Project Update: June 2017

The project has concluded the first and the second field seasons. In our last field season, we collected 2,083 photos from 30 camera traps we'd set in November 2016. We registered 11 species of carnivores including American black bears, pumas, bobcats, four different species of skunks, grey fox, cacomixtle and coyotes. Regarding the small mammals, we registered 314 animals of 13 different species of rodents, which includes kangaroo rats of three different species, the silky pocket mouse, the hispid cotton rat, three different species of deer mouse, two species of woodrats and two species of grasshopper mouse. We are now preparing the next summer field season hoping to find new species and adventures.



Left: A hispid cotton rat captured in winter small mammal's survey. ©Ricardo Rivera. Right: An American black bear captured in the camera trap survey. Some bears in northwest Mexico could be brownish.



Left: Collocating the camera traps in the sierra of Janos Biosphere Reserve. ©Daniela Cafaggi. Right: Measuring a silky pocket mouse in the grasslands. This little mouse could weight only 2 grams. © Rodrigo Sierra.