



ANTI-POACHING UNITS

MONTHLY REPORT

**FEBRUARY 2014**

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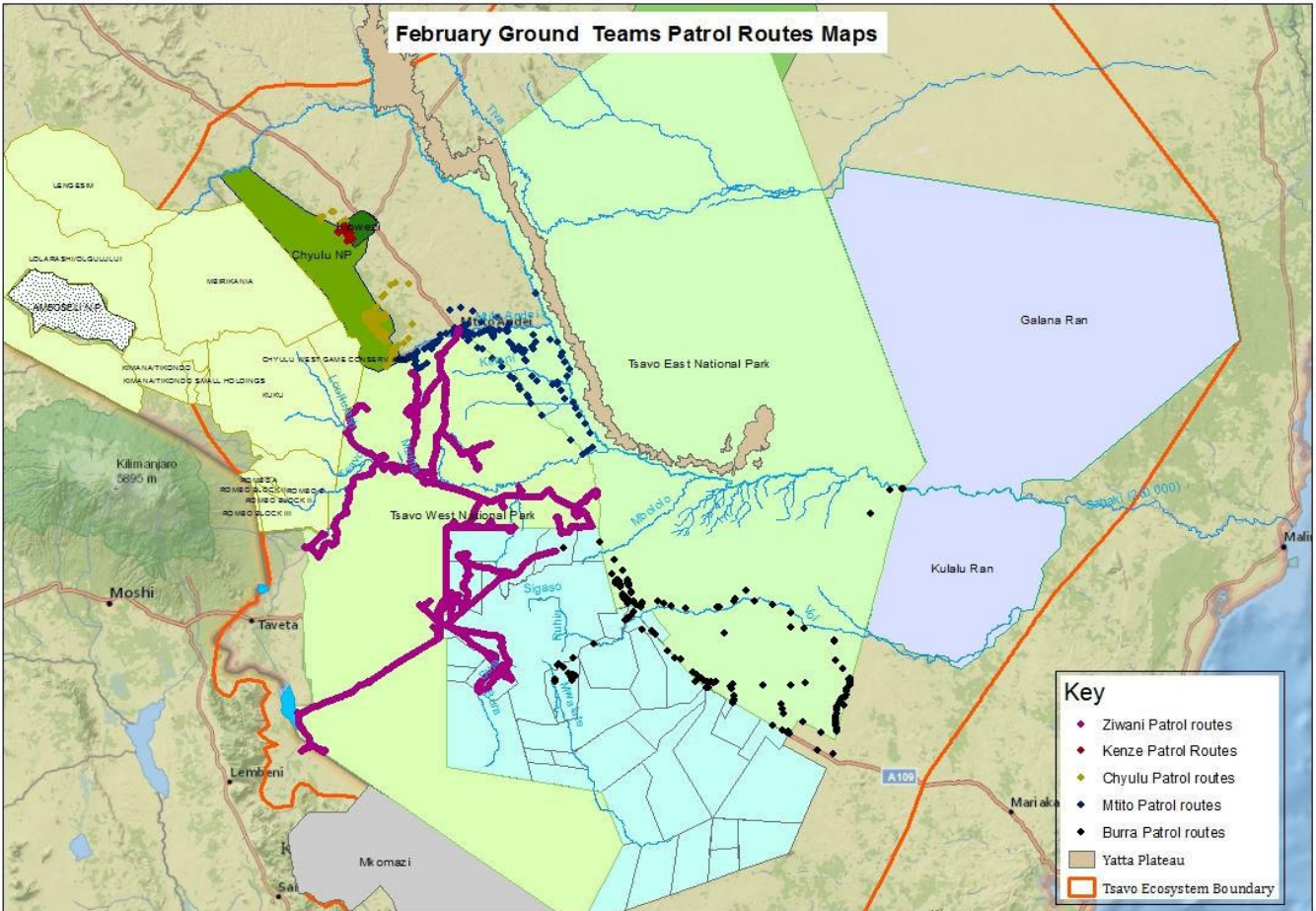
## MONTHLY SUMMARY: ALL UNITS

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

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.

