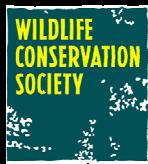


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Initiative Food Security, Rural Markets and  
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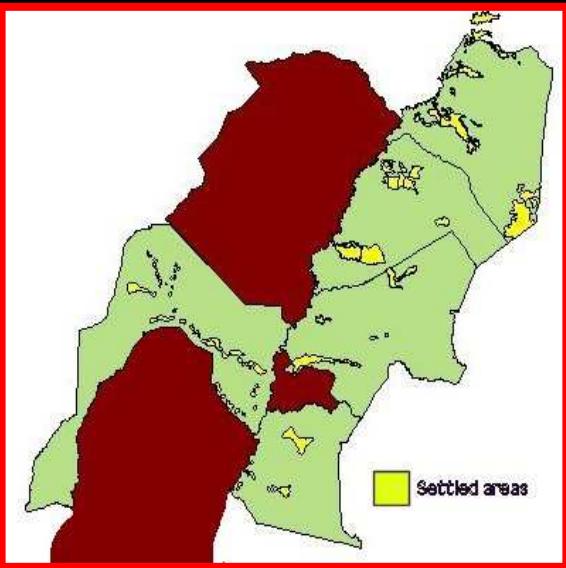
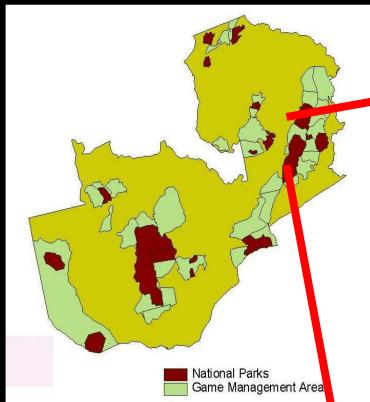
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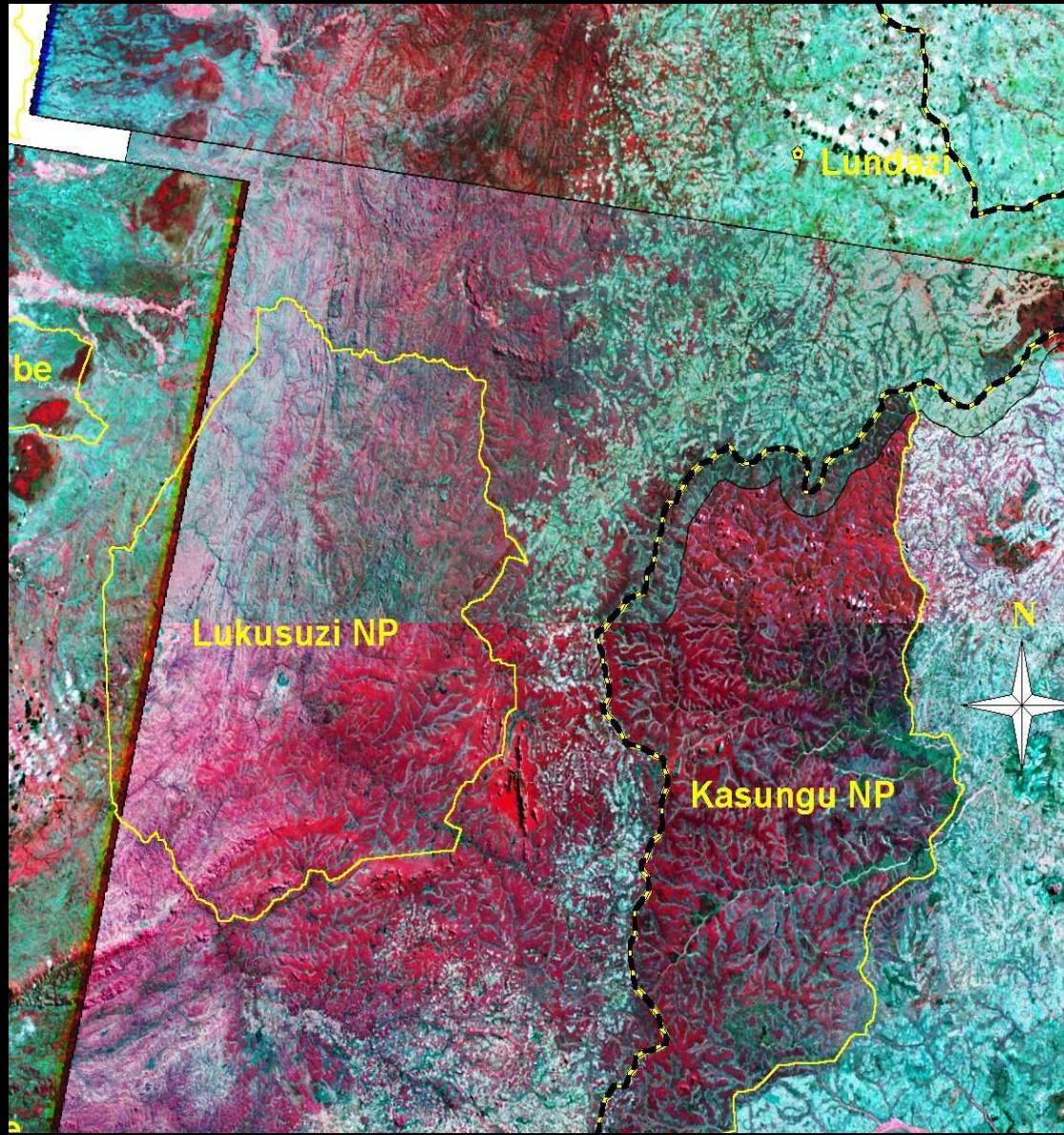
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# Pilot project Area



