

Project Update: June 2005

In March 2005, we carried out an evaluation of the distribution of *Crax globulosa* on the Black River. These preliminary data indicated that the distribution of the species is more restricted than that expected initially. At the same time, we carried out an inventory to determine the vegetation and relative abundance of the medium and large terrestrial fauna (s.e. birds and mammals) along 104 km of transects by boat

During the dry season (June-November), we have planned to begin the monitoring program where the study species is found as well as other fauna. For vegetation survey, we will have the collaboration of Vania Torres who is a student of the Universidad Mayor de San Andres, and she will carry out her BS thesis by evaluating the floristic structure and composition of the varzea forest on the Black River.

In addition, we have reached an agreement with San Marcos' indigenous community to begin the monitoring of the hunting carried by the community in the area at the end of June for a period of one year.