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## Rainforest Trust Board Meeting Minutes 3rd March, 2018, 8.00 am – 6 pm

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**Turtle Conservancy Conservation Center, 1766 McNell Rd, Ojai, California**

**Present:** Dr. Eric Veach (Vice Chair), Pat Koval, Geoffrey Chen, Edith McBean, Jeffrey Zack, Eric Goode.  
**Phone-in:** John Mitchell (Chair); Sally Davidson (Treasurer); Dr. Thomas Lovejoy, Robert Giles  
**Absent:** Prof. Edward O. Wilson and Dr. Wayt Thomas (Secretary)  
**Staff:** Dr. Paul Salaman (CEO), Dr. Robert Ridgely (President), Dr. George Wallace (Chief Conservation Officer), Leslie VanSant (Chief Philanthropy Officer).

### 1. Approval of Minutes

The Board Minutes from 17th September 2017 and 11th October 2017 were unanimously approved by the Board.

### 2. Election of Board Directors and Officers

- i) The Board unanimously approved the reelection of Jeff Zack for a three year period.
- iii) The Board unanimously approved the reelection of Robert Giles for a three year period.

### 3. Election of Board Officers

The Board unanimously elected the following Board Officers:

1. Chair: Dr Eric Veach
2. Vice-Chair: Edith McBean
3. Secretary: Dr Wayt Thomas
4. Treasurer: Sally Davidson

The Board unanimously elected John Mitchell in a new Officer position - Chair Emeritus – with the role of performing functions as the Chair may request.

### 4. Election of Advisory Council Officers

The Board unanimously elected Callie Broaddus, who is a Senior Designer at National Geographic and photographer from Fauquier County, VA., and Callie was invited to join the Development & Outreach Committee.

### 5. Committee Assignments

The Board unanimously agreed to the following committee assignments:

**Investment Committee:** Geoffrey Chen (Chair), Robert Giles, Dr. Eric Veach

**Audit and Finance Committee:** Sally Davidson (Chair), Jeff Zack, Robert Giles, Dr. Eric Veach.

**Compensation Committee:** Jeff Zack (Chair), Robert Giles, Sally Davidson, Dr Eric Veach

**Development & Outreach Committee:** Patricia Koval (Chair), Roger Pasquier, Edith McBean, John Mitchell, Jeff Zack, Eric Goode, Geoffrey Chen.

**Conservation Committee:** Dr. Wayt Thomas (Chair), Dr. Gwen Brewer, Dr Bruce Beehler, Dr. Thomas Lovejoy, Pat Koval, Edith McBean, John Mitchell

**Governance Committee:** Dr. Thomas Lovejoy (Chair), Jeff Zack, Patricia Koval.

**Nominating Committee:** Edith McBean (Chair), Eric Goode, John Mitchell, Dr. Wayt Thomas.

**Ad Hoc Committee** (specifically dealing with ProAves in Colombia): Dr. Eric Veach, Pat Koval, Jeff Zack, Dr. Wayt Thomas, John Mitchell.

### 6. Approval of Committee Minutes and Reports

The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the following Committee Minutes:

- i) Investment Committee Report for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2017.
- ii) Audit and Finance Committee Minutes of 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018 with pre-audited accounts for 2017 and proposed budget for 2018. Approval conditional on any further refinements and adjustments by the Finance and Audit Committee.
- iii) A Conflict of Interest matter was referred from the Audit and Finance Committee to the Governance Committee. The Governance Committee proposed a Policy to manage the proposed conflict of interest.
- iv) Compensation Committee Report with recommendations setting the CEO salary for 2018.
- v) Nominating Committee Minutes of 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018 - proposed changes to the “Policy of Reelection of Incumbent Board Members” were unanimously approved by the Board.

