



# ENVIRONMENTAL CONDUCT ADJUSTMENT AGREEMENTS PERFORMED BY THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN MORRINHOS, GOIÁS, BRAZIL: MECHANISMS FOR PROMOTING SUSTAINABILITY

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## INTRODUCTION

TACs and TCAs are instruments regulated in Brazil in order to allow projects to adapt to the law and avoid civil liability actions. In theory, these extrajudicial agreements aim to recover the degraded environment and protect the diffuse rights of those who harmed them. And, in a sustainable action, it allows businessmen to overcome legal problems, promoting economic development and nature protection.

## FINDINGS

- In the municipality of Morrinhos from 2017 to 2021, there are only seven procedures notified on the transparency portal of the Public Ministry of Goiás (MPGO);
- 32 environmental crimes have been reported from 2017 to 2019, and 10 of them falling under art. 39 which deals with cutting trees in a permanent preservation area and art. 50 which poses as to destroy or damage native forests, these provided for in the Environmental Crimes Law;
- In the municipality of Morrinhos, 4 Terms of Commitment to Adjustment of Environmental Conduct and 3 Terms of Adjustment of Conduct from 2017 to 2021 were carried out
- Only 1 TCA and 1 TAC are related to the Environment.

## RESULTS

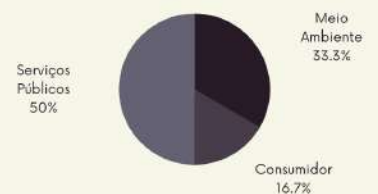
The TACs and TCAs, due to being treated extrajudicially, facilitate a process of reducing the actions of the judiciary and prevent delays in the process of environmental accountability, however it was evidenced that even with a high number of cases of environmental crimes in the municipality, only in two cases was there application. Therefore, there is little use of administrative instruments for the solution of environmental conflicts in Morrinhos.

## OBJECTIVES

- Analyze the positions regarding the actions of the Public Ministry before the Conduct Adjustment Agreement;
- Prepare a questionnaire for an interview with the public prosecutor of the municipality of Morrinhos;
- Assess the perception of public agents about the effectiveness of the agreements.

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

- Environmental Conduct Adjustment and Environmental Commitment Terms carried out in the municipality of Morrinhos, from 2017 to 2021;
- Data deliberated by the Public Prosecutor's Office, of the municipality of Morrinhos, charged with the function of making an agreement with the violator of collective rights;
- Scientific articles on the Environmental Terms;
- Federal Constitution;
- Public Civil Action Laws;
- Deductive method.



TACs e TCAs realizadas no município de Morrinhos

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