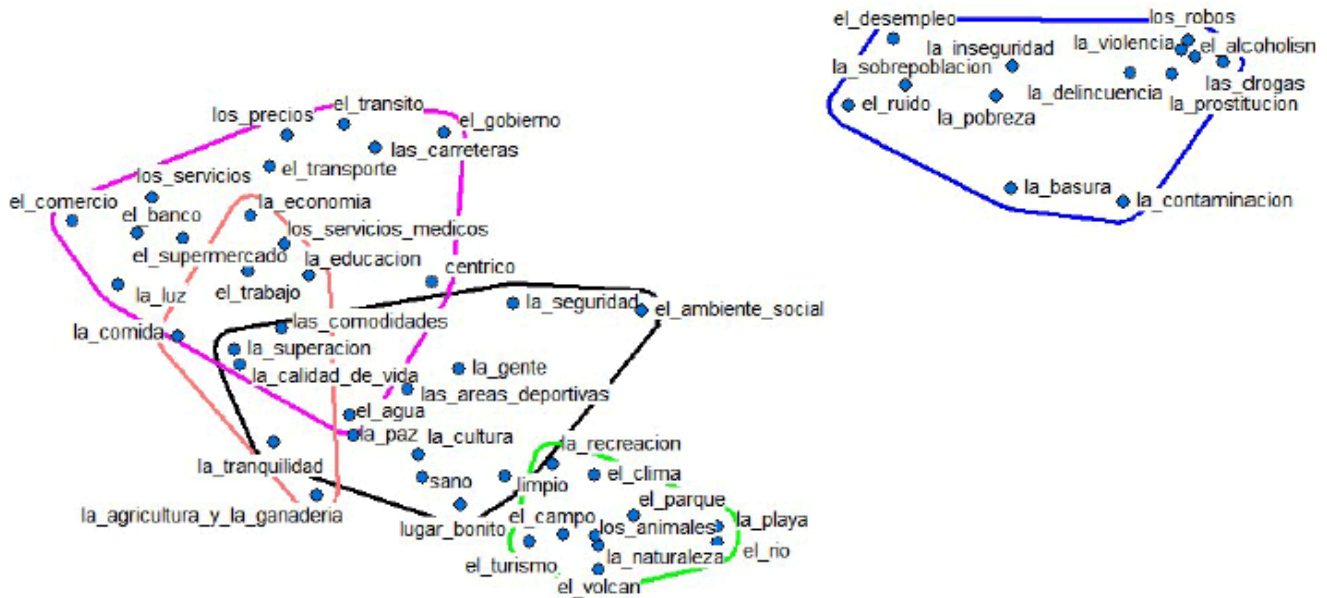
Ratings tasks: statistical comparison of previous and current

The lack of consensus was somewhat surprising considering the consistency in explanations the research group knew qualitatively from discussions with migrants. Thus, we subjected the ratings data to a separate statistical analysis to see whether there were identifiable and significant trends in migrants' assessments of these 53 terms for previous and current communities. In order to determine which ratings demonstrated statistically significant differences between prior and current communities, we compared the previous and current ratings data of the 53 terms for the entire sample. In this analysis, we used the non-parametric Wilcoxon signed-rank test (Wilcoxon 1945). Because this approach involves multiple comparisons, we applied a Bonferroni correction (Bonferroni 1936) to the significance level, which reduces the probability of a Type I error.

We found that 23 of the variables had a statistically significant change in rankings (marked with a * in Table 6). Overall, this analysis shows that many terms that are associated with the negative realities of urban living were not only improved, but in a statistically significant way. Thus, migrants indicated significant improvement in conditions like insecurity, contamination, delinquency, traffic, contamination, noise, violence, and overpopulation. The same can be said for most terms associated with the ability to live life with peace, tranquility, beauty, and security. Third, terms associated with rural life and livelihoods (nature, beauty, animals, rivers, agriculture and livestock, tourism, and the park) are also significantly improved.

Interestingly, a number of terms that were generally rated as improved when looking simply at their means were not different in a statistically significant way. Many of these are related to social ills that are not unique to urban settings such as poverty, drugs, prostitution, and alcoholism. As well, the lack of a significant

Fig. 4. Multi-dimensional scaling (MDS) and clusters for all 100 participants' pile sorting labeled with the actual terms from Table 1.



difference between ratings on terms like garbage and roads indicates that the perception is that these government services are poorly managed across the country. Last, the lack of a statistical difference in their ratings of healthiness, cleanliness, social environment and people indicates that migrants see these socio-environmental conditions as stable across the country, that buffer zones of national parks do not provide a difference in these areas. However, the fact that there is a statistically significant difference in ratings on the overall quality of life indicates that park buffer zones do provide an overall sense of improved life conditions that are attractive to Costa Rican migrants.

Our results show that only four terms were perceived as significantly worse in buffer zone communities (see Table 6). These negative ratings for three of these terms are found in services that are impacted by geographic isolation and/or the integration of these communities with tourism-based economies. First, prices were seen as significantly worse, which is a phenomenon that is frequently associated with tourism-based economies and isolation. Further, migrants perceived that access to transport was significantly worse in the buffer zones. Third, migrants rated medical services as significantly poorer, which is again the reality for rural Costa Rica especially in comparison to the facilities and treatments available in urban and suburban San José. Last, climate was the one term that was rated as significantly poorer. This is attributable to the fact that all three parks were in warm, lowland climates that were being compared to the urban, highland, and cool areas like the capital of San José from which many migrants had moved.

DISCUSSION

The findings uncovered via our work in Costa Rica contribute important, migrant-centered, contextual data that illuminates what factors drive migration decisions to PA buffer zones. Our

research was designed to use a CCA approach to see whether there is consensus amongst migrants' motivations, which could be further used to test the singular "pull" model put forth by Wittemyer et al. (2008). In so doing, our work adds the following to the conversation regarding PAs and human migration: (1) CCA results further complicate the hypothesized direct links between PAs, integrated conservation and development, and population growth proposed by Wittemyer et al. (2008); (2) results contribute to the numerous studies that highlight the importance of understanding local contexts, as well as concerns regarding scale, representativeness of sample populations, and accuracy of conclusions; (3) we add new methods and resulting insights into what role PAs play in driving migration to the existing literature on human migration to PA buffer zones; and (4) a unique demographic methodology that supports existing critiques of the Wittemyer et al. methodology and findings.

As was stated at the outset of this paper, some studies have criticized the methods by which Wittemyer et al. (2008) derived their evidence, as well as their hypothesized, generalizable, worldwide drivers for the results they observed (Joppa et al. 2009, 2010, Hoffman et al. 2011, Joppa 2012). Because of the lack of consensus in our study, we join others in demonstrating that, even within a single country, the social, political, economic, and ecological contexts surrounding every park are unique and must be taken into account when explaining the patterns of human population growth found there (Fay 2011, Hoffman 2011, Guerbois et al. 2013, Hartter et al. 2015, 2016). Importantly, our deployment of cultural consensus analysis offered a unique perspective from which to assess migrant motivations. Disagreement shown in the lack of cultural consensus for previous and current community conditions across the entire sample suggests that a singular explanation or causal mechanism for migration to PA buffer zones is unlikely. In fact, the lack of

Table 5. Consensus analysis results on ratings data. The minimum requirements for consensus are (1) a 3:1 eigenvalue ratio; (2) average competence of 0.6 or greater; (3) no negative competence scores; (4) at least 20 items; and (5) a minimum number of 30 participants.

