

## Project Update: August 2012

I have finished field work for two out of three of my case studies – Lanuza Bay Development Alliance in Surigao del Sur province and Camotes Sea Coastal Resource Management Council in Cebu province. Field work consisted of conducting key informant interviews and perception surveys. These two local government partnerships showed a lot of potential for their collaborative partnerships to grow stronger but at the same time as expected, have gone through a lot of challenges to sustain their MPA and CRM initiatives. In the coming months, I will be returning to the Philippines to evaluate the Verde Island Passage MPA network together with Conservation International.

