

Protected Areas Management in Bolivia: possibilities in a Plurinational State

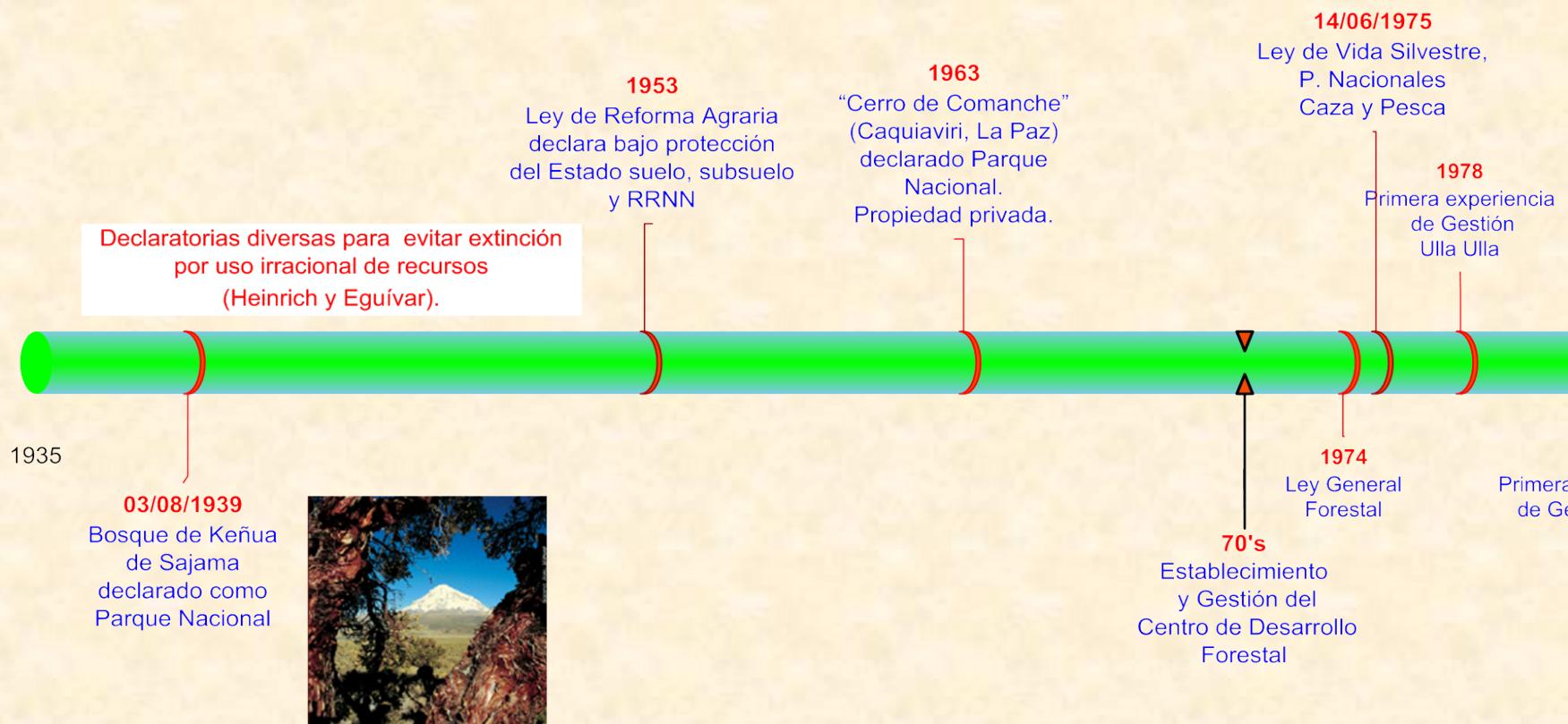


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Background

- The Constitution of the Plurinational State of Bolivia was approved in 2009.
- Brings a new range of possibilities for natural resource management at **different territorial administrative levels**.
- Distributes **duties and responsibilities** for the management of biodiversity and protected areas to local governments.

History



Autonomous Administrative Levels

- National
- Departamental
- Municipal
- Indigenous territories
(Territorios Indigena Originario Campesino)



Distribution of powers in Bolivian Constitution

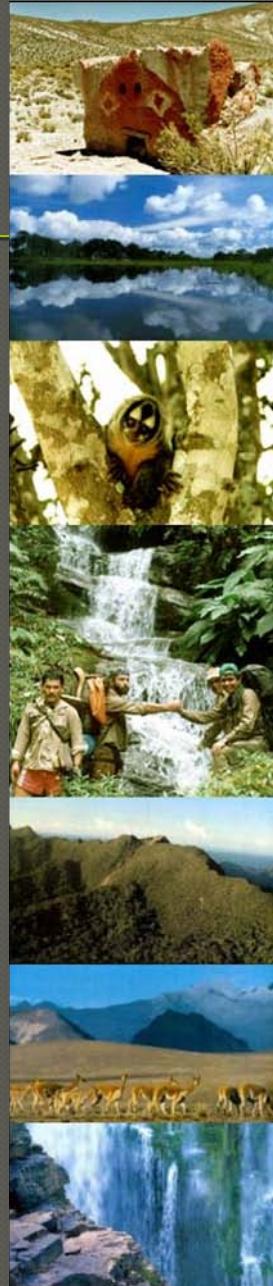
	Description
Privatives	Those whose legislation, regulation and enforcement cannot be transferred or delegated, and is reserved for the central state level.
Exclusive	Those in which one level of government has on a given subject the powers legislative, regulatory and enforcement may transfer or delegate the latter two.
Concurrent	Those in which the law is for the central state level and the other levels simultaneously exert regulatory and enforcement powers.
Shared	Those subject to a basic law of the central State whose laws of development lies with autonomous territorial entities, according to their characteristics and nature. The regulation and enforcement shall be autonomous territorial entities.

Central level of the State (National)

Powers	Artículo	Scope
Privatives	Articulo 298/I	General biodiversity and environmental policy
Exclusives	Articulo 298/II	Special regime for biodiversity and environmental management National priority protected areas
Concurrent	Articulo 299/II	To preserve, conserve and help protect the environment and wildlife maintaining ecological balance and environmental pollution control

Departamentos

Powers	Scope
Privatives	Has no privative powers
Exclusives	To promote and conserve the natural, cultural, archeological and scientific heritage
Concurrent	Must be defined
Delegated	Delegated by the central level of the State



