

# The Flying Squad Alliance

Human-elephant conflict mitigation in the Tesso Nilo forest needs close collaboration by many stakeholders. The Flying Squads are sponsored by WWF and several of the area's plantation companies. The Flying Squad elephants are former wild elephants from Riau that were captured in conflict situations by Government over the past twenty years. Health care is provided by Drh. Wisnu Wardana, a professional veterinarian. Technical support is provided by WWF's Asian Rhino and Elephant Action Strategy Programme (AREAS). All Flying Squad operations are done in close collaboration with the villagers of the respective areas of operations.

## Supporters of Tesso Nilo's Flying Squads

We would like to thank all the individuals, institutions and corporations who made possible the establishment and operation of Tesso Nilo's Flying Squads. Their contributions have greatly improved the lives of many people and elephants living in and around the Tesso Nilo forest complex.

WWF Netherlands financed the establishment and operation of the original WWF Tesso Nilo Programme Flying Squad based at Lubuk Kembang Bunga village. Ms. Nancy Abraham and WWF- US financed construction and operation of the Squad's new center with facilities for elephants, mahouts and WWF field staff.

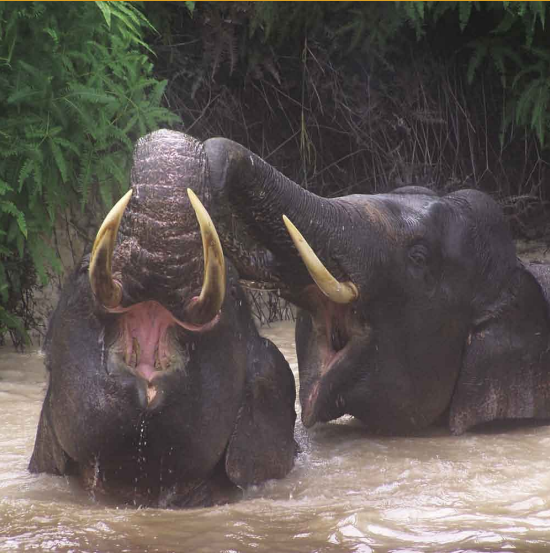
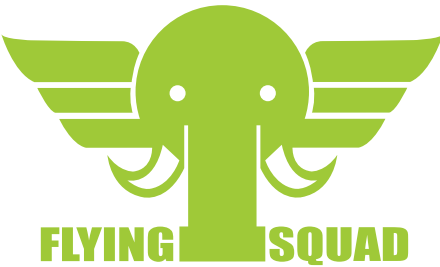
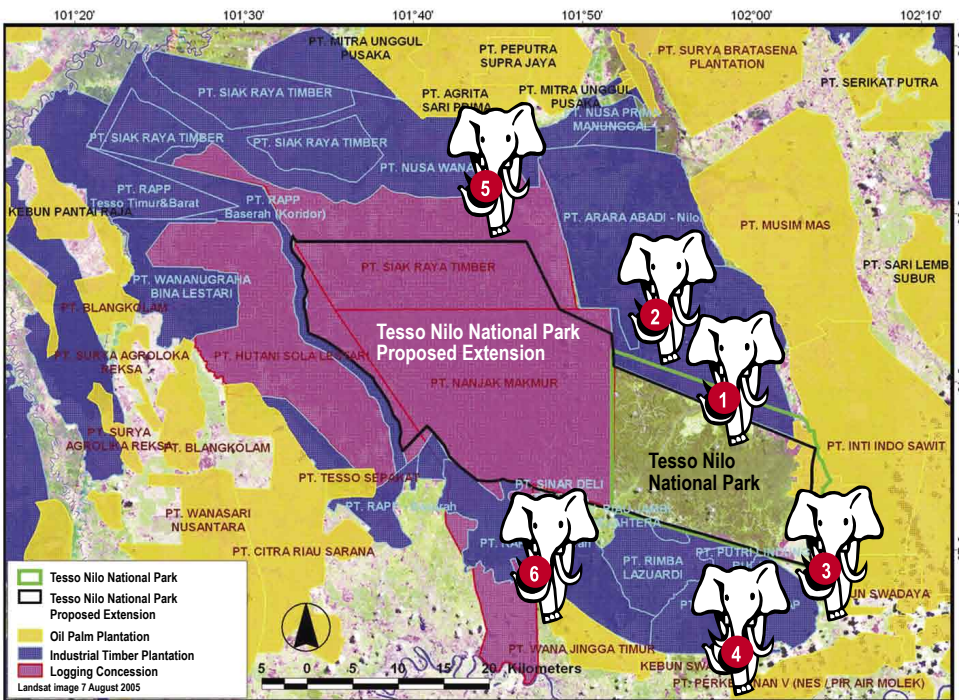
Riau Pulp (Asia Pacific Resources International Holdings Limited) financed the establish-

