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DE-SNARING REPORT OCTOBER 2013 BURRA/FARU TEAM



## **De-Snaring Report for October, 2013**

### **Participants**

Alfred Mwakatimi

Dennis Lemerwas

Moses Simiyu

Julius Kyalo

Daniel Lelekoiten

#### **Areas Patrolled**

Mbulia

Bachuma

Irima

Kilibasi

Lion Hill

Man Eaters

Aruba

Mbololo Lugga

Wajola Mines

Mudanda Rock

Ndara

Satao

Tsavo River

Voi

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Manyani

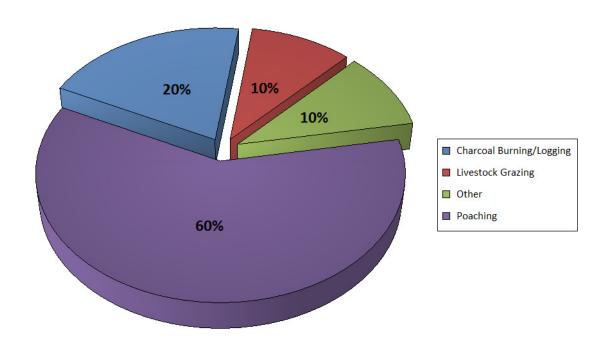
#### **Arrests**

12 Arrest(s) this month



# **De-Snaring Report for October, 2013**

## Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





# Burra/Faru Team De-Snaring Report for October, 2013

## Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
1	Elephant	Unknown		Recent (3 weeks - 1 yea
1	Elephant	Unknown	Unknown	Fresh (less than 3 weeks
1	Waterbuck	Unknown	Unknown	Fresh (less than 3 weeks



# **De-Snaring Report for October, 2013**

## **Snares Collected**

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	6
Thin Wire	Small	Line	56
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	16
Medium Wire	Medium	Scattered	12
Medium Wire	Medium	Line	1
Medium Wire	Medium	Cluster	14

Total Snares Collected: 105



### **De-Snaring Report for October, 2013**

#### **Monthly Summary**

The month began with slight patches of rainfall; the windward sides of most hills being on the receiving ends. The Manga hills, Ndii hills, Sagalla hills, Maungu hills etc all played a significant role in this. This considerably changed common animal distribution patterns in succeeding days; many, especially mega-herbivores moved fairly up the hills in pursuit of the expected fresh green browse material. In specific terms however, the following areas were covered: LION HILL

This was specifically visited thrice in the month but remained under general, continuous vigil while driving to distant but adjacent areas like Irima. Only 6 snares were lifted there from, a remarkable decline! IRIMA, NDII AND MBOLOLO

Generally one area but named differently depending on proximity to mushroomed urban centre along the highway. These were visited several times, after all, seemed like a poaching hotspot the previous month. No snare was found this time round.

#### MANYANI-MUDANDA-TSAVO RIVER

Again, these are other identical yet adjacent areas that were patrolled on severally. Livestock incursions were observed and in fact, 2 arrests were made in this respect. Few signs of poaching were also observed: 24 snares lifted and an old poacher hideout from which special 'over-shoe wears' to conceal their (poacher) footprint manifestation were recovered.

#### NDARA PLAINS-WANGALA-BACHUMA

Another pretty similar ecosystem, generally plain land but with few patches of shrubs. Places that had received some rain had now turned green and were under animal domination. Charcoal burning was observed at Wangala in which case an arrest was made and all charcoal kilns destroyed. On two other separate occasions, a pair of Ivory (from a fully decomposed carcass) was recovered (following an aerial spotting by the DSWT aircraft). Secondly, an abandoned baby Elephant was also rescued near the Bachuma gate.

#### NDARA RANCH, MBULIA RANCH AND SATAO

Ndara ranch is an annex of the Sagala ranch in which a snared Waterbuck succumbed before rescue. With cordial working relations already in place in Mbulia ranch, a snap patrol visit of the ranch netted 5 charcoal burners (including 2 infants). Intensified effort led to a recovery of a Bow and 2 arrows from an old hut close to the conservancy (then being used for hiding purposes). 56 snares were also lifted in some instance. In general terms, the ranch, due to its adjacency to Tsavo West National Park, is a critical wildlife dispersal area commonly taken advantage of by poachers if not frequently manned.