Municipal

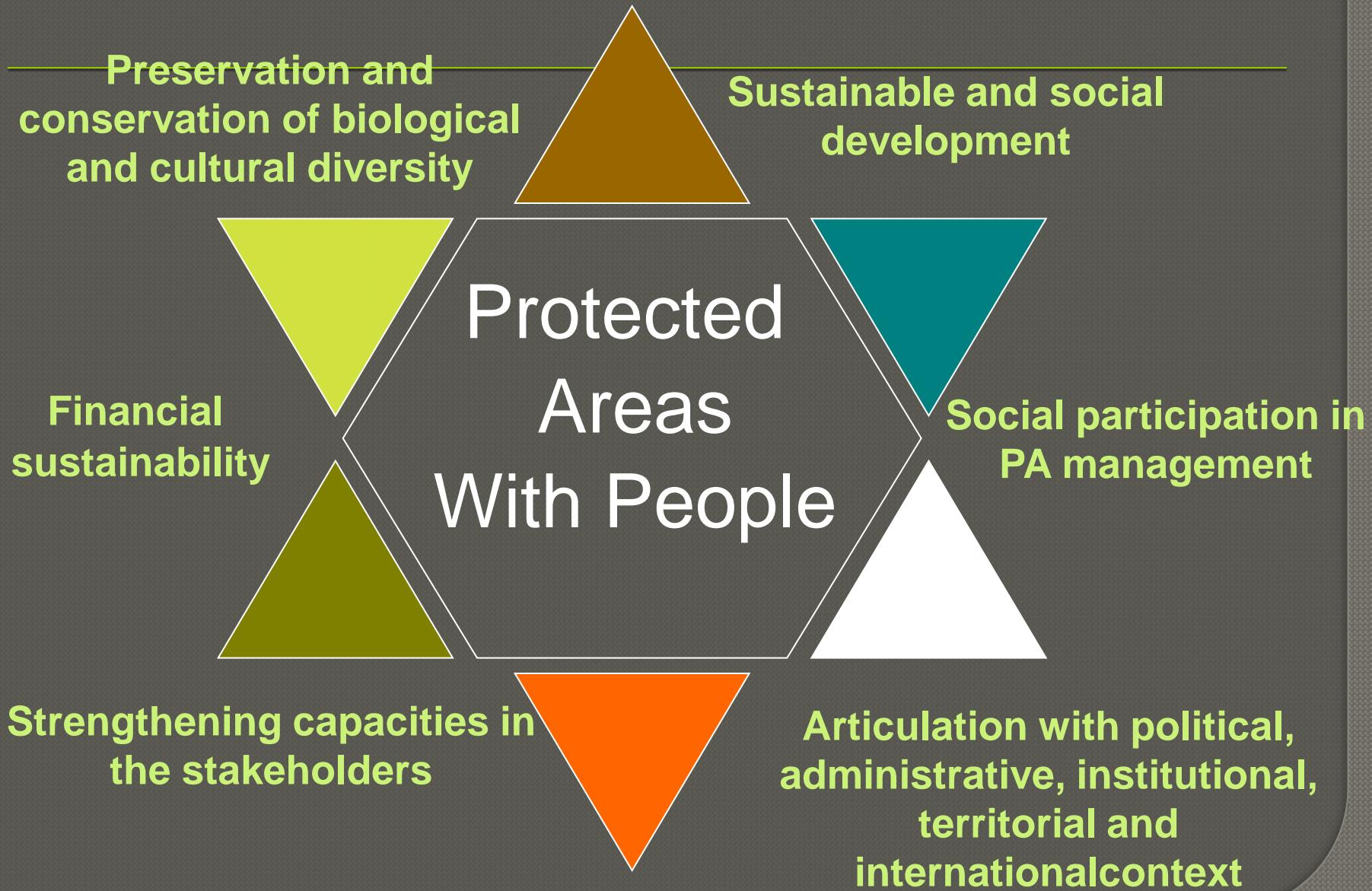
Powers	Scope
Exclusives	<p>To preserve, conserve and help protect the environment and natural resources, wildlife and domestic animals.</p> <p>Development of Land Management Plans and land use, in coordination with the others administrative levels</p> <p>Municipal protected areas</p> <p>To promote and conserve the municipal natural heritage</p> <p>Promotion and preservation of cultural, historical, artistic, monumental, architectural, archaeological, paleontological, scientific, tangible and intangible heritage in the municipality</p>
Delegated	Those delegated by the other leves

Protected Areas

- Advance in shared management of protected areas overlapping with indigenous territories, which imply:
- Recognition of land rights that indigenous people have since before the creation of protected areas (Art. 385 CPE).



