



ANTI-POACHING UNITS

MONTHLY REPORT

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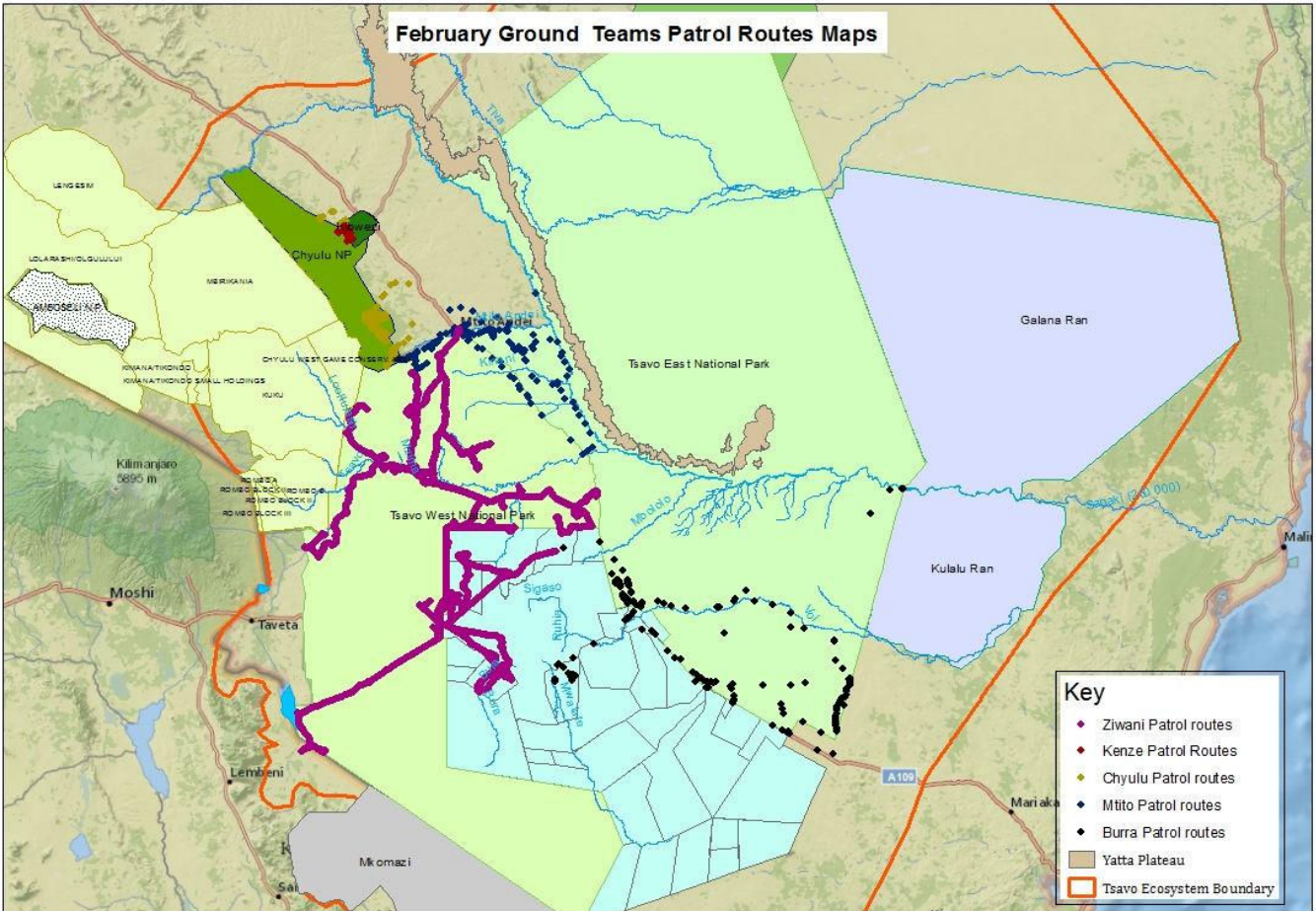
MONTHLY SUMMARY: ALL UNITS

TOTAL SNARES COLLECTED:	261
TOTAL ARRESTS MADE:	30
TOTAL WEAPON/EQUIPMENT CONFISCATIONS:	52
TOTAL ILLEGAL STRUCTURES DESTROYED:	21

