# US Fish and Wildlife Service Division of International Conservation Great Ape Conservation Fund Summary FY 2007

55 Grants totaling \$3.8 million, Total Leveraged Funds: \$3.5 million

# Africa Grants Cameroon

**GA-0372.** WWF Great Ape Conservation Strategies in Southeast Cameroon National Parks and TRIDOM Interzone: Census, Biomonitoring and Human Health Education Initiatives. In partnership with The World Wildlife Fund Central Africa Regional Program Office. USAID/USFWS: \$99,809; Leveraged Funds: \$53,371. Improve the conservation status of western lowland gorillas and central chimpanzees through increased understanding of great ape population dynamics, intiation of an environmental and health education campaign, and the development of a long-term ape conservation strategy.

**GA-0379** Pan African Sanctuary Alliance (PASA) 2007 Education Workshop In partnership with Pan African Sanctuaries Alliance. USFWS: \$19,580; Leveraged Funds: \$18,025. Hold a workshop in Limbe, Camerron to improve the capacity of ape sanctuary managers to effectively design and execute education and public awareness programs to take place in Limbe, Cameroon.

**GA-0388** Controlling Transportation of Bushmeat by the Cameroon Railway Company (CAMRAIL). In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$74,800; Leveraged Funds: \$73,997. Support for increasing public awareness, education and law enforcement to reduce the transport of illegal bushmeat on Cameroon's rail system.

**GA-0393** Population Status, Ecology and Conservation of the Gorillas and Chimpanzees of the Ebo Forest, Cameroon. In partnership with Zoological Society of San Diego. USFWS: \$50,130; Leveraged Funds: \$119,760. Support for surveys of critical gorilla and chimpanzee habitat to develop management recommendations and possible gazettement as protected areas.

**GA-0403** *LAGA-MINFOF Collaboration-Wildlife Law Enforcement.* In partnership with Last Great Ape Organization. USAID/USFWS: \$79,812; Leveraged Funds: \$112,606. Support for law enforcement, public awareness, and prosecution of wildlife crimes to prevent trafficking of bushmeat, live apes, and other wildlife products in Cameroon.

**GA-0418** Great Ape and human impact monitoring in the Mbam et Djerem National Park, Cameroon. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$49,560. Leveraged Funds: \$32,506. Field surveys to evaluate the conservation status of Mbam et Djerem National Park, and to provide management recommendations to wildlife authorities.

# Central African Republic

**GA-0437** The Dzanga Sangha Lowland Gorilla Habituation and Ecotourism Project, Central African Republic. In partnership with the World Wildlife Fund. USAID/USFWS: \$50,000 Leveraged Funds: \$89,000. Increase ecotourism potential by habituating two groups of Western Lowland Gorillas, improving gorilla health and ecological monitoring, and renovating camp facilities.

# Democratic Republic of the Congo

**GA-0390** A Pride Campaign to Address the Bushmeat Crisis in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In partnership with Rare. USAID/USFWS: \$82,750; Leveraged Funds: \$83,414. A public outreach and education program to reduce illegal bushmeat activity with special emphasis on protecting bonobos.

**GA-0399** A new conservation landscape for Bonobo: Discovery and Conservation of the Tshupa-Landscape, Democratic Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Lukuru Wildlife Research Foundation. USFWS: \$100,000. Leveraged Funds: \$200,000. Surveys to determine the abundance, distribution, and existing threats confronting bonobos in Eastern DRC.

**GA-0400** Survey of Chimpanzees in the Virunga National Park and the Potential Corridor to Mt. Hoyo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$59,413; Leveraged Funds: \$36,950. Surveys and follow-up work in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo to study the feasibility of a new protected area corridor for chimpanzees and other wildlife.

**GA-0408** Itombwe Massif Conservation Project: Delimitation and Zoning of the Itombwe Natural Reserve for Protection of Great Apes. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$102,884. Leveraged Funds: \$58,589. Undertake biological inventories of great ape populations, evaluate the status of human communities, and map potential reserve boundaries.

