

Project Update: August 2011

We are in the midst of the dry season in Ecuador and are watering re-vegetation sites as necessary. At the greenhouse, two seedbeds exploded with seedlings, one of Chirimoya and the other with Pechiche. There are upwards of 800 trees in each of the seedbeds. These are the two native fruit trees we have had the most success with in re-vegetating and donating to communities. In addition, beds of Algarrobo, Jaboncillo, Guachepeli and Seca are also germinating. There are currently well over 2,000 transplanted trees in the greenhouse that will grow and be cared for until the upcoming rainy season in December. By then they will hopefully be about 3.3 ft (1 m) tall.

If we keep going anywhere close to this pace, we should easily surpass 5,000 trees at the greenhouse for planting in 2012.



Chirimoya seedlings