## **7. Partner Resolutions for 2018**

The Board unanimously approved the following resolutions for the expenditure of funds received from donations by individuals and foundations for support of the following partner organizations in 2018:

- i. **International Conservation Fund of Canada:** For programs to conserve endangered species and tropical ecosystems of high biodiversity value, up to the sum of \$200,000.
- ii. **Fundación Jocotoco,** Ecuador: To conserve wild birds and their habitats and to support the general administration of Fundación Jocotoco, up to the sum of \$200,000.
- iii. **Rainforest Trust Australia,** Australia: For programs to conserve the tropical ecosystems of high biodiversity and expand fundraising efforts, up to the sum of \$50,000.
- iv. **Rainforest Trust UK:** For programs to conserve the tropical ecosystems of high biodiversity value and expand fundraising efforts, up to the sum of \$30,000.

## **8. Calendar of 2018-2021 Board meetings**

- 18-19<sup>th</sup> May 2018: Orientation at our Office and AGM nearby at Oak Springs Garden
- 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018: New York City (9 AM-5 PM).
- 25<sup>th</sup> Feb to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in Singapore with trip to Borneo.
- 18-19<sup>th</sup> May 2019: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019: Board meeting. New York City (9 AM-5 PM).
- 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020: International Conservation House, Airlie (9 AM-5 PM).
- 22-23<sup>rd</sup> May 2020: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020: Board meeting. New York City (9 AM-5 PM).
- 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021: West Coast location (9 AM-5 PM).
- 21-22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021: Board meeting. New York City (9 AM-5 PM).

## **9. CEO Institutional Report for 2017**

For the fifth consecutive year, Rainforest Trust exceeded fundraising and conservation program goals. We aim to have robust plans for 2018 to both sustain growth while ensuring we build a solid base for the organizations long-term sustainability.

Last year was marked by several major conservation achievements:

- In 2017 Rainforest Trust, in collaboration with local partners, declared or purchased **23 new protected areas** for a total of **1,300,405 acres**.
- This brings the total acres saved since our founding 30 years ago to more than **18 million acres**.
- The Rainforest Trust partner network now consists of **111 partners across a total of 192 protected areas in 45 countries**.
- With active on-going projects across **37,209,083 acres**, we are on track for meeting our target of

protecting **50 million acres** by the year 2020.

- At three board meetings in 2017 we committed **\$19.9 million** to **43 new projects** in **22 countries**.
- The Rapid Protected Area Feasibility program supported **21 projects in 15 countries** in 2017.
- Rainforest Trust raised our profile within the international conservation community through a number of new initiatives and by taking a leadership role in the IUCN US National Committee and the Key Biodiversity Areas Partnership.
- Conservation Program expenses accounted for 96% of all expenses and included \$21,895,160 in grants to partners.

We hosted and attended a number of high-profile meetings in 2017, including the inaugural meeting of the **IUCN US National Committee**, held at the Airlie in June; the **Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) Guidelines Writing Workshop** in late October-early November; the **first-ever Partners Retreat** at our offices in May.

The team continued to engage with the international conservation community by attending and speaking at gatherings for Earth Day 50 Challenge, Amphibian Survival Alliance, IUCN USNC, the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas, KBA Partnership, AZA, and the Cambridge Conservation Initiative.

A new initiative is now under way to expand the **Conservation Impact Assessment Metrics** that Rainforest Trust uses to capture, measure and communicate the conservation impact of our projects.

## **10. Project Approvals**

### **1. Major protection for Grauer's Gorilla in the Congo rainforest**

Rainforest Trust, Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) DRC and local Congolese partner Réserve des Gorilles de Punia seek \$1,115,277 to create the Oku Community Reserve and four adjacent community-managed Local Community Forestry Concessions (CFCLs) in the buffer zone of Oku Forest that together total 1,100,853 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner. Note budget reduced owing to CPF funding.

