

Crisis Climática, sus impactos en la Salud y algunas ventanas de oportunidad - Bolivia

Impactos sobre la salud de pueblos indígenas

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Bolivia, país con baja cobertura de salud

- La Pandemia de COVID-19 desnudó lo que ya sabíamos
 - Falta de infraestructura, medicinas, personal y equipamiento
 - Desatención del área rural especialmente
- El 2023 esta ocurriendo la peor epidemia de dengue en registros:
 - +22 mil infectados y 80 muertes hasta agosto.
- Presencia de Malaria, Chagas, Hanta virus

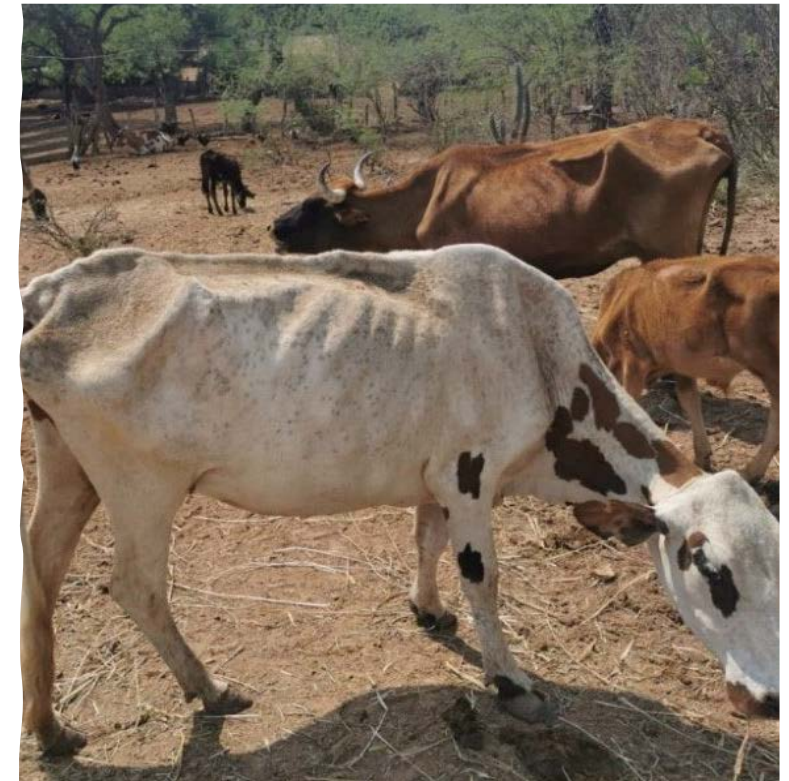
Efectos Amplios y en cascada

- Las afectaciones causadas por los extremos climáticos asociados a la Crisis climática y el Niño son más amplias:
 - Hasta octubre de 2023 se han incendiado más de 3 millones de hectareas
 - Enfermedades respiratorias en centenares de comunidades indigenas y campesinas
 - Contaminación de fuentes de agua por cenizas
 - Cancelación de clases educativas para niños y niñas durante algunas semanas
 - Pérdida de ganado y producción agrícola



Extensas pérdidas de la producción agropecuaria

- La sequia que afecta a toda la región ha reducido cosechas y generado millones de dólares en pérdidas no registradas en estadísticas
 - Tendrá efectos cada vez mayores en la nutrición de los niños, niñas y adultos
 - Simultaneamente más población se dedica a la extracción de oro con mercurio generando una contaminación de la pesca y de la alimentación en poblaciones indígenas amazónicas
 - Los efectos son en la actualidad multiples y continuarán profundizandose si no se toman acciones estructurales
- El país no esta preparado para enfrentar el aumento de casos de enfermedades infecciosas, desnutrición y otros impactos crónicos y agudos que ya estan llegando con La Crisis Climática

