The importance of local communities for conservation

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The importance of local communities for conservation







- Conservation of nature must be done with local population. They depend on the environment (NR, ES, etc.) for their livelihoods.
- Role/experiences vary: control and vigilance, participation in planning, management committees, as beneficiaries of NR use, etc.
- Different approaches: "for...", "with...", "by local communities"
 - ☐ For: local population as a passive object, receives benefits, but it needs well conserved ecosystems.
 - **With**: consultation processes, local communities may implement conservation actions but they are not decision makers.
 - **By**: Local population as decision makers for conservation. Conservation sustainability is only posible if local population takes cares of conservation actions and establishes its own autoregulation mechanisms and governance systems.



Role of local communities for conservation

- If communities are managing an area (PA, Territory, etc.) they should be accountable for the strategies, actions, etc. same as PA authorities should be.
- They should be able to measure if conservation actions are being effective.
- Some data exist:
 - ☐ Deforestation rates are lower in comunal lands than in protected forests (Porter-Bolland, 2011).
 - But, results are not necessarily linked to actions.
 - Limitation: To be able to see results on wildlife, it needs time to see the changes.



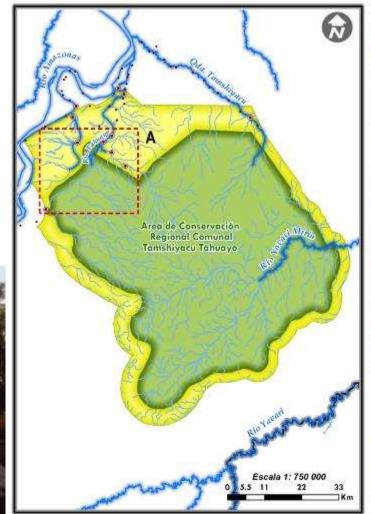
Co-management experience in the Peruvian Amazon

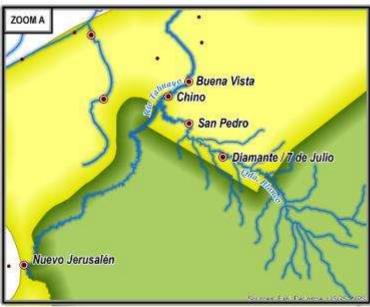


Comunal Tamshiyacu Tahuayo Regional Conservation Area (ACRCTT)

- ☐ High hunting pressure until 1980
- Fauna declined
- ☐ Communities decided to create a protected area (2009)
- Communities begin to manage and protect their resources, wildlife and fish.

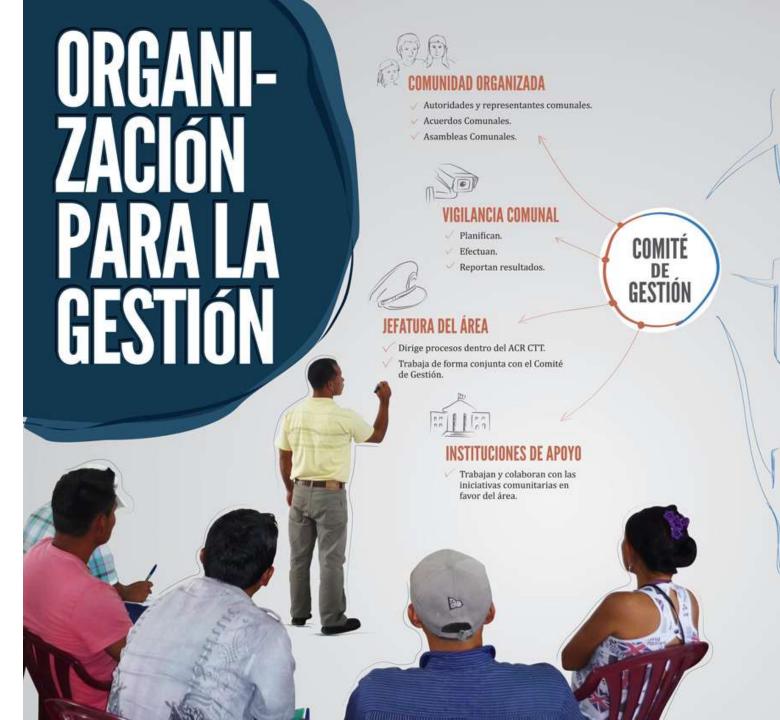














PARTICIPA EN LA GENERACIÓN DE DOCUMENTOS DE GESTIÓN

- √ Reglamento de sesiones y funciones.
- ✓ Plan Maestro.
- ✓ Acuerdos comunales o intercomunales



PARTICIPACIÓN COMUNAL

Reúne a toda las comunidades de la zona de amortiguamiento del ACR CTT que se juntan voluntariamente para tomar acuerdos y gestionar el buen uso de los recursos naturales de las comunidades y del ACR CTT



EMPODERAMIENTO COMUNAL

- Elecciones de la nueva Comisión Ejecutiva cada 2 años, asegurando la participación igualitaria de género.
- Fortalecimiento de las capacidades de las autoridades comunales, representantes del comité de gestión, comisión ejecutiva, vigilantes comunales, etc.





