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



## Ziwani/Simba Team

### De-Snaring Report for September, 2013

#### Participants

Samuel Ndegwa  
Marayion Lelekoiten  
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Joseph Macharia

#### Areas Patrolled

Taita Hills Sanctuary  
Salt Lick  
Oza Ranch  
Ngulia  
Mzima Springs  
Mbulia  
Manyani  
Manda  
Maktau  
Lake Jipe  
Kishushe Ranch  
Kichwa Tembo  
Kangenchwa

#### Arrests

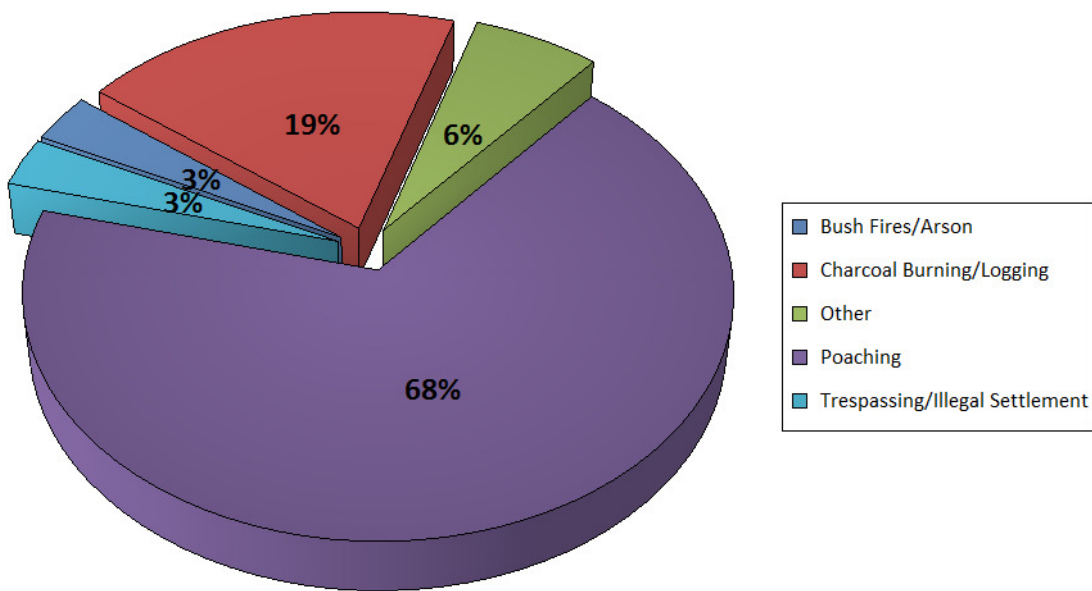
3 Arrest(s) this month



## Ziwani/Simba Team

### De-Snaring Report for September, 2013

#### Main Illegal Activities experienced during the Month





## Ziwani/Simba Team

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#### Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	63
Medium Wire	Medium	Scattered	40
Cable	Large	Scattered	31
Cable	Large	Line	4

**Total Snares Collected: 138**



## Ziwani/Simba Team

### De-Snaring Report for September, 2013

#### Monthly Summary

##### Abstract

The month of September was a busy one for the team as we continued tackling the poaching menace on the southern side of Tsavo. The team revisited all the poaching hotspots that had been identified during the previous patrols and even patrolled in new areas. The team lifted ninety six snares, destroyed seven shooting platforms of which two were active. Poacher hideouts were also identified and destroyed. We also recovered three tusks two of which were from a young elephant carcass while the other one was recovered after chasing some poachers. Four poachers who had disguised themselves as charcoal burners were arrested. The number of wild animals seen during the patrols increased with the endangered and rare species such as the rhinoceros, leopard and the wild dogs being recorded.

##### Kangenchwa Area

The area was characterized by series of illegal activities. The team sighted and destroyed seven shooting platform two of which were active. After trailing recently spotted poacher's footprints we recovered an elephant ivory which we took to KWS safe house at Komboyo Headquarters.

##### Taita Hill Sanctuary and Salt lick area

In this area the team was accompanied by the sanctuary guide and a trainee in the sanctuary. During the patrol the team managed to lift a number of large and medium snares. We also cited a recent bush fire that seems to have originated from the charcoal kiln adjacent the area.

##### One Tree/Mzima Spring area

Fresh activities of an endangered and rare animal by the name of black rhinoceros were sighted and reported for close monitoring; in the same area a leopard den was also noted.

