


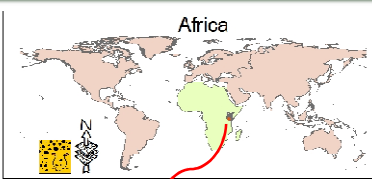
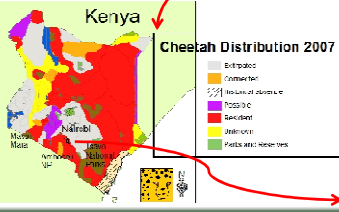
Conflict Mitigation - A Landscape and Community Approach

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From 2005 - 2010 Action for Cheetahs in Kenya worked in southeastern Kenya evaluating an ecosystem where human settlement was fragmenting the landscape where cheetahs were to dominant predator. This area is unique because lion, leopard and hyena numbers are low, thus providing the opportunity to develop model programs for cheetah conservation efforts in Kenya. This presentation will show the link between cheetahs, community and schools as we discover how best to reach the Kenyan public with the message of wildlife conservation. We have conducted a national survey of cheetahs in Kenya and identified areas where our conservation efforts can be the strongest for efforts to sustain the cheetah for future generations of tourists and local people who share their lives with this magnificent animal.

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Cheetah Distribution 2007

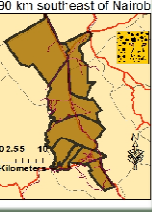
- Barotset
- Conifer
- No use of resource
- Possible
- Sufficient
- Open area
- Pasture and herbivores






Salama Study Site

- Study area
- Primary roads

30 km south east of Nairobi




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Cheetah Distribution

From 2004 - 2007 the national cheetah survey was conducted in collaboration with East African Wildlife Society, the Kenya Wildlife Service and local collaborators. The Salama site was selected because of cheetah persistence in an area along the edge of the southern population of cheetah distribution.

Location	Min	Max
Nakuru/Naivasha/Baringo/Bogoria(KWS/CCFK 2003)	17	30
Kisumu - KWS	38	60
Kisumu - Magadi	60	113
Lalipia(KWS/CCFK 2004)	77	214
Tsavo East, West, Taita	103	120
Samburu District	232	594
Isiolo/Meru District	136	175
Turkana District	37	54
Marsabit District	55	77
Mandera/Wair District	93	220
Garissa, Tana Ijira	72	83
TOTAL	920	1740



Research



Habitat monitoring - walking and driving game counts



Conflict investigation



Radio Telemetry

Community



Baraza - Public meetings



Workshops - Capacity building

- Cattle Dip
- Tree planting
- Bee Keeping



Cheetah Games



Schools