Park and community	Number of interviewees	Number of items	Eigenvalue ratio	Average competence score	# of negative competence scores	Negative scores
All parks combined	100	106	2.68	0.43	12	(-0.13, -0.18, -0.17, -0.28, -0.08, -0.10, -0.01, -0.20, -0.12, -0.13, -0.22, -0.14)
Carara combined	41	106	2.52	0.45	5	(-0.10, -0.20, -0.15, -0.24, -0.01)
Arenal combined	41	106	2.05	0.42	5	(-0.07, -0.12, -0.06, -0.02, -0.18)
Barra Honda combined	18	106	4.24	0.52	2	(-0.08, -0.02)
All parks previous	100	53	2.46	0.43	18	(-0.13, -0.03, -0.49, -0.13, -0.42, -0.39, -0.52, -0.19, -0.07, -0.07, -0.22, -0.04, -0.23, -0.34, -0.22, -0.01, -0.51, -0.27)
Carara previous	41	53	3.32	0.43	8	(-0.19, -0.08, -0.01, -0.53, -0.17, -0.46, -0.39, -0.52)
Arenal previous	41	53	1.85	0.42	6	(-0.13, -0.01, -0.20, -0.13, -0.28, -0.14)
Barra Honda previous	18	53	2.88	0.57	1	(-0.14)
All parks current	100	53	2.70	0.49	2	(-0.03, -0.22)
Carara current [†]	41	53	2.94	0.53	0	
Arenal current [†]	41	53	2.24	0.49	0	
Barra Honda current	18	53	3.29	0.47	1	(-0.23)

[†] Meets standards.
[‡] Approaching standards.

consensus within almost all our analytical subsets, apart from the Carara “current” community, can be seen as evidence that singular explanations are unhelpful.

The lack of consensus for the combination of both previous and current communities is likely due, in part, to the variation in previous communities from which migrants arrived to the parks’ buffer zones. Although there were a few locations that “sent” multiple migrants, both our overall sample for each park and for individual parks showed incredible diversity in sending communities. Clearly, the diversity of previous communities impacted the consensus results for the “previous”-only analyses. This same variation in ratings of their previous communities is what likely lead to the lack of consensus for the “combined” analyses. Ultimately, the near complete lack of ratings consensus shows that despite some level of agreement among migrants (seen in the free listing, pile sorting, and comparison of means results), migration to PA buffer zones is complex and contradictory.

The statistical analysis of respondents’ ratings illuminates those terms found within the domain that are seen by migrants as notably different between their previous and current communities. First, a number of the negative elements usually associated with urban living like overpopulation, noise, violence, delinquency, poverty, and insecurity are rated as improved. Second, themes associated with the ability to live life with peace, tranquility, beauty, cleanliness, and security are all seen to be improved in their current communities. Not surprisingly, many of these themes are the opposite of negative conditions that our participants frequently associated with their previous, often urban, communities. Third, terms associated with the rural life and livelihoods based on natural resources (nature, beauty, animals, rivers, agriculture and ranching, tourism) were rated as significantly better. Statistical analysis shows that those terms with positive improvement can be interpreted as “pull” conditions in the current buffer zones, especially when seen in relation to their previous communities and the “push” conditions found in those locations. Overall, this provides insight into the conditions that migrants have sought out and support the earlier conclusion

particular to Costa Rica (Hoffman 2011, Hoffman 2020) that, despite some sacrifices in convenience and services, the peace, security, natural amenities, and overall quality of life in the buffer zones play an important part in the attraction of migrants to their current communities.

Overall, the statistical analysis of the overall ratings between previous and current conditions shows migrants saw some elements typically associated with conservation and development projects (i.e., tourism) as a draw to their current community. However, a large number of the significant terms have little to do with the opportunities directly provided by PA-based development and, therefore, contradicts the explanation put forth by Wittemyer et al. (2008). Thus, our work further supports the conclusion of Guerbois et al. (2013), that it is critical to approach this question with methods and analyses that document people’s livelihoods, histories, education, perceptions of conservation and PAs, and the natural resources used in each context. Thus, we reinforce the need to combine census and demographic data with social science methods such as surveys, interviews, and focus-groups to disentangle the localized complexity of migration (Salerno et al. 2014, Hartter et al. 2015). We add to this by not only combining geospatial and demographic analyses with traditional social science research methods but also providing insight into the viability of employing consensus analysis as a tool for understanding and uncovering migrants’ motivations.

The consensus data derived from our targeted sampling strategy for pile sorting and rating tasks supports the suggestion that selecting an appropriate scale of analysis is critically important because of the high levels of variability within all of these potential drivers that exist in the buffer zones of individual parks (Salerno et al. 2014, Salerno 2016). The collaboration with OdD and targeted “hot spot” methodology allowed us to focus our interviews in the places where migration was most prevalent rather than being distracted by existing population centers or anecdotal evidence. By answering Salerno et al.’s call for employing appropriate scales as determined by a combination of geospatial and demographic analyses as the basis for our work, we were able

Table 6. Results of Wilcoxon signed-rank test. This test compared all 100 participants' average ratings of conditions in their previous and current communities for each of the salient terms.

Term	Average rating		Difference	P-value
	Previous	Current		
Tranquility*	3.05	3.96	0.91	6.835E-06
Security*	2.7	3.41	0.71	0.000828
Peace*	2.99	3.88	0.89	5.097E-07
Quality of life*	3.13	3.78	0.65	8.953E-06
Insecurity*	2.39	3.14	0.75	0.0002703
Contamination*	2.62	3.16	0.54	0.0004219
Delinquency*	2.17	2.82	0.65	0.00001636
Overpopulation*	2.52	3.17	0.65	0.00005139
Traffic*	2.69	3.33	0.64	0.000374
Robberies*	2.27	2.84	0.57	0.001102
Noise*	2.67	3.56	0.89	0.0000245
Violence*	2.5	3.16	0.66	0.0003886
Agriculture and livestock*	3.09	3.77	0.68	0.0002256
Park / protected area*	3.26	4.21	0.95	6.2E-08
Beauty*	3.7	4.23	0.53	0.0006063
Countryside*	3.36	4.06	0.7	0.000564
Wild animals*	2.89	4.06	1.17	9.6E-09
Nature*	3.29	4.2	0.91	1.575E-06
Tourism*	2.7	3.9	1.2	1E-10
Rivers*	2.86	3.65	0.79	0.0001143
Poverty	2.28	2.6	0.32	0.02063
Drug problem	2.04	2.4	0.36	0.01951
Prostitution	2.53	2.97	0.44	0.01072
Alcoholism	2.15	2.44	0.29	0.03408
Garbage	2.65	3.06	0.41	0.008153
Roads / highways	2.82	2.97	0.15	0.3513
Cleanliness	3.1	3.52	0.42	0.006371
Healthiness	3.21	3.52	0.31	0.03887
Social environment	3.39	3.55	0.16	0.1869
People	3.52	3.68	0.16	0.2781
Prices*	2.92	2.34	-0.58	0.00003631
Medical services*	3.55	2.91	-0.64	0.00005871
Climate*	3.83	3.23	-0.6	0.0001793
Transport*	3.63	2.99	-0.64	0.00009063
Comforts	3.6	3.29	-0.3	0.03377
Economy	2.98	2.93	-0.05	0.4342
Ability to improve oneself	3.21	3.07	-0.14	0.3565
Water	3.66	3.72	0.06	0.827
Sports areas	3.38	3.23	-0.15	0.3893
Recreation	3.26	3.29	0.03	0.9237
Electricity	3.84	3.63	-0.21	0.0279
Bank services	3.66	3.31	-0.35	0.04136
Commerce	3.74	3.31	-0.43	0.0009853
Food	3.71	3.69	-0.02	0.2781
Supermarkets	3.65	3.26	-0.39	0.7834
Centrality	3.5	3.15	-0.35	0.02678
Family situation	3.87	3.84	-0.03	0.7789
Government	2.68	2.68	0	0.9802
Services	3.55	3.22	-0.33	0.01815
Culture	3.48	3.42	-0.06	0.5733
Education	3.77	3.49	-0.28	0.01877
Jobs	3.09	3.04	-0.05	0.8372
Unemployment	2.6	2.63	0.03	0.9574
Beach	not analyzed			
Volcano	not analyzed			

