

# EXTENSION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR BLUE CARBON IN PERU

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### **Wetlands in Peru**

Descripción	Símbolo	Superficie (ha)	%	
Lagos, lagunas y cochas		944 134	11.88	
Bofedales		549 156	6.91	
Aguajales y pantanos		6 447 728	81.06	
Humedales costeros		12 173	0.15	
	Total	7 953 191	100	

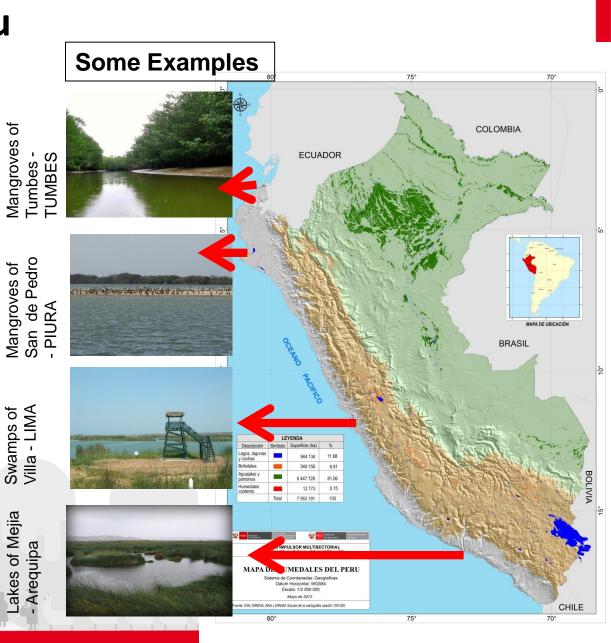
Mangroves of

Lakes of Mejia

#### Generals

**54,6%** of the Peruvian Population lives in coastal areas.

Coastal area is the 1**1,4%** of the Peruvian territory

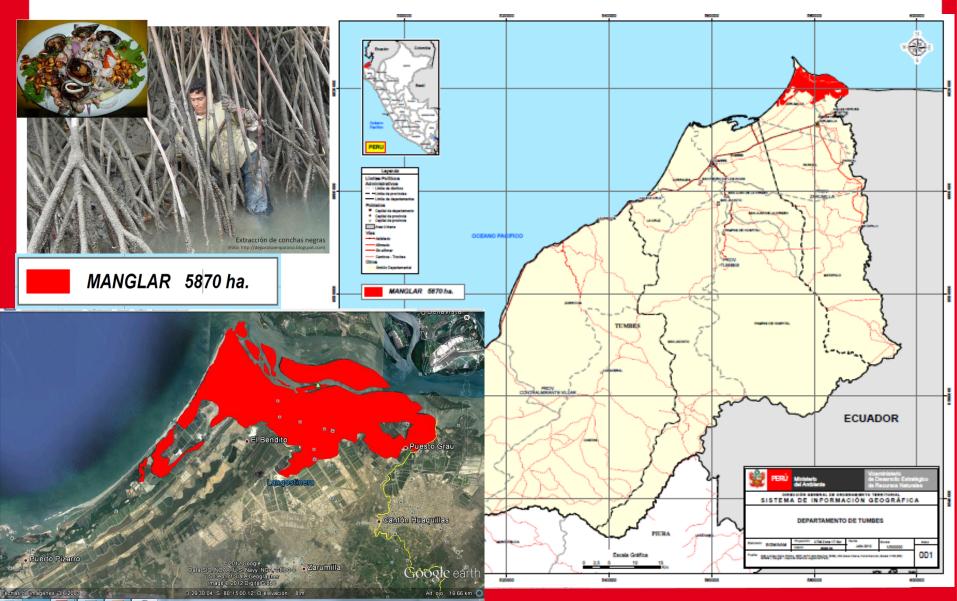


## **RAMSAR Sites**

#### Cuadro № 1 // Sitios Ramsar considerados para Perú

Nο	Sitio Ramsar	Fecha de creación	Departamento	Extensión (Ha)	Ubicación (UTM)
1	Bofedales y Laguna de Salinas	28/10/2003	Arequipa	17,657	16°22′S 071°08′W
2	Complejo de humedales del Abanico del río Pastaza	05/06/2002	Loreto	3,827,329	04º00'S 075º25'W
3	Humedal Lucre — Huacarpay	23/09/2006	Cusco	1,979	13º37'S 071º44'W
4	Lago Titicaca (Sector Peruano)	20/01/1997	Puno	460	15º50'S 069º30W
