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At the meeting, promoted by the Presidential Commission for the Rescue, Conservation and Sustainable Development of Lake Maracaibo, Reverol emphasized that the objective of President Nicolás Maduro is to continue with the strengthening of the legal regulations for the integral protection of the estuary for the benefit of Zulia and the country.

"We are talking about a common legal instrument for the entire state of Zulia. We are talking about a common ordinance for the 21 municipalities of the state that establishes, in turn, sanctioning measures to exemplify and bring to a successful conclusion the recovery and sustainable development of the estuary".

Regarding the regulatory statute, he indicated that "we can also convert it into a regional instrument, applicable throughout the state and that all the recommendations that you have made, we are taking them with us to convert it into a law on the rescue, conservation and sustainable development of Lake Maracaibo so that our National Assembly can discuss and approve it".

For his part, the Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, announced that the creation of a law for the protection of Lake Maracaibo is being prepared among the government's plans.

"We are planning for next week in Caracas, with the Commission of Ecosocialism of the National Assembly, to continue working on what will be this law for the protection of the Lake, which will be raised from here, from the state of Zulia, from the parliamentary block of the State of Zulia", he said.

The head of Ecosocialism reiterated the need to establish a unitary ordinance to regulate commercial and social activities in the waters of the Lake to guarantee its protection.

"We are working to create a legislation that helps to strengthen everything that has to do with spills, environmental legislation, environmental nursery, preservation of biodiversity and solid waste", he said.

He pointed out that in the meeting "there are teams of councilmen, the head of the councilmen with the head of environment of the Municipal Chamber of each one of the municipalities, the teams of lawyers of the 21 mayor's offices of the municipalities of Zulia, with the team of lawyers of the Governor's Office of Zulia and the Parliamentary Block of the National Assembly".







### For the National Firefighters' Day

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he Sector Vice-President for Citizen Security and Peace A/J Remigio Ceballos Ichaso, together with the Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, led the ceremony for the decoration and promotion of 9,526 firefighters to their immediate superior position.

The activity took place as part of the celebration of the National Firemen and Firewomen's Day, with an emotional act in which the work of the men and women who every day go all out to save the Venezuelan people was honored.

Ceballos recognized the work of those who "every day work with courage, abnegation and discipline, to protect the citizens, more than 17 thousand men and women who fulfill with dedication and sacrifice, the mission of protecting the Venezuelan people".

Remigio Ceballos, Minister of People's Power for Internal Relations, Justice and Peace, also informed that Venezuela's firefighters have extinguished more than 13 thousand fires in the country so far in 2023.

Minister Ceballos indicated that, of the total number of fires, 6,854 were of vegetation, plus 4,000 of waste, 1,430 of structures, 1,118 of vehicles and 535 "electrical".

For his part, through a publication in his account on the social network Instagram, the head of the Minec, expressed the pride and joy that every day produces him to see "this body of heroes of the homeland grow, whom I admire and give all my support so that they are always strengthened and continue in this laudable task Congratulations!".

Heemphasizedthatthecountry's firemen and firewomen are "a great organization with great mysticism, ethics, values and principles that allow them to give their lives and dedicate themselves to safeguarding the entire country, those wonderful beings who today were decorated and promoted.

The National Firemen and Firewomen's Day was decreed aftertheFirstBolivarianCongress of Firemen and Firewomen was held in Maracaibo, Zulia State, on August 20, 1972, an event in which the firefighters of the five countries liberated by the liberator Simón Bolívar participated.







16 posts rehabilitated by 2023

### Park ranger station and camping areas recovered in Cerro El Copey National Park

The Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, delivered the fully rehabilitated park ranger station, located in the Cerro El Copey National Park, in the state of Nueva Esparta.

"With great joy we can say that we inaugurated the second headquarters of the small park rangers at the national level, strengthening the children's educational policy in environmental matters," highlighted the head of the Minec through a publication in his account on the social network Isntagram.

As part of these rehabilitation works, 5 cabins for family enjoyment and picnics, the camping area with a capacity of 20 tents and the restrooms and showers for campers were also reopened.

With the delivery of this work, 16 park ranger stations have been rehabilitated by the Minec so far this year. "We are improving the spaces where the men and women heroes of the homeland live", highlighted Minister Lorca, who was accompanied by the mayor of the Arismendi municipality of Nueva Esparta state, Ali Romero.

As part of this activity, Minister Lorca and Mayor Romero enjoyed sharing with local entrepreneurs and artisans, who gathered in this natural space.



The second headquarters of the small park rangers was inaugurated in this space







Together with the People's Power

# Sanitation campaigns in Lake Maracaibo total more than 4,500 tons of waste collected



he Presidential Commission for the Rescue, Conservation and Sustainable Development of the Maracaibo Lake carried out a mega sanitation work on the shores of the Santa Rosa de Agua sector of the capital city of the state of Zulia.

Hernán Toro, Vice-Minister of Environmental Management Services of the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), and the Minister of Fishing and Aquaculture, Juan Carlos Loyo, were in charge of the works.