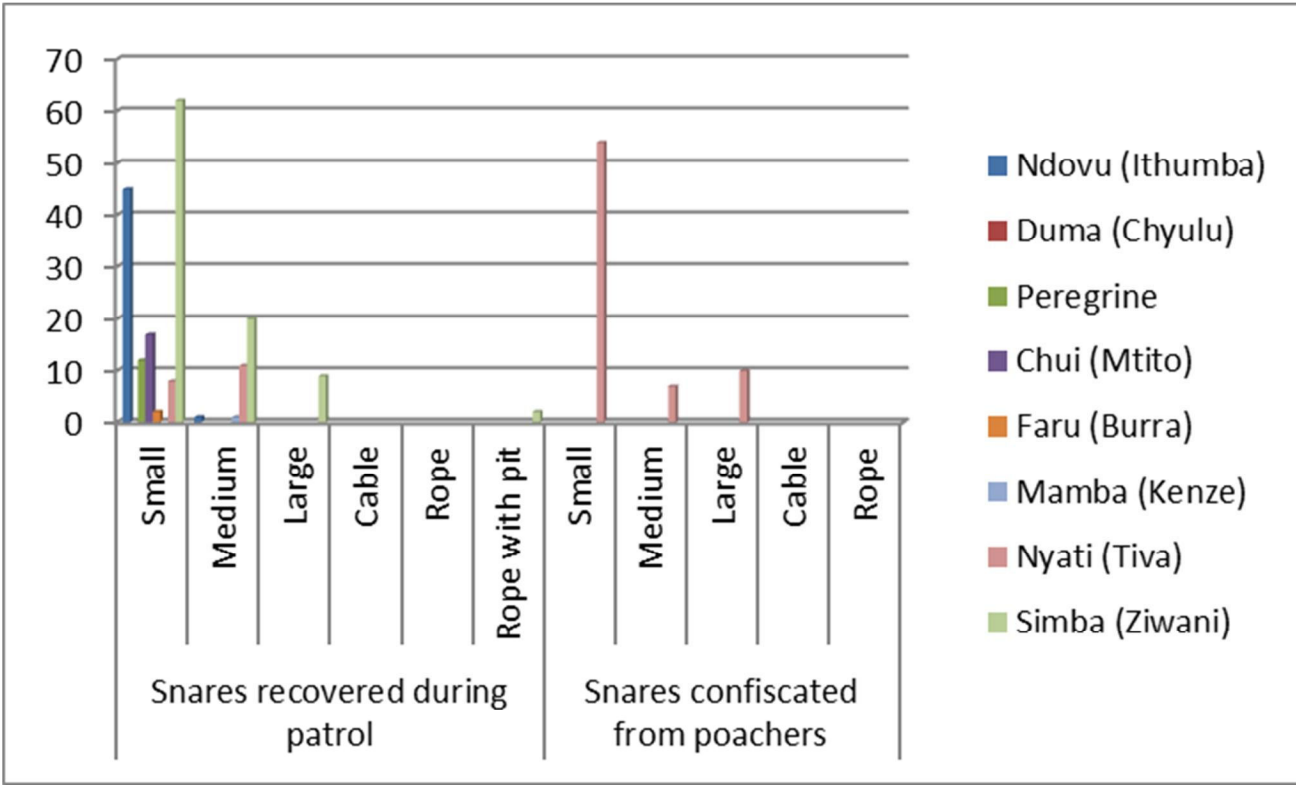
There were still large amounts of charcoal burning taking place in the Park and it is worth noting that there were several instances of charcoal burners also participating in bush meat poaching, evidenced by paraphernalia discovered in their camps or on their person such as snares. Several arrests of 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

