



# A Landmark REDD+ Conservation Initiative in the Gran Chaco

Chaco Vivo is Paraguay's largest and most advanced avoided planned deforestation (APD) REDD+ project, protecting 187,916 hectares of high-carbon-stock forest in the Gran Chaco, the second largest forested ecosystem in South America after the Amazon. The project is fully owned by Atenil S.A. and developed in partnership with Creative Carbon, LLC, operating under the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS v4.7) and the Climate, Community and Biodiversity Standards (CCBS v3.1), with triple Gold Distinction for Climate Adaptation, Exceptional Community Benefits, and Biodiversity.

## SCALABILITY AND LONG-TERM VISION

Chaco Vivo is a grouped REDD+ project with scalability to over 527,000 hectares, through titled properties or community agreements. The project is collaborating with the government of Paraguay for Article 6.2 alignment, with active engagement from Paraguay's Ministry of Environment (MADES) and INFONA, on track for obtaining corresponding adjustment to ensure no double counting.

## OWNERSHIP AND PERMANENCE

All land is owned by Atenil S.A., with full rights to carbon and environmental services under Paraguayan Law No. 7190/2023. A 40-year project life with formal extension mechanisms ensures permanence and long-term stewardship.

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### CLIMATE AND BIODIVERSITY

- 30.2 million tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions avoided over 40 years
- Protection of critical IUCN Red List species, including the Chacoan peccary and the crowned solitary eagle
- Conservation of Laguna Ganso, a designated Important Bird Area and wetland habitat
- Integration of LiDAR, satellite monitoring, and blockchain for enhanced MRV integrity



### COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL

- Up to 10,000 individuals with improved livelihoods
- Over 160 full-time jobs
- Programs aligned with all 17 UN SDG's, from zero hunger to gender equality and institutional strengthening
- Strategic partnerships with local NGOs, universities, and international stakeholders to foster resilience, education, and climate adaptation



### VERIFICATION AND REGISTRY STATUS

- Validation and verification by Carbon Check India (CC IPL)
- Listed on Verra Registry (ID 3671)
- First issuance expected Q4 2025
- Full public documentation, FPIC compliance, and rigorous safeguards implemented

