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ANALYSIS OF THE PLANNING IMPLICATIONS OF THE CURRENT LOCATION OF MUBI CATTLE MARKET IN ADAMAWA STATE - NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

Market are one of the major 'magnets" or landmarks of great economic, social as well as political interacting places. They are movers of commodity competition and distribution. There exist three categories of cattle markets in Africa especially in sub-Sahara regions. There are local cattle market, district cattle markets and regional cattle markets. There may be small and animal markets. The Mubi cattle market is this study area located in the heart of Mubi town and surrounded by residential and commercial land uses. The location of this cattle market causes traffic management problems in and around the market and other auxiliary human activities which is captible in planning terms. Research has indicated there are other several planning implications of the current location of the Mubi cattle market which consist of shortage of parking spaces, high traffic congestion, poor market facilities, poor terrain as a result of sheet and gully erosion. An action planning is suggested to re-locate the current cattle market to contain a wider range of facilities such as veterinary clinic, cattle holding facility, banks police post, and administrative building, parking for both buyers and off-loading. This action plan may reduce the problems experienced at the current or present cattle market if adequately implemented.

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