* Statistically significant.

to disentangle the context-dependent relationship between PAs and migration. In so doing, our work further supports Gupta's (2015) point that conclusions about migration and PAs are dependent on the scale at which data is analyzed. Our analysis concurs with her suggestion that even when a 10 km-scale shows growth, localized analyses show more variability. Indeed, the lack of consensus on current community conditions points out that

there are important differences in migrants' evaluations even within a single park's buffer zone communities.

Furthermore, the methodology employed here provides rare insight into the specific mindsets of recent migrants that further illuminates the contextual complexities of the PA-migration nexus. Our study is relatively unique in its explicit focus on recent migrants to the PA buffer zones (cf. Salerno 2016). Many studies survey or interview all groups living on the edges of PAs (e.g., Guerbois et al. 2013, Bamford et al. 2014) and/or use interview data from elders to elicit thoughts on how buffer zones have changed over longer periods of time (e.g., Hartter et al. 2015). Others, such as Levang et al. (2012) used targeted methods to find areas that are likely to have new migrants, but deployed interviews and questionnaires among both recent and longer term, second-generation immigrants to PA buffer zone. Although there is no doubt that these studies were able to elicit important information regarding the conditions within PA buffer zones and their relationship to population growth and in-migration, they do not concentrate specifically on relatively recent migrants and their perceptions of buffer zone social, economic, political, and environmental conditions.

Our work joins Salerno (2016) in engaging migrants via mixed field methodologies with the explicit intent of eliciting a model to understand, as well as potentially predict, what motivates migrant decisions. The fact that our data point to factors such as tranquility, safety, and factors outside of resources typically associated with the natural or development-induced resources corroborate Salerno's findings that migrant decision making to PA buffer zones is driven by a complex mix of factors that go beyond simplistic anecdotes about the attraction of land and natural resources. Our work parallels Salerno (2016) in the use of free-listing with actual migrants to elicit the primary categories driving migrant decisions. Salerno's (2016) findings offer a very different picture of migration drivers for the radically different context of western Tanzania, which further demonstrates the need for the types of studies we have conducted.

Last, the demographic and mapping work carried out by the OdD supports the critiques of the demographic methods and data sets used by Wittemyer et al. (Joppa et al. 2009, 2010, Hoffman et al. 2011, Joppa 2012). We did not set out with the specific intent of analyzing the spatial relationship between population growth and PA borders, but the OdD analysis further supports Joppa et al.'s (2009) critical re-analysis of the demographic and spatial data in regard to the relationships between parks and migration-driven population growth. As Joppa et al. (2009) point out, if the park and its resources / development were the main draws for population growth one would expect that the areas of greatest population growth would be in closer proximity to the park boundaries. Joppa et al.'s (2009) re-analysis observed that growth could more likely be an outgrowth of the population expansion of nearby towns and urban centers. Our finer scale census analysis based on GMU supports this position by showing that in-migration numbers and "hot spots" are not located within the first few kilometers of the park boundaries (see Table 2 and Fig. 2) for the chosen Costa Rican parks. Instead, the areas of greatest migrant growth were located between 3–5 km and 9–10 km from the park boundaries. This is in part driven by the conditions of the buffers closest to the parks in that they tended to be the least

developed, had fewer public services, and were likely to be highly sloped lands unattractive for agriculture. Ultimately, this further complicates the notion that it is access to the parks' resources, natural or infrastructural, that drives migration.

CONCLUSION

Overall, our research adds further evidence to existing discussions of how to measure the effects of PAs on migration and what evidence would be expected if PAs and their resources were the primary driver of migration decisions. The analyses presented contribute to larger discussions about PAs, human migration, and the effectiveness of conservation and development policies as a strategy for biodiversity conservation. Costa Rican migrants' perceptions of conditions in the buffer zones of three Costa Rican National Parks both supports and contradicts the connections between PAs, conservation and development, and human migration put forth by Wittemyer et al. (2008). Certain conditions in buffer zones were consistently and significantly rated higher by migrants and could be interpreted as conditions that attracted migrants. However, it is critical to note that it seems as if migration decisions were often related to conditions and resources that are not directly produced or provided by the PA or conservation and development policies. Thus, our analyses supports existing qualitative work in these contexts that question whether conservation and development in Costa Rica creates population growth in buffer zones due to in-migration (Hoffman 2011, Dehler 2015, Arends 2017, Hoffman 2020). In so doing, this work provides important contextualization of the relationship between PAs, migration, and population growth, as was suggested by Wittemyer et al. (2008). More specifically our work provides empirical data in response to the call for "more real-world examples of immigration to protected areas ... along with information on the reasons for the immigration and the benefits that may be provided by the protected area, such as income or natural resources" (Bamford et al. 2014:504).

This study reinforces the conclusions of many scholars regarding the need to base conservation policies upon the specific and varying social-ecological conditions found within the buffer zones of individual PAs. We concur with the others that there is a need to base conservation decisions on the political ecology, policy, and socioeconomic factors and history of individual PA development (Bamford et al. 2014, Levang et al. 2012, Salerno et al. 2014, Hartter et al. 2015). Unfortunately, many PA administrators, national conservation authorities, and NGOs often do not have the skills or the resources, especially time and labor, to conduct such fine-grained analyses in order to understand the ways in which PAs (and other local factors) affect migration and have potential impacts upon the biodiversity they are established to protect. Instead, they are forced to rely on generalizations and anecdotal information to guide policy decisions.

In sum, our work further stresses the need to engage with and understand the impacts of conservation efforts upon local people as has been repeatedly emphasized by social scientists (West et al. 2006, Büscher and Fletcher 2019, Agrawal et al. 2021). This is particularly relevant in light of the forceful debates about creating more extensive conservation efforts to combat the continued decline of global biodiversity such as the Half Earth (Wilson

2016) or protecting 30% for nature proposals (Waldron et al. 2020). Our methods provide another potential pathway (cf. Salerno 2016) for analyzing how PAs interact with local social, economic, and political conditions to impact migrant decision making that are critical for understanding the trade-offs necessary for attending to the needs of both biodiversity and local human populations.

