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<b>Objective 1. Reduce mortality</b>						
<p><b>1) Increase public awareness</b></p>	<p>1) Identify and broadcast footage on Siberian Cranes on TV in areas locally important to Siberian Cranes. (Request blank version if unable to locate version already sent by ICF).</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP</b></p>	<p><b>ICF/SCFC</b></p>	<p><b>CN:</b> The footage had been transferred to China CCTV for broadcast.</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP:</b> 1) Translate video films into local languages. Obtain and distribute them among other Range States.</p> <p><b>All Range - States - EP:</b> 2) Send all videos to ICF to be archived in ICF library.</p> <p><b>ICF/SCFC:</b> 1) Ship Betacam version of Russian language version provided by SF to Mongolia. Provide "blank" Betacam version to Mongolians for translation to Mongolian language. Help with copying SF video.</p> <p><b>ICF/SCFC:</b> 2) Coordinate announcement and distribution of new films to relevant countries as they become available through SCFC, as far as funds allow. Continue to locate new material and maintain central archive of videos received from Range States and others.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 1) Broadcast the Siberian Crane video film in China. Request copies and broadcast all new films on Siberian Crane as they are produced, whenever possible. (Example: video about research efforts made by Russian colleagues for the reintroduction of captive-raised Siberian Crane into the wild.)</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Locate and share China CCTV-produced Siberian Crane footage, especially for Poyang Lake NNR.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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	<p>2) Conduct education programmes for local people (especially for schools and hunters) on protection of Siberian Cranes and their wetlands (involve wildlife conservation staff and decision-makers).</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP</b></p>		<p><b>CN:</b> Public education efforts were made by reserves such as Shenjin Lake NNR and Yanjiang NR, especially during the Siberian Crane migration period.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Ecotourism activities included in the UNEP/GEF SCWP workplan. Now some known Siberian Crane roosting or wintering sites are considering conducting ecotourism activities with the Siberian Crane as flagship species, such as Poyang Lake NNR, Momoge NNR, etc.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> In 2004-2008, implement the Siberian Crane monitoring programme with support from the UNEP/GEF SCWP. Create a network for monitoring and public education.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 1) Ecotourism activities will be conducted during the UNEP/GEF SCWP implementation phase. This project should help Zhalong and Xianghai Nature Reserve to improve their ecotourism planning. Conduct pilot project in ecotourism at Poyang Lake.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Develop public education plan for Zhalong by the end of 2004.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 3) Conduct public education activities, including winter camp at Poyang and summer camp at Zhalong and Xianghai, with co-financing from Henry Luce Foundation.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>

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	<p>3) Produce and share educational materials (posters, booklets, postcards, buttons, stickers, etc.).</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP</b></p>	<p><b>SCFC</b></p>	<p><b>SCFC:</b> Designed sticker on Siberian Crane for distribution in national languages in all Range States.</p>	<p><b>SCFC/All Range States - EP:</b> Design and produce stickers of Siberian Crane for distribution in national languages in all Range States-EP. Stickers will have background of different habitats for respective countries, and will be translated into different languages.</p>	<p>3</p>

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<b>1) Increase public awareness</b>	4) Organise special events/meetings.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>SCFC/CWGE</b>	<p><b>CWGE/SCFC:</b> Crane Celebration events were initiated by CWGE and organised in Yakutia with support of Lufthanza, CMS and UNEP/GEF SCWP. Materials for Crane Celebration were published in SC Flyway news and distributed by SCFC to the Range States.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Crane Celebration was organised in 2003 in Allaikhovsky and Ust-Maisky Ulus with support SCFC and CWGE.</p>	<p><b>SCFC/CWGE:</b> Provide guidance to Range States on coordination and activities for Crane Celebration. Provide materials to assist activities. Initiate Crane Celebration in Mongolia.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Introduce Crane Celebrations with assistance of CWGE, SCFC and NEACSN.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Continue to organise Crane Celebration in Yakutia with assistance of CWGE, SCFC and NEACSN. Provide reports on Crane Celebration to CWGE.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Discuss integration of plans for Crane Celebration into existing public awareness programmes with CWGE, SCFC, NEACSN and ICF.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>
	5) Provide appropriate rewards and incentives for contributions to conservation made by local people.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>SCFC/CWGE</b>	<p><b>CN:</b> Almost all nature reserves and wild bird rehabilitation centres are providing appropriate financial rewards to local people with help of governmental financing.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Yakutian Ministry of Nature Protection provides some financial support through district environmental offices.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Education materials (buttons, stickers, booklets, brochures) were distributed as prizes during Crane Celebration.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Continue this activity. Any local people who report or carry injured cranes should get rewards from nature reserves or local forestry stations.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Continue to provide appropriate reward support through UNEP/GEF SCWP and NEACSN. Ministry of Nature Protection cannot support this activity.</p> <p><b>RU/SCFC/CWGE:</b> Announce winners of competitions after every Crane Celebration.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p>