Strategic Management Guidelines



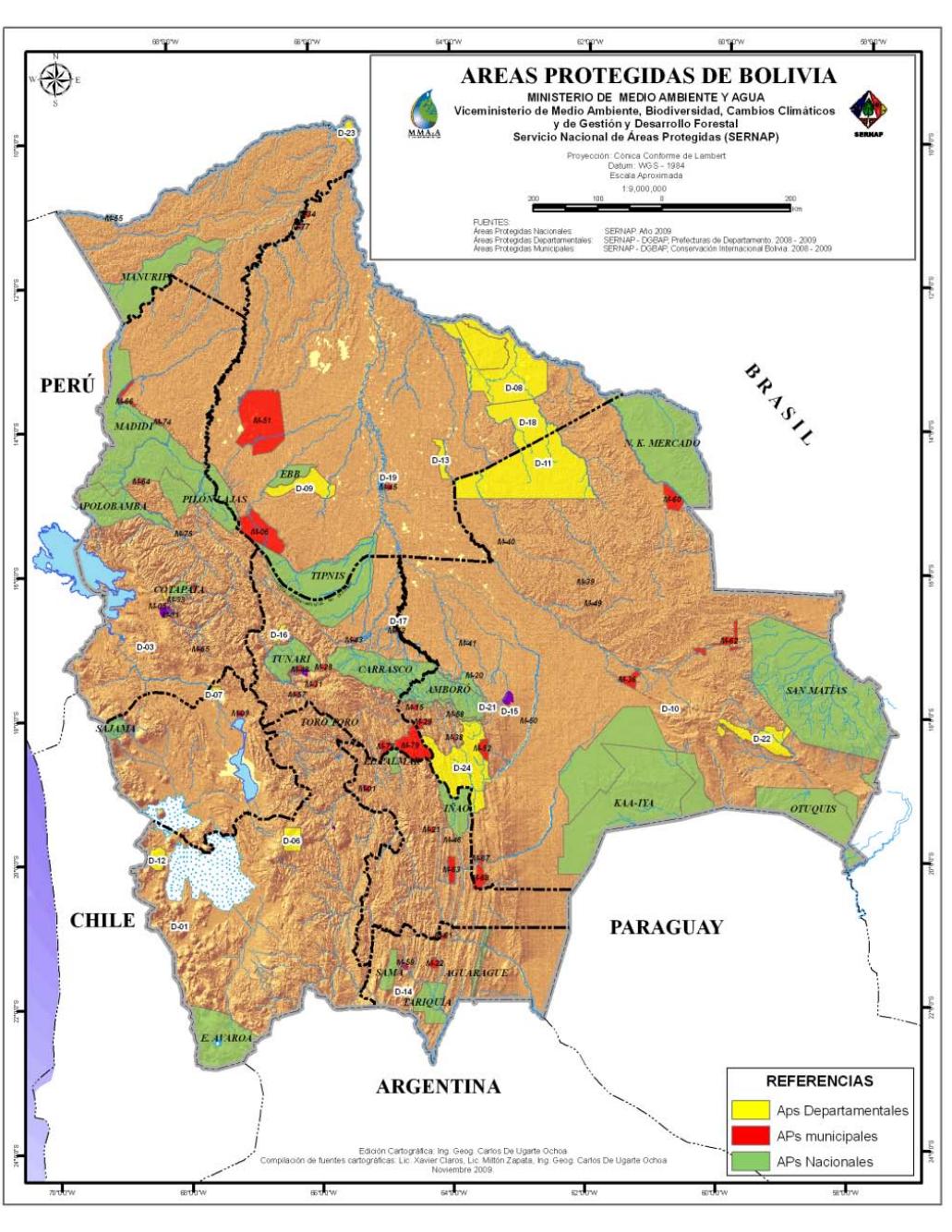
CONTEXTUALIZACIÓN

NUEVA GESTIÓN DEL SISTEMA NACIONAL DE ÁREAS PROTEGIDAS



ESTRATEGIAS A 10 AÑOS: 1) PRESERVACIÓN DEL PATRIMONIO NATURAL Y CULTURAL; 2) DESARROLLO ECONÓMICO SOCIAL SOSTENIBLE; 3) PARTICIPACIÓN SOCIAL EN LA GESTIÓN DE LAS APS; 4) FORTALECIMIENTO DE LAS CAPACIDADES DE GESTIÓN DE ACTORES RELEVANTES; 5) VINCULACIÓN CON EL CONTEXTO POLÍTICO ADMINISTRATIVO, INSTITUCIONAL, ORGANIZATIVO Y TERRITORIAL; 6) GESTIÓN DE FINANCIAMIENTO SOSTENIBLE.





SNAP BOLIVIA

- Bolivia: 1.098.591 Km²**
- 22 AP Nacionales 167 mil Km²**
- 22 AP Departamentales 63 mil Km²**
- 78 AP Municipales**
- Total 230 mil Km² (22%)**



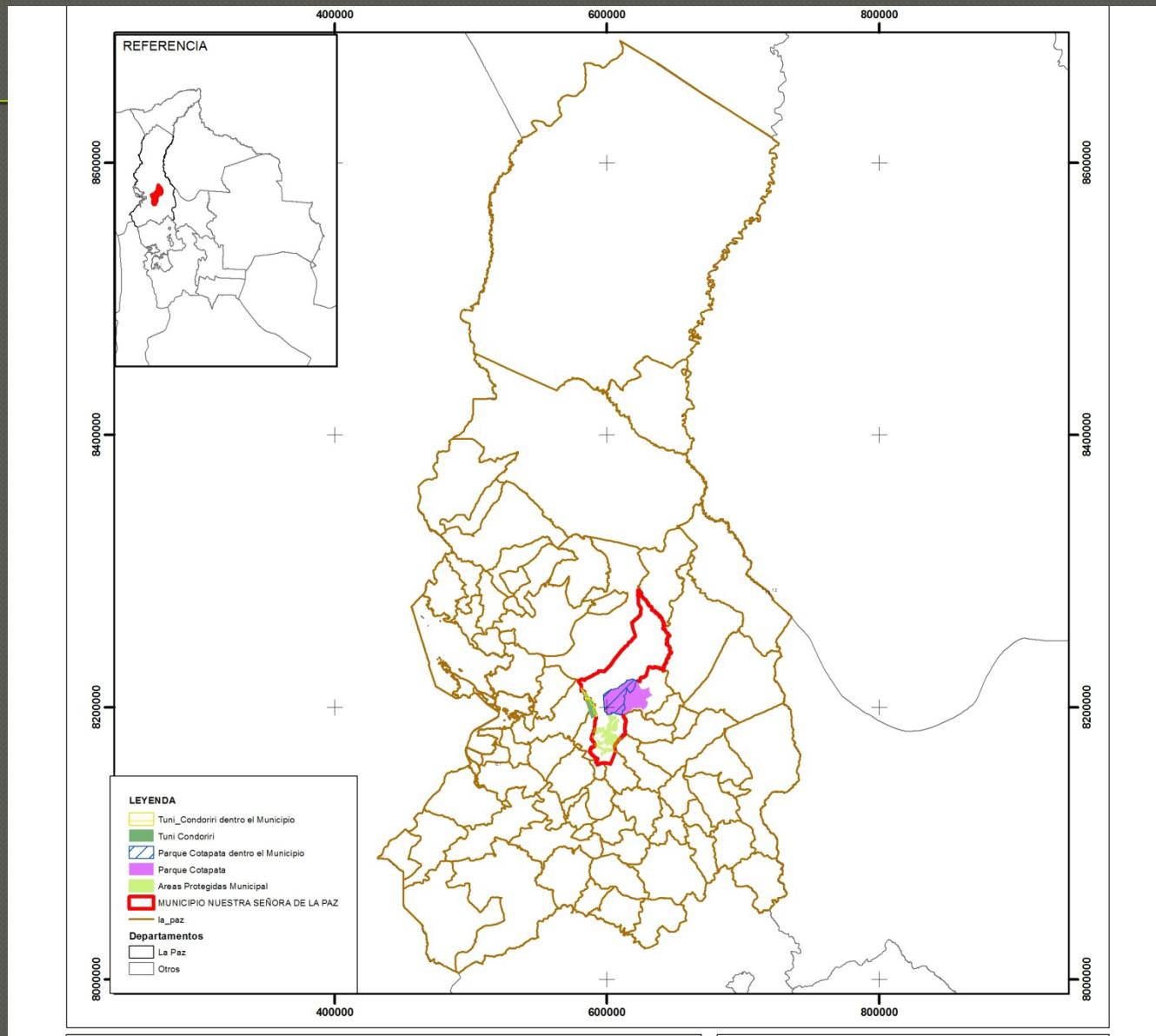
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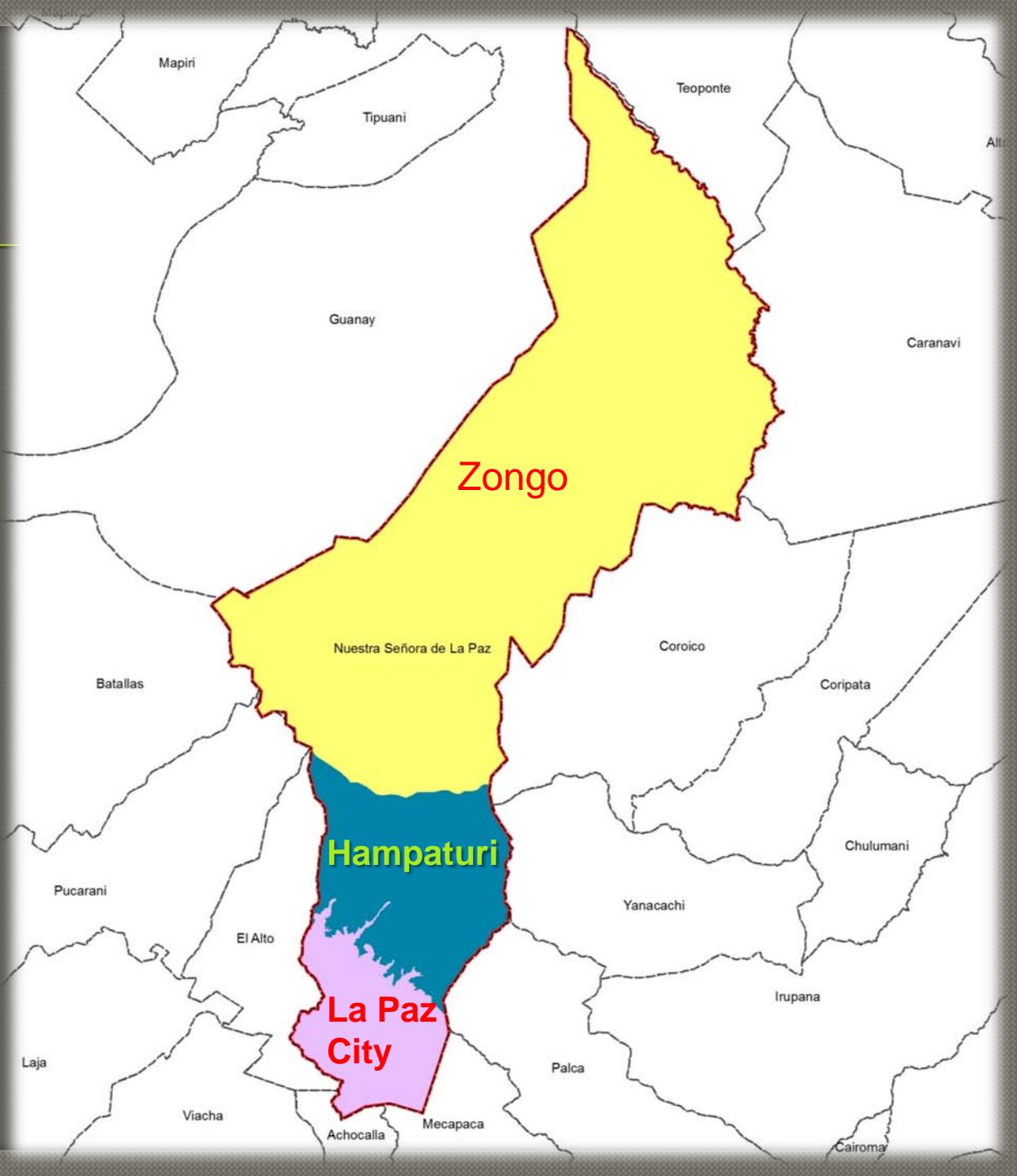
La Paz Municipality towards a biodiversity and ecosystem services conservation system