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Appendix #1: Freelist Conversion Example

Original Responses	Recoded Responses
# Respondent1 turismo montana arenal la catarata aguas termales	# Respondent1 el turismo la montana la catarata aguas termales
# Respondent2 oportunidades de trabajo mucho que ver muchas cosas que hacer el ambiente ambiente sano	# Respondent2 el trabajo mucho que ver muchas cosas que hacer el ambiente sano
# Respondent3 centro turistico belleza volcanes rios canopy andar en kayak el lago anda en bicicleta ir a pescar	# Respondent3 el turismo la belleza escenica volcanes el rio canopy la recreacion el lago anda en bicicleta la pesca
# Respondent4 trabajo el ambiente me ha permitido vivir pueblo lindo pueblo precioso gente muy bonita mi familia hijos nacieron aqui turismo trae dolar	# Respondent4 el trabajo el ambiente la calidad de vida un pueblo lindo pueblo precioso la gente la familia hijos nacieron aqui el turismo
# Respondent5 naturaleza facilidades laborales gente amistosa gente compartida vivo tranquilo no hay policia que molestan la policia un lugar tranquilo	# Respondent5 la naturaleza el trabajo la gente gente compartida la tranquilidad no hay policia que molestan la policia un lugar tranquilo

tender ropa en el patio
muy poca delincuencia

Respondent6

turistas
dinero
pueblo lindo
pueblo encantador
todo comparte
pueblo pequeno
muchos servicios
3 bancos
6 supermercados
4 farmacias
un pueblo prospero

Respondent7

seguro
abundancia en agua
muy lindo
pueblo pequeno
muy diferente
seguridad
naturaleza

Respondent8

volcan
encontrar trabajo
pueblo turistico
personas diferentes
personas de otros paises
se relaciona con ellos
la relacion al pueblo
observar el volcan

Respondent9

centros turisticos
mucho trabajo
la gente muy amable
la gente se relaciona mucho
somos muy amables
el parque
colegio deportivo
lugar recreativo
escuela muy buena

tender ropa en el patio
la delincuencia

Respondent6

el turismo
dinero
un pueblo lindo
pueblo encantador
la gente
un pueblo pequeno
los servicios
el banco
el supermercado
4 farmacias
un pueblo prospero

Respondent7

la seguridad
el agua
un pueblo lindo
un pueblo pequeno
muy diferente
la seguridad
la naturaleza

Respondent8

el volcan
el trabajo
el turismo
personas diferentes
personas de otros paises
la gente
la relacion al pueblo
observar el volcan

Respondent9

el turismo
el trabajo
la gente
la gente se relaciona mucho
somos muy amables
el parque
las areas deportivas
la recreacion
la educacion

educacion muy buena
muchu vigilancia
casi no hay robos
pocos borachillos

Respondent10
zona rural
espacio libre
agua potable
servicios
luz electrica
supermercados
centros deportivos
desparcimiento
turismo
fuente de trabajo
familia viene para pasear
compartimiento familiar
mi proyecto de retiro
vida tranquila
empresarios locales
apertura comercial
financimiento bancario
buen manejo de basura
reciclan
desarrollo personal

Respondent11
volcan
tours
caminatas
rios
canopy
rafting
muy tranquilo
muchos turistas
muy bonita
muy calmado
no hay mucha delictuencia

Respondent12
oportunidad de trabajo
mercado que no esta saturado
posibilidad de innovacion
buen ambiente para vivir

educacion muy buena
muchu vigilancia
los robos
el alcoholismo

Respondent10
el campo
espacio libre
el agua
los servicios
la luz
el supermercado
las areas deportivas
desparcimiento
el turismo
el trabajo
familia viene para pasear
compartimiento familiar
mi proyecto de retiro
la tranquilidad
el comercio
la economia
el banco
limpio
reciclan
la superacion

Respondent11
el volcan
el turismo
la recreacion
el rio
el turismo
rafting
la tranquilidad
muchos turistas
lugar bonito
muy calmado
la delictuencia

Respondent12
el trabajo
las oportunidades
posibilidad de innovacion
el ambiente social

no hay mucha delincuencia
es seguro
servicios primarios accesibles
poco trafico de carros

Respondent13
el turismo
aguas termales
el volcan
los tours
catarata
el rio
sendero el silencio
el parque
rio del agua caliente

Respondent14
la gente
el turismo
turismo de aventura
belleza escenica
gente amable
gente sonrian al turista

Respondent15
volcan arenal
rio fortuna
rancho hostel la luna
amistades
finceros
lugar mas sano
bonito
estar solo
ir a pasear
buscando aguacates
fruta
frutas de pan
cosecha
buena gente
le saluden

Respondent16
el empleo
oportunidad diferente
prosperar

la delincuencia
la seguridad
la infraestructura
el transito

Respondent13
el turismo
aguas termales
el volcan
los tours
catarata
el rio
sendero el silencio
el parque
rio del agua caliente

Respondent14
la gente
el turismo
turismo de aventura
la belleza escenica
la gente
gente sonrian al turista

Respondent15
el volcan
el rio
los hoteles
la gente
la agricultura y ganaderia
sano
lugar bonito
estar solo
ir a pasear
buscando aguacates
fruta
frutas de pan
cosecha
la gente
le saluden

Respondent16
el trabajo
las oportunidades
la superacion

opciones variadas
propia empresaria
belleza escenica
hacer plata

Respondent17

volcan
los hoteles
el parque
mucho turismo
mas posibilidades de empleo
la gente
la gente muy humilde
la gente muy tranquila
lugar muy tranquilo

Respondent18

turismo
el volcan
aguas termales
naturaleza
cataratas
mucho verde
otras facilidades
la tranquilidad
no esta todo saturado
no hay tanto trafico
no hay tanto humo
no hay tanto ruido
no hay tanto urbanizacion
vivir con grandes areas verdes
vive mas sano

Respondent19

seguridad
trabajo
salud
mejores condiciones de vida para la familia
belleza escenica

Respondent20

los servicios basicos quedan cerca
salud
pagos de servicios
agua

opciones variadas
propia empresaria
la belleza escenica
hacer plata

Respondent17

el volcan
los hoteles
el parque
el turismo
el trabajo
la gente
la gente muy humilde
la gente muy tranquila
la tranquilidad

Respondent18

el turismo
el volcan
aguas termales
la naturaleza
cataratas
la vegetacion
la infraestructura
la tranquilidad
la sobrepoblacion
el transito
la contaminacion
el ruido
no hay tanto urbanizacion
vivir con grandes areas verdes
sano

Respondent19

la seguridad
el trabajo
la salud
la calidad de vida
la belleza escenica

Respondent20

los servicios
la salud
pagos de servicios
el agua

luz
cable
acceso al trabajo
limpio
el parque
bonito para salir

Respondent21

volcan
la catarata
el lago
los souvenir
la iglesia
la gente
la gente muy carinoso
la gente muy amistosa
la gente confiable
desarrollo
se preocupa por el turismo
hosteles
restaurantes
aptos para turista
el clima
la tranquilidad
encontramos de todo
ropa
zapatos
comida
servicio de bus
servicio de agua
servicio de cable
fuente de trabajo
aqua pura

Respondent22

montanas
rios
riqueza de la tierra
mucho extranjero
zona rica de ingreso de los dolares
paisaje

Respondent23

la tranquilidad
la seguridad

la luz
cable
el trabajo
limpio
el parque
bonito para salir

Respondent21

el volcan
la catarata
el lago
los souvenir
la iglesia
la gente
la gente muy carinoso
la gente muy amistosa
la gente confiable
el desarrollo
el turismo
los hoteles
los restaurantes
aptos para turista
el clima
la tranquilidad
centrico
ropa
zapatos
comida
el transporte
el agua
servicio de cable
el trabajo
aqua pura