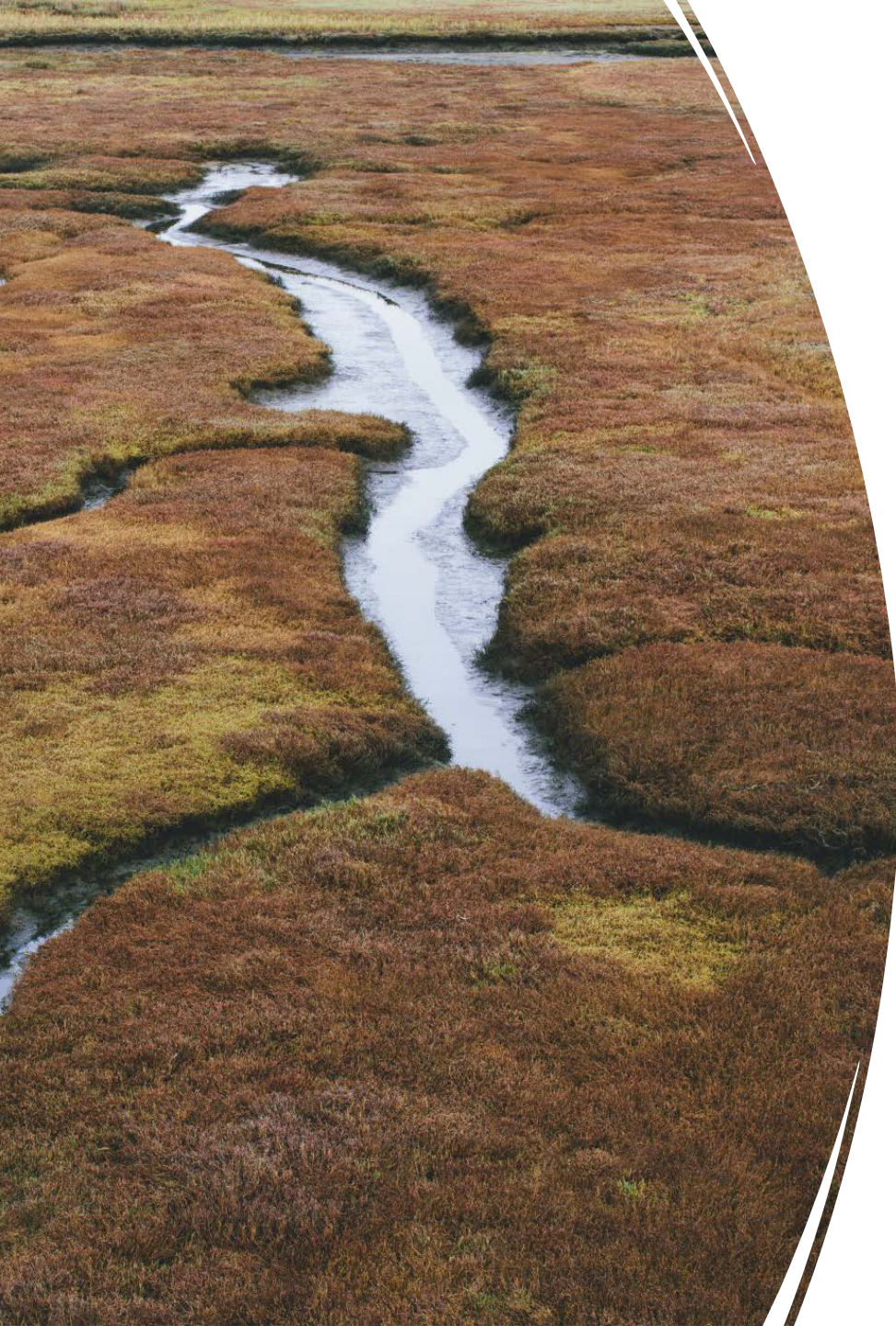


A 3D puzzle with one red piece standing out among white pieces. The red piece is in the foreground, slightly to the left, and is the only one of its color. The white pieces are arranged around it, some of which are already connected. The puzzle is set against a dark background.

