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PFSI PERU
FOREST
SECTOR
INITIATIVE

COOPERATION PROGRAM OF THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE

United States Forest Service Cooperation to Peru

Under the US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement
Carleen Yocum - Chatham House - July 6, 2012

USDA Forest Service

Mission - sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations

77 million ha forests and grasslands

Research

Assistance to States



International Program that promotes sustainable forest management and biodiversity conservation internationally linking the skills of the field-based staff with partners overseas

Funding from US Agency for International Development

90 countries around the world

Peru Forest Sector Initiative



US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement

USFS cooperation stems from the US-Peru TPA, into effect early 2009

First-ever Annex for Forest Sector Governance in a trade agreement

The Annex recognizes the environmental and economic consequences of trade associated with illegal logging, and illegal trade in wildlife and provides for concrete steps that the Parties will take to enhance forest sector governance and promote legal trade in timber products



Environmental Cooperation Agreement

Sets out framework for cooperation

US Trade Representative administers

DOS and AID coordinate and manage cooperation activities

USFS (2009 – 2016) and others implement

Main Peruvian counterparts:

- Ministries of Environment and Agriculture, Regional Governments of the Amazon



Cooperation Activities

Strengthening the legal, policy, and institutional framework governing the forest estate and the international trade in forest products;

Building institutional capacity for forest law enforcement and the international trade in forest products;

Improving the performance of the forest concession system in meeting economic, social, and ecological objectives; and

Increasing public participation and improving transparency in forest resource planning and management decision-making.

USFS/Peru Forest Sector Initiative

Forest Inventories: national and “regional” level scale - USFS research scientists assist with design; study tours to share knowledge and experience; process planning; facilitate GOP leadership; PDRs & information management



Field exercise - inventories study tour Southern Research Station



Inventories study tour Northern Research Station



Strengthening Institutions and Governance Framework

Creating Forestry Law Regulations - Assistance for development of process, and technical assistance for specific topics such as forestry incentive programs, and wildlife management

Institutional/organizational design support to national and regional governments

Capacity building for law enforcement officers and environmental prosecutors, i.e. spp's id and Lacey Act



National Forestry and Wildlife Information System (SNIF)

Eighteen entities (national and regional effort)

SERFOR led, control module priority

Business mapping and initial design completed

Pilot and architecture next steps



Integration
Transparency
Verifiable
Access
Ownership



Community Forestry and Capacity Building

Technical accompaniment to native communities

Sustainable forest management planning and implementation

Timber sale negotiation, contracting and marketing



Characteristics of Cooperation

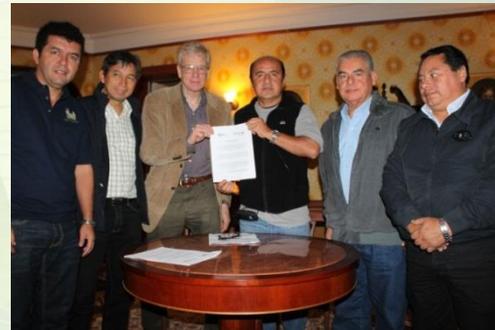
Technical in nature (melding of USFS expertise and resident team)

Stakeholder participation (process as important as product)

Coordination between GOP entities

National and local government

Integrated programs





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