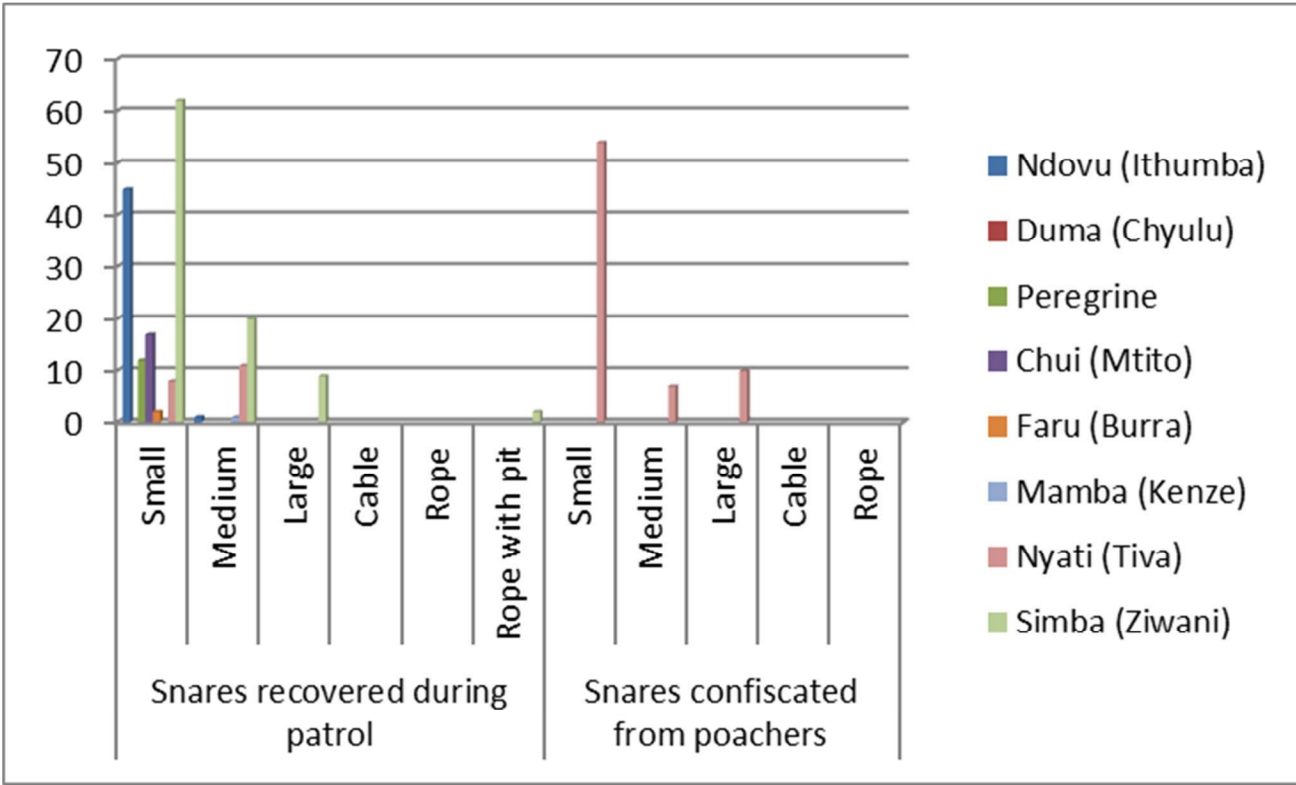
February was marked by heavy rain during a time that is normally very dry, which hampered operations for several days, but the rains also appeared to have an effect on the level of illegal activity in the Park as there was a decline in illegal activities seen and arrests made during the month, in part due to the weather, but also due to harsher penalties recently introduced in the new Wildlife Act.

There were still large amounts of charcoal burning taking place in the Park and it is worth noting that there were several instances of charcoal burners also participating in bush meat poaching, evidenced by paraphernalia discovered in their camps or on their person such as snares. Several arrests of poachers were made including three notorious ivory poachers, which is considered a major victory for the DSWT team. It is hoped that these poachers will be punished to the full extent of the new Wildlife Act. In addition to anti-poaching efforts, the DSWT teams also participated in the darting and treatment of 3 elephants with various poaching-related injuries that would have been fatal without intervention.