**GA-0411** Using Digital Media as a Mobile Outreach Educational Tool in Salonga-Lukenie-Sankuru Landscape in Democratic Republic of Congo. In partnership with the International Conservation and Education Fund. USAID/USFWS: \$98,664. Leveraged Funds: 151,884. Raise awareness through videos, created by local conservationists and community members, on the relationship between wildlife protection, forest conservation, natural resource management, and public health and develop the local capacity to use video production as an education tool.

**GA-0413** *Biodiversity Monitoring and Censusing Maiko-UGADEC DRC.* In partnership with the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund. USAID/USFWS: \$100,000. Leveraged Funds: \$22,500. Assess the distribution of Great Apes, identify threats, and train local field staff to conduct conservation and management activities.

**GA-0436** Understanding and Mitigating the Impact of Wildlife Trade on Bonobo and Other Threatened Species in the Salonga-Lukenie-Sankuru Landscape, DRC. In partnership with World Wide Fund for Nature - International. USAID/USFWS: \$120,218 Leveraged Funds: \$144,985. Reduce illegal wildlife trade through a collaboration of government institutions

and local communities to implement a wildlife trade monitoring system.

#### Gabon

**GA-0398** Enhancing the Great Ape Protection in Moukalaba-Doudou National Park, Gamba Complex of Protected Areas, Gabon. In partnership with World Wildlife Fund. USAID/USFWS: \$100,000; Leveraged Funds: \$160,553. Support for ape protection and public outreach on conservation issues in two Gabonese national parks and adjoining areas.

**GA-0416** Great Ape and Human impact monitoring in the Lope-Waka Exceptional Priority Great Ape Area, Gabon. Part II: Lope National Park. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$49,316. Leveraged Funds: \$19,528. Evaluate the wildlife conservation status and human impact profile of the Lope-Waka Corridor and to provide management recommendations to the Gabonese wildlife authorities.

**GA-0424** Environmental and Socio-economic Audit of SINOPEC Oil Exploration Activities in Loango National Park, Gabon. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$139,754. Leveraged Funds: \$180,871. Undertake an environmental and social audit of SINOPEC's oil exploration activities in Loango National Park with the goal of protecting apes and other wildlife in and around the protected area.

**GA-0425** Roll-out of the Ape Conservation Environmental Education Module to Urban Primary Schools in Key Provincial Capitals of Gabon. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$62,354. Leveraged Funds: \$32,734. Provide teacher training for introducing ape conservation education activities in the classroom and implement an environmental education and awareness campaign targeting urban primary schools.

**GA-0426** *Great Ape and Human Impact Monitoring in the Ivindo landscape, Gabon.* In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$96,143. Leveraged Funds: \$58,148. Evaluate the wildlife conservation status of Ivindo National Park and provide appropriate recommendations to wildlife authorities regarding management and park development.

#### Guinea

**GA-0394** Pan African Sanctuary Alliance (PASA) Reintroduction Project-Guinea. In partnership with Pan African Santuaries Alliance. USFWS: \$26,000; Leveraged Funds: \$36,950. Chimpanzee tracking using GPS collars to reintroduce captive individuals into the wild.

# Republic of Congo

**GA-0358**. Threats Assessment and Protection of Great Apes and other Large Mammals in the North of the Nouabale-Ndoki NP and BufferZone: Mokabi Forestry Concession, Republic of Congo. In

partnership with Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$60,617; Leveraged Funds: \$18,317. Support to develop a bushmeat mitigation project in a logging concession in northern Republic of Congo.

**GA-0359**. Protection and Monitoring of Great Apes in Conkouati-Douli National Park, Republic of Congo. The Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$79,607; Leveraged Funds: \$25,446 by CAWFI. Support for surveys, protection efforts and capacity building for ape conservation in the western Republic of Congo.

