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Date: August 7, 2015
To: Andrew Huff
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From: Wildlife Without Borders - Africa Program
Subject: WWB-Africa, AFR1508

Dear Dr. Huff,

Thank you for your message. The following factors played a part in our decision:

- The review committee would have liked to see more descriptions of the education and outreach materials and the justification for these materials. The committee felt that the messaging could have been improved.
- The review committee was unclear on how research would change behavior regarding bushmeat.
- The review committee would have liked to see more measureable outcomes of an impact on the ground.
- In general, the review committee prefers to see the majority of the budget focused on direct conservation activities on the ground. We recognize that overhead and travel costs for ex pats are necessary, but prefer to see those costs covered by matching funds.

Despite these factors, the review committee liked that the proposal looked at rolling the pilot into a more regional platform for emerging endemic threats. The proposal had a lot of good information on initial surveys. The committee also felt that there is a need to have outreach materials from the perspective of health as it could be a powerful way to address the bushmeat issue.

Thank you again for applying to the USFWS Africa Program.

Sincerely,

USFWS Africa Program