

# CEPF FINAL PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT

## I. BASIC DATA

**Organization Legal Name:** Conservation International

**Project Title (as stated in grant agreement):** The Great Ape Emergency Conservation Fund

**Implementation Partners for this Project:** Cambridge University, Kyoto University, Madison University, Skills and Agricultural Development Services (Liberia) SOS Forests (Ivory Coast), Sylvatrop (Guinea), Wild Chimpanzee Foundation, and the Wildlife Conservation Society.

**Project Dates (as stated in the grant agreement):** July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2007

**Date of Report (month/year):** August 30, 2007

## II. OPENING REMARKS

*Provide any opening remarks that may assist in the review of this report.*

The Great Ape Emergency Conservation Fund (GAECF), managed by the IUCN/SSC Primate Specialist Group and Conservation International, has awarded \$ 50,000 from CEPF in grants to projects targeting western chimpanzee conservation in Upper Guinea.

## III. ACHIEVEMENT OF PROJECT PURPOSE

### ***Project Purpose***

1. An increase in the amount of funding to the threatened chimpanzee in the Upper Guinea Hotspot

Through this grant \$50,000 has been awarded to projects targeting western chimpanzee conservation.

2. Increased coordination between initiatives for the conservation of chimpanzees in the Upper Guinea Hotspot

The numerous proposals received from Guinea were shared with ongoing projects in Guinea to improve coordination.

In Ivory Coast, Dr. Akoi Kouadio contacted the Wild Chimpanzee Foundation to benefit from their expertise in conservation education campaigns focussed on chimpanzees.

***Describe the success of the project in terms of achieving its intended impact objective and performance indicators.***

This project was successful in that \$ 50,000 was made available to conservation projects targeting western chimpanzees in the forests of Upper Guinea.

Information sharing between applicants and the project leader led to a greater awareness of work being implemented by other projects in the Upper Guinea forests, and at least one new partnership formed as a result.

**Were there any unexpected impacts (positive or negative)?**

There were not.

**IV. PROJECT OUTPUTS**

**Project Outputs:** Enter the project outputs from the Logical Framework for the project

**Planned vs. Actual Performance**

<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Actual at Completion</b>
<b>Output 1:</b> Fund for great apes is designed (including preferred grant size, preferred type of applications, review process, reporting mechanisms to CEPF and GRASP)	
<b>1.1.</b> Document describing the grant is created.	Completed by Rebecca Kormos
<b>Output 2.</b> Fund is advertised	
<b>2.1.</b> Information about the fund is sent to all SGA members, GRASP, USFWS GACF, WWF and AZA.	Complete (website and targeted emails)
<b>Output 3.</b> Proposals are received	
<b>3.1.</b> Proposals in the requested format are submitted and received by project leader	Complete (12 proposals) Almost all were solicited by project leader
<b>Output 4.</b> Proposals are reviewed	
<b>4.1.</b> Projects are reviewed by project personnel within the specified time period	Complete (12 proposals)
<b>Output 5.</b> Grants are provided	
<b>5.1.</b> Funding is provided to those successful project applications	Complete (10 grants provided: two to the same NGO, WCF). The majority of the awards were made in 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter of the project.
<b>Output 6.</b> Fundraising for increased input of donors into this fund for future investment.	
<b>6.1.</b> At least 3 project proposals are submitted in request for increasing the fund	One major proposal was prepared and personally presented to donors by Russ Mittermeier. Additional funds dispersed. GAECF is not currently being advertised.
<b>Output 7.</b> Project success is monitored	
<b>7.1.</b> Project reports received from successful applicants and reviewed	Partial – 3 reports received (one final, two mid-term) from the 9 projects funded
<b>Output 8.</b> Successful projects are advertised	
<b>8.1.</b> Successful projects will be highlighted on the SGA website as well as well as other sources such as the CEPF newsletter.	Incomplete – successful projects will be advertised when all reports received December 2007. The majority of the awards were made in 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter of the project.

**Describe the success of the project in terms of delivering the intended outputs.**

Six of the intended eight outputs were delivered. Grant applications were solicited, received, reviewed and 10 grants were disbursed to successful applicants (nine projects).

**Were any outputs unrealized? If so, how has this affected the overall impact of the project?**

Output 7 was only partially realized, as reports from the majority of successful projects are due only in the latter half of 2007, after submission of this report. Output 8 will be delivered once the majority of these reports have been received and reviewed, towards the end of 2007.

## V. SAFEGUARD POLICY ASSESSMENTS

**Provide a summary of the implementation of any required action toward the environmental and social safeguard policies within the project.**

None required.

## VI. LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PROJECT

**Describe any lessons learned during the various phases of the project. Consider lessons both for future projects, as well as for CEPF's future performance.**

The target for this fund was too restrictive. Projects had to fulfill three criteria: i) to be focused on the conservation of western chimpanzees, ii) to be implemented in the Upper Guinea hotspot, and iii) to be used to mitigate an emergency. Only one project met all three criteria. On the instruction of Russ Mittermeier, we removed the "emergency" stipulation.