Respondent22

la montana
el rio
riqueza de la tierra
mucho extranjero
la economia
el paisaje

Respondent23

la tranquilidad
la seguridad

no hay ladrones
limpio
organizacion
mejor organizado que muchos lugares en Costa Rica
la pesca

no hay ladrones
limpio
organizacion
mejor organizado que muchos lugares en Costa Rica
la pesca

Respondent24
turismo
gente calida
naturaleza
campo

Respondent24
el turismo
la gente
la naturaleza
el campo

Respondent25
volcan
muy concentrado
muy cerca
banco
bien organizado
hoteles y souvenirs duenos son ticos
el clima
la gente
tranquilo
sano
buena gente
el trabajo
practica de ingles

Respondent25
el volcan
centrico
muy cerca
el banco
bien organizado
los hoteles
el clima
la gente
la tranquilidad
sano
buena gente
el trabajo
practica de ingles

Respondent26
el paisaje
la riqueza de los suelos
la buena calidad de las aguas
la buena calidad de los suelos
facilidades para las comunicaciones
centro de comunicacion
gran centro
comunicaciones importante
muchas salidas
infraestructura buena
seguridad ciudadana buena
gente deseosa de crecer
gente deseosa de tener mejor calidad de vida
oportunidades para poder capacitar
oportunidades para mejorar
aprovechar los habilidades

Respondent26
el paisaje
la agricultura y la ganaderia
el agua
la buena calidad de los suelos
facilidades para las comunicaciones
centro de comunicacion
centrico
el transporte
las carreteras
la infraestructura
la seguridad
la gente
gente deseosa de tener mejor calidad de vida
la superacion
oportunidades para mejorar
aprovechar los habilidades

Respondent27

la naturaleza
forma de ser de las personas
confianza
buen trato
costumbrosmo
humilde
seguridad ciudadana
seguridad turistica
policia se trata muy bien
precios
variedad de clima
el clima calido
naturaleza con mucho cuidado
consciente de andar la basura
manejo de basura
tarifas no son muy caras
gente muy sana
el aire
bastante esta libre de contaminacion
se conserva flora
se conserva fauna
preparacion para turistas
conocimiento de flora y fauna
se tratan bien al turismo
volcan
playa artificial
paz
cordial
seguro

Respondent28

el ambiente
el turismo
el trabajo
las personas
tienen otra mentalidad
actitud positiva
anda feliz
anda tranquilo
un karma diferente
por lo tranquilo

Respondent29

fuentes de trabajo

Respondent27

la naturaleza
la gente
el ambiente social
buen trato
la cultura
la gente
la seguridad
seguridad turistica
la policia
los precios
el clima
el clima calido
la naturaleza
limpio
la basura
los precios
sano
el aire
bastante esta libre de contaminacion
la vegetacion
los animales
la educacion
conocimiento de flora y fauna
se tratan bien al turismo
el volcan
la playa
la paz
cordial
seguro

Respondent28

el ambiente
el turismo
el trabajo
la gente
tienen otra mentalidad
actitud positiva
anda feliz
la tranquilidad
el ambiente
por lo tranquilo

Respondent29

el trabajo

lugar tienen mucho paz
la gente muy amable
muy productivo
muy natural
mucha naturaleza
el clima muy bueno
vive la familia
aquí conocí a Dios
hay oportunidades de estudio

la paz
la gente
muy productivo
la naturaleza
mucha naturaleza
el clima
la familia
aquí conocí a Dios
la educación

Respondent30
la vista escénica
panoramas
el volcán
la actividad con la gente
gente muy activa
más ambiente
trabajo con personas
relacionar con la gente
los servicios
actividades
limpio
no es sucio
seguridad
confiado
comunidad organizada

Respondent30
la belleza escénica
panoramas
el volcán
la recreación
la gente
el ambiente social
el trabajo
relacionar con la gente
los servicios
actividades
limpio
no es sucio
la seguridad
la gente
comunidad organizada

Respondent31
tranquilo
oportunidades desarrollarme
el ambiente
el clima
la ciudad como tal
cerca de playa
tengo de todo cerca
no estoy encerrada

Respondent31
la tranquilidad
la superación
el ambiente
el clima
la ciudad como tal
la playa
centrico
no estoy encerrada

Respondent32
playas
costas
montañas
costumbres culinarias
la amabilidad
sencillez
cordialidad

Respondent32
la playa
costas
la montaña
la cultura
la gente
sencillez
cordialidad

dicharachos
forma de hablar
sus palabras
admiro gente vieja
solidaridad
gente ayudante
ayuda mucho
gente amable
nos ayuda mucho
hospitalidad

Respondent33
familiar
tranquilo
la religion mas catolica
cultura
va la familia a actividades culturales
la tranquilidad

Respondent34
campana
vida mas rural
mas tranquilo
menos hetereo
calidad de vida
mas saludable
muy tranquilo
aislado
vivimos con mascote
libertad de movimiento
no hay preocupacion como en la ciudad

Respondent35
el clima
la gente
la tranquilidad
mas despacio
menos congestionada
gente muy amable
gente muy sencilla
les gusta ayudar
les gusta colaborar

Respondent36
la gente

dicharachos
forma de hablar
sus palabras
admiro gente vieja
solidaridad
gente ayudante
ayuda mucho
gente amable
nos ayuda mucho
hospitalidad

Respondent33
la familia
la tranquilidad
la iglesia
la cultura
va la familia a actividades culturales
la tranquilidad

Respondent34
campana
el campo
la tranquilidad
menos hetereo
la calidad de vida
mas saludable
muy tranquilo
aislado
vivimos con mascote
el transporte
no hay preocupacion como en la ciudad

Respondent35
el clima
la gente
la tranquilidad
mas despacio
la sobrepoblacion
la gente
gente muy sencilla
les gusta ayudar
les gusta colaborar

Respondent36
la gente

gente amistad
gente acogedora
gente amistosa
playas
tipo de agricultura
forma de siembra
lugares atractivos
parques
caminar

Respondent37
la tranquilidad
el no movimiento de carros
tipo de gente
gente amable
verde
arboles
playas
familiares

Respondent38
poca poblacion
poca delincuencia
corto plazo todos los conocemos
gente bastante friendly
hay movimiento positivo sobre el cuidado del medio ambiente

Respondent39
comercio
trabajo
las calles
hospital mas cerca
mas ambiente de fiesta
mas se puede socializarse
mas gente

Respondent40
playa
comercio
atraccion turistica
parques
reservas biologicas
mucho mas avanzado
mas trabajo

gente amistad
gente acogedora
gente amistosa
la playa
la agricultura y ganaderia
forma de siembra
lugar bonito
el parque
la recreacion

Respondent37
la tranquilidad
el transito
la gente
gente amable
la vegetacion
arboles
la playa
la familia

Respondent38
la sobrepoblacion
la delincuencia
el ambiente social
la gente

Respondent39
el comercio
el trabajo
las calles
los servicios medicos
el ambiente social
mas se puede socializarse
la gente

Respondent40
la playa
el comercio
el turismo
el parque
reservas biologicas
el desarrollo
el trabajo

Respondent41
seguridad social
la comunidad
interaccion comunal
tranquilidad
no hay polucion
no hay contaminacion
el clima
estabilidad economica

Respondent42
tranquilidad
poca chusma
los rios
playas
fiestas de toros
carreras de cintas a caballo

Respondent43
pueblo cristiano
tranquilo
no es conflictivo
la gente humilde
la gente solidarios
economia equilibrada
cada quien tiene su manera de vivr
es una zona comercial
hay una educacion publica
se comparten la cultura
gente son muy trabajadores
la base es mas sobre la agricultura

