

Project Update: September 2007

After eight months of search of new populations of *Atelopus farci* and *Bolitoglossa capitana* in the Cundinamarca department, the results have been unsatisfactory. The destruction of the habitats is a constant in the zones where we have been carried out searches. This devastation has produced a remarkable decrease of the populations of amphibians in many areas of Cundinamarca. As is known, now the populations of amphibians are threatened for several causes and this is reflected in the absence of *Atelopus farci* and *Bolitoglossa capitana* in the forests of Cundinamarca.

We are convinced that the environmental work with the human communities around the relicts of forest is one of the tools most important that we have to protect these last natural places. For this reason we will increase our work with the community for explain the urgent necessity of preserve the last natural resources that are in the department.



Rana Muerta - a dead frog for unknown causes that we find in one of our searches that represents the serious decline of the amphibians.