**Project Design Process: (aspects of the project design that contributed to its success/failure)**

The intended 50:50 partnership with Grasp did not materialize – Grasp is a UN organization (UNEP and UNESCO) and was unable to contribute funds that would then be distributed as sub-grants. The failure of this partnership to materialize delayed the design and creation of the fund.

**Project Execution: (aspects of the project execution that contributed to its success/failure)**

The project was eventually a success, once we were able to accept applications for non-emergencies. However, this meant that most grants were awarded during the last 6 months.

## VII. ADDITIONAL FUNDING

**Provide details of any additional donors who supported this project and any funding secured for the project as a result of the CEPF grant or success of the project.**

Donor	Type of Funding*	Amount	Notes
Great Ape Trust	C	\$ 5,000	Unrestricted
Private donation	C	\$ 110	Unrestricted
Glaser Foundation	C	\$ 25,000	Unrestricted

**\*Additional funding should be reported using the following categories:**

**A** Project co-financing (Other donors contribute to the direct costs of this CEPF project)

- B** *Complementary funding (Other donors contribute to partner organizations that are working on a project linked with this CEPF funded project)*
- C** *Grantee and Partner leveraging (Other donors contribute to your organization or a partner organization as a direct result of successes with this CEPF funded project.)*
- D** *Regional/Portfolio leveraging (Other donors make large investments in a region because of CEPF investment or successes related to this project.)*

**Provide details of whether this project will continue in the future and if so, how any additional funding already secured or fundraising plans will help ensure its sustainability.**

This project may continue in 2008 on a smaller scale, as the Glaser Foundation will consider a renewal of their support at the end of 2007. Meanwhile, Grasp is planning to create and operate a new emergency fund, despite having been unable to enter into the planned partnership with CI.

## VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### Grants awarded

- 1. Wild Chimpanzee Foundation** (Christophe Boesch and Ilka Herbinger).  
Revision of Management plan of the Classified forest of Cavally and Goin-Debe, Côte d'Ivoire.  
\$ 5,000. May 31, 2006 to January 31, 2007. Report received.
- 2. SOS-Forêts** (José Gomez Peñate).  
Conservation of Chimpanzees of the Dassioko Classified Forest, Côte d'Ivoire.  
\$ 4,640. December 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007. Report received.
- 3. Nicolas Granier** (Kyoto University).  
Ecological study and conservation of chimpanzees *Pan troglodytes verus* in their specific environmental and human context of the Nimba Mountains Biosphere Reserve, Guinea.  
\$ 5,000. January 1, 2006 to December 1, 2007. Interim report received. Final report due January 2008.
- 4. Wild Chimpanzee Foundation** (Christophe Boesch and Ilka Herbinger).  
Continuation of Revision of management plan of the Classified forest of Cavally and Goin-Debe, Côte d'Ivoire.  
\$ 5,000. January 31, 2007 to September 30, 2007. Report due December 1, 2007.
- 5. Kathelijne Koops** (University of Cambridge).  
Conservation Genetics and Ecology of the Chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes verus*) in the Nimba Mountains, Guinea.  
\$ 5,000. May 1, 2007 to August 31, 2007. Report due November 1, 2007.
- 6. Tatyana Humle** (University of Wisconsin).  
Behavioral and ecological monitoring of wild and released chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes verus*) in the Parc National du Haut Niger, Guinea.  
\$ 5,000. May 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008. Interim report due December 1<sup>st</sup> 2007. Final report due September 1, 2008.
- 7. Wildlife Conservation Society** (Akoi Kouadio).  
Public awareness and anti-poaching training for the conservation of chimpanzees in the Azagny National Park, Côte d'Ivoire.  
\$ 5,360. June 15, 2007 to November 15, 2007. Report due December 15, 2007.

8. **Skills and Agricultural Development Services** (Peter G. Mulbah).  
East Nimba Nature Reserve Great Apes (Western Chimpanzees) Outreach Program, Liberia.  
\$ 5,000. June 30, 2007 to October 1, 2007. Report due December 1, 2007.

9. **Rebecca Kormos**  
Assessment of the Impact of the Regional Action Plan for Chimpanzees in West Africa.  
\$ 5,000. June 30, 2007 to November 30, 2007. Report due December 31, 2007.

10. **Sylvatrop** (Sylvain Dufour).  
Inventory and threat analysis of large mammals in the Kankan Nature Reserve, Guinea.  
\$ 5,000. June 30, 2007 to November 30, 2007. Report due December 31, 2007.

Final reports will be accessible at <http://www.primate-sg.org/gaecf.closed.htm>

## VIII. INFORMATION SHARING

CEPF is committed to transparent operations and to helping civil society groups share experiences, lessons learned and results. One way we do this is by making programmatic project documents available on our Web site, [www.cepf.net](http://www.cepf.net), and by marketing these in our newsletter and other communications.

These documents are accessed frequently by other CEPF grantees, potential partners, and the wider conservation community.

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