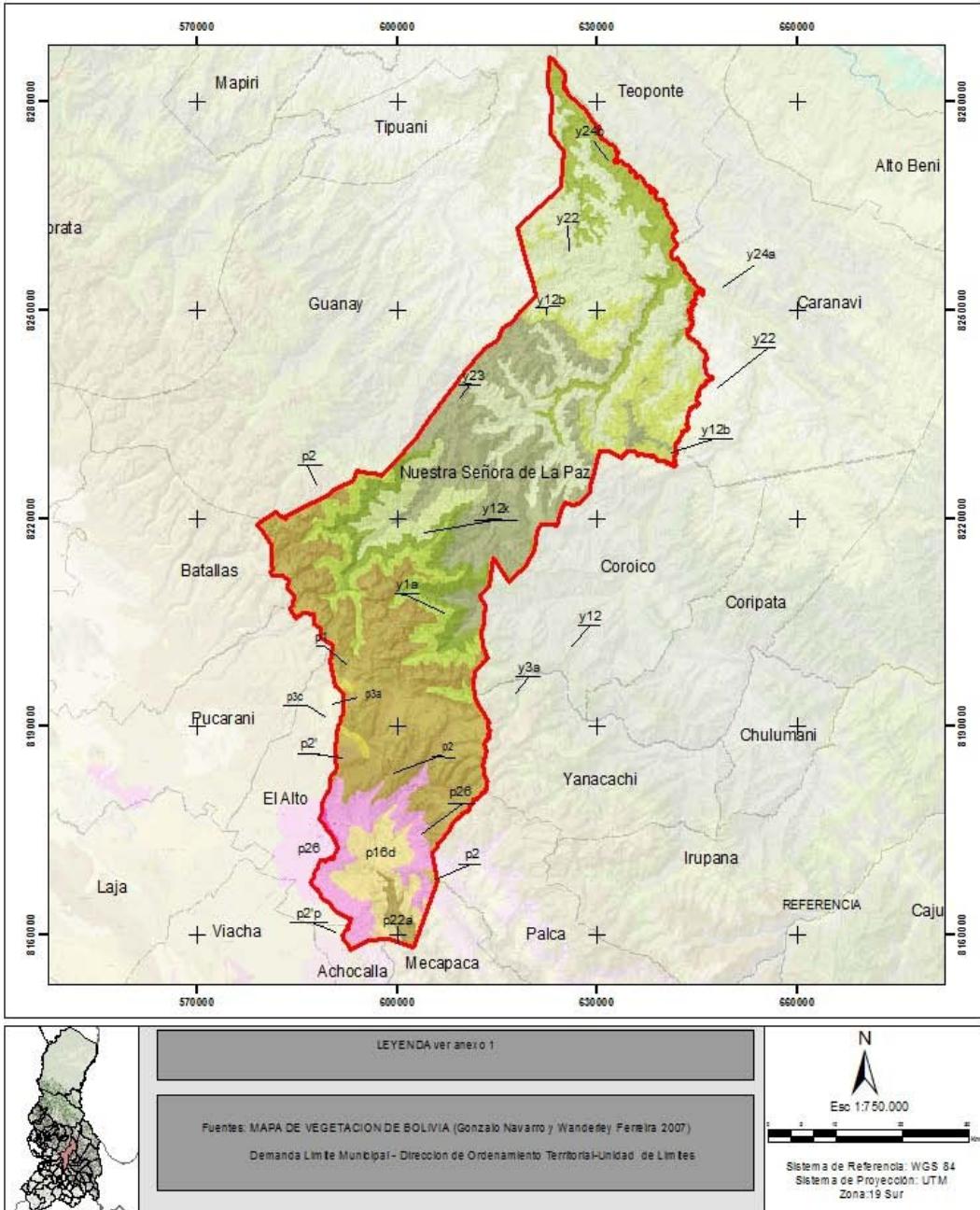
Las Paz Municipality



Distritos	Superficie ha	Poblacion 2006
Urban Districts	27417.6	789.585
Zongo Rural District	227821.5	3.707
Hampaturi Rural District	227821.5	



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MAPA DE VEGETACION



Biodiversity

- 21 vegetation units (Navarro 2003)