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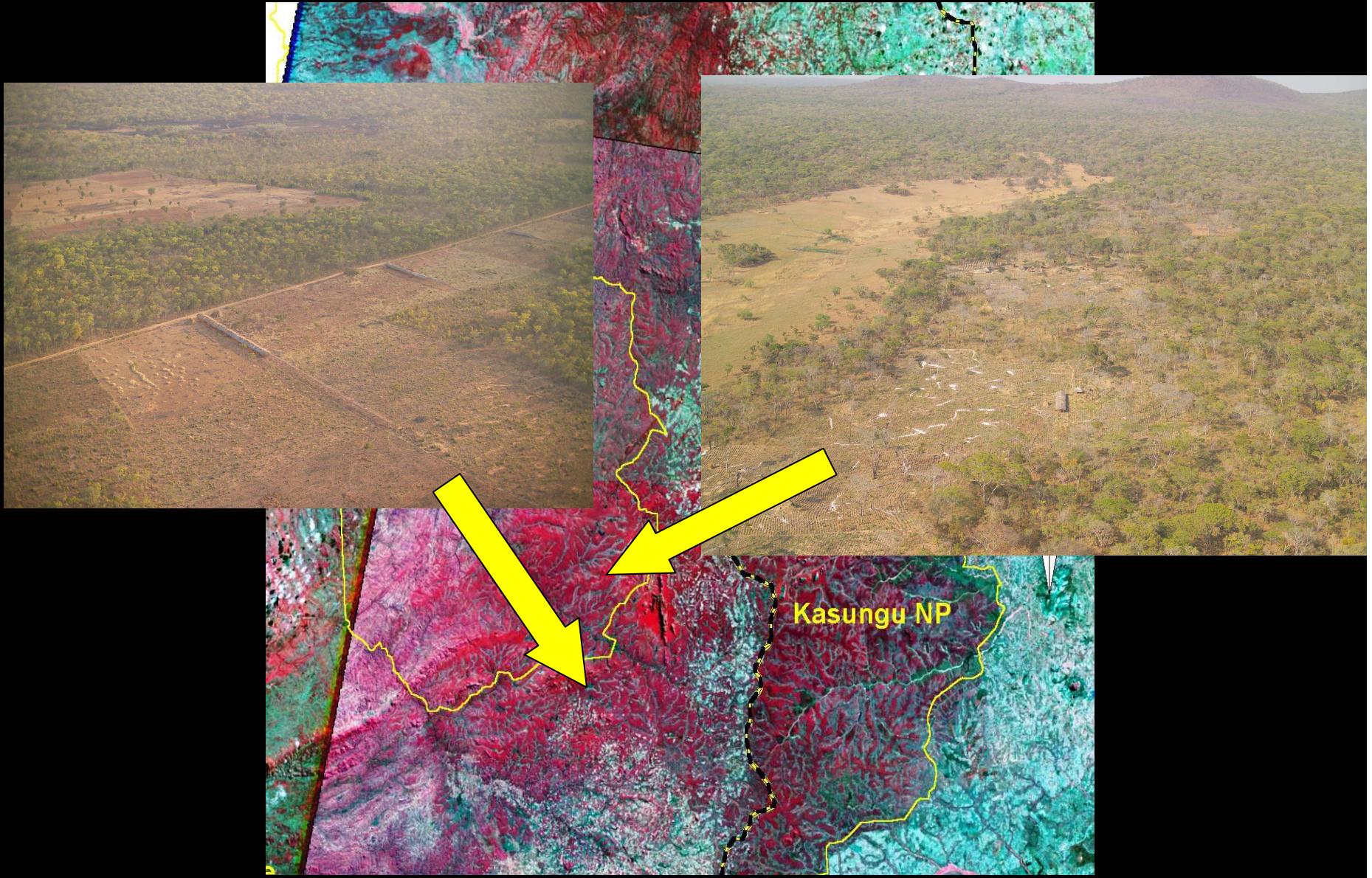
