

# Knowledge in the Smoke



**Thaddeus, Alfred and Fidi**  
**Bwabwata Namibia**

# Benefits AND Consumers

## Buffalo & wildlife numbers increasing



# *Bwabwata Territory Namibia*



1. Rich culture and knowledge
2. Diverse ecology
3. Willing communities
4. Part enabling legislation

**Old Science = New solutions**

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# Bwabwata Territory

5,500 resident people

387 DPhil Practitioners

301 + known plant species

81 + known grass species

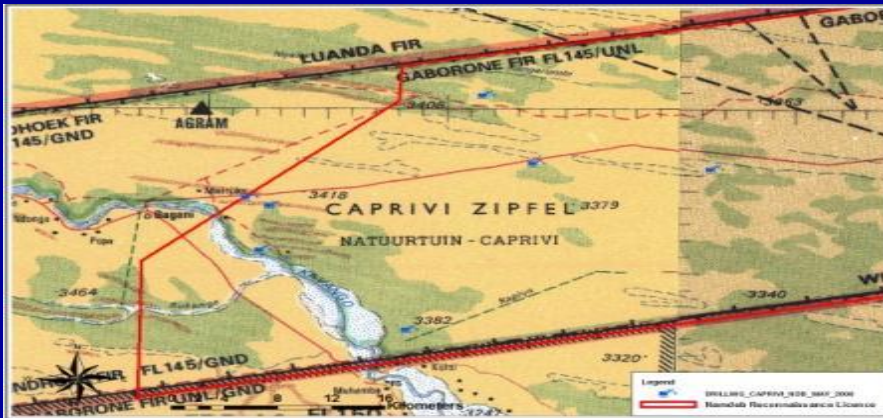
271 + medicinal treatments

6,000 + elephants

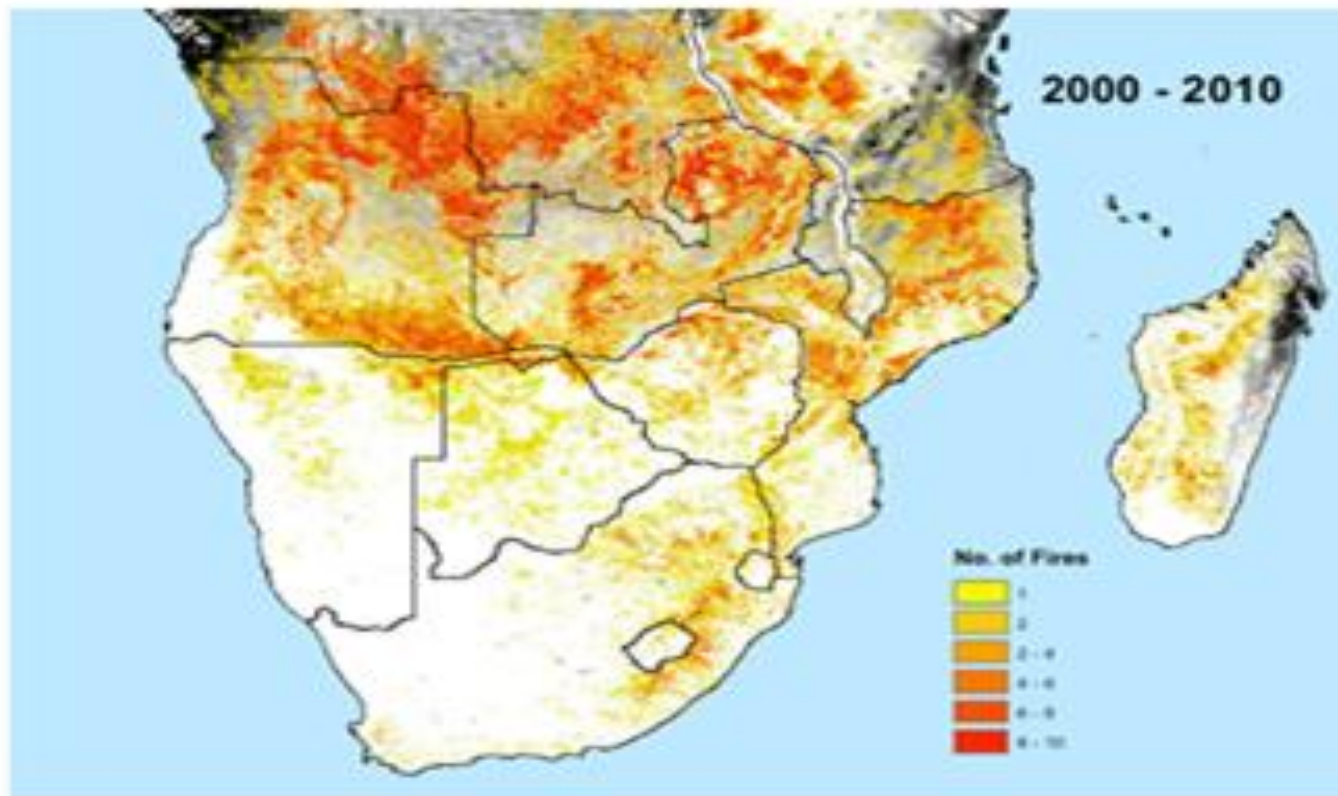
9 + ant species

6 + bee species

# Before Intervention

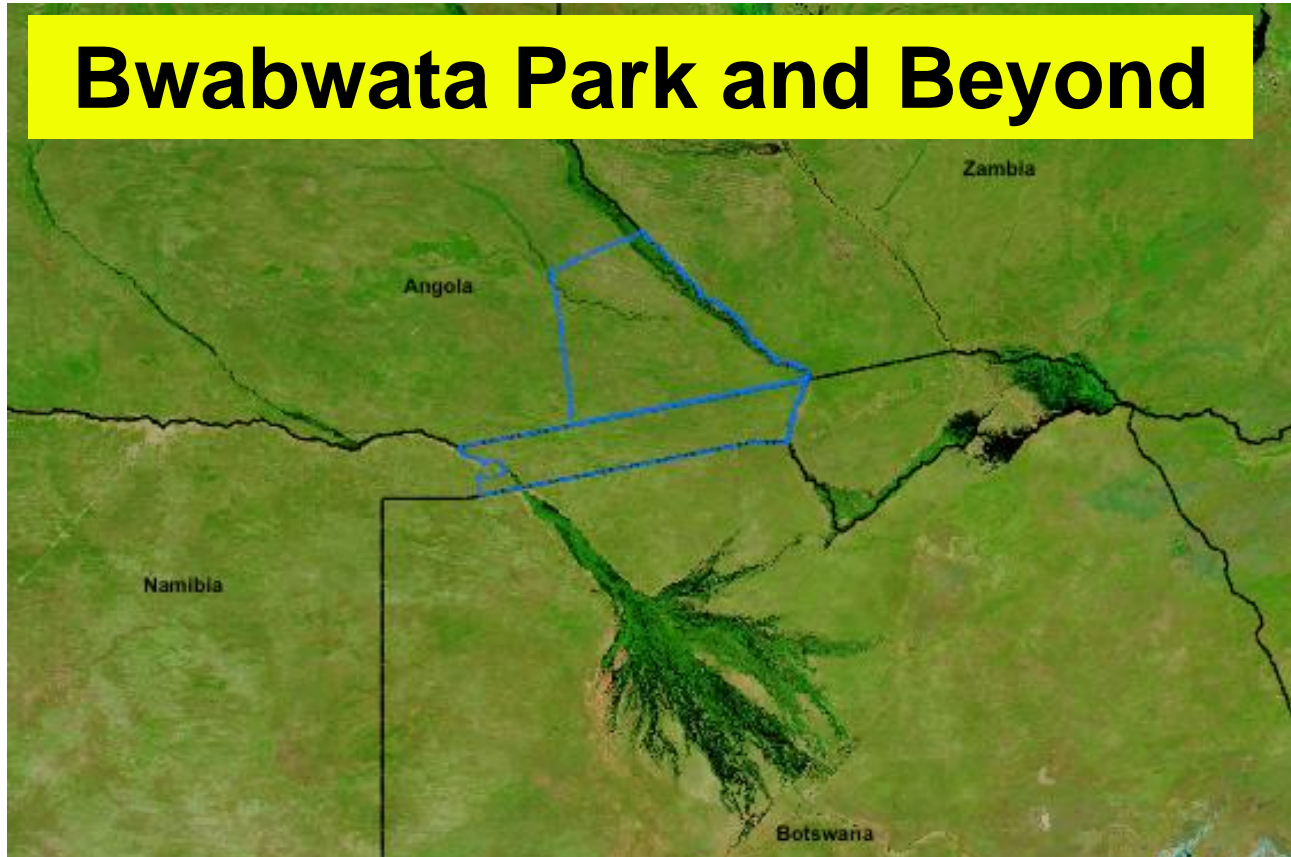


# Fire and Benefits



# Cross border fire management – tapping into old knowledge -

## Bwabwata Park and Beyond

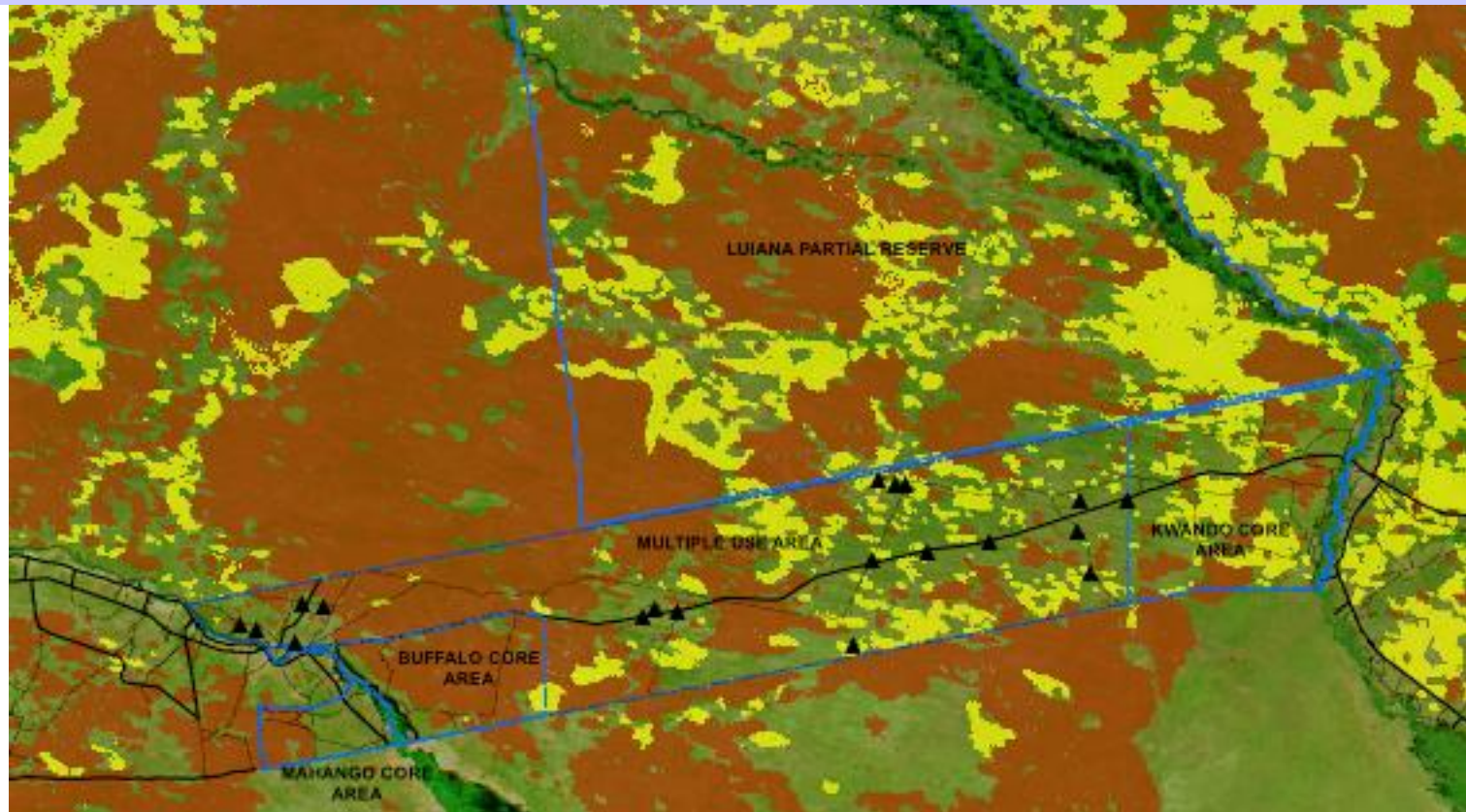


Resident DPhil Elders to teach and educate youth and the international community



# Ground Proofing and GIS

Old and new science contributing to better PA management



# An old language with new faces



# Time to Burn

## Spiders and local Solutions



# Knowledge and Rights



# What is known?



**Benefits are like smoke, they can drift away, we have learnt to walk step by step with a solid approach and grip**



# Fire brings new life

