Pallas’s cat conservation survey
(Researcher)
Complete one form per study area

Name (optional):.......................... Lat and long of study site:.............................

Time of year you are at study site (e.g. summer, winter, fall, spring).........................

No. of field trips to this location..........................

No. of years working with Pallas’s cat in this area.............................

1. Did you or others detect Pallas’s cat at these locations? Tick all that apply.

   Yes
   - Camera trap images ☐
   - Sighting ☐
   - Skins ☐
   - Footprints ☐
   - Capture ☐
   - Carcass / dead animal ☐

   No ☐
   Not sure ☐

2. How often did you detect Pallas’s cat at this location? Tick one box.

   75 - 100% of time ☐
   50 – 75% of time ☐
   25 – 50% of time ☐
   0-25% of time ☐
   Never ☐
   Not applicable ☐
3. What field method did you use to detect Pallas’s cat? Tick all that apply.

- Camera trap images
- Sighting
- Skins
- Footprints / snow tracking
- Capture
- Carcass / dead animal
- Other ………………………

4. Do you think the Pallas’s cat population is increasing, decreasing, or remaining stable during the last 10 years? Tick one box.

- Increasing
- Decreasing
- The same
- Not sure

5. Did you observe any threats to Pallas’s cats? Tick all that apply.

Yes
- Hunting / poaching
- Lack of habitat
- Lack of prey
- Agriculture
- Overgrazing
- Mining
- Disease
- Dog’s
- Poisoning
- Traps
- Other ………………………

No
Not sure
6. Did you observe any threats to Pallas’s cat prey species? Tick all that apply.

Yes
- Hunting / poaching ☐
- Lack of habitat ☐
- Lack of prey ☐
- Agriculture ☐
- Overgrazing ☐
- Mining ☐
- Disease ☐
- Dog’s ☐
- Poisoning ☐
- Traps ☐

Other ………………………………

No ☐
Not sure ☐

7. If there was no evidence of threats but you still believe there are threats then what do you think they are? Tick all that apply.

Hunting / poaching ☐
Lack of habitat ☐
Lack of prey ☐
Agriculture ☐
Overgrazing ☐
Mining ☐
Disease ☐
Dog’s ☐
Poisoning ☐
Wildlife trade ☐

Not sure ☐
Other ☐

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8. What type of habitat did you detect Pallas’s cat in? Tick all that apply.

- Grassland ☐
- Forest ☐
- Desert ☐
- Rocky areas ☐
- High mountains ☐
- Snow cover ☐
- Not sure ☐
- Other ☐

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9. If Pallas’s cat were NOT detected what type of habitat do you believe they use? Tick all that apply.

- Grassland ☐
- Forest ☐
- Desert ☐
- Rocky areas ☐
- High mountains ☐
- Snow cover ☐
- Not sure ☐
- Other ☐

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10. What do you think are KEY habitat features for Pallas’s cats? Tick all that apply

- Rocky areas ☐
- Marmot burrows ☐
- Dense vegetation ☐
- Open grassland ☐
- Regular snow cover ☐
- Not sure ☐
- Other ☐

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11. Do you find Pallas’s cat skins either in the towns or among the herders? Tick all that apply.

Yes
  - In town ☐
  - At market ☐
  - At herder camps ☐
  - Other place ☐
No ☐
Prefer not to say ☐

12. Do you think there are any positive effects of Pallas’s cats for either the environment or local people? Tick all that apply.

Yes
  - Kill rodents’ ☐
  - Keep predator’s away ☐
  - Tourism + increased income ☐
  - Source of skins ☐
  - Good for environment ☐
Other ☐

13. Do you think there are any negative effects of Pallas’s cat presence for either the environment or local people? Tick all that apply.

Yes
  - Carry diseases ☐
  - Bad for environment ☐
Other ☐

No ☐
Not sure ☐
14. What species do you believe prey on Pallas’s cats? Tick all that apply.

- Snow leopard / leopard [ ]
- Eagles / vultures [ ]
- Foxes [ ]
- Bears [ ]
- Not sure [ ]
- Other ……………………………………………………

15. Have you seen any significant changes in any of the habitats during the last 20 years? Tick all that apply.

Yes
- Overgrazing from livestock [ ]
- More construction [ ]
- Less snow fall [ ]
- Drier [ ]
- More rainfall [ ]
- More diseases [ ]
- Other [ ]
  if other what do you see?

No [ ]
Not sure [ ]

Do you have any other info you’d like to add?

Thank you for participating!