

Save Zimbabwe's endangered elephant herd

Dear Friends

YOUR VOTE IS NEEDED TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR A UNIQUE HERD OF ENDANGERED ZIMBABWEAN ELEPHANTS

A herd of 70 elephants is under threat in Zimbabwe's Chiredzi River Conservancy (CRC) which is located in the south eastern lowveld close to Gona re Zhou National Park.

The Chiredzi River Conservancy is once again being over-run by invaders who are setting fires, clearing areas, chopping down trees and destroying riverine forests at an alarming rate. The elephants are also under threat from wildlife poaching, habitat destruction and encroachment.

The invaders are chasing the elephants away from dams and other water sources using hunting dogs, burning logs and anything else they can get their hands on. Recent reports have indicate that stress is taking the toll on the beautiful creatures and they are now exhibiting signs of being emanciated. Lack of water resources is a recurring problem which is resulting in a clash between the herd and the invaders.

The elephants are now in danger of being shot or posioned. For the full story, history and to view pictures you can click on this link: [Click here](#)

If you have a Facebook account, you can also like the CRC page to get updates and generate much needed awareness.

The CRC stands a chance to win a grant by having the most number of votes.Voting will close on 31 October. Please vote by clicking on this link:

<http://sunsuperdreams.com.au/dreams/user/clive-kay>

You will then get an email to confirm the vote. This money will be used to employ more patrol staff, supplies and equipment to protect the elephants in the meantime while an urgent solution is found.

Your vote will only take five minutes but it will make a big difference in the lives of these peaceful elephants who have the right to exist without fear and harm in the land they belong to.

Please also forward this to friends.



This little calf's mother was shot by poachers three days prior to the this photograph being taken. Here it is trying to drink water but its chances of survival are slim in its weakened state. Vulnerable youngsters need to be protected if they are to have a future.



The orphaned calf with the rest of the herd.
Water resources are being depleted and polluted at a rapid rate by the invaders.



A family group within the herd of Chiredzi River Conservancy elephants. Hostile invaders are taking over their land and resources, causing them stress and many are losing drastic amounts of weight.



Invaders of wildlife conservancies in Zimbabwe rely increasingly on the diminishing wildlife to sustain themselves.