

**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**  
**Division of International Conservation**  
**Critically Endangered Animals Conservation Fund FY2013**

In 2013, the USFWS awarded 13 new projects from the Critically Endangered Animals Conservation Fund totaling \$301,572.00 which was matched by \$608,827.73 in additional leveraged funds. Field projects in eleven countries (in alphabetical order below) will be supported.

**BELIZE**

**EA-0431**

**Grant # F13AP00997**

*Legal Protection of Critically Endangered Goliath Grouper in Belize.* In partnership with Toledo Institute for Development and Environment, this project will assist the Belize Fisheries Department in introducing legal measures to protect the goliath grouper based on scientific evidence. Population size for the species is unknown but estimates indicate an 80 percent drop over the last 40 years.

FWS: \$9,551                      Leveraged funds: \$3,620

**CAMBODIA**

**EA-0444**

**Grant # F13AP00993**

*Conservation of an Important Population of Critically Endangered Southern River Terrapin, Batagur Affineis, in Southern Cambodia.* In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society, this project will improve the global conservation status of Batagur affinis by reducing threats to, and improving recruitment in an important remnant population in Cambodia. This grant will expand and increase the effectiveness of patrols aimed at discovering additional nests using the SMART (Spatial Monitoring and Reporting Tool) method originally developed by WCS and USFWS for tiger conservation. All nests found in the wild will be incubated and guarded by wardens and then transferred from the field to head-starting facilities for subsequent release and monitoring of at least 25 turtles.

FWS: \$24,990                      Leveraged funds: \$24,995

**EA-0447**

**Grant # F13AP01004**

*Cambodian Crocodile Conservation Programme: Ensuring the Future of the Critically Endangered Siamese Crocodile in the Wild.* In partnership with Fauna & Flora International, this project will increase the viability of Siamese crocodile populations in the wild through captive breeding and reintroduction. This grant will also strengthen management and monitoring for the Siamese crocodile by conducting surveys to identify critical nesting habitat. Captive raised and released crocodiles will also be monitored by community wildlife wardens.

FWS: \$25,001                      Leveraged funds: \$130,862

## CHINA

### EA-0441

#### Grant # F13AP01003

*Managing Water Resources to Benefit Siberian Cranes, other Threatened Birds, and Local Communities at Poyang Lakes, China.* In partnership with the International Crane Foundation, this project will ensure that critical habitat is available to help maintain a stable wintering population of Siberian Cranes and other threatened birds. Sustainable livelihood practices for local community members will also be promoted through effective water management for the Poyang Lake Basin.

FWS: \$24,000            Leveraged funds: \$54,580

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

### EA-0449

#### Grant # F13AP00995

*Recovery of the Critically Endangered Ricord's Iguana through Invasive Species Removal.* In partnership with Island Conservation, this project will work with local officials to increase the population of Ricord's Iguana by removing three invasive species, feral cats, donkeys, and cattle from Isla Cabritos.

FWS: \$24,945            Leveraged funds: \$105,598

## INDONESIA

### EA-0434

#### Grant # F13AP01005

*Long-term Conservation of Maleo Nesting Ground in North Sulawesi Through Nest Site Protection and Management, Indonesia.* In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society, this project will increase the population estimates for maleos by ensuring long-term protection of nesting sites in Bogani Nani Wartabone National park. This grant will support the hiring of four wildlife guards, build structures and develop plans to protect nests from extreme weather, and work with local community members to create educational materials about maleo conservation.

FWS: \$27,380            Leveraged: \$27,168

## MYANMAR

### EA-0438

#### Grant # F13AP00992

*Conservation of the Burmese Roofed Turtle, *Batagur trivittata*, on the Upper Chindwin River, Myanmar.* In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society, this project will support conservation efforts to ensure a genetically diverse, self-sustaining, wild population of the Burmese roofed turtle. This grant will support activities to build a modern facility to host head-starting and incubation of turtles and their eggs. Nest protection patrols and threat abatement programs will also be expanded to include newly discovered habitat.

