

Early Warning Systems for Human-Wildlife Conflict, Zoonotic Spillover, and Other Conservation Challenges

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Evolution of desert locust swarms, 2018 – 2022



Evolutions of desert locust response, 2018-2022

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 →
• December: FAO desert locust warning	• January: IGAD warning	 January: FAO Appeal February: IGAD	 WB grant for Transboundary Pest Platform approved Control operations continue 	• IGAD Transboundary Pest Platform operating

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Platform for Management of Transboundary Pests

Inter-regional Platform for the Sustainable Management of Desert Locusts and other Transboundary Pests

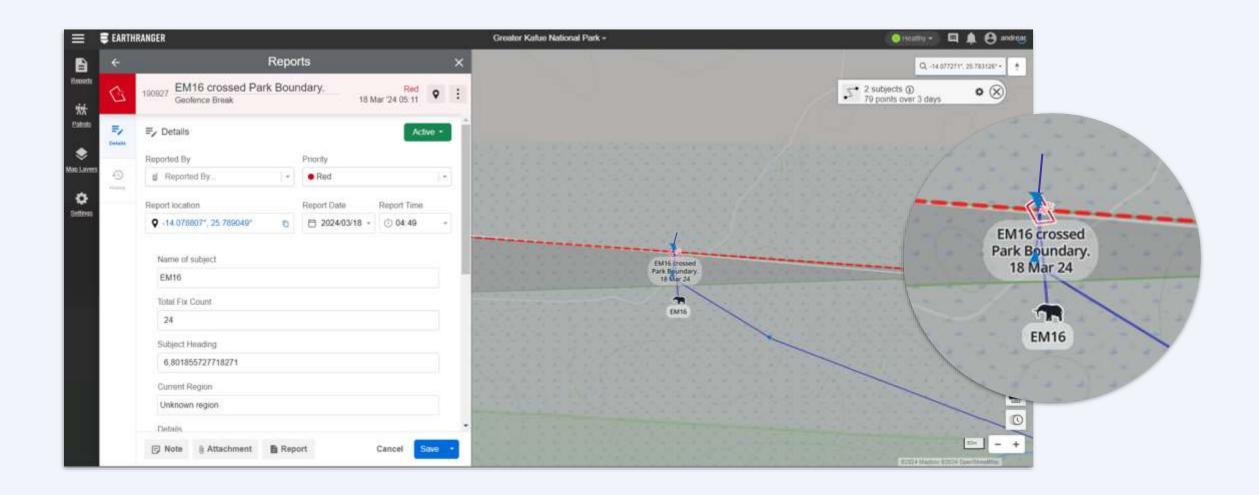


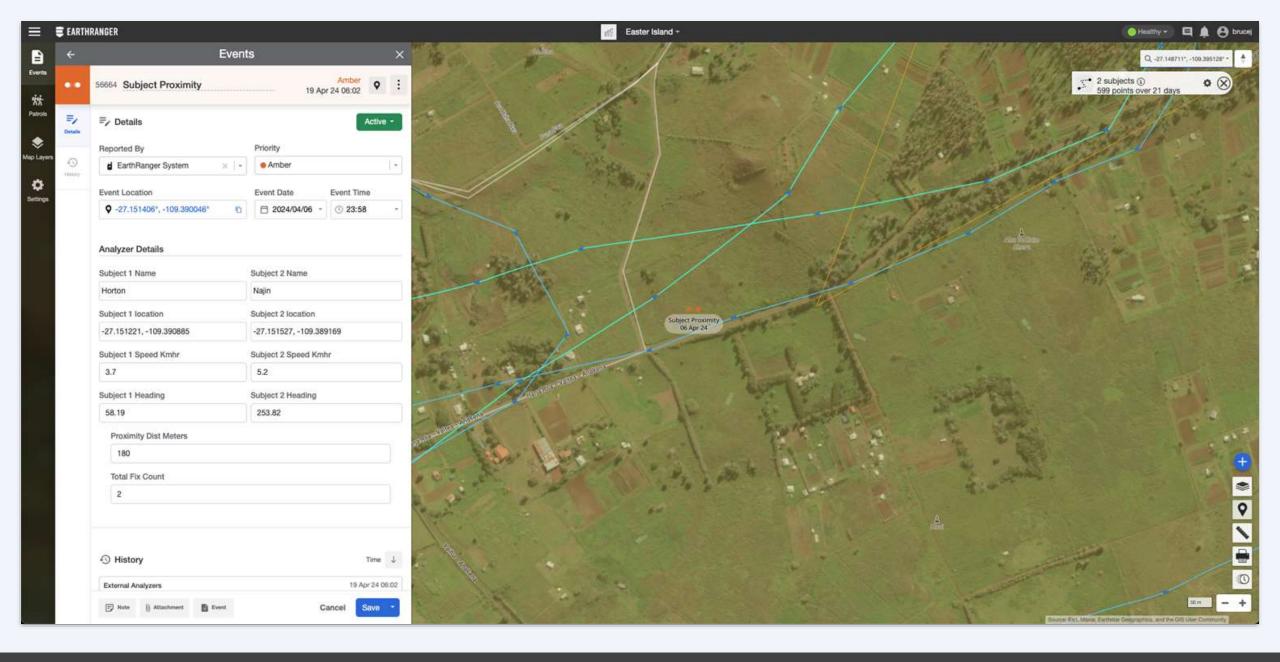


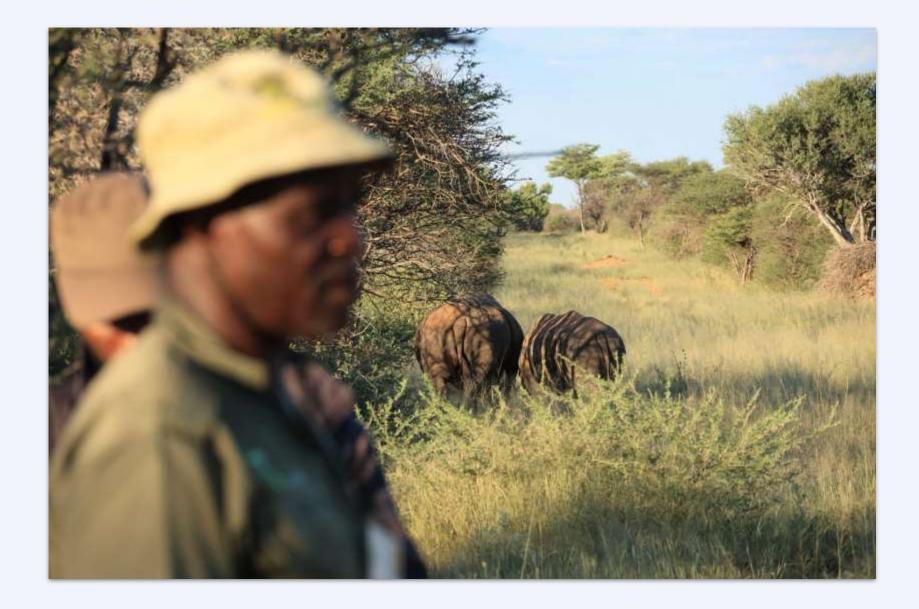
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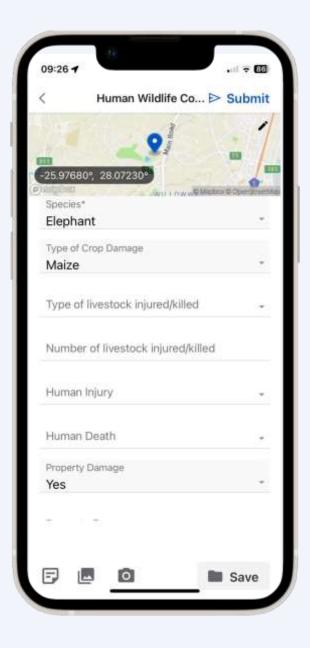
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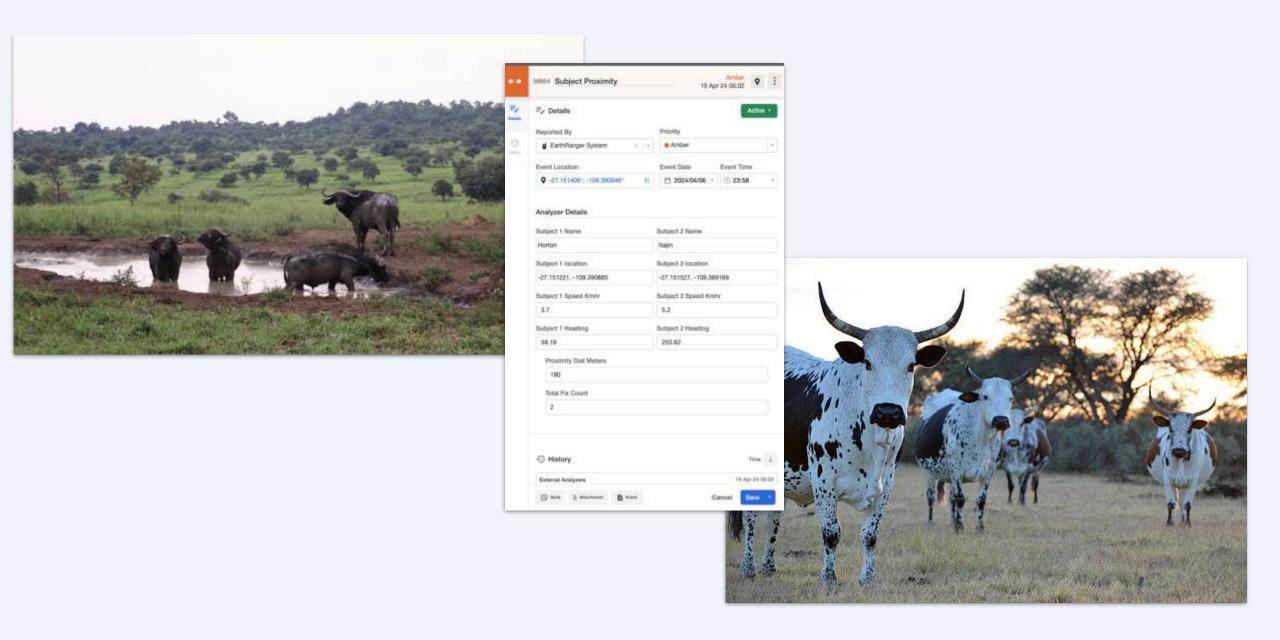




