

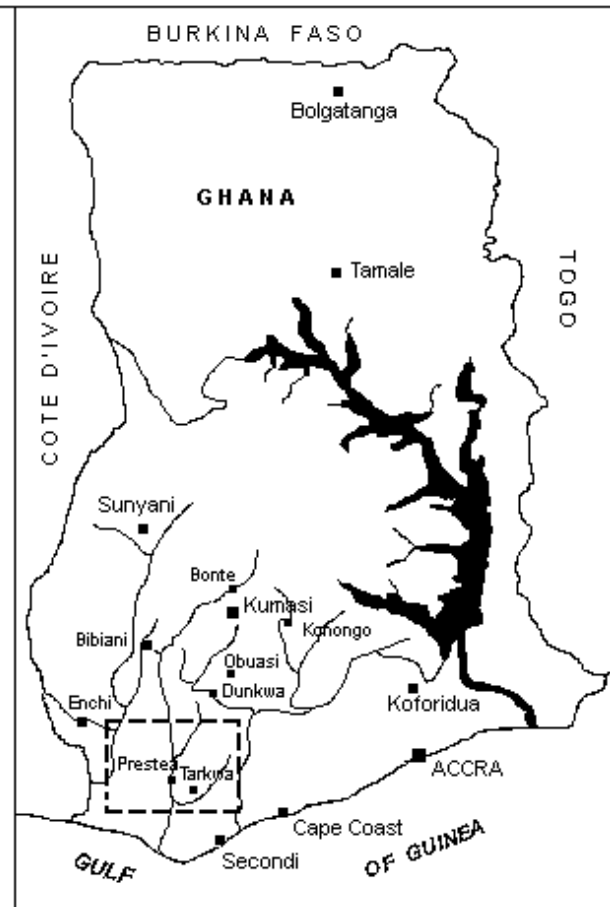
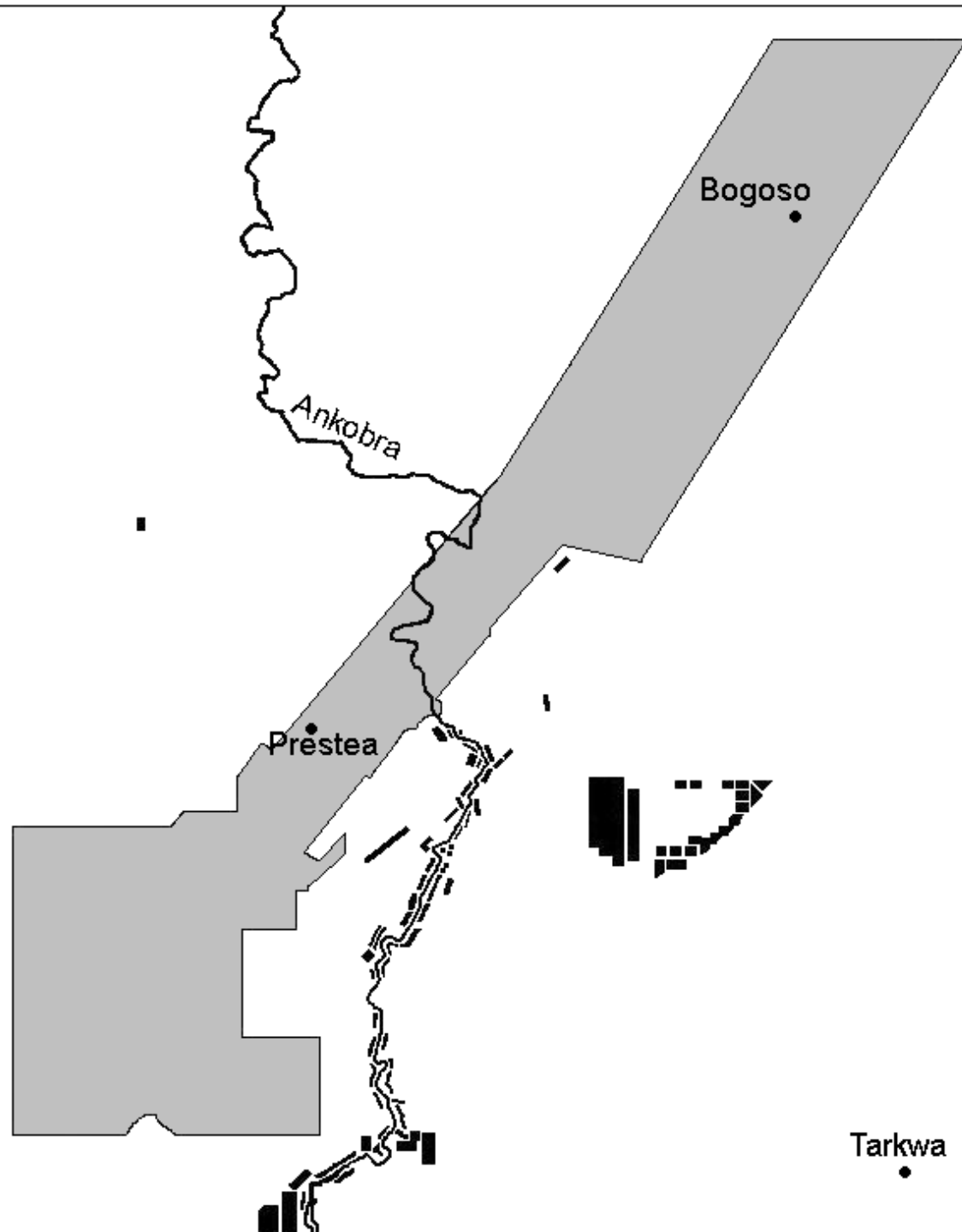
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# Bogoso/Prestea Mine (BGL)

