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THE PAX NATURA PROJECT

Reducing Carbon Emissions From Deforestation and Degradation (REDD)

Preserving Tropical Forest Biodiversity, Watershed & Scenic Beauty (REDD++)
The Pax Natura REDD++ Project
Offering Voluntary Carbon Emission Reduction (VER) Offset Credits Through Avoided Deforestation

Project Description:
The Pax Natura Project is a partnership between the Pax Natura Foundation and the Costa Rican “Payment for Environmental Services” (PES) Program. The PES program is administered by the Fondo Nacional Financiamiento Forestal (FONAFIFO), the National Forestry Financing Fund of the Costa Rican Government.

PES Program:
The PES program enrolls small to medium-sized land owners who, after qualification, validation and verification of forest stewardship, receive annual payments for the environmental services their forests provide for carbon sequestration, watershed protection, biodiversity conservation and scenic beauty.

Project Location:
The Pax Natura Project is located within the Central Volcanic Mountain Range of Costa Rica in Cartago and Limón provinces and borders on several national parks including Braulio Carrillo, Irazú, and Turrialba. The very important Guácimo and Pococi aquifers are located within the project boundary.

Project Parameters:
The Pax Natura Project has available 1,600,000 mtCO2e offset credits available over a 10-year period or 160,000 mtCO2e available per year. This project will result in 3,816 hectares avoided deforestation over ten years with an additional 1,563 hectares avoided deforestation as a buffer.

Project Owner/Developer:
The Pax Natura Foundation is a U.S. 501(c)(3) non-profit foundation dedicated to the preservation and protection of tropical rainforests. The Pax Natura Foundation’s contract with FONAFIFO is for a period of ten years.

Project Validation:
The Pax Natura Project has been validated by the Climate, Community & Biodiversity Alliance (CCBA) to the level of Gold Validation, by Rainforest Alliance and The Foundation for the Development of the Central Volcanic Mountain Range (FUNDECOR). Validation under the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) is in process.

Project Verifier:
The project is verified annually by FONAFIFO and will include four biodiversity monitorings over the 10-year period by the Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad (INBio). FUNDECOR provides annual remote sensing and on-site verification. The Pax Natura Foundation provides project oversight including semi-annual inspection of all project protocols.

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