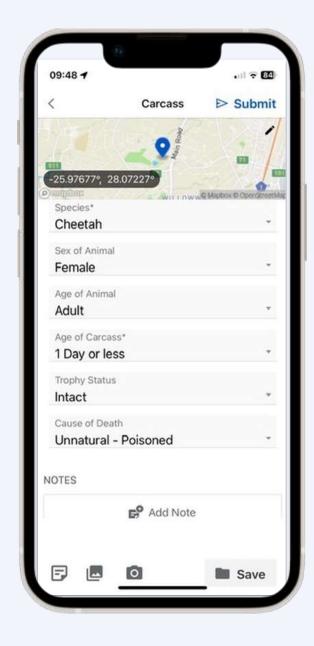


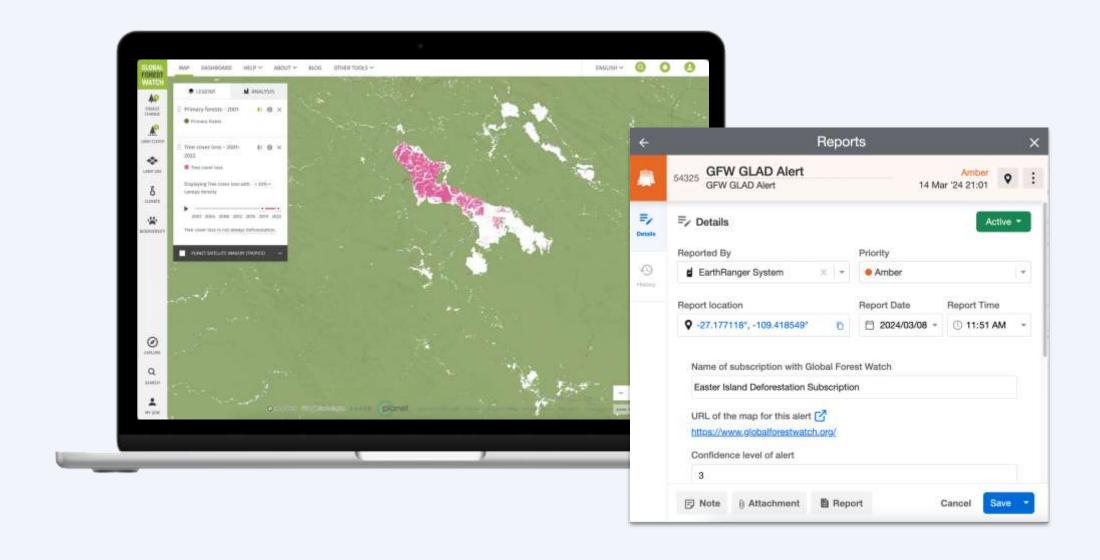


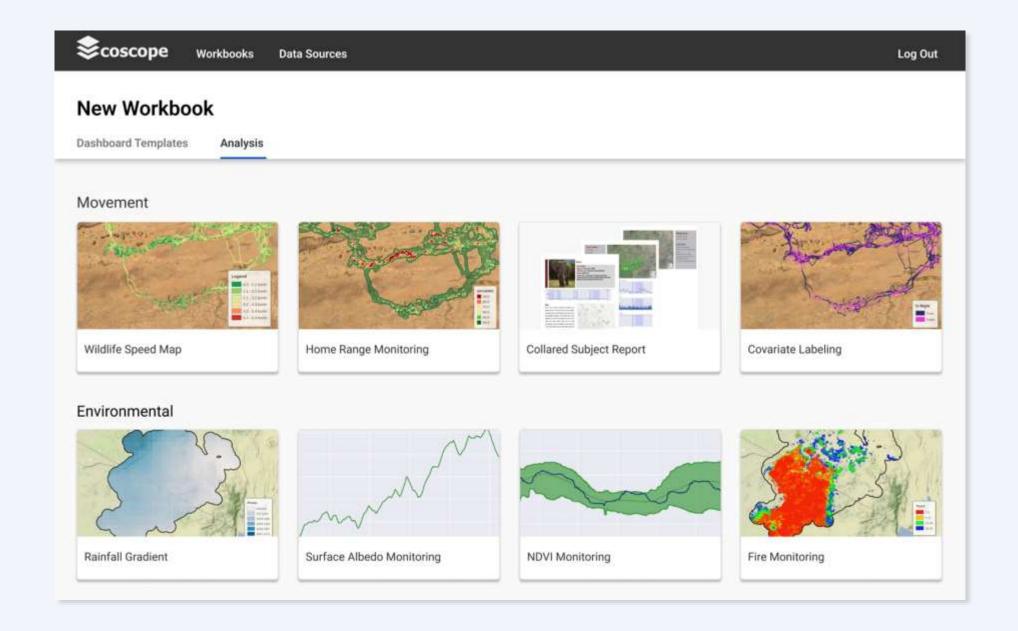


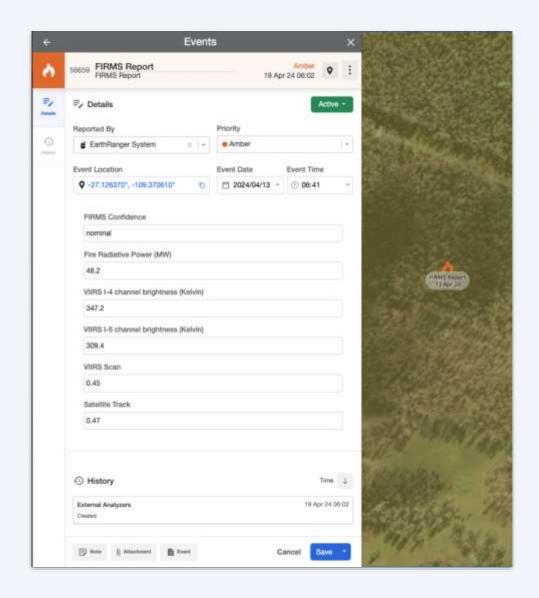


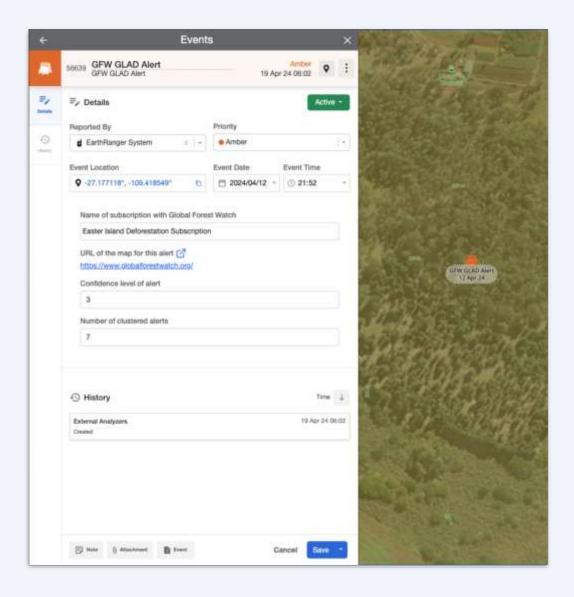


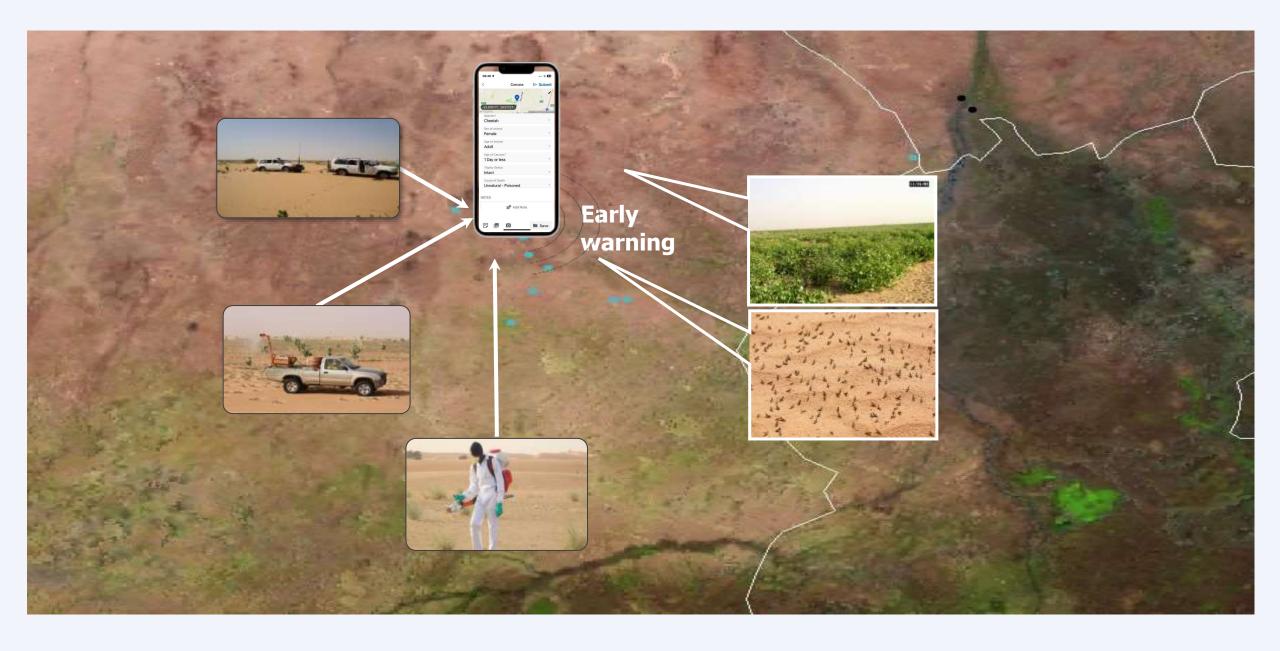




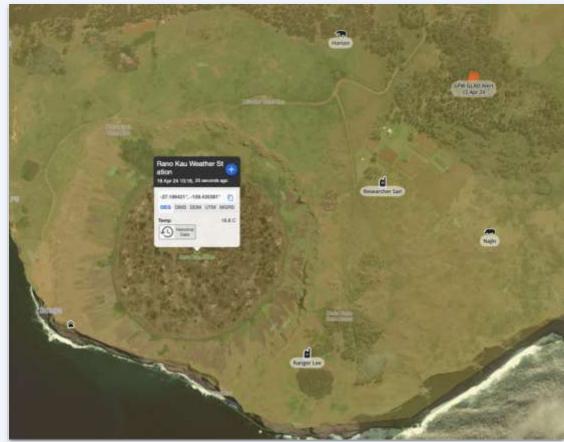


















