

Project Update: August 2023

Preparing and building the data bank to help guide the communication activities.

During July 2023, a partnership was formed with the researcher and environmental consultant Indira Eyzaguirre, who is conducting a survey of the research carried out in the Extractive Reserves (RESEX) in the state of Pará, north Brazil. Our project and Indira's will be aligned to survey research carried out in the region, which will serve as the basis for creating communication material that will help promote better integration between local stakeholders.

In addition, the Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation (ICMBio) was asked to identify the projects and their respective researchers developed in the Gurupi-Piriá, Tracueteua, Caeté-Taperaçu and Araí-Peroba RESEX in the last 20 years (2003-2023).

As well as helping to create material for scientific dissemination, the database will also be given directly to local users, so that they can independently use the information gathered as they wish. For this reason, on August 3, 2023, we discussed with community leaders and the president of the local users' association the best way to deliver the final product of our Rufford networks project to the community. The conservation happened at the Association of Users of the Caeté-Taperaçu Extractive Reserve (ASSUREMACATA), in the city of Bragança, Pará, and ran parallel with the retribution workshop of the socio-economic survey developed by the NGO RARE Brasil (Photo 1). The participants would prefer it to be a playful, easy-to-understand piece of material and said that it was important for the community to know about the studies that have been done and are being done at the RESEX. This information will help us gather the information necessary for the database and structure it in a way that can facilitate both objectives of this data collation effort.



Photo 1. Meeting with the community representatives of the Caeté-Taperaçu RESEX to discuss the format of the data bank that would be most useful to local users, at the ASSUREMACATA building, in Bragança, north Brazil. © Luana Mescouto.