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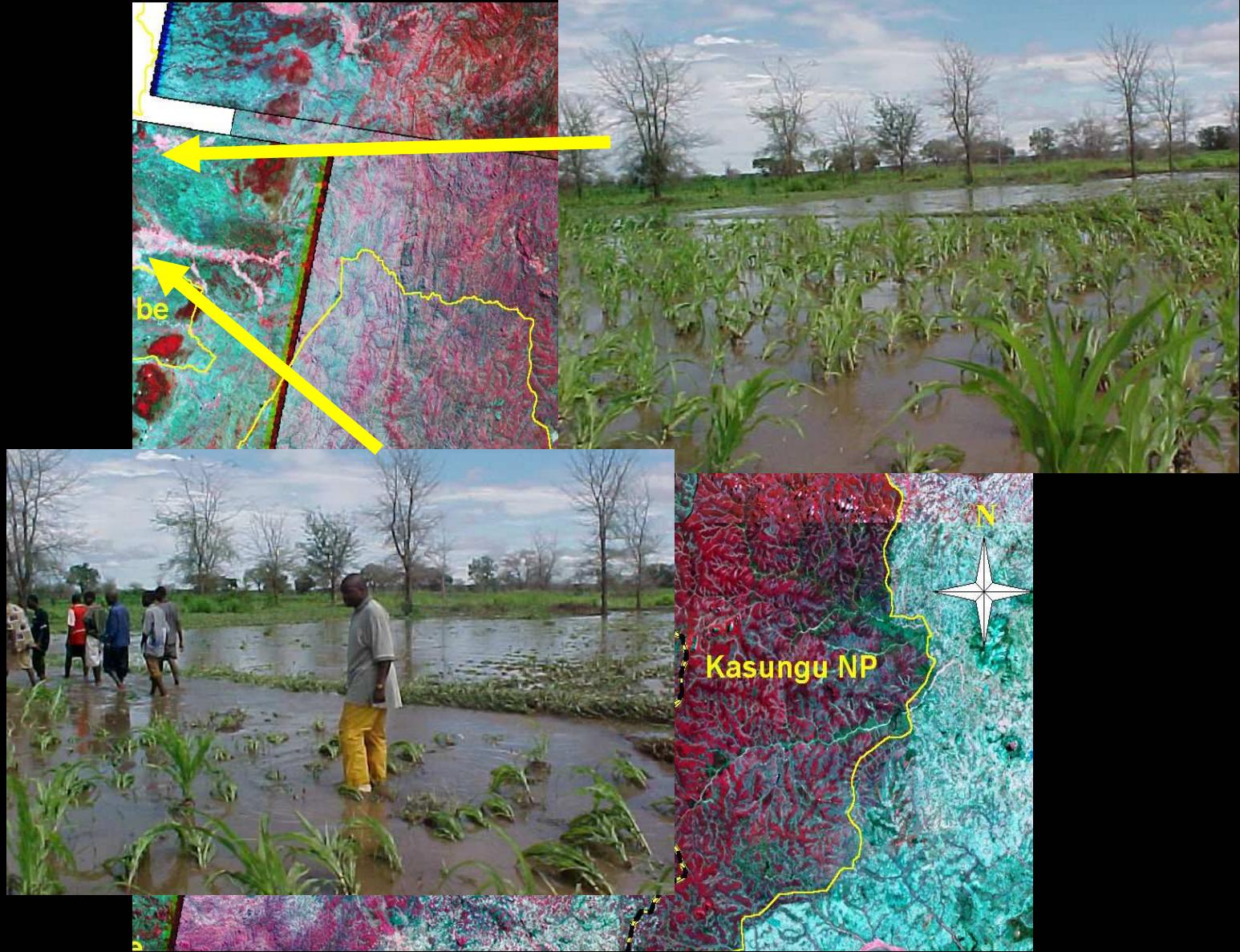