**GA-0364**. Can Management of wildlife in Logging Concessions Conserve Great Ape Populations in Northern Congo? Phase II. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$55,481; Leveraged Funds: \$17,385. Final phase of a project focusing on the effects of logging on apes to produce a research protocol aimed at formulating management plans for ape conservation in logging concessions.

**GA-0385.** Great Ape Conservation and Monitoring in the Multiple-Use Forests of the Sangha-Likouala Provinces, Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$92,239; Leveraged Funds: \$36,750. Support for the protection of apes and other endangered wildlife through collaboration with local communities, anti-poaching patrols, and the development of a wildlife management strategy in the Mokabi timber concession.

**GA-0401** Protection Reinforcement to Save Gorillas at Conkouati-Douli National Park, Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$99,942; Leveraged Funds: \$24,127. Support for anti-poaching activities, illegal bushmeat control, training and equipping of ecoguards to protect apes and other wildlife.

**GA-0402** Great Ape Conservation and Monitoring the Lac Tele Landscape. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$97,898; Leveraged Funds: \$22,937. A program of ape monitoring, protection, and public awareness with an emphasis on community conservation and local management of wildlife resources.

**GA-0404** Implementing Critical Ebola Surveillance and Response Measures to Protect Great Apes in Northern Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$213,298. Leveraged Funds: \$87,648. A project to determine the impact of Ebola hemorrhagic fever on ape populations and assist communities to reduce the impact of Ebola on human populations.

**GA-0409** Goualougo Triangle Chimpanzee Conservation and Research Project Nouabale-Ndoki National Park, Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$57,362. Leveraged Funds: \$57,440. Reduce the impact of logging operations on chimpanzees and gorillas, construct a demographic database from remote video recordings, and differentiate changes in ape distribution and sociality caused by ecological influences from those caused by anthropogenic disturbances.

**GA-0412** Biological and Socio-Economic Surveys to Support Chimpanzee Conservation and Protected Area Design in the Western Republic of Congo. In partnership with the

Jane Goodall Institute. USAID/USFWS: \$177,412. Leveraged Funds: \$150,954. Identify and evaluate appropriate habitat to expand protected areas for the purpose of reintroducing a viable, self-sustaining population of chimpanzees.

GA-0435 Conservation and Monitoring of Great Ape Populations in Southern Odzala-Kokoua national Park, Republic of Congo. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$65,531. Leveraged Funds: \$23,895. Assess the status of gorillas and chimpanzees and support law enforcement and protection measures in the southern sector of Odzala-Koukoua National Park.

#### Rwanda

**GA-0421** Building Capacity for Rwanda's Great Ape Tourism. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$67,622. Leveraged Funds: \$18,850. Provide training to ecotourism staff to ensure strict adherence to guidelines aimed at minimizing negative impacts to Great Apes and the environment.

#### South Sudan

**GA-0362** Terrestrial Surveys and Strategic Planning for Protected Proposed and Potential Forested Conservation Areas in Southern Sudan. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$74,902. Leveraged Funds: \$29,751. Support for preliminary surveys, threat assessment and capacity building for chimpanzee conservation near the border with the Democratic Republic of Congo.

# Regional / Multiple Countries

**GA-0363** Conservation of the Cross River Gorilla in Cameroon and Nigeria. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$87,291. Leveraged Funds: \$91,755. Support for surveys and socioeconomic-related work in buffer zones of protected areas with particular reference to corridors, community conservation and sustainable agriculture.

**GA-0368.** Development of an Ape Survey Database (A.P.E.S.). In partnership with The Max Planck Institute. USAID/USFWS: \$23,880; Leveraged Funds: \$28,760. Development of a project to produce an integrated, web-based database containing conservation-relevant information on gorillas, chimpanzees, bonobos and orangutans.