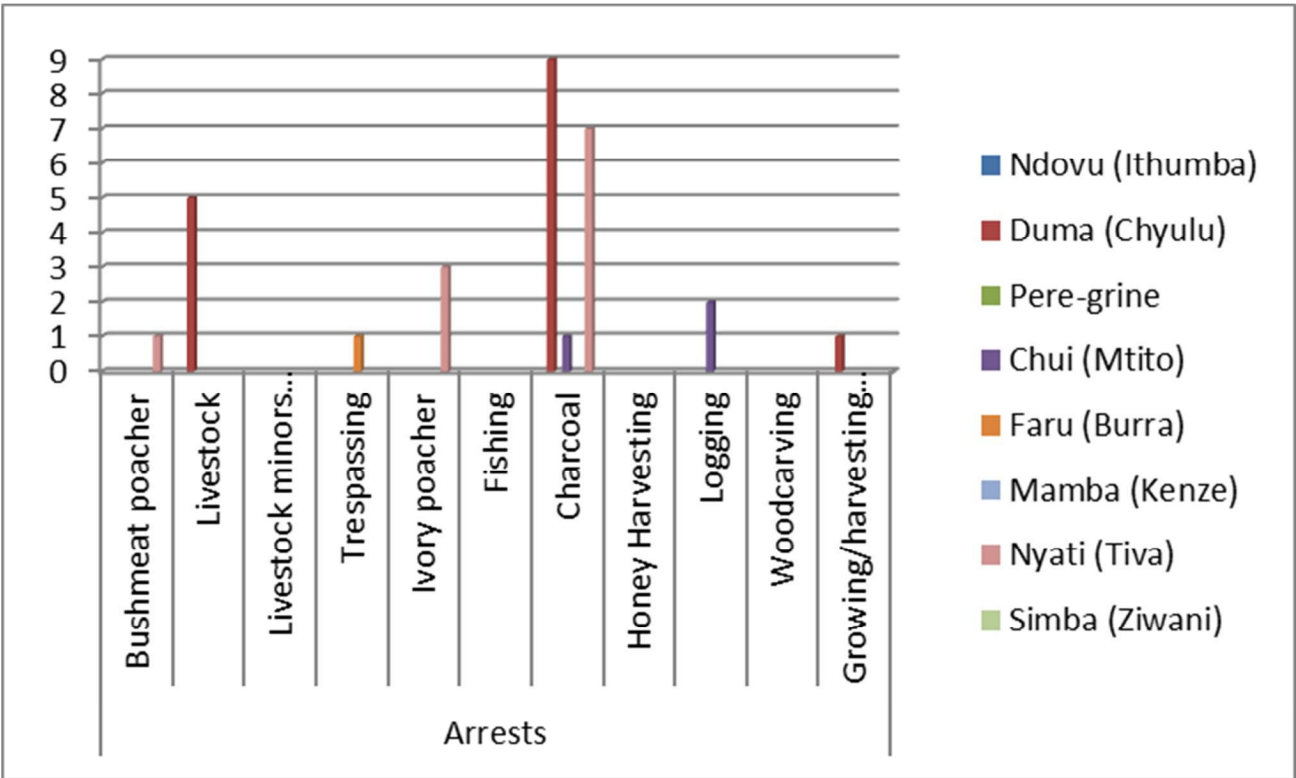




**TOTAL SNARES COLLECTED - February 2014 - All Teams**



**TOTAL ARRESTS MADE - February 2014 - All Teams**

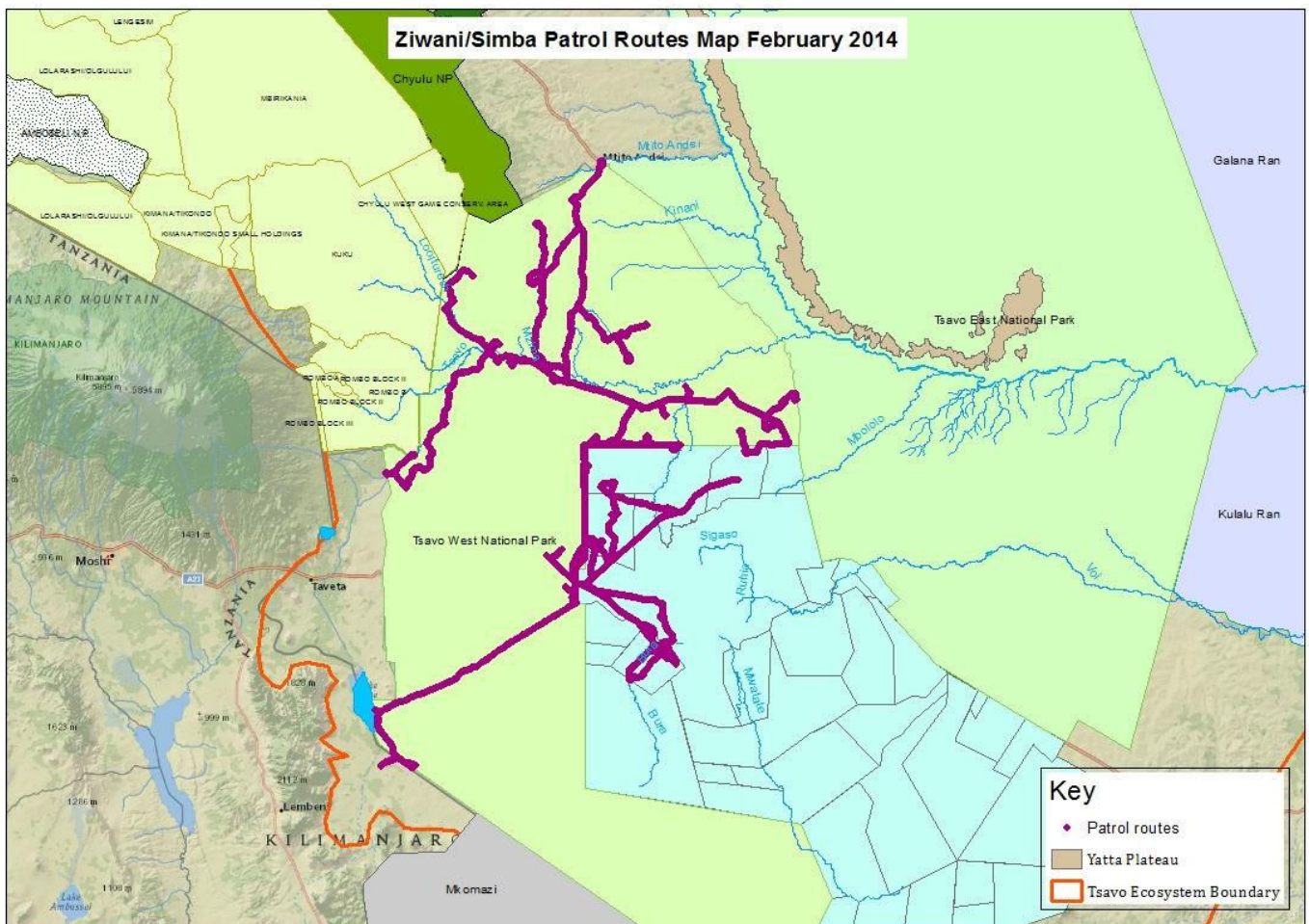


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## ZIWANI TEAM

PATROL AREA: Central sector of Tsavo West NP south of the Tsavo River

### MAP OF MONTHLY PATROL ROUTES



**SECURITY & INCIDENTS**

**SNARES LIFTED  
3/02/2014**

The Simba (Ziwani) team patrolled the Kishushe area and uncovered and confiscated several snares and found several snared dik-diks



**CHARCOAL BURNING  
11/02/14**

The team found a new charcoal kiln ready to be lit, but the charcoal burners had fled the site. They destroyed the kiln.



**REMOVED SNARES  
13/02/14**

The team noted poaching activities in the Kichwa Tembo area having uncovered an old camp



**POACHER'S HIDEOUT**  
13/02/2014

A fresh poacher's hideout was found within the Park boundaries. The poachers had recently fled the site and left belongings



**SHOOTING PLATFORM**  
13/02/14

The team found a shooting platform in a tree within the Kichwa Tembo area. The platform was destroyed



