

Nutrition Work Update: Oct 2009

My new graduate student, Juan, began work in January and we are still working with the Scarlet Macaw crop samples we have imported to the USA. We have sent one set for analysis and are awaiting the results, as soon as we have those results, we will be able to determine the most profitable way to analyze the second set.

The samples are so small and valuable and their analysis is so expensive that we feel that by moving slowly and cautiously is by far the most prudent plan for working in this field. In addition, we are currently using these first set of analyses to determine the correct analyses and protocols for the additional samples that we will be receiving from Mexico, Brazil, and Costa Rica.

This nutrition research we are conducting with your help is a top priority for my research group.

I imagine that we will have all our current samples analyzed and a good report produced by early next year, at which time we will be ready to discuss with you the best directions for additional research and the possibilities for future funding.

Thanks again for all your support.

I hope to see you in Peru again at some point.

Sincerely,
Donald Brightsmith

