REDPARQUES along with WWF’s Living Amazon Initiative held an event at COP21 to highlight the role of protected areas in climate change adaptation.

Read more: http://bit.ly/1NsvTcU

**Bolivia Improves Decision Making for Sustainable Hydropower Planning**

A workshop generated various opportunities for Bolivia to advance to more sustainable hydropower development.

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**Mobilization for ecological land-use planning in Acre river basin**

Several Peruvian, Brazilian and Bolivian organizations agreed on doing a new land-use planning for the Acre River watershed area.

Read more: http://bit.ly/1NANygl
We are making history today. The REDPARQUES Declaration is one of the most positive policy initiatives for protected areas we have seen in the last 10 years. I would like to see joint statements by other countries and regions on Protected Areas and Climate Change.”

Nigel Dudley, International Expert on Protected Areas and Climate Change

Protected Areas: the most cost-efficient strategy for climate change adaptation

Panelists expressed the importance of protected areas’ role and reflected on next steps for integrating protected areas in global climate planning and finance.

Read more: http://bit.ly/1PhdjM

Bolivia monitors impacts of dams in the Amazon

Scientific evidence of the impacts that dams have on biodiversity and local livelihoods is scarce. A system was developed to monitor the impacts of dams on the Madera River in Brazil on freshwater ecosystems in Bolivia.

Read more: http://bit.ly/1Zfber9

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Big strides in the Peruvian Amazon groundbreaking mechanism for indigenous peoples presented in COP21

Lima-Paris Action Agenda: the most applauded event at COP21

Amazon Indigenous Fund

Holistic Management of Indigenous Lands

At the UNFCCC COP21, keynote speakers have made statements about the Amazonian Indigenous REDD+.

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Watch COICA’s video

18 countries from Latin America call for the inclusion of protected areas in Climate Negotiations at COP21

These countries offer to intensify and improve the establishment, management and design of protected areas according to climate change criteria.

http://bit.ly/1NzjzVd
PUBLICATIONS

The Vulnerability Analysis of the Amazon Biome and its Protected Areas was developed in the framework of the project ‘Protected Areas, Natural Solutions to Climate Change’ (NASCC). It seeks to address the challenge of understanding and managing present and future climate changes, risks and impacts through the search for improved resilience and adaptive capacity, focusing on assessing, planning and mainstreaming climate adaptation in the Amazon Biome. http://bit.ly/1QeZrgb

The Protected Areas Natural Solutions to Climate Change - Policy Brief shows how Protected Areas can contribute to climate change mitigation and facilitate adaptation to climate change risks and impacts by maintaining or increasing ecosystem health, integrity and connectivity in a climate change context.

Protected areas provide a wide range of ecosystem services such as climate regulation through carbon sequestration and storage, biodiversity conservation, nutrient cycling, agricultural pollination, protection from flooding and other natural disasters, cultural services and eco-tourism. http://bit.ly/1Ts8x9x

VIDEO

Time for climate action has only just begun and changing climate change start with us.
http://bit.ly/1QlfT04

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DailyMail - Destruction of Brazil’s Amazon forest jumps 16 pct in 2015

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SERNANP Noticias - Unidos lo logramos: Sierra del Divisor ya es Parque Nacional

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