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The powers of the IMPLAN according to bylaws are:

XII. To prepare and propose to the City Council urban development policies through the development of plans, programs and technical standards required for urban and road infrastructure, transportation, urban furnishing and public services, to implement the urban zoning, preservation and restoration of the ecological balance and ensure environmental protection within main centers of population, as well as define relevant urban development criteria.

IMPLAN adheres to the "General Law for the Prevention and Integrated Waste Management" enacted in 2003.

Examples of work developed by the Institute:

- Partial Urban Development Plan for Alamar Creek. (Programa Parcial de Desarrollo Urbano del Arroyo Alamar), 2006.
- Parcial Plan for the Laureles Sub basin. (Programa Parcial de la Subcuenca de los Laureles), 2007.
- Metropolitan Strategic Plan (PEM34), 2012-2034.

Since its inception in 1998 the IMPLAN has worked to incorporate the concept of eco-hydrological management, centered on recovering and preserving streams and rivers in their natural state. Regarding solid waste management have proposed a comprehensive planning approach, which should include collection and composting centers. Such is case of the Metropolitan Strategic Plan (PEM 34), where these sorts of projects are featured as strategic components of the environmental strategy.

Strategic projects such as the "Integrated waste management" and "Centers for Temporary storage of Used Tires" within the PEM 34 also take into consideration sediment control issues. We work in coordination with SEDESOL in the Temporary Employment Program (PET) by, channeling resources to address urban runoff issues, by reforesting slopes and installing permeable paving in marginal communities settled deep within the canyons.

In terms of cross-border cooperation the State Government, through the Urban Infrastructure Development Agency (SIDUE) has established a technical exchange program for planning and transportation, with CALTRANS and SANDAG in which IMPLAN has participated since 1998 to date, specifically in the Strategic Transportation Plan, Border Master Plan and the Comprehensive Plan.

With SANDAG, we have a very intense collaboration through the PEM 34, where SANDAG led the binational public participation discussion tables and we are collaborating to update the regional and transportation plans.

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