**REMOVED SNARES**  
13/02/14

The team picked up several snares throughout the Kichwa Tembo area, confiscating everything they found



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**RHINO TRACKS**  
16/02/2014

The Simba (Ziwani) team saw fresh rhino prints, the location of which have been withheld for security reasons



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**ILLEGAL STRUCTURES**  
17/02/14

The team uncovered illegal wooden structures within the Park and destroyed them



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**SHOOTING BLIND**  
18/02/14

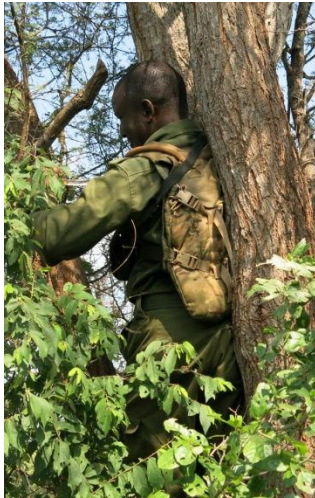
A fresh shooting blind was found and destroyed in the Mbu area by the team.





**SNARES LIFTED**  
19/02/2014

The Simba (Ziwani) team found and destroyed yet another poaching platform in a tree aimed at targeting elephants



**LIFTING SNARES**  
20/02/14

Snare were found and confiscated in the Maktau area and a predated snared hartebeest was found



**SHOOTING BLIND**  
25/02/14

The DSWT's aerial surveillance unit spotted a poacher's hide from the air on a daily patrol. The team with GPS coordinates destroyed the hide