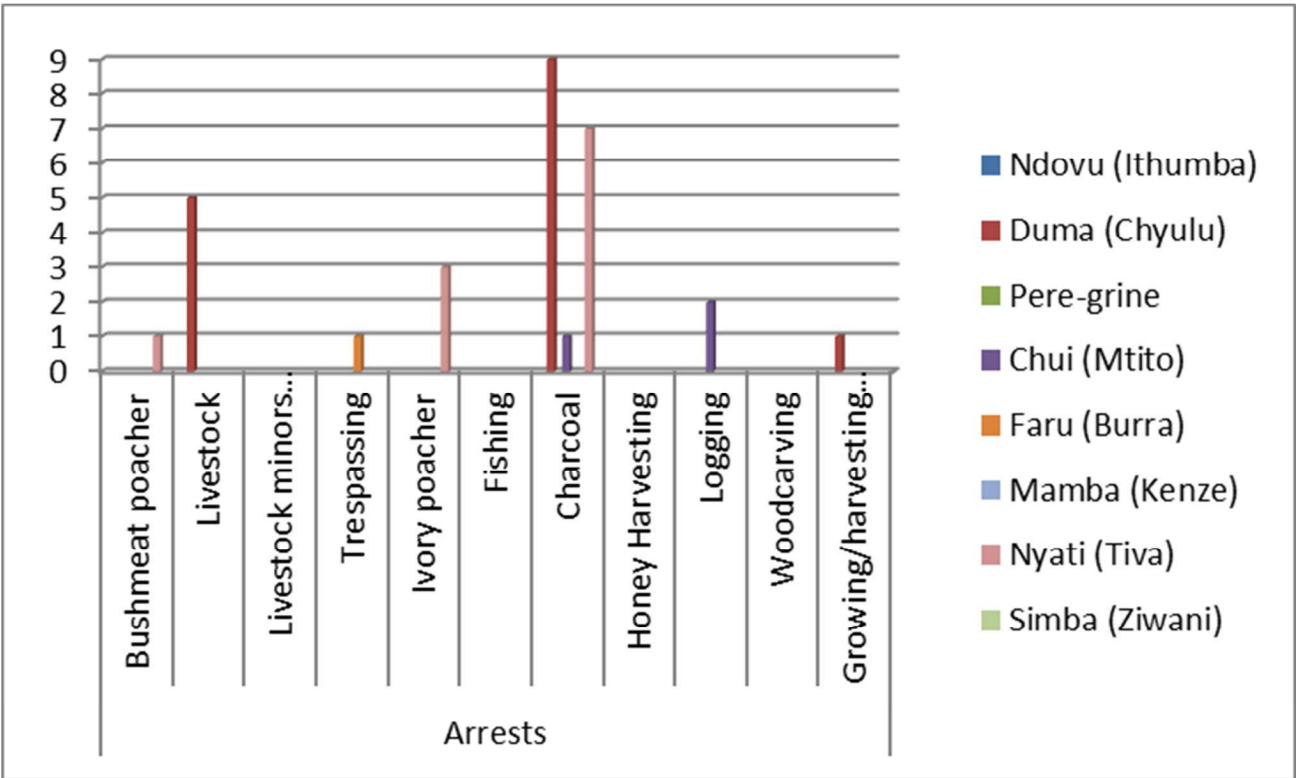
MAP OF ALL UNIT'S PATROL ROUTES



TOTAL SNARES COLLECTED - February 2014 - All Teams



TOTAL ARRESTS MADE - February 2014 - All Teams

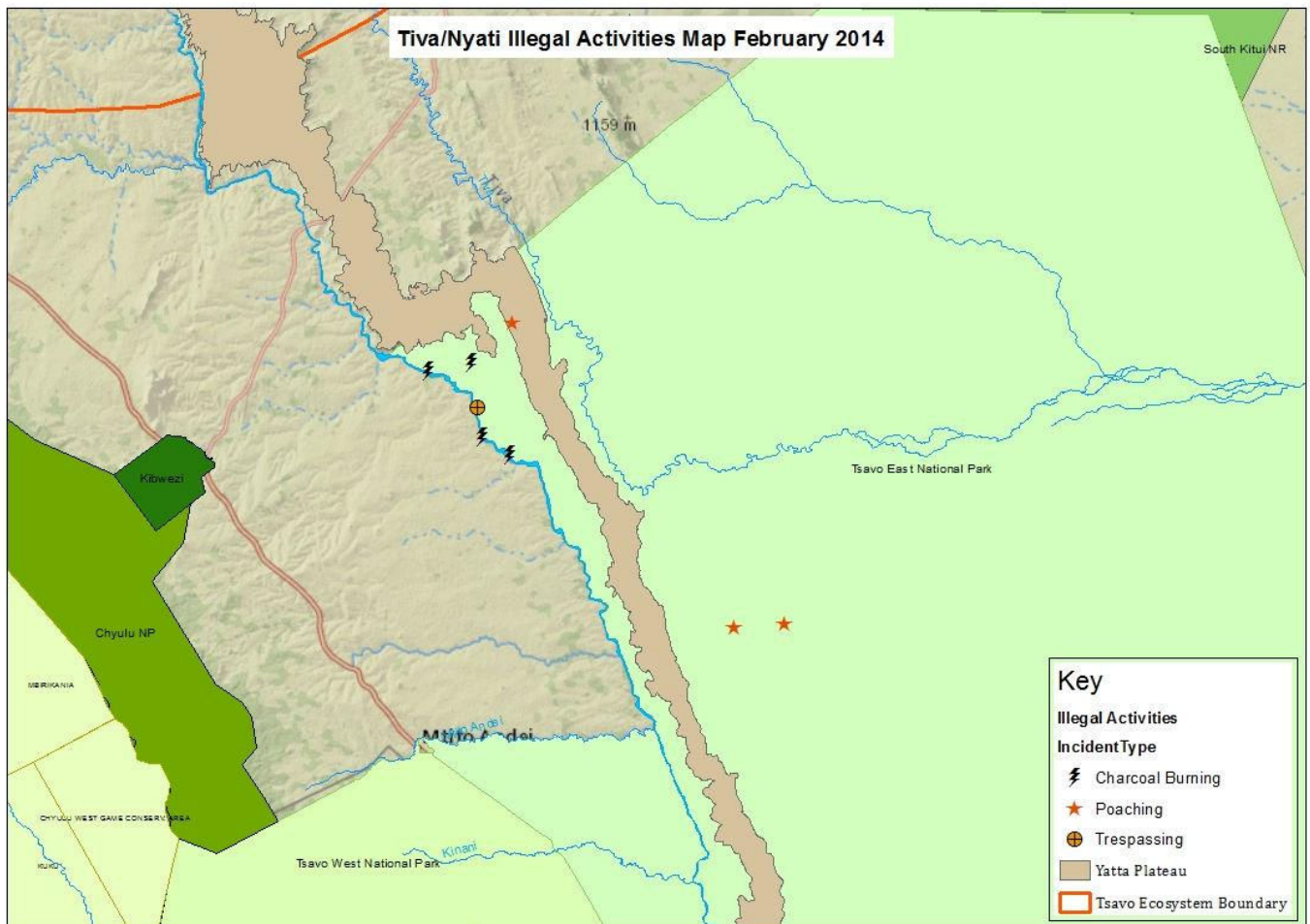


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TIVA TEAM

PATROL AREA: Northern sector of Tsavo East NP with a focus along the Tiva River

MAP OF ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES



SECURITY & INCIDENTS

ELEPHANT TREATMENT
3/02/2014

The Nyati (Tiva) team helped Dr Poghon in the location, darting and treatment of a wild elephant called 'Mshale' who is known by the Ithumba keepers. The treatment went well



CHARCOAL BURNERS
13/02/14

The Nyati (Tiva) team patrolled Athi river towards Gazi area and uncovered logging activities and destroyed a charcoal kiln



POACHER'S HIDE
14/02/14

A poacher's hide was found and destroyed in the Gazi area by the team. The poacher's has been recently using it but were not found



POACHERS ARRESTED
19/02/2014

The Nyati (Tiva) team arrested three poachers in northern Tsavo who were poaching elephants with bows and arrows and cable snares



CHARCOAL BURNER
22/02/14

The team arrested a charcoal burner in the Gazi area, they destroyed the kilns and drowned the charcoal



CHARCOAL BURNING
23/02/14

A charcoal pit was found and destroyed in the Gazi area by the team. The charcoal burners were not found



POACHER'S HIDE
26/02/2014

The Nyati (Tiva) team uncovered a poacher's hide in the Sheldrick Blind area, which had been recently used. They destroyed the hide



POACHER'S HIDE
26/02/14

The team uncovered another fresh poacher's hide. They destroyed the hide and all apparatus and belongings left behind



SHOOTING BLIND
28/02/14

A poacher's blind was found and destroyed near a waterhole. The blind was constructed to shoot at elephants with bows and arrows