Golden Star Mine



- Study area
- Small-scale mining concessions
- Bogoso/Prestea concession
- Settlement



# Headlines



**“Ghana: Police/Army open fire on demonstrators” *The Chronicle* (Ghana) 06/16/2005**

**“Blast at Bogoso Gold Limited attracts street demonstration” 07/05/2005**

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**“Bogoso Gold Spills cyanide into River Ankobra” 24/10/04**

**“Stop BGL's irresponsible and arrogant mining – Community” 17/09/05**



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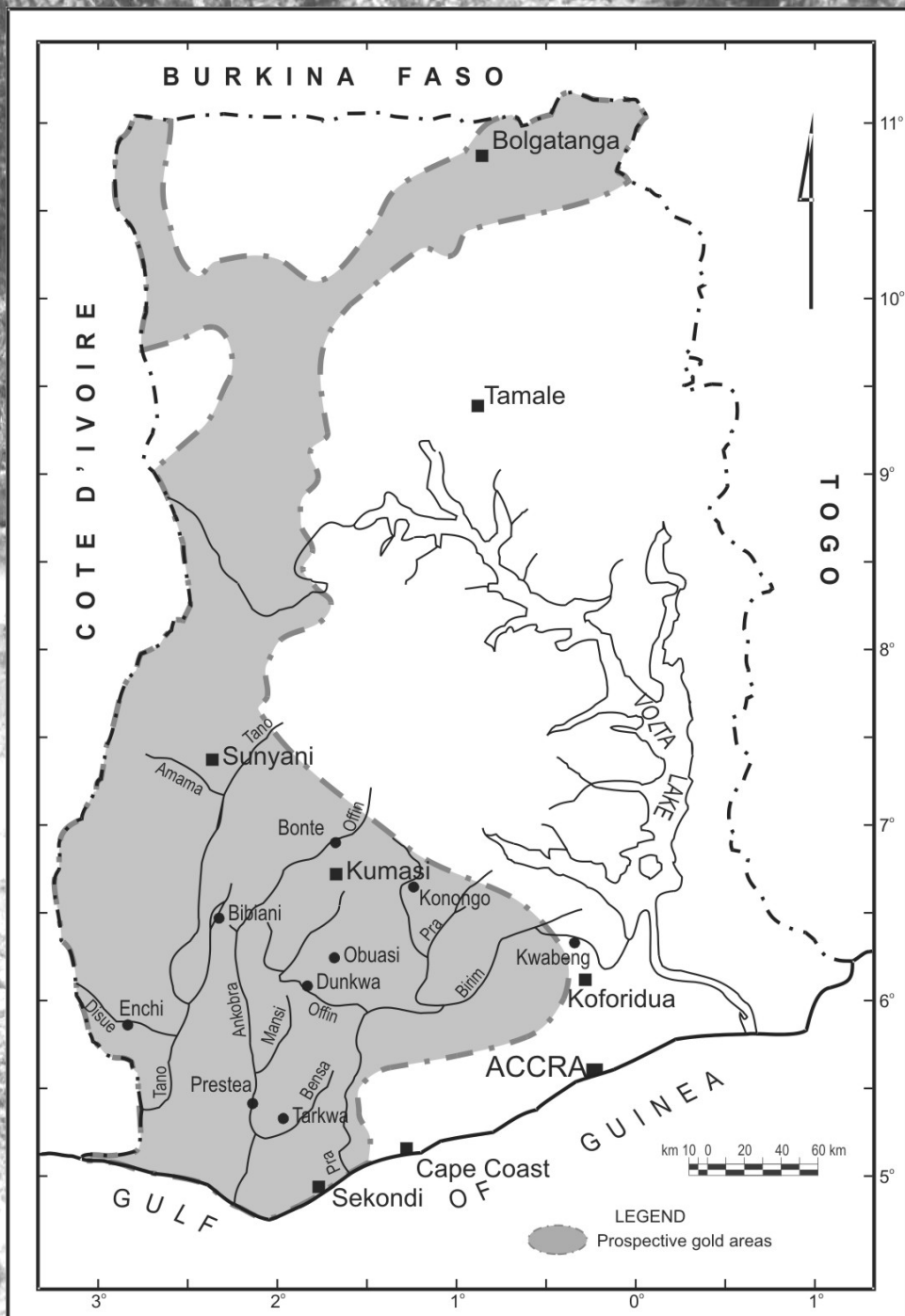


