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**DE-SNARING REPORT
NOVEMBER 2013
ZIWANI/SIMBA TEAM**



Ziwani/Simba Team

De-Snaring Report for November, 2013

Participants

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Marayion Lelekoiten
Peterson Kivara
Joseph Macharia
Ali Diba
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Areas Patrolled

Mbulia
Kichwa Tembo
Kifaru
Kishushe Ranch
Lake Jipe
Maktau
Kangenchwa
Mashoti
Ziwani
Murka
Oza Ranch
Salt Lick
Shasha Camp
Taita Hills Sanctuary
Teru Ranch
Manyani

Arrests

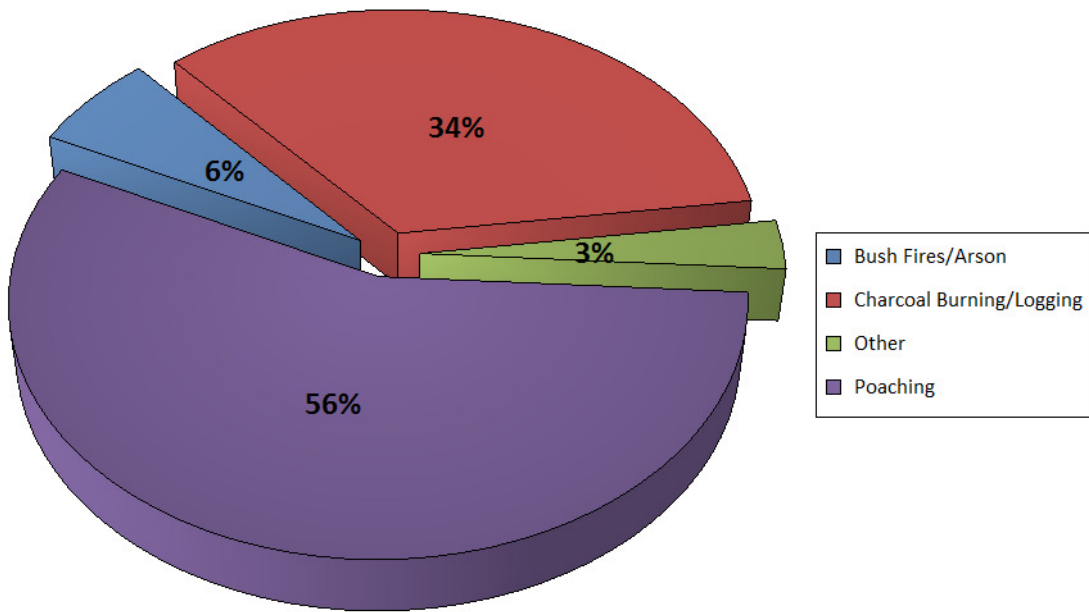
3 Arrest(s) this month



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Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





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Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
1	Dikdik	Natural	Predation	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)
1	Kudu Lesser	Natural	Predation	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)
1	Buffalo	Poached	Snared	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)
1	Elephant	Poached	Arrowing	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)



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Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	24
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	10
Medium Wire	Medium	Scattered	35
Medium Wire	Medium	Cluster	37
Cable	Large	Scattered	9
Cable	Large	Line	1
Cable	Large	Cluster	11

Total Snares Collected: 127



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Monthly Summary

Areas of Operation:

Maktau/Ndololo

On patrol in the Maktau/Ndololo area nine large cable snares were discovered on the 10th as well as 5 small and 7 medium snares. Close to where the snares had been set the team spotted a sack that had been abandoned. It is thought that the sack was intended to carry bush meat because of its close proximity to so much snaring activity.

Oza ranch

A patrol to Oza ranch was in response to a tip from an informer regarding illegal activity going on in a particular area. The tip led the team to the location of two men in the middle of cooking bush meat and later to a group of three men in the middle of a charcoal-burning operation. Unfortunately, two of the three men made a run for it when they spotted the rangers and only one was apprehended. The team did, however, confiscate several tools including a machete, an axe, a spade and a jembe (hoe).

On separate occasions, evidence of illegal logging and charcoal burning were also discovered on the ranch. A total of seven charcoal kilns were destroyed, and because of the large amount of activity discovered, an informer has been asked to monitor the area and alert the team of any suspicious activity in the future.

Manyani

Manyani was patrolled in response to a tip as well. This time it was believed that prisoners from the local prison were laying snares. A total of nine snares were found and a charcoal kiln was destroyed in the same area.

Mburia ranch

On patrol on Mburia ranch 16 medium-sized snares and ten small-sized snares were lifted. Simba team also discovered a recently emptied kiln and later the carcass of a recently killed elephant. The carcass was estimated to be only one week old and had already been discovered by members of Mburia ranch's security team who three days later were able to track down the poacher with the help of KWS. After some persuasion, the poacher was convinced to lead them to the stashed ivory, which weighed 35 kg.

Sagala area (Teri ranch)

Responding to a report of a snared camel, the team investigated Teri ranch near Sagala hill. They caught the trail of someone setting snares and were able to lift a total of twenty-three recently set snares. The poacher must have heard the team coming because they discovered a sack with charcoal and 2 kg of bushmeat in it.