**GA-0371.** Support to the conservation management of Cross River gorilla (Gorilla gorilla diehli) at Afi Mountain Wildlife Sanctuary, SE Nigeria and Bechati-Lebialem, SW Cameroon. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International. USFWS: \$65,390; Leveraged Funds: \$95,657. Continued support for surveys, public outreach and capacity building to conserve the Cross River gorilla.

**GA-0381.** Conservation Education Project to Improve the Protection of Wild Chimpanzees with Theatre Performances and Newsletters around Protected Areas in Côte d'Ivoire and Liberia. In partnership with

the Wild Chimpanzee Foundation. USFWS: \$64,581; Leveraged Funds: \$72,061. Support for information gathering, capacity-building and targeted public outreach through conservation theatre, film, and illustrated newsletters.

**GA-0420** Conservation of the Cross River Gorilla in Cameroon and Nigeria. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$84,427. Leveraged: \$80,538. Improve knowledge of the abundance, distribution and conservation status of the Cross River Gorilla to guide future transfrontier protected area management strategies.

**GA-0422** Strengthening transboundary collaborative processes in the Virunga Massif-Bwindi forest ecosystem. In partnership with the International Gorilla Conservation Programme. USAID/USFWS: \$96,610. Leveraged Funds: \$205,440. Improve protected area management by supporting regional collaboration between Rwanda, Uganda, and DRC.

**GA-0429** Great Ape and Human Impact Monitoring Training in Central Africa.

In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USAID/USFWS: \$49,834.

Leveraged Funds: \$27,766. Train a cadre of field staff to monitor great ape populations in Nigeria, Cameroon, Gabon, the Republic of Congo and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

# Asia Projects Cambodia

**GA-0376:** Facilitating Long-term Research by Government Staff and University Students in Cambodia. In partnership with Conservation International. USFWS: \$49,587; Leveraged Funds: \$23,020. To strengthen conservation of the yellow-cheeked crested gibbon by providing training in gibbon research and conservation, researching gibbon ecology, maintaining a permanent research presence, and providing active policing to control poaching and habitat destruction at a research site in Ratanakiri Province.

**GA-0383:** Research and Protection for Gibbons in Habitat Mosaics of Cambodia's Eastern Plains. In partnership with WWF Cambodia. USFWS: \$35,603; Leveraged Funds: \$39,084. To determine the distribution and abundance of yellow-cheeked crested gibbons in Cambodia's Eastern Plains and improve protection of essential gibbon habitat in and around Phnom Prich Wildlife Sanctuary.

### China

**GA-0348.** Triggering Emergency Actions for Conservation of Cao Vit Gibbon and Its Habitat in China. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International. USFWS: \$44,347; Leveraged Funds: \$44,393. To ensure the long-term survival of the Cao Vit gibbon, a critically endangered species, and conservation of its karst tropical forest habitat through protection and development of stakeholder support for conservation.

#### Indonesia

GACF-0308: Sumatran Orangutan Awareness and Education Program, Indonesia. Yayasan Masyarakat Orangutan Sumatra. In partnership with the Sumatran Orangutan Society. USFWS: \$19,652; Leveraged Funds: \$39,337. To promote orangutan conservation awareness through school presentations, awareness campaigns, festivals, a mobile awareness and library unit, a scholarship program, conservation camps, work study opportunities, outreach materials, and replanting projects in degraded areas.

**GA-0337.** Building Institutions and Enabling Communities for Orangutan Conservation and Environmental Management around Gunung Palung National Park, Indonesia. In partnership with Yayasan Palung. USFWS: \$50,090; Leveraged Funds: \$95,290. To raise awareness of and commitment to orangutan conservation and support local communities in developing alternative livelihood options that support the conservation of orangutans and their habitat.

**GA-0347.** Orangutan Emergency Conservation Status Review in Ketapang District, West Kalimantan, Indonesia. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International. USFWS: \$58,752; Leveraged Funds: \$25,000. Support for population surveys, a threat assessment, action plan development, integration of action plan recommendations into the district spatial plan, and provision of management recommendations for priority habitats.