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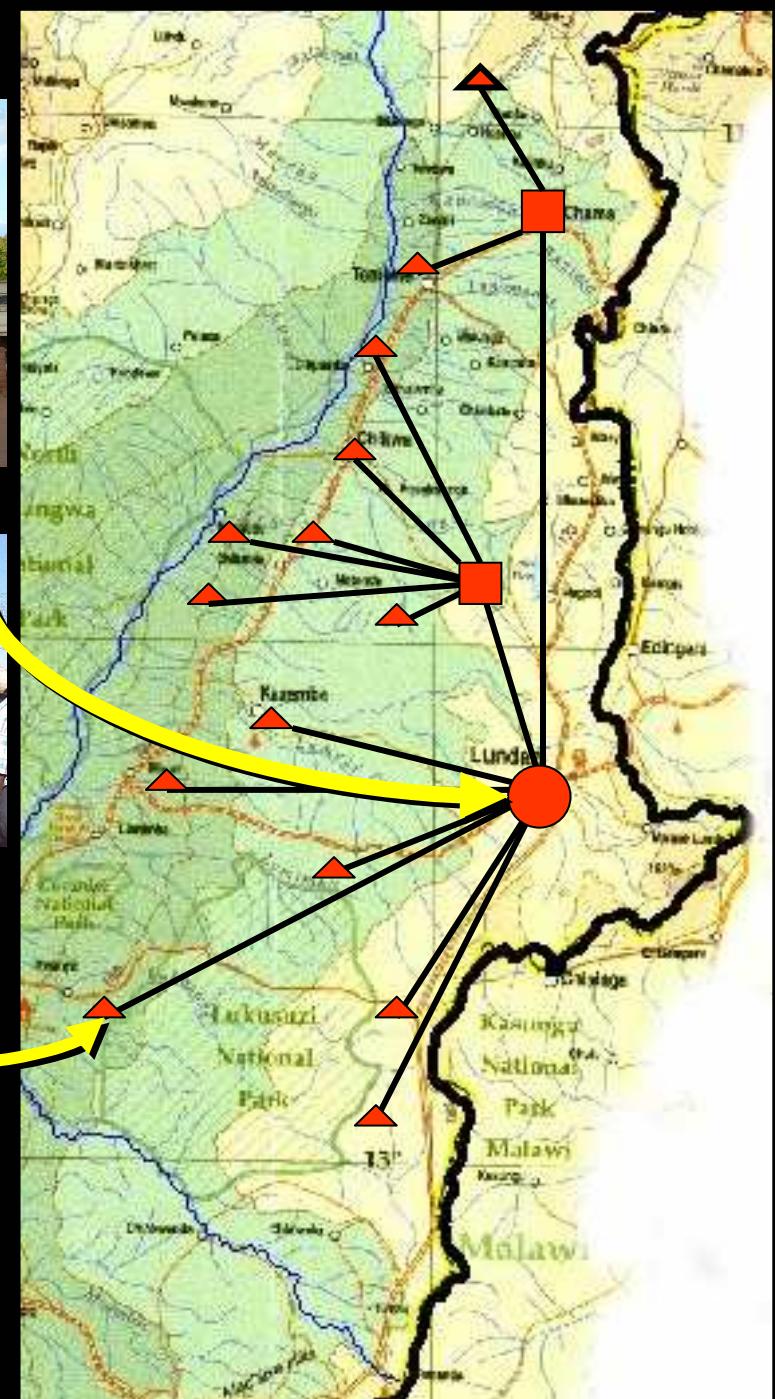
