



Aerial Survey Coordinator

KAZA TFCA Aerial Survey 2021-2022

WWF Namibia is seeking to fill a limited term contractual position of Aerial Survey Coordinator for up to two (2) years on behalf of the Kavango Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA) Secretariat and Partner States. The position is based in Kasane, Botswana with travel to the other four Partner States of Angola, Namibia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. The main purpose of the position is to lead, plan, coordinate and execute the implementation of a coordinated KAZA-wide aerial survey of elephants. We are looking to hire a committed, technically competent professional and team leader who can work at scale and across political and cultural boundaries.

Background

In April 2019, the KAZA Ministerial Committee approved the KAZA Strategic Planning Framework for the Conservation and Management of Elephants. One of the key objectives of the framework is to maintain and manage the elephant population in KAZA TFCA as one contiguous population. A key strategic activity under this objective is the implementation of synchronised and coordinated aerial surveys to determine numbers and seasonal distributions of elephants and other large herbivores in KAZA TFCA.

The Position

The Aerial Survey Coordinator will be an experienced aerial survey wildlife specialist. S/he will ensure all aerial surveys are effectively and successfully completed according to the survey design and in compliance with CITES MIKE aerial survey standards to produce a relatively precise estimate of elephant numbers in KAZA TFCA, together with their distribution and range. The specialist will supervise, coordinate, and undertake planning, implementation, data analysis and reporting for the aerial survey and census in close collaboration with the KAZA Secretariat and relevant KAZA Partner State focal points in Angola, Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Oversight will be provided through a technical steering committee.

A competitive remuneration package will be offered to the successful applicant.

Applications for the position should be made to the Project Administrator, KAZA Aerial Survey, for the attention of Ms Shereen Pieterse at spieterse@wwf.na on or before **15 December 2021**. Detailed Terms of Reference for the position can be viewed here: https://kavangozambezi.org/images/2021/Draft-Terms-of-Reference_Aerial-Survey-Coordinator-Partner-States-input-incorporated_23-November-2021_English.pdf