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<p><b>1) Increase public awareness</b></p>	<p>8) Investigate all reported sightings of Siberian Crane. Discuss reporting format for sightings. Focus on SC sightings at new locations.</p>	<p><b>All Range - States - EP</b></p>	<p><b>NEACSN</b></p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Reporting format preliminarily discussed at NEACSN meetings in 2001-2003. Siberian Crane is one of the crane species along the northeast Asian flyway; all sites have responsibility to report the census results to NEACSN.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 1) In 2002-2003, during trips to 2 sites in Onon-Uldza basin where Siberian Cranes were observed several years ago, no Siberian Cranes were sighted. 3) In 2004, 2 Siberian Cranes were observed in Doroo Lake in Uldza river basin by researchers from National University of Mongolia and 2 other birds sighted in 50 km NE of Ondorkhaan City (Khentii aimag) on 22 August. No hunting or other pressure known at these sites. All information was sent to SCFC.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) 2003 August – Reporting format for sightings at last meeting of NEACSN discussed. <b>RU:</b> 2) Reports on new sightings were collected, but no funds to investigate these.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Distribute reporting format for Siberian Crane sightings to all sites.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Continue to investigate all reported sightings (not only in new areas). Send information about sightings to SCFC.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) Approve reporting format.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Investigate new sightings using UNEP/GEF SCWP funds. Seek funds for investigating reports along migration route</p> <p><b>SCFC:</b> Confirm reporting format for Siberian Cranes sightings during training on data management in Kazakhstan in fall 2004. Distribute it to all Range States.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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<p><b>2) Determine unknown summering areas of juvenile Siberian Cranes, migratory stopover sites, and alternate wintering areas</b></p>	<p>1) Determine summering area by placing PTTs, mortality sensors on a wild juvenile Siberian Crane in late summer in Yakutia and monitor their migration.</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP/ICF</b></p>	<p><b>ICF/RU</b></p>	<p><b>ICF:</b> 1) Limited Use Service discount secured as US non-profit organisation. ICF manages programmes for colleagues to share this discount.</p> <p><b>ICF:</b> 2) Received data and set up daily transmission to SCFC and NEACSN Flyway Officer and key colleagues along flyway.</p> <p><b>ICF/RU:</b> 1) Capturing and marking of juveniles not done since 1997 due to lack of funds. No helicopter time available. Last helicopter survey done in late summer 2000. Funds secured for purchase of PTTs and capture through UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>ICF/RU:</b> 2) Japanese PTT data on eastern Siberian Cranes was received by Yakutian ornithologists, prepared for publication and are used for identification of Siberian Crane stopovers in Yakutia.</p> <p><b>ICF/CN:</b> Sharing of Japanese PTT data delayed until publication, therefore not fully included in site selection process for UNEP/GEF SCWP in China.</p>	<p><b>ICF:</b> 1) Maintain discounted data retrieval from ARGOS to enable economical monitoring of migration.</p> <p><b>ICF:</b> 2) Continue this activity.</p> <p><b>ICF/RU:</b> 1) Continue to provide US-made PTTs to Yakutia to identify juvenile summering areas. Capture 2-4 juveniles Siberian Cranes in Yakutia in 2005 for this purpose.</p> <p><b>ICF/SCFC:</b> Continue working with colleagues on data ownership and timely sharing of information to facilitate conservation goals.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>2</p>
	<p>2) Conduct ground surveys to locate Siberian Cranes at stopover sites, new wintering areas, and new summering areas.</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP</b></p>		<p><b>CN:</b> Monitoring plan under UNEP/GEF SCWP was developed, evaluated, and approved at the meeting from July 28-29 at Hefei, Anhui Province. Currently collecting information to identify stopover areas between Bohai Sea and Poyang Lake and drafting a monitoring plan. Lower Yangtze waterbird survey conducted in January 2004 (coordinated by WWF China Programme) covered new areas.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Monitoring plan for Siberian Cranes in China should be completed by the end of 2004. Potential sites for migratory Siberian Cranes will be identified during the implementation of UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p>	<p>2</p>

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<p><b>4) Enforce rules and regulations for crane protection</b></p>	<p>1) Strengthen enforcement action and promote public understanding of crane protection laws.</p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP</b></p>		<p><b>CN:</b> All counties established a wildlife office (protection station) around Poyang Lake. By conducting specific education activities, every county could develop their own ways to protect cranes and other waterbirds.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> In 2002-2003, during the education programmes for local communities financed by WWF and the Eastern Steppe Biodiversity Project and also during the NEACSN International Education training course at Mongol Daguur SPA, legislative issues were incorporated and covered. Prepared a booklet (financed by Japanese funds located by NEACSN) on rare and endangered waterbirds, this addresses laws on bird protection.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Public education on laws is being conducted through the Yakutian Ministry of Education, Dept of Biological Resources under Ministry of Nature Protection, Yakutian State University, Institute of Biological Problems of Cryolitozone and some NGOs as "Eige" NGO.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Two new nature reserves (Nanjishan and Duchang) should be established at Poyang Lake Basin during UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Continue using all possible means and events to educate local people on crane protection legislation and enforcement. In May 2004, publish and distribute among local communities the Siberian Crane booklet.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Continue current system for public education on legislation, according to annual UNEP/GEF SCWP workplans.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>