**GA-0380:** Using Health Care Incentives to Protect the Orangutans of Indonesia's Gunung Palung National Park. In partnership with the Indonesian International Rural Agricultural Development Foundation. USFWS: \$75,555; Leveraged Funds: \$76,500. To protect the park from illegal logging by providing health care discounts to communities that are successful in protecting their boundaries with the park from illegal logging.

**GA-0389:** *Green Bridges II, Indonesia.* In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$54,231; Leveraged Funds: \$75,838. To reassess and revise land use plans so as to stimluate use of agricultural practices consistent with conservation of orangutan and gibbon habitat in the corridor between Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park and a larger landscape of water protection forest.

**GA-0392:** Determining the Effects of Logging on Sumatran Orangutan Behavior and Survival in Ketambe, Sumatra, Indonesia. In partnership with the Great Ape Trust of Iowa. USFWS: \$17,933; Leveraged Funds: \$25,277. To determine whether logging ultimately threatens long-term survival of orangutans by comparing 30 years of pre-logging data on orangutan behavior, demography, density and food availability with post-logging data now being collected.

**GA-0395:** Orangutan Protection and Habitat Monitoring Unit in Gunung Palung National Park, Indonesia. In partnership with Fauna and Flora International. USFWS: \$54,084. Leveraged Funds: \$37,503. To patrol orangutan habitat, collect and collate information on forest crime, facilitate processing of criminal cases, provide relevant refresher training, and liaise with government agencies, local communities, and the media.

### LAO PDR

**GA-0370:** Gibbon Conservation through Field Research and Awareness Raising in the Annamite Range Moist Forest Eco-region of Lao PDR. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$30,273; Leveraged Funds: \$35,801. To gather baseline data to inform a management plan and build public commitment to white-cheeked gibbon conservation through increased awareness and participatory action and research.

# Malaysia

**GA-0332.** Conservation of Bornean Orangutans through Community Engagement in Batang Ai National Park and Lanjak-Entimau Wildlife Sanctuary, Sarawak, Malaysia. In partnership with the Wildlife Conservation Society. USFWS: \$45,150; Leveraged Funds: \$57,650 To renew local communities' appreciation for orangutan conservation and encourage these communities to participate in the conservation effort through outreach and education activities which bring local people together with forest management officials.

**GA-0354.** Securing the Largest Population of Northwestern Bornean Orangutan and Bornean Gibbons in Sabah: the Malua/Segama Wildlife Surveys, Malaysia. In partnership with Hutan. USFWS: \$29,500; Leveraged Funds: \$64,600. To identify the most significant orangutan and gibbon habitats in Malua and Segama forests so that final logging of the area may be conducted with the least damage possible to the habitats on which these species depend.

**GA-0356:** Assessing Disease Ecology and the Impacts of Ecotourism on Wild Orangutans in Sabah, Malaysia. In partnership with HUTAN. USFWS: \$28,840; Leveraged Funds: \$82,650. To establish baseline data on disease present in the orangutan population and produce definitive guidelines that will protect visitors from possible risks as well as ensure long-term well-being of the animals.

#### Thailand

**GA-0391:** HabitatUse and Feeding Ecology of Pileated Gibbons in Southeast Thailand (Phase II). In partnership with WWF Thailand. USFWS: \$49,970; Leveraged Funds: \$14,970. To determine the population dynamics and ecology of pileated gibbons in forest areas of different ages and degrees of logging in the Khao Ang Ru Nai Wildlife Sanctuary.

#### Vietnam

**GA-0377:** Conserving Vietnam's Gibbons through Student Training and Long-term Research. In partnership with Conservation International. USFWS: \$37,309; Leveraged Funds: \$52,141. To produce Vietnamese primatologists capable of conducting long-term field research and conservation that contributes to the survival of gibbons and other threatened primates in Vietnam.