

DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION ASIAN ELEPHANT CONSERVATION FUND SUMMARY OF GRANTS: Fiscal Year 2002

Integrated Asian Elephant Habitat Conservation and Local Community Development Project in Simao, China. Assessment of Asian elephant habitat use and protected area planning and management activities in support of elephant and biodiversity conservation in Simao Prefecture, China. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Department, Simao Prefecture Forestry Bureau. FWS: \$48,000. Leveraged funds: \$80,000.

Creation of Infrastructure for Conservation of Asian Elephant in Kaziranga National Park and Addition Areas to Kaziranga National Park, India. The construction of five anti-poaching camps and two watchtowers in a new addition area to the Kaziranga National Park, in Assam, India. In partnership with Assam Forest Department. FWS: \$42,882. Leveraged funds: \$45,264.

Efforts to Decrease Elephant-Human Conflict Under Digboi Forest Division, India. The construction of three sections of electric fence to reduce elephant-human conflict in Assam, India. Over a 70-day period during the Fall of 2001, at least 31 elephants were deliberately poisoned to death in Assam, due to conflict with local people over field crops. In partnership with Assam Forest Department. FWS: \$37,240. Leveraged funds: \$10,933.

A Proposal to Carry Out an Awareness Programme in Schools in the Human-Elephant Conflict Areas in Sri Lanka. An awareness program to educate school children in Sri Lanka concerning the need for and ecological benefits to be derived from the conservation of elephants and their habitats. In partnership with Biodiversity and Elephant Conservation Trust. FWS: \$39,716. Leveraged funds: \$1,506.

Protection Strategy for Two Priority Sites in Northeastern Cambodia The development and implementation of law enforcement patrolling and wildlife survey programs in two important elephant ranges in Cambodia. In partnership with WWF Cambodia Conservation Program. FWS: \$61,792. Leveraged funds: \$111,774.

Achieve Protection of the Largest Remaining Stretch of Sumatran Lowland Forest, the Tesso Nilo Forest in the Province of Riau, Indonesia, as a Safe Haven for Elephants. The establishment of a managed elephant range in an exceptionally biodiversity-rich site in the lowland rainforest of Sumatra, Indonesia. In partnership with World Wide Fund for Nature-Indonesia. FWS: \$54,900. Leveraged funds: \$102,648.

Project Proposal for Reduction of Elephant-Human Conflict in Orissa Through Change of Land Use and Cropping Pattern, Orissa, India. Applied research to reduce elephant-human conflict by manipulating cropping systems at the landscape level. In partnership with Wildlife Society of Orissa FWS: \$34,290. Leveraged Funds: \$10,202.

Community Based Monitoring and Protection of Endangered Species in Cambodia's Largest Wildlife Areas. Strengthening of the Asian Elephant, Tiger, and Endangered Species Conservation Programs of the Wildlife Protection Office of the Government of Cambodia. Advanced training and equipment to community-based wildlife monitors and develop a partnership with local law enforcement agencies to enhance protection of endangered wildlife. In partnership with CAT Action Treasury. FWS: \$54,533. Leveraged funds: \$90,887.

Conservation Assessment for Sumatran Elephants in Lampung Province, Indonesia. To complete a survey on wild elephant populations in Lampung with validated efficient survey techniques, train park staff and others in survey methods and human-elephant conflict mitigation, develop and implement conflict mitigation methods and reduce crop loss. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. FWS: \$76,134. Leveraged funds: \$92,421.

Restoration of Transboundary Corridors of Wild Elephants in the Western Terai Region of Terai Arc, Nepal. To restore transboundary biological corridors between Nepal and India in order to improve elephant habitats, and to address the human and elephant conflicts in the corridor areas, focusing on increasing awareness in local communities. In partnership with WWF-Nepal. FWS: \$39,875. Leveraged funds: \$36,312.

Control of Wild Elephant Extrusions Into Inhabited Areas in and Around Kurichiat Wildlife Range of Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary, Kerala, India. Reduction of elephant-human conflict and support of anti-poaching efforts in a sanctuary area within the Nilgiris-Eastern Ghats Elephant Reserve, which contains the worlds largest single population of Asian elephants, 5,000. In partnership with Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department. FWS: \$48,758. Leveraged funds: \$51,070.

Efforts to Decrease Human-Elephant Conflict Under Dibrugarh Forest Division, Assam, India. Construction of an electric fence and three anti-depredation camps to mitigate elephant-human conflict in two areas of high elephant-human conflict in Assam. The measures implemented by this grant are also meant to maintain connectivity of important elephant corridors in the project area. In partnership with Assam Forest Department. FWS: \$29,278. Leveraged funds: \$50,000.

