

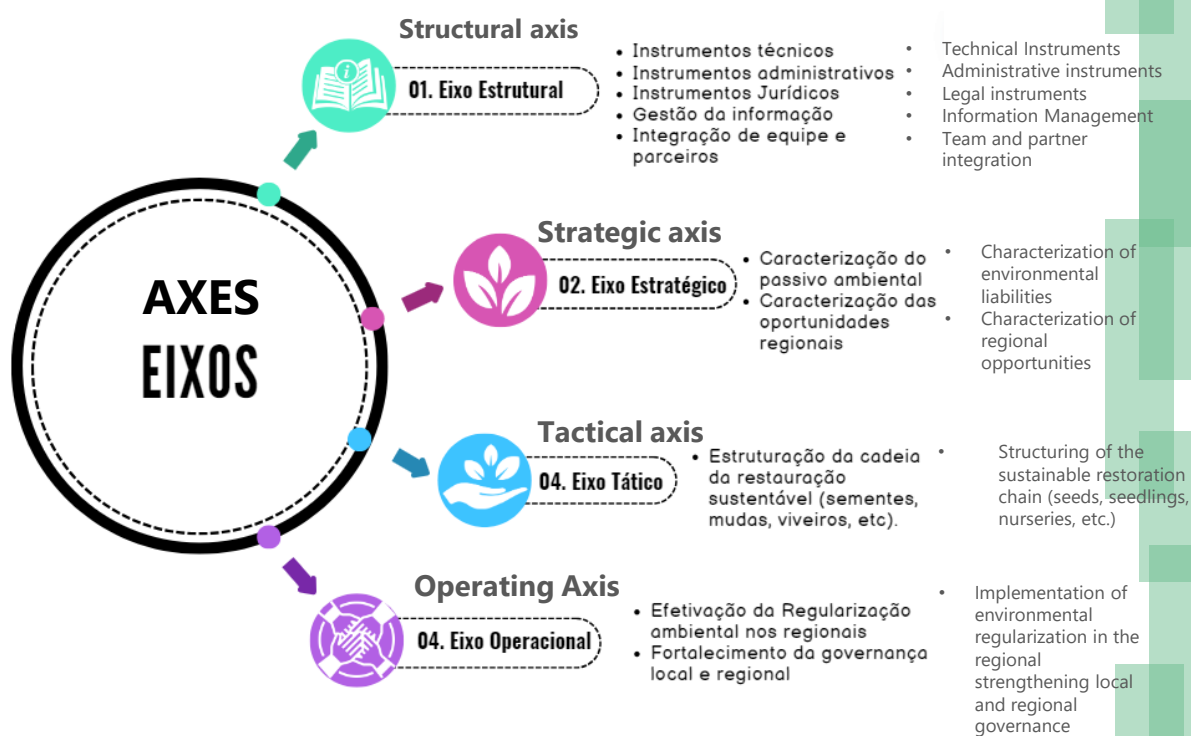
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PRA Sustainable Produce Program

The PRA Sustainable Produce Program was built in 2023 to enable the implementation of the Forest Code in Minas Gerais, through the conservation and environmental restoration of areas protected by the law for the protection of Brazilian native vegetation, reconciled with sustainable rural production, through the strengthening of territorial governance.

The program's strategic planning includes a set of actions (summarized below), being divided into axes to be implemented by the State Forestry Institute of Minas Gerais from 2024 to 2029.



To guarantee the ecosystem services that these areas provide and to promote the environmental services that society demands, such as biodiversity protection, water and climate security, healthy landscapes, among others, it is necessary to overcome the challenges for the environmental regularization of more than 1,100,000 rural properties, which have approximately 3.5 million areas declared to be recovered.

By the year 2024, the PRA Sustainable Produce Program has already made important advances, especially in the consolidation of the strategy of reconciling the conservation of natural resources with sustainable rural production, with emphasis on:

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- ✓ Establishment of a network of partnerships (productive sector, private initiative, organized civil society, municipal government), with investment of financial and human resources to support owners/possessors in the environmental regularization of rural properties;
- ✓ Creation of a governance space, through the Management Commission of the Rural Environmental Registry and the Environmental Regularization Program with the participation of the public authorities, civil society and private initiative, created by Joint Resolution SEMAD/SEAPA/IEF No. 3302/24;
- ✓ Creation of the CAR 2.0 platform in which rural owners/possessors can consult the situation of their property in relation to environmental liabilities, allowing them to anticipate the resolution of environmental liabilities;
- ✓ Strengthening of the restoration chain and sustainable rural development with diagnosis and investments in seed collection networks, seedling nurseries, alignment and training of technical assistance and rural extension and promotion of payment for environmental services;
- ✓ Workshops and field days for training and social engagement of owners/possessors to solve pending issues in the Rural Environmental Registry and recover environmental liabilities.
- ✓ Implementation of Demonstration Units (Units) of environmental and productive adequacy of rural properties, with assessment of environmental, social and economic impacts, to inspire producers and rural workers, and guide public policies and attract investments, with a view to the sustainable development of the territories.
- ✓ Prioritization of areas, considering criteria of social and climate vulnerability, water security, wealth and threats to biodiversity, occurrence of environmental licensing projects, to raise funds from the private sector to support small rural properties.

Strategic Objectives of the Project

- Analyze, rectify and validate more than 1 million rural properties registered in SICAR in Minas Gerais;
- Regularize more than 1 million rural properties in Minas Gerais;
- Carry out training for actors who work in the Environmental Regularization of rural properties in Minas Gerais;

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Priority goals/objectives

- ✓ To reconcile the environmental and productive sectors in the Environmental Regularization of rural properties;
- ✓ Preserve and recover ecosystem services associated with biodiversity;
- ✓ Sequester carbon;
- ✓ Reconnect fragments of native vegetation;
- ✓ Conserve biodiversity;
- ✓ Mitigate negative impacts of climate change.

Image I – IEF Forest Nursery and Demonstration Unit Implemented



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Image II – Demonstrated Unit Implemented and PRA/CAR Training Event

