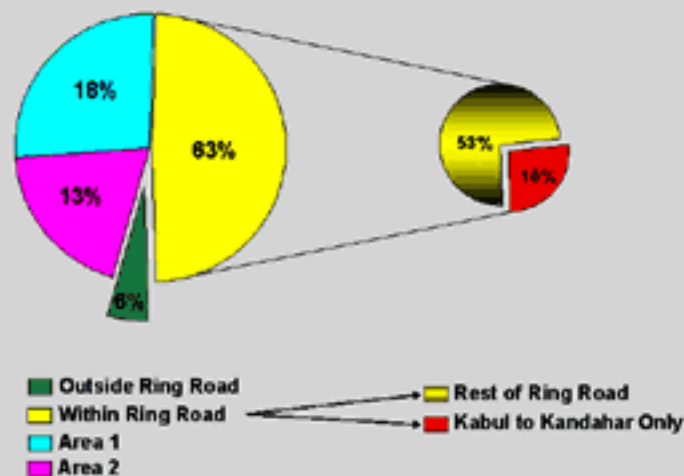


Total Agricultural Land

63% of the cultivated agricultural land in Afghanistan lies within fifty kilometers of the Afghanistan Ring Road.

Much of the 2,400 kilometer Ring Road now lies in ruins, contributing to a severe disruption of trade and transport within Afghanistan. Afghanistan's economy is largely agricultural. Reconstruction of the Ring Road would link agricultural producers and products to markets.



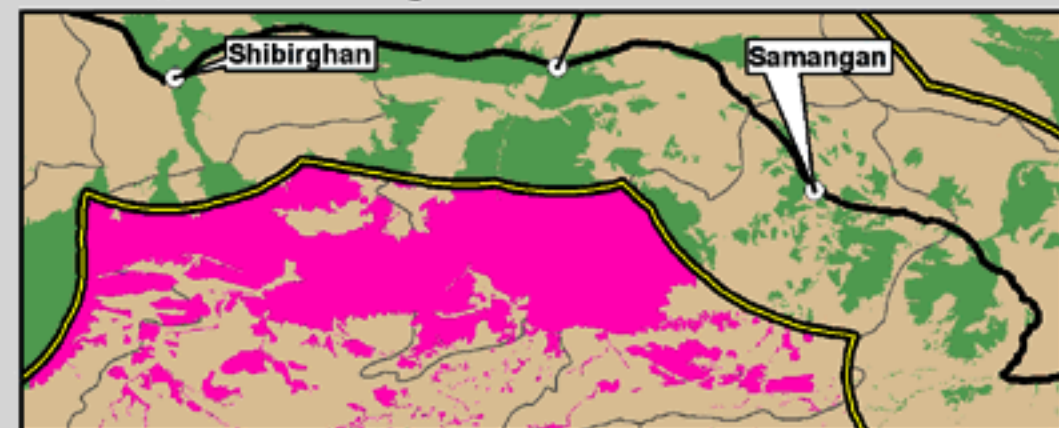
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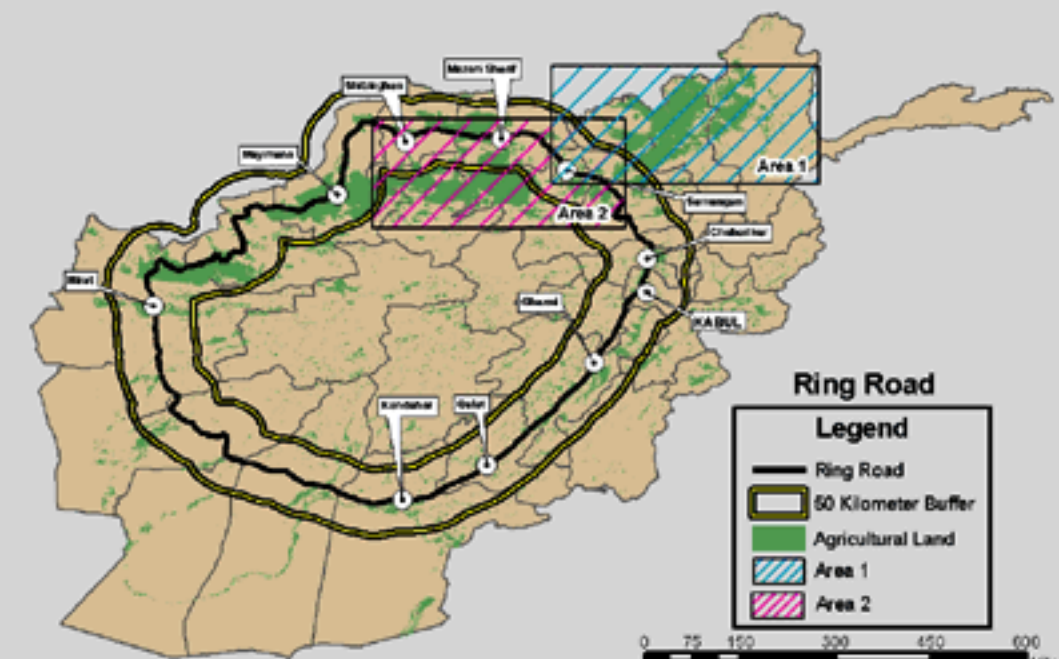
Area 1 - 18% of the cultivated agricultural land



Area 2 - 13% of the cultivated agricultural land



HIGH PRIORITY AREAS FOR ROUTES



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Geodata: Afghanistan Agricultural Lands 1993.
 Landuse derived from Landsat imagery.
 - US Geological Survey (USGS)

Afghanistan Population Data 2002. Data extrapolated from partial 1987 census.
 - Afghanistan Information Management System (AIMS)
 - Central Statistics Office (CSO)