

De-Snaring Report for August, 2011

Participants

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Lemanten	Labarakwe
Noah	Lesimirdana
James	Lodungokiyok
Stephen	Musau
Patrick	Mutuku

Areas Patrolled

Ithumba Hill Kalovoto Kyae Rock Kyamanyenze Macho Kombo Masobo Mathae Tundani Kanziku Gate

Arrests

1 Arrest(s) this month

Illegal Activities

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentag	je Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kalovoto	2.94%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Mathea	5.56%	Commercial	No
Livestock Grazing , Fresh Tracks	1	Kalovoto	50.00%	Commercial	No

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Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentag	je Scale	Arrests
Poachers' Hideout(s), Old Hideout	1	Kalovoto	16.67%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Kalovoto	5.88%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Tundani	5.88%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Kyae Rock	12.50%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Kalovoto	5.56%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kalovoto	2.94%	Commercial	Yes
Shooting Platform , Snaring - Large Game	1	Tundani	50.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kanziko	2.94%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kyae Rock	2.94%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Macho Kombo	2.94%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Mathea	2.94%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Tundani	2.94%	Commercial	No
Shooting Platform , Fresh Hideout	1	Kasaala	50.00%	Commercial	No
Shooting Platform , Snaring - Large Game	1	Macho Kombo	50.00%	Commercial	No



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Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Kyamanyenze	12.50%	Commercial	No

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

Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	13
Thin Wire	Small	Line	5
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	41
Thin Wire	Medium	Line	64
Thin Wire	Large	Line	1
	Total Snares	s Collected: 12	24

Monthly Summary



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The august patrols were intensive due to the pressure the poachers had put on the Tsavo East northern area the previous month. The areas of concern were the water points and around the Ithumba stockade. The poachers have their sights on the area near the Ithumba stockade due to large numbers of wild elephants which are coming to drink water at the stockade. The poachers are trailing elephant's close to the stockade and wait for them as they make their way to feeding grounds along regular trails. Around Ithumba hill poachers accidentally bumped in to the elephant keepers in the evening, they dropped their belongings and ran away, the keepers called the Ithmuba Team who immediately came to the site in search of the poachers. The Team found where they had illegally harvested honey.

The Team managed to arrest a poacher at Kalovoto stream when he was checking on his snares. He had 27 snares which included the fence wire which had been reported stolen on 25/7/2011. He was booked at Mutomo police station. The Team laid an ambush near kyamanyenze in hopes of catching more poachers to no avail and later managed to lift over 30 snares. The poachers are taking great care to cover their tracks when crossing the fence line.

Along Tiva River the poachers are digging wells near the edge of the river so that they can draw animals near their shooting hideouts. The Team lifted 41 snares at macho-kobo area.

The clearing of Masobo road continued for the second month. The casuals managed to finish the remaining part of the road and moved to the Masobo airstrip which was in very bad shape. It had overgrown commiphora Africana which needed to be uprooted. They were able to finish clearing on 27/8/2011.



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Poacher arrested at Kalovoto



Casuals clearing the roads



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Poached elephant carcass near Mathae



Logging at Kanziko area



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Team member removing snares



Poacher's shooting hide along the Tiva



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Shooting platform at Macho Kombo

