

**Project Update: August 2010**

So far, I have conducted “guided reconnaissance” surveys of all my three study sites (Afi Mountain Wildlife Sanctuary, Mbe Mountains Community Wildlife Sanctuary and Okwangwo Division of Cross River National Park). I am currently conducting a vegetation survey of Mbe Mountains. Progress on the vegetation survey has been slow due to frequent heavy rains.

In February 2010, I conducted a pilot socioeconomic survey to test my survey design and train two field assistants to administer survey questionnaire to household heads and interview key informants. The training was successful and the assistants have so far completed the survey in six communities.

