

Final Evaluation Report

Your Details	
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Project Title	Conservation practice through private acquisition in China - Case from Laohegou
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1. Indicate the level of achievement of the project’s original objectives and include any relevant comments on factors affecting this.

Objective	Not achieved	Partially achieved	Fully achieved	Comments
Understanding local people’s livelihoods changes				
Understanding the outcome of conservation				
Understanding what problems private protected areas are facing				

2. Please explain any unforeseen difficulties that arose during the project and how these were tackled.

No.

3. Briefly describe the three most important outcomes of your project.

1. Private protected areas should be encouraged; related laws are need.
2. If local people are not interested in and not participated in the project, the project could not last for a long time.
3. How to encourage local people to participate in the biodiversity protection is the key to get success in similar conservation projects.

4. Briefly describe the involvement of local communities and how they have benefitted from the project.

The experiences of different villages in Laohegou are different. Generally speaking, local people get higher income from selling environmentally friendly organic agricultural products. The local NGO helps them to find buyers and provide them funding for education.

5. Are there any plans to continue this work?

Yes, Laohegou is the first private protected area in China. This format of protected areas has been copied to other places in China.

6. How do you plan to share the results of your work with others?

The results of this work will be written in an academic paper to publish.

7. Timescale: Over what period was the grant used? How does this compare to the anticipated or actual length of the project?

Most of grant was used for my fieldwork which was conducted during March and April 2019.

8. **Budget:** Provide a breakdown of budgeted versus actual expenditure and the reasons for any differences. All figures should be in £ sterling, indicating the local exchange rate used. It is important that you retain the management accounts and all paid invoices relating to the project for at least 2 years as these may be required for inspection at our discretion.

Item	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount	Difference	Comments
Accommodation	£902	£2000	+£1098	Local hotels increased the price for accommodation
Meals	£902	£902		
Transportation	£2196	£2500	+304	
Research assistant hiring	£1000	£1000		
TOTAL	5000	6402	+1402	

9. **Looking ahead, what do you feel are the important next steps?**

There are only a few private protected areas in China due to some political issue. However, private parts are very important and could bring a lot of differences to the current biodiversity conservation in China. It should be supported and encouraged.

10. **Did you use The Rufford Foundation logo in any materials produced in relation to this project? Did the Foundation receive any publicity during the course of your work?**

Not yet. But I am preparing to go to academic conference later. I will use the logo of The Rufford Foundation then.

11. **Please provide a full list of all the members of your team and briefly what was their role in the project.**

Weiye Wang: preparing the entire research, contacting different stakeholders, conducting interviews, analysing data.

Mengmeng Jin: Research Assistant. Mengmeng helped with interview conducting, trip planning, data analysing.

12. **Any other comments?**

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