

INTERIM REPORT
THE GOLDEN POISON FROG OF
SUPATÁ PROJECT:

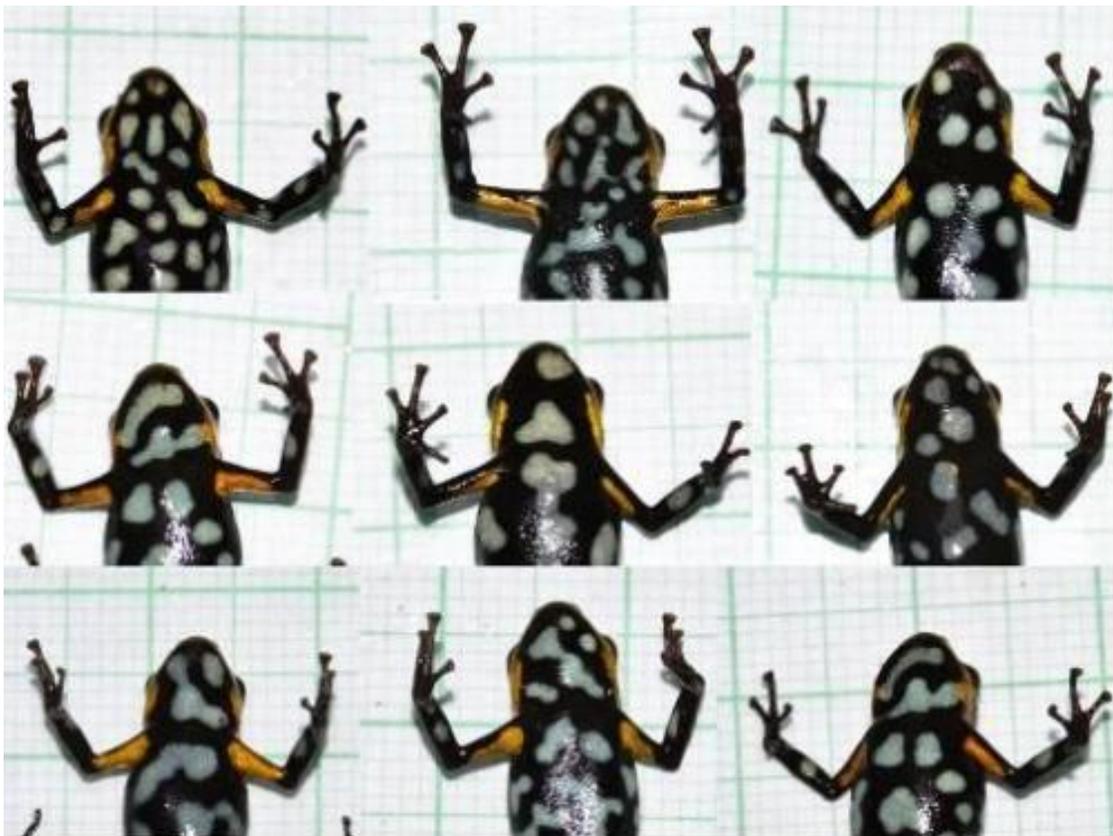
IMPLEMENTATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF A
LOCAL CONSERVATION STRATEGY OF
AMPHIBIAN BIODIVERSITY IN THE EASTERN
ANDES, COLOMBIA



OUTPUTS SO FAR JANUARY 2011

Research field work:

In this item, our teamwork is developing two activities. The first is the population monitoring of the Supatá golden frog to know some aspects about the demography, ecology and natural history of the species. We are identifying each of the froggies by their ventral spots patterns, allowing us to learn about the home range, spatial distribution and other ecological aspects of every frog.



Some Supatá golden frogs registered during the sampling of the population monitoring

The other activity that we carry out in the research field work is the inventory of the herpetofauna of Supatá. So far, we have recorded 13 species of amphibians belonging to seven families and eight genera. Regarding the reptiles, we have identified 11 species belonging to four families and nine genera. We hope to start soon the editing and design of an illustrated guide to the Supatá's amphibians and reptiles to allow show the richness of these animals to the community in this area.



Some species of the herpetofauna registered in the Supatá area

Media and messaging:

In January 2010, we created a programme called “Ambiente Eco-lógico” (Eco-logic environment) which is transmitted from the Supatá radio station. This programme is performed every Saturday between 5:00 to 6:00 am (this can be heard online at www.supata.com). Here members of Fundación Ecodiversidad Colombia talk about a variety of environment issues of the region, conduct interviews and promote the conservation of the wildlife and the other natural resources.



Members of the teamwork speaking in the Supatá radio station about diverse environmental issues

So far we designed two types of stickers that have been distributed in Supatá and its surroundings. With the slogan: “care this living jewel”, these stickers have been stuck on cars, windows and others place for remind to the Supatá people the commitment to protect this frog and its environment. Likewise, we designed a calendar for 2011, allegorical to the protection and conservation of the Supatá golden frog; this is currently being distributed in the municipality.



Stickers on the Supatá Golden Frog and its conservation



2011 Calendar allusive to the environmental work in Supatá

Involving community and support:

As in the last 2 years, in December 2010 took place the third edition of the Supatá Golden Frog Festival, where during 2 days, the community of Supatá came together to perform cultural, environmental and recreational activities around the environmental protection and the Supatá Golden frog, the conservation symbol of the municipality.



Some activities carried out in the III Supatá Golden Frog festival: The Eco-parade, traditional dance and environmental painting by child.

The work team has carried out meetings and discussions with the environmental and community leaders, teachers and representatives of the local government that have enabled to them know different aspects about our project. In these meetings we have achieved their agreement to participate in the different environmental activities and promote these in their community.



Meetings with stakeholders, environmental and community leaders, and local government people.