

Wear and tear

Zambia's North Luangwa National Park spreads out over 4,636 km² from the Luangwa River in the east to the Muchinga escarpment in the west, one of the oldest sections of the Great Rift Valley on the continent. The North Luangwa Conservation Programme (NLCP) works over an area more than twice that size, facilitating law enforcement and protected area management in the surrounding areas, criss-crossed with a remote but relatively extensive network of about 1,000km of roads, none of which are sealed but graded at best.

A new lease of life

The Laikipia Wildlife Forum's Environmental Education Bus was in a sorry state. During the 6½ years between its launch in January 2004 (its launch) and June 2010, it had travelled 169,000km on unpaved and extremely rough roads, carrying 640 Kenyan school groups and 49 community groups, reaching a total of 24,531 people directly, and many more indirectly through open days.

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