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by the numbers



Founded in **1895**



Conserves habitat for ~50% of Earth's biodiversity



350+ protected areas WCS helped create since our founding



WCS works in 50+



4,000 + scientists, conservationists, animal experts, and other dedicated staff



400+
peer-reviewed scientific
publications each year



205
Indigenous community partners



2,000+ local community partners

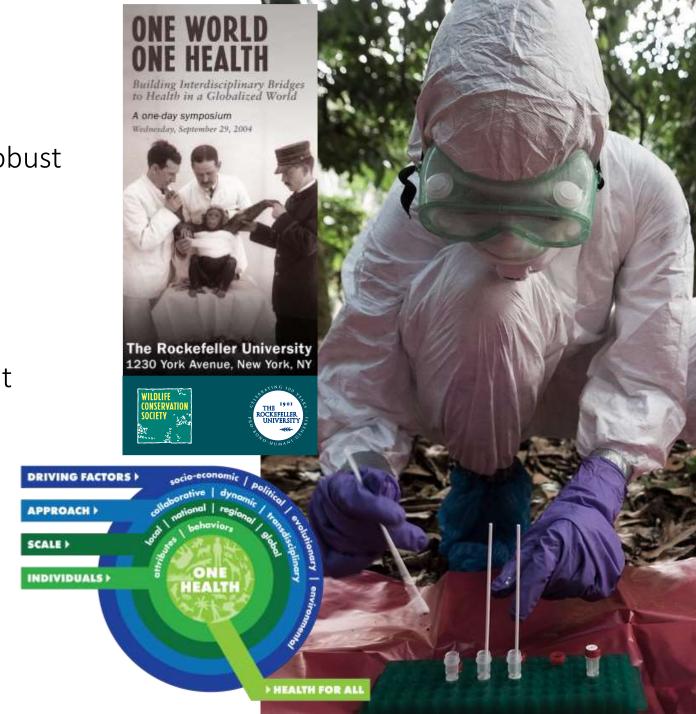


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Partnering with governments, communities, and others to protect 30% of the planet by 2030

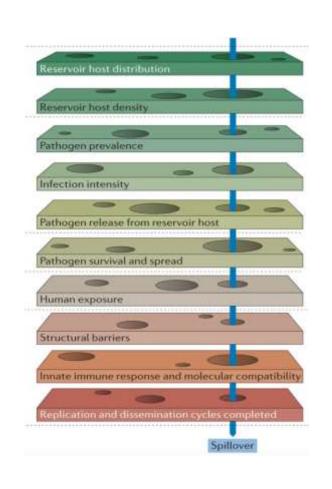
Health Program

