

## **Project Update: March 2017**

During the past 4 months we carried out different activities of this project. The three principal activities were environmental education activities in schools, producing the illustrated report, and publications.

The environmental education activities in schools was mainly dedicated to increase the knowledge about terrestrial gastropods and their conservation (Figure 1).

The illustrated report will have an important impact on practical conservation because it will provide useful information for the management of the protected areas, especially fragmented landscapes. Also it will be useful to identify all terrestrial species because this report contains information on natural history, localities, and pictures of all land snails from Isla de la Juventud.

The most recently publication was a manuscript in the latest issue of Tentacle (the newsletter of the IUCN - Species Survival Commission - Mollusc Specialist Group), now available on the web (<http://www.hawaii.edu/cowielab/issues.htm>). The manuscript is titled: Protected areas and habitat loss of land snails in Isla de la Juventud, Cuba. Tentacle 25, 34-36 pp.

The second publication about terrestrial mollusc of Isla de la Juventud was a contribution in a book: *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. In this book we wrote about the conservation and threats of five endemic species:

**Herrera-Uria, J. y J. Espinosa** de la hoja de datos del taxón. 2017. "Pineria beathiana Poey, 1854". En Hidalgo-Gato, M. M., J. Espinosa y R. Rodríguez-León. (eds.). *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. 2017, La Habana, pp. 102-103.

Espinosa, J. y J. **Herrera-Uria** de la hoja de datos del taxón. 2017. "Pineria terebra Poey, 1854". En Hidalgo-Gato, M. M., J. Espinosa y R. Rodríguez-León. (eds.). *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. 2017, La Habana, pp. 103-104.

**Herrera-Uria, J. y J. Espinosa** de la hoja de datos del taxón. 2017. "Priotrochatella constellata (Morelet, 1849)". En Hidalgo-Gato, M. M., J. Espinosa y R. Rodríguez-León. (eds.). *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. 2017, La Habana, pp. 128-129.

**Herrera-Uria, J. y J. Espinosa** de la hoja de datos del taxón. 2017. "Priotrochatella stellata (Velázquez in Poey, 1852)". En Hidalgo-Gato, M. M., J. Espinosa y R. Rodríguez-León. (eds.). *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. 2017, La Habana, pp. 130-131.

Espinosa, J. y J. **Herrera-Uria** de la hoja de datos del taxón. 2017. "Priotrochatella torrei Clapp, 1918". En Hidalgo-Gato, M. M., J. Espinosa y R. Rodríguez-León. (eds.). *Libro Rojo de los Invertebrados Terrestres de Cuba*. 2017, La Habana, pp. 131-132.



Figure 1. The environmental education activities in rural communities.

Images from book.



