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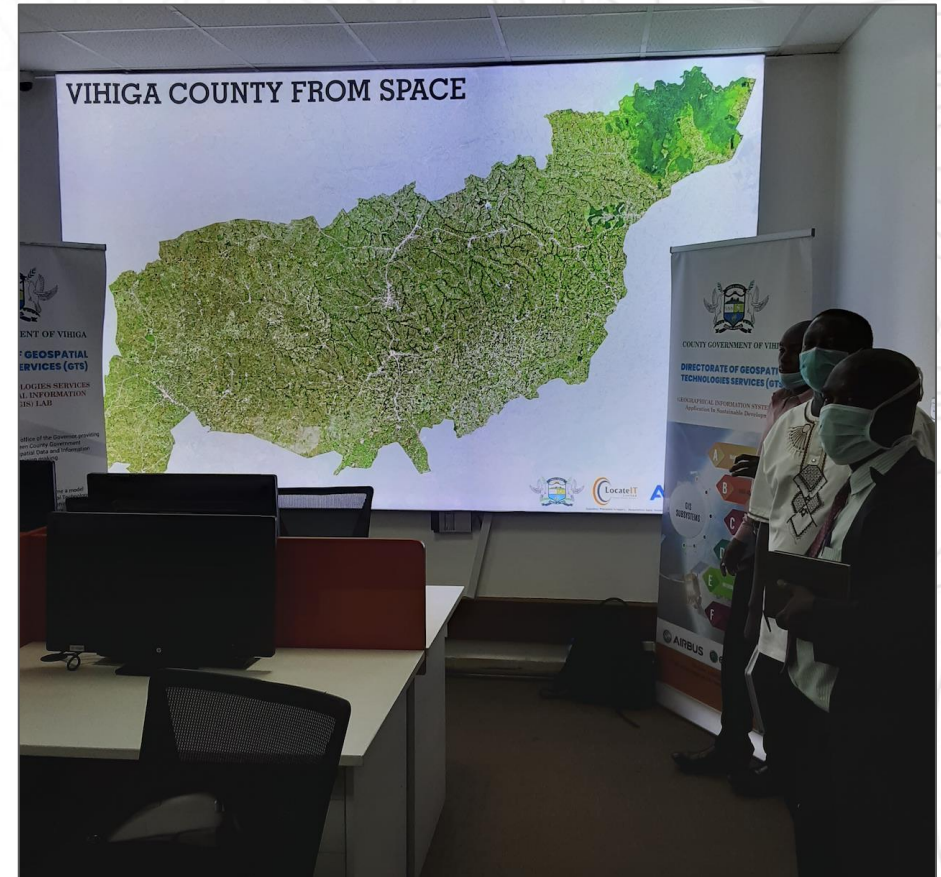


# Akros supports countries to move from policy to practice → *Geo-enabling planning & delivery*

- **Supporting Ministries to integrate high-res maps**
- **Geo-enabling routine service delivery and campaigns**
- **Tool-agnostic**
- **Integrated campaign workflows across multiple use cases**
- **Creating “End to end planning and delivery” workflows**



Thank you!







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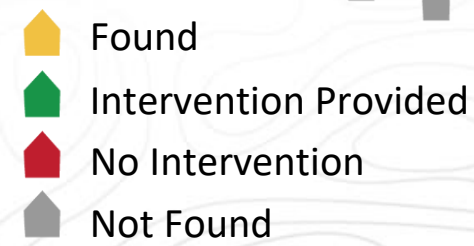
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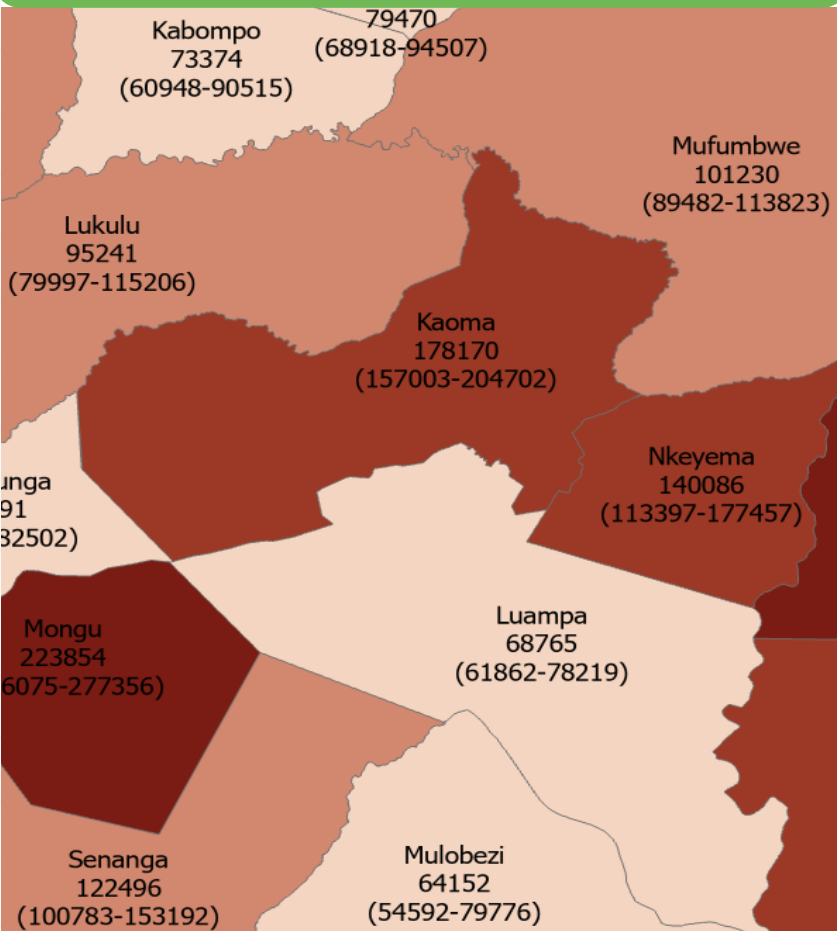
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## Settlement extents



## Household footprints

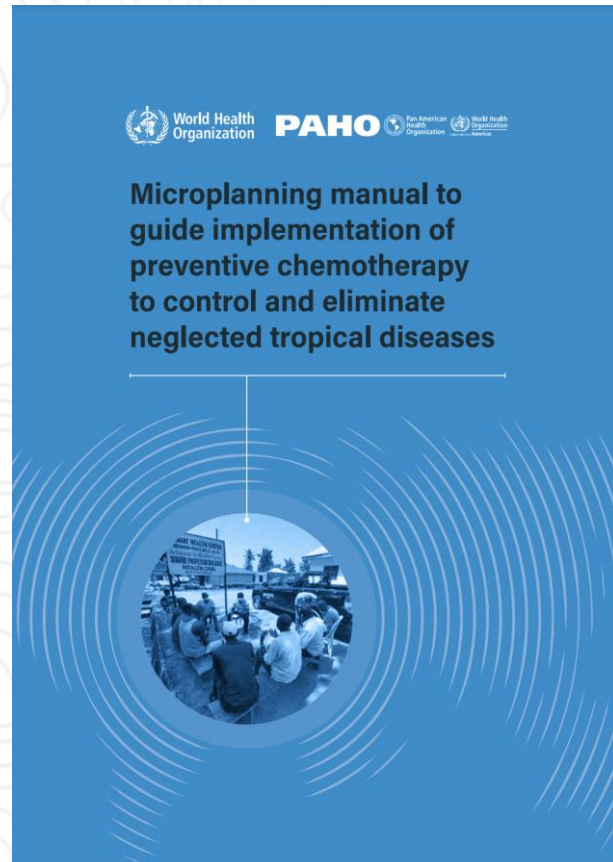






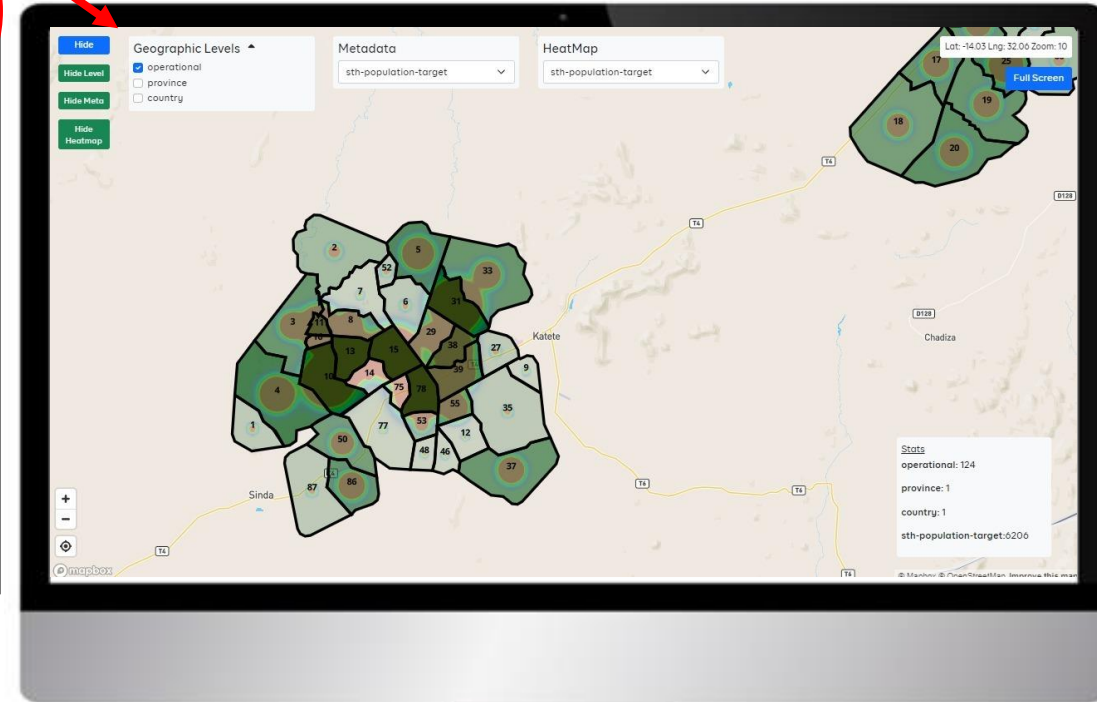
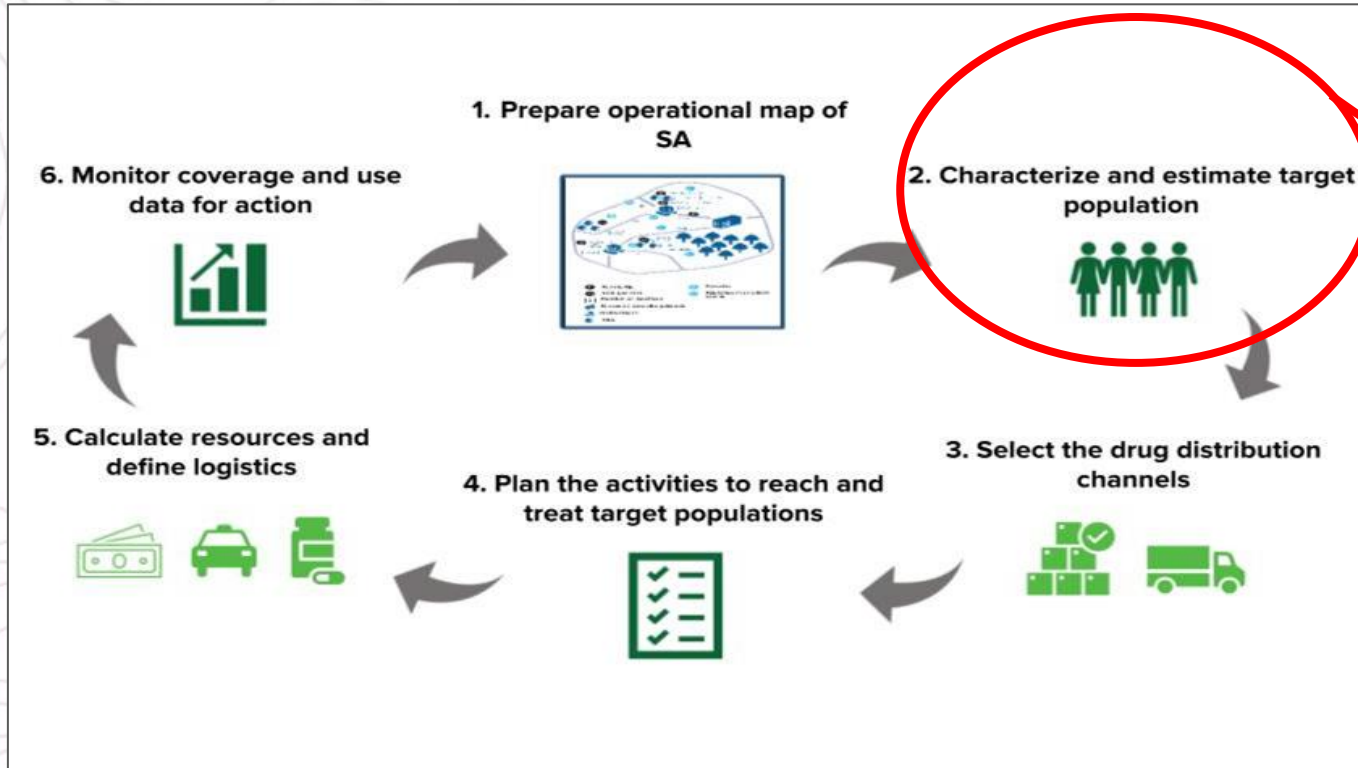
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WHO 2022

