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I have checked batteries and retrieved information from my second block of camera traps, working closely with two local biology students as field assistants. I have obtained more biodiversity photo-captures than in the first block and more jaguar individuals, even a couple mating! Results so far seem to indicate that remaining natural areas are key for the survival of these species in agricultural landscapes and do make an important difference. In the meanwhile, I have also been conducting more interviews and I have engaged with local land owners and three local school, delivering them some of the better camera trap photos and a manual of all mammals photographed in the area. They reacted very gratefully and enthusiastically. There seem to be an interest for conservation in the area, hence long term engagement with local stakeholders would be highly beneficial.



