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FAMILY GROUP: *Panthera tigris altaica*

THE **SIBERIAN TIGER**

HABITAT: Russian Far East south to north for almost 1,000 km throughout the length of Primorsky Krai and into southern Khabarovsk Krai east and south of the Amur River.

PREY: Manchurian wapiti, musk deer, goral, moose, red deer, Siberian roe deer, sika deer, wild pig, Asian black bear, Ussuri brown bear and smaller species like hares, rabbits, pikas & salmon.

ABILITY: They are known to travel up to 1,000 km, a distance that marks the exchange limit over ecologically unbroken country.

THREATS: Winter of 2006–2007 was marked by heavy poaching. Poaching of tigers and their wild prey species is considered to be driving the decline in their breeding numbers.

MY VIEWS: I think they should ban ALL international trade in tiger skins. Stop all poaching with more patrols to look after them. Increase conservation and co-operation between the countries in protected areas for Siberian tigers. And give more money to protect the habitat all around the tigers.