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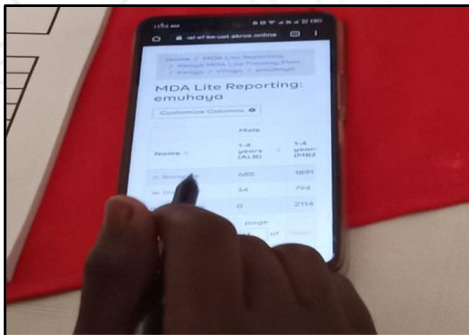
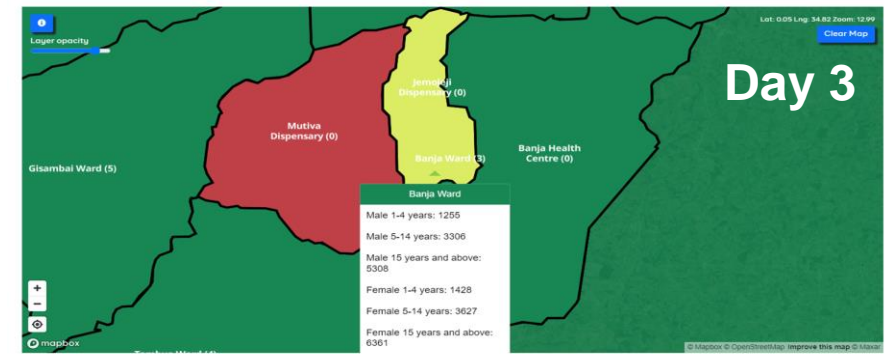
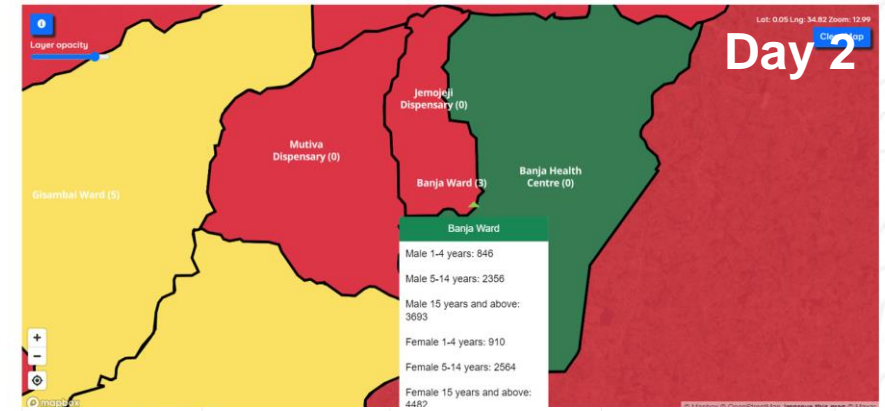
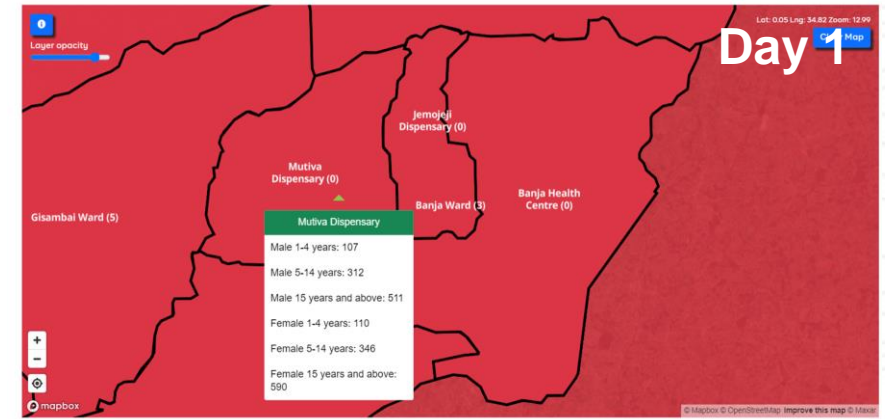
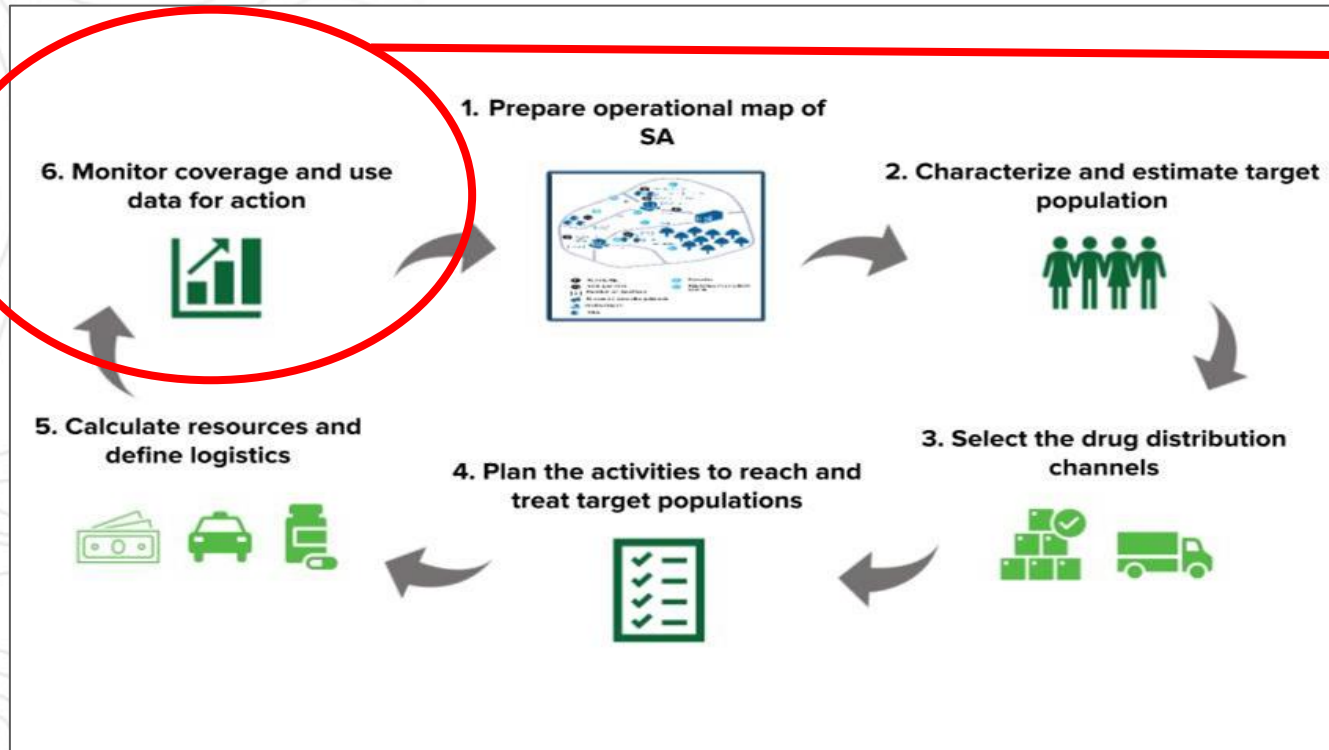
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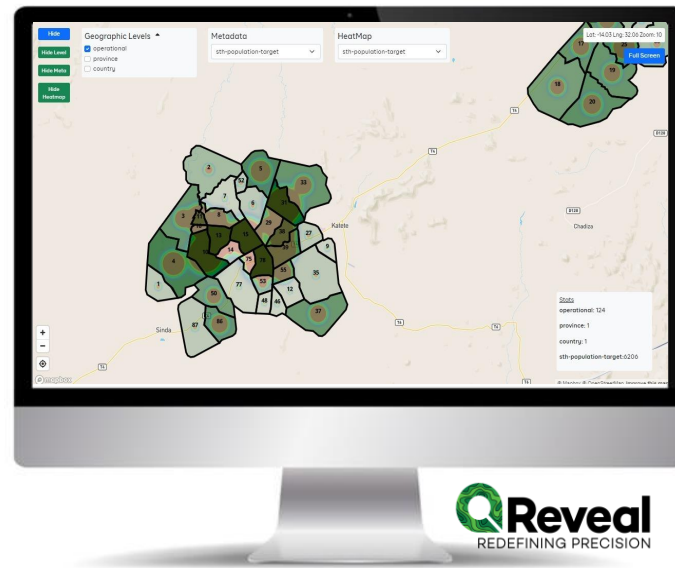
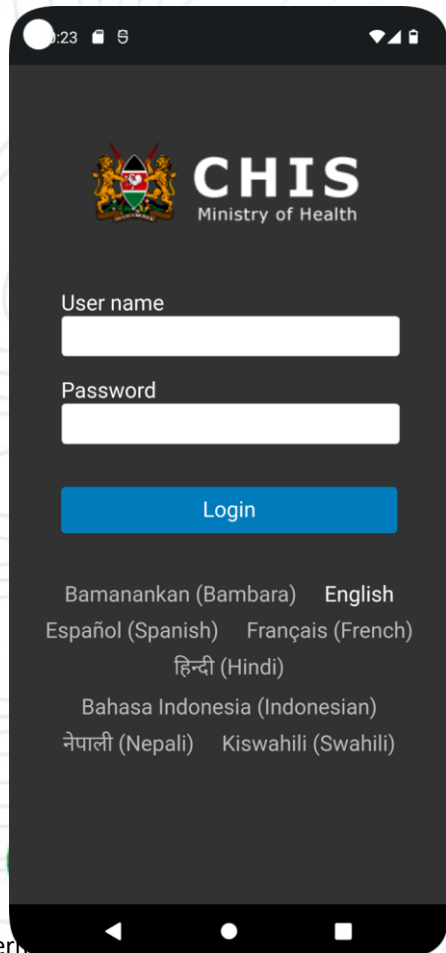
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# Next steps in Kenya: Integration of Reveal microplanning & eCHIS

- CHAI is leading the Integrated Campaign Digitization project in Kenya
- Purpose: Improve integrated health campaign effectiveness
- Microplanning features of Reveal will be added into eCHIS\*



- Through integration, eCHIS will support geo-enabled planning of health campaigns
- Upload geospatial population data
- Planners can simulate campaign focus and identify staffing and resources required.

