



Community Focused Donkey Welfare Project in Kenya Case Study - WTG-ANAW

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ANAW Vision and Mission



ANAW VISION

- ANAW envisions a world where people show compassion, protection, and care for all animals

ANAW MISSION

- The mission of ANAW is to work together with communities, governments, and other stakeholders to promote animal welfare for better environmental and human health.

Welttierschutzgesellschaft (WTG)



- **Our vision is a world, in which animals are appreciated and treated with respect according to their needs. In our work for animal welfare we focus on countries and regions with little protection for animals.**

History of Donkey Slaughter in Kenya

The recent Kenya National Population and Housing Census (2019) gave the population of donkeys in Kenya at 1.1 million. With the opening of four slaughterhouses in the country from 2016 to 2020 and with a combined slaughter capacity of 1,260, donkey numbers plummeted in comparison to the previous census. This alludes that within a span of 10 years, Kenya lost an estimate of 700,000 donkeys. Grappled with diminishing supply, the abattoirs later turned to neighboring countries Tanzania, Uganda, South Sudan, and Ethiopia to quench the growing demand.

Addressing Donkey Movement along the Kenya – Ethiopia Border

- A rapid assessment of cross-border donkey movement between Kenya and Ethiopia was carried out by Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW) in collaboration with WTG and the County Government of Marsabit with the aim of establishing the nature and structure of donkey movement and trade across the border (Kenya and Ethiopia). Specifically, the study was to assess the previous and current status of the donkey movement along the Kenya-Ethiopia border as well as the implication of the donkey skin trade on Marsabit County's donkey population. It also hoped to establish incidences of donkey theft, key trade routes used in the donkey movement, and most importantly, the opinion of border communities on donkey cross-border movement. To achieve this, personalized interviews were adopted for different groups such as key government officials, leaders of NGOs, village elders, and communities.

Approach and Theory of Change



Stakeholder Engagement for improved Donkey Health

Capacity building and education for changed perception and view on donkey welfare.

- Donkey owners
- Donkey users
- Civil Society Organizations – NGOs and CBOs
- Private and Government animal health practitioners



Enhancing Donkey Health

- Training and offering technical support to government and private animal health practitioners





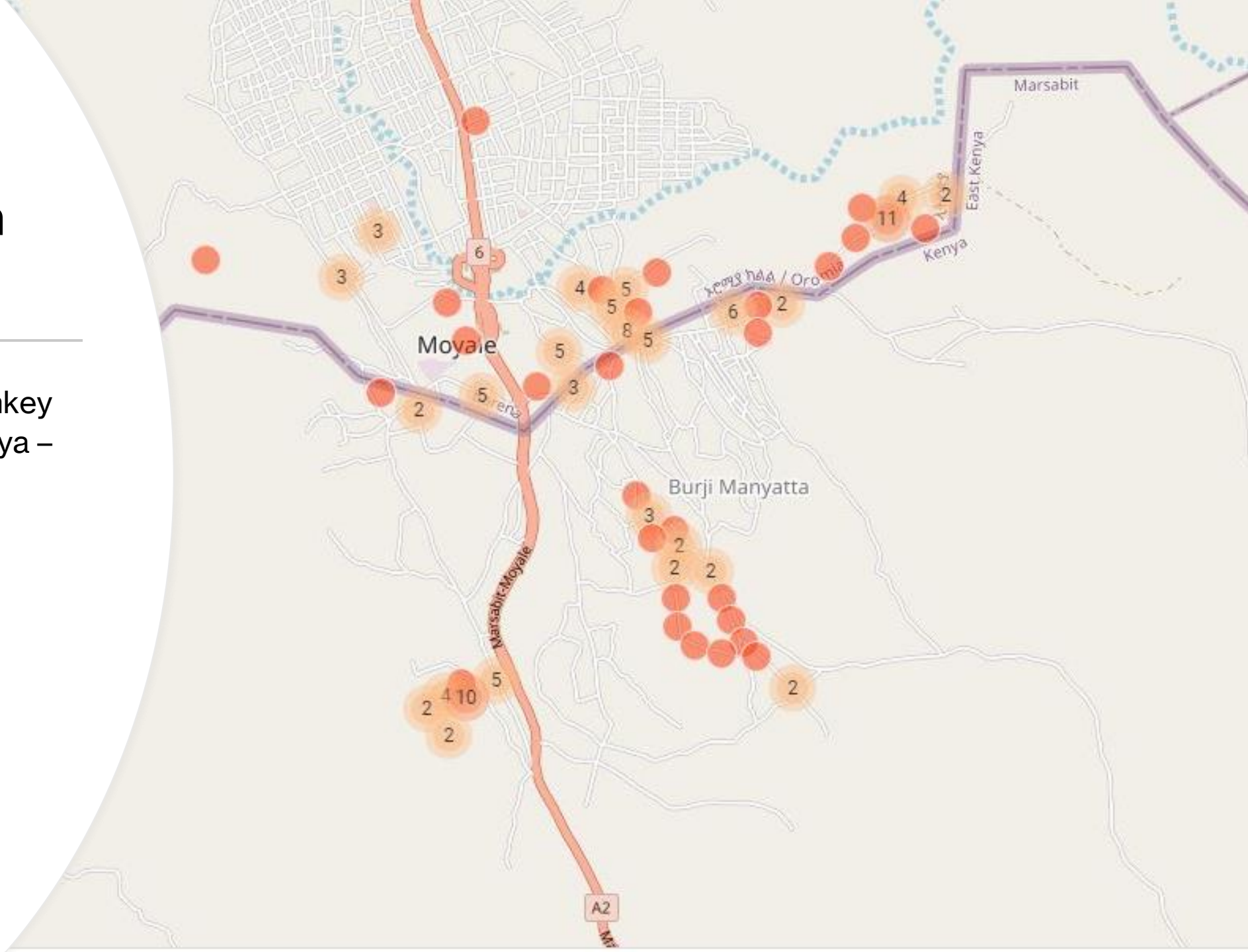
Donkey Clinics



Media Advocacy in enhancing Donkey Health and Welfare

Policy Research and Review

- Rapid assessment of donkey movement along the Kenya – Ethiopia border





**Policy Discussion at
County Level – Push
for development of
county by-laws to
address illegal
movement of
donkeys**