FWS: \$24,481.00        Leveraged funds: \$24,481

## **PAKISTAN**

### **EA-0450**

#### **Grant # F13AP00996**

*Expanding Snow Leopard Conservation through Livestock Insurance in Chitral District, Pakistan.* In partnership with International Snow Leopard Trust, this project will work collaboratively with communities to increase tolerance for livestock losses to reduce snow leopard poaching, and retribution killing. A village-managed livestock insurance program will be initiated to compensate families for livestock lost from snow leopards. A signed partnership agreement between local stakeholders will govern program responsibilities and oversight.

FWS: \$24,000            Leveraged funds: \$19,995

## **PERU**

### **EA-0412**

#### **Grant # F13AP01007**

*Initiatives for the Conservation of the San Martin Titi Monkey in Eastern San Martin, Peru.* In partnership with Asociacion Proyecto Mono Tocon, this project will protect the San Martin titi monkey through the creation of a 24,000-32,000 acres conservation concession. Within this concession, biodiversity data will be collected working with local community members to ensure effective management of the protected area.

FWS: \$15,000            Leveraged funds: \$41,599.73

### **EA-0418**

#### **Grant # F13AP01006**

*Conservation of "El Gramadal", Huarmey Ancash, Peru: One of the Few Intact Habitats Where the Peruvian Plantcutter Reproduces, Ancash, Peru.* In partnership with Peruvian Association for Conservation of Nature, this project will create a conservation area in El Gramadal, Huarmey, Ancash, Peru to protect Peruvian plantcutter habitat. This area will provide food and suitable breeding sites. In addition, a technical proposal will be developed and submitted to local governmental authorities to inform them of conservation activities and will seek to register the conservation area in the national register of land.

FWS: \$27,280            Leveraged funds: \$2,900

## **SAINT LUCIA (Caribbean)**

### **EA-0433**

#### **Grant # F13AP00991**

*Saint Lucia Racer Project: Launching the Recovery of the Rarest Known Snake.* In partnership with Fauna & Flora International, this project will support conservation efforts for the Saint Lucia racer on the Caribbean island nation of Saint Lucia, by developing the first ever action plan for the species. Specifically, this grant will: create a ten year action plan using a participatory process for the recovery of this species in the wild, remove invasive alien species from critical habitat, establish a multi-agency racer working group to oversee the development and implementation of the ten year action

plan, and increase public awareness and support for the racer.

FWS: \$24,990            Leveraged funds: \$60,089

## **SOUTH AFRICA**

### **EA-0427**

#### **Grant # F13AP01054**

*Assisting Recovery of the Geometric Tortoise Population at Elandsberg Nature Reserve, South Africa.* In partnership with the University of the Western Cape, Elandsberg Farms, and Cape Nature, this project will quantify the status and location of wild geometric tortoises and their major threats at Elandsberg Nature Reserve (ENR). Authorities can then implement a program to eradicate or reduce threats, and adopt a management strategy to improve growth rates of juvenile tortoises.

FWS: \$24,954            Leveraged funds: \$86,274

## **TANZANIA**

### **EA-0443**

#### **Grant # F13AP00994**

*Conserving Rungwecebus Kipunji Strongholds in Southern Tanzania.* In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society, this project will support the long-term survival of the Kipunji in the Mount Rungwe and Livingstone forests in Tanzania. This grant will: employ forest guards to patrol and improve law enforcement in the Livingston and Mt Rungwe forests; address the root cause of forest degradation by developing alternative fuels sources; reduce human-monkey conflict by developing an effective crop raiding mitigation methods to reduce retribution hunting; identify appropriate cash crops to plant adjacent to the forest to reduce hunting threats, and conduct environmental education and outreach in 20 villages.

FWS: \$25,000            Leveraged funds: \$26,666