\* Timeline: June-August 2023



Geo-enablement  
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Zambia IRS &  
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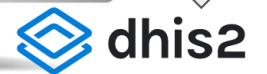
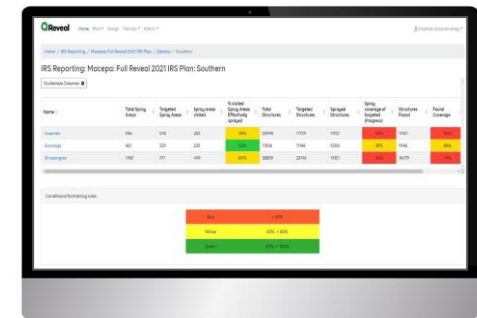
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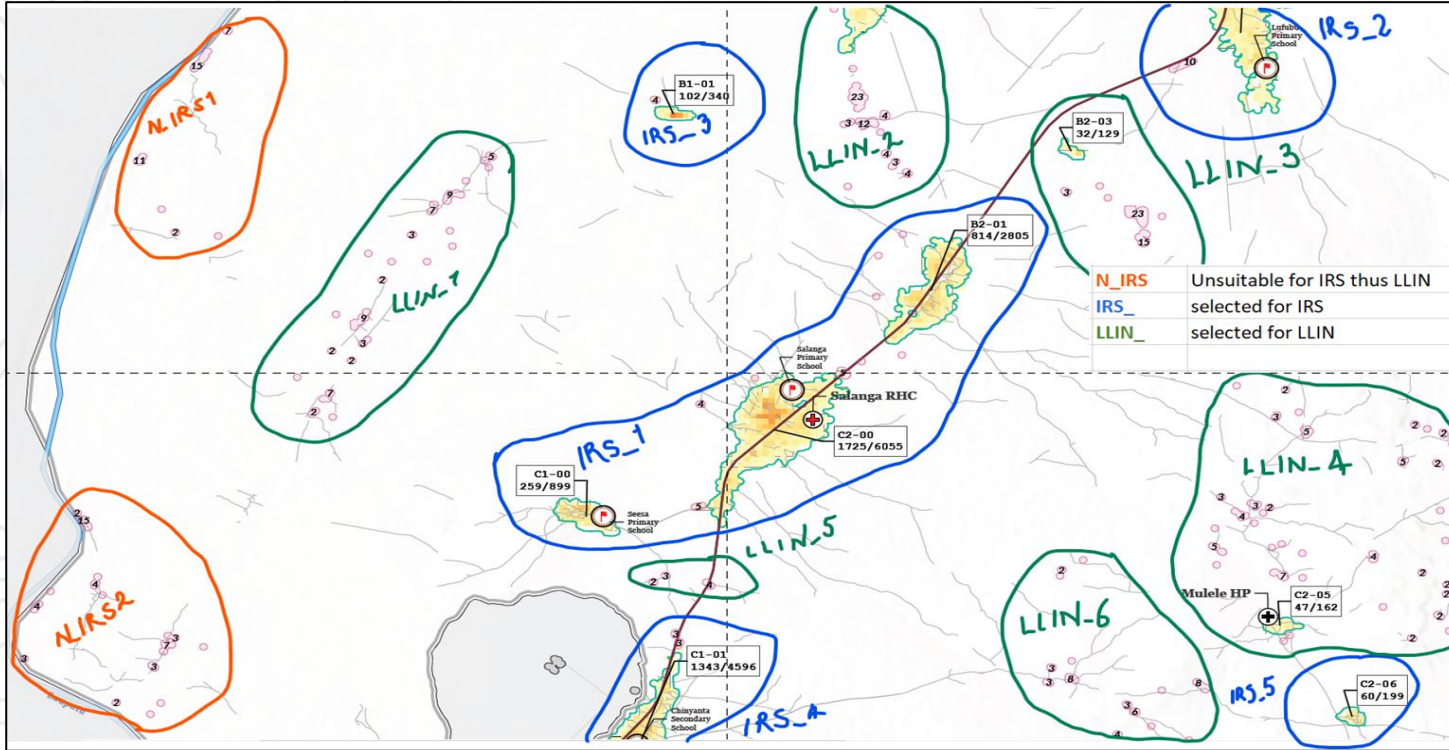
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### Plan Simulation

Hierarchy: default  
Geographic Level: province  
Location: Select Location...  
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Load inactive locations:  Select to Load Inactive Locations  
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Map Simulation showing provinces: Northern, Muchinga, Eastern, Southern, Western, North-Western, Copperbelt, Central, Lusaka. Stats popup: province: 10, hf-structure-sum: 3402848, hf-population: 0.

Digitized plan creation

### The Microplanning Module in Reveal allows you to:

- Compare campaign targeted areas to available resources (HR, drugs, nets, etc.)
- Strategize how to maximize your impact through geospatial analysis and assess various scenarios through the interface
- Disseminate the final plan to field teams for them to start data collection



# Assignments

← Assign Plans

## Assign Teams (NMEP 2022 IRS Campaign Full)

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Assign Locations | Assign Teams: 6652

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Assign Locations Assign Teams Assignment Summary

Location	Geography Level	Assign teams
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# ENSURE NO ONE IS MISSED:

Field teams use Reveal to navigate to targets and capture data about intervention delivery, and to make data driven decisions, in the field.



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- Ineligible structure

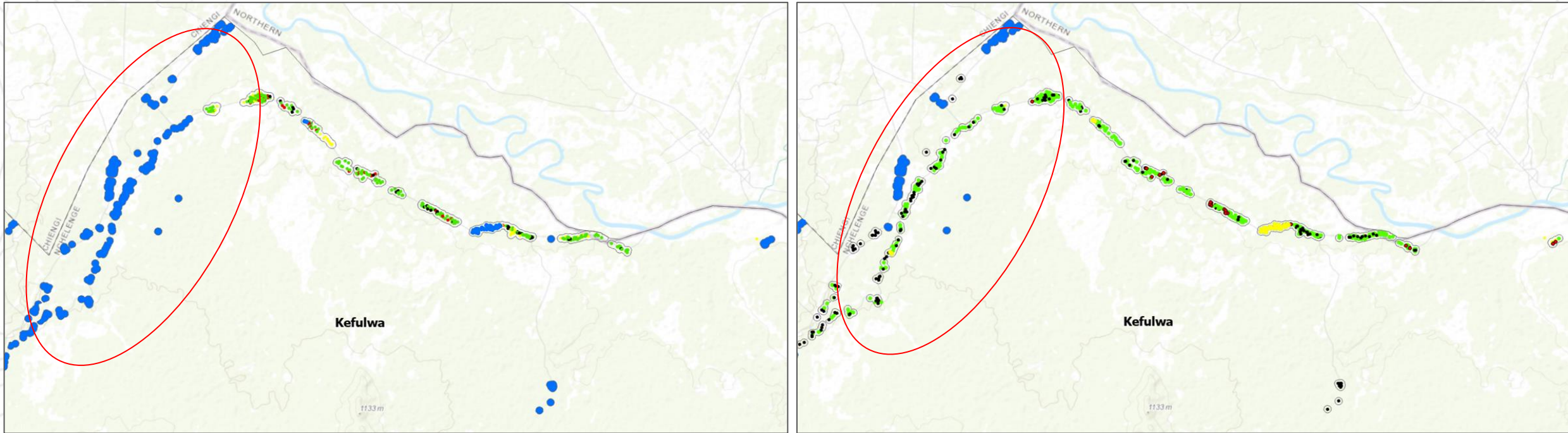
Actions: direct teams to NW quadrant;  
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## Spray coverage in 2019 (83%) vs. 2020 (93%)



 Intervention received  
 Not Reached

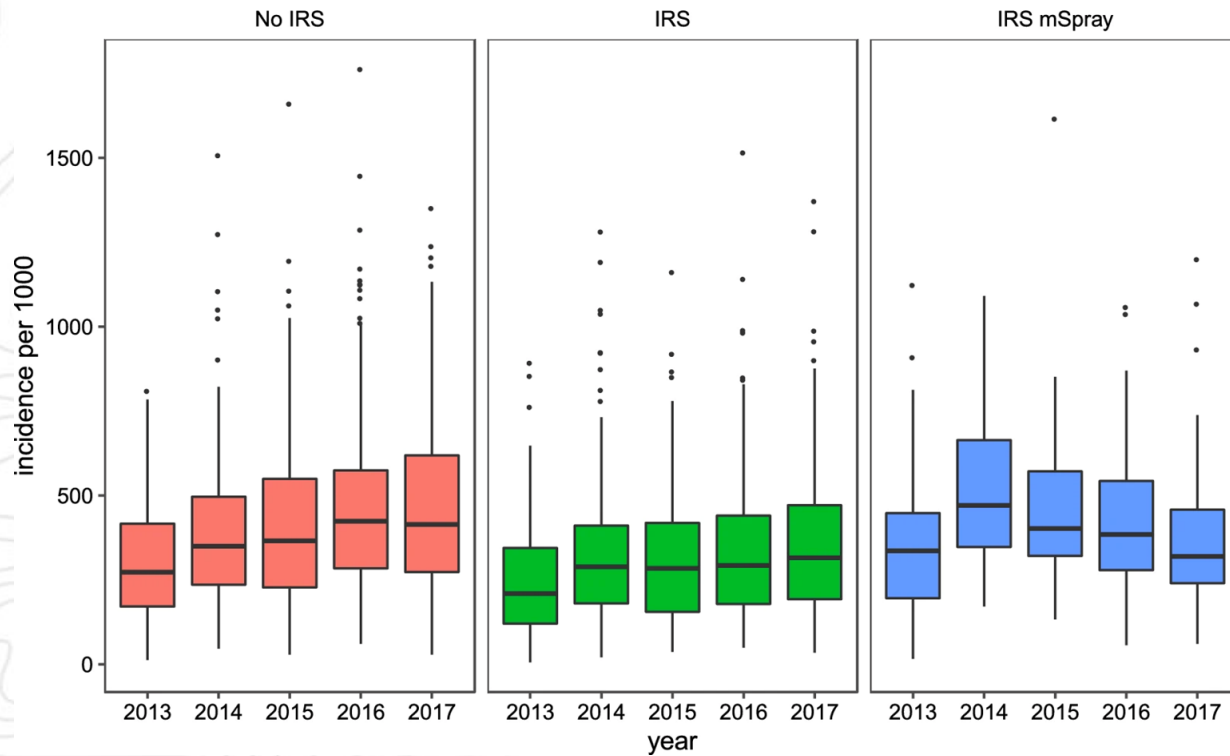
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The map on the left shows a rural area of Kefulwa that was not reached in 2019; it was believed that there were very few structures here and all were ineligible. However, the image on the right shows results from 2020 IRS implementation where these areas were included in the spray calendar and the team was resourced to reach these areas. Some structures are ineligible (in black) but many structures in this rural, hard-to-reach, inland area are green, indicating that they were eligible and have received spray.