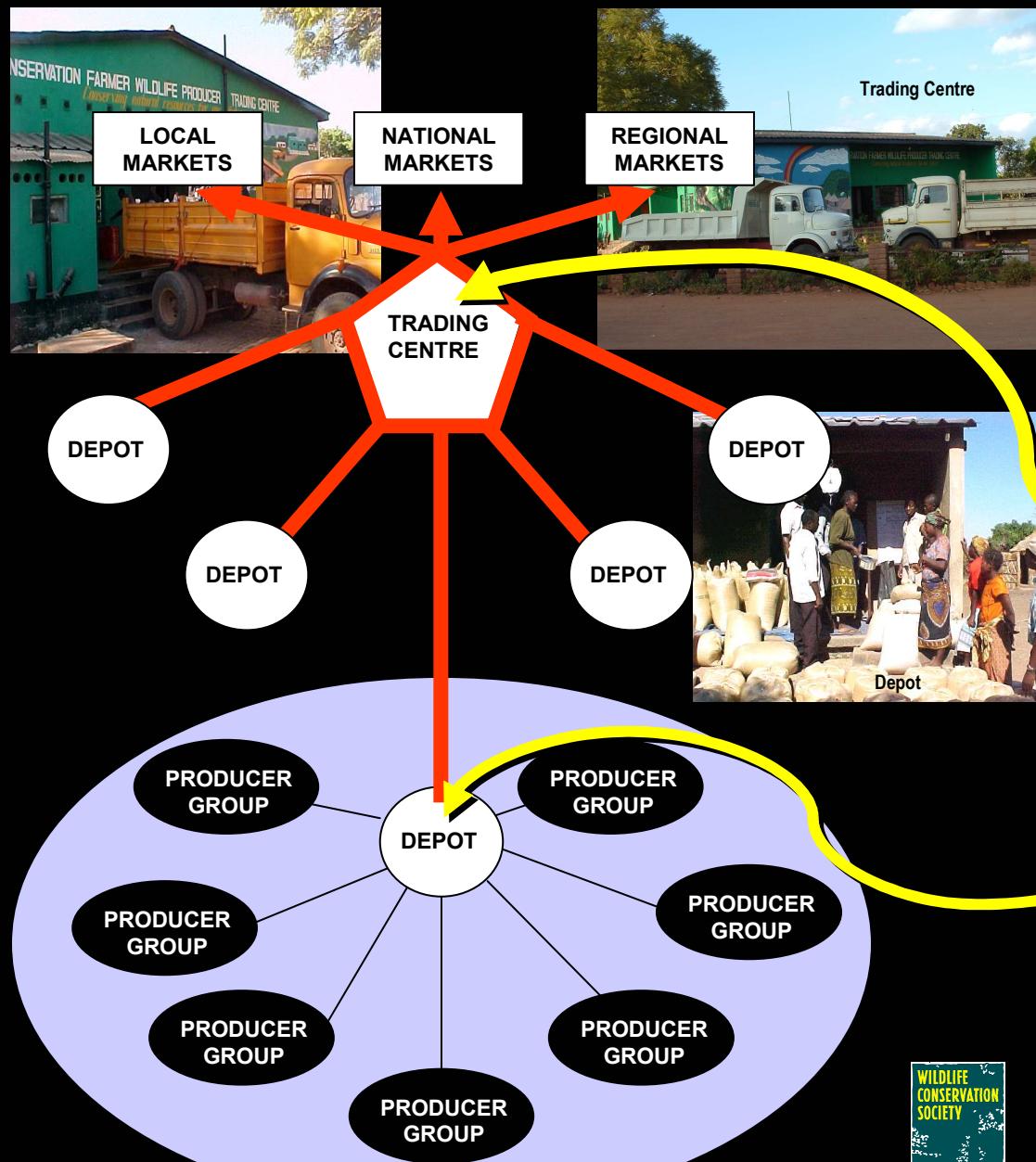
## 2001 Baseline Results:

- **20-60% chronic food shortages**
- **Annual income: \$76/hhold head**
- **3000-5000 wild animals lost annually as coping strategy**

# Livelihood Needs and Environmental Challenges



# From Theory to Action



# A Conservation-based Enterprise: COMACO



## Community Markets for Conservation

- Improve watersheds
- Improve food security, nutrition
- Improve rural income
- Reduce disease, illiteracy
- Increase natural resource production



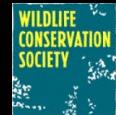
# WFP Impact and Support to COMACO



# Impact on food security, income, trade



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## Conservation farming and food security results

| Year    | Total farmers per year | Total assessed per year | Total conservation farmers from those assessed | Total h/holds composting from those assessed | % food security increase from those assessed | Total CF farmer groups cumulative |
|---------|------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| 2001-02 | 2,434                  | 1,584                   | 961  | 0  | 30%  | 102                               |
| 2002-03 | 5,574                  | 2,697                   | 2,176  | 1,899  | 68%  | 371                               |
| 2003-04 | 8,621                  | 2,379                   | 1,414  | 1,373  | 48%  | 775+                              |



# Impact on food security, income, trade



## CTC prices for commodities purchased

| Commodities | Unit            | Pre-COMACO<br>prices (2002) | Projected                |                          | % increase from<br>pre-COMACO<br>prices |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|             |                 |                             | 2004<br>COMACO<br>prices | 2005<br>COMACO<br>prices |   |
| Rice        | kg, unpolished  | ZMK 650                     | ZMK 950                  | ZMK 1,000                | 53.85%                                  |
| Chicken     | adult-size, one | ZMK 5,000                   | ZMK 9,000                | ZMK 9,000                | 80.00%                                  |
| Honey       | kg              | ZMK 1,200                   | ZMK 2,000                | ZMK 2,500                | 108.30%                                 |
| Groundnuts  | kg, shelled     | ZMK 950                     | ZMK 1,200                | ZMK 1,400                | 47.40%                                  |

## New commodities introduced (for 2005) by CTC

|          |    |           |
|----------|----|-----------|
| Soybeans | kg | ZMK 1,000 |
|----------|----|-----------|

## Commodities not traded by CTC

|        |    |           |
|--------|----|-----------|
| Cotton | kg | ZMK 1,200 |
|--------|----|-----------|

# Impact on food security, income, trade



**Inputs and support  
for 1800 new  
soybean farmers**



**Rice seeds  
provided for over  
500 new rice  
farmers**



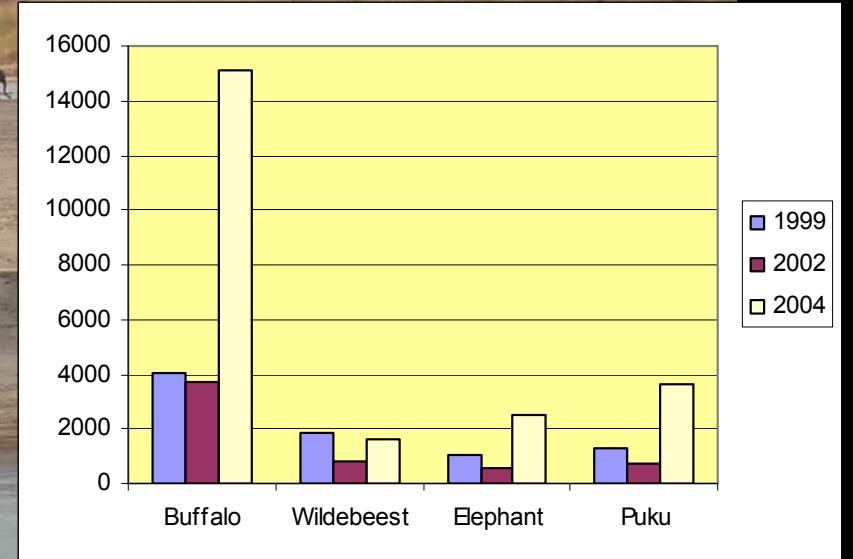
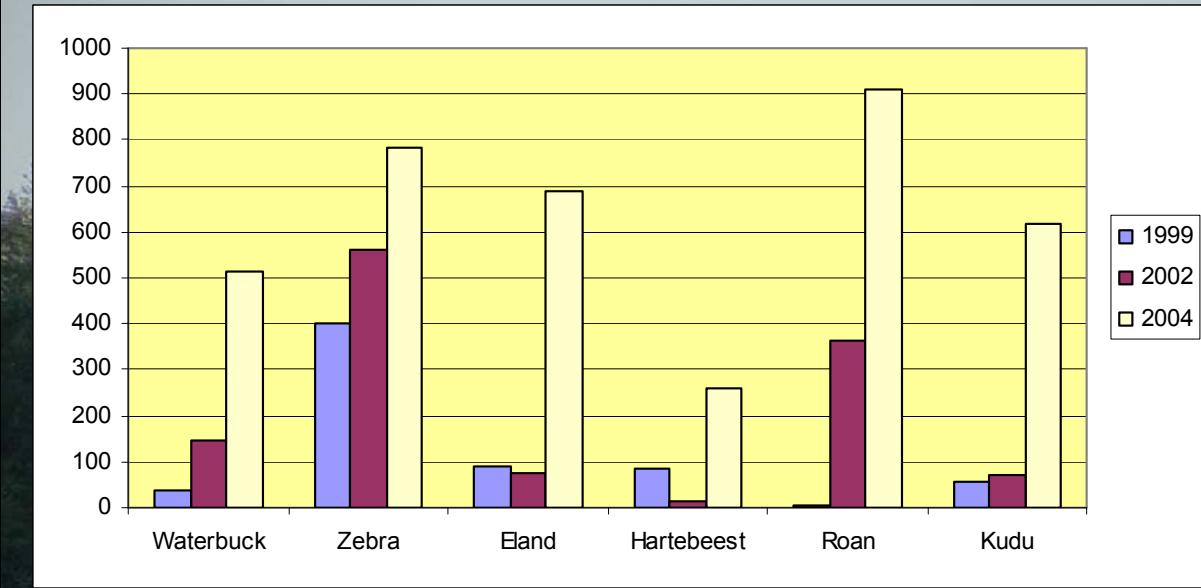
# Recovery of wire snares & illegal firearms