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<b>Objective 2. Study genetic diversity</b>						
<b>1) Study genetic variations between populations</b>	1) Study of genetic characteristics of captive Siberian Cranes.	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>OCBC</b>	<b>RU:</b> Researchers at IBPC in Yakutia have been conducting genetic research both on this Siberian Crane population and captive cranes since 1999 and published two papers.	<b>RU/CN/OCBC:</b> Based on experience at IBPC, negotiate feasibility of joint research of blood samples from captive Siberian Cranes in order to determine genetic diversity and conduct systematic studies.	3
<b>Objective 3. Protect and manage habitat</b>						
<b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b>	1) Site protection / legislation.	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>ICF</b>	<b>CN:</b> 1) A wildlife management office was established in every county around the Poyang Lake.	<b>CN:</b> 1) Provide non-expendable equipment and training in waterbird monitoring provided to every county level office through UNEP/GEF SCWP funding, to strengthen their ability for conservation.	1
				<b>CN:</b> 2) In cooperation with ICF, a plan on protection for new sites identified by PTTs between Bohai Sea and Poyang Lake is being drafted.	<b>CN:</b> 2a) In cooperation with ICF, develop a plan for identification and conservation of new sites between Bohai Bay and Poyang Lake.	3
					<b>CN:</b> 2b) New Siberian Crane sites should be discovered through PTT research work under UNEP/GEF SCWP.	
					<b>CN:</b> 3) Upgrade Nanjishan Provincial Nature Reserve to National Nature Reserve status.	1
					<b>CN:</b> 4) Develop Zhalong and Xianghai NNR Management Regulations by the end of 2004.	1
					<b>CN:</b> 5) Increase number of protection stations at Xianghai from 4 to 6 by 2005.	1
	<b>CN:</b> 6) Prepare documentation by the end of 2004 for designation of Momoge and Keerqin as Ramsar Sites.	2				

