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MAPPING PRIORITY AREAS FOR FOREST COVER RESTORATION TO SUPPORT PUBLIC POLICIES FOR WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION

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BRAZIL : water in abundance, but unevenly distributed.

In regions highly populated, water (in terms of quantity and quality) is already a problem.





Source: A.N.A.



PIRACICABA AND REGION : suffering with the pollution of the Piracicaba River since the 1970's (industry, alcohol/sugar mills and domestic sewage).



Two well-defined seasons:

RAINY SEASON (October through March)



DRY SEASON (April through September)



Water treatment became economically unfeasible (concentration of pollution).

Consequence to Piracicaba: transfer of water withdrawal for public supplying from the Piracicaba River to the Corumbataí River (2000).





Corumbataí River Basin (1700 km²) is also highly impacted, mainly by agriculture and cattle ranching activities, that occupy areas originally covered by Atlantic Rain Forest and savannas.





1. INTRODUCTION

The loss of forest cover in a river basin has an important influence on water quality and quantity so, in 1999 it was established a 3-year agreement between the Water **Department of Piracicaba (SEMAE) and the Forest Research Institute/University of São Paulo (IPEF/USP)** for the development of a Director Plan for the Corumbataí **River Basin, aiming at forest restoration and conservation.**

1. INTRODUCTION

CORUMBATAÍ RIVER BASIN



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Project Branches:

1. Geospatial technologies: definition of priority areas for forest planting and conservation;

2. Tropical forestry: definition of native species, appropriate to each different local condition and development of related technology;

3. Hydrology: relationship forest cover / water

2. DEFINITION OF PRIORITY AREAS 2.1. Generalities Digital Thematic Cartography Remote Sensing Satellite Positioning System

Geographic Information System



Definition of priority areas: Pilot Project x River Basin 2. DEFINITION OF PRIORITY AREAS

2.1. Generalities

APPROACH : MULTI-CRITERIA / SINGLE OBJECTIVE CRITERIA : FACTORS AND CONSTRAINTS DEFINITION OF FACTORS : PARTICIPATORY TECHNIQUE WEIGHTS OF THE FACTORS : PAIRWISE COMPARISON MATRIX PRIORITY AREAS MAP GENERATION : WEIGHTED LINEAR COMBINATION (GIS) RESULTS CHECKS: FIELD INSPECTION











2.6. Field Inspection



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Water Department of Piracicaba (SEMAE)

Director Plan:

University of São Paulo (USP) Forest Research Institute (IPEF)

Selection of Appropriate Tree Species: State of São Paulo Forest Institute



Seedlings Production and Environmental Education: Piracicaba Municipal Secretariat of Environment and Planning

Selection of Interested Land Owners, Planting and Monitoring: Intermunicipal Consortium of the Piracicaba, Jundiaí e Capivarí River Basins.



Director Plan: Water Department of Piracicaba (SEMAE)

Planting and Monitoring: Intermunicipal Consortium of the Piracicaba, Jundiaí e Capivarí River Basins



4. MAIN OBSTACLES

A. DIFFICULT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN: AGRONOMISTS/FORESTERS AND CIVIL ENGINEERS AGRONOMISTS/FORESTERS AND ADMINISTRATORS;

B. DIFFICULTIES WITH THE CHANGE OF THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION;

C. LACK OF A REGIONAL DIGITAL DATABASE.

D. RESTORATION IS AT A VERY SLOW PACE

A. DIGITAL DATABASE OF THE RIVER BASIN AVAILABLE (TO SCIENTISTS, STUDENTS, DECISION/POLICY MAKERS ETC.);

B. INCREASINGLY LOCAL AWARENESS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF REMOTE SENSING AND GIS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING;

C. SIMILAR PROJECTS TO OTHER AREAS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED;

ETC.



NEXT GENERATION OF DECISION MAKERS...EDUCATION



FARMERS INTERESTED IN RESTORING FOREST AREAS







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THANK YOU!