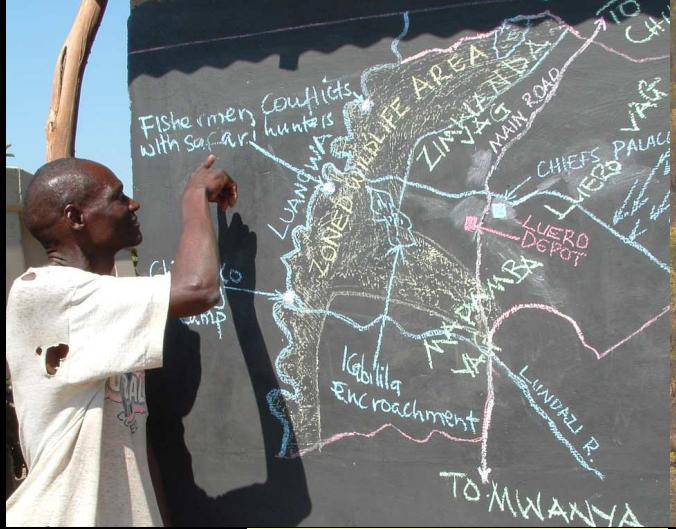
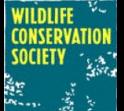
| Year           | Total snares collected | Total guns collected |
|----------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 2001-2002      | 5940                   | 75                   |
| 2002-2003      | 8752                   | 35                   |
| 2003-2004      | 17,800                 | 383                  |
| <b>Totals:</b> | <b>32,492</b>          | <b>493</b>           |



