

MEETING REPORT

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPONENT OF SÃO FRANCISCO BASIN SF4 SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

São Gotardo, MG, Brazil, November 18th & 19th, 2003

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O PRÓ-COMITÊ DA SUB-BACIA HIDROGRÁFICA DO RIO SÃO
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**VOCÊ É CAPAZ DE CUIDAR DA ÁGUA!!!!!!!
VENHA PARTICIPAR.....**

Você é um CIDADÃO COM DIREITOS E DEVERES perante a sociedade e a Lei Nº. 13.199/99 da Política Estadual de Recursos Hídricos diz que É VOCÊ que vai gerenciar os recursos hídricos de forma participativa e paritária.

Chegou a hora de mostrarmos que somos capazes de cuidar das nossas águas, no momento decisivo de nossa Sub-Bacia SF4 a ser realizado na cidade de São Gotardo/MG.

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ESPERAMOS VOCÊ !!!!!!!



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Trip Report

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The São Gotardo e Lago de Três Marias Letter First Conference on the Environment of the SF4 Region

Topic 1: Aquatic Resources

- Promote informational meetings concerning energy policies of the Três Marias reservoir, with [its] users.
- Promote [an] environmental education program specific to the Upper São Francisco [River]
- Do chemical, physical and biological analyses of underground water in the vicinity of, and downstream from, the CMM dam, as well as in the river sediments.
- Reposition the locations for monitoring water [quality].
- Together with the managers, guarantee the participation of municipalities in multiple uses of the reservoir.
- Promote research that guarantees reliable data related to [both] the availability of water from the reservoir and other contributions to the UGPSF4.
- Establish intermediate and definitive measures for watershed recuperation through the basin management plan.
- Include geological zonation for research, mineral extraction and subterranean water in the Director's Plan.
- Enable public State audiences with the municipalities from the SF Basin in presentations and appreciation of the "new conception" for water diversion from the São Francisco River.
- Organize websites with consolidated hydrographic data from ANA / SRH / ONS / ANEEL / CEMIG / Ministry of Mines e Energy and promote their periodic updating.
- Create methods to publish data in a way that is understandable by the public.
- Put legal mechanisms into place to counter privatization of water distribution, sanitation and hydroelectric energy services.
- Increase public awareness about the [extreme] importance and necessity of these measures.

- Optimize the management of the flow of water from the dam.

Topic 2: Biodiversity, Protected Territorial Spaces and Urban Spaces

- Send the revision of Conama's article 3º of resolution 302 to the Ministry of Tourism, with the objective of meeting the demand for development of sustainable tourism.
- Plan [for] and plant grasses and flood resistant plant species to protect flood areas.
- Develop environmental and biological security protocols for exotic fish and other faunal and floral culture operations.
- Force the removal of Eucalyptus from Veredas that were previously full of water to allow for their recuperation.
- Through directed and aggressive actions, facilitate the recuperation of the marginal lagoons in the area of Iguatama, Bom Despacho, Divinópolis, Itaúna, Lagoa da Prata; and on the São Francisco River, downstream of the Três Marias reservoir/dam.
- Research aquaculture of native fish species.
- Prioritize, on an urgently urgent basis, the recuperation of veredas and water bodies in Eucalyptus areas (pastures or agricultural land).
- Promote informational meetings about the current situation of the veredas and the environmental impacts caused in their vicinity.
- Raise public awareness about the value of zoning for these and future generations.

Topic 3: Infra-structure, Transport and Energy

- Solicit Cemig to make unedited data and the levels of Três Marias Lake freely available.
- Demand projects and action plans from IEF and EMATER for the recuperation, maintenance and construction of roadways in a fashion that conforms to environmental laws.
- Pave the principle access routes to the lake, and increase and improve the existing routes, [while] respecting environmental laws.
- Pave the Morada Nova de Minas /BR040 access.
- Establish adequate infra-structure at public beaches.
- Establish projects for tourist and transit [signs and] signals.
- Send a request, with pertinent justifications, to the responsible ministry and institution for maintenance of ferry-boats and other services on the Lake.