# RETROSPECTIVE IMPACT EVALUATION



- **Keating et al (2021)** conducted a retrospective analysis of IRS operations in Luapula Province, Zambia.
- **Methods:** Random effects Poisson model, no IRS, IRS, IRS+Reveal
- **Results:** Confirmed malaria case incidence rose slightly in areas with No IRS (red); leveled out in areas receiving IRS (green), and decreased in areas receiving IRS+Reveal.
- **Conclusion:** “The use of the Reveal tool appears to improve the effectiveness of the IRS programme, possibly through improved population level coverage”
- Additional research by **Yukich et al (2019)** describe the potential **cost-effectiveness of use of Reveal through a multi-country analysis** through the nGenIRS project suggesting a significant reduction in cost per malaria case averted. <sup>2</sup>

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- 1 Established microplanning practices across multiple SSA countries → spectrum of low tech to higher tech approaches
- 2 Over 3.6 million impacted through Reveal-related deployments alone
- 3 Increased health campaign coverages by 20-30%.<sup>1</sup>
- 4 Reduction in malaria incidence by 15%; Reduced cost per malaria case averted by 63% (\$118 → \$44).<sup>2</sup>

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- 1 Use of digital devices in field - power outages challenging for recharging devices; managing multiple devices
- 2 Takes time to garner political and funding support for digital global goods
- 3 Population data and modeled estimates have varied accuracy -- field-based validation of datasets can inform future years
- 4 Additional ROI analyses are required to underscore the gains that geospatial technology can bring to make quick progress to SDG goals





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- 1 Let's go farther together: **Integrate geospatial capability** to tools already working well insitu: eCHIS, DIGIT, DHIS2 → Scale
- 2 Integrate campaigns: reuse geospatial population data, use multi-delivery strategies
- 3 Extend the value chain of field data to continually build and improve global population datasets (Ramp, WorldPop, GRID3)
- 4 Operationalize geospatial risk models to guide precision campaign deployment to high-risk areas

***We can achieve SDGs faster if we operationalize geospatial data to find and deliver health services to last mile communities and populations.***

Thank you!

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You are invited to join the Reveal community!

[www.revealprecision.com](http://www.revealprecision.com)

**Source code:**

Reveal source code is readily available here:

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**USAID's 2022 Digital Development Awards Winner**







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- Campaign digitalization implementation experience – 3 slides
- Achievements / best practices – 2 slides
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- Lessons learned and recommendations – 4 – 5 slides





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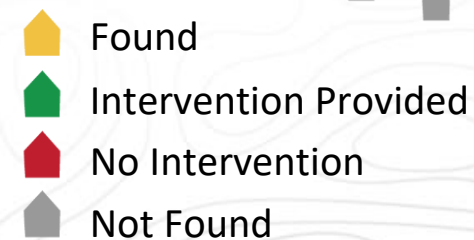
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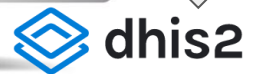
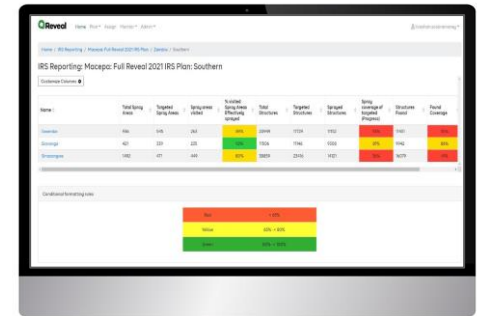
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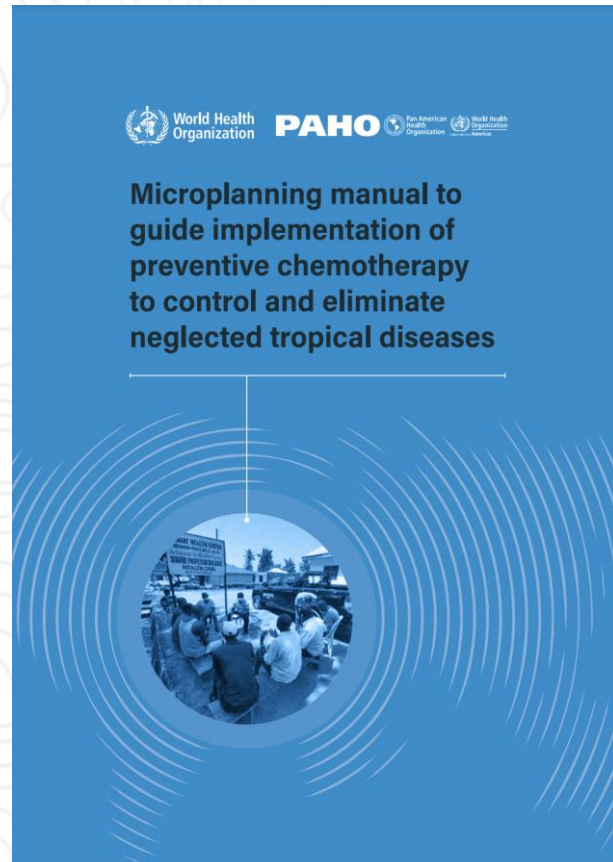
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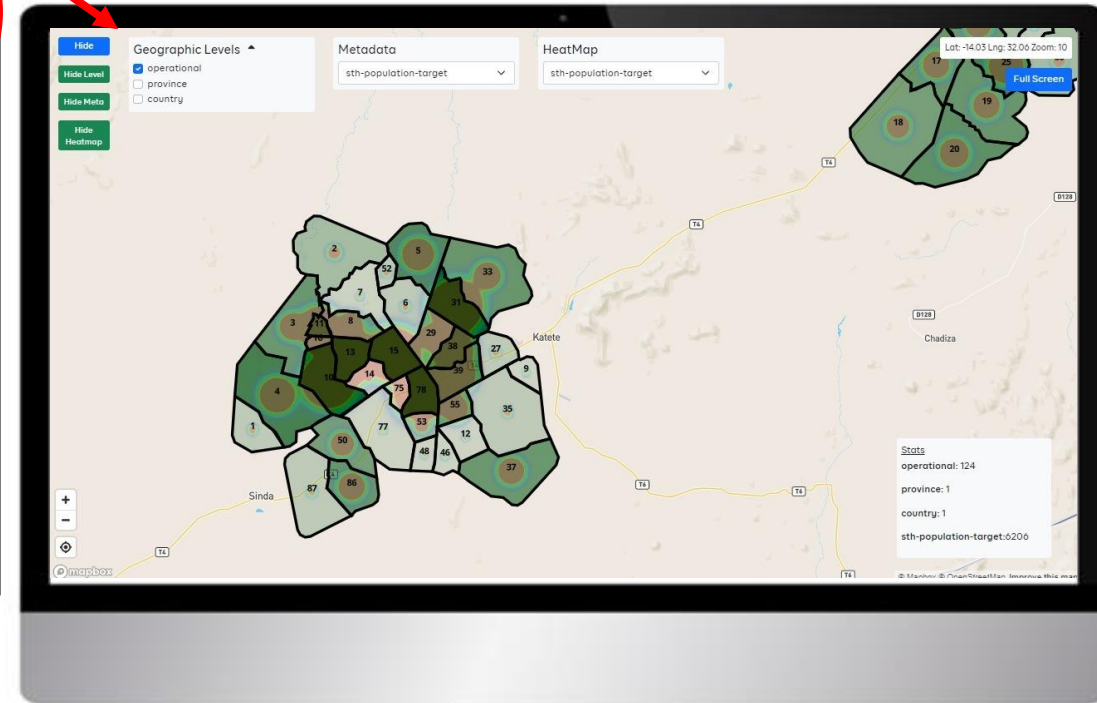
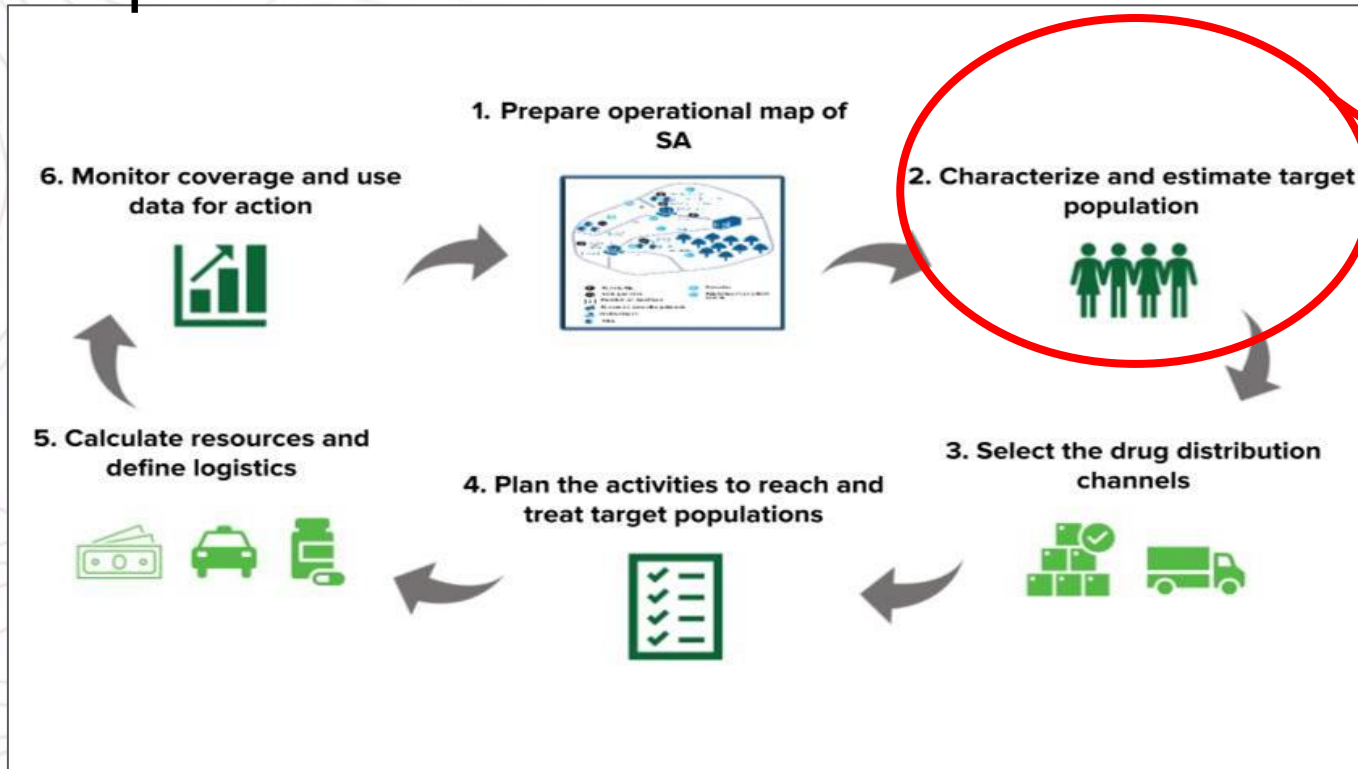
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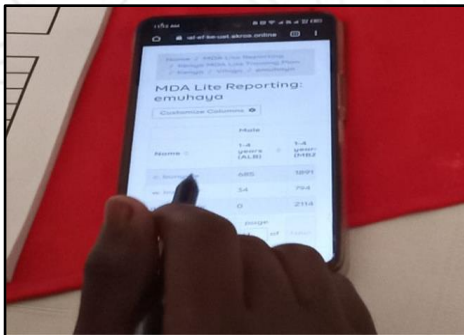
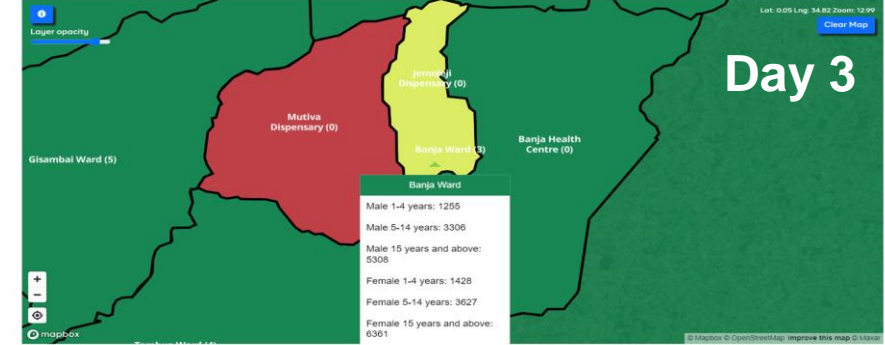
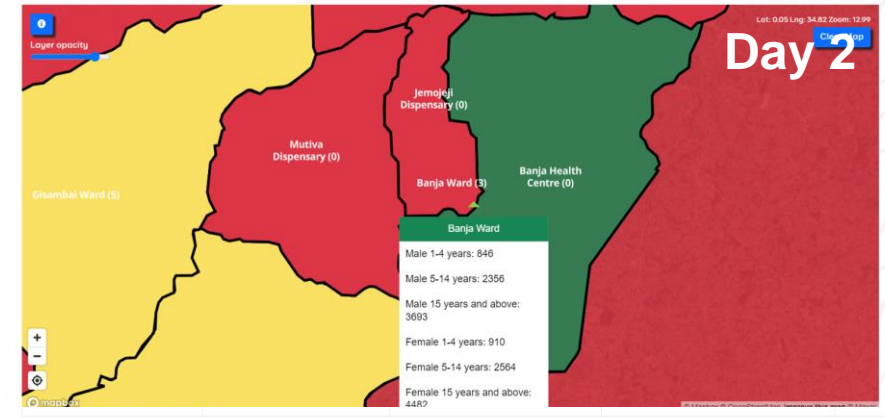
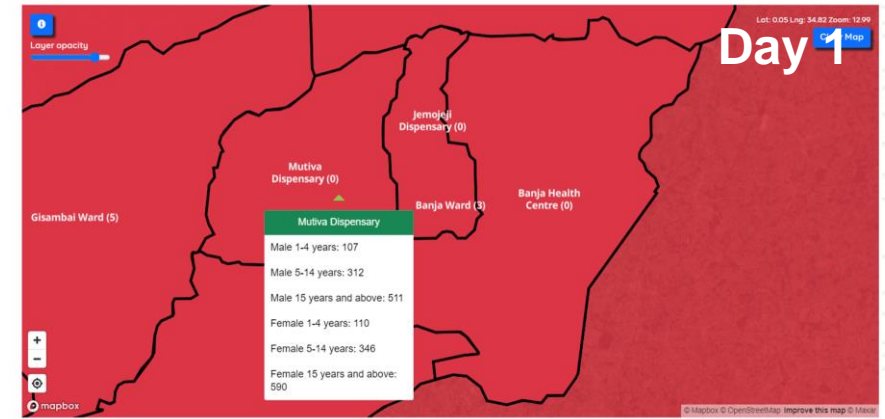
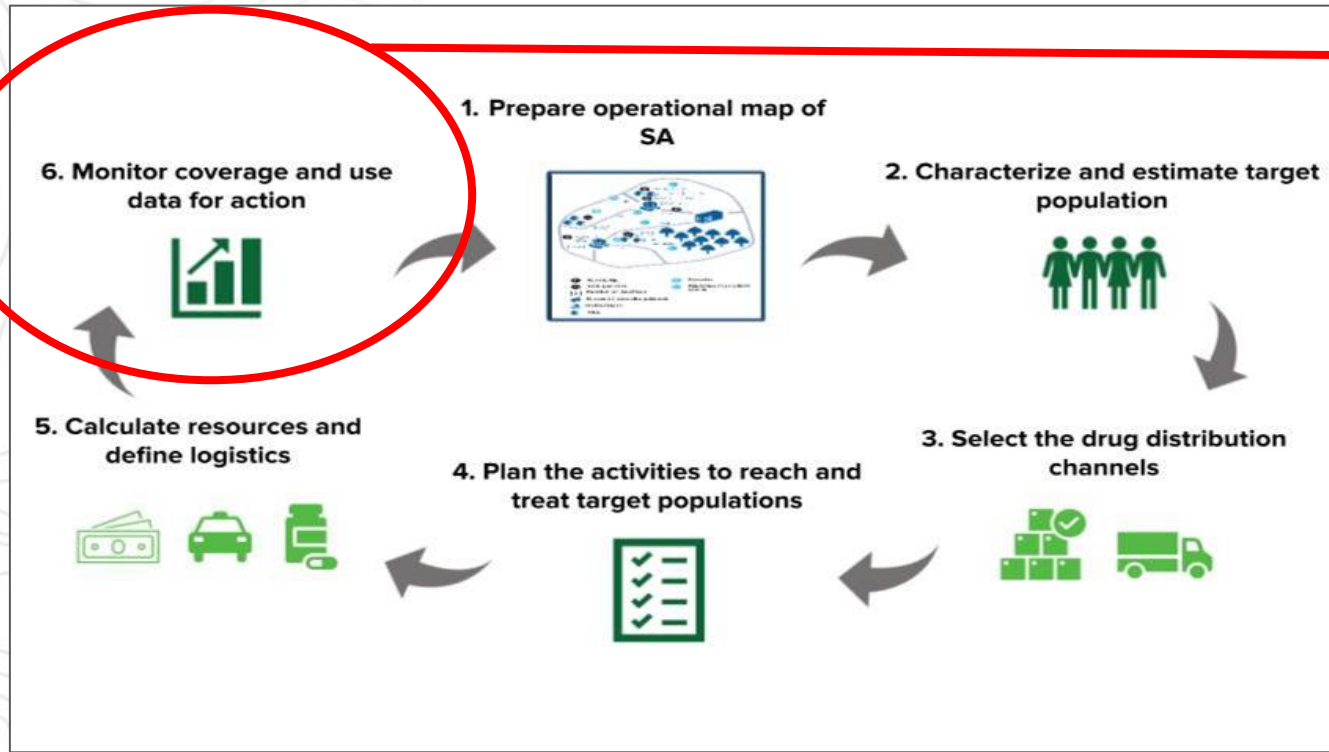