ment and operation of a Flying Squad based at Elang Mas camp inside the company's pulp wood concession.

PT. Inti Indosawit Subur (PT. AsianAgri) will finance the establishment and operation of a Flying Squad to be based at Pontian Mekar village inside the company's oil palm concession.

PT. Musim Mas will finance the establishment and operation of a Flying Squad to be based at Pangkalan Gondai village outside the company's oil palm concession.

1. FS Pebekalan Camp
2. FS Elang Mas Camp
3. FS Sebakul Camp
4. FS Semilang Camp
5. FS Medang Camp
6. FS Onangan Camp



For more information on Tesso Nilo's "Flying Squads" please contact:

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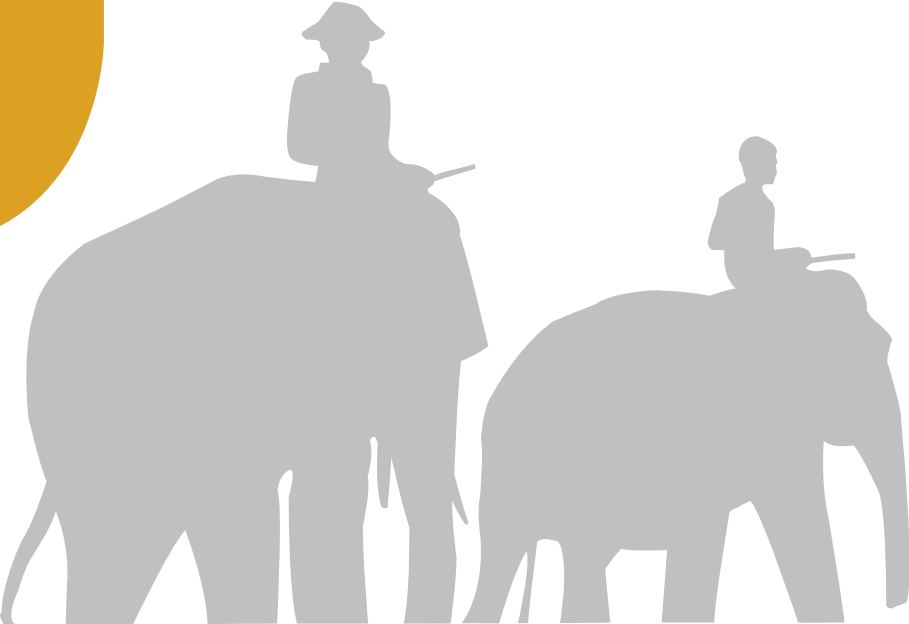
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The operation of one Flying Squad with four elephants and eight mahouts costs approximately US\$ 30,000 per year. That includes food, health care, equipment, salaries, benefits, maintenance and administrative costs.

WWF estimates that six Flying Squads are needed to fully mitigate human-elephant conflict in and around the Tesso Nilo forest. Four Squads are or will soon be operating. Two additional Squads need to be established. The establishment of a new Squad costs approximately US\$ 2,500 for start up cost in addition to the annual operating costs.