Pressure on the Satao water hole greatly eased following the early months rains that decentralized water supplies. Huge Elephant families could however still be seen within the Satao surroundings going about their business peacefully amongst other wildlife. A pair of Ivory (from a fully decomposed Elephant) was however recovered on 1st of the month courtesy of the DSWT aircraft.

#### OTHER AREAS

Besides routine patrol, the team got involved in another baby Elephant rescue mission from Kinango-Kilibasi-Kwale County. On the same mission, 2 unlicensed timber millers were encountered. Similarly, 2 poachers narrowly escaped arrest but dropped their luggage (7 killed Yellow necked Spur fowls, 1 Bow and 2 arrows). The team working hand in hand with KWS is thus working on a strategy that will see these poaching cases checked.



# Burra/Faru Team De-Snaring Report for October, 2013

# **KWS Ranger Participation**

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Burra/Faru	Julius, Omondi	11
Burra/Faru	A, Egesa	3
Burra/Faru	Daudi, Bashara	1
Burra/Faru	Daudi, Bashora	1
Burra/Faru	E, Egesa	1
Burra/Faru	Edwin, Maina	1
Burra/Faru	, Omari	2
Burra/Faru	Gordon, Okello	3
Burra/Faru	Titus, Kiptoo	1
Burra/Faru	Major, Mutuku	1
Burra/Faru	Musa, Sudi	2
Burra/Faru	Patrick, Mwangi	3

