# **AMAZONAS** BRAZIL



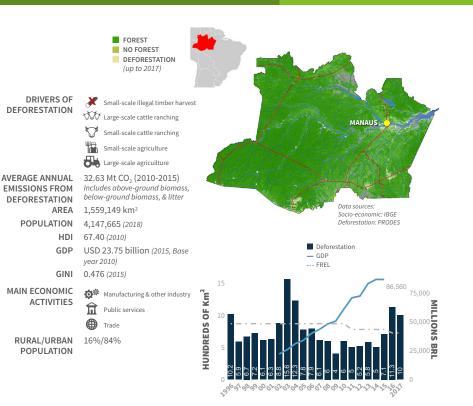
### LOW-EMISSION RURAL DEVELOPMENT (LED-R) AT A GLANCE

- Largest Brazilian state by area, with 97% of forest area intact
- 28% of state land in indigenous territories & 12% in protected areas – including the 1<sup>st</sup> sustainable development reserve (RDS) nationwide (Mamirauá)
- Introduction of Green Free Trade Zone Program (ZFV) in 2003 represented a new paradigm of government prioritizing forest protection
- 2003-2008: Deforestation fell 61%, state economy grew 9% annually, & protected areas increased 135%

## SPOTLIGHT ON INNOVATION

**Bolsa Floresta (PBF** – "**forest stipend**"), created in 2007 as a policy instrument under the PEMC-AM, is a Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) program benefiting rural households in 16 of Amazonas' 32 RDS (covering ~11 million ha). In 2008, the state government collaborated with Bradesco Bank to create the private, non-profit Sustainable Amazonas Foundation (FAS) to develop and implement programs including PBF. PBF emphasizes public engagement, and held participatory workshops with public officials, researchers, and social organizations, and community workshops, during the design process. Participants benefit through four subprograms, in exchange for their zero-deforestation commitments: 1) Income Generation: Investment-generating sustainable production activities; 2) Community Infrastructure: Investments to improve quality of life

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(e.g., education, health, transportation services); 3) Empowerment: Support for grassroots associations to improve local ownership of overall program (e.g., trainings, office infrastructure, transportation, logistics); and 4) Family Forest Stipend: R\$50 direct cash reward to mothers, among participant families. Participation is voluntary for families; however, benefits delivered at the community level reach all residents. PBF was the first REDD+ initiative in Brazil to be audited against Climate, Community & Biodiversity Alliance (CCBA) standards. As of 2017, benefits reached ~40,000 people from 9,000+ households. Ongoing challenges include monitoring and enforcement in remote locations across a vast geography, attracting new diverse finance, and alignment with other state and national policies.

#### Government implemented sustainable development reforms & established 0 Secretariat of Environment & Sustainable Development (SDS) to oversee policy design TIMELINE OF **IMPORTANT EVENTS** • Forum on Climate Change, **Biodiversity & Environmental** • State Climate Change, Conservation & Sustainable 0 Transportation Services of Amazonas (FAMC) Development Law (PEMC-AM), System of Protected infrastructure, created Areas (SEUC), & Bolsa Floresta programs created including Trans-• Manuas Free Trade Zone State Environmental Services 0 **9** Rubber • State Ecological-Economic Macro-Zoning Amazonian (ZFM) created federal Policy (PESA) approved boom Highway (BR-320), (ZEE) approved by federal government government, attracting attracted • Sustainable Municipalities constructed to ...... Joined Governors' Climate investment in the region influx of integrate Amazonas Program (MS-AM) launched & Forests (GCF) Task Force through tax incentives migrants with rest of Brazil ò..... ······ . Mid-1800s 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2018 2020 2030 2040 2050 **PLEDGES &** Rio Branco Declaration<sup>1</sup> • Part of international COMMITMENTS New York Declaration on agreement or forum Forests (NYDF)<sup>2</sup> • 1 Reduce deforestation 80% below JURISDICTIONAL baseline. 2 End deforestation. 3 Limit State Plan for the Prevention & deforestation to 350 km<sup>2</sup>/year. 4 Limit Control of Deforestation (PPCD - AM)<sup>3</sup> emissions 80-95% below 1990 levels. 5 Contribute to national goal: Reduce GHG Under2 MOU<sup>4</sup> ◆ emissions 37% below 2005 levels (state contribution not defined). 6 Contribute **Nationally Determined** to national goal: Restore 12 million ha Contribution (NDC) to UNFCCC⁵ ◆ NATIONAL deforested land Bonn Challenge<sup>6</sup> •