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<b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b>	1) Site protection / legislation.	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>ICF</b>	<p><b>RU:</b> 1) Plans to expand territory of the Kuoloma / Chappanda protected area is still in progress. Delayed due to need to harmonize federal and Yakutia legislation on protected areas.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Chukochya and Alazeya sites still to be expanded. No progress in adding small site on East bank of Alazeya River as currently not threatened.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 3) Plans to protect 2 small territories in taiga areas: Srednekolyimski (near "Bassein Ozhogino" NR) and Belaya Gora near ("Sailyk" NR in Abyisky Ulus) in progress. These territories are very important for reconstruction of nesting population of Siberian Crane in taiga.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 4)</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 5) WWF has assisted in preparation of application for nomination of Kytalyk as a World Heritage Site.</p>	<p><b>RU</b> 1) Continue to develop plan to expand territory of the Kuoloma / Chappanda protected area.</p> <p><b>RU</b> 2) Continue to develop plan to expand territory of Chukochya and Alazeya sites.</p> <p><b>RU</b> 3) Continue to develop plans to protect these two small territories in taiga areas.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 4) Continue work on harmonizing legislation with support from UNEP/GEF SCWP project.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 5) Submit official application documents for Kytalyk's nomination as World Heritage Site through WWF Russia Programme.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>
	2) Develop management plans.	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>ICF/NEACSN</b>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Still working to improve management plans for Poyang Lake NNR and Zhalong NNR.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) N/A</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 3) N/A</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Improve management plans for Poyang Lake and Zhalong NNRs during the implementation of UNEP/GEF SCWP by the end of 2005.</p> <p><b>CN</b> 2) Develop middle/long term protection plan for Zhalong by the end of 2004.</p> <p><b>CN</b> 3) Develop water resource management plan and wetland restoration plan for Zhalong NNR by 2005.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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<p><b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b></p>	<p>2) Develop management plans.</p>	<p><b>RU/CN</b></p>	<p><b>CF/NEACSN</b></p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 4) Still working to develop management plans for Keerqin, Momoge, and Xianghai NNRs (UNEP/GEF SCWP goal, initiated but not completed by end of 2003).</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 5) N/A</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 6) World Bank / WWF Protected Area Tracking Tool (PATT) conducted for Poyang Lake, Zhalong and Xianghai NNRs.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) Management plans not completed for Chambda &amp; Kuoloma reserves as these sites were not included in the full UNEP/GEF SCWP. For Kytalyk, management plan activities were delayed while the project was gaining momentum during 2004.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Chaigurgino RR is not specifically included in the UNEP/GEF and no management plan has been developed to date.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 3) Territory of Kytalyk Resource Reserve extended to 25,985.9 ha.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 4) Prepare a management plan for Xianghai NNR by the end of 2005 through UNEP/GEF SCWP. Management plans for Keerqin and Momoge should be initiated in 2006 under UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 5) Develop water resource co-management plan for Xianghai and Keerqin NNRs.</p> <p><b>CN/ RU:</b> Conduct WB/WWF Protected Area Tracking Tool (PATT) for UNEP/GEF SCWP sites annually.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) According to the 2004 Workplan of the UNEP/GEF SCWP, a Unified Guideline for management plans should be prepared by the end of 2004. Prepare the Management Plan for Kytalyk after this, by the end of 2005.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Chaigurgino RR (Chukochya and Alazeya sites) is not specifically included in the UNEP/GEF SCWP Project, but is located in close proximity to Kytalyk. Consider a possibility to allow for a management plan for Chaigurgino within the scope of the management plan for Kytalyk.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 3) Develop management regulations for Kytalyk RR.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 4) Harmonize nature protection legislation in Yakutia with the Russian federal law.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>3</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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<p><b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b></p>	<p>3) Manage buffer zone and external threats.</p>	<p><b>RU/CN</b></p>	<p><b>ICF/NEACSN</b></p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Stakeholder committees have been established in all five project sites (in Poyang Basin and 4 NE sites), to collect recommendations for the management of protected areas.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Provincial Governor's Announcement made to provide water from Dongsheng Reservoir to Zhalong Wetlands.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1a) Collect more recommendations during the implementation of UNEP/GEF SCWP. These should be incorporated into site management plans through participation of Site Management Committees, and taken up by Provincial Advisory Groups for Jiangxi (Poyang) and Jilin (Xianghai and Momoge) Provinces, as appropriate. There is no SCWP budget to support the establishment of provincial advisory groups in Inner Mongolia and Heilongjiang. However, any comments and suggestions will be incorporated into site management plan, as necessary.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 1b) Hold annual meeting for managers of 4 UNEP/GEF SCWP Sites in NE China.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Ensure long-term security of Zhalong wetlands through official agreement for delivery of water from Dongsheng Reservoir to Zhalong Wetlands according to water management plan.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 3) Conduct water monitoring programmes for Zhalong and Xianghai NNRs to measure progress towards water management plan objectives.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 4) Establish a consultation mechanism between the Songliao Water Resource Management Commission, the 4 NE project sites and SFA regarding river basin management.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 5) Establish a consultation mechanism between the Mountains, Rivers and Lakes Integrated Office in Jiangxi Province, SFA and Jiangxi Wildlife Conservation Bureau regarding catchments management for Poyang Lake Basin.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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<p><b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b></p>	<p>4) Conduct research in support of site management.</p>	<p><b>RU/CN</b></p>	<p><b>ICF/NEACSN</b></p>	<p><b>CN 1)</b> Collaborative research project with ICF in progress since 1999. This is being continued under UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>CN 2)</b> Crane monitoring activities are being conducted at all sites.</p>	<p><b>CN: 1)</b> The study of relationship between waterbirds, plants, and water level at Poyang is being continued under UNEP/GEF SCWP during the project period.</p> <p><b>CN: 2)</b> A uniform monitoring programme for cranes is being drafted by experts and will be implemented under UNEP/GEF SCWP during the project period.</p> <p><b>CN: 3)</b> Conduct aerial and ground surveys for large waterbird including cranes at 4 UNEP/GEF SCWP Sites in NE China.</p> <p><b>CN: 4)</b> Develop GIS for Songnen Plain in NE China (including 4 UNEP/GEF SCWP Sites) and GIS for Poyang Lake Basin.</p> <p><b>CN: 5)</b> Conduct study on relationships between reed harvest mechanism and crane roosting and breeding at Zhalong.</p> <p><b>CN: 6)</b> Conduct monitoring and evaluation of resettlement programmes for villages from core areas at Xianghai NNR.</p> <p><b>CN: 7)</b> Conduct study on the relationships among water level, vegetation and waterbirds at Xianghai.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Establish baselines and indicators for monitoring at Kytalyk.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>

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<b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b>	5) Implement alternative livelihood projects (overlaps with buffer zone management).	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>ICF/NEACSN</b>	<p><b>CN:</b> Currently drafting plans to initiate community development at all 5 UNEP/GEF SCWP sites.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) No additional jobs for reserves created. Two vacancies currently exist – hard to locate suitable staff. No progress with establishing management offices to date.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Conduct community development projects during the implementation of UNEP/GEF SCWP at all 5 UNEP/GEF SCWP sites.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Develop community participatory action plan related to wetland restoration in Poyang Lake Basin.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 3) Establish two community development pilot projects applying the results of WWF Yangtze Project.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) Work closely with the Head of Allayihovsky District Committee on Environmental Protection, to secure equipment, materials and financial resources for Kytalyk at Chokurdah, the district capital.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Undertake feasibility assessment for alternative livelihood projects at Kytalyk.</p>	3 2 2 2 2
	6) Training / build capacity.	<b>RU/CN</b>	<b>ICF/NEACSN</b>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Training workshops were conducted in 2003 for reserve staff on Wetland Monitoring &amp; Evaluation, Wetland Management, and Ecotourism &amp; Public Education. A detailed training plan has been developed for all 5 Chinese sites under UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Keerqin NR is currently planning to build an office building and field posts in nature reserves with financial support from local and central governments.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) A programme of training workshops will be implemented under UNEP/GEF SCWP. Refer to the UNEP/GEF SCWP Training Plan for China for details.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 2) Finish building the infrastructure at Keerqin after Keerqin NNR receives funds from SFA.</p>	1 2

