



## Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resource Management Collaborative Research Support Program

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### Trip Report: Peru and Bolivia

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**Purpose of Trip:** End of project coordination activities with collaborators in Peru and Bolivia. Present our findings to stakeholders.

**Sites Visited:** Lima, Peru: and La Paz, Bolivia.

#### **Description of Activities**

*Peru:* Coordinated with Dr. E. Fernandez Baca of UNALM, reviewing student progress, research on participation and knowledge to action, and end of Year and Project Activities. Many students, for various personal reasons, have not been able to complete their thesis research. As a result only two students are expected to complete their MS degrees in the Innovation Program. The plan to finalize the program includes a report on Knowledge to Action developed by Pedro Condor, and analysis of participation and approaches to linking knowledge systems. Dr. Fernandez Baca is responsible for completing the gender research and submitting the final report. I also advised Cecilia Turin's field work and developed a draft of the chapter on Seasonality in the Altiplano. I worked with Dr. Roberto Quiroz, CIP, on presentations for American Society of Agronomy Climate Change Panel, and a paper on a Case Study of San Jose Llanga Community on changing livelihood strategies through time. The findings of the project were presented to the Ministry of the Environment and the USAID Mission.

*Bolivia:* I coordinated with Dr. Elizabeth Jimenez (CoPI) finalizing the participation database. Analysis of this database led to a paper on institutions and climate change presented in September at the 2<sup>nd</sup> UNITAR/Yale conference on Environmental Governance and Democracy: Strengthening Institutions to Address Climate Change and Advance a Green Economy. We also outlined a research paper on gender, and reviewed the data on knowledge to action. The paper on gender was divided, with E. Jimenez focused on the case study findings, and Valdivia on the marketing networks and the bargaining position of women in the chain. I also coordinated with Dr. M. García the data analysis on trends for the paper, Climate Trends and Projections in the Andean Altiplano: Economic and Social Effects and Strategies for Adaptation, which we along

with Drs. Gilles and Seth, presented in Guayaquil Ecuador at a Conference on ENSO, Decadal Variability and Climate Change in South America.

Overall, the fact that the project is closing has impacted on the time commitments as most of the researchers sought funding in other projects. On the other hand, the people in the field were able to share the information from the project both in Peru and Bolivia. Cecilia Turin's presence in Peru has been positive as the communities don't have a feeling of abandonment as the project ends. In Bolivia, while this project work is ending Universidad Mayor San Andrés has been able to maintain a presence in the northern Altiplano, and has established links in the Central Altiplano, as PROINPA left the region.

**Suggestions, Recommendations, and/or Follow-up Items:**

In general the findings from the project have been well received by USAID and local and international organizations. Officers from the Ministry of the Environment in Peru were interested in the approach especially in linking knowledge systems for adaptation. It would be useful to include them in the dissemination of the reports, as well as the newsletter of SANREM CRSP.

**Training Activities Conducted:**

Program type (workshop, seminar, field day, short course, etc.)	Date	Audience	Number of Participants		Training Provider (US university, host country institution, etc.)	Training Objective
			Men	Women		
Seminar	8/9/10	Officers Ministry of the Environment	1	8	University of Missouri- Columbia	Impact – The project approach and its replicability in other regions of Peru

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