Urban area

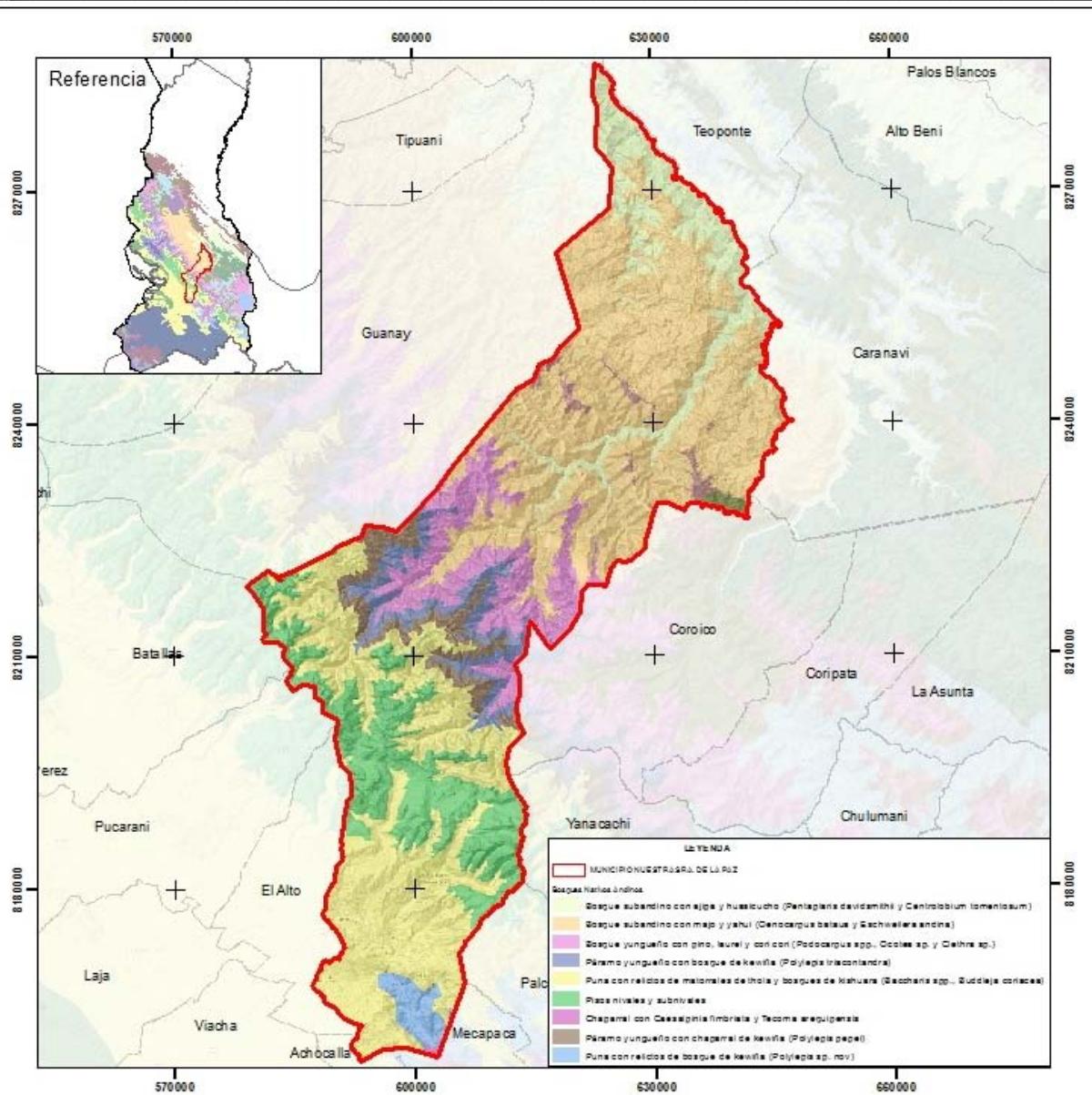
- 900 species of vascular plants
- 136 species of birds
- 38 species of mammals
- At least 5 species of reptiles and 7 especies de anfibios

Rural area (Zongo)

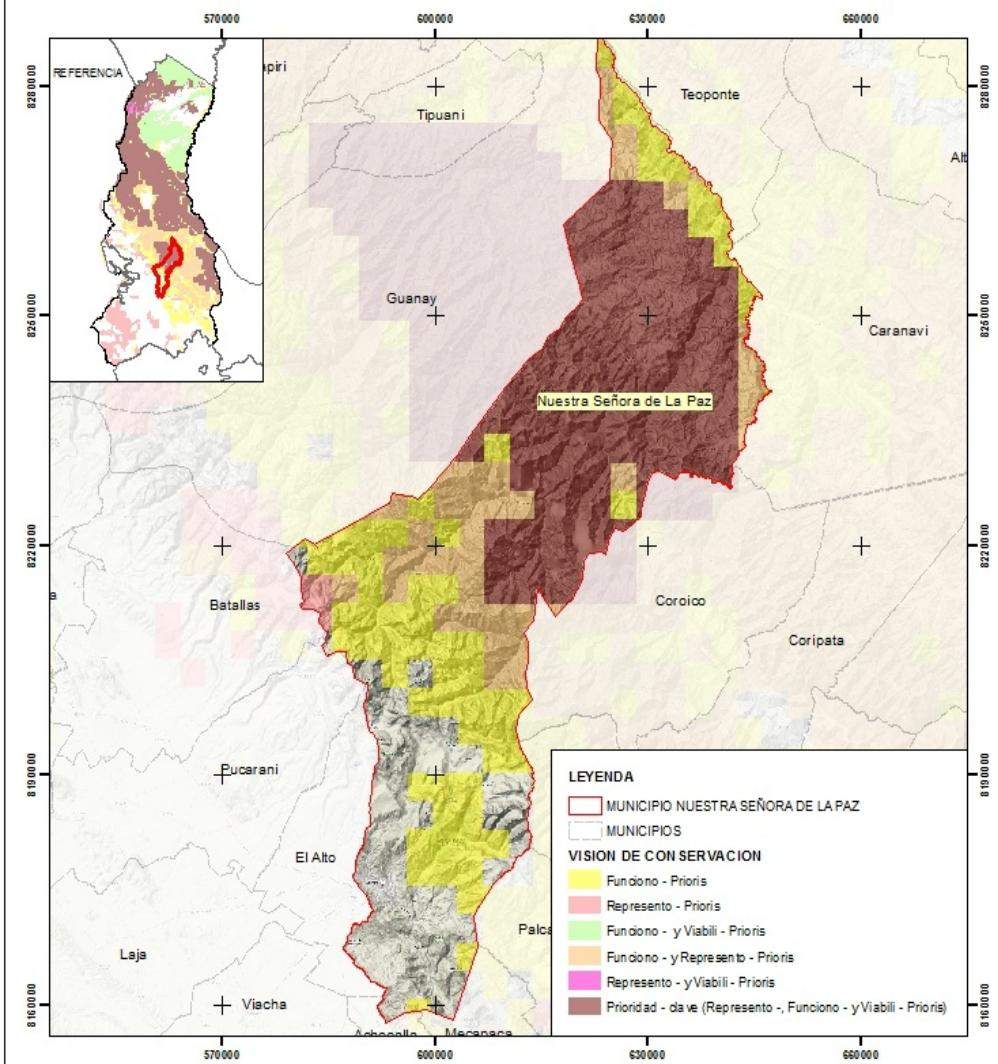
- 3000 plants species, 7 are endemic
Pycnophyllum keraiopetala,
Baccharis glomerata, *B. zongoensis*,
Philibertia zongoensis (Beck y Paniagua, 2010)
- 450 bird species (Martinez 2010)
- 19 amphibian species, 5 endemic
Telmatobius boliviensis, *Oreobates zongoensis* y *Pristimantis bisignatus* (Cortez 2009).

