### Three Rivers in Mexico

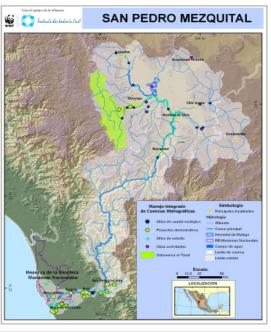




# Declaration of River Rights

Let's halt the decline and restore to health the beautiful rivers of Mexico.





#### The Rivers

### Magdalena

The last free-flowing river in Mexico City, from an original 45. Cuatro al Cubo and other partners are scheduling meetings with lawmakers and holding an educational riverside picnic in October to secure rights for this river.

#### **Atoyac**

One of the most polluted rivers in Mexico, Organi - K, Dale la Cara al Atoyac A.C. and partners are hosting a forum on River Rights in Puebla on November 11-13 to discuss rights for this river and others.

#### San Pedro Mezquital

The last free-flowing river in the Western Sierra Madre, ELC is partnering with Nuiwari, A.C. and others to secure legal rights that will help protect this river from a destructive dam project.



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## Let's work towards achieving legal rights for a North American river for the first time ever!

Deserve your dream. Octavio
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Join the movement today!

Building on recent victories in New Zealand, India and Colombia – where rivers obtained legal rights in 2017 – ELC seeks to establish fundamental legal rights for these three rivers in Mexico. Recognition of legal rights for rivers not only addresses the root causes of the ecosystem decline, but also brings together community groups and local governments to protect river and human health.

Basic rights for the river includes:

- The right to flow
- The right to perform essential functions within its ecosystem
- The right to be free from pollution
- The right to feed and be fed by sustainable aquifers
- The right to native biodiversity and
- The right to restoration.

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