

# THE BORNEO



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Dear {FIRST\_NAME|Friend},

Greetings from the Borneo Project! This is our first quarterly email newsletter, which will provide regular updates about our work and the most recent struggles in Borneo. In the first half of this year, we have continued with our ongoing projects, working on Penan [preschools](#) and indigenous [land rights](#) to promote forest conservation, but that is not all. We have also been

**Spreading the Word:** Together with activist and anthropologist Ian Mackenzie, the Borneo Project has been screening the inspirational documentary "[The Last Nomads](#)", Grand Prize winner of the 2008 Banff Mountain Film Festival. We have held showings in the Bay Area and Portland, are planning a showing in Atlanta, and again in the Bay Area. Ian joined us for the showings, sharing his experiences with the audience. If you are interested in screening the film in your area, contact [info@borneoproject.org](mailto:info@borneoproject.org).



**Building Partnerships.** I attended the annual general meeting of the Bruno Manser Fund, reconnecting with a number of Borneo partners, and building connections with this great international organization.

**Forest and Climate Policy:** We have been getting the word out on international forest and climate policy, through our website and articles. Recent articles include "REDD and Community Rights" soon to be published by Inside Indonesia, a piece in [NO REDD](#), a booklet from Carbon Trade Watch. [Read more about our work on forest and climate policy here.](#)

**DeforestACTION?** DeforestACTION is a reality television series and 3D movie in the making. The premise is that it will send 10 young people from around the world to Indonesian Borneo to rehabilitate orangutans, protect a national park, and replant a rainforest. Sounds cool, right? What is not clear is how they will engage indigenous communities and safeguard indigenous rights. We have been talking to the deforestACTION team, and coordinating with other organizations to make sure that deforestACTION lives up to its potential to lead the way in forest conservation. [Learn more about our work on deforestACTION here.](#)



In the next month, I will be heading to Borneo to meet with partner organizations, visit the Penan preschools, and make plans for future projects!

Remember, we cannot do this work without your support. The Borneo Project runs on donations from our members. [Please click here to donate to the Borneo Project.](#)



Warmly yours,

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