Andean Forests

- 9 units of andean native forests



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**MAPA DEL MUNICIPIO NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA PAZ
Y ÁREAS CON VISION DE CONSERVACION (GAP-SERNAP)**



Sistema de Referencia: WGS 84
Sistema de Proyección: UTM
Zona 19 Sur

Fuente: Vision de Conservacion - GAP-SERNAP
Demanda Límite Municipio Nuestra Señora de La Paz - Dirección de Ordenamiento Territorial,
Unidad de Límites

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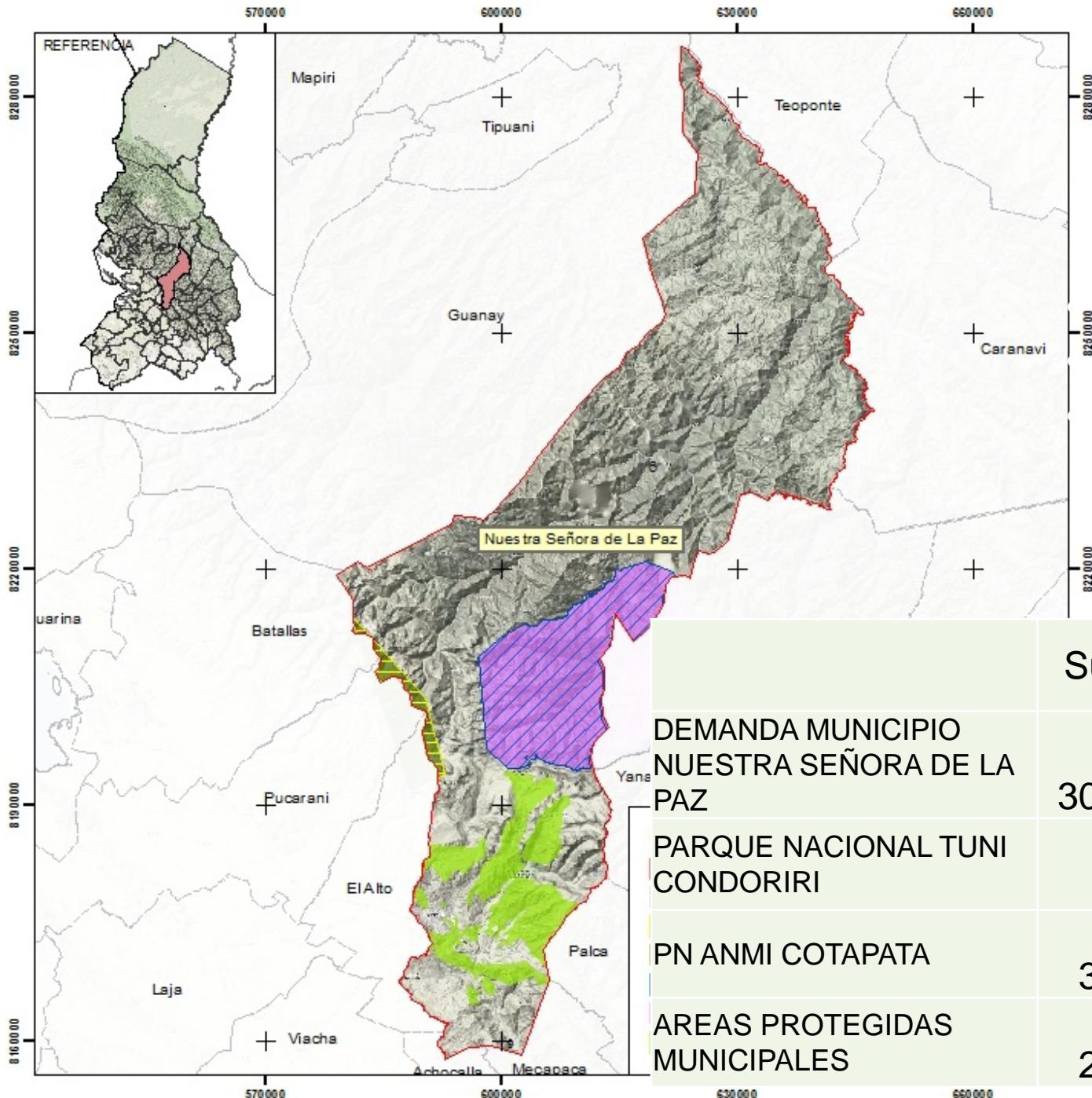
ZONGO

- Zongo is within the key priority areas for conservation nationwide (SERNAP 2010).
- Carbon Stock (REDD+??)