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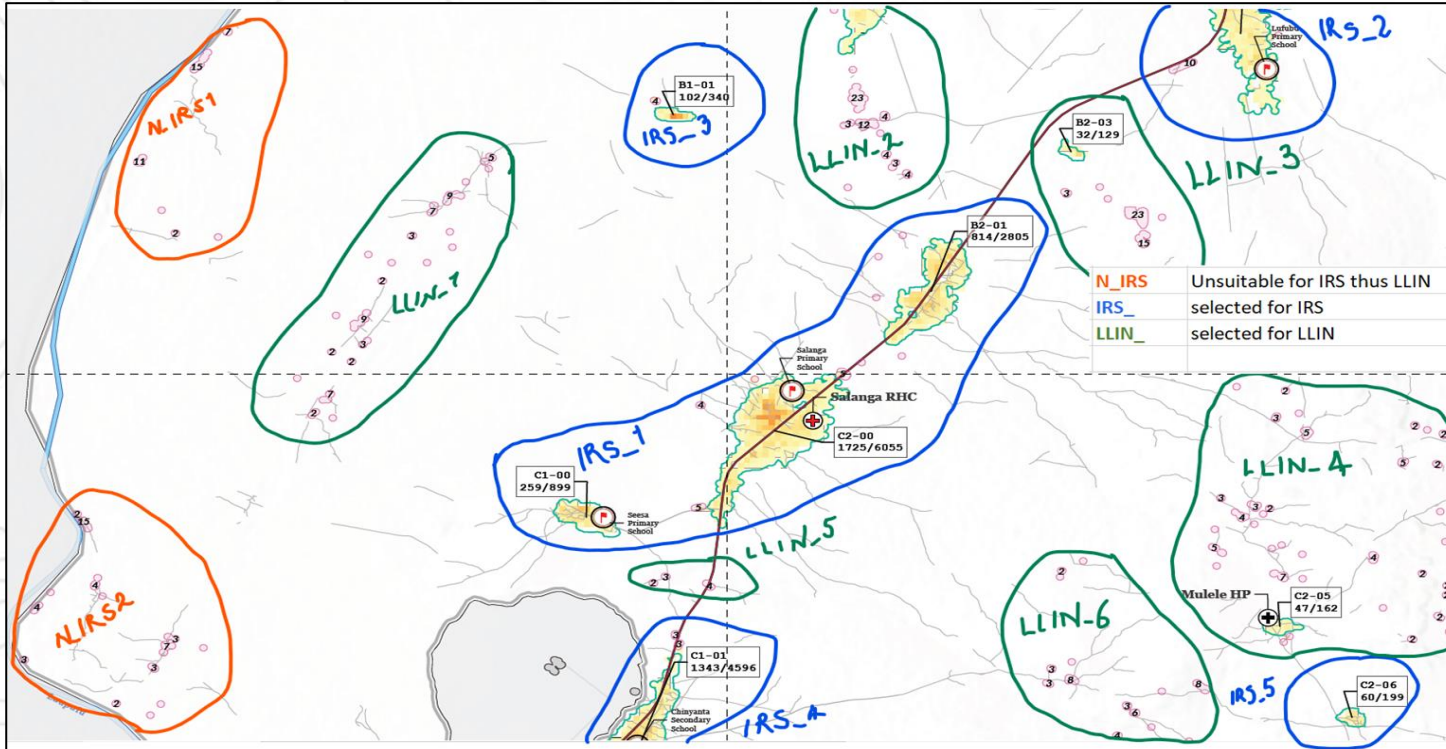
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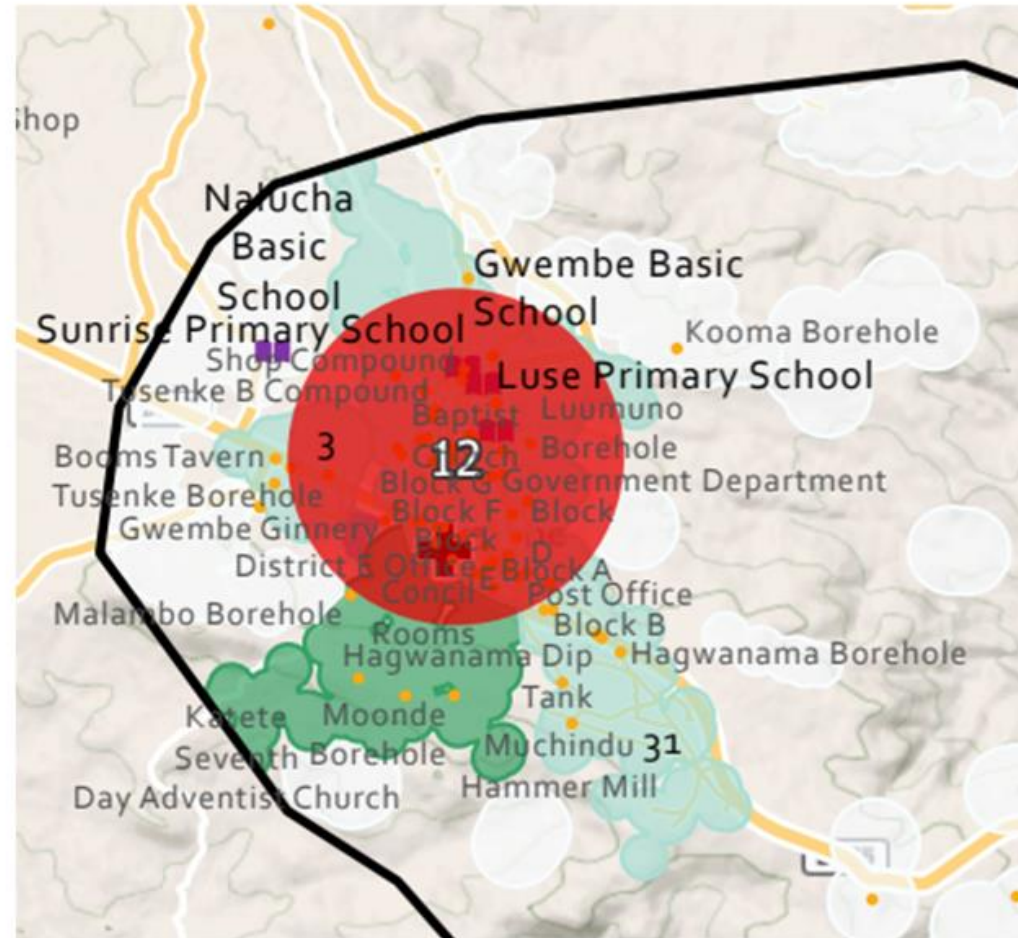