For information on how you can contribute to mitigate elephant conflict in the Tesso Nilo forest and help improve the lives of its people and elephants, please contact:

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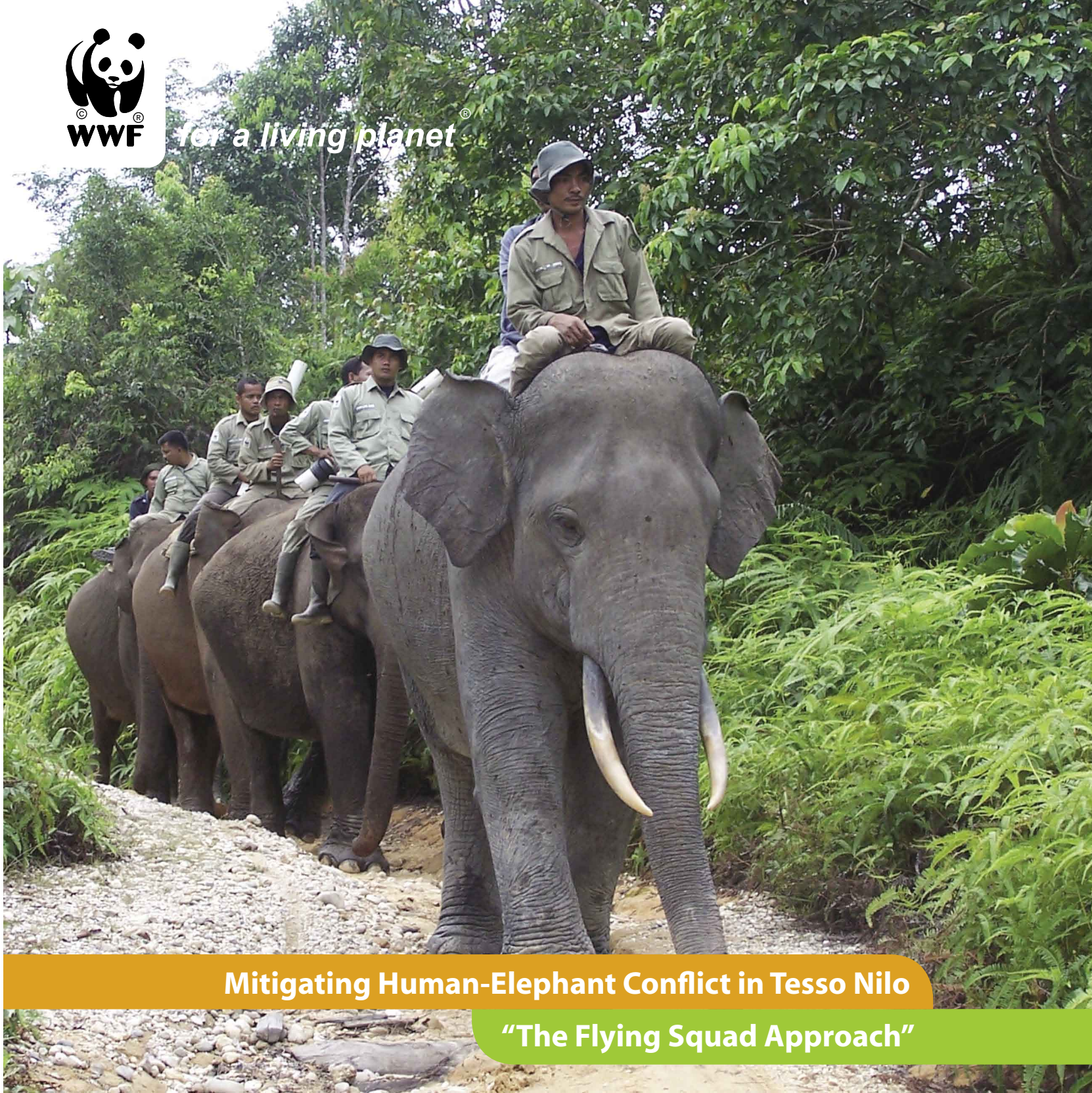
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The Tesso Nilo National Park Foundation was established with the help of WWF Indonesia and many local stakeholders in 2006 to provide long-term lasting support to the Tesso Nilo National Park.



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"The Flying Squad Approach"