2006 SEED GRANTS FOR AMAZON CONSERVATION

The Amazon Conservation Association (ACA) and its Peruvian counterpart, the Asociación para la Conservación de la Cuenca Amazónica (ACCA), together announce a seed and matching grant program for established researchers at the post-doctoral level and above. One-year seed grants of up to $20,000 will fund the first year of multi-year research projects that have been submitted for, but have not yet received, other funding. One-year matching grants of up to $10,000 will subsidize research costs for the first year of long-term research projects that have already secured other funding.

Projects must be based at the Los Amigos Research Center and Conservation Concession in Madre de Dios, Amazonian Peru. Before preparing a proposal, applicants should familiarize themselves with the information on ACA’s research priorities webpage, which describes a significant change from previous grant cycles. Applicants should also browse the CICRA research project page to ensure that their proposed research will complement ongoing work at the station and will fit with ACA’s long-term goals in science and conservation. Both of these pages are available on the ACA website at <http://www.amazonconservation.org>.

Applicants should send a one-page concept letter to the ACA Science Director, Nigel Pitman, at <npitman@amazonconservation.org>. Full proposals are by request only. The latest date proposals will be received is March 30, 2006. Concept letters and proposals received before that date will be processed as they arrive; requests made early are more likely to lead to funding.