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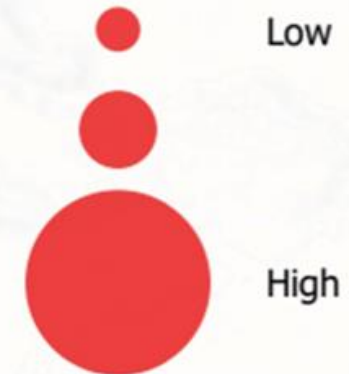


# Maps show gaps - in messaging, in spray coverage - but also opportunities

- This area of Gwembe District shows coverage below 90% and relatively high refusals
- But it also identifies schools, churches and other areas that can serve as entry points around IRS and other malaria messages delivered by trusted messengers



## Refusal Count

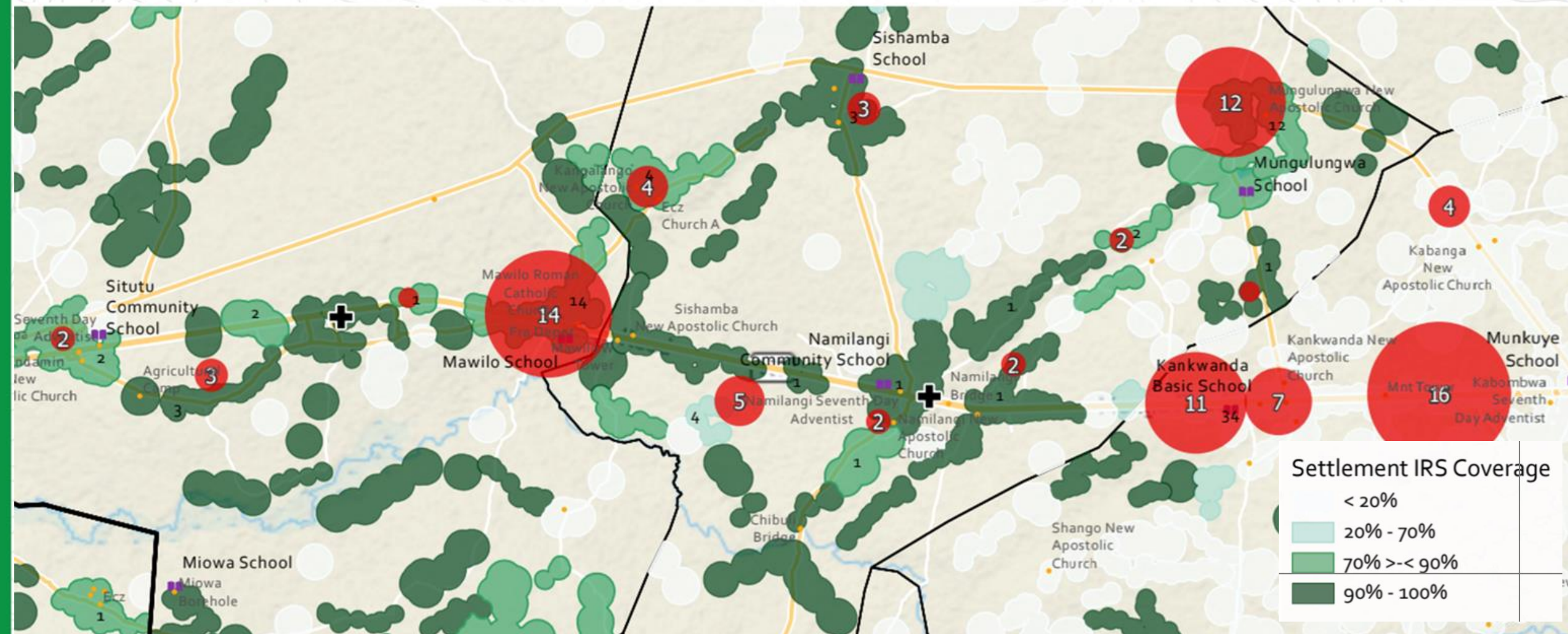


## Settlement IRS Coverage





# Nkeyema District, Western Province



## Digitized plan creation

QReveal Home Plan Reporting Admin

Plan Simulation

Hierarchy: default

Geographic Level: country

Location: Select Location...

Entity:  Person  Location

Entity properties

vax\_status

not vaccinated

Layer style

Streets

Full Screen

Display results

The 'Plan Simulation Tool' allows you to:

- Compare campaign targeted areas to available resources (HR, drugs, nets, etc.)
- Strategize how to maximize your impact through geospatial analysis and assess various scenarios through the interface
- Disseminate the final plan to field teams for them to start data collection



# Assignments

← Assign Plans

## Assign Teams (NMEP 2022 IRS Campaign Full)

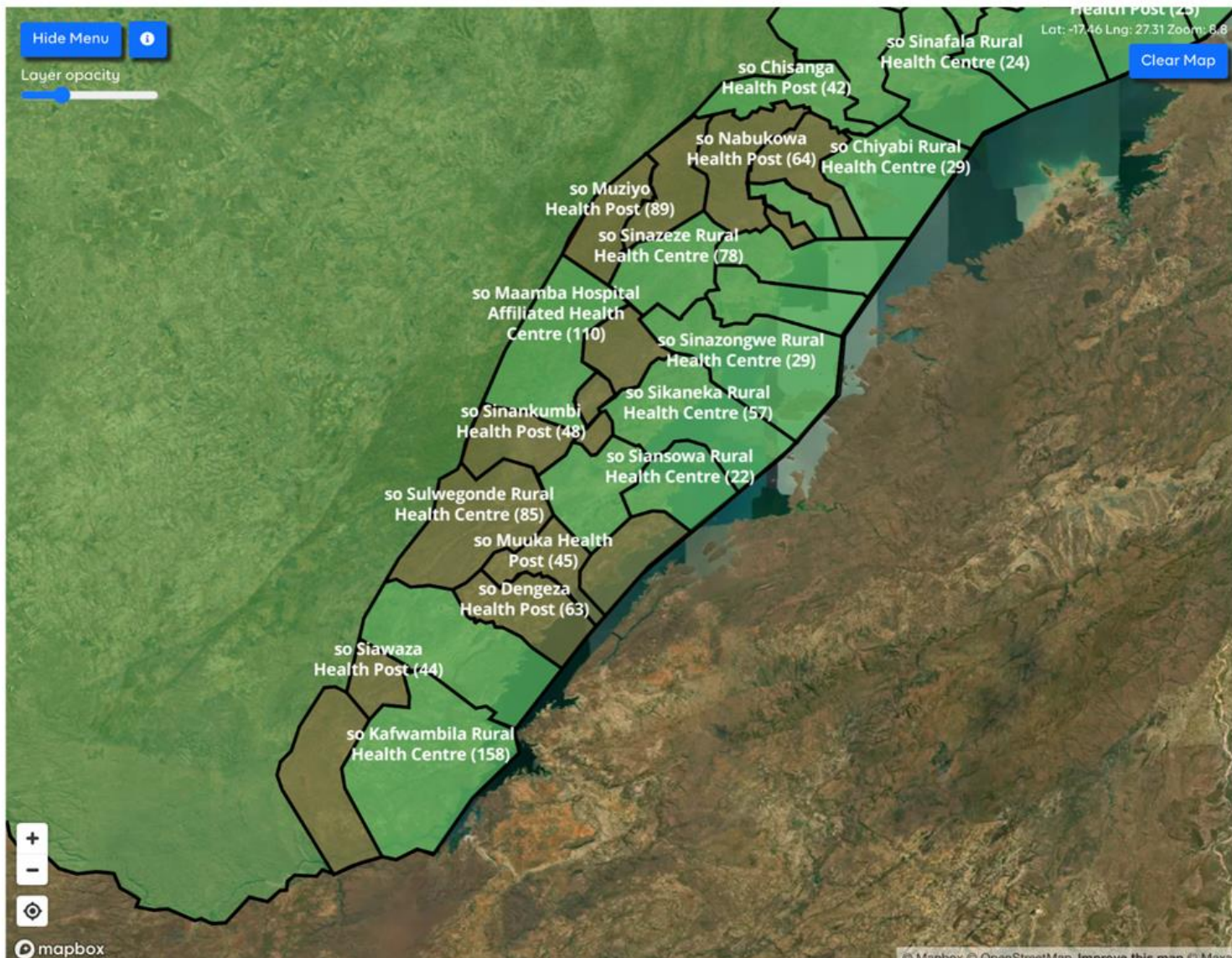
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Assign Locations | Assign Teams: 6652