#### **KEY INTERVENTIONS** 🗶 DISINCENTIVES 🚦 ENABLING MEASURES 🔶 INCENTIVES ORGANIZATION(S) IMPLEMENTING **INTERVENTION & FOCUS** FUNDING BENEFICIARIES STATE PUBLIC<sup>1</sup> NATIONAL OTHER<sup>2</sup> NATIONAL Counties, small & 🗙 🗄 🧕 Sustainable Municipalities Program (MS-AM) large producers, local land use actors 目 🔍 Green Free Trade Zone (ZFV) Industries based on regional NATIONAL NATIONAL products, cooperatives, local PUBLIC<sup>9</sup> **PUBLIC<sup>9</sup>** associations Agency for Sustainable Development of Amazonas (ADS) **E** Small producers & suppliers, STATE local timber manufacturers, PUBLIC<sup>10, 11</sup> PUBLIC<sup>11</sup> 目 🤵 State Environmental Services Policy (PESA) State govt, private sector, STATE STATE PUBLIC<sup>1</sup> PUBLIC<sup>1</sup> civil society, general OTHER<sup>12</sup> population

1 State Secretary of Environment (SEMA). 2 Amazon Fund (through Imazon). 3 WWF Brazil (Distrito Florestal Project). 4 KfW German Development Bank (Sustainable Landscapes Project). 5 International Institute for Education in Brazil (IEB). 6 Brazilian Fund for Biodiversity (Funbio). 7 Imazon. 8 Conservation International. 9 National Public Superintendence of the Tax Free Zone of Manaus (SUFRAMA) & National Ministry of Economy. 10 Secretary of Rural Production. 11 Agency for Sustainable Development of Amazonas (ADS). 12 Other national or subnational private & public institutions to be accredited by State Council of the Environment (CEMAAM)

# PROGRESS TO JURISDICTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY

### O EARLY ● INTERMEDIATE ● ADVANCED

Integrated LED-R Strategy	0	Initial stages of jurisdictional LED-R Strategy development, funded by UNDP
Spatial plan	0	<ul> <li>ZEE needs to be updated (last updated 2012)</li> <li>The state's Purus River Region Zoning Plan was not federally approved, due to proposed relaxation of forest protection in high-deforestation counties</li> </ul>
Performance targets	0	<ul> <li>PPCD-AM is outdated &amp; inadequately implemented; new version under analysis by the State Chief of Staff (<i>Casa Civil</i>) expected publication in July 2019</li> <li>Targets made through formal commitments (e.g. Rio Branco &amp; NYDF) are not explicitly incorporated into state laws</li> </ul>
Monitoring, reporting & verification (MRV)	0	<ul> <li>National PRODES &amp; DETER deforestation data publicly available; there is no mechanism at state level to evaluate state action plans (insufficient technical staff, infrastructure &amp; financial resources)</li> <li>PESA designates SEMA responsible for developing a state MRV system; lack of financial resources &amp; high political turnover have delayed the process</li> </ul>
Policies & incentives	0	<ul> <li>Existing policies (e.g. SPCC-AM, PESA) provide governance &amp; management structures &amp; guidelines for LED-R; implementation has lagged with changing state government priorities</li> <li>PESA outlines creation of a jurisdictional REDD+ plan; however, development delayed by frequent administrative turnover</li> </ul>
Multi- stakeholder governance	0	<ul> <li>State Climate Change Forum (FAMC) includes extractivists, IP, private sector, civil society &amp; state agencies; meets quarterly to discuss implementation of PES</li> <li>Insufficient logistical &amp; financial support to promote inclusion of IP in state policy discussions</li> </ul>
Sustainable agriculture	0	Promechanization Program offers credit & technical assistance to small-scale producers (e.g. manioc, fruit cattle) in degraded areas
Indigenous peoples & local communities	0	<ul> <li>PESA acknowledges traditional knowledge &amp; supports recognition of IP territories &amp; livelihoods; regulations are needed to define &amp; guarantee socio-environmental safeguards in future jurisdictional PES &amp; REDD+ programs</li> <li>Free, prior &amp; informed consent is required by law in the licensing process for activities that affect IP &amp; traditional communities; however, consultation is not a determining factor for authorizing activities</li> </ul>
LED-R finance	0	<ul> <li>PESA aims to attract public &amp; private finance through State Fund for Climate Change, Environmental Conservation &amp; Environmental Services</li> <li>MS-AM proposes changes to the Green Tax on Circulation of Goods &amp; Services (ICMS Verde) to provide financial resources for counties with positive environmental performance (e.g., deforestation &amp; emission reductions)</li> </ul>

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CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

CHALLENGES • 2003-2008 advances in public policy framework to support LED-R undermined by succeeding administrations (unsupportive political agenda & frequent political turnover) • Insufficient funding to define fundamental elements of State Fund (e.g., economic instruments & mechanisms for private properties, technical

aspects of MRV)

GCF Task Force Fund)
PBF provides lessons for supporting LC's transition to LED-R by expanding PES opportunities for forest

 PESA accredits state government for potential

participation in national &

& encourages Forest Code

international carbon markets,

Inadequate technical assistance available to support lowemission production
OPPORTUNITIES
Supportive legislative framework (incl. PEMC, PESA) for LED-R Strategy development & could facilitate attracting new financing (e.g., Amazon Fund &



based on a decision of the German Bundestag