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**DE-SNARING REPORT  
JANUARY 2012**

**BURRA TEAM**



## **Burra Team**

### **De-Snaring Report for January, 2012**

#### **Participants**

Samuel	Adero
Peter	Kariuki
Pilius	Lekeele
Henry	Lekochoere
Samuel	Masaku

#### **Areas Patrolled**

Irima  
Lion Hill  
Manyani  
Mbulia  
Mzima Water Pipeline  
Ndara  
Ndi  
Sagalla Ranch

#### **Arrests**

6 Arrest(s) this month



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#### Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

##### Illegal Activities

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Sagalla	6.67%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Sagalla	6.67%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Mbulia	6.67%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Sagalla	8.33%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Ndii	8.33%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Mbulia	8.33%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	2	Irima	16.67%	Commercial	No

\* 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all de-snaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.



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

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
1	Buffalo	Poached	Predation	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	Line	86
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	12
Thin Wire	Large	Cluster	4
Cable	Large	Cluster	11

**Total Snares Collected: 113**



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#### Monthly Summary

The Team was off-duty from 29th Dec to the 11th January upon returning, the team began its operations by visiting Sagalla ranch which yielded quite a few snares, majority of which were targeting dikdiks and impala's. The Team had difficulty in tracing the snares because they were scattered and no fence barriers were used. The Team came across an elephant carcass with its tusks missing (cut off) and it is believed the animal was poached using poisoned arrows. The team also found a buffalo carcass and we believe it was killed by predation (natural cause of death).

During the second week of operation the team patrolled Mbulia ranch which borders the Tsavo West National Park as well as Tsavo East National Park, this area serves as an important animal migratory corridor. The team managed to arrest one poacher while he came to check on his snares and the following day while patrolling the same area, another poacher escaped arrest and left behind 86 small snares which he was in the process of setting along animal paths. The team lifted two big snares targeting elephants and also found a shooting platform which is had been recently used, this platform was destroyed. The team also patrolled along the Mzima water pipeline and came across two poacher's footprints which were several days old.

During operations in Ndii /Irima area two poachers were arrested with being in possession of 96kgs of bushmeat and their poaching apparatus. The poachers are new comers in the area, they were from the Wakamba community from Kibwezi. They had moved to this area, residing with the Kamba community living along Nairobi- Mombasa road at Ndii. Their primary poaching technique was a lamping at night. They were booked at Voi police station. During patrols in these areas herds of buffaloes and elephants had been sighted, but twelve big snares were lifted, indicating the vulnerability of these herds. The team is trying to focus much of its efforts in this area to make sure animals remain safe.

On the fourth week of the month the team visited Manyani area. They managed to arrest three illegal livestock herders inside the park; they were booked at the Voi police station.

Report compiled by Henry Lekochere.



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#### KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Burra	Omar, Zachary	8
Burra	Nicholas, Ileri	3
Burra	Ndungu,	3
Burra	Mercy, Jepkosgei	3
Burra	Jackson, Chabulimu	1
Burra	Indra, Achieng	3
Burra	Hillary, Kiprono	2
Burra	Gladys, Ruto	2
Burra	Geofrey, Ikutwa	3
Burra	Francis, Otieno	4
Burra	Florence, Abae	1
Burra	Beatrice, Mitei	1



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Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Burra	Ali, Ibrahim	4

**Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 38**



Poacher arrested with bush meat at Ndi





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A large snare along an animal path at the Mbulia Park boundary



A Team member destroying a shooting platform at Mbulia



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Illegal livestock grazing in the Park



A poacher arrested with snares



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Team member lifting snares at Sagalla



