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We need your help to protect Panama's Mangroves.

The world is running out of time in its fight against climate change.

Extreme weather events are hitting every corner of the world, and many are having to adapt their way of life to fit with the new normal.

The truth is, we have the power to stop our planet from being destroyed forever. But we have to be willing to make bold decisions.

In Panama, the previous government approved a license to build the Baru Port. The proposed

port threatens a mangrove ecosystem that contains a quarter of Panama's mangroves, called the Mangroves of David.

Mangroves are one of the most effective natural resources in our fight against climate change, as they lock away large quantities of carbon dioxide, preventing it from entering the atmosphere.

And Panama is one of three carbon negative countries, which is predominantly down to its large mangrove stock.

The development of the port would see a mangrove ecosystem and the homes of bottlenose dolphins, birds, monkeys, iguanas, shellfish, and the nursery areas of many economically important species of fish, threatened.

The developers of the port would need to dredge to maintain a depth of 11 meters, every two years, to allow ships to enter and leave the port. This estimation would remove many truckloads of sediment from this critical habitat all for the sake of creating a navigational channel for ships.

This should be a concern for everyone.

That's why we're sending a message to Panama's government. Give permission for the port to be elsewhere – an area where there are no protected mangroves, which bottlenose dolphins don't call home and where shipping doesn't need to cross humpback whale nursing areas.

As Panama's new Minister of Environment, Juan Carlos Navarro, said: "Each one of us, and each country in the world, has the responsibility to act. We must all do our part, and those actions must start at the local level for change to really work."

Sign the petition to protect Panama's mangroves and ensure a future where both nature and communities thrive.

Puerto Barú Important Updates - Lynker Reports:

1. Technical Analysis of the Environmental Impacts of Puerto Barú, December 6th, 2024 <https://bit.ly/4dDS4if>
2. Technical Report Puerto Barú Alternative: Puerto Armuelles February 6th, 2025 <https://bit.ly/4jrF9Bk>

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