### **2. Expanding the Global Stronghold for the Geometric Tortoise**

Rainforest Trust and local partner South African Tortoise Conservation Trust seek \$186,592 to purchase 49.42 acres of Fynbos habitat to expand the Geometric Tortoise Preserve and protect the largest remaining population of Critically Endangered Geometric Tortoise. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **3. Blocking illegal gold mining to protect the Golden Poison Frog**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Ecohabitats Foundation seek \$390,986 to protect 27,800 acres and create the Embera Siapidara Regional National Park to conserve indigenous land and protect threatened amphibians such as the Endangered Golden Poison Frog in the Choco of Cauca. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### **4. Expanding the Narupa Reserve for East Andean Tropical Rainforest**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación de Conservación Jocotoco seek \$408,698 to support the expansion of the existing Narupa Reserve by 915 acres to the west and north. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **5. Expanding the Tapichalaca Reserve in the Andes of Ecuador**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación Jocotoco seek \$114,326 to expand the Tapichalaca Reserve in the Andes of southern Ecuador by 144 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **6. Expanding the Jorupe Reserve in southwestern Ecuador**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación Jocotoco seek \$376,906 to purchase 813 acres of well-

preserved forest, secondary forests and some abandoned agricultural fields to expand the Jorupe Reserve. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **7. Saving Cerro Amay: A Major Land Conservation Strategy to protect a Montane Cloud Forest in Guatemala**

Rainforest Trust and our local partner FUNDAECO seek \$8,938,560 for purchase and designation of Cerro Amay montane cloud forest in Guatemala. The Board unanimously approved \$4,400,000 for the project, conditional on matching funding of no less than \$500,000.

### **8. Protecting Endangered Parrots in Mexico**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Pronatura Noreste seek \$123,233 to protect 3,632 acres to safeguard the Endangered Yellow-headed Amazon and the Endangered Red-crowned Amazon, as well as the Graceful Splayfoot Salamander (EN) and Dennis' Chirping Frog (EN), through creation of the Regalo de Dios Protected Area, Ejido Santa Juana Protected Area and Los Colorados Protected Area in Tamaulipas state in southeastern Mexico. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### **9. Expansion of the Cerro Chucantí Nature Reserve**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Asociación Adopta el Bosque Panamá (ADOPTA) seek \$124,875 to expand the Cerro Chucantí Nature Reserve by 127 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner

### **10. Final push to protect indigenous lands in the Peruvian Amazon**

Rainforest Trust and its local partner Center for the Development of an Indigenous Amazon (CEDIA) seek \$4,656,096 to title 220 communities covering more than 6 million acres in order to legally protect indigenous lands in the Loreto and Ucayali Regions in the Peruvian Amazon. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### **11. Saving the Mahakam River Dolphin in Borneo**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Yayasan Konservasi Rare Aquatic Species of Indonesia seek \$389,839 to establish a 119,277-acre Aquatic Nature Reserve and a 179,808-acre Peat Swamp Conservation Area along the Mahakam River in East Kalimantan, Indonesia. The Board unanimously approved the project, with matching support offered for the final 50% of funding required.

### **12. Protecting pangolins in Myanmar**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Friends of Wildlife seek \$198,715 to purchase 60,265 acres and establish the Zalon-Tuang National Park in the Northern Sagaing Region of Myanmar. The Board unanimously approved the project, with matching support offered for the final 50% of funding required.

### **13. Indigenous Communities saving the Philippine Eagle**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Daluhay seek \$176,626 to designate 86,487 acres to form the San Luis Community Reserve in the Sierra Madre Mountain Range on the island of Luzon, in the Philippines. The Board unanimously approved conditional on results of further due diligence.

### **14. New protection for endemic species in the Solomon Islands**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Solomon Islands Community Conservation Partnership seek \$375,156 to create the 17,412-acre Kolombangara Forest National Park in the Kolombangara upland forest in Western Province, Solomon Islands, to protect critically threatened biodiversity and ecosystems. The Board unanimously approved the project with matching funds already secured.

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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**19<sup>th</sup> May, 2018, 8.00 am – 5 pm**

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**Oak Spring Garden Foundation, 1776 Loughborough Ln, Upperville, VA 20184**

**Board present:** Eric Veach (Chair), Edith McBean (Vice Chair), Sally Davidson (Treasurer); Dr. Wayt Thomas (Secretary), John Mitchell (Chair Emeritus), Dr. Thomas Lovejoy, Eric Goode, Pat Koval, Jeffrey Zack, Geoffrey Chen (Skype), and Robert Giles (Skype).

