PD 385/05 Rev.4 (I,F) Industrialization, Marketing, and Sustainable Management of Ten Mexican Native Species

Final Technical Report

The project aimed at studying the physical-mechanical properties of 10 native timber species of the tropical forest of Mexico's South-Eastern region, and enhancing their management, productivity, potential utilization in processed wood products, and identification of potential market niches.

At project completion a total of 11 timber species were studied:

- Brosimum alicastrum (Ramón);
- Manilkara zapota (Chicozapote);
- Bucida buceras (Pucté);
- Lonchocarpus castilloi (Machice);
- Metopium brownei (Chechén);
- Platymiscium yucatanum (Granadillo);
- Tabebuia rosea (Rosamorada);
- Caesalpinia platyloba (Chacté viga);
- Lysiloma bahamensis (Tzalam);
- Piscidia piscipula (Jabín);
- Tabebuia donnell-smithii (Primavera).

The Final Technical Report of the project is written in six chapters, summarizing the results of the project, covering the following topics:

- Chapter 1 Introduction;
- Chapter 2 Diagnosis of the silvicultural management and productivity of the 11 timber species;
- Chapter 3 Physical-mechanical properties of the timber species, including information on their workmanship;
- Chapter 4 Potential market niches for the timber species;
- Chapter 5 Design of timber products, using the selected species; and
- Chapter 6 Diagnosis of first and second stage processing timber industries in the Shout-eastern part of Mexico.

A booklet summarizing the properties of the timber species has also been produced for easy and quick reference.

*All above reports are available in Spanish only.