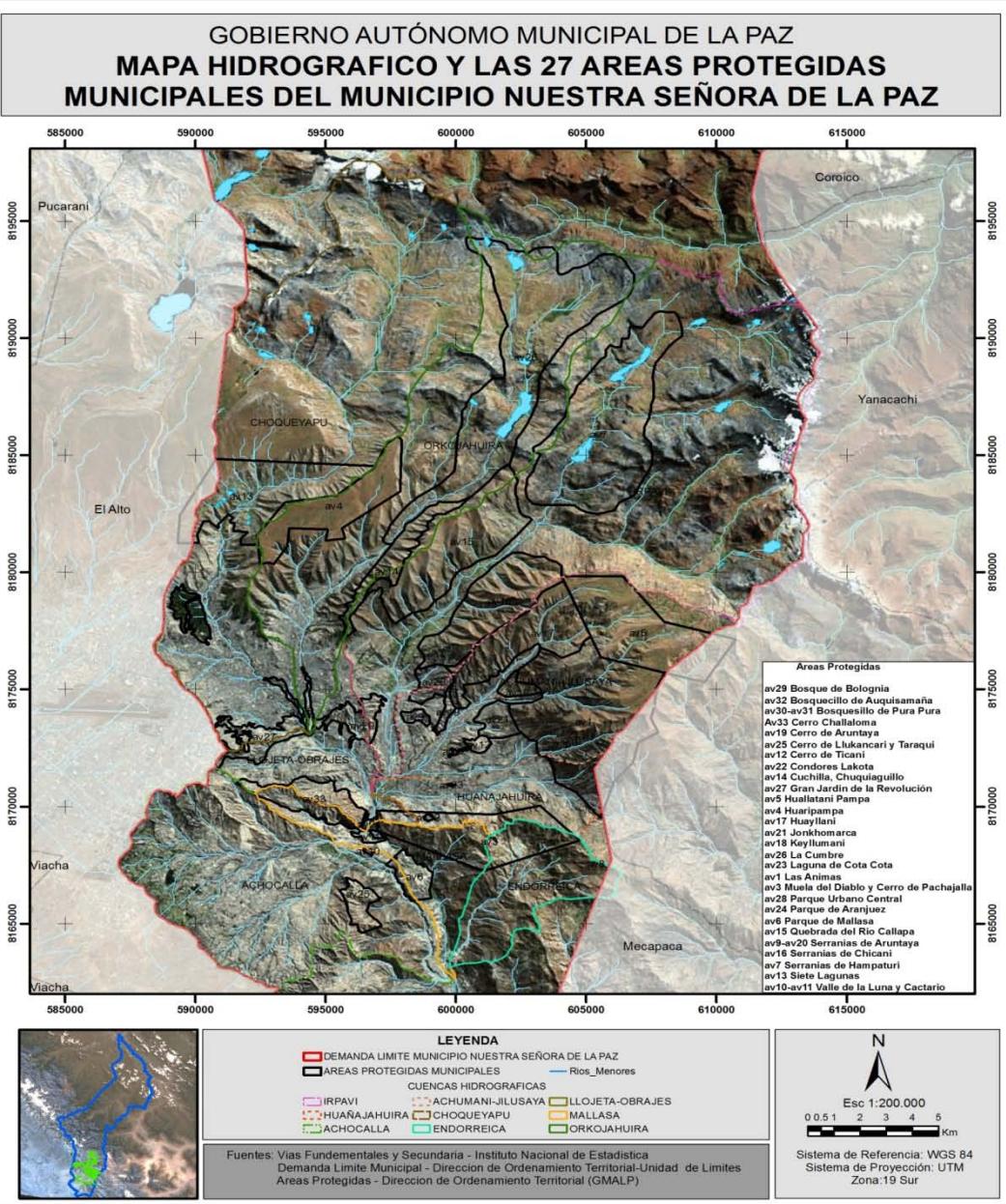
Protected areas in the Municipality

27 AP Municipales
1 AP Departamental
1 AP Nacional



	Sup. Ha	%	Total %
DEMANDA MUNICIPIO NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA PAZ	300433.47	100	
PARQUE NACIONAL TUNI CONDORIRI	3337.39	1.1	
PN ANMI COTAPATA	33642.87	11.2	19.1
AREAS PROTEGIDAS MUNICIPALES	20525.27	6.8	

Recursos Hídricos

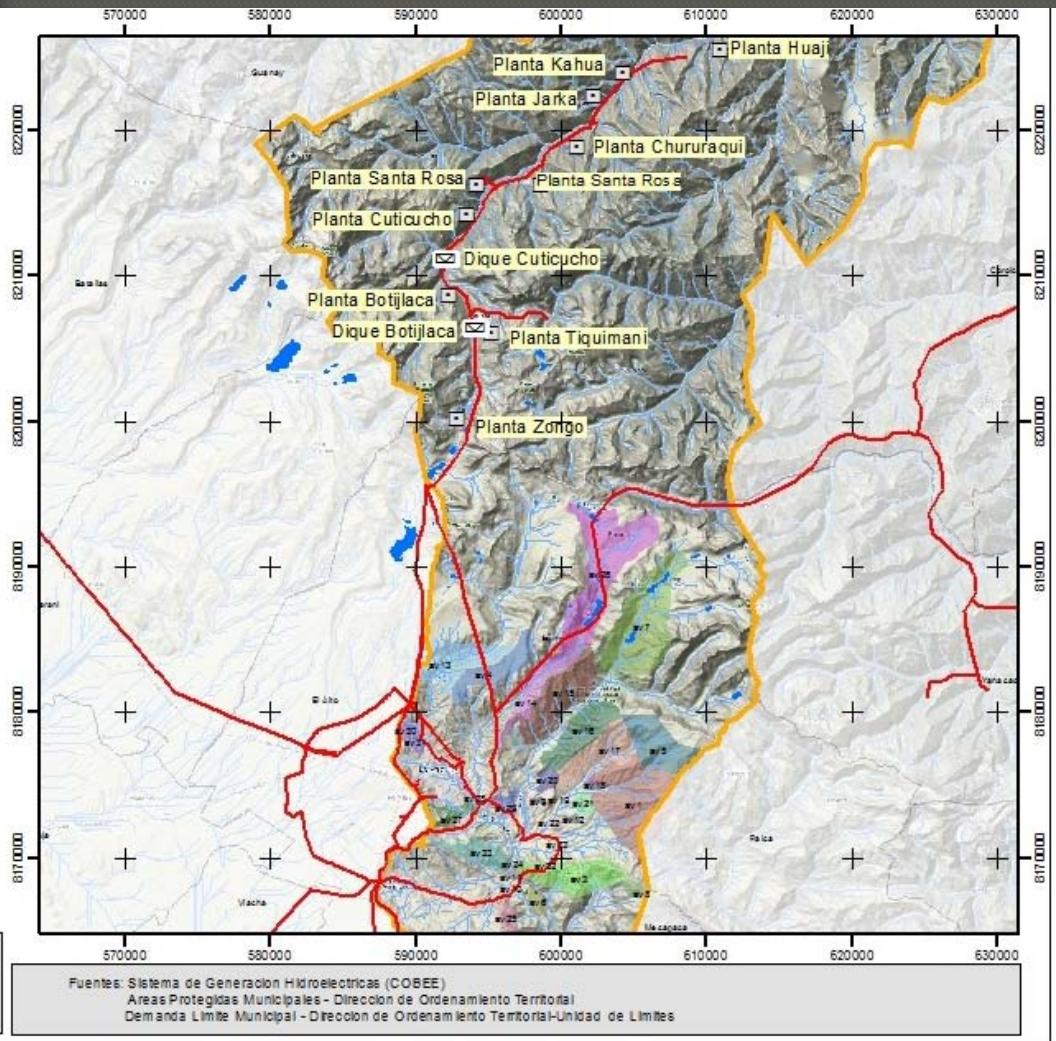


Basins of the rivers Orkojahuira, Irpavi, Achumani and Huayñajahuira born in the rural district of Hampaturi.

This shows the enormous importance of this region to supply water to the city of La Paz around 60%



Electric generation comes from Zongo valley



Treaths and pressures

- Mining and aggregates in AP
- Illegal settlements in urban and rural AP
- Changing land use
- Boundary Disputes
- Loteamientos



Municipal Protected Areas System

- Created in 2000
- Why it didn't work?
- Same mistakes → paper protected areas, no consultation with local communities, no capacities in the municipal government, no articulation with others territorial plans

Opportunities

- Autonomous Municipal Government of La Paz is working in a 28 years Development Plan called La Paz 2040
- One of the main objectives of this plan is to achieve innovative conservation mechanisms for de sustainable use of the ecosystems services

Action Plan for Municipal System of Integral Conservation Areas

Why integral conservation areas?

