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The interviews with farmers, protected area managers and extension staff revealed several interacting factors influencing in the farmers` decision to participate or not in the agroforestry extension project promoted by UFF staff. Initiative in trying new livelihood options, previous interest in fruit tree planting and trust that the extension staff will make marketing feasible are some of the factors influencing participation. On the other hand, factors affecting non-participation include fear and distrust motivated by negative views and experiences regarding actors, such as protected area staff and commercial loggers, and influential community leadership's position against the agroforestry project.

