Project Update: November 2009

In November 2009, we tried to capture turtles in two different places, Mapirishari River and Rami lagoon, that are close to San José community and according to indigenous people have high numbers of turtles. We presented the environmental education workshop for the students that live in Mapirishari community. In Santa Rosa de Chivis we captured the same turtle species *M. raniceps*, *P. geoffroanus* and *P. unifilis*. Although we could not find turtle nests, we captured two hatchlings of *Phrynops geoffroanus*, one in San José de Azupizu and other in Santa Rosa de Chivis. The rainy season has started and water levels are high. We expect to capture turtles until the beginning of December 2009. We are preparing our next workshop and a drawing contest within the students.