Development of an Asian Elephant and Sumatran Rhinoceros Conservation and Management Strategy for Sabah, Northern Borneo. An interdisciplinary effort to survey, designate, and manage an area to conserve some 1000 Asian elephants (in the largest available elephant habitat) on the island of Borneo. In partnership with World Wildlife Fund-Malaysia. FWS: \$55,668. Leveraged funds: \$316,581.

Construction of Anti-Poaching Camps in Nambor North and Doigrung Reserve Forests under Golaghat Division. Construction of three anti-poaching camps to improve protection of the Nagaland-Karbi-Anglong Golaghat Interstate elephant reserve in Northeast India. This reserve contains more than 150 elephants and has a biodiversity-rich core area of high conservation value. In partnership with Assam Forest Department, India. FWS: \$33,381. Leveraged funds: \$108,874.

Publication of Gajah, the Journal of the Asian Elephant Specialist Group. Support for the production and publication of the official journal of the Asian Elephant Specialist Group. The Journal reaches over 400 professionals actively engaged in Asian elephant conservation efforts. In partnership with World Conservation Union (IUCN). FWS: \$24,320. Leveraged funds: \$13,200.

The Elephant Hills: Conservation of Wild Asian Elephants in a Landscape of Rainforest Fragments and Plantations Within the Anamalais, India. An assessment of elephant distribution, abundance, seasonal movements, and conflicts with man in part of the Anamalai-Parambikulam Elephant Reserve in the Western Ghats (mountains) of Tamil Nadu. The reserve, though highly fragmented, is biodiversity rich and contains an estimated 1,500 Asian elephants. In partnership with Nature Conservation Foundation. FWS: \$39,830. Leveraged funds: \$6,100.

Perils of an Asian Giant, India. The grant will produce a one-hour video describing the current status, threats to, and conservation actions needed to conserve the Asian elephants of India, the single most important Asian elephant range state, with some 25,000 or over half of all wild Asian elephants. The film will be used to galvanize public support for elephant conservation throughout India and beyond. In partnership with Ashish Chandola. FWS: \$46,652. Leveraged funds: \$96,340.

Building up Wildlife's Defense - the Southeast Asian Wildlife Protection Training Program and Center, Khao Yai, Thailand. Support for the development of a model wildlife protection program to provide regional training in wildlife law enforcement, environmental education/outreach, and wildlife monitoring. In partnership with WildAid. FWS: \$42,000. Leveraged funds: \$178,550.

Designation of a Managed Elephant Range to Coordinate and Support Multi-stakeholder Elephant Conservation in the Cardamom and Elephant Mountains and Capacity Building of National Staff in Elephant-Human Conflict Assessment, Cambodia. Research, training, and management actions in support of the and creation, and establishment of a managed elephant range in the Cardamom and elephant mountains in southwestern Cambodia. This project seeks to improve the conservation status of the largest remaining elephant habitat in Cambodia, also a landscape of high biodiversity and hydrologic importance. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International. FWS: \$59,675. Leveraged funds: \$24,396.

Developing and Implementing a Program for the Monitoring of Illegal Killing of Elephants

in Southeast Asia. Development and implementation of a CITES-mandated elephant and law enforcement monitoring program in six Southeast Asian nations (Burma, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, and Thailand). In addition, the project will provide training in support of elephant and protected areas management. In partnership with CITES Monitoring Illegal Killing of Elephants Programme. FWS: \$82,550. Leveraged funds: \$226,500.

Forest Cover Change Analysis in Support of Elephant Conservation in Northern Burma. Use of remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems to determine status and rates of forest cover loss and the status of elephant habitat in Burma. In partnership with Conservation International. FWS: \$34,008. Leveraged funds: \$20,668.

Asian Elephant School Education Program, India. Implementation of a conservation education program targeting schoolchildren in 700 schools in India in the 12 States that harbor wild Asian elephants; outreach materials will be translated into nine local languages and pilot projects will be conducted in conjunction with Bangladeshi and Sri Lankan partners. In partnership with Centre for Environment Education, India. FWS: \$50,500. Leveraged funds: \$9,000.

Pheromones as Aids to Prevention of Crop Raiding by Asian Elephants in Range States. Testing, in controlled and field situations, the efficacy of pheromones and other chemical signals to modify elephant feeding behavior. In partnership with Oregon Institute of Science and Technology. FWS: \$12,775. Leveraged funds: \$6,500.