5	Laguna del Indio — Dique de los Españoles	28/10/2003	Arequipa	502	15°46′S 071°03′W
6	Lagunas Las Arreviatadas	15/07/2007	Cajamarca	1,25	05°14′S 079°17′W
7	Manglares de San Pedro de Vice	12/06/2008	Sechura	,399	05°31′N 080°53′W
8	Reserva Nacional Pacaya Samiria	30/03/1992	Loreto	2,080,000	05º15'S 074º40'W
9	Reserva Nacional de Paracas	30/03/1992	lca	335	13º55'S 076º15'W
10	Reserva Nacional de Junín	20/01/1997	Junín y Pasco	53	11º00'S 076º08'W
11	Santuario Nacional Lagunas de Mejía	30/03/1992	Arequipa	691 🛑	17º08'S 071º51'W
12	Santuario Nacional Los Manglares de Tumbes 🛑	20/01/1997	Tumbes	2,972	03º25'S 080º17'W
13	Refugio de Vida Silvestre Pantanos de Villa	20/01/1997	Lima	263	12º12'S 076º59'W

## Mangroves of Tumbes



# Project "Impact of the variability and climate change in mangrove ecosystems in Tumbes"

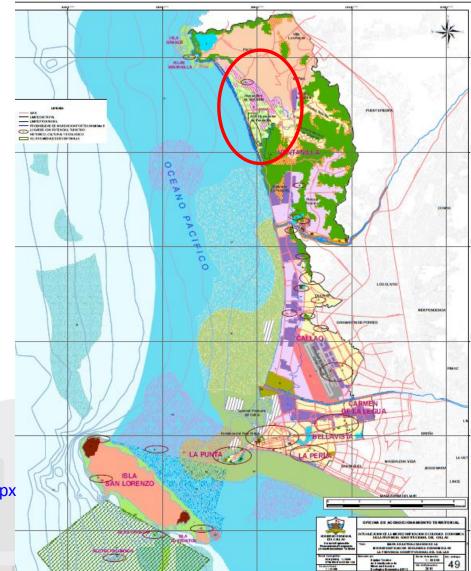
- The Peruvian
   Geophysics Institute
   is leading the
   initiative.
- 16 research thesis.
- IDRC is funding the initiative.



https://sites.google.com/site/manglaresigp/

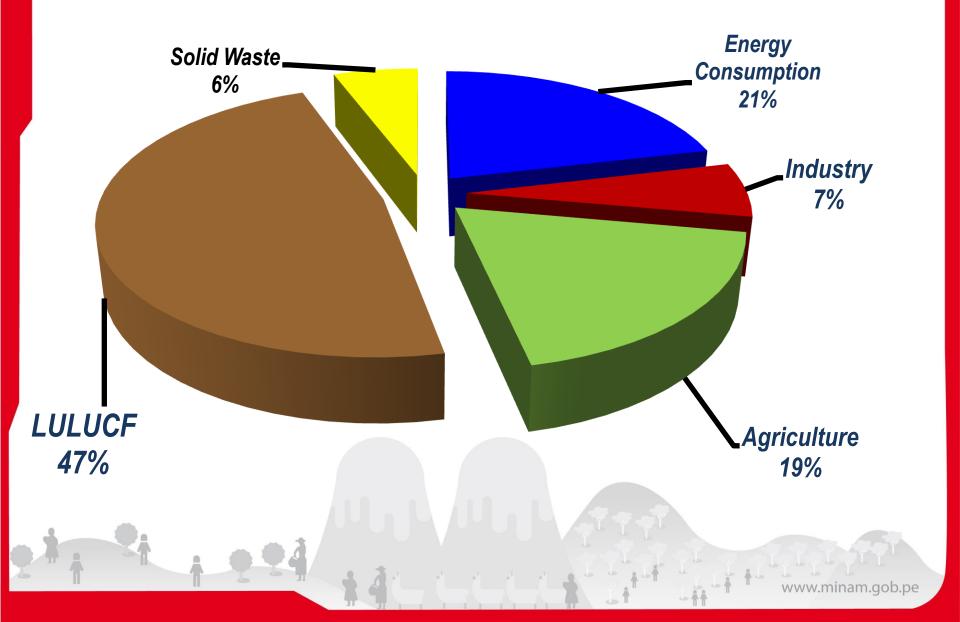
### Land Planning in coastal marine areas