##### Kishushe area

The area was characterized by massive logging activities which had with time dwindled down to the current manageable levels. When the team patrolled the area, only previous vegetation degradation was evident. On 26th of the month an elephant carcass was reported which the team attended to immediately thereby recovering the tusk intact. We cut the two tusks and took them in a safe house at Komboyo Headquarter.

##### Maktau/Oza Ranch

This being an area neighboring community land at Maktau side, it is more prone to illegal activities like bush meat selling, charcoal burning and elephant poaching. During the month's operation, the team managed to apprehend four poachers that had disguised themselves as charcoal burners; they were in possession of seven snares. In the same locality, the team also lifted a large cable targeting elephants.

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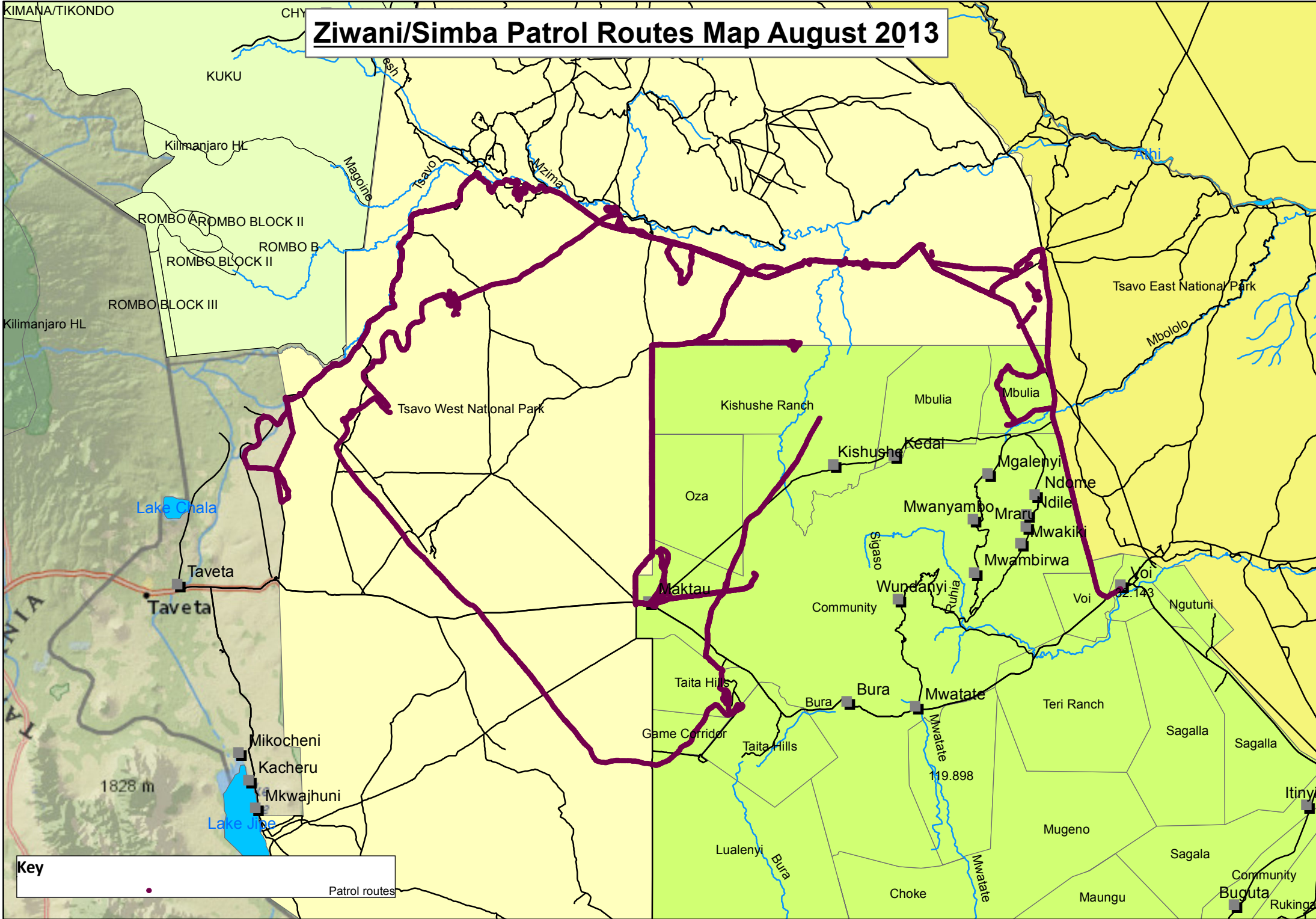
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#### KWS Ranger Participation

