



## Resolution #34

### TITLE: Wilderness Policies and Legislation in Mexico

**WHEREAS** the importance of wilderness not only as a provider of biodiversity and ecosystem services, but also as a basic element of the strategies to mitigate climate change and as places harboring resources that are part of humanity's heritage.

**THEREFORE** the 9<sup>th</sup> World Wilderness Congress (WILD9) commends the will of the Mexican government to adopt new legal mechanisms to consolidate wilderness conservation in Mexico.

**RESOLVED:** that the 9<sup>th</sup> World Wilderness Congress (WILD9) **recognizes the Mexican government for its initiative to consolidate adequate legal public policy instruments for the conservation of land and marine wilderness in Mexico.** This will affect the solving of environmental issues related to water, climate change, the prevention and combating of forest fires, the conservation of land and marine cross-border biological corridors, as well as the safeguarding of ancient traditions of indigenous people and communities in aid of nature.

For these reasons, this WILD9 Congress calls on Pronatura México, The WILD Foundation, the Sociedad Peruana de Derecho Ambiental, Unidos para la Conservación, the Instituto de Derecho y Economía Ambiental and other partner organizations to work with the Mexican government and pertinent government institutions on an agenda to this effect, and that the starting point be the recommendations deriving from the "Development of Policies and Legislation for the protection of Wilderness in Latin America" workshop that took place on 11 November 2009 at WILD9.

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