

The Rufford Small Grants Foundation

Final Report

Congratulations on the completion of your project that was supported by The Rufford Small Grants Foundation.

We ask all grant recipients to complete a Final Report Form that helps us to gauge the success of our grant giving. We understand that projects often do not follow the predicted course but knowledge of your experiences is valuable to us and others who may be undertaking similar work. Please be as honest as you can in answering the questions – remember that negative experiences are just as valuable as positive ones if they help others to learn from them.

Please complete the form in English and be as clear and concise as you can. We will ask for further information if required. If you have any other materials produced by the project, particularly a few relevant photographs, please send these to us separately.

Please submit your final report to jane@rufford.org.

Thank you for your help.

Josh Cole, Grants Director

Grant Recipient Details	
Your name	Wilson Novarino
Project title	Malayan Tapir Conservation Project
RSG reference	12.08.08
Reporting period	November 2008 – August 2010
Amount of grant	£12,000
Your email address	<u>Wilson_n_id@yahoo.com</u>
Date of this report	5 September 2010

1. Please indicate the level of achievement of the project's original objectives and include any relevant comments on factors affecting this.

Objective	Not achieved	Partially achieved	Fully achieved	Comments
Monitoring			√	Monitoring was conducted on three small conservation areas.
Book publishing			√	Books already used as sources by students at Andalas University were set up for free download.
Training			√	Training was conducted for forest rangers, students and local people.
Public campaign		√		Campaigns were conducted by inviting a local television crew to shoot our work, inviting kindergarten school, and publishing our work in newspapers and seminar. A calendar will be produced for purchase in 2011.

2. Please explain any unforeseen difficulties that arose during the project and how these were tackled (if relevant).

When preparing the project, our main problem was purchasing camera traps. Camera traps are not available in Indonesia and we had to order from the US. The problem is not only regarding to how to buy and pay for the traps because we are not familiar with online payment, but also shipping, tax and model of camera. We got help from our friend in Tapir Preservation Fund, who helped us purchase the camera. The camera type was changed because the type which proposed was not available anymore, and we needed to buy some camera accessories. The problems also came during writing the report due to an earthquake which destroyed our data (three computers were broken). Fortunately, we still have back up data for fieldwork, but we are missing some data for making the book. We must remake the book by retrieving some data from some resources.

3. Briefly describe the three most important outcomes of your project.

Outcomes during the project:

- Field guide to the camera trap method with additional pictorial guide to Sumatra wildlife species.
- Images of Sumatran wildlife which used by several local and international agencies.
- Bachelor thesis which used part of the data gained during the project, and the graduate students involved have worked jointly with an international conservation organization.

4. Briefly describe the involvement of local communities and how they have benefitted from the project (if relevant).

We stay with local people during the fieldwork. Local people involved not only as guides, but we also encouraged them with information about conservation, in-depth discussions and participatory mapping.

5. Are there any plans to continue this work?

We will continue our work with expanded study areas. We need to choose an area for intensive monitoring by using radio-collars, because basic ecological data remain unknown.

6. How do you plan to share the results of your work with others?

Results of these studies were presented in an international seminar which held by Indonesian Ecological Union. Some of the results were also published in a local journal. The results also will be presented in International Tapir Symposium in Malaysia (2011) and published in *Tapir Conservation* (Tapir Specialist Group newsletter). Currently we are still preparing a blog about Malayan tapir conservation in Sumatra.

7. Timescale: Over what period was the RSG used? How does this compare to the anticipated or actual length of the project?

The RSG was used throughout the project period; we use the money to purchase 10 camera traps imported from US and we also used the money for fieldwork.

8. Budget: Please provide a breakdown of budgeted versus actual expenditure and the reasons for any differences. All figures should be in £ sterling, indicating the local exchange rate used.

Item	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount	Difference	Comments
Camera traps and running costs	5750	6000	-250	We purchased more camera traps (we proposed 10 but bought 12). We also purchased accessories, memory card, viewer, chasing box and more batteries.
Fieldwork (food, transportation, porter, misc)	3150	3500	- 350	This time we rented a car for field trip, because public transport was difficult. We also use more porters to involve more local people, and also invited forest rangers during the fieldtrip.
Campaign (Book publishing, training, TV show, calendar)	2000	1750	+ 250	Calendar will be published in 2011. We must pay more for inviting TV crew and making the video.

Insurance	300	300	0	
Contingency	800	800	0	We spent the money for miscellaneous fieldwork expenses (food, boot, raincoat, tarpaulin, lamps) and preparing the report
TOTAL	12000			

9. Looking ahead, what do you feel are the important next steps?

Continuing our work with expanding studies areas and setting intensive area for radio-collar monitoring.

10. Did you use the RSGF logo in any materials produced in relation to this project? Did the RSGF receive any publicity during the course of your work?

Yes.

11. Any other comments?

We would like to express our biggest appreciation to Rufford Small Grants for supporting us for several years. Being a grantee of RSG we got a lot - previously to have a camera traps is a kind of dream for us, RSG help us to realize that. Having the camera traps, we get more and more information and we can share our results with international tapir community, involved in Tapir Specialist Group, using the data to participate on making a national action plan. Sharing our data with other specialist groups (Pheasant, Cats, Otter), with local agencies (government, NGOs, students, media) and involved in conservation action in Indonesia. With support from RSG, personally I am also got chance to transfer my knowledge to students of Andalas University. Some of the students involved, currently are working with conservation NGOs in Indonesia.