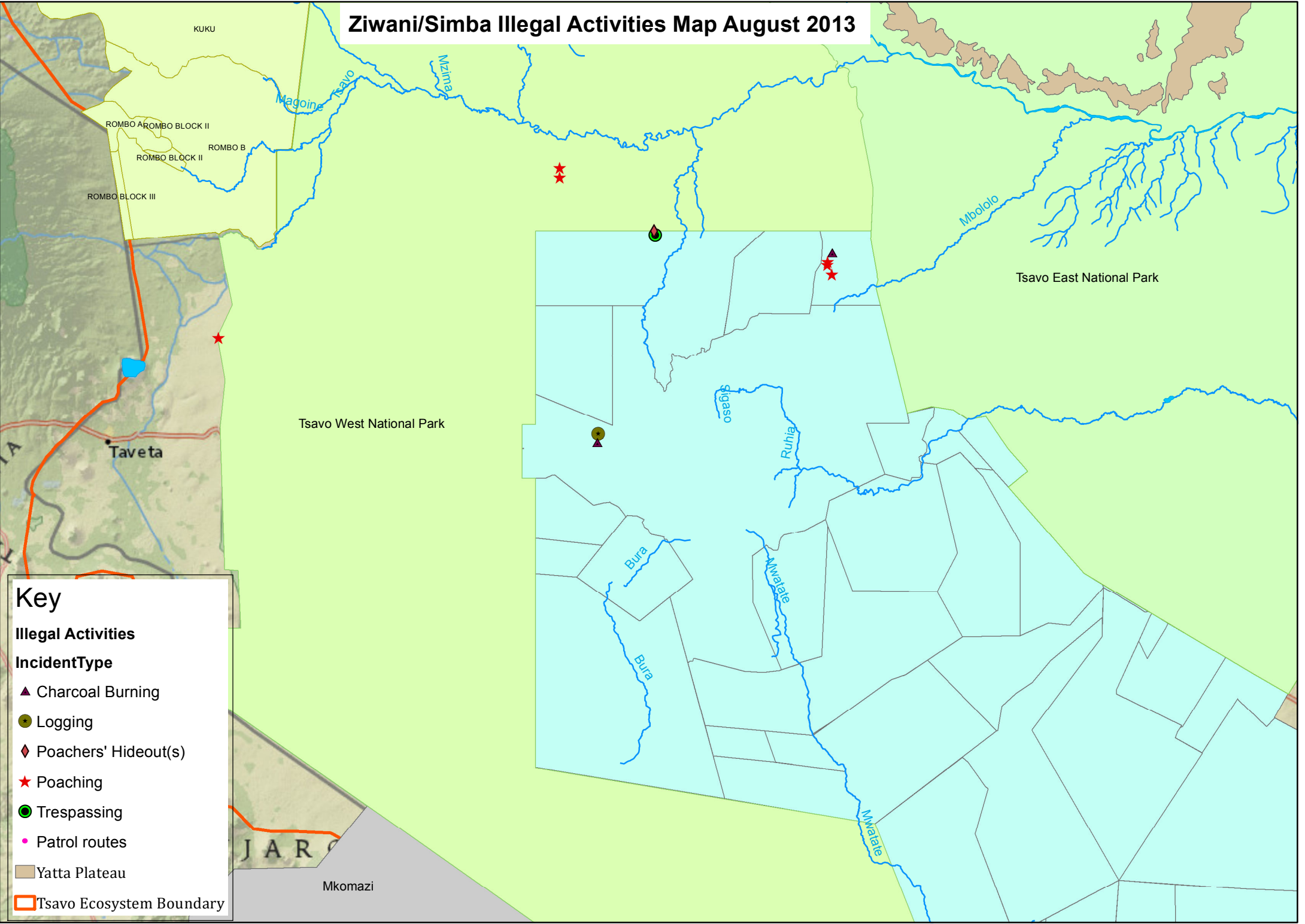
Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days
Ziwani/Simba	Suleiman, Kombo	25
Ziwani/Simba	Stephen, Tanui	1
Ziwani/Simba	Stephen, Kimutai	4
Ziwani/Simba	Stephen, Kimutahi	1
Ziwani/Simba	Stephen, Kimtaiu	1
Ziwani/Simba	Joseph, Mwadime	19
Ziwani/Simba	Eric, Loruman	10
Ziwani/Simba	,	2

**Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 63**

# Ziwani/Simba Patrol Routes Map August 2013



# Ziwani/Simba Illegal Activities Map August 2013



## Key

### Illegal Activities

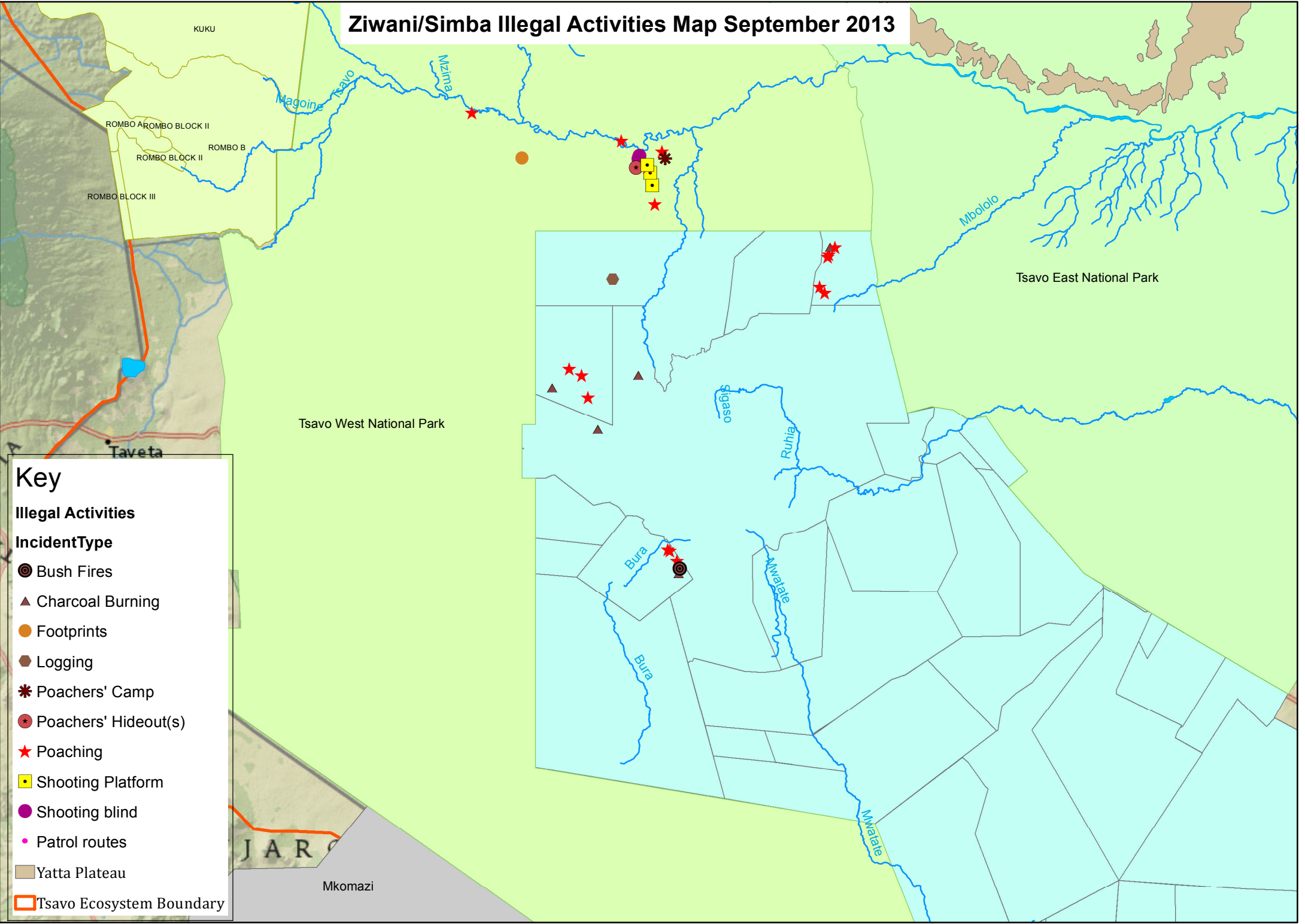
#### IncidentType

- ▲ Charcoal Burning
- Logging
- ◆ Poachers' Hideout(s)
- ★ Poaching
- Trespassing
- Patrol routes

