PROJECT WEBSITE

INPUTS FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN FOR OIL DRILLING AND PRODUCTION PLATFORMS IN THE ECUADORIAN AMAZON.



To address the social and community challenges posed by exploration and extraction of oil operations in the amazon region of Ecuador, the oil company Gran Tierra Ecuador (GTE) engaged ENTRIX and SOPROEN to develop inputs for a Comprehensive Community Engagement Plan (PIRC). The PIRC is intended to foster harmonious relationships with local communities, promote their development, and enhance household well-being.

The consultancy produced a final report detailing strategies, tools, and methodologies to ensure the successful implementation of this plan. The following sections summarize the objectives, strategic axes, and key success factors of this initiative.

Objectives of the Comprehensiv Community Engagement Plan

The plan's overarching objectives are:

- 1. **Harmonious Coexistence:** Promoting an amicable and cooperative relationship with local communities to minimize social friction and enhance mutual trust.
- 2. **Community Development:** Supporting initiatives that elevate the socio-economic standards of households and communities.
- 3. **Enhanced Well-Being:** Facilitating access to benefits and services to improve living conditions in the region.

Strategic Axes of the Plan

The Plan is structured around three main strategic axes, each addressing critical aspects of community engagement and development:

- Axis 1: Community Infrastructure: This axis focuses on implementing basic community infrastructure projects to address pressing local needs.
- Axis 2: Household Capacity Development: This axis aims to enhance the capacities of households by improving their access to social services and benefits.
- Axis 3: Social Assistance and Emergency Response: This axis includes actions to address emergencies and structural social vulnerabilities.

Key Success Factors

The effectiveness of the PIRC depends on three critical factors:

- 1. **Bidirectional Communication:** Maintaining open, transparent, and continuous communication between stakeholders and communities.
- 2. **Trained Personnel:** Employing skilled staff equipped with appropriate tools and technologies to implement the plan efficiently.
- 3. **Collaborative Efforts:** Working closely with communities and local agencies to ensure projects and services meet local needs and standards.