Save

Assign Locations Assign Teams Assignment Summary

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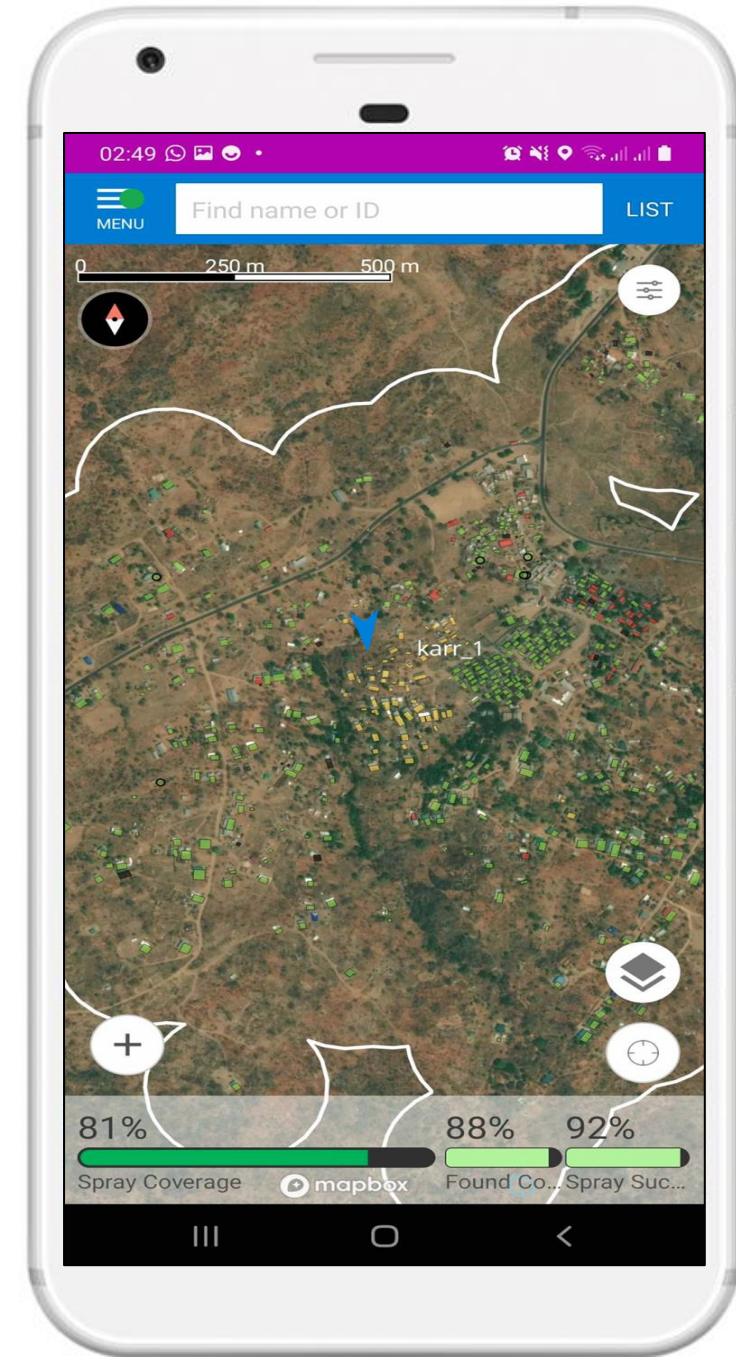
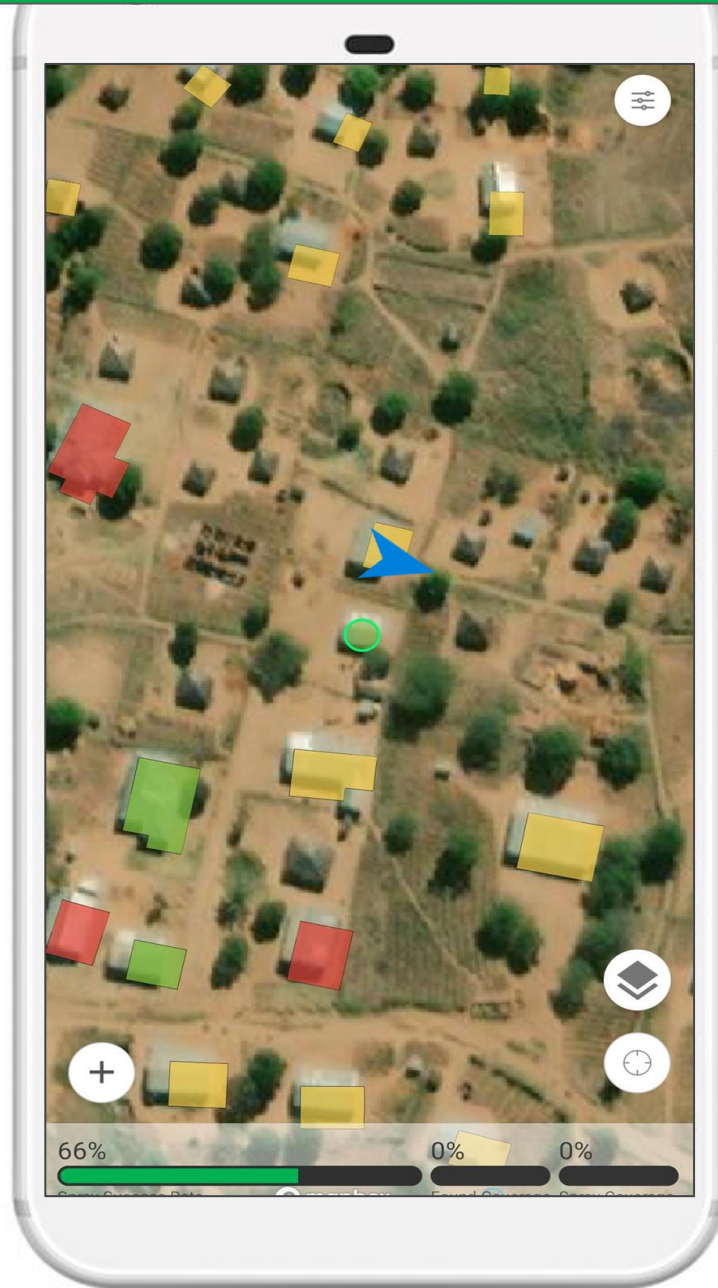
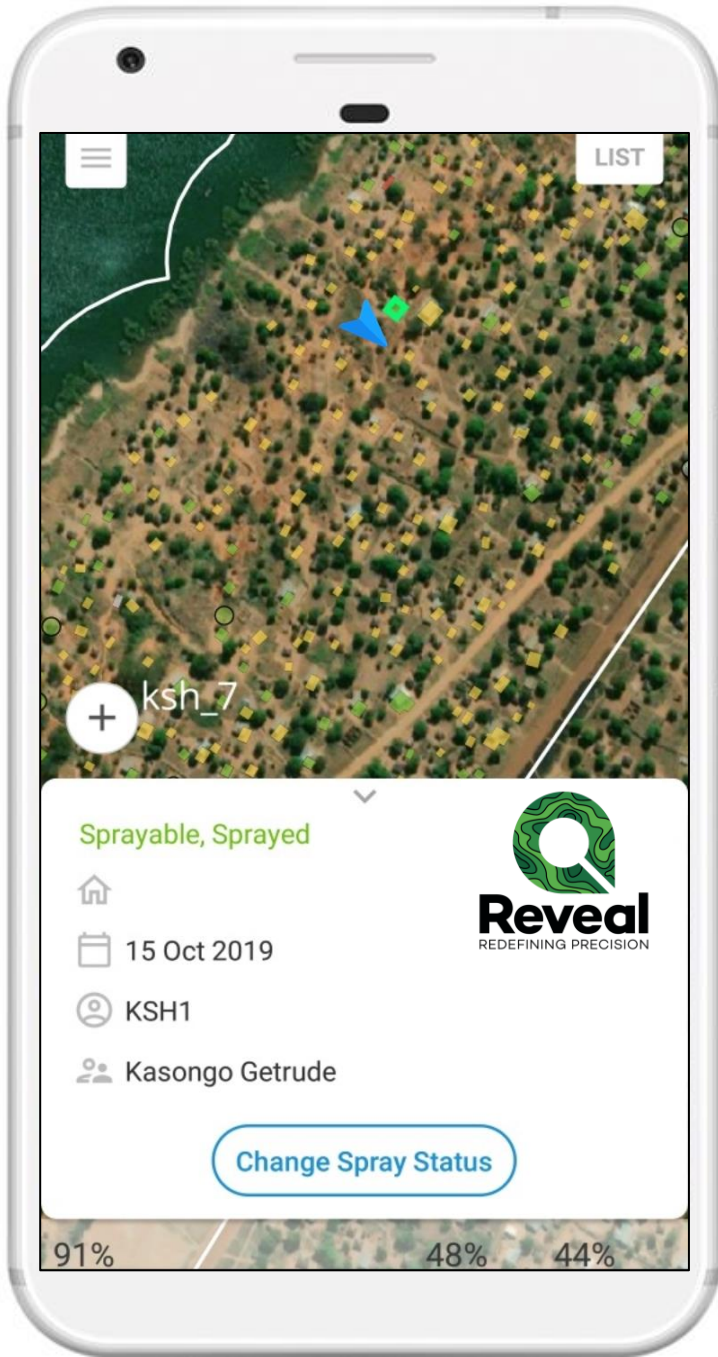
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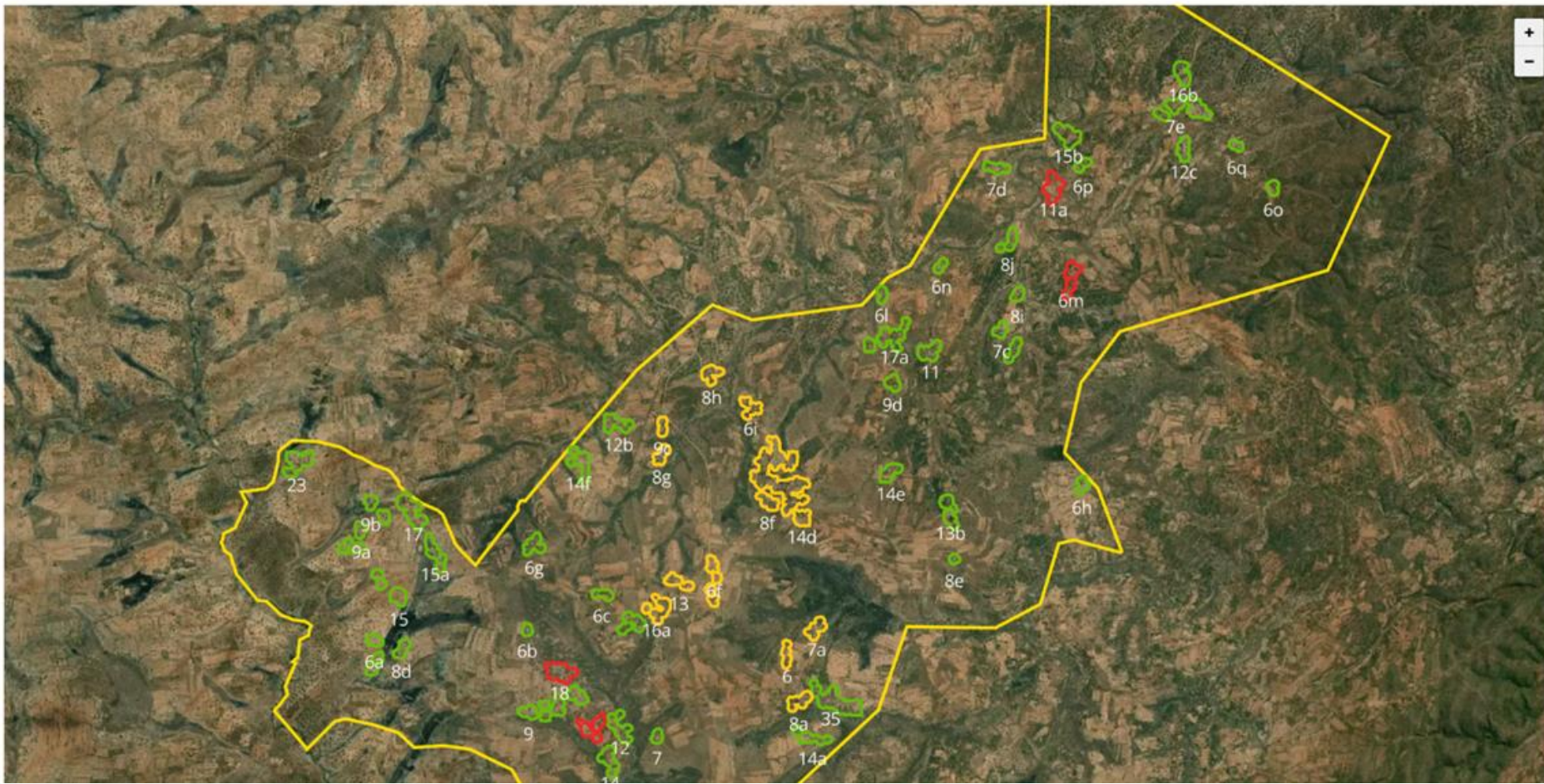