- Yatta Plateau
- ▭ Tsavo Ecosystem Boundary



# Ziwani/Simba Illegal Activities Map September 2013



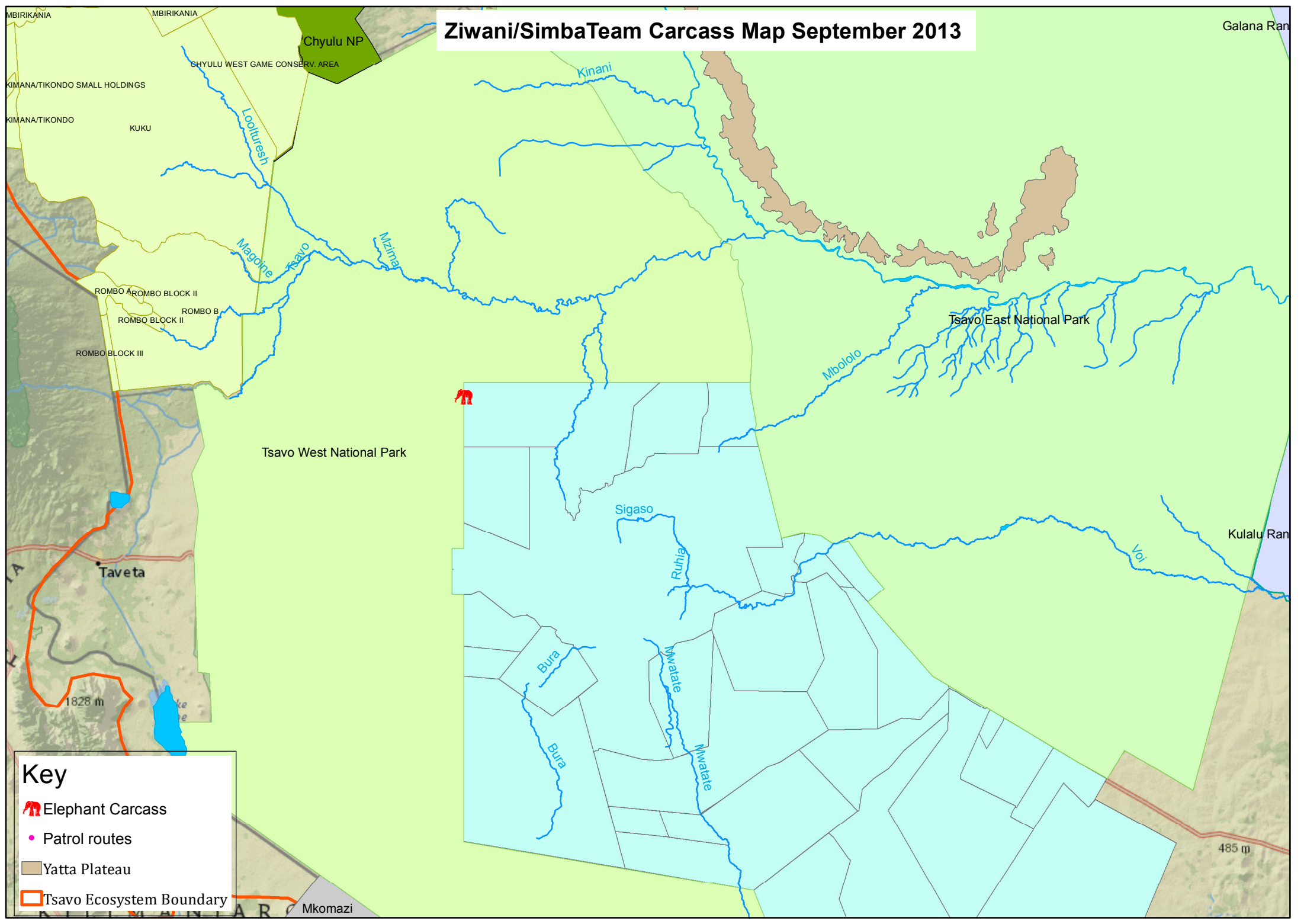
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### Illegal Activities

### IncidentType

- 🕒 Bush Fires
- ▲ Charcoal Burning
- Footprints
- 🪓 Logging
- ✳️ Poachers' Camp
- 🕒 Poachers' Hideout(s)
- ★ Poaching
- 🏠 Shooting Platform
- 👤 Shooting blind
- ⬭ Patrol routes
- 🏞️ Yatta Plateau
- 📏 Tsavo Ecosystem Boundary

# Ziwani/SimbaTeam Carcass Map September 2013



**Key**

- Elephant Carcass
- Patrol routes
- Yatta Plateau
- Tsavo Ecosystem Boundary

**Ziwani/Simba Team September 2013 Desnaring Report Photographs**



**A bird trap found at Oza ranch.**



**Destroying a shooting platform.**



**A young elephant carcass found with tusk still intact .**



**Elephant ivory found at Kangenchwa area.**



**Old shooting platform found at Kichwa Tembo area.**



**Team searching poacher's tools at Kichwa Tembo.**



**Team removing tusks from the elephant carcass.**



**Team member lifting a snare at Taita hills Sanctuary.**