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<b>1) Implement planned UNEP/GEF SCWP activities</b>	6) Training / build capacity.	<b>RU/CN</b>		<b>CN:</b> 3) Momoge NR infrastructure has been greatly improved in two years after the reserve was shifted to the administration of Jilin Forestry Dept. A guesthouse and good road to the headquarters of the reserve established. Office building and guest centre built in 2003.	<b>CN:</b> 3) Continue to improve infrastructure at Momoge NR in future years.	3
				<b>RU:</b> UNEP/GEF SCWP funds were not released for activities in Yakutia during reporting period. There were no progress since no other funds were secured.	<b>RU:</b> UNEP/GEF SCWP will support this activity during reporting period according to workplan. Training will be provided to reserve staff through the Russian national UNEP/GEF SCWP training programme.	2
<b>2) Implement habitat protection and management activities in Mongolia</b>	1) Protect sites and develop management plan (MP).	<b>MN</b>	<b>ICF/NEACSN</b>	<b>MN:</b> 1) In 2002 Onon-Baljinsky National Park (OBNP) was established. In 2003 staffed and headquarters established. Started working on MP in April 2003. <b>MN:</b> 2) Tried many times to add a small site southwest of the park at Bayan-Nuur as an integrated part of OBNP but it was not possible. Added Bayan-Nuur to the Ramsar list and to the NEACSN.	<b>MN:</b> 1) Complete the management plan for OBNP in 2005 and start its implementation in the end of 2005. <b>MN:</b> 2) No further activities planned.	1 2
	2) Manage buffer zone and external threats.	<b>MN</b>		<b>MN:</b> Buffer zone around OBNP established in 2002. One full-time guard hired and 3-4 part-time guards monitor core and buffer zone.	<b>MN:</b> 1) Make part-time guards full time to monitor core and buffer zones if external financing is available.	2
	3) Training / build capacity.	<b>MN</b>	<b>ICF/SCFC/NEACSN</b>	<b>MN:</b> 2) Education activities have been conducted at OBNP for core and buffer zones - 3 or 4 seminars and training workshops for local people were conducted under WWF funding, used WWF materials.	<b>MN:</b> 2) Continue education and training activities in OBNP	2
	4) Conduct research in support of site management.	<b>MN</b>	<b>ICF/SCFC/NEACSN</b>	<b>MN:</b> Four or five ground surveys were conducted annually in 1999-2003.	<b>MN:</b> Continue ground surveys as finances allow; use these data in preparation of the management plan for OBNP.	2

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<b>Objective 4. Enhance international cooperation</b>						
<b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b>	1) Designate national coordinators with responsibility for liaising with counterparts in other countries and with co-operating organisations.	<b>CMS/ICF</b>	<b>All Range States</b>	<b>CMS:</b> National coordinators confirmed for most Range States and for cooperative organisations.	<b>CMS:</b> Write to governments/co-operating partners for nomination or confirmation of administrative and technical representatives, as required. Confirm current national coordinators.	1
	2) Establish/fund the post of Siberian Crane Flyway Coordinator to facilitate communication and coordination.	<b>ICF/CMS</b>	<b>SCFC</b>	<b>CMS/ICF:</b> SCFC hired in 2002 to co-ordinate activities related to Siberian Crane populations.	<b>CMS/ICF:</b> Continue to co-finance SCFC and related activities in order to facilitate general co-ordination.	1
	3) Provide central co-ordination of information exchange, subject to a strict protocol on use/publication of data.	<b>CMS/ICF/SCFC</b>  <b>CMS/ICF/SCFC</b>	<b>All Range States-EP</b>  <b>All Range States-EP</b>	<b>ICF/SCFC:</b> Maintained e-mail distribution list for Siberian Crane flyways; produced five issues of the SC Flyway Newsletter; developed SCFC website; shared urgent information regularly on timely basis.  <b>CN:</b> In 2001-2004, some information on Siberian Cranes was sent irregularly from China to SCFC.  <b>MN:</b> All information was sent to SCFC in timely manner.  <b>RU: 1)</b> Information provided irregularly to SCFC. Information on banded birds shared with ICF and Chinese experts.  <b>RU: 2)</b> Information on Siberian Crane for Asian Red Data Book was provided as requested. RDB for Asia published in 2002, Yakutia RDB published in 2003.	<b>ICF/SCFC:</b> Continue to coordinate communication activities along the Siberian Crane flyways by email and production of a newsletter and website.  <b>CN:</b> More information should be exchanged in the future on a more regular basis and following the required format.  <b>MN:</b> Continue this activity in timely manner.  <b>RU: 1)</b> Share information on a more regular basis; to be enhanced through UNEP/GEF SCWP.  <b>RU: 2)</b> Update information for Asian Red Data Book as requested.  <b>RU: 3)</b> Develop cooperation with Burke Museum under Washington State University on Ecology of Eastern population of the Siberian Crane.	1  2  2  2  2