**Board absent:** Dr. E.O. Wilson.

**Council present:** Brett Byers, Callie Broaddus, Dr. Gwen Brewer, and Dr. Nigel Collar.

**Staff present:** Dr. Paul Salaman (CEO) and Dr. Robert Ridgely (President).

**Guests:** Sir Peter Crane and Kim Stewart.

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### **11. Approval of Minutes**

The Board Minutes from 17th September 2017 and 11th October 2017 were unanimously approved by the Board.

### **12. Election of Board Officers**

The Board unanimously elected **Kimberly Stewart** to serve as a Director of the Board.

### **13. Election of Advisory Council Officers**

The Board unanimously elected Dr. Tim Gregory to the Advisory Council.

### **14. Committee Assignments**

The Board unanimously agreed to add Dr. Eric Veach to the **Audit and Finance Committee**. Callie Broaddus invited to join the Philanthropy and Outreach Committee.

### **15. Review of Committee Minutes and Reports**

The Board reviewed the Audit and Finance Committee Minutes for First Quarter 2018. The Board unanimously approved the minutes with the specific addition of the following Policy:

**Change of Accounting Policy:** As per the recommendation of Dr. Paul Salaman, CEO and Patricia Munoz, CFO, it is agreed by the Board of Directors of Rainforest Trust that the policy for the booking of partnership funding shall be on the date of, and in the amount of, each separate draw, effective retroactively to 2016.

The board unanimously approved this change of accounting policy.

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the Investment Committee Report for the First Quarter 2018.

### **16. CEO Institutional Update 2018**

The first four months of 2018, our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, has seen many advances for Rainforest Trust:

- Major initiative “Rainforest Trust Fellows” and “Rainforest Trust Guardians” being launched.
- Our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book “Rainforest Conservation: 30 years of Rainforest Trust Impact.”
- Papua Emergency Conservation Initiative under way after a site visit by the CEO.
- New impact metrics being developed.
- New website being developed, to be ready this July.

In collaboration with local partners, a total of 54,212 acres in six protected areas have been declared or purchased so far this year. The Rainforest Trust partner network now consists of 152 partners across a total of 53 countries. With ongoing projects across 20,654,499 additional acres, we are on track for meeting our target of protecting 50 million acres by the year 2020. We are also continuing our Rapid Protected Area Feasibility Study program with 11 new projects in 10 countries in 2018 at a total cost of \$79,538.

After an intensive selection process, the CEO was chosen by the Mulago Foundation as a 2018 Henry Arnhold Fellow.

The CEO presented the **Rainforest Trust Conservation Fellows and Guardians Program** Initiative that was warmly received by the Board. This new program is part of our continuing efforts to enhance and expand our relationships with conservation partner organizations. The objectives of the program include:

1. To enhance the relationships between Rainforest Trust and its conservation partner organizations, reinforcing the fact that Rainforest Trust is not simply a donor agency that accepts proposals and applications for funding, makes grants, and receives reports.
2. To inspire and showcase the great work of field conservationists, forest guards and their organizations that Rainforest Trust makes possible.
3. To provide incentives and motivation to individuals working on the front lines of conservation to continue their good work and to strive to do improve.
4. To provide Rainforest Trust with additional assets for communications, outreach and fundraising.
5. To identify a direct links between Rainforest Trust staff and partner project management.

The CEO presented comments from Chris Redston, Chair and Executive Director of **Rainforest Trust UK** on the **Brand Sharing Agreement** previously revised and approved by the Governance Committee.