Ziwani

Very little illegal activity was found here aside from a group of cows grazing inside the park without a herder. They were driven out of the Park by the team before continuing on patrol.

Salt Lick Lodge Area

A total of 30 snares were removed from animal trails in this area: 19 medium-sized and 11 large. However, no arrests were made.



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KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Ziwani/Simba	Samuel, Mwangi	17
Ziwani/Simba	Mohammed, Dube	15
Ziwani/Simba	Jacob, Muriithi	1
Ziwani/Simba	Eric, Loruman	1
Ziwani/Simba	Abbas, Mohammed	21
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Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 56



Monthly Synopsis

Simba Team (Ziwani)

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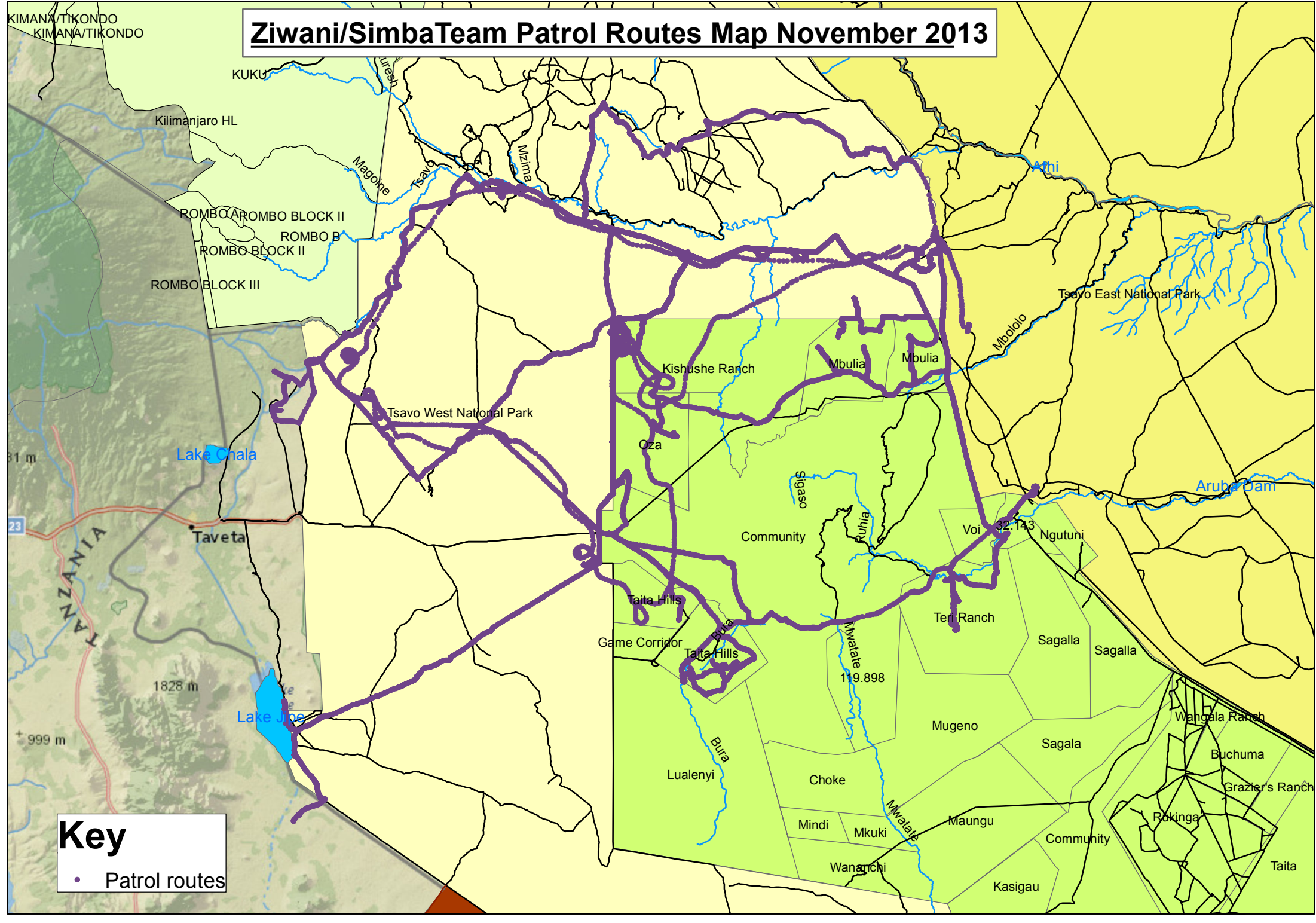
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Kishushe ranch

Simba team did not spot any illegal activity on the ranch during routine patrols; however, the team was called upon to assist in locating an injured elephant that had been spotted. A joint effort between Simba, the pilot from the air, and the veterinary unit resulted in the elephant's successful treatment.

Ziwani/Simba Team Patrol Routes Map November 2013



Key
• Patrol routes

Ziwani/Simba Team November 2013 Desnaring Report Photographs



Lifting medium snares game at Salt lick area.



Poached elephant at a dam in Mbulia



Old elephant remains at Murka area



Destroying a recently vacated poacher's hideout.