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<p><b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b></p>	<p>4) Submit an annual report on implementation of the Siberian Crane MoU to the UNEP/CMS Secretariat.</p>	<p><b>All Range States-EP/Cooperating Organisations</b></p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF/SCFC</b></p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF/ SCFC:</b> In 2002, prepared, published, and distributed among Range States "Conservation Measures for Siberian Crane -Second Edition." The book included summary and progress reports of Range States, CMS MoU4 meeting report, revised Conservation Plans for 2001-2003, issued in 2002. Translated Conservation Plans into Russian and distributed among Russian language countries.</p> <p><b>CMS/SCFC:</b> Remind Range States in January of each year of the deadline set for receipt of reports: 31 March.</p> <p><b>CMS/ICF:</b> Continue to provide questionnaire format for future reports (ensure complete coverage, reduce questions overlap, and give option attaching annexes).</p> <p><b>All Range States – EP:</b> Submitted reports on implementation of the SC MoU to the UNEP/CMS Secretariat in December 2003-March 2004.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Reports were prepared according to the format provided by CMS/ICF.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> In 2004, country report was presented after deadline and lacked details.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Report was provided at CMS MoU5 meeting.</p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF/ SCFC:</b> Compile and distribute CMS MoU5 meeting report, including revised Conservation Plans (Autumn 2004). Annex relevant texts. Circulate to Range States for comments. Print and distribute to Range States and other interested parties. Translate into Russian and distribute among Russian languages countries.</p> <p><b>CMS/SCFC:</b> Remind Range States in January of each year of the deadline set for receipt of reports: 31 March (next reports due in March 2005).</p> <p><b>CMS/ICF:</b> Explore possibility of developing an online reporting system using a streamlined questionnaire format.</p> <p><b>All Range States – EP:</b> Submit reports on implementation of the CMS SC MoU-related activities to the UNEP/CMS Secretariat on timely basis.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Continue preparing all required reports in timely manner.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Provide detailed reports in timely manner in the future.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Provide detailed reports in timely manner in the future.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>

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<p><b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b></p>	<p>5) Organise regular meetings of Siberian Crane Range States; seek allocation for funding in the core CMS budget.</p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF/SCFC</b></p>	<p><b>All Range States - EP/Cooperating Organisations</b></p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF:</b> Organised Fifth Range States meeting in April 2004 in Moscow, Russia.</p> <p><b>CMS:</b> Supported the Siberian Crane MoU, including basic meeting and coordination costs.</p> <p><b>All Range States:</b> Agreed by consensus at April 2004 meeting to invite Wetlands International and CBCC to sign Siberian Crane MoU at next meeting.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Mongolian representative signed Siberian Crane MoU under CMS at Fifth Range State meeting in Moscow, Russia.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Funds were secured from the national UNEP/GEF SCWP budget to bring four additional representatives from Siberian Crane range areas to Moscow, to participate in the MoU 5 meeting. Chinese delegates were unable to attend due to an error in visa support.</p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF:</b> Organise sixth Range State meeting in mid-2006 (Kazakhstan and Pakistan proposed as possible venues; in the absence of definitive offer from a Signatory State to host the meeting, CMS to solicit formal offers in 2005); seek funding for participation of one representative from each country eligible for sponsorship and invite potential donors as observers.</p> <p><b>CMS:</b> Secure core funding, within the CMS budget expected to be adopted by the Eighth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 2005, for continued support for the Siberian Crane Memorandum of Understanding, including basic meeting and coordination costs.</p> <p><b>CMS/WI/CBCC:</b> Invite Wetlands International and Cracid &amp; Crane Breeding and Conservation Centre to sign Siberian Crane MoU at next meeting.</p> <p><b>All Range States-EP:</b> Try to find national funds to send a second representative to Range State Meetings.</p> <p><b>ICF/All Range States:</b> Continue working toward maintaining this situation and securing proper visa support in the future.</p>	<p>1,2</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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<p><b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b></p>	<p>5) Organise regular meetings of Siberian Crane Range States; seek allocation for funding in the core CMS budget.</p>			<p><b>MN:</b> Not possible to find national funds.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> No financial support since the government does not have budget for such activities, but co-finances through providing facilities, salaries, paying bills, etc.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> No financial support for CMS MoU5. However, a representative of the Yakutian Ministry of Nature Protection participated in the NEACSN meeting in Mongolia in August 2003 (partly financed by YMNP).</p>	<p><b>MN/ICF:</b> Investigate possibility of using UNEP/GEF SCWP or other funds to support scientific expert to attend meetings of CMS. MoU to ensure good flyway coordination.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Consider governmental co-financing sufficient at this stage.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> In principle, this remains possible and should be pursued in future.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>
	<p>6) Provide technical training and participate at related meetings.</p>	<p><b>CMS/ICF/SCFC</b></p>	<p><b>All Range States – EP/ Co-operating Organizations</b></p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 1) Training courses held by SFA were conducted for some reserve staff under a title "Conservation of Wild Birds with Siberian Crane as Flagship Species". Summer and winter environmental education camps conducted by nature reserves such as Zhalong and Poyang Lake for local school students in collaboration with ICF and with support from Henry Luce Foundation.</p>	<p><b>All Range States- EP:</b> Continue to participate in annual meetings of NEACSN and Siberian Crane Task Force, and ensure reliable email contact. Maintain regular email contact with SCFC, NEACSN Flyway Officer and ICF.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 1) Hold two training courses on designing education and interpretation programmes during Phase 1 of UNEP/GEF SCWP. Environmental education and public awareness programmes will be conducted under UNEP/GEF SCWP at all project sites. These will focus on Poyang, Xianghai &amp; Zhalong from 2004 to March 2006. In addition, ICF is supporting education activities at these UNEP/GEF SCWP sites as well as Cao Hai in China and Muraviovka Park in Russia with funds from Henry Luce Foundation in 2004-2006.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p>

