US Fish and Wildlife Service Division of International Conservation Wildlife Without Borders-Critically Endangered Animals Conservation Fund Project Summary FY 2010

19 Grants Total FWS Funding \$573,389.70 Total Leveraged Funding \$780,906.00

Argentina

EA-0131: Conservation of a newly-discovered population of the most endangered felid of the Americas, the Andean cat of Patagonia. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will support a protection effort for the Andean cat of western Argentina. Activities will include capacity building for goat herders and rangers to reduce livestock-carnivore conflict, outreach to industry, and monitoring of species presence and potential threats.

FWS: \$29,841.00 Leveraged funds: \$48,054.00

Bolivia

EA-0121: Conservation of Bolivia's Endangered Tome's Long-Eared Bat. In partnership with Wildlife Trust. This grant will protect the only roosting site known in Bolivia for the Tome's Long-Eared Bat (Lonchorhina aurita), La Curicha cave, by constructing a gate that will prevent humans from vandalizing the cave and jeopardizing the survival of the bat.

FWS: \$30,000.00 Leveraged funds: \$20,200.00

Brazil

EA-0175: Conserving Golden Lion Tamarins in Brazil—A Model for Success. In partnership with Associação Mico-Leão-Dourado, Brazil. This grant will facilitate golden lion tamarin dispersal between isolated populations by translocating tamarins and by planting forest corridors to connect the seven large forests in the golden lion tamarin Metapopulation Management Area.

FWS: \$30,000.00 Leveraged funds: \$195,824.00

Cambodia

EA-0106: Cambodian Crocodile Conservation Program: Saving the Critically Endangered Siamese Crocodile. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International, Inc. This grant will continue to support protection of local Siamese crocodile sanctuaries in Cambodia under management of local communities and other stakeholders; monitor and evaluate key Siamese crocodile populations; rescue crocodiles in immediate danger from large scale hydro dam projects; launch the first phase of the Siamese Crocodile Reintroduction Plan developed under an earlier grant; and conduct public awareness activities.

FWS: \$29,963.00 Leveraged Funds: \$32,897.00

EA-0127: Community-based Nest Protection and pagoda-based headstarting of Cantor's softshell turtle in Cambodia. In partnership with Conservation International. This grant will continue support for community incentives for nest protection of Cantor's softshell turtles. The grantee will conduct awareness campaigns for villages, establish a site for environmental education where an assurance colony can be housed, and establish a pagoda-based headstarting facility.

FWS: \$32,287.00 Leveraged Funds: \$20,062.00

EA-0137: Conserving Cambodia's Bengal Florican—Year 2. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will ensure the conservation of the Bengal florican in Cambodia by strengthening the Bengal Florican Conservation Area (BFCA) management framework, focusing on the creation of community management committees, capacity building of local communities and government stakeholders, management plan preparation, and collaborative law enforcement.

FWS: \$30,080.00 Leveraged funds: \$35,640.00

Colombia

EA-0116: Saving the Critically Endangered Blue-Billed Curassow and Brown Spider Monkey. In partnership with Fundación ProAves. This grant will safeguard a viable population of the critically endangered blue-billed curassow and brown spider monkey as well as associated biodiversity in the tropical rainforests of the Magdalena Valley of Colombia through applied and targeted conservation actions, including direct habitat protection and management, establishment of a Conservation Corridor, local capacity building, and implementation of sustainable development initiatives that provide income sources alternative to hunting and deforestation.

FWS: \$30,000.00 Leveraged funds: \$19,360.00

EA-0155: Proyecto Tití: Expanding our Conservation Education Efforts to Protect the Critically Endangered Cotton-top tamarin in Colombia. In partnership with Fundación Proyecto Tití. This grant will establish protected areas for cotton-top tamarins in Colombia, decrease the number of animals that are sold in the illegal wildlife trade, develop sustainable alternatives for local communities to decrease the dependency on forest resources, increase the level of understanding of conservation challenges in the region, and provide opportunities for local communities to become involved in productive activities that promote conservation.

FWS: \$30,806.00 Leveraged funds: \$63,240.00

Guatemala

EA-0132: Improving Central American River Turtle nesting success in the Maya Biosphere Reserve, Guatemala. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will seek to ensure the long-term survival of the Central American river turtle in El Perú Lagoon and San Pedro River through direct intervention and increased public awareness of these important nesting sites.