## **17. Project Approvals**

### **1. Securing the Gateway to the Chiquibul**

Rainforest Trust and partner Wolf Creek Charitable Foundation are seeking \$4,400,000 to purchase the 11,422-acre Bull Run property in Belize's Western Maya Mountains. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **2. Saving the Muriqui of the Atlantic Forest**

Rainforest Trust and local partner REGUA seek \$124,410 to acquire legal to 225 acres of Atlantic Forest in Brazil's Rio de Janeiro state. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **3. Expansion of the Ventanas Magnolia Reserve**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Corporación SalvaMontes seek \$162,078 to expand the Selva de Ventanas Natural Reserve, within the 'Alto de Ventanas' bio-geographical region in Northwest Colombia, by 402 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **4. Protecting the Vital Mashpi River Basin Through Land Acquisition**

Rainforest Trust and our local partner Fundación Jocotoco seek \$1,870,000 to purchase 4,522-acre property that will nearly triple the size of the Mashpi Reserve in Ecuador's Quito municipality. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

### **5. Land Purchase to Consolidate the Monte Mojino Reserve**

Rainforest Trust and local partner Naturaleza y Cultura Sierra Madre seek \$170,845 to purchase 1,299 acres of land to expand the Monte Mojino Reserve in the Sierra Madre Occidental mountain range in northern Mexico. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

## **6. Creating a network of Marine Protected Areas in Bangladesh**

Rainforest Trust and its local partner WCS-Bangladesh, are seeking \$550,000 to declare new marine protected areas (MPAs) covering 2,494,810 acres on the Bay of Bengal coast. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

## **7. Connecting Refuge for Endangered Species in Gia Lai Highlands**

Rainforest Trust and our partner, People Resources and Conservation Foundation, seek \$394,984 to designate the 42,984-acre Kon Ha Nung Community Based Species and Habitat Conservation Area in the Central Annamites region of Vietnam. The Board unanimously approved the project.

## **8. Providing protection to the buffer zone in Koshi Tappu**

Rainforest Trust and local partner KTK-Belt seek \$133,471 to purchase a 40-acre parcel contiguous with the southeast edge of Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve. The Board unanimously approved the project conditional on matching funding from the partner.

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# **Rainforest Trust Board Meeting Minutes**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**11<sup>th</sup> June, 2018, 1.00 pm – 1.30 pm**

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**International Conservation House, 7078 Airlie Road, Warrenton, VA 20187**

**Board present:** Eric Veach (Chair), Edith McBean (Vice Chair), Sally Davidson (Treasurer); Dr. Wayt Thomas (Secretary), John Mitchell (Chair Emeritus), Dr. Thomas Lovejoy, Pat Koval, Jeffrey Zack, Geoffrey Chen (Skype).

### **Agenda:**

1. Status of Rainforest Trust UK trademark.
2. Update on the Brand Sharing Agreement.
3. Proposal to formally revoke resolution on the Rainforest Trust UK board.
4. Richard Conniff article.

An official request was made by Rainforest Trust UK to withdraw the trademark application for the names "Rainforest Trust" and "Rainforest Trust UK," which clears the way towards finalizing the Brand Sharing Agreement.

Rainforest Trust UK and the Rainforest Trust Board Chair discussed the Brand Sharing Agreement and reached agreement in principle on all major issues.

### **Brand Sharing Agreement Summary**

- **Guiding Purpose:** Rainforest Trust UK is an independent charity that works together with Rainforest Trust to achieve a shared mission.
- **Licensed Marks:** Rainforest Trust owns all trademark and brand rights, including the names "Rainforest Trust" and "Rainforest Trust UK".
- Rainforest Trust controls all licensing of our brand.
- Rainforest Trust owns all social media accounts.
- Upon termination, all rights to use our brand terminate immediately.

- The agreement is subject to the laws of Virginia.

**Communications Procedures Memo:** Will take effect on signing of brand-sharing agreement.

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### **Sunday September 23, 2018**

The Bowery Hotel, 335 Bowery, New York, NY 10003

**Present:** Dr. Eric Veach (Chair), Edith McBean (Vice Chair), Sally Davidson (Treasurer); John Mitchell (Chair Emeritus); Dr. Thomas Lovejoy, Eric Goode, Pat Koval, Geoffrey Chen, Robert Giles, Jeffrey Zack, and Kim Stewart.