- The land Planning in Peru is based on the Ecological and Economic Zoning (EEZ).
- EEZ process completed: Callao Regional Government.
- An Ecological and Economic unit called: Ventanilla Wetland. This unit covers a geographical area of 495.5 hectares.
- Regional Conservation Area "wetlands of Ventanilla"



http://sitr.regioncallao.gob.pe/webzee/metodologia\_mzee.aspx

### **GHG Inventory - 2000**



# Where Blue Carbon initiatives could be included?

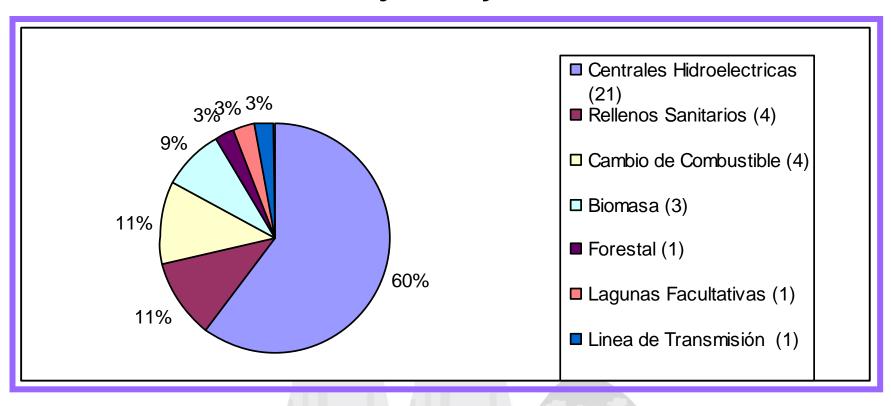
- National and regional Climate Change Strategies: Adaptation and mitigation (?)
- Clean Development Mechanism (?)
- Proposed National Appropriated Mitigation Actions (?)
- REDD+ (?)

# Blue Carbon inside the National Climate Change Strategy

- Under construction: Possibility to include Blue Carbon as carbon sink (objective 02).
- Capacity building for climate change adaptation
- Include stakeholders (PRODUCE, IMARPE, MINAM, Academia, local population)

## **Opportunities in CDM**

#### **Projects by sector**



(MINAM, 2010)

### Mitigation actions in Peru

**Voluntary mitigation targets for 2021** 

#### 1. Zero net emissions in LULUCF sector

Baseline: annual deforestation 150,000 ha (1990-2000) - 53 MT CO2eq; Conservation of 54 million Ha of primary forests