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<p><b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b></p>	<p>6) Provide technical training and participate at related meetings.</p>			<p><b>CN:</b> 2) No specific training workshops on Siberian Crane were held for conservation staff as UNEP/GEF SCWP still being mobilized.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> 3) Participated at every annual meeting of NEACSN.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 1) In August 2003, an International Education training course (workshop) was conducted in the Mongol Daguur SPA with the financial support from the CMS, NEACSN, Keindanren Committee on Nature Conservation (Japan), Danone Corporate Group (France), UNEP/GEF SCWP, GEF China Project, and International Crane Foundation.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 2) Participated in annual meetings of NEACSN. Email contact was not regular because until the fall of 2003 email access was very limited. It is improved now. New contact information: Department of International Collaboration, Ministry of Nature and Environment, <a href="mailto:oyundar@mongol.com">oyundar@mongol.com</a>; Mongolia Institute of Biology, MAS, Mongolia <a href="mailto:tseveenmyadag@magicnet.mn">tseveenmyadag@magicnet.mn</a></p> <p><b>RU:</b> Representatives from Yakutia UNEP/GEF SCWP Coordination Unit and Office of Special Protected Areas of Yakutian Ministry of Nature Protection participated in training course in Ecotourism &amp; Public Education organised by NEACSN in Mongolia in August 2003. Subsequently prepared proposal for application of this approach for Chokurdah.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> 2) Conduct a detailed training programme during the UNEP/GEF SCWP for conservation staff. See UNEP/GEF SCWP Training Plan for China for details.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Participate in annual courses on conservation, hunting regulations and public education for rangers and staff of district environment offices, conducted by the Yakutian Ministry of Environment. Implement plans to conduct training on environmental education under the UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p>

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<b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b>	7) Conduct reciprocal exchange visits between eastern Range States.	<b>All Range States - EP/Cooperating Organisations</b>		<p><b>CN/RU:</b> Plans for staff exchange between Chinese reserves and Kytalyk under discussion through UNEP/GEF SCWP regional programme. Not implemented due to lack of available funds.</p> <p><b>CN:</b> Currently developing working relationships with Russian colleagues in Eastern Siberia.</p>	<b>All Range States- EP:</b> Exchange visits will be conducted according to the plan developed under UNEP/GEF SCWP in cooperation with ICF, Mongolian and Russian colleagues. Discuss advantages of exchanges involving staging areas closer to Russia-China border (such as Heilongjiang Province).	3
	8) Strengthen coordination between eastern Russia, China, and Mongolia.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>ICF/SCFC/NEACSN FO</b>	<b>MN/RU:</b> E-mail communication took place.	<p><b>CN:</b> Establish working data and information exchange mechanism through national and regional components of UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Continue to communicate between eastern Russia, China and Mongolia</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Upgrade e-mail communication with Yakutia Coordination Unit of UNEP/GEF SCWP through the project; develop clearer communication strategies.</p> <p><b>SCFC/GWGE:</b> Invite Mongolia to join CWGE.</p>	1 1 1 2
	9) Link activities with Western Flyway Programme.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>ICF/SCFC/NEACSN FO</b>	<p><b>NEACSN Flyway Officer:</b> Invited to CMS MoU5 meeting but unable to attend. NEACSN representatives for MN &amp; Yakutia attended CMS MoU5.</p> <p><b>SCFC:</b> Attended NEACSN meeting in August 2003.</p> <p><b>SCFC/All Range States-EP:</b> Exchanged information by e-mail.</p>	<p><b>NEACSN Flyway Officer and country reps</b> to be invited to CMS MoU meetings. Partial support for participation through UNEP/GEF SCWP and CMS.</p> <p><b>SCFC:</b> Participate in future NEACSN meetings. Funding available through UNEP/GEF SCWP.</p> <p><b>SCFC/All Range States-EP:</b> Forward current information on Siberian Crane and related activities to SCFC, more regularly and without delay, for forwarding to others by e-mail and website.</p>	2 2 1

