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We're finally going to build our first bamboo construction in the Bigal River Biological Reserve.

Activities

This innovative and unique structure, with zero footprint, known as the

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"Hooch" will be built with his inventor's approbation and technical support, Sir Joe Scheer, and the support of INBAR Ecuador.

Eco-logical corner

Manpower and logistics will be brought by the Sumac Muyu Foundation and the Pura Vida community.

Contact and links

In the becoming months, we're planning on building some more

Thanks 4

"Hooches" in the Reserve with the help of the Volunteers Program and let's hope some financial support.

Partners 4



### **Activities**

### Insect's Photo expedition in the Bigal River Biological Reserve.

From December 27the of 2009 to January 02nd of 2010

Arthur Anker - entomologist - Universidad de Florida - United States

Objectives: Extend the Reserve's species' list.

Take photos to use for project diffusion (3000 photos were taken).





Photos: Arthur Anker



## Activities

Conserving the Reinita Cerúlea's winter habitat in Ecuador

At last the little bird was found within the Reserve's boundaries!!!

Second workshop: January 07th and 08th of 2010 –

Park Ranger Station 8 de Diciembre – 10 participants

Second Monitoring: January 09th, 10th y 11th of 2010 -

Bigal River biological Reserve – 4 participants

*Objective*: promote Forest Conservation in the Sumaco Napo-Galeras National Park's buffer zone.

#### Activities:

- Bird's observation and identification through monthly participative monitorings.
- •Elaboration of diffusion material.







#### Protected Areas's management Workshop

November 23rd, 24th, 25th of 2009, La Shell

*Objectives*: To share tools and possible sources of incomes facilitating Protected Areas management





#### **Volunteering Program**

3 programs: education, investigation, and construction.

#### *Objectives*:

- 1) Develop cultural exchanges between local communities and volunteers.
- **2)** Introduce alternative sources of incomes for families and communities .
- **3)** Relieve work loads associated with the great number of activities of the Bigal River Conservation Project.
- **4)** Facilitate learning and improving of Spanish language for foreign volunteers.
- 5) Provide volunteers with a unique experience in a n exceptional tropical forest environment, offer a very close contact with nature and local communities, as well as a learning an opportunity to learn abnout the techniques already mastered by the Bigal River Conservation's team.



# CLUSIA Foundation's visit to the Bigal River Biological Reserve .

January 08th, 09th, 10th y 11th of 2010

Objective: Get to know the Bigal River Biological Reserve to develop a Volunteers Program oriented towards Primates Populations' Monitoring.





The Eco-logical corner



Recycling is easy!
Use your imagination!





Use old bulbs ... as flower pots!



Use tin cans ... as candle boxes!



Use bottles bottoms ...
as curtains!



Use egg boxes ...
as lamps!



Use old lids...
as curtains!



Use rubbish papers...
as trash-cans!



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We are on the Web!

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Photos of more than 1000 species' recorded in the Reserve can be seen on Flickr.com

Visit the following link:

http://www.flickr.com/photos/bigal\_river\_conservation\_project\_ecuador/sets/

# Thanks

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