**Regrets:** Dr. Wayt Thomas (Secretary) & Dr. E.O. Wilson.

**Guests:** Alan Martin (Advisory Council) and Ann Kaupp

**Staff:** Robert Ridgely (President), Dr. Paul Salaman (CEO), Dr. George Wallace, Leslie VanSant and Marc Ford.

### **18. Approval of Minutes**

The Board Minutes from 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018 were unanimously approved by the Board.

### **19. Review and Approval of Committee reports**

The Board reviewed and approved the following three Committee reports:

1. Audit & Finance Committee Q2 Report from Wednesday August 15th 2018.
2. Investment Committee Q2 Report.
3. Nominating Committee Report from Wednesday September 12th 2018.

### **3. Executive Session Board Business**

- a) The Board unanimously elected Ann Kaupp to serve as a Director of the Board.
- b) The Board unanimously elected Steve Quarles to serve on the Advisory Council.
- c) The Board unanimously elected Dr. Bernie Tershly to serve on the Advisory Council.
- d) The Board unanimously elected Dr. Walter Sedgwick to serve on the Advisory Council.
- e) The Board approved a motion to split the Development and Outreach Committee to form two committees with the following members:
  1. **Outreach Committee:** Jeff Zack, Callie Broaddus, Kim Stewart, Eric Goode, John Gwynne, John Mitchell, Linda Perry-Lube
  2. **Development Committee:** Patricia Koval (Chair), Roger Pasquier, Edith McBean, Geo Chen, John Mitchell
- f) The Board discussed the upcoming Species Auction, and agreed on next steps.

### **4. Institutional Update**

- The III Rainforest Trust International Conservation Partners Retreat was completed from June 9-16, 2018, included representatives of 14 Rainforest Trust conservation partners as well as staff from Madagascar and Australia. We launched our Fellows and Guardians program at the retreat.
- Rainforest Trust UK has signed the Brand Sharing & Licensing Agreement. Many thanks to Eric.
- The trademarks for Rainforest Trust and Rainforest Trust UK have been registered in the UK. The trademark for Rainforest Trust is pending in Canada, and the trademarks for Rainforest Trust and Rainforest Trust Australia are pending in Australia.
- We are rolling out our **Legacy Species Program**: working with partners to auction the scientific naming rights of 13 species (orchids, frogs, salamander and a rat) at our 8<sup>th</sup> December, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration event in Washington D.C.



- A June 10th op-ed piece by science journalist and author Richard Conniff in the New York Times explored what he called the “myth of protected areas.” Bob Ridgely and Paul Salaman were compelled to respond, and their reply was published on June 22 in the NYT.
- Filming has started on the Rainforest Trust documentary.
- In 2018 Rainforest Trust, in collaboration with local partners, declared or purchased a total of 660,022 acres in 19 protected areas. This brings the total acres saved since our founding 30 years ago to 18,681,961 acres in 132 protected areas.
- The Rainforest Trust partner network now consists of 156 partners across a total of 53 countries with ongoing projects across 26,448,108 additional acres in 124 active Partner Agreements.
- Our Rapid Protected Area Feasibility Study program has supported 19 projects in 13 countries in 2018
- To date, we have allocated almost 50% of the SAVES funding.
- Pre-SAVES Challenge we had created a total of 97 protected areas. During the course of the SAVES Challenge we have already created 35 new protected areas and have an additional 69 in the works (Total = 104), approximately 74 of these are within or near already recognized KBAs and many of the others will trigger new KBAs. We are therefore well on track for this target.