Alternatives for Indigenous Climate action from the impact fronts

- The most vulnerable population in the country are children, women and indigenous people in general
 - Generally lacking basic services and depending on Agriculture
- They get least support globally to take part in the urgent climate action that must occur the coming 6 years.
 - Despite being one of the groups that does most of the conservation and could do much more to reduce emissions and degradation of the strategic ecosystems of Bolivia and the World

80 per cent of the planet's biodiversity is in Indigenous Peoples' lands



Joint Climate Ambition Alliances

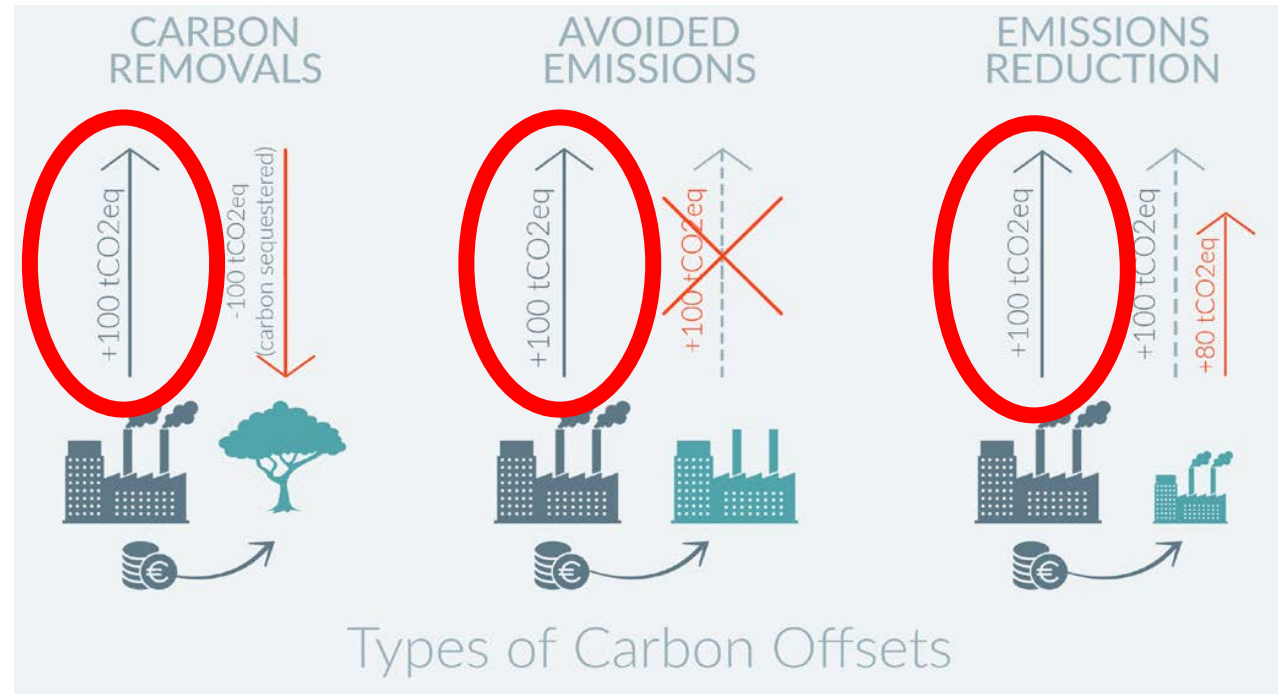
- The civil society Bolivian Platform Against Climate Change has proposed within the framework of the Mechanism not related to the Carbon Market at the UNFCCC:
 - Bi-or Multilateral Alliances to support the restoration of ecosystems and sustainable management of biodiversity by indigenous and local communities to produce low-carbon products and foods aimed for the international and national markets.
 - Fine wild Cocoa varieties
 - Nuts, vegetable oils and fruits
 - Proteins
 - Fibers, natural rubber, medical active chemicals, pigments
- It can be done at the same time as protecting ecosystems and reducing emissions, with indigenous and local participation

— How can IPs contribute to the fight against the Climate Crisis??

- Indigenous communities can actively participate in the elimination of deforestation and the stabilization of ecosystem functions to stop the Climate Crisis - but don't have real support currently. Not from national governments nor the international community
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- The actions proposed within the framework of article 6.8 of the PA include:
 - Ecosystem restoration
 - Management and sustainable use of biodiversity resources
 - Adaptation actions: Drinking Water, Renewable Energy, Health Services
 - Production of low-carbon foods and materials aimed for global trade
 - No carbon offsets to ensure real emissions reduction

Carbon Market offsets not designed to stop emissions



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