

U.S.-China Cooperative Efforts for the Conservation of Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat



Activities for 2011-2013



Protocol on Cooperation and Exchanges
in the Field of Conservation of Nature
between
the Department of the Interior of the United States of America
and
the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China

Annex 11 2011-2013

“The Parties agree to carry out cooperation and exchanges under this Protocol on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual benefit.”

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top row left: Red crowned cranes at Zhalong National Nature Reserve, Heilongjiang Province, China; FWS photo by Row W. Lowe; July 2009

top row right: Chinese visitors at Genoa National Fish Hatchery, Wisconsin; cooperators in the 3-week visit included La Crosse Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office, La Crosse Fish Health Center, Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge, USGS Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center, and the Menominee Tribe; photo by Liu Wei; April 2010

bottom row left: Staff of Wanglang National Nature Reserve in Sichuan Province, China, monitor giant panda habitat; FWS photo by Peter Ward; June 2010

bottom row right: Chinese participants in the Third International Symposium on Ecology and Biodiversity in Large Rivers of Northeast Asia and North America; on the Mississippi River en route to Tunica River Park, Mississippi, courtesy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers M/V *Strong*; FWS photo by Peter Ward; September 2010

ANNEX 11

TO THE PROTOCOL ON COOPERATION AND EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF CONSERVATION OF NATURE

BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE STATE FORESTRY ADMINISTRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

In accordance with Articles 2,3 and 8 of the Protocol on Cooperation and Exchanges between the Department of the Interior of the United States of America and the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the Parties) signed in Washington, D.C. on November 19, 1986 and extended for five-year periods in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006, representatives of the Parties met in Washington April 7-8, 2011 to review the results of activities carried out during 2007-2010 under Annex 10 and adopt a program of cooperation for 2011-2013. The subjects and lead agencies for those programs are appended to this document, together with a list of the members of the U.S. and Chinese delegations.

During the Joint Committee Meeting, Dan Ashe, Deputy Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, met with Deputy Director General of the Department of International Cooperation Ms. Zhang Hongyan of SFA and members of the Chinese delegation. The Parties noted with satisfaction the outstanding accomplishments of 25 years of cooperation in the field of nature conservation between the two countries, including increased exchange of information and experience, in-depth dialogue, and closer friendship between management staff, technical specialists and practitioners engaged in nature conservation from China and the U.S. through active implementation of various programs. The year 2011 marks the 25th anniversary of the signing the Protocol, and the Parties agreed to extend the Protocol for another five years, enabling cooperation to continue.

Building on 25 years of collaborative efforts, the Parties agreed to expand the scope of activities, increase the depth of exchange and enhance the quality of cooperation. It is the common wish of the Parties that the U.S. and China continue to strengthen long-term and in-depth collaboration in areas related to nature reserve management; wildlife conservation and habitat protection (including forests, wetlands and other types); climate change; public education and outreach; and other topics, through various means such as exchange of information and specialists; jointly convening workshops; training on practical techniques; and encouraging pairing between nature reserves and wildlife refuges.

Funding and detailed arrangements for the program will be discussed by the Parties through correspondence. The exploration of more flexible funding arrangements is encouraged.

The Parties agreed to hold the next Joint Committee Meeting in Beijing, China in the first half of 2014.

This Annex shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties, and shall remain valid for the duration of the Protocol.

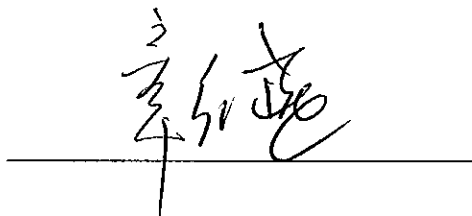
Done in Washington on the 8th day of April 2011 in duplicate in the English and Chinese languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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U.S. DELEGATIONS VISITING THE P.R.C. UNDER ANNEX 11: 2011-2013

SUBJECT	DURATION; # OF PARTICIPANTS	LEAD ORGANIZATIONS	
		U.S.	P.R.C.
Rare Fish Species Habitat Conservation and Management	10 days; 5-6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Conservation of Large River Fishes Affected by Water Development Projects	10 days; 5-6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Propagation and Rescue Techniques for Endangered Aquatic Species	3 weeks; 3 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Field Work in Conservation of Natural Fish Habitat	3 weeks; 3 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Communication, Public Education and Outreach in Nature Reserves and Wildlife Refuges, including Wetlands	2 weeks; 8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Nature Reserve and Refuge Design and Management	2 weeks; 6-8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Habitat Management and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in Nature Reserves and Refuges	2 weeks; 6-8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Implementation of CITES Convention	1 week; 6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Wetlands Monitoring, Assessment and Implementation of Ramsar Convention	2 weeks; 8-10 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	State Forestry Administration

CHINESE DELEGATIONS VISITING THE U.S. UNDER ANNEX 11: 2011-2013

SUBJECT	DURATION; # OF PARTICIPANTS	LEAD ORGANIZATIONS	
		U.S.	P.R.C.
Rare Fish Species Habitat Conservation and Management	10 days; 5-6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Conservation of Large River Fishes Affected by Water Development Projects	10 days; 5-6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Propagation and Rescue Techniques for Endangered Aquatic Species	3 weeks; 3 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Field Work in Conservation of Natural Fish Habitat	3 weeks; 3 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Ministry of Agriculture
Communication, Public Education and Outreach in Nature Reserves and Wildlife Refuges, including Wetlands	2 weeks; 8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Nature Reserve and Refuge Design and Management	2 weeks; 6-8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Habitat Management and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in Nature Reserves and Refuges	2 weeks; 6-8 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Implementation of CITES Convention	1 week; 6 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Wetlands Monitoring, Assessment and Implementation of Ramsar Convention	2 weeks; 8-10 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	State Forestry Administration
Mammal Survey and Monitoring Techniques	1 week; 3-4 people	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration

In addition the following cooperative activities have been agreed to by the Parties for implementation in the period 2011-2013:

SUBJECT	LEAD ORGANIZATIONS	
	U.S.	P.R.C.
Tidal Marsh Restoration Project in Bandon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge (Oregon)	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Beijing Forestry University
Reintroduction Workshop (Sichuan)	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Changbaishan Nature Reserve (Jilin) and Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (Alaska) Exchange	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration

In addition to the agreed upon activities under Annex 11, the two sides expressed support for the following activities subject to availability of resources:

SUBJECT	LEAD ORGANIZATIONS	
	U.S.	P.R.C.
Wildlife Disease Early Warning, Monitoring and Prevention	U.S. Department of Agriculture	State Forestry Administration
Training in Evaluation of Diseases of Wildlife Populations	U.S. Geological Survey	State Forestry Administration
Bird Conservation, Reintroduction and Tracking Techniques	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Capacity Building for Wildlife Refuge Staff	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration
Training in Inspection and Identification of Wildlife and Related Products	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	State Forestry Administration

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