FWS: \$29,998.00 Leveraged funds: \$69,202.00

India

EA-0135: *Pygmy Hog Conservation Programme for captive breeding and reintroduction in Assam, India.* In partnership with EcoSystems-India. This grant will promote recovery of the pygmy hog and reduce its population decline. The project will prepare pygmy hogs for reintroduction at a pre-release facility, work with staff of Orang National Park and Sonai Rupai Wildlife Sanctuary for scientific management and adequate protection of grassland areas identified for release of pygmy hogs, bolster genetics of the population, release 12-15 hogs in Orang National Park in the first year, and monitor released hogs in Orang as well as Sonai Rupai where 35 hogs were released between 2008 and 2010. FWS: \$40,760.00 Leveraged Funds: \$49,400.00

Kenya

EA-0102: *National Conservation Efforts for the Hirola Antelope, Beatragus hunter, in Kenya.* In partnership with Northern Rangelands Trust. This grant will support a protection effort for the critically endangered Hirola antelope of northern Kenya. Activities will include a stakeholders' meeting of

national and local representatives and experts, drafting a five-year conservation strategy, conducting an aerial survey, and assessing the feasibility of establishing an *in situ* breeding program.

FWS: \$29,805.00 Leveraged funds: \$6,350.00

Mexico

EA-0156: Specific Actions for the Protection, Conservation, and Recovery of Endangered Parrots in the State of Colima, Mexico. In partnership with Entorno Biotico, A.C. This grant will promote alternative ways to conserve highly endangered Psittacidae birds (parrots) in western Mexico through ecotourism and environmental education.

FWS: \$18,270.00 Leveraged Funds: \$19,795.00

EA- 0169: Rehabilitation Center for Endangered Raptors Seized by Law Enforcement Authorities in San Luis Potosí, Mexico. In partnership with TAMPADHUM, A.C. This grant will establish a rehabilitation center for endangered raptors seized by Mexican wildlife law enforcement authorities in the state of San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

FWS: \$29,000.00 Leveraged Funds: \$77,000.00

EA-0151: Jaguar Conservation in Sian Ka'an and Yum Balam: Integration of Ejido Communities into the future BALAM Biological Corridor, Mexico. In partnership with ONCA MAYA AC. This grant will establish the BALAM biological corridor, vital to maintain viable jaguar populations, along the northern and central portions of the state of Quintana Roo in ejido communities. It will also involve local state and municipal authorities to develop strategies that would not only benefit the jaguars and ejido members, but will also maintain biodiversity and environmental services upon which all species depend.

FWS: \$29,000.00 Leveraged funds: \$18,000.00

Nigeria

EA-0124: Tackling habitat loss and hunting for the conservation of the Niger Delta Red Colobus monkey (Procolobus epieni), one of the world's most endangered primates. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will build the capacity of a community-based conservation organization to protect the Niger Delta red colobus monkey of southwestern Nigeria. The project aims to reduce hunting and logging in the remaining marsh forest habitat by employing, equipping and training community-based ecoguards; demarcating reserve boundaries; and specifying regulations to govern forest management.

FWS: \$29,747.00 Leveraged funds: \$11,000.00

Peru

EA-0113: Saving the white-sand forest for the Iquitos Gnatcatcher in Allpahuayo Mishana National Reserve, Peru. In partnership with the Peruvian Foundation for the Conservation of Nature (ProNature). This grant will reduce the pressure on the habitat of the Iquitos Gnatcatcher (*Polioptila clementsi*) in Allpahuayo Mishana National Reserve to avoid its extinction. The project will promote a culture of conservation and support the development of bird-watching activities in the area.

FWS: \$30,976.00 Leveraged funds: \$10,800.00

Russia

EA-0140: Saving the Spoon-billed Sandpiper from extinction: practical steps in northern Chukotka breeding habitat. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will support the recovery

of the spoon-billed sandpiper by improving breeding success and survivorship of populations nesting on the northern (Chukchi Sea) coast of Chukotka, Russia. The project will locate active breeding sites at and near Belyaka Spit and protect nests; survey additional potential breeding sites along the northern Chukotka coast, and protect new nesting areas; and identify migration routes and overwintering grounds for spoon-billed sandpipers, to provide effective recommendations to increase survivorship during the non-breeding period. If sufficient nesting pairs are found, adult spoon-billed sandpipers will be fitted with geolocator loggers at their nesting sites.

FWS: \$29,954.00 Leveraged Funds: \$26,489.00

Tanzania

EA-0123: Ensuring the long term survival of Africa's largest and rarest forest antelope, Abbott's Duiker, in the Southern Highlands of Tanzania. In partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. This grant will support conservation of the Abbott's duiker of southern Tanzania. Activities will include capacity building of forest guards and community members, identifying key corridors between habitat remnants, replanting cleared and degraded habitat, and assessing methods to improve breeding success and survival. FWS: \$36,810.70 Leveraged funds: \$32,918.00

Vietnam

EA-0128: Protecting critical populations of Douc Langurs utilizing Douc protection teams and snare and trap removal at Son Tra Reserve and Chu Mom Ray National Park, Vietnam. In partnership with Douc Langur Foundation. This grant will continue a successful program of snare and trap removal at Son Tra Reserve and expand the program to Chu Mom Ray National Park by employing local people in protection efforts.

FWS: \$26,092.00 Leveraged funds: \$24,675.00