

CEPF FINAL PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT

Organization Legal Name:	Conservation International Foundation
Project Title:	Consolidating Local Conservation Capacity in the Biosphere Reserves of Southeast Nicaragua and La Amistad in Panama
Date of Report:	
Report Author and Contact Information	

CEPF Region: Southern Mesoamerica

Strategic Direction: 5. Consolidation of Southern Mesoamerica Portfolio

Grant Amount: \$319,382

Project Dates: October 1, 2008-December 31, 2011

Implementation Partners for this Project (please explain the level of involvement for each partner):

Conservation Impacts

Please explain/describe how your project has contributed to the implementation of the CEPF ecosystem profile.

Please summarize the overall results/impact of your project.

Planned Long-term Impacts - 3+ years (as stated in the approved proposal):

Conservation and protection of sites and key species in CEPF priority areas through strengthening and consolidation of key groups and organizations that represent civil society, with a particular emphasis on indigenous communities.

Actual Progress Toward Long-term Impacts at Completion:

Planned Short-term Impacts - 1 to 3 years (as stated in the approved proposal):

Key groups and organizations that represent indigenous and non-indigenous civil society are strengthened, consolidated and able to implement and provide follow-up for conservation efforts in La Amistad International Park and the RAAS protected areas in Nicaragua.

Number of hectares located in key biodiversity areas with strengthened protection and management

Number of hectares in production landscapes with improved management for biodiversity conservation

Percent and number of KBAs that demonstrated improvements in their protection and management

Percent of grants that enable effective stewardship by indigenous and local communities for biodiversity and ecosystem conservation

Number of sustainable financing mechanisms that are established and/or strengthened with initial capital secured.

Percent of projects located outside protected areas that integrate biodiversity conservation in management practices

Number of public-private partnerships that mainstream biodiversity in the forestry, agriculture and tourism sectors.

Percent of civil society groups that receive a satisfactory or higher rating on their effectiveness to manage their CEPF grant.

Number of Regional Implementation Teams that build capacity of local civil society groups to design and implement projects

Actual Progress Toward Short-term Impacts at Completion:

Please provide the following information where relevant:

Hectares Protected:

Species Conserved:

Corridors Created:

Describe the success or challenges of the project toward achieving its short-term and long-term impact objectives.

Were there any unexpected impacts (positive or negative)?

Project Components

Project Components: *Please report on results by project component. Reporting should reference specific products/deliverables from the approved project design and other relevant information.*

Component 1 Planned: CEPF administrative and safeguard policies are implemented during conservation project formulation, execution and monitoring.

Component 1 Actual at Completion:

Component 2 Planned: Local and institutional capacities of leading partners in the region are strengthened to ensure continued social and economic sustainability of CEPF I actions and results.

Component 2 Actual at Completion:

Component 3 Planned: Through partners, participatory coordination mechanisms for policy-level decision-making are created for financial sustainability, mitigation of infrastructure impacts and integrated management of RBSN y RBA.

Component 3 Actual at Completion:

Component 4 Planned: Partners have increased capacity for fundraising from new donor.sources.

Component 4 Actual at Completion:

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

Please describe and submit (electronically if possible) any tools, products, or methodologies that resulted from this project or contributed to the results.

Lessons Learned

Describe any lessons learned during the design and implementation of the project, as well as any related to organizational development and capacity building. Consider lessons that would inform projects designed or implemented by your organization or others, as well as lessons that might be considered by the global conservation community.

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

Project Implementation: (aspects of the project execution that contributed to its success/shortcomings)

Other lessons learned relevant to conservation community:

Additional Funding

Provide details of any additional funding that supported this project and any funding secured for the project, organization, or the region, as a result of the CEPF investment in this project.

Donor	Type of Funding*	Amount	Notes

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

- A Project co-financing (Other donors or your organization contribute to the direct costs of this project)*
- B 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.)*
- C Regional/Portfolio leveraging (Other donors make large investments in a region because of CEPF investment or successes related to this project.)*

Sustainability/Replicability

Summarize the success or challenge in achieving planned sustainability or replicability of project components or results.

Summarize any unplanned sustainability or replicability achieved.

Safeguard Policy Assessment

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

Additional Comments/Recommendations

Information Sharing and CEPF Policy

CEPF is committed to transparent operations and to helping civil society groups share experiences, lessons learned, and results. Final project completion reports are made available on our Web site, www.cepf.net, and publicized in our newsletter and other communications.

Please include your full contact details below:

Name:
Organization name:
Mailing address:
Tel:
Fax:
E-mail:

*****If your grant has an end date other than JUNE 30, please complete the tables on the following pages*****

Performance Tracking Report Addendum

CEPF Global Targets

(Enter Grant Term)

Provide a numerical amount and brief description of the results achieved by your grant.
Please respond to only those questions that are relevant to your project.

Project Results	Is this question relevant?	If yes, provide your numerical response for results achieved during the annual period.	Provide your numerical response for project from inception of CEPF support to date.	Describe the principal results achieved from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. (Attach annexes if necessary)
1. Did your project strengthen management of a protected area guided by a sustainable management plan? Please indicate number of hectares improved.				Please also include name of the protected area(s). If more than one, please include the number of hectares strengthened for each one.
2. How many hectares of new and/or expanded protected areas did your project help establish through a legal declaration or community agreement?				Please also include name of the protected area. If more than one, please include the number of hectares strengthened for each one.
3. Did your project strengthen biodiversity conservation and/or natural resources management inside a key biodiversity area identified in the CEPF ecosystem profile? If so, please indicate how many hectares.				
4. Did your project effectively introduce or strengthen biodiversity conservation in management practices outside protected areas? If so, please indicate how many hectares.				
5. If your project promotes the sustainable use of natural resources, how many local communities accrued tangible socioeconomic benefits? Please complete Table 1 below.				

If you answered yes to question 5, please complete the following table

