

Zambian Carnivore Programme Fundraiser: 2022 Bikepacking The Great Divide Trail from Banff to Wyoming Final Report

Thank you, Johann! Through your sheer determination, intense effort, hard work, planning and grit you were able to raise \$7450 to support our carnivore conservation work in Zambia as a result of your Bikepacking fundraising efforts – an incredible feat. With these funds we have been able to purchase uniforms for all of our new team members. We built two tent platforms and purchased all weather tents for conservation teams and trainees to support our year-round field-based presence in our Greater Kafue Ecosystem field site. And we were able to purchase a GPS/satellite lion collar that allows us to continue with our intensive monitoring of large carnivores. Collars provide a wealth of data on population trends, dispersal, connectivity, and the locational data provides critical information on locations to mitigate the possibility of mortalities through snaring by-catch of carnivores.

On behalf of our entire team, we want to thank you for your ongoing support of large carnivore conservation in Zambia. We are grateful for all that you do!



Figs. 1 and 2 – Our Luangwa Valley field team properly fits a collar on an immobilized female lion as part of our long-term carnivore conservation work. The Luangwa is the country’s longest—and one of the region’s longest—such programmes.



Fig. 3 – Lucky Chama, a Senior Ecologist in our Greater Liuwa Ecosystem site, wears a ZCP uniform while working out in the field monitoring carnivores. (Andrew MacDonald)



Fig. 4 – A new tent and platform at Kafue camp for lodging new Junior Field Ecologist Moses Muwowo. The platform is necessary to keep the tent out of water during the wet season and the roof helps keep the tent cool as temperatures soar in the hot dry season.

Johann Vanzyl Bike Fundraiser Expenditures	
Satellite GPS Lion collar	\$2,020
New tents and platform construction at Kafue site	\$4,430
Team uniforms	\$1,000
Total raised	\$7,450

African Bushcamps Foundation Matching Funds	
Field team salaries	\$1,040
Camp food and supplies	\$2,581
Transport costs	\$138
Human-Carnivore Conflict Mitigation work	\$3,731
Total raised	\$7,490

Matching Funding from African Bushcamps Foundation

Thanks to Johann’s bike fundraiser, African Bushcamps Foundation decided to match the funds raised by Johann and donated an additional \$7490 to support our training programmes and field work. These funds contributed to our Human-Carnivore Conflict work by supporting community outreach activities and the purchase of materials to mitigate carnivore conflict with livestock. They also supported vehicle costs, camp costs, and one of our Women in Wildlife Conservation team members.

Thank you Beks Ndlovu and the entire African Bushcamps Foundation team for your generous donation – you are helping us reach our conservation goals!



Fig 5. Community Outreach Officer, Kabwe Chanda, discusses mitigation techniques for human-carnivore conflict with a women’s group in the Luangwa Valley.



Fig 6. ZCP's Human-Carnivore Conflict Mitigation team assists with the building of a predator proof enclosure aimed at mitigating carnivore conflict with livestock. Together with DNPW, CSL and CWET this project is the first of its kind in Zambia.