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<b>1) Improve exchange of information and technical expertise</b>	10) Add additional sites to NEACSN.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>NEACSN FO</b>	<p><b>CN:</b> Four nature reserves (Zhalong NR, Xianghai NR, Shuangtaihekou NR, Shengjinhu NR) were approved as NEACSN sites in 2002.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 1) In August 2003, Ugtam National Refuge was added to the NEACSN. Onon-Baljinsky NP was not proposed for inclusion because the field work of 2002 has proven that Khurkh-Khuiten Valley is a more important site for Siberian Cranes than OBNP, and the latter was added. (In 2001, this valley was expected to become a part of OBNP by the decree of Mongolia Government, but in late 2001 this decision was dropped.)</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 2) In July 2003, submitted all necessary documents to include 22 small lakes in Khurkh River Basin and lakes Buir Nuur and Ganga Nuur in Ramsar convention list.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Kytalyk was included in the NEACSN in 1997. 19 protected areas listed under "Strategy for Crane Protection in Yakutia" and 2 small territories in taiga Srednekolyimski and Belaya Gora were not added to the NEACSN.</p>	<p><b>CN:</b> Nominate more important sites as NEACSN sites along the migratory waterbird routes in China in the future.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 1) Add OBNP to NEACSN as an important site for White-naped Cranes and potential summering area for Siberian Cranes.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> 2) In 2004, 22 small lakes in Khurkh River Basin and lakes Buir Nuur and Ganga Nuur should be included in Ramsar convention list.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> Work with the Government of Yakutia and Ministry of Natural Resources of the Russian Federation to include four more sites in the NEACSN that were recommended for inclusion at the NEACSN meeting in Mongolia in August 2003. [Two sites are in Central Yakutia - Kuoloma-Chappanda (Tattinsky Ulus) and Chabda (Ust-Maisky Ulus), two in Northern Yakutia - two parts of Chaigurgino Resource Reserve (Alaseya and Chukichia). The official designation of these sites under the NEACSN requires federal government approval. Mechanism required for ensuring that NEACSN site nominations are approved both by Government of Yakutia and Ministry of Natural Resources of the Russian Federation.]</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p>

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<b>2) Raise funds for a comprehensive conservation programme</b>	1) Develop comprehensive project proposal(s) to submit to appropriate agencies for possible funding support.	<b>CMS</b>	<b>All Range States - EP</b>		<p><b>CMS:</b> Provide letters of support for efforts of national agencies and cooperating partners to secure additional funding for MoU-related activities.</p> <p><b>CMS:</b> Support efforts to identify and secure possible new funding sources, e.g. any renewed attempt to secure funds through US multi-species conservation programmes (such as those implemented or planned for African elephants, tigers, turtles) administered through grants.</p> <p><b>CMS:</b> Call attention to the importance of conserving Siberian Cranes and their habitats over their entire range, at relevant international conferences.</p>	2  1  2
	2) Develop small-scale project proposals and submit to CMS and ICF for their consideration; appeal also to governments for funding of programmes. Identify individuals to actively seek new funding sources.	<b>All Range States - EP</b>	<b>CMS/ ICF/ UNEP</b>	<p><b>ICF/CMS/UNEP:</b> UNEP/GEF Siberian Crane Wetlands Project approved and started since April 2003. GEF/UNEP decision to focus on Eastern and Western populations.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) Activities under UNEP/GEF SCWP in Yakutia delayed while project mobilization completed in 2003. Yakutia representatives participated in NEACSN meeting in Mongolia in August 2003. Email communication maintained on NEACSN issues.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Applied for a grant under agreement between Chinese and Russian Academies of Sciences without success. Approached Yakutia Airlines and Sakha Oil and Gas without success. Drafted by-laws for Siberian Crane fund in Yakutia in late 2003.</p>	<p><b>RU/CN:</b> Implement activities supported by UNEP/GEF SCWP, which would strengthen coordination among Eastern population Range States.</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 1) Capacity building activities for coordination of Eastern Flyway will proceed under UNEP/GEF SCWP from 2004 (support for office facilities and coordination staff in Yakutia and support for flyway level activities).</p> <p><b>RU:</b> 2) Continue efforts to locate local financing through establishment of Siberian Crane (Sterkh) fund for Yakutia. Use UNEP/GEF SCWP funds as leverage to raise additional funds.</p> <p><b>MN:</b> Seek funds at international level through participation in CWGE (pending confirmation of membership), CMS MoU, NEACSN, and ICF.</p>	1  2  2  2

