

Project Update: November 2016

Bahía and the entire region are in the process of rebuilding after the earthquake last April. This is a crucial time for coastal Ecuador. The decisions and actions taken now will have major long term impacts. The crisis is an opportunity to re-evaluate human necessities with their environment's carrying capacity and Planet Drum is providing ecological guidance to government and non-government organizations.

In regards to field work, the Planet Drum greenhouse was relocated to a new area, generously provided by the Catholic University. It is underneath a grove of Algarrobo trees that Planet Drum planted more than 12 years ago. Elevated seedbeds, trees, materials and a new water line was installed. Volunteers continue improving the space and producing trees, so the new greenhouse is now ready to receive visitors and host workshops.

Simultaneously, we continue to distribute trees, conduct revegetation workshops, and implement mini-greenhouse facilities with local schools and communities.



Left: Clay talks to students about native fruit trees at the Algarrobos School in Canoa during a revegetation workshop. Right: Orlando waters trees at the new Planet Drum greenhouse area.