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Recent Events

Clouded Leopard / Small Felid Conservation Summit

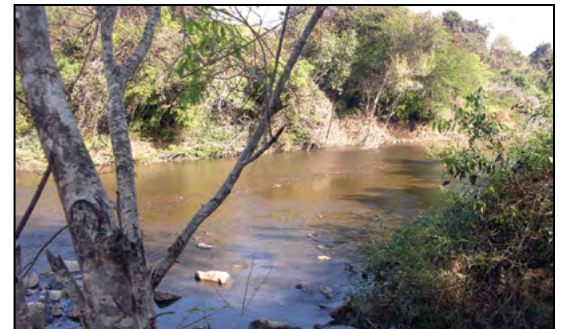
Kasetsart University's Faculty of Forestry in Bangkok, Thailand invited CBSG and the IUCN Cat Specialist Group to facilitate a three-day workshop focusing on the key conservation issues affecting clouded leopards and small felids across Southeast Asia in late January 2009. This conservation summit brought together felid researchers and other stakeholders from across Southeast Asia to compile information on population status and distribution; identify key issues relating to research, trade and community education; develop collaborative conservation efforts; and create conservation strategies and funding priorities to promote clouded leopard and small felid conservation in the region. The workshop report is currently being compiled, and will be available on the CBSG website later this year.



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CBSG South Asia & Reintroduction Specialist Group South Asia Joint Annual Meeting

CBSG South Asia and the Reintroduction Specialist Group South Asia held their joint Annual meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka, on 9-10 February. At these meetings, members of both groups promote the principles of conservation breeding and the implementation of IUCN reintroduction guidelines, and target specific misunderstandings by applying CBSG tools and processes to real problems.



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Upcoming Workshops

Jaguar PHVA

CBSG Mesoamerica will lead a PHVA workshop on Jaguars in Costa Rica on 3-6 March. This workshop will build on previous work done in the area, both by CBSG and other conservation organizations. About 50 participants are invited, representing several NGOs, universities and local government officials.

Kruger National Park Lion Tuberculosis Disease Risk Assessment

Lions in South Africa's Kruger National Park are at risk of Bovine Tuberculosis, transmitted through predation on Cape Buffalo. This workshop will use CBSG's new Metamodeling technology to evaluate risks to the Lion population in the

Park, and determine the best course of action to limit the spread of the disease.

Cheetah PHVA

On 17-21 April, CBSG Southern Africa and the CBSG main office will conduct a PHVA for cheetahs in South Africa, a step in the development of a national conservation strategy for cheetahs. This workshop is scheduled for 17-21 April, and participants will include local landowners, NGOs and researchers. The results of this workshop will be used in the National Strategy Workshop scheduled for June 2009



