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Practical experiences from the engagement of Indigenous Peoples in a REDD sub-national program, Bolivia



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Submission on issues relating indigenous peoples



Program location

- 3 indigenous community lands located in the Amazon region of Bolivia
- 6 districts
- About 160,000 inhabitants





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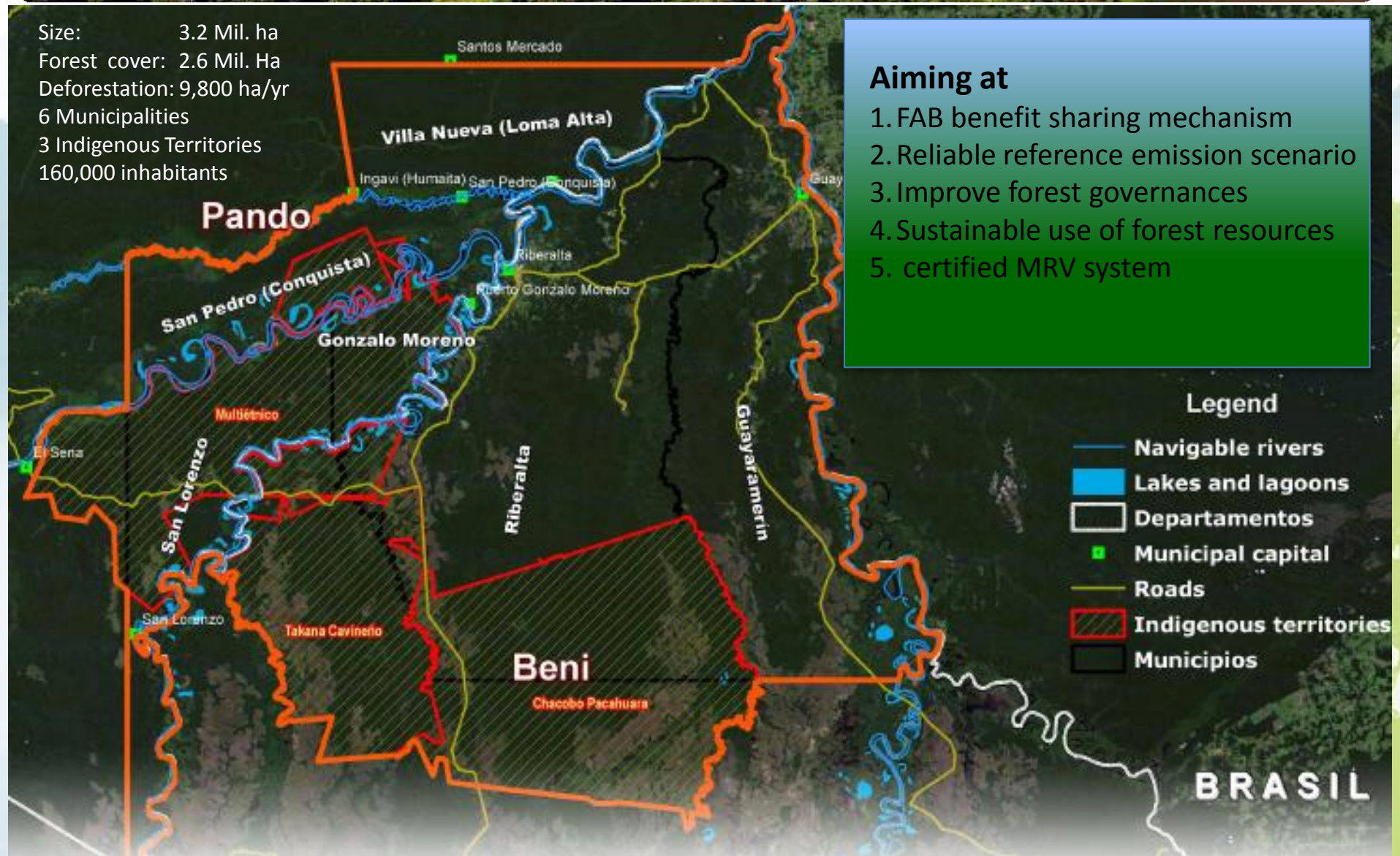
REDD Amazonia: site characteristics



Size: 3.2 Mil. ha
Forest cover: 2.6 Mil. Ha
Deforestation: 9,800 ha/yr
6 Municipalities
3 Indigenous Territories
160,000 inhabitants

Aiming at

1. FAB benefit sharing mechanism
2. Reliable reference emission scenario
3. Improve forest governances
4. Sustainable use of forest resources
5. certified MRV system





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A successful implementation of REDD shall:

- Strengthen local capabilities on the integral management of the territory.
- Promote models of local management.
- Establish just, fair and equitable benefit-sharing mechanisms.
- Compensation funds shall promote programs on adaptation and local development.
- MRV shall complement local mechanisms of monitoring and control.
- Sub-national programs in compliance with national REDD mechanism.





