US Fish and Wildlife Service Division of International Conservation Wildlife Without Borders-Global Program Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative (WHMSI) Project Summary FY 2010

4 Grants Total FWS Funding \$430,403.00 Total Leveraged Funding \$597,863.00

DIC 10-002: *WHMSI*. In partnership with Rainforest Alliance. This grant will provide key communications support for the Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative (WHMSI), by enhancing the WHMSI.net website and WHMSI's electronic outreach capabilities; expanding an online WHMSI Forum; providing a platform for online conferencing or webinars on migratory species issues; and promoting participation in the WHMSI IV Meeting.

FWS: \$25,000.00 Leveraged Funds: \$25,960.00

DIC 10-004: *IV WHMSI Hemispheric Meeting*. In partnership with the Organization of American States. This grant will support the 4th WHMSI Plenary Meeting to be held in Coral Gables, Florida from December 5-9 2010. Meeting agenda items include: review of progress made on WHMSI governance; discussion of the Special Multilateral Fund of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development grants; WHMSI vision and sustainability; and new efforts to enhance the conservation of shared migratory species throughout the Americas by strengthening institutional and human capacity, political commitment, international cooperation, and public-private partnerships at regional, national and local levels.

FWS: \$231,500.00 Leveraged Funds: \$162,000.00

DIC 10-007: Cooperation in Conservation: Capacity Building under the Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative (WHMSI). In partnership with the Organization of American States (OAS). This project will build upon existing WHMSI and other migratory species efforts to significantly enhance the conservation of shared migratory species throughout the Americas. Specifically, up to five partnerships will be supported to strengthen institutional and human capacity, political commitment, international cooperation, and public-private partnerships at regional, national and local levels. Through this grant, WHMSI seeks to advance in the implementation of capacity building efforts led by the OAS in cooperation with key NGOs in the Hemisphere.

FWS: \$148,962.00 Leveraged Funds: \$384,962.00

DIC 10-010: Supporting coordinated migratory species conservation through the WHMSI Pathway. In partnership with Rainforest Alliance. Funding will support continued maintenance and expansion of the WHMSI Pathway section of the Rainforest Alliance's Eco-Index website. The grantee will add bilingual profiles of Wildlife Without Borders grantees to the Eco-Index and the WHMSI Pathway; add and update resources in the "Projects & Tools" database; publish and widely disseminate interviews and articles about migratory species conservation initiatives; create and distribute the bilingual WHMSI Pathway Update email newsletter; write reviews of migratory species conservation reports and Web sites; and maintain and promote the WHMSI Forum. This project also proposes to develop and publish a comprehensive directory of the NGOs that are working to conserve migratory birds, sea turtles, butterflies, bats, whales and fish in the Americas.

FWS: \$24,941.00 Leveraged Funds: \$24,941.00