- Misunderstanding of the concept of AP
Conservation can be implemented outside AP
- The concept of space is according to a comprehensive land management
- Allows you to restart a job with the consensus of the community

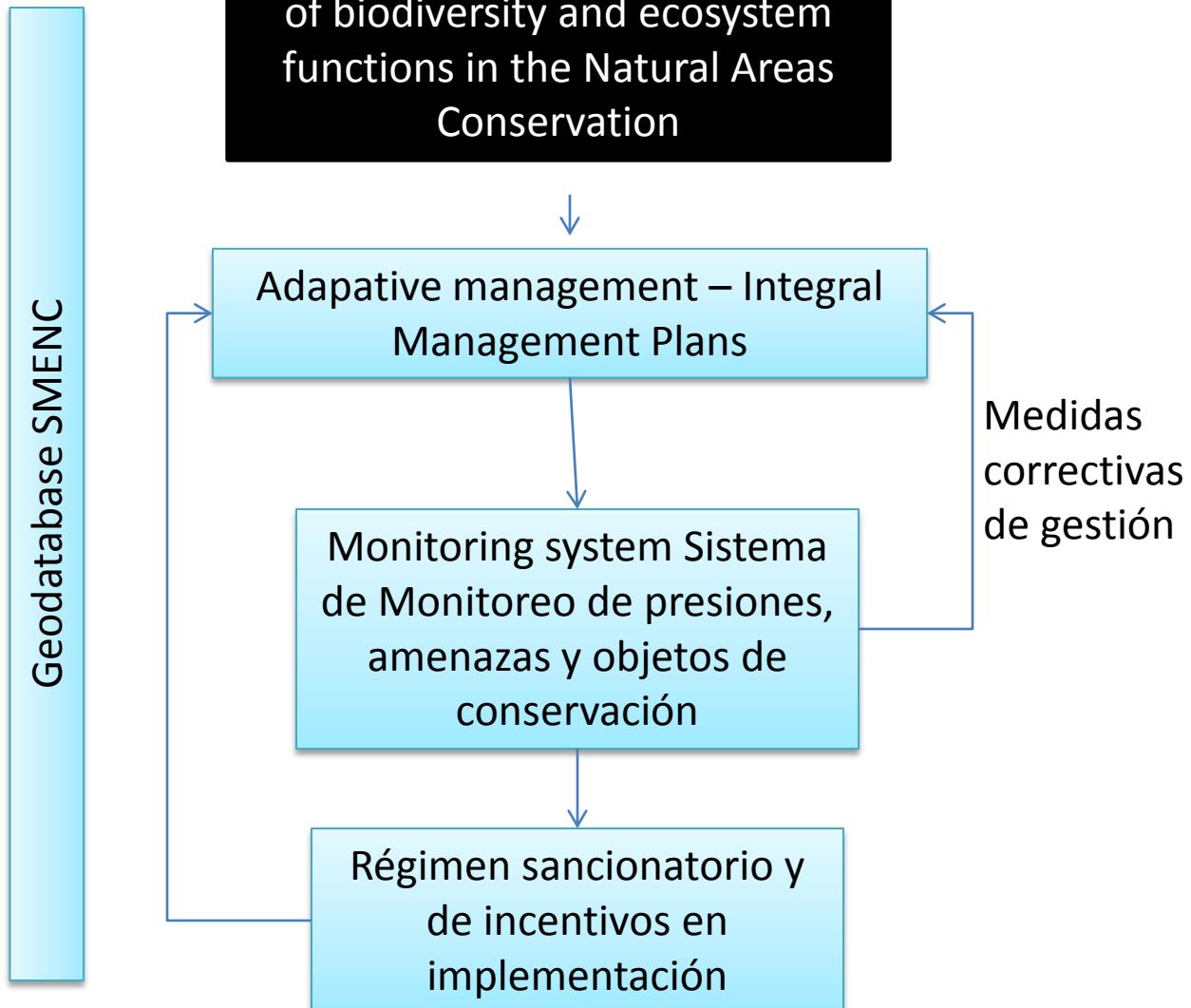
Guidelines

- L1. Establishment of the Municipal System of Natural Areas Conservation (SMENC)
- L2. Comprehensive management of biodiversity and ecosystem functions in the Natural Areas Conservation
- L3. Finance and activities to combat Climate Change
- L4. Promotion and citizen empowerment SMENC

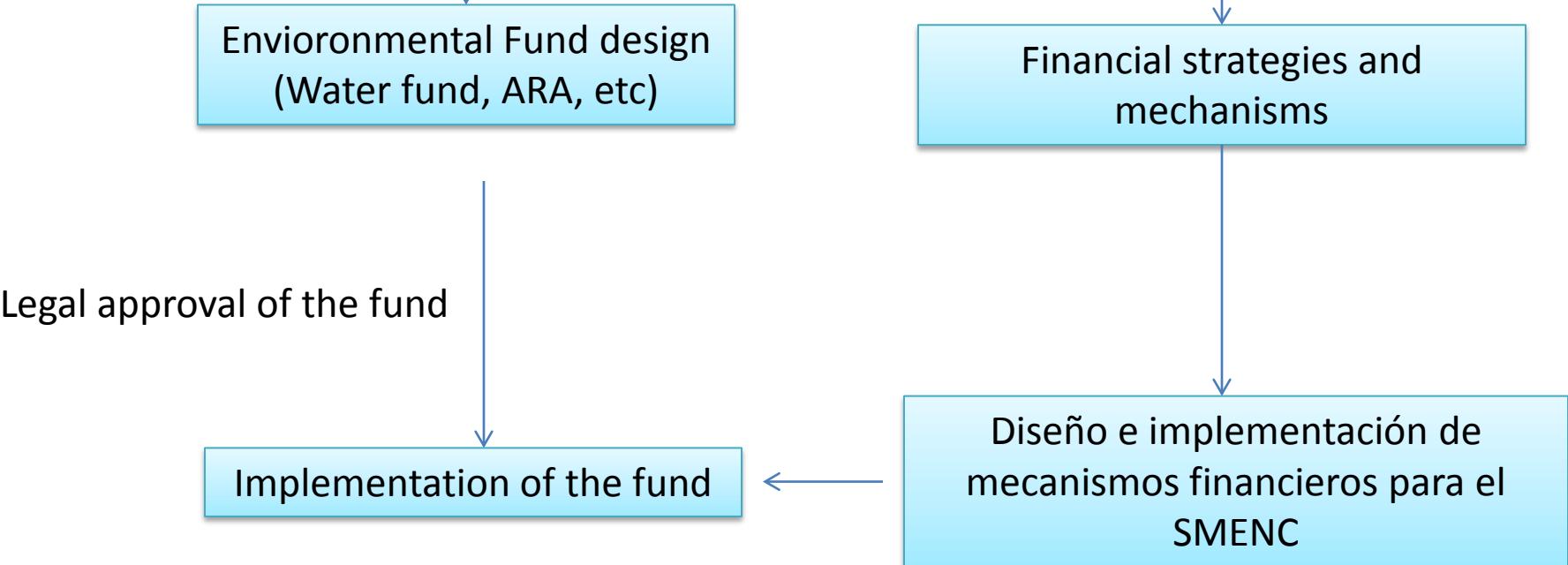
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Investigaciones ,
metodologías y alianzas

Environmental, social and economic valuation of the conservation areas

Design of a communication strategy for SMENC

Measurement mechanism of perception and financial readiness of the population to contribute to the conservation

Retroalimentación
(comunicacional y financiera)



Gracias por su
atención

Niveles de la Gestión Compartida

NATIONAL

Central Government
MMAYA, Viceministerio,
SERNAP

Social Organization
CIDOB, CONAMAQ, CSUTCB, CSCIB, CNMI-BS

REGIONAL

Department
governments

ORGANIZACIONES SOCIALES
Org. sociales regionales se articulan con las estructuras nacionales y locales (ejm. Jach'a Karangas en Sajama y CPEMB con TIPNIS)

LOCAL

Municipal or
indigenous
government

SERNAP, Gobernaciones,
Gob. Municipales

ORGANIZACIONES SOCIALES
Todas las organizaciones comunales con derechos territoriales del AP