# Navigate, deliver and record





# Macepa IRS-Lite 2021 Plan: So Siasikabole Health Post



### So Siasikabole Health Post

**Legend**

- Sprayed
- Not Sprayed
- Not Visited

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**Spray Coverage (Effectiveness)**

Percent of Total Structures Sprayed

Progress: 1073 of 1429 structure(s) (75%)

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**Targeted Spray Coverage (Effectiveness)**

Percent of Targeted Structures Sprayed

Progress: 1073 of 1429 structure(s) (75%)

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**Found Coverage**

Percent of found structures over targeted

Progress: 1128 of 1429 structure(s) (75%)

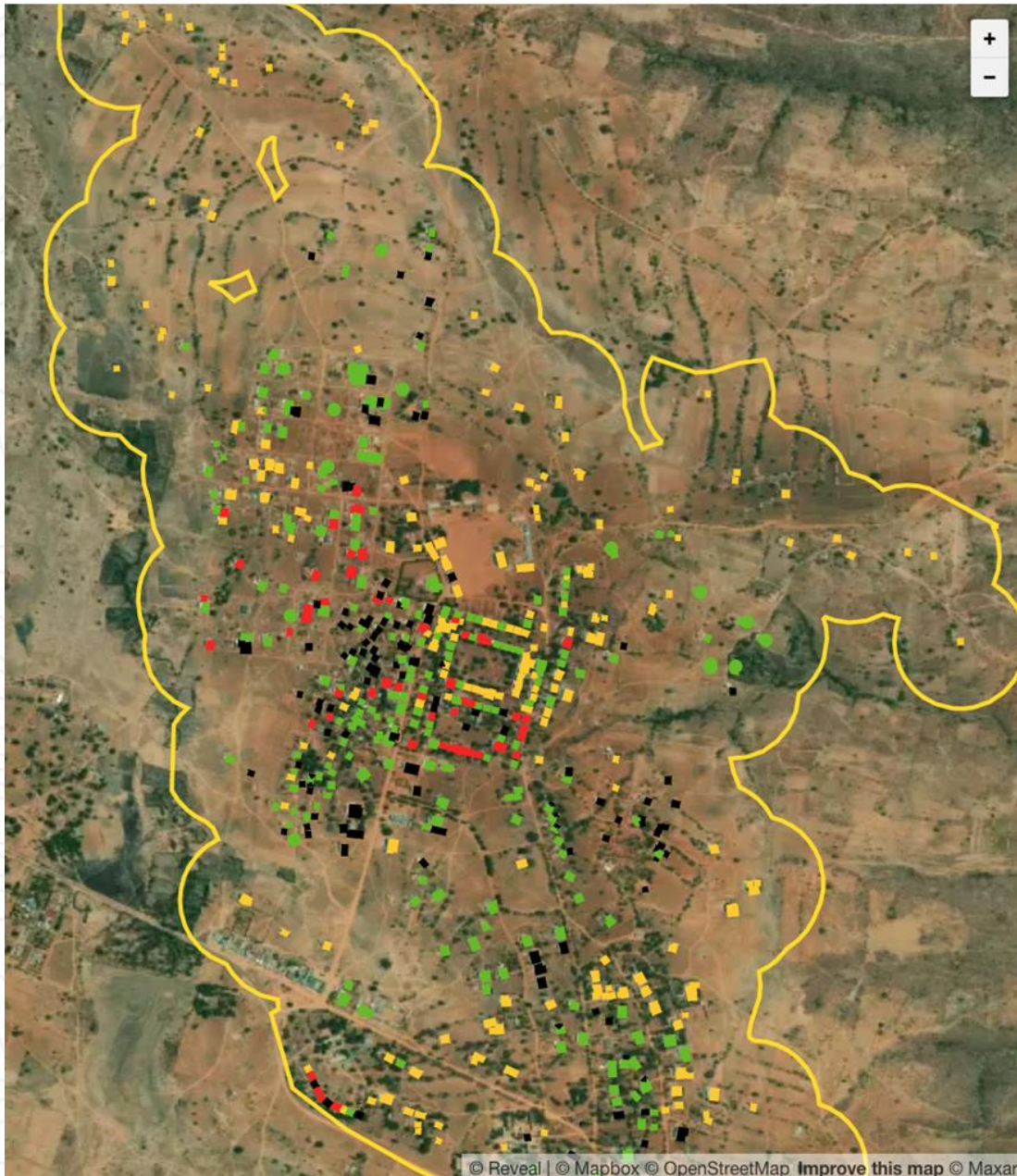
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**Spray Success Rate (PMI SC)**

Percent of structures sprayed over found

Progress: 1073 of 1128 structure(s) (95%)





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### Legend

- Complete
- Not Sprayed
- Not Visited
- Not Eligible

### Spray Coverage (Effectiveness)

Percent of structures sprayed over total



Progress: 315 of 601 structure(s) (52%)

### Found Coverage

Percent of structures found over total



Progress: 376 of 601 structure(s) (63%)

### Spray Success Rate (PMI SC)

Percent of structures sprayed over found



Progress: 315 of 376 structure(s) (84%)

### Reasons for not-sprayed structures

61 of 376 structures not sprayed

refused - 31 structure(s)

locked - 10 structure(s)

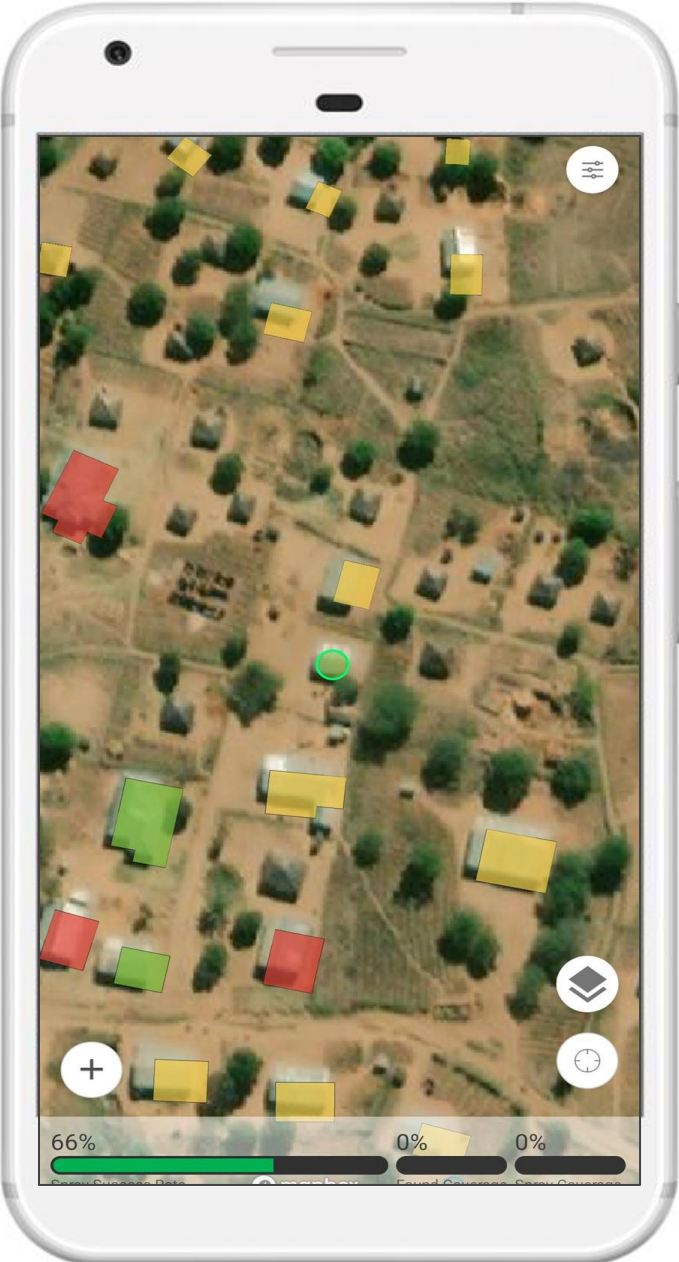
sick - 8 structure(s)

adultNotPresent - 7 structure(s)

other - 4 structure(s)



# ENSURE NO ONE IS MISSED



- Received spray
- Household not yet visited
- Refused intervention
- Ineligible structure





## USAID's 2022 Digital Development Awards Winners

Inclusive Development for a Digital Age

**Jerry**, a Malaria Elimination Officer with the Zambian local government, has helped spearhead the Indoor Residual Campaign being enforced by PMI VectorLink in Katete District. PMI VectorLink partnered with a local subcontractor, Akros, to develop digitized, detailed maps of the local districts. Thanks to these maps, Jerry and his team are better able to plot malaria outbreaks and plan protective efforts for sprayers to disinfect houses in the district. Additionally, the sprayers are key partners in responding to community questions and concerns about the spraying campaigns.

*“We engage the local traditional leadership and have community dialogue meetings, and eventually the community was willing to have their houses sprayed.” -Jerry*

To learn more about Jerry and the work of PMI Vectorlink Zambia, read USAID's press release on the [2022 Digital Development Awards](#).



Above photos provided by Chipema Chinyama for USAID





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# Insights from Luanshya experience

## CHALLENGES

- Phone batteries sometimes drain before finishing field data collection:
  - We have deployed two extra data collectors to conduct backlog entries.
- High refusals and lockouts:
  - Luanshya is more urban than other districts, resulting in high refusals and lockouts. However, during mop ups the health promotion team use the maps on the Reveal app to show them exactly which structures were not sprayed and why? This saves a lot of time.

## BENEFITS

- We get to know the true number of habitable structures on the ground by being able to remove and add structures during field delivery
  - Looking forward to using this field verified data on the 2023 planning maps as the satellite and head count numbers used on the 2022 maps were not very accurate
- Dividing the health facility into smaller operational areas allows for easy systematic deployment
- During mop ups, it is very easy to locate structures that did not get sprayed in the first pass







# What is the **Impact**, what are the Challenges and where are we Going?

- 1 Established microplanning practices across multiple SSA countries → spectrum of low tech to higher tech approaches
- 2 Over 3.6 million impacted through Reveal-related deployments alone
- 3 Increased health campaign coverages by 20-30%.<sup>1</sup>
- 4 Reduction in malaria incidence by 15%; Reduced cost per malaria case averted by 63% (\$118 → \$44).<sup>2</sup>

1. Larsen et al (2020). Leveraging risk maps of malaria vector abundance to guide control efforts reduces malaria incidence in Eastern Province, Zambia. Nature Scientific Reports. 10:

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-020-66968-w>

2. Center for Applied Malaria Research at Tulane University. Retrospective Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Indoor Residual Spray with Pirimiphos-Methyl (Actellic) on Malaria Transmission in Zambia. January 2017.



# What is the Impact, what are the **Challenges** and where are we Going?

- 1 Use of digital devices in field - power outages challenging for recharging devices; managing multiple devices
- 2 Takes time to garner political and funding support for digital global goods
- 3 Population data and modeled estimates have varied accuracy -- field-based validation of datasets can inform future years
- 4 Additional ROI analyses are required to underscore the gains that geospatial technology can bring to make quick progress to SDG goals





# What is the Impact, what are the Challenges and where are we **Going**?

- 1 Let's go farther together: Integrate geospatial capability to tools already working well insitu: eCHIS, DIGIT, DHIS2 → Scale
- 2 Integrate campaigns: reuse geospatial population data, use multi-delivery strategies
- 3 Extend the value chain of field data to continually build and improve global population datasets (Ramp, WorldPop, GRID3)
- 4 Operationalize geospatial risk models to guide precision campaign deployment to high-risk areas

***We can achieve SDGs faster if we operationalize geospatial data to find and deliver health services to last mile communities and populations.***

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Thank you!

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