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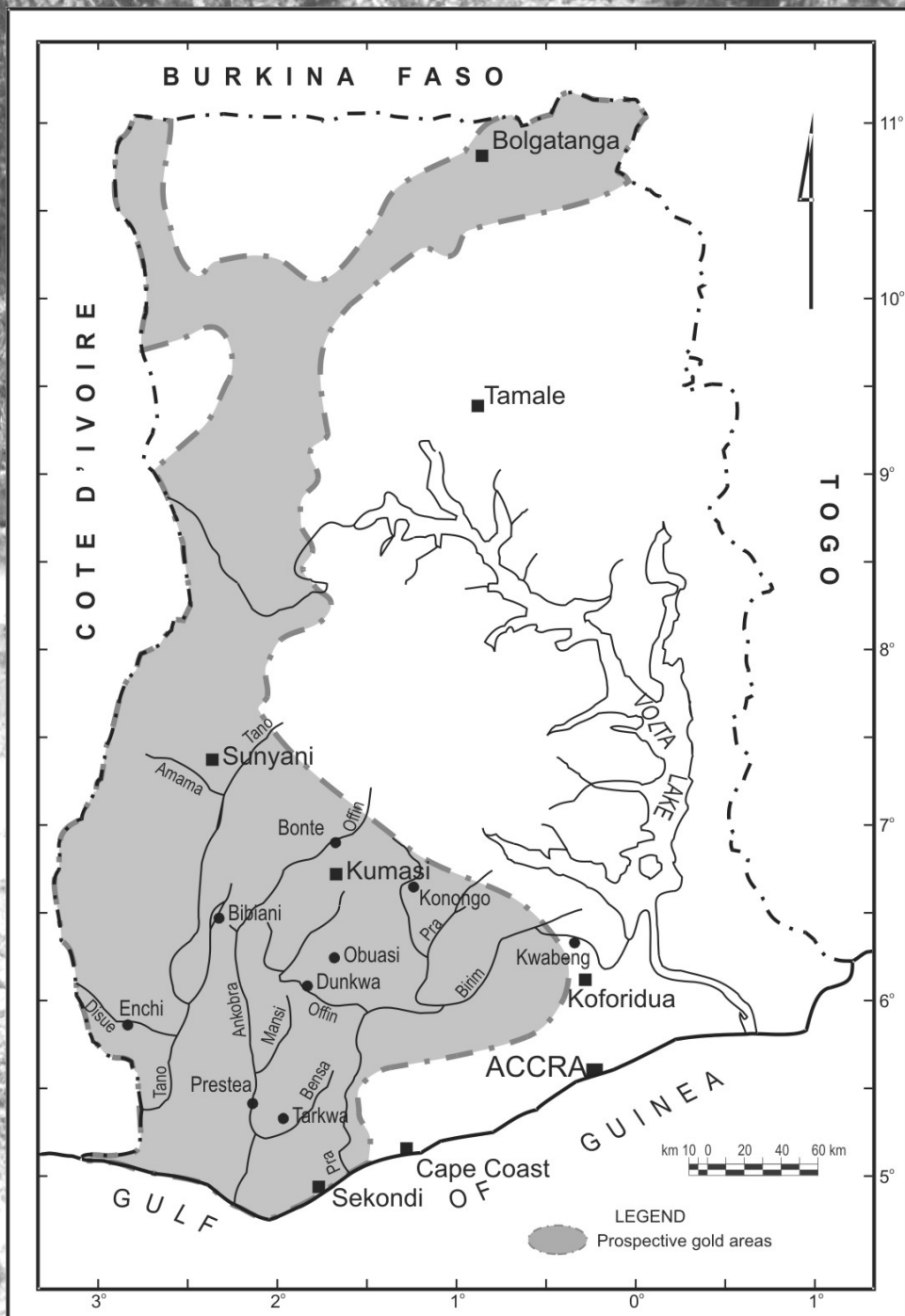




# Background



- ERP and large-scale mining
- Legalization of SSM
- Large tracts of land under concession (encroachment)
- 200,000+ illegal *galamsey*



# Background

- BGL a unique case
- Denison Mines (1986)
- JCI Barnex Group
- Problem
- Prestea Gold Resources
- BGL



# Perspectives



- The Community
  - Compensation
  - Letters
  - Galamsey camps: “I Trust My Legs”, Number Four Bungalow, Ecomog, Bondaye
- The government
- BGL







# Evaluating Proposed Solutions



## 1) Proposed Relocation

- Japa
- Winneba
- Adjumadium

## 2) Sustainable Livelihoods = Unsustainable Livelihoods



# Recommendations

- We know nothing about these communities
  - Sustainable solutions
    - Pond trout
    - Cocoa farming
    - Rose gardens
  - Relinquish a portion of the concession
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