

CONSERVATION SUPPORT

Conservation Support provides technical assistance, analysis, training and capacity building to help strengthen the practice of conservation in the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) and more broadly in the conservation community.

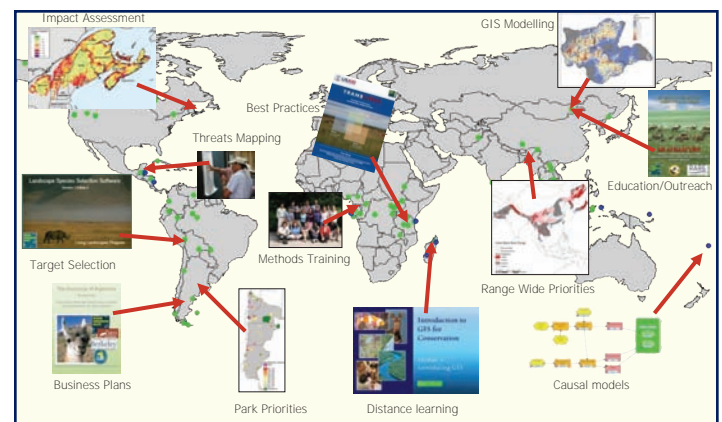
Established 10 years ago as the Living Landscapes Program, we work with WCS staff to develop and deploy wildlife-focused tools and strategies that help to save wildlife and wild places. We use a diversity of approaches: one-on-one and group training; remote mentoring and distance-learning modules; and the production and dissemination of how-to manuals. In these ways, we help staff and colleagues inside and outside WCS learn how to make use of effective conservation tools and strategies. Conservation Support provides direct support to projects and programs and undertakes activities to enhance skills, share lessons learned, and disseminate best practices across the organization and beyond. We also help WCS track and credibly report our conservation progress and strategy effectiveness.

Conservation Support works closely with our Regional Programs, with our Policy, Species and Global Health Programs, with Global Challenges (climate adaptation, livelihoods, health, and extractive industries) and with our Living Institutions to help target and prioritize technical assistance and training across our organization.

OUR GOALS

The goals of Conservation Support are to:

- Strengthen the practice of conservation within WCS
- Document and report on conservation progress, impacts, and effectiveness.



WHAT WE DO

Conservation Support assists in developing and refining institutional priorities and strategies, including:

- development of global priorities for the best Wild Places;
- identification of strongholds for Global Priority Species of Wildlife;
- identification of emerging conservation problems; and
- development of novel solutions for the conservation of Wildlife and Wild Places.

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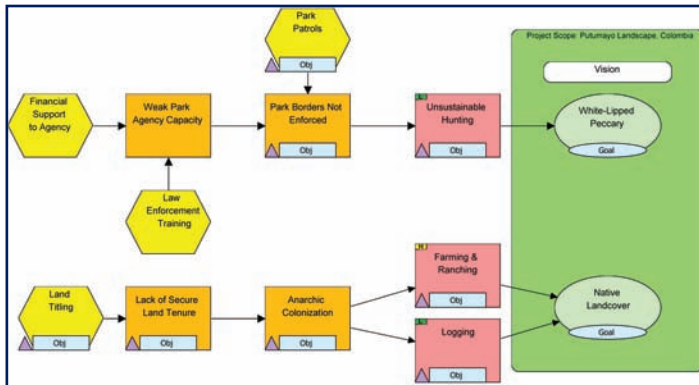
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TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Our technical team provides support to WCS on:

Conservation Strategy Development

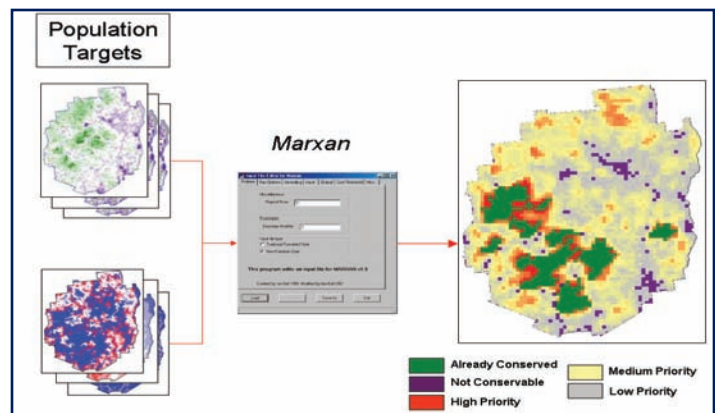


- Participatory threats ranking and mapping
- Stakeholder analysis
- Conceptual model development
- Development and support of Miradi adaptive management software
- Business planning

Status and Impact Monitoring and Progress Reporting

- Development of monitoring objectives and indicators
- Ecological survey design and methods
 - Camera trapping
 - Distance/Mark-Recapture/Patch Occupancy
- Socio-economic survey design and methods
 - Livelihood assessment using modified basic necessities surveys
 - Bushmeat surveys
- Statistical design and analysis
- Landscape and species database management
- Strategy effectiveness tracking and reporting

Landscape Ecology and Spatial Modeling



- Landscape Species Analysis
 - Conservation target selection
 - Biological, threats and conservation landscape modeling
- Species-level range-wide priority setting
- Land cover change analysis
- Conservation area network design
- REDD readiness
- GIS support and spatial analysis (maps, spatial statistics, etc.)

Education, Outreach and Capacity Building



- Grants and internships with the Conservation Leadership Programme
- Ph.D. and Masters scholarships through our Graduate Scholarship Program
- Conservation through social marketing
- Development of education and interpretive centers
- Education and outreach strategy, materials and activities development

Questions? Email conservationssupport@wcs.org.