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Cuatro Communidades

We met with entire Junta, Jacobo, Arnaldo Canales and AguaClara team Thursday, July 17. The budget was presented to the community and said that they would be responsible for 50% of direct costs (all materials and unskilled labor). That comes to about 350,000 L or about 1200 L per house. The Junta didn't seem to be shocked by these figures and is very committed to putting in the plant. The Junta will organize a general community assembly to promote the plant. This is planned for 2pm, August 2.

Talanga

The subdirector of Dimas, the Talanga water authority, is going to accompany Antonio and Carol to other communities in the area that might want treatment plants Tuesday July, 22.

July 28 or 29 we would like to plan a meeting in Talanga for representatives from Juntas and Alcaldes in the area. We are hoping to bring mayors from Vallecillo, Talanga, Guimaca, and Cedros.

Mamuca, Atlantida

Antonio worked in this region, between Tela and Ceiba, and says there are serious problems with turbidity there. Jacobo knows the mayor there and called him to set up a meeting. The mayor said he knows of at least 7 communities that could use plants. We hope to meet with mayor there July 30, 31 or August 1.

Rotary Proposal

Will need to start making contacts with communities and mayors again to select 2 or 3 communities to put in the proposal. Plan to finalize proposal by Friday, July 25.