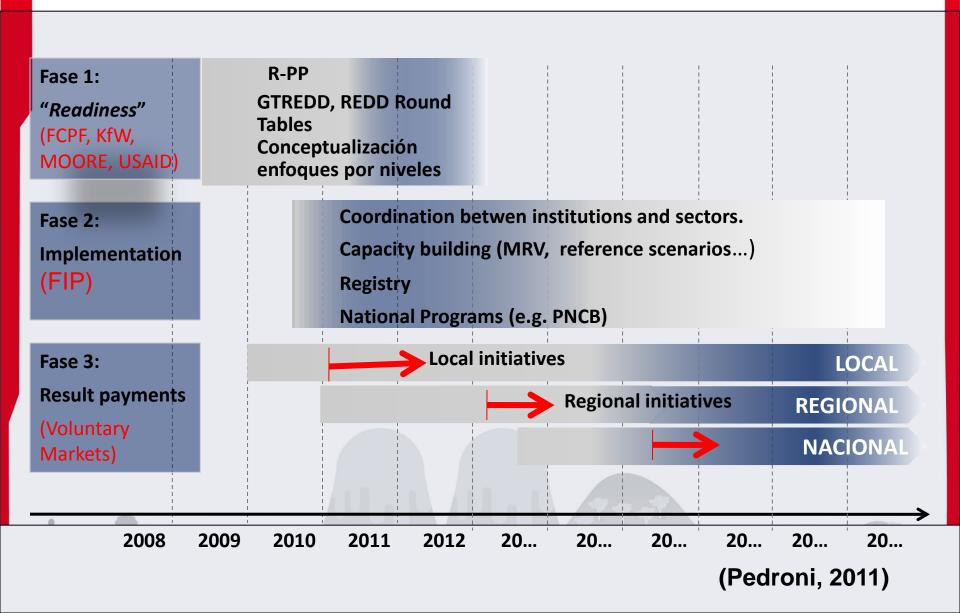
#### 2. Energy matrix with up to 40% from renewable sources

Mix of efficiency and renewable, including hydropower; biomass; eolic; solar; about 28% reduction as compared to 2000; potential reduction 7 MT CO2eq

#### 3. Reduction of emissions from urban solid waste disposal

Country-wide program; priority in landfills for medium and large cities potential reduction of 7 MT CO2eq

#### **REDD+ in Peru**



# Opportunities for national Blue Carbon policy development and implementation

- National Climate Change Strategy is being updated: this includes adaptation and mitigation strategies.
- NAMAs are still under development.
- REDD+ Readiness Phase is starting
- Regional environmental services (REDD+) round tables could promote Blue carbon efforts.
- Environmental Services Law (under development)
- Consultation Law (approved on 2012)
- Land use planning process underway
- Ministry of Economy and Finance is interested in Climate
   Change opportunities.

# Challenges for national Blue Carbon implementation

#### Social economic issues:

marginality; extreme poverty; interculturality; behavioral inertia; diverse and fragile ecosystems; priorities in national investments; growth pattern in front of low carbon goals.

Quantifying emissions and removals:

methodological issues; capacity building; MRV; roles.

# Challenges for national Blue Carbon implementation

In-country institutional arrangements:

Information systems; intersectoral and interregional governance; priorities and political internalization.

NAMA definition, external support and costs calculation:

Finance and means of implementation in NAMAs; priorities and timing for investments; planning curves of abatement.

### Thinking as a Researcher...

- How many carbon is storage in Peruvian coastal marine ecosystems?
- What threats coastal marine ecosystems?
- How much would cost to implement blue carbon initiatives?
- Carbon markets are de best economic mechanism to promote coastal marine ecosystems conservation?
- Is there any mitigation potential in seaweeds and Plankton? is it possible to include them in any climate change mitigation mechanism?

# Thinking as a former Peruvian representative in climate change negotiations...

- What is blue carbon?
- Why do we need a new concept?
- Who is behind it?
- What are the interests around this new concept?
- Is somebody trying to distract us?
- Where can I find understandable information about this new concept?
- We have enough difficult inside REDD+, why do we need to complicate it more?

### Possible next steps

- To design an action plan with all the stakeholders (PRODUCE, IMARPE, MINAM, Universities, local stakeholders).
- To involve private sector.
- To promote the interest of local populations.
- To promote relevant research initiatives and/or include the topic in ongoing research initiatives.
- Translate research outputs.



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