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DE-SNARING REPORT SEPTEMBER 2012

TIVA/ITHUMBA TEAM



De-Snaring Report for September, 2012

Participants

Douglas Nyandika

Dennis Lemerwas

Edwin Githae

Joseph Macharia

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John Karani

Noah Lesimirdana

Bramuel Ireri

Areas Patrolled

Umbi Hill

Uma Uma

Tundani

Tharakana

Muvuko

Makuka

Lesilau Dam

Kyamanyenze

Kyae Rock

Kavaloto

Kasaala Powerline

Kasaala Gate

Ithumba

Gazi

Arrests

4 Arrest(s) this month

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Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Wood Carvers' Hideout(s) , Dry Wood	1	Gazi	100.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Ithumba	20.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Kyae Rock	16.67%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	2	Gazi	33.33%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Fresh Tracks	1	Thakarana	100.00%	Commercial	No
Logging , Lamping	1	Kiyemanyenza	100.00%	Commercial	No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	1	Gazi	33.33%	Commercial	No

 $^{^{\}star}$ 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all desnaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.

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Snares Collected

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated	
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	20	
Medium Wire	Medium	Scattered	14	

Total Snares Collected: 34

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Monthly Summary

During the month of September, the Ithumba and Tiva team worked together due to the fact that some staff were away for field training with KWS. The DSWT teams patrol with KWS Rangers; and towards the middle of the month there was a shortage of rangers available as many KWS Rangers were deployed at Ndiandasa area in response to an incidence whereby two men were in the Park carrying fire arms. The Tiva and Ithumba Team concentrated on desnaring patrols in Tundani, Tiva River, and Ithumba area. The Ithumba area needs close monitoring as it tends to attract animals due to water availability. In the areas patrolled, the team found shooting blinds, platforms and hideouts, all of which the team destroyed. At Umbi the Team intercepted illegal cut logs near Umbi fence line as they were about to be moved from the park, these logs were taken to KWS stores.

Towards the end of the month the team apprehended three charcoal burners and destroyed a number of fresh charcoal kilns as well as a pile of charcoal bags that were manufactured with wood from the Park. Sightings of predators such as lions, cheetahs and hyenas have increased as they tend to follow herbivores on their way to water points, which with the current drought, the water points are few.

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KWS Ranger Participation

Patrol Team	KWS Ranger Name	No. Patrol Days	
Tiva	Stephen, Wambugu	18	
Tiva	Peter, Odero	1	
Tiva	Mohammed, Abdikadir	2	
Tiva	Collins, Okoth	12	
Tiva	Boru, Denge	10	
Tiva	Boru, Denga	1	
Tiva	Ben, Karienkei	2	
Tiva	Antony, Mutisya	13	
Tiva	Antony, Motisya	1	

Total Man Days of KWS Participation: 60

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Destroying a fresh charcoal kilns

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Destroying a shooting platform at Gazi area

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Fresh poacher's cooking area at Tharakana

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Logs recovered near Umbi fenceline that were about to be removed from the Park

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Poacher's hideout inside a baobab tree

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Team patrolling Mathae area

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