

**ASSOCIATES AWARD (NO. LAG-A-00-00-00019-00)
“FORESTS AND THE CLEAN DEVELOPMENT MECHANISM:
ANALYSIS AND POLICY DIALOGUE IN THE ANDEAN REGION”**

**CLIMATE CHANGE PROGRAM AND BOLIVIA COUNTRY PROGRAM
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY**

**FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT
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As described in the October 2000 workplan for the above-referenced Associates Award, the goal of this project is: to ensure that the potential is realized in the Andean Region for achieving long-term conservation, sustainable development and climate protection through forest-based activities under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Various activities carried out under this Award will help fulfill the following five objectives:

OBJECTIVE 1: Conduct Green House Gas (GHG) Inventory and Projection for the Bolivian Government

OBJECTIVE 2: Provide technical assistance to the Government of Bolivia entities involved in Climate Change negotiations regarding the treatment of land use change and forestry (LUCF) within the UNFCCC.

OBJECTIVE 3: Strengthen the capacity for analysis and negotiation of the Government of Bolivia Climate Change negotiators regarding the treatment of land use change and forestry (LUCF) within the UNFCCC.

OBJECTIVE 4: Develop additional miscellaneous Climate Change activities.

OBJECTIVE 5: Contribute to the development of shared regional positions among the Andean countries regarding the treatment of LUCF within the CDM and, more broadly, among the countries of the Amazon basin.

OBJECTIVE 6: Strengthen the capacity for analysis and negotiation of the Andean countries regarding the inclusion of land use change and forestry (LUCF) projects in the Clean Development Mechanism.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve objective 1

Assess economic, social, technical, and political capacities to adopt a national GHG emissions cap:

The contractors who will conduct the national greenhouse gas inventory were hired during this reporting period. An advertisement was published in the national press of Bolivia calling for experts in inventory of greenhouse gas emissions for different sectors, as well as for a specialist in economic analysis.

The selection process took place after receiving more than twenty applications, and the following people were hired: Eng. Javier Hanna for the inventory of the energy sector; Eng. Freddy Tejada for the inventory of the industrial and waste sector; Eng. Ivar Arana for the agricultural and forestry sectors; Lic. Edwin Rojas for the socio-economic analysis.

Contracts were drawn up and signed between the Vice-Minister of Environment, Neisa Roca, and the experts. The contracts began on August 1st 2001, and PNCC approved the workplans. The contractors presented their first activities report for the month of August. The first tasks were focused on research and checking earlier inventories

There are still several obstacles to overcome. PNCC is working with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) to adopt complimentary tasks to be performed regarding the study of mitigation measures based on the inventories that are developed in the project.

PNCCC requested to TNC that the funds for this component be carried over to the next administrative year, October 2001 through September 2002. TNC received a no-cost extension for this award, so this work was able to be rescheduled.

It is worth noting that there have been changes at Ministerial and Vice Ministerial level in the Environmental Ministry of Bolivia. Fortunately, the newly elected Vice Minister of Environment, Mr. Hernan Cabrera, has given his support for PNCC activities and the project with TNC.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve Objective 2

This objective was completed during the first reporting period. No further activities were carried out.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve Objective 3

This objective was completed during the third reporting period.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve Objective 4

No further activities were carried out during this reporting period.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve Objective 5

No further activities were carried out during this reporting period.

Activities conducted during reporting period to achieve Objective 6

Analytical papers:

- The prime recipient executed contracts with authors for each of the three papers and began discussion with grantor to develop a possible technical meeting as an add-on activity. Sub-contractor developed production timelines and review process (internal and external). Sub-contractors began work on first-round drafts of each paper; first draft of the paper on “leakage” was delivered for internal review.