

Project Update April 2026

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Project Title: Population Status and Conservation Issues of the Common Hippopotamus (*Hippopotamus Amphibius* Linnaeus 1758) in Upper Niger National Park, Guinea, West Africa

Update:

We have successfully begun implementing the hippopotamus project in the Upper Niger National Park (UNNP) in the Republic of Guinea.

As part of this project, April was primarily marked by the conduct of the Local Ecological Knowledge (LEK) survey, carried out among 171 households spread across 15 villages bordering the Niger river in the UNNP.

This survey, which focused on exploratory field visits, yielded interesting results regarding local knowledge of the common hippopotamus, and especially regarding the challenges of conserving this species in the Upper Niger landscape.

I'm planning to start the inventory on May 4.

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