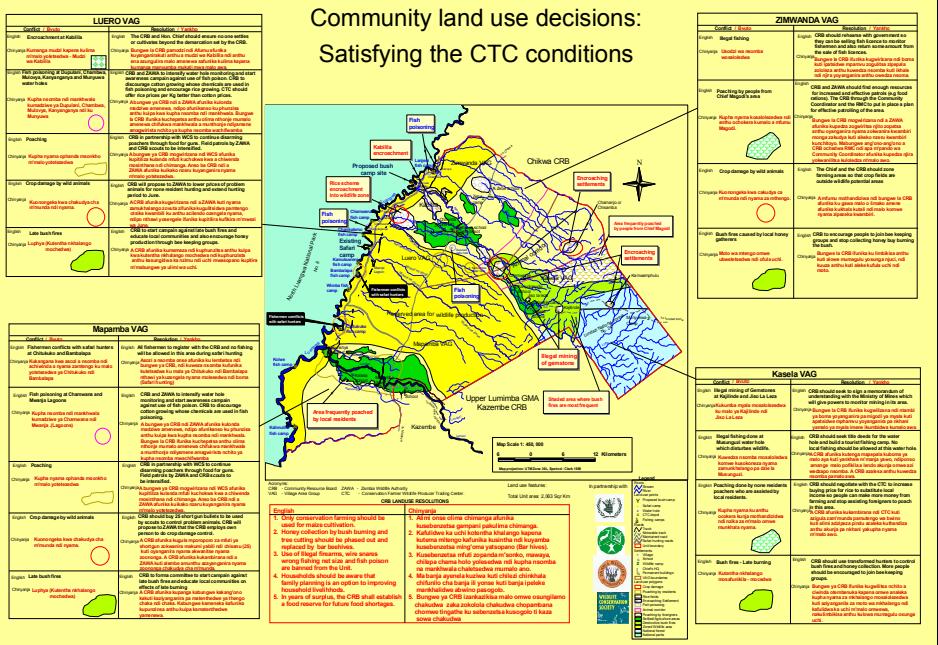
# Impact on wildlife



# Impact on land use



Community land use decisions:  
Satisfying the CTC conditions



## Community-based land use plans and producer group conservation by-laws as preconditions for trade benefits



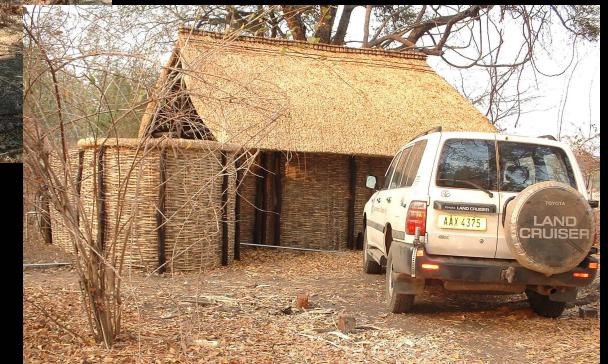
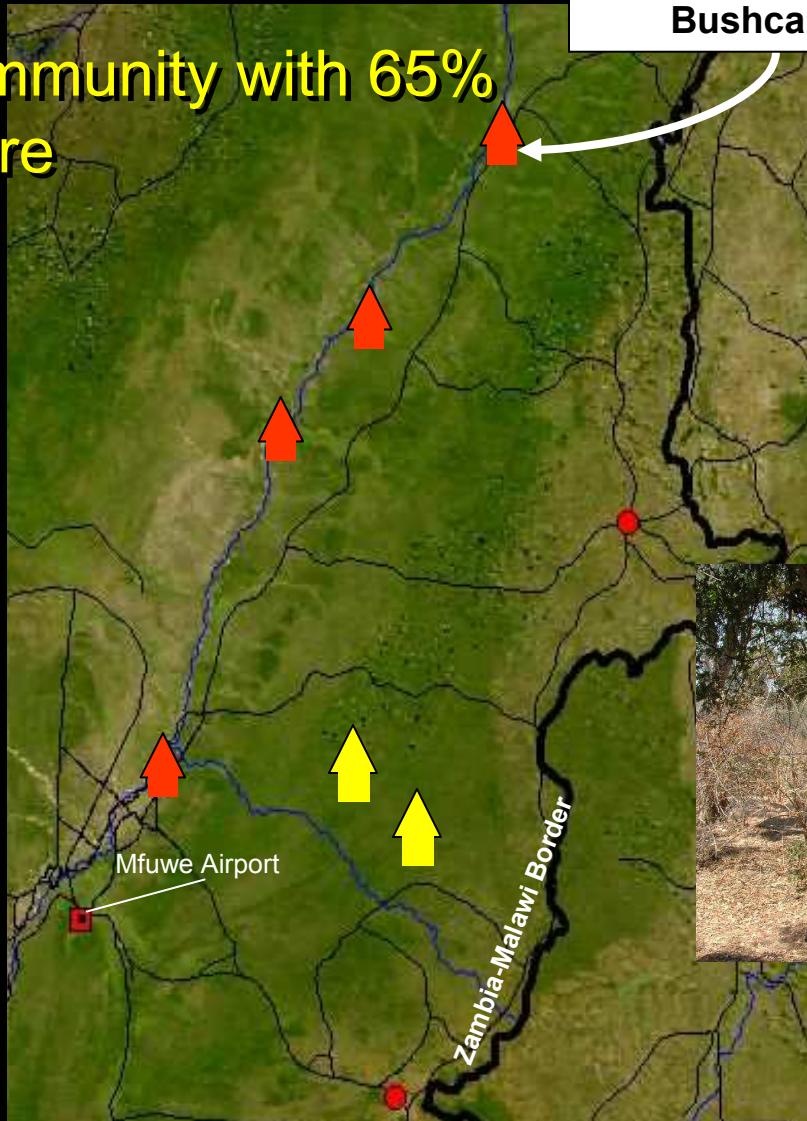
# Comaco joint- ventures: **CTC** with 35% share

community expeditions in wilderness  
living

Community Tourism  
Bushcamps



Community with 65%  
share



**For more information about COMACO and  
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