Respondent44
calma
tranquila
clima de invierno muy bonito
fauna agradable
flora
las personas
amigos
vecinos con platos de comida
rio
comidas de tipico

Respondent45

Respondent41
seguridad social
la gente
interaccion comunal
la tranquilidad
no hay polucion
la contaminacion
el clima
la economica

Respondent42
la tranquilidad
poca chusma
el rio
la playa
fiestas de toros
carreras de cintas a caballo

Respondent43
pueblo cristiano
la tranquilidad
la paz
la gente
la gente solidarios
la economia
la calidad de vida
el comercio
la educacion
la cultura
gente son muy trabajadores
la agricultura y la ganaderia

Respondent44
calma
la tranquilidad
el clima
los animales
la vegetacion
la gente
amigos
vecinos con platos de comida
el rio
la cultura

Respondent45

la seguridad
la calma
el rio

Respondent46
la naturaleza
la gente le gusta el pueblo
la forma de pueblo
montanas
libre de contaminacion
libre de fabricas
libre de humo de vehiculos
aire puro
la relacion humana

Respondent47
menos presion
menos contaminacion
menos problemas sociales
menos rinas
menos pleitos
solvente
respiran mejor
no esta contaminada la zona
paz
vitrinas turisticas
playas limpias
playas sanas
son personas que puede confiar
son personas amables
son personas respetuosas
son personas educadas

Respondent48
la paz
la amabilidad
mas segura
menos violencia
tranquilidad

Respondent49
tranquilidad
pueblo tranquilo
naturaleza que rodea
la gente muy amistosas

la seguridad
la tranquilidad
el rio

Respondent46
la naturaleza
la gente
el ambiente social
la montana
limpio
la industria
libre de humo de vehiculos
aire puro
la relacion humana

Respondent47
el estres
limpio
el ambiente social
menos rinas
menos pleitos
solvente
respiran mejor
sano
la paz
el turismo
la playa
playas sanas
la gente
son personas amables
son personas respetuosas
son personas educadas

Respondent48
la paz
la gente
la seguridad
menos violencia
la tranquilidad

Respondent49
la tranquilidad
pueblo tranquilo
la naturaleza
la gente

Respondent50

muy tranquilo
la gente muy cordial
la gente muy amable
lugar muy limpio
tienen sus patios muy limpios
tienen sus patios solar muy limpio
son muy trabajadores
pueblo muy organizado
reciben mucha ayuda del gobierno
reciben mucha ayuda de otras instituciones
reciben mucha ayuda de donaciones
la gente es muy longeva

Respondent51

la gente noble
la gente carinoso
pueblo de amistad
colegio
IVAIS
iglesia
calidades
agua potable
luz electrica
telefonica
todos los servicios
todo centrico
acceso a Nicoya
servicio de buses
el clima
invierno y verano
ventoso
bonito

Respondent52

muy amistoso
vive mi hija
participo en grupos
trabajo para adultos mayores
iglesia tambien
campo
la gente
colegio
IVAIS

Respondent50

la tranquilidad
la gente
la gente muy amable
limpio
tienen sus patios muy limpios
tienen sus patios solar muy limpio
son muy trabajadores
pueblo muy organizado
el gobierno
reciben mucha ayuda de otras instituciones
reciben mucha ayuda de donaciones
la gente es muy longeva

Respondent51

la gente
la gente carinoso
la ambiente social
la educacion
los servicios medicos
la iglesia
la calidad de vida
el agua
la luz
telefonica
los servicios
centrico
acceso a Nicoya
el transporte
el clima
invierno y verano
ventoso
lugar bonito

Respondent52

la gente
la familia
participo en grupos
el trabajo
la iglesia
el campo
la educacion
los servicios medicos
farmacia

farmacia
solidaridad

Respondent53
la tranquilidad
poca delincuencia
se puede dejar cosas afuera
pueblo rural
paz
conoce todo el mundo
se logra vivir monetariamente
el clima agradable
costumbres
nadie se estresa
camina
anda
gente fiestera

Respondent54
ganando salario
siembra teca
muy tranquilo
vivimos tranquilos
la gente estimo
la gente tranquila
no se meten en las cosas de vivir
pueblo tranquilo
no se ha metido con nos

Respondent55
tranquilidad
buen ambiente
la calidad ambiental
comidan deliciosa
la cultura
el clima
la biodiversidad

Respondent56
tranquilo
paz
dormir tranquilo
era mas barata
el barato

el ambiente social

Respondent53
la tranquilidad
la seguridad
se puede dejar cosas afuera
el campo
la paz
el ambiente social
la calidad de vida
el clima
la cultura
nadie se estresa
la recreacion
anda
la gente

Respondent54
la calidad de vida
la agricultura y la ganaderia
la tranquilidad
vivimos tranquilos
la gente
la gente tranquila
no se meten en las cosas de vivir
pueblo tranquilo
no se ha metido con nos

Respondent55
la tranquilidad
el ambiente
la calidad ambiental
la comida
la cultura
el clima
la biodiversidad

Respondent56
la tranquilidad
la paz
la seguridad
los precios
el barato

Respondent57

la naturaleza
la cultura
la gente
humildad
el trabajo
las personas les ayuda mutuamente

Respondent58

lo tranquilo
zona verde
parque
totalmente diferente
la tranquilidad
se come mas natural

Respondent59

la naturaleza
su gente
gente alegre
gente buena
la paz
el clima
los animales
naturaleza

Respondent60

la vegetacion
calidad humana
mas aire puro
menos contaminacion
animales
toda preciosa
servicio
amabilidad
trato con ser humano

Respondent61

saludable
seguro
amigable
tranquilo
bonito
prospero
estable economicamente

Respondent57

la naturaleza
la cultura
la gente
la gente
el trabajo
las personas les ayuda mutuamente

Respondent58

la tranquilidad
la vegetacion
el parque
totalmente diferente
se come mas natural

Respondent59

la naturaleza
la gente
gente alegre
gente buena
la paz
el clima
los animales
la naturaleza

Respondent60

la vegetacion
la gente
mas aire puro
limpio
los animales
lugar bonito
los servicios
amabilidad
el ambiente social

Respondent61

sano
la seguridad
la gente
la tranquilidad
lugar bonito
la economia
la estabilidad

desarrollable
crecimiento

el desarrollo
crecimiento

Respondent62
playa
buena gente
hay trabajo
familia

Respondent62
la playa
la gente
el trabajo
la familia

Respondent63
se encuentra trabajo
mas tranquilo
ambiente
menos contaminacion
amable
se ayudan
colaborar

Respondent63
el trabajo
la tranquilidad
el ambiente
limpio
la gente
se ayudan
el ambiente social

Respondent64
tranquilo
bonito
alquileres son baratos
cerca de la playa

Respondent64
la tranquilidad
lugar bonito
los precios
la playa

Respondent65
tranquilidad
todo esta cerca
la escuela
IVAIS
policia
gente amable

Respondent65
la tranquilidad
centrico
la educacion
los servicios medicos
la policia
la gente

Respondent66
hay mucho trabajo
mas supermercados
playa
muchas montanas
animales
familia
tenemos casa
tiene trabajo

Respondent66
el trabajo
el supermercado
la playa
la montana
los animales
la familia
tenemos casa
tiene trabajo