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Reducing emissions: Adding value for sustainable forest resource use



- Land-use planning and development of rules for the access and use of natural resources.
- Strengthen local capabilities for local management of indigenous territories.
- Develop fair and equitable benefit-sharing schemes.
- Improve harvesting techniques and develop forest management plans, promoting low-impact practices.
- Organizational strengthening for harvesting and commercialization .
- Capacity training to strengthen the technical and administrative skills of community enterprises.





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Lessons learned



- Prior and informed consent processes shall reach local communities, with their own representative institutions.
- Real prior and informed consent takes time!
- Communication and training programs shall be adapted to local circumstances, to stimulate stakeholder participation.
- Forest governance shall be constructed in agreement with other stakeholders (Municipalities, NGOs, Government, private sector).





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Lessons learned (continued)



- The interests of intermediaries can disrupt the process of socialization
- REDD Programme facilitates the control of the territory faced with invasion and poaching of natural resources.





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Challenges



Based on the practical experiences from the sub-national REDD program..

- Design an Indigenous Climate Change Program that includes an Indigenous REDD mechanism.
- Indigenous peoples develop technical capabilities in MRV.
- Develop a common understanding of abstract concepts like carbon and emission reductions.
- Promote forest governance and forest valuation within the communities and in consensus with other stakeholders (Municipalities, Government, Private sector, NGOs).



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Organizational structure of CIDOB



Organización que representa a nivel internacional, a las organizaciones indígenas de la Cuenca Amazónica: CIDOB-Bolivia, AIDSESP-Perú, COIAB-Brasil, CONIVE-Venezuela, CONFENIAE, Ecuador, OPIAC-Colombia, OIS-Suriman, FOAG, Guyana Francesa, APA-Guyana Inglesa. -- Con Sede en Ecuador

National level



Regional level



Local level



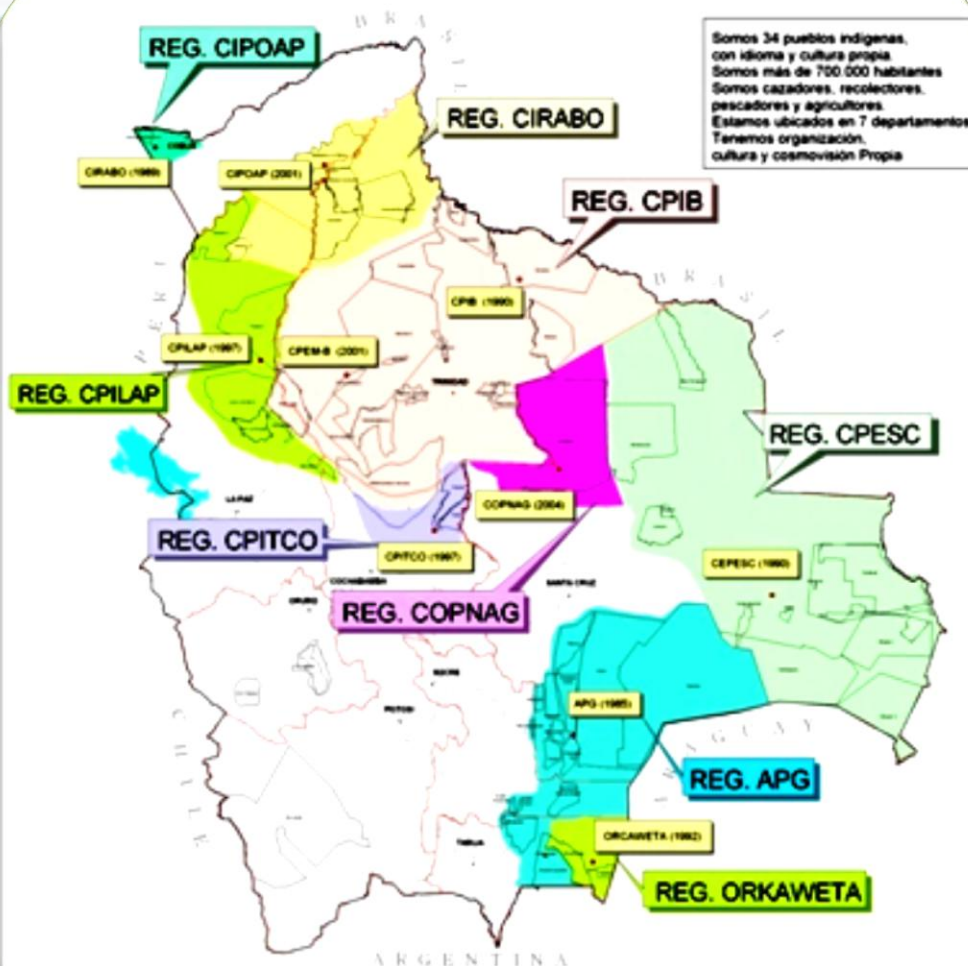


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CIDOB - Confederation of Indigenous Peoples of the Lowlands, Bolivia



QUIENES SOMOS Y DONDE VIVIMOS



- Created in 1982.
- 34 indigenous peoples, with own culture and language.
- Over 980.000 inhabitants.
- Hunters, harvesters, fishers and farmers.
- Located in 7 departments since ancient times.
- Own organization, culture and cosmvision.
- 93% with property rights.