

EOP Newsflash #3 – July 2009

Orphaned Ele spotted near KNP!

The EOP/GRI was called out by the Zambian Wildlife Authority (ZAWA) on 4th July 09 on a rescue mission to an orphaned elephant seen in the nearby village of Ntubia. Villagers reported a lonely but aggressive young ele (approx. 2-3 years) hanging around their village for a week, chasing anyone who went near. EOP/GRI mobilised a team upon notification and a rescue network was established with Dr Matandiko the ZAWA Head Vet dispatching from Lusaka to assist with the capture. Unfortunately to date the little ele has not been successfully captured. Currently EOP Keepers and Village Scouts are patrolling the area and attempting to bait the ele with food.
...further details to follow in the EOP Newsletter Edition 3.

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Elephant Orphanage Project is a Game Rangers International Project

Photo: Dr Matandiko loading the dart gun. SB camera