- Install sanitation [sewage treatment] for municipalities that contribute upstream of the reservoir and for the water producers of the SF4 planning region.
- Facilitate projects and financing related to the UFMG/COMLAGO agreement with respect to the elaboration of the Director's Plan and proposals for sanitation in municipalities on the lake.

Topic 4: Agriculture, Cattle Ranching, Fisheries and Forestry Resources

- Demand programs and projects founded on agro-ecology, which publicize and train in techniques of soil conservation and management and promote social inclusion.
- Install nurseries for the production of savannah plants and fruits, in order to produce, collect and increase their value.
- Stimulate native plantations.
- Promote programs that value and expand surviving savannahs.
- Create legal reserves.
- Establish Municipal Fire Brigades.
- Enable IBAMA's fire fighting budgets.
- Organize and publish a specific environmental education plan. Guarantee the participation of rural producers, environmental organizations and schools.
- Look into native savannah species as alternatives to Eucalyptus as a basis for coal.
- Promote a pilot recuperation study of the vereda, as a basis for a more extensive program.
- Publish a geo[graphical]-reference study of the Veredas of UGPSF4 (Pilot).
- Study and implement measures to allow for marginal lagoons to revert back to being fish nurseries again.
- Create a fishery reference centre on the São Francisco River, strengthening and uniting the structures of the CAP Centre for Fishermen's Support, biology and fish culture (Codevasf Três Marias). [This] proposal of regional interest was approved at the First Conference of Eight Cities of Três Marias Lake and in this First Conference on the Environment /UGPSF4 (22 municipalities).
- The Municipality supports the bilateral Brazil-Canada project "Peixes, Pessoas e Água" with the administrative centre at CAP - Três Marias.
- Promote seminars and discussions searching for solutions and alternatives to irrigated production.

- Increase rural public awareness about specific strategies to accommodate garbage.

Topic 5: Urban Environment

- Facilitate the development of an overall municipal plan for the Lake, which is based on the concepts in agenda 21.
- Conduct a study on the occupation of the Permanent Protection Area (APP) around the reservoir [the draw-down zone] ([pilot in Três Marias).
- Implement the necessary actions to create public areas on the margins of the lake and the São Francisco River.
- Begin beautification projects in the cities.
- Mobilize and sensitize all organizations, institutions, companies/businesses and any other partners in a politically and economically integrated way, in order to procure financial and technical resources with the endpoint of effective construction of sewage treatment plants (ETES), sanitary landfills, [and] extension of water networks to meet municipal [needs]
- Investigate and define ways so that the law for PET manufacturers be adhered to.
- Stimulate selective-collection through a program developed by specialists.
- Promote organizations of recyclers to help establish their infra-structure to store their collections.
- Stimulate the intermunicipal integration of recyclers to enable an expansion of their experiences and training.

Topic 6: Climate Changes

Topic 7: Sisnama (MG)

- Facilitate the participative approval and installation of the SF4 basin committee.
- Publish the committee's purpose.
- Promote participative planning of the committee.
- Create mechanisms for enforcement of, and participative involvement in, municipal mining activities (through CODEMAS (Municipal Environmental Committees)).
- Vitalize and train existing CODEMAS [structures]
- Promote the installation of CODEMAS in municipalities of the SF4 region.

- Promote clearer interaction between CODEMAS and the Public Prosecutor's Office, particularly with the Special Coordination branch of the São Francisco River.
- Solicit from the Public Prosecutor's Office that the crime is mentioned in the compensatory actions taken (e.g. on signs for a project, printed material, information bulletins, etc.).
- Facilitate resources so that IGAM can promote training for the SF Committees related to watershed management.
- Structure the state agency for management of the Waters of Minas Gerais.
- Suggest that a percentage of water use taxes from energy production be invested in the watershed, through Committee SF4. (Before the First State Conference on the Environment, the Pre-Committee will receive the data that establishes the tax [level] through IGAM.)
- Provide financial resources for maintaining the SF4 Intermunicipal Consortium.
- Create mechanisms for punishment, so that the fines collected [for infractions] can be made accessible to the Committee itself.
- In order to maintain dialogue and participative planning, create and a permanent Human/Financial Resources Forum and biannual seminars between the SF4 Committee of Minas Gerais and representatives of the state at CBHSF.