Project Update: November 2019

The project leader was invited to share the initial results of the project to approximately 80 undergraduate biology students of Mindanao State University - General Santos. The presentation covered the biogeographic and conservation importance of Mt. Busa and the project’s rationale and initial results. Some questions were raised by interested students particularly on the fieldwork experience and the biology of the species being studied. Special thanks to Dr Camille Concepcion-Silvosa for arranging this talk.
A focus group discussion was also held by the project leader together with nine biology graduate students from Mindanao State University - General Santos. The discussion revolved around the project's scientific rationale, wildlife research techniques and methodologies utilized, and the project's initial results.

January 2020

Copies of the project's initial results, with concrete conservation and management recommendations, were submitted to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) office to help facilitate the ongoing process of declaring Mt. Busa a wildlife critical habitat, and eventually a protected area. A copy was also given to the local government unit of Kiamba and Mt. Busa Technical Working Group for their perusal.