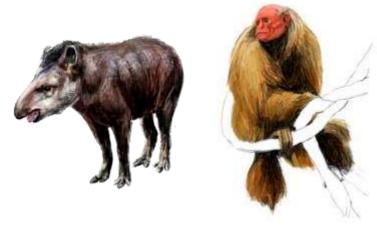


ACRCTT: Hunting Management



Management agreements and hunting quotas

Forbidden



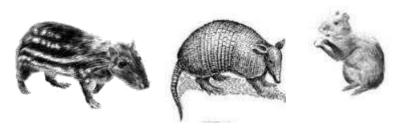


Managed:













6 individuals / 60 days x hunter

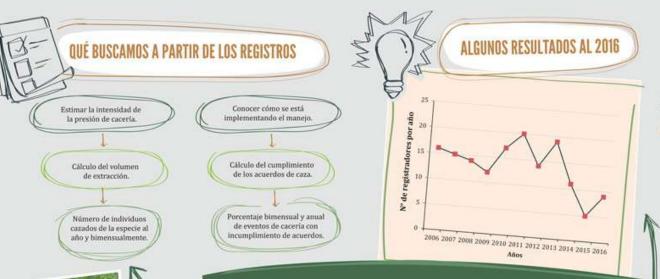


Hunting Monitoring by local communities

- Hunting intensity
- Hunting agreements compliance.

Indicators:

animals hunted by species/month % of average time for hunting. # of hunters/year # of events with no compliance of local agreements # of events of outsiders entering



LOS REGISTROS DE CAZA

EN LAS COMUNIDADES DE BUENA VISTA, EL CHINO, SAN PEDRO Y DIAMANTE - 7 DE JULIO

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3	A. Martinez C. Torres L. Pérez	3	Buena Vista Buena Vista El Chino	Pesca	20-03-2016	21-03-2016	Tangarana	Venado Gris	1	1	No sabe	1 dia	No forâneos



	Cálculo del número de cazadores													
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Buena vista	4	7	4	0	1	1	8	3	3	2	0	0	0	5
Diamante / 7 de Julio	1	0	2	3	5	5	7:	1	3	2	1	0	0	3
El Chino	3	2	1	7	1	0	10	5	9	7	2	1	2	16
San Pedro	4	0	6	5	2	5	6	3	5	5	0	3	6	7
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Categoria de manejo		Buena vista		/7de julio		El Chino		San Pedro	
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pequeñas	Carachupa	1	0.	0	0	0	0	2	0
	Venado cenizo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Especies prohibidas	Oso hormiguero	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
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Hunting records:

They present results bi-monthly in each meeting of the Management Committee

They keep local communities, the police and ARA Loreto informed about their control activities.

They continue recording hunting information without any payment







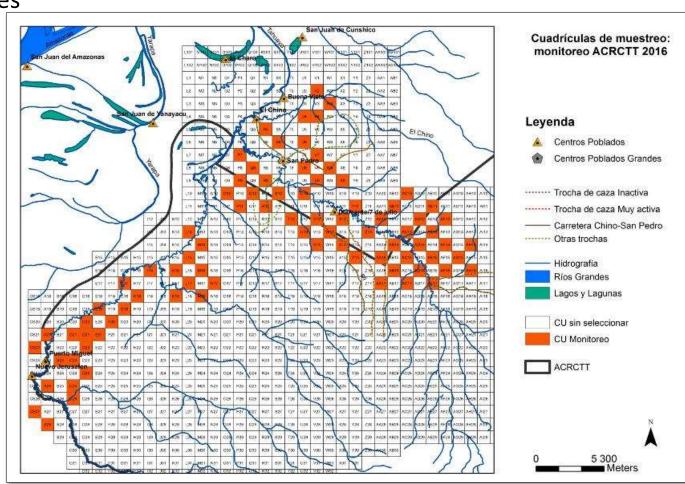
Monitoring hunting activity



Combining methods, hunting records, control & vigilance and occupancy modeling the communities with support from WCS were able to:

- Assess the status of populations of hunting species
- Detect changes in the status of populations
- **Evaluate management effectiveness**





ACRCTT: Hunting Management Effectiveness

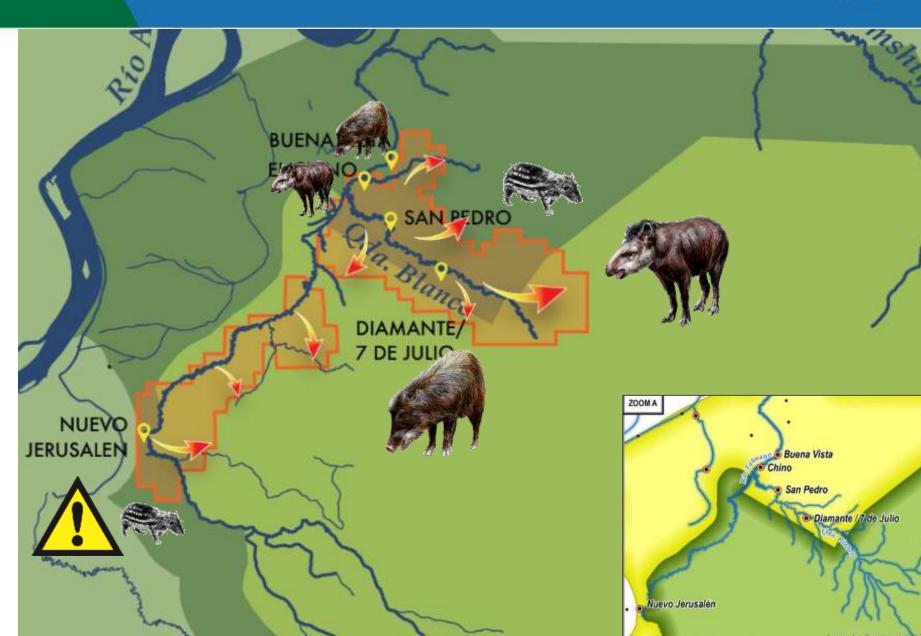


Results:

Clear spatial pattern.

The occupation was higher:

- Far from the communities
- Far navigable rivers
- Inside the reserve
- Drastic reductions in occupation of *C. paca* (0.15) near communities



Monitoring result for decision making



- Hunting agreements are being effective to control hunting pressure
- Hunted populations are in good shape
- Hunting control must focus on less occupied areas
- Communities with no hunting management should begin to develop hunting agreements

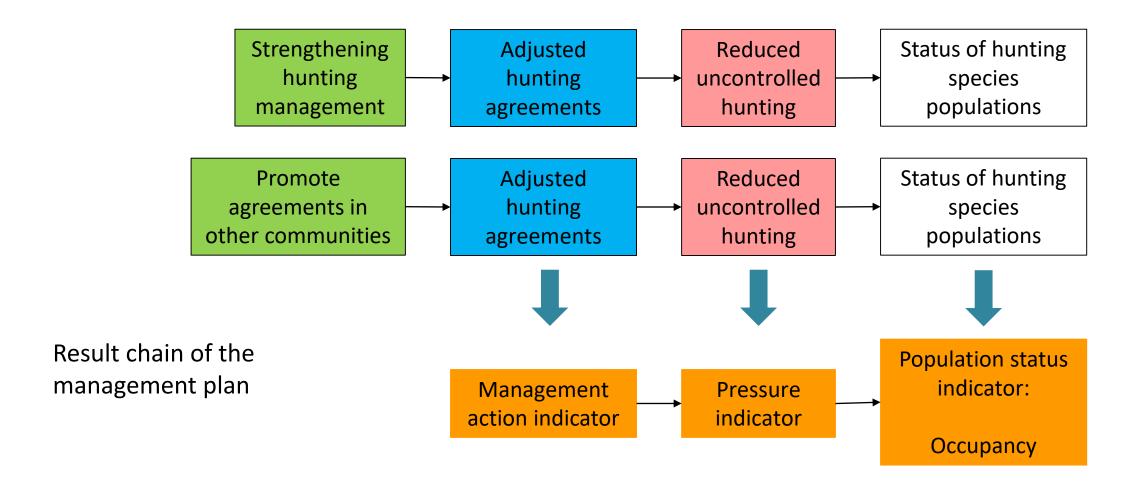




Co-Management of the ACRCTT



Monitoring results have been taken into account for the current Management Plan of the ACRCTT



Thank you!

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