

**Table 1. Priority Populations for Mountain Gorillas (*G. b. beringei*) (DRAFT 7 Sep 2005)**

Country/ Countries	Population Name	Pop. Size	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Habitat Type(s)	Habitat or Biogeographic Uniqueness	Land Use Status	Scientific Importance	Other Important Conservation Features	Major Threats	Rationale for Prioritization
Uganda	Bwindi Impenetrable NP	320 ***	355	Montane to lowland forest		National Park	Long-term gorilla research	Major site of local endemism; <i>P. t.</i> <i>marungensis</i> present	Hunting, sawing	One of two major mountain gorilla populations; protected area; long-term research; sympatric with chimpanzees
DRC, Rwanda, Uganda	Virunga NP	380 ***	430	Montane forest		National Park	Long-term gorilla research	Park also contains pops of <i>G. b.</i> <i>graueri</i> and <i>P. t.</i> <i>marungensis</i>	Trafficking of infant gorillas, hunting, encroachment by agricultural and development projects	One of two major mountain gorilla populations; protected area; long-term research; sympatric with other great apes

Accuracy of population estimate is scored as follows: \*\*\*indicates the estimate from good transect surveys spread over areas or habitats of population; \*\*indicates estimate based on adequate set of transects from one location, and estimate extrapolated to the rest of the areas/habitats of population; \*no scientific estimate of ape density from any location