Respondent67
bonito
intorno

Respondent67
lugar bonito
intorno

montanas
parque que rodea
la paz
la tranquilidad
espiritualmente mas con uno mismo
trato de estar unido con mio mismo
dificil estresarse

Respondent68

clima
la gente amable
la montana
la cercania animales
vivis en la natorleza
la aguas del rio limpios
sentirse mucho mejor una
confianza en la gente
respeta al propiedad privada
cercania a Jaco

Respondent69

tranquilidad
la actividad social
el espacio
el rol diario de vida
la vida cotidiana
cambio de alimentacion
cambio de actividad trabajo
cambio total de forma de vida

Respondent70

la naturaleza
el campo
terreno
sanitas
tranquilo
diversidad de aves

Respondent71

el clima
la amplitud de terreno
la poca densidad
la tranquilidad
espacio
la idiosyncrasia de la gente

la montana
el parque
la paz
la tranquilidad
espiritualmente mas con uno mismo
trato de estar unido con mio mismo
la tranquilidad

Respondent68

el clima
la gente
la montana
los animales
la naturaleza
el agua
sentirse mucho mejor una
confianza en la gente
el ambiente social
cercania a Jaco

Respondent69

la tranquilidad
la ambiente social
el espacio
la calidad de vida
la vida cotidiana
cambio de alimentacion
la superacion
cambio total de forma de vida

Respondent70

la naturaleza
el campo
terreno
sanitas
la tranquilidad
los animales

Respondent71

el clima
el campo
la poca densidad
la tranquilidad
espacio
la gente

Respondent72
muchas lapas
viene turistas
aves
manglar
cocodrilos
90 clases de aves
cerca del mar
la pesca
vivimos de la pesca
el parque
ecologia
cosas indigenos
se esta cuidando
tranquilo
vive con confianza
negocio
muchas vias de comer

Respondent73
la paz
turismo
viajes de tur
ver los cocodrilos
ir a conocer carar
el parque
companerismo humano
acogedor
se preocupa por uno
se preocupa por ellos
plaza de deportes
futbol cinco parque
parquecito para ninos
servicio de luz
servicio de agua
servicio de telefono

Respondent74
la tranquilidad
el mar
la gente
mucho prosperidad
hay trabajo
mucho turismo

Respondent72
los animales
el turismo
los animales
manglar
cocodrilos
90 clases de aves
cerca del mar
la pesca
vivimos de la pesca
el parque
la naturaleza
la cultura
se esta cuidando
la tranquilidad
la seguridad
el comercio
los restaurantes

Respondent73
la paz
el turismo
viajes de tur
los animales
ir a conocer carar
el parque
el ambiente social
la gente
se preocupa por uno
se preocupa por ellos
las areas deportivas
futbol cinco parque
la recreacion
la luz
el agua
servicio de telefono

Respondent74
la tranquilidad
el mar
la gente
la calidad de vida
el trabajo
el turismo

esta centrico
mucha facilidad de escuela
las aves

Respondent75
era la pesca
hotelera
turismo

Respondent76
turismo
playas
vienen a ver las lapas
tucanes

Respondent77
clima caliente
ambiente de pueblo
contacto con naturaleza
se vive con menos plata
tranquilidad

Respondent78
ambiente bonita
la gente
el clima
bueno todo
zona de donde se saca fruta
bonito
tranquila la gente
muy sana
no roban
no matan
andar tranquilo
trabajo
gana poquito mejor
sale de todo

Respondent79
trabajo de agricultura
terreno
productiva
zona industrial
empresas
teca

centrico
la educacion
los animales

Respondent75
era la pesca
hotelera
turismo

Respondent76
el turismo
la playa
vienen a ver las lapas
los animales

Respondent77
el clima
el ambiente social
la naturaleza
los precios
la tranquilidad

Respondent78
lugar bonito
la gente
el clima
bueno todo
la superacion
bonito
la tranquilidad
sano
los robos
la seguridad
andar tranquilo
el trabajo
los precios
sale de todo

Respondent79
la agricultura y la ganaderia
terreno
productiva
la industria
empresas
teca

somos unidos
hermitaneos
escuela bien
carretera
pueblo unido
trabajan
hay de todo

la gente
hermitaneos
la educacion
las carreteras
el ambiente social
trabajan
centrico

Respondent80
cercania de la costa
le gente
la unidad

Respondent80
la playa
la gente
la ambiente social

Respondent81
centro economico
contro comercial
comunidades alrededor vienen a comprar
alrededor vienen a comprar
desarrollado
seguro
termino medio entre ciudad y pueblo
seguridad
tranquilo
servicios muy cercanos
tiene lo basico
media sociables
todos tiene su independencia
gente amable

Respondent81
la economia
el comercio
comunidades alrededor vienen a comprar
alrededor vienen a comprar
el desarrollo
la seguridad
termino medio entre ciudad y pueblo
seguridad
la tranquilidad
los servicios
la calidad de vida
el ambiente social
todos tiene su independencia
la gente

Respondent82
clima
trabajo
te va uno a turistear
turismo
entra comerciante
se queda y no se va
aguantan los que estan en licor

Respondent82
el clima
el trabajo
el turismo
turismo
el comercio
se queda y no se va
aguantan los que estan en licor

Respondent83
el clima
su gente
la naturaleza
buenas vias de transporte
cercania con la capital
cercania con Jaco

Respondent83
el clima
la gente
la naturaleza
el transporte
cercania con la capital
cercania con Jaco

gente amable
gente servicial
gente muy comunicativa

Respondent84

lugar bonito
naturaleza
rios bonitos
playa
montana

Respondent85

turismo
playa
embocador del rio Tarcoles
la pesca
el negocio
naturaleza
animales
mani gordo
mapuchin
lapas
cocodrilos
mueve mas el dinero

Respondent86

zona esta llena de droga
muchas oportunidades
deportes
la gente comunitaria
la gente muy serviciales
hacen muchas actividades
centro diurno para gente de tercer edad
pueblo mas superado
los negocios ayuden a la gente
servicios
policia
municipalidad

Respondent87

la playa
el tur de cocodrilo
el parque carara
la plaza de deportes
el trabajo

gente amable
gente servicial
gente muy comunicativa

Respondent84

lugar bonito
naturaleza
el rio
la playa
la montana

Respondent85

el turismo
la playa
embocador del rio Tarcoles
la pesca
el comercio
la naturaleza
los animales
mani gordo
mapuchin
lapas
cocodrilos
la economia

Respondent86

las drogas
las oportunidades
las areas deportivas
la gente
la gente muy serviciales
la recreacion
centro diurno para gente de tercer edad
el desarrollo
los negocios ayuden a la gente
los servicios
la policia
el gobierno

Respondent87

la playa
el turismo
el parque
las areas deportivas
el trabajo

Respondent88
el parque
las fuentes de empleo
los servicios publicos
internet
transporte
vivienda

Respondent89
los cocodrilos
la playa
el rio
pesca
trabajan en hoteles
grupo de jovenes de la iglesia catolica

Respondent90
comunidad segura
seguridad
no hay tanta delincuencia
tranquilo
suave
despacio
hay trabajo
necesitan mi servicio
clima
paisaje
el mar
el parque nacional
la selva
lo que no tenia
cambio de vida
mas calidad de vida

Respondent88
el parque
el trabajo
los servicios
el internet
el transporte
vivienda