Many snares left behind by a poacher as he escapes from the Team



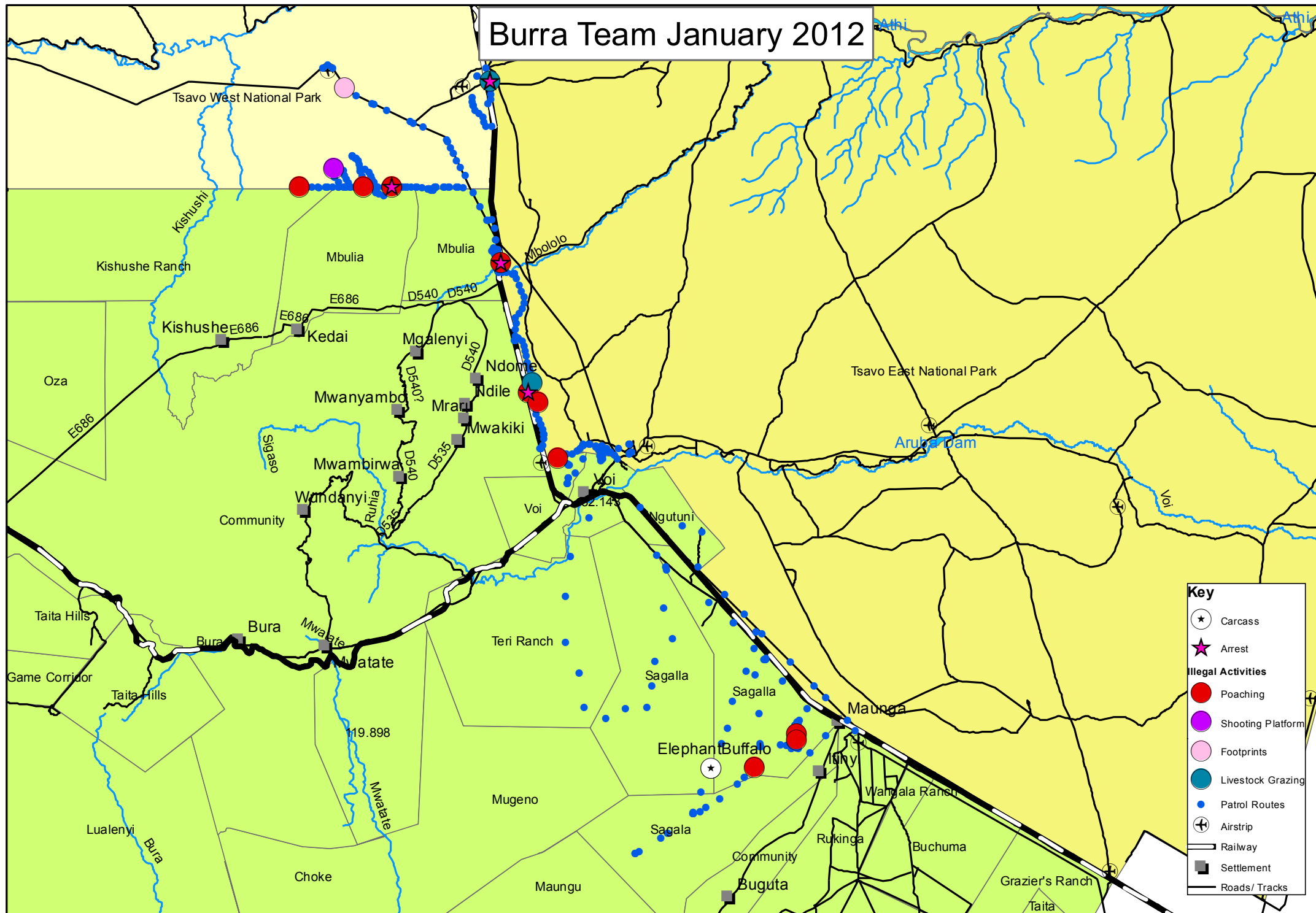
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Snares left behind by a fleeing poacher

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**Key**

- (White circle with black star) Carcass
- (Pink star) Arrest
- Illegal Activities**
- (Red circle) Poaching
- (Purple circle) Shooting Platform
- (Pink circle) Footprints
- (Teal circle) Livestock Grazing
- (Blue circle) Patrol Routes
- (Circle with cross) Airstrip
- (Thick black line) Railway
- (Grey square) Settlement
- (Thin black line) Roads/ Tracks