

## Project Update: April 2011

Following up our proposal to name Ocumare as pilot region for the National Biodiversity Strategy, Jaime's team will be presenting the proposal on May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011 during the II Venezuelan Conference on Biodiversity, called by the Environment Ministry. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, team members Cristina and Gerson, under Jaime's tutorship, will be presenting their Master's thesis on ecotourism/whalewatching management in Ocumare. Educational Expeditions were selected by the Education Ministry to represent Venezuela at an International Educator's meeting in Argentina from July 7<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>. So far, 1464 students, professionals and community leaders have participated in our educational expeditions, training seminars and lectures.



Left: Park Ranger Mr. José Rubio addressing a lecture on the importance of the Henri Pittier National Park to future participants of the Youth Voluntary Parks Program. Right: Presenting the Educational Expeditions Program to the teachers of the La Morita Highschool, Maracay City.



TVRadio presenter Mrs. Leyda Negrín and Jaime during the recording of her program Acción Directa, broadcasted by the Spanish TV Channel TVE on April 10, 2001.