Respondent89
los animales
la playa
el rio
la pescael trabajo
la iglesia

Respondent90
la seguridad
seguridad
la delincuencia
la tranquilidad
suave
despacio
el trabajo
necesitan mi servicio
el clima
el paisaje
el mar
el parque
la selva
lo que no tenia
cambio de vida
la calidad de vida

Appendix #2: Truncated freelist frequency & Smith's S results

Item	Question #1		
	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Saliency
la_gente	56.7	5.06	0.342
la_tranquilidad	45.6	4.46	0.308
el_trabajo	32.2	4.72	0.216
el_turismo	26.7	3.42	0.212
el_clima	21.1	5.63	0.138
la_playa	18.9	4.76	0.123
el_ambiente_social	17.8	6.25	0.088
la_naturaleza	17.8	4.69	0.114
la_seguridad	16.7	5.8	0.102
el_parque	14.4	6	0.077
los_animales	14.4	6.15	0.075
la_calidad_de_vida	12.2	6.27	0.068
el_volcan	11.1	3.9	0.097
la_paz	11.1	6	0.076
el_rio	11.1	3.9	0.067
limpio	11.1	7.4	0.06
lugar_bonito	11.1	5.8	0.066
los_servicios	10	6.89	0.054
la_cultura	10	6.78	0.05
la_educacion	10	9	0.04

Item	Question 2		
	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Saliency
las_drogas	34.4	2.87	0.271
el_desempleo	22.2	3.5	0.146
el_clima	21.1	3.11	0.164
la_gente	18.9	3.41	0.129
los_precios	17.8	4.38	0.113
los_servicios_medicos	17.8	7.81	0.074
la_educacion	16.7	6.4	0.089
el_alcoholismo	15.6	4.71	0.098
el_gobierno	13.3	3.5	0.098
la_basura	12.2	4.45	0.085
la_contaminacion	12.2	4.82	0.075
la_inseguridad	11.1	8.8	0.045
la_prostitucion	11.1	5.3	0.047

Item	Question 3		
	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Saliency
la_gente	31.1	5.21	0.181

el_clima	26.7	3.88	0.192
el_trabajo	26.7	4.25	0.179
la_tranquilidad	22.2	3.65	0.162
centrico	22.2	4.4	0.13
la_familia	21.1	4.79	0.121
las_comodidades	20	3.61	0.143
el_transporte	18.9	5.47	0.101
la_educacion	17.8	4.94	0.093
la_agricultura_y_la_ganaderia	17.8	3.44	0.13
el_comercio	16.7	5.2	0.104
lugar_bonito	15.6	4.07	0.107
la_cultura	15.6	5.79	0.094
la_comida	14.4	6.62	0.07
los_servicios_medicos	13.3	5.75	0.069
los_servicios	12.2	5.45	0.071
el_supermercado	10	5.44	0.048

Question #4

Item	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Salience
las_drogas	33.3	4.23	0.211
el_trabajo	26.7	2.96	0.194
la_inseguridad	26.7	4.08	0.195
el_desempleo	20	3.33	0.15
la_contaminacion	18.9	5.35	0.115
la_delincuencia	17.8	3.5	0.117
la_sobrepoblacion	16.7	4.33	0.101
el_transito	16.7	6.2	0.092
las_carreteras	16.7	5.8	0.078
la_educacion	14.4	4.54	0.099
la_pobreza	14.4	6	0.08
los_robos	13.3	5.33	0.076
el_alcoholismo	12.2	3.64	0.086
el_ambiente_social	11.1	4.1	0.07
la_gente	11.1	5.4	0.057
el_transporte	11.1	4.5	0.056
el_gobierno	10	4.44	0.061

Question #5

Item	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Salience
el_trabajo	71.1	2.03	0.62
la_tranquilidad	33.3	3.33	0.247
la_educacion	31.1	6.32	0.149
la_gente	26.7	4.25	0.172

los_servicios	25.6	5.26	0.153
la_seguridad	23.3	4.19	0.143
la_superacion	17.8	4.88	0.115
la_recreacion	17.8	6.56	0.086
los_servicios_medicos	16.7	5.2	0.1
la_economia	16.7	4	0.107
el_clima	14.4	3.77	0.089
la_familia	13.3	5.92	0.078
la_calidad_de_vida	13.3	3.5	0.1
el_transporte	12.2	7.64	0.049
la_paz	12.2	4.91	0.078
el_comercio	11.1	4.7	0.067
sano	10	8.33	0.037
centrico	10	8	0.035
la_luz	10	7	0.043

Question #6

Item	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Salience
el_desempleo	51.1	1.93	0.436
el_trabajo	31.1	2.71	0.23
la_educacion	25.6	3.78	0.143
la_inseguridad	23.3	3.14	0.166
la_familia	20	3.78	0.123
la_economia	15.6	4.29	0.089
la_calidad_de_vida	15.6	4.36	0.093
la_superacion	12.2	3.73	0.064
las_drogas	11.1	5.4	0.044
la_gente	11.1	3.7	0.069
los_robos	11.1	4.2	0.072
el_ambiente_social	10	3.22	0.076

Question #7

Item	Frequency (%)	Average Rank	Salience
la_educacion	55.6	6.38	0.359
la_gente	48.9	5.3	0.345
el_trabajo	43.3	5.59	0.248
los_servicios_medicos	35.6	8.38	0.191
la_seguridad	26.7	5.92	0.169
el_transporte	25.6	9.17	0.127
las_carreteras	23.3	7.52	0.126
el_agua	22.2	9.35	0.113
las_drogas	20	6.61	0.137
la_tranquilidad	20	4.94	0.144
las_areas_deportivas	17.8	9.69	0.092

limpio	17.8	6.63	0.116
los_servicios	16.7	6.13	0.103
la_recreacion	15.6	8.21	0.081
el_supermercado	13.3	10.83	0.06
el_parque	13.3	8.17	0.072
la_naturaleza	13.3	8.42	0.068
la_luz	12.2	10	0.061
el_clima	11.1	9	0.059
el_banco	11.1	6.3	0.069
el_comercio	11.1	9.3	0.048
la_cultura	11.1	9.8	0.055
el_gobierno	11.1	6.3	0.081
centrico	10	8.67	0.04
la_economia	10	6.22	0.06

Appendix #3: Culturally Correct Answer Key for Carara National Park Current Communities

People	3.85
Tranquility	3.94
Opportunities	3.16
Tourism	3.94
Climate	3.32
Social Env.	3.38
Nature	4.33
security	3.46
Park/ protected area	4.20
Wild animals	4.20
quality of life	3.78
Encounter Peace	3.87
Rivers	3.81
Cleanliness	3.70
Beauty	4.43
Services	3.05
culture	3.52
education	3.51
drug problem	2.35
unemployment	2.68
prices	2.14
medical services	2.79
Alcoholism	2.17
Government	2.68
Garbage	3.01
Contamination	3.28
Insecurity	3.09
Prostitution	2.64
Centrality	2.88
Family situation	3.77
Comforts	3.00
Transport	2.82
Agriculture and ranching	3.96
Commerce	3.28
Food	3.87
Supermarkets	2.90
Delinquency	2.73
Overpopulation	2.95
Traffic	3.30
Roads/highways	2.68
Poverty	2.49
Robberies	2.61
Economy	2.85
Ability to improve oneself	2.99
Water	4.21
Sports Areas	2.98
Recreation	3.16
Electricity	3.65
Bank/Services	3.22
Healthiness	3.54
Noise	3.48
Violence	3.14
Countryside	4.27