

WHV – United in Reducing Human Wildlife Conflict in Okavango Delta Communities

Okavango Delta, Botswana

Natural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage since 2014

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The Okavango Delta is home to some of the world's most endangered species of large mammal, such as the cheetah, white rhinoceros, black rhinoceros, African wild dog and lion. It is one of the very few major interior delta systems that do not flow into a sea or ocean, with a wetland system that is almost intact. It is an exceptional example of the interaction between climatic, hydrological and biological processes.

Project objectives:

Being implemented for the first time this year, the project aims at raising awareness on the challenges faced at the property, as well as at strengthening the relationship and collaboration between communities and local authorities regarding human-wildlife conflict reduction.

Project activities:

The volunteers will visit Khwai and Mababe communities to broaden their knowledge on the needs of this area, and organize and facilitate discussions on human-wildlife conflicts, involving local communities and volunteers. In order to sustainably raise awareness on environmental management, they will work with local youth in establishing environmental clubs and programmes. Under the supervision of the site management authorities, the main hands-on activity will be to gather the required materials and to build kraals, which are enclosures that keep cattle and livestock safe from predators.

Partners:

Khwai Development Trust, Mababe Zokotsama Community Development Trust, Department of Environmental Affairs (Maun).

The Moremi Lion Research Project

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