On the banks of the Lake in Santa Rosa de Agua, Minister Loyo announced that more than 200 boats of artisanal fishermen joined the ecological work, which aims to collect all the plastic waste that is lodged

Cleanup and sanitation efforts have been extended to 20 municipalities in Zulia.

on the shores of the body of water and affects the diversity of the ecosystem.

"In this operation called 'Pesca tu Plástico' are participating more than 400 artisanal fishermen workers who work in Lake Maracaibo. Also, there are representatives of private companies. Let's remember that the lake is an important space for fishing and aquaculture," Loyo commented.

The Minister of Fishing and Aquaculture emphasized that the fishing class, together with the Recycling and Cleaning Technical Tables (Metras) and the Councils of Fishermen, Fisherwomen and Aquaculture (Conppa), are the ones who intervene massively in the environmental management in order to guarantee the cleaning of the shores of the lake and improve the conditions of its waters, so that fishing productivity can increase.

For his part, the Vice-Minister of Environmental Management Services of the Minec, Hernán Toro, informed that so far 4,515.19 tons of solid waste and debris have been collected from the shores of the Lake.

He specified that the cleaning and sanitation day was extended to 20 municipalities of Zulia, in compliance with the instructions of President Nicolás Maduro and the Sectorial Vice-President of Public Works and Services, G/J Néstor Reverol Torres, as well as the Minister of Minec, Josué Lorca.







#### Species conservation program

### More than 800,000 turtles have been released in Revolución

n the segment of "Con Maduro + Vida", the President of the Republic, Nicolás Maduro, discussed details of the conservation program for the Arrau and Teracay turtles, which is being carried out by the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec).

The conversation was attended by the head of the Minec, Josué Lorca, biologist Rosario Madrid and his counterpart Juan Carlos Santander, who is the general director of Biological Diversity of the Minec.

The National President was able to appreciate the characteristics of two small turtles (one of each species) that were taken to the study in an observation tank.

In this regard, Minister Lorca spoke about the survival of these turtles: "an aspect studied by biologists".

"They are bred for one year so as not to generate the loggerhead turtle syndrome, which occurs in other cases when they are kept in zoos for more than a year. The time is enough and we guarantee that they are no longer prey," said Lorca.

He affirmed that there is "a study between 40% and 50% survival rate, that is to say, in 1996 there were 100,000, 984,000 have been released since 1989, of which 800,000 have been in revolution since Comandante Chávez arrived".

"The breeding farm is located in Santa Maria, a community between the states of Amazonas and Bolivar, on the banks of the Orinoco River. At this moment 21,000 turtles are being bred. The species was declared in danger of extinction in 1996", said the minister.

For her part, biologist Rosario Madrid mentioned that the conservation program is followed up and data reports are made, in order to obtain the number of turtles that survive and return to the shores to build their nests on the beaches.

He indicated that the Arrau turtle is found in the Amazon, Orinoco and Essequibo basins, and in the country they are found from the Upper Orinoco to the mouth of the Delta.

Meanwhile, Juan Carlos Santander pointed out that "this is the most successful program that the Ministry for Ecosocialism has right now".

"Between the birth of the turtle and its release, approximately one year elapses. The turtles take between 75 and 90 days to hatch, then the animal enters the zoo and after a year, in order to guarantee its survival, it is released", concluded Santander.



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## Garbage Utilization Plan for the Caricuao Parish Presented



he organization Caricuao Karibe presented the Waste Utilization Plan for the Caricuao Parish, in the Waraira Repano hall of the Universidad Popular del Ambiente Fruto Vivas (Upafv), located on the sixth floor of the headquarters of the Ministry of Popular Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), in the center of Caracas.

The presentation was made to 150 spokespersons of the Recycling Technical Tables (Metras), as well as to directors of the Capital Territorial Ecosocialist Unit (UTEC), of members companies public and and private organizations

This plan is in line with the results of the 1st National Meeting of the Metras, which initiated the construction of guidelines on the classification of usable solid waste, as part of a pro-environmental strategy, in pursuit of a circular economy.

This plan has been developed for three years in Caricuao, with the purpose of being able to manage usable waste and take it to final disposal sites. It includes collection routes for non-hazardous waste materials, such as plastic, paper, cardboard and glass.

In this sense, it is expected that the experience will be replicated and proposals will be created in other parishes and sectors of Caracas, so that this environmental system can be strengthened.

In addition, the participation of the Popular Power is expected with the so-called ecoenterprises, which are mainly based on the use of garbage for the formulation of other initiatives, products or models, which creates many more jobs that benefit the communities and the working class, while environmental problems are being addressed.



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My embrace to the teachers, military personnel and the People's Power throughout the country. Only unity makes miracles possible and has allowed us to grow even in adversity, with the doctrine of our Lord Jesus Christ: solidarity, love and collective effort. God Bless Venezuela Forever!







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What beautiful experiences we present in Con Maduro + Vida, with the preservation of the Arrau Turtle and Terecay. It is our duty and a necessity to take care of biodiversity, endangered species and life on the planet.

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