

FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION

The following federal programs support international conservation. These programs have a history of bipartisan Congressional support. Sustained funding for these global programs underpins U.S. economic and security interests while also helping to protect wildlife, natural resources, and the communities that depend on them.

STATE AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Development Assistance (DA)

DA is central to U.S. national security interests and global leadership, supporting rule of law and stability, and improving livelihoods and natural resource management worldwide.

FY19 Enacted: \$3.0B

FY20 Enacted: \$3.4B

FY21 Enacted: \$3.5B

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Biodiversity

Supports USAID programs protecting natural landscapes and natural resources, while enhancing U.S. economic and national security interests.

FY19 Enacted: \$285M

FY20 Enacted: \$315M

FY21 Enacted: \$320M

State/USAID Wildlife Trafficking

Supports ongoing efforts to combat the estimated \$8-10 billion annual illegal wildlife trade through anti-poaching, anti-trafficking, and demand reduction programs.

FY19 Enacted: \$90.7M

FY20 Enacted: \$100.7M

FY21 Enacted: \$100.7M

The Global Environment Facility (GEF)

The GEF is an independently operated international financial facility providing grants to address global environmental issues, including wildlife trafficking, illegal timber trade, and unsustainable fisheries. Half of its funding is directed to biodiversity projects.

FY19 Enacted: \$139.6M

FY20 Enacted: \$139.6M

FY21 Enacted: \$139.6M

USAID Central Africa Regional Program for the Environment (CARPE)

Brings six nations and the U.S. together to save elephants and forest gorillas and protect tropical rain forests through anti-poaching, land-use planning, and sustainable development.

FY19 Enacted: \$40M

FY20 Enacted: \$43M

FY21 Enacted: \$43M

USAID Sustainable Landscapes

Mitigates drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in the world's largest and most biologically diverse tropical forests.

FY19 Enacted: \$125M

FY20 Enacted: \$135M

FY21 Enacted: \$135M

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USAID Biodiversity, Andean Amazon

Supports capacity-building for sustainable forest use through the Initiative for Conservation in the Andean Amazon, including implementation of conservation programs in Colombia, Peru, and Ecuador.

FY19 Enacted: \$20.5M

FY20 Enacted: \$23.5M

FY21 Enacted: \$23.5M

USAID Biodiversity, Guatemala/Belize

Supports conservation, governance, and law enforcement in the Maya Biosphere Reserve, including activities to address forest fires, which are often used to cover illegal activities.

FY19 Enacted: \$5M

FY20 Enacted: \$5.5M

FY21 Enacted: \$6.25M

USAID Biodiversity, Lacey Act

Supports implementation and enforcement of the Lacey Act and reduces the negative economic impacts of the illegal timber trade on U.S. industry in timber-related markets.

FY19 Enacted: \$2.5M

FY20 Enacted: \$3.5M

FY21 Enacted: \$3.5M

International Organizations & Programs, International Conservation Programs

Provides core financial support to international organizations and programs that address global environmental challenges through cooperation, including the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

FY19 Enacted: \$7M

FY20 Enacted: \$7M

FY21 Enacted: \$7M

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) (via USAID)—International Species

Supports international wildlife conservation efforts, including those for migratory birds and endangered sea turtles.

FY19 Enacted: \$5.9M

FY20 Enacted: \$6M

FY21 Enacted: \$6M

U.S. Forest Service (via USAID)—International Forestry

Provides continued conservation support to protect biodiversity conservation in key wildlife habitats such as forests for tigers in the Russian Far East.

FY19 Enacted: \$6M

FY20 Enacted: \$7M

FY21 Enacted: \$8M

INTERIOR AND ENVIRONMENT

USFWS Multinational Species Conservation Fund

Provides a critical source of funding for on-the-ground conservation efforts to help wild tigers, African and Asian elephants, rhinos, great apes, turtles and tortoises.

FY19 Enacted: \$11.6M

FY20 Enacted: \$15M

FY21 Enacted: \$18M

USFWS International Affairs

Supports international wildlife conservation efforts, including those to combat wildlife trafficking, and landscape-level wildlife conservation inside and across national boundaries.

FY19 Enacted: \$15.8M

FY20 Enacted: \$18.8M

FY21 Enacted: \$23M

USFWS Office of Law Enforcement

Funds the federal law enforcement agency responsible for conducting wildlife crimes investigations and enforcing wildlife trade laws in the U.S.

FY19 Enacted: \$79.1M

FY20 Enacted: \$82.1M

FY21 Enacted: \$86.9M

U.S. Forest Service International Programs Supports Forest Service activities to combat illegal logging outside of the United States that adversely impacts U.S. markets and domestic timber producers and to promote sustainable forestry practices in other countries.

FY19 Enacted: \$9M

FY20 Enacted: \$12M

FY21 Enacted: \$15.4M