## **6. Proposed new projects**

### ***Saving the Ethiopian Wolf from Extinction***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Horn of Africa Regional Environment Centre and Network seek \$158,656 to establish the 7,067-acre Anaz Guassa Community Conservation Area that when combined with an adjacent protected area will collectively safeguard 19,038 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***Establishing a Protected Area for Chimpanzees in South Sudan***

Rainforest Trust and partner Fauna & Flora International (FFI) seek \$450,681 to assist the government of South Sudan and local communities in establishing the 98,779-acre Banangai Game Reserve by redesignating and gazetting the Bangangai Forest. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***Consolidating and Expanding Critical Atlantic Forest Protection in Brazil***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Reserva Ecologica de Guapiaçu (REGUA) seek \$32,852 to acquire the legal title for 25 acres of Atlantic Forest to limit further development and guarantee its perpetual protection as a forested corridor. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***Land Purchase for Blue Iguana in the Cayman Islands***

Rainforest Trust and partner Royal Society for the Protection of Birds-Cayman Islands seek \$219,320 to purchase 9.5 acres of dry woodland habitat that connects to the 646.6-acre Salina Reserve, a designated Key Biodiversity Area (KBA). The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***First Protection for Dahl's Toad-headed Turtle***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación ProAves seek \$281,582 to purchase and protect 297 acres that will create the Reserva Natural La Carranchina in the tropical dry forest of northern Colombia. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***New Protection for the Critically Endangered Glittering Starfrontlet***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación ProAves seek \$551,909 to purchase and protect 2,332 acres that will expand the Gorrión Andivia Nature Reserve in the Chocó rainforest. The Board unanimously approved the project.

### ***Protecting World's Most Irreplaceable Site for Biodiversity***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación ProAves are seeking \$1,824,957 to expand the El Dorado Bird Reserve by acquiring four key properties totaling 596 acres. The Board unanimously approved the

project.

***Ensuring Long-Term Survival of the Lilacine Amazon Parrot***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Fundación Jocotoco seek \$341,807 to purchase and protect 209 acres of western Ecuadorian forest in the newly declared Las Balsas Reserve. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***Reserve Expansion Strengthens Protection of Ecuador's Premiere Park***

Rainforest Trust and partner Naturaleza y Cultura Internacional-Ecuador seek \$462,000 to purchase five properties that will expand Numbala Cloud Forest Reserve by 1,417 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***New acquisitions for Buenaventura Reserve in Ecuador***

Rainforest Trust seeks \$260,150 to help local partner Fundación de Conservación Jocotoco expand the Buenaventura Reserve in the Tumbes-Chocó-Magdalena ecoregion by purchasing 361 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***Ranch Purchase Provides New Wildlife Protections in Mexico***

Rainforest Trust and local partner HABIO seek \$467,500 to purchase the 18,607-acre Guimbalete Ranch in Mexico's Bolsón de Mapimí plateau, which is part of the Chihuahuan Desert biome. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***Safeguarding the Rediscovered San Quintin Kangaroo Rat***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Terra Peninsular seek \$1,555,294 to acquire three properties totaling 13,081 acres to more than double the size of the current 9,120-acre Valle Tranquillo Nature Reserve. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***Securing the Cornerstone of Andes-Amazon Conservation Corridor***

Rainforest Trust and local partner Pronaturaleza seek \$333,960 for the designation of 285,288 acres as a Regional Conservation Area that will consolidate a major network of protected areas, bridging the nearly 5 million-acre Manu National Park with the nearly one million-acre Amarakaeri Communal Reserve. The Board unanimously approved the project.

***Land Purchase to Connect Rhododendron Forest Reserve in Nepal***

Rainforest Trust and local partner KTK-BELT seek \$124,693 to purchase and protect eight parcels for a total of 153 acres to establish a 7,000-acre corridor of protection that will stretch from Chauki to Gufa Pokhari. The Board unanimously approved the project.

**7. Calendar of 2019-2021 Board meetings**

- 26<sup>th</sup> Feb to 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in Singapore with trip to Borneo.
- 17-18<sup>th</sup> May 2019: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 21st September 2019: Board meeting in Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020: Location to be decided (West coast).
- 22-23<sup>rd</sup> May 2020: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020: Board meeting in New York City.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Feb-1<sup>st</sup> Marc 2021: Board meeting in South Africa.
- 21-22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021: Orientation and AGM at International Conservation House, Airlie.
- 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021: Board meeting in New York City.