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**SAFE Species Program Proposal**

1. Program name (should be descriptive and include species, scope, and region):

1. Submitter (if different than Program Leader):
2. Scientific name of the species or taxa being applied for:
3. Common name(s) of the species or taxa being applied for:
4. Level of conservation threat and designating group/organization (indicate all that apply):

IUCN: EW, CR, EN, VU, or NT

CITES: I or II

USFWS: Endangered, Threatened, or Candidate

State: Species of Concern

* If none of the above categories is applicable, provide science–based evidence that the species/population is under extreme distress and has not yet been listed under recognized threat levels. (LIMIT: 1500 characters with spaces)

1. Provide the full citation for current, established conservation plan(s) (e.g., recovery plan, biodiversity management plan, PHVA action plan) in place for this species/taxa:

* Please attach a copy of the publication(s)
* If the plan is available online, please include a weblink/URL:

1. Name of the person who will serve as the SAFE species Program Leader (selected by the Program Partners submitting this proposal and serving as the point person for this proposal):

Name

Name of Institution

Address

Email

Telephone

Please attach a CV or resume for the Program Leader, along with his/her completed “Statements of Individual Commitment and Institutional Support” (<https://www.aza.org/safe-species>).

1. Names of AZA-accredited Zoos and/or Aquariums and Certified Related Facilities (Program Partners) applying for the species/taxa to become a SAFE species. Please attach a statement of institutional commitment (<https://www.aza.org/safe-species>) from each institution:

Name of Institution (1)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

Name of Institution (2)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

Name of Institution (3)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

Name of Institution (4)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

Name of Institution (5)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

Name of Institution (6)

Address of Institution

Contact name, email, telephone

1. Has each of the Program Partners listed above been involved in an established and active conservation program for the species/taxa for more than two years?

Yes  No

* If a Program Partner has not been involved for more than two years, explain their interest in being a Program Partner (LIMIT 1500 characters with spaces for all appropriate Program Partners):

* If a Program Partner has been involved in this species/taxa’s conservation for more than two years, please summarize their involvement. (LIMIT 1500 characters with spaces for *each* Program Partner)

1. Have field-based program partnerships been established?

Yes, please list the organization(s)

No

1. Name of the related AZA TAG and SSP (if applicable):

Name of TAG

Name of TAG Chair

TAG Chair email

TAG Chair telephone

Name of SSP

Name of SSP Coordinator

SSP Coordinator email

SSP Coordinator telephone

* Do the related AZA Program Leaders support this proposal?

Yes  No  Not Applicable

Please explain (LIMIT: 750 characters with spaces).

* Will the SAFE species program relate to existing, written AZA Animal Program conservation plans or priorities (e.g., within Animal Care Manuals, Regional Collection Plans).

Yes, please describe (LIMIT: 750 characters with spaces)

No, the SAFE species program will be new / different than current Animal Program conservation efforts. Please describe (LIMIT: 750 characters with spaces)

No, the Animal Program has not identified current field conservation priorities

1. Briefly relate the importance of this species to AZA institutions. Please include history, field work, threats, and how the project will benefit the conservation status of this species, etc. (LIMIT: 3000 characters with spaces)

1. Briefly describe your plan to increase involvement of AZA members and partners, as appropriate. (LIMIT: 750 characters with spaces)

**Agreement to Terms.**

Checking the boxes below indicates that all Program Partners identified above agree to the terms identified:

All Program Partners agree to adhere to AZA’s Code of Professional Ethics and all relevant Animal Care and Welfare Standards.

All Program Partners agree to develop a 3-year plan within six months of approval as a SAFE species for AZA SAFE activities that will include measureable field conservation and public engagement objectives to advance the established conservation plan.

**Submitter’s Signature Date**

**For Internal Use Only:**

**Checklist for WCC reviewer:**

Questions 1-13 are answered fully.

The species/taxa being applied for meets the eligibility criteria for a SAFE species.

The established conservation plan for the species/taxa was attached and includes field conservation objectives.

Each of the Program Partners listed has been involved in an established and active conservation program for the species/taxa for more than two years, or describes their commitment to the SAFE species program.

Each of the Program Partners listed is a current AZA-accredited zoo or aquarium or Certified Related Facility and has submitted a Statement of Institutional Commitment.

The CV or resume of the Program Leader of a SAFE species program, along with their completed Statements of Individual Commitment and Institutional Support, were attached.

The support of the proposal by the related TAG and/or SSP Program Leader(s) is clear.

The species’ importance to AZA institutions was fully explained.

All ‘Agreement to Terms’ checkboxes are checked.