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The Conservation Action Fund (CAF) supports urgent conservation action when and where it is needed most across the tropics. CAF allows us to secure critical habitats that would otherwise be used for development, agricultural or natural resources extraction. This report focuses on our work in Africa which has safeguarded over 3 million acres.

This work would not be possible without your support of the Conservation Action Fund. Because of you, critical rainforest habitat and its species will be protected in perpetuity.

In this issue we feature projects from Tanzania, Ghana, and South Sudan.



CONSERVATION ACTION FUND AFRICA FAST FACTS*

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44 PROJECTS

3,124,961 ACRES PROTECTED

255 SPECIES PROTECTED

355,055,528 mT CO2 EQUIVALENTS STORED

SINCE THE FUND WAS STARTED IN APRIL 2017

Featured Projects



Protecting Primates in Tanzania

Rainforest Trust and our local partner, Tanzania Forest Conservation Group (TFCG), in collaboration with a consortium of stakeholders, created the 6,463-acre Magombera Nature Reserve Forest. The Magombera Forest Reserve will lay the foundations for a crucial wildlife corridor between two of Tanzania's largest protected areas, while making an important contribution to the long-term protection of the Vulnerable Udzungwa Red Colobus Monkey. Additionally, Rainforest Trust and TFCG purchased a 9-acre property near the Magombera Forest Reserve to turn the site into a new botanical garden. The new botanical garden aims to use native plant species for education, research and conservation. In particular, TFCG hopes the property can be a seed bank for plant species at risk of going extinct in the wild.

Expanded Protection for Ghana's Rainforest

In 2018, we teamed up with our local partner, Herp Conservation Ghana, to establish the 847-acre Onepone Endangered Species Refuge. To increase protection, our two organizations recently completed a 1,285-acre expansion of the reserve, which now totals 2,132 acres of critical rainforest habitat. The Critically Endangered Togo Slippery Frog now has a fighting chance to survive.



A First in South Sudan

Working with our partner Fauna and Flora International, Rainforest Trust helped to create a protected area in Africa's youngest country, South Sudan. The new 42,323acre Bangangai Game Reserve safeguards the last significant swath of intact lowland forest in the country. Globally important populations of some of the world's most unique mammals will find safety in the Bangangai Game Reserve, including Endangered Chimpanzees, Forest Elephants, Leopards, Giant Ground Pangolins and White-bellied Pangolins.

Conservation Action Fund Project Updates



Rescue South Africa's Lost Snake from the Brink of Extinction Our partner discovered that an endangered

butterfly called the Coega Copper also inhabits the upcoming Nature Reserve in addition to the Endangered Albany Adder.



Securing Vital Black Rhino Habitat in Kenya

Despite fears that the economic effects of the pandemic would elevate poaching

threats, 2020 ended with no rhino poaching incidents in Kenya — the first zero-poaching year on record since 1999. In fact, the rhino population is increasing steadily with five births already recorded in 2021 in the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy that we are helping to expand.