

## Project Update: October 2014

I have completed fieldwork with valuable help from my field assistants at the end of September 2014 and continued engaging with local stakeholders, who were again very enthusiastic about the camera trap photos. Camera trapping proves to be not only a great research tool, but also a successful way to engage with people and raise awareness on biodiversity and on the threats to its conservation. I am now back in the UK analysing the data. I have photo-captured a total of 12 jaguar individuals in the study area and 19 mammal species, showing that even heavily-altered areas can be important for conservation as long as natural habitat fragments remain. Therefore careful land use planning seems key in the region to prevent further agricultural conversion.