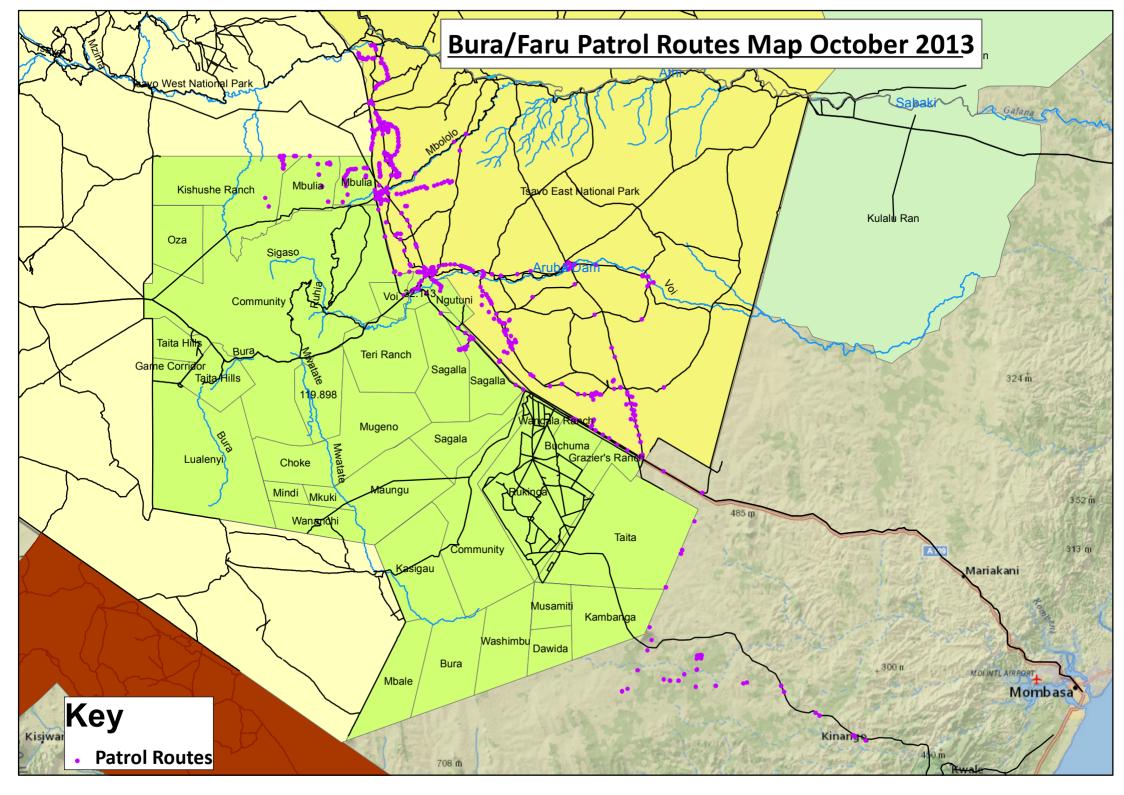


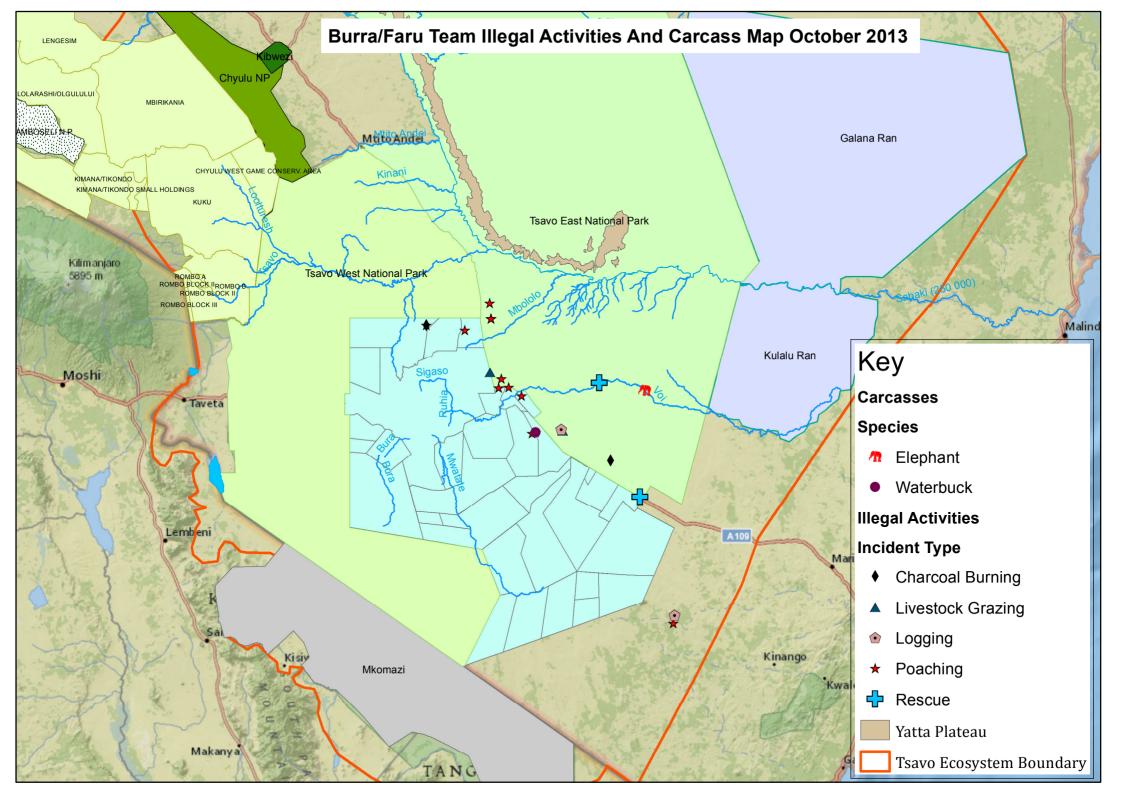
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# **KWS Ranger Participation**

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Burra/Faru	Peter, Anzeze	11
Burra/Faru	Sgt, Ghele	2
Burra/Faru	Sgt, Roba	1
Burra/Faru	Enos, Gato	1

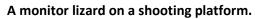
Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 45





## **Burra/Faru Team October 2013 Desnaring Report Photographs**







An elephant rescue in Bachuma.



Inside a suspected poacher hideout.



Inspecting and destroying findings in a poacher den.





Lifting snares at Ndara ranch.

Lion with injury being attended to







Rescue mission from Kinango.