

# Natural Capital in the Amazon COVID Economic Recovery

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# Why Green Recovery in Amazon matters?

The Amazon is the largest and most biodiverse ecosystem on earth.



- ❑ It provides between **35% and 40%** of Latin America's fresh water
- ❑ It has the largest watershed in the world
- ❑ It has **60%** of the world's remaining tropical rainforests and is home to at least **25%** of all terrestrial species;
- ❑ It also brings together unique cultures and knowledge associated with the forest through indigenous people belonging to more than **400** different ethnic groups.
- ❑ It has **38 million** inhabitants (Brazilian Legal Amazon)
- ❑ It represents about **60%** of Brazilian national territory

# What has been done so far?



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- ❑ Brazil Extra Federal Budget: US\$114 billion;
- ❑ Amazon economic stimulus package: US\$10.3 billion (budget, loans and grants, and subsidies);
- ❑ Other measures considered in the study: regulatory acts, funds and donations, and concessions.

**Agribusiness has been the priority economic sector:** Around US\$9 billion.

**Nine infrastructure concessions foreseen to 2021,** are tend to increase the pressure on forests

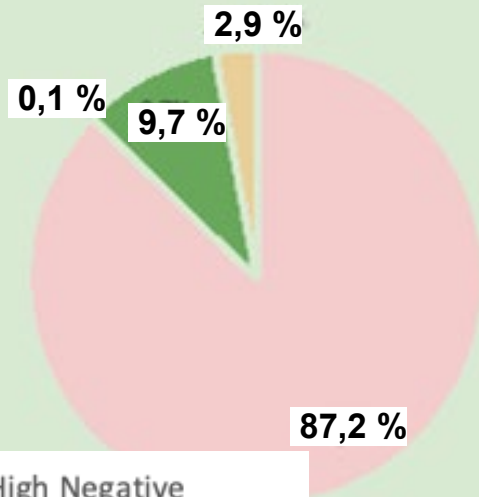
**Ten regulatory acts** weaken the environmental governance in mining, fishing and forestry

**Family Farming & Low carbon agric.**  
PRONAF and ABC Program: US\$ 942.7M

**Amazon Bioeconomy**  
Inovasociobio Program: US\$ 419K

**Infrastructure Internet**  
Connected Amazon Project: US\$ 4.47M

**Sanitation improvement,** a regulatory act and an concession in Amapá state



- High Negative
- Low Negative
- Low Positive
- High Positive
- Uncertain/undefined

**COVID Green Recovery Index** (POSITIVE expenditures on natural capital compared to NEGATIVE expenditures on natural capital):

- **9.8% positive impact (high and low)**
- **87.2% negative impact (high and low)**
- **2.9% uncertain**



- ❑ Support for the incidence of green policies through the dissemination of the Green Recovery Plan carried out by the **Interstate Legal Amazon Consortium**



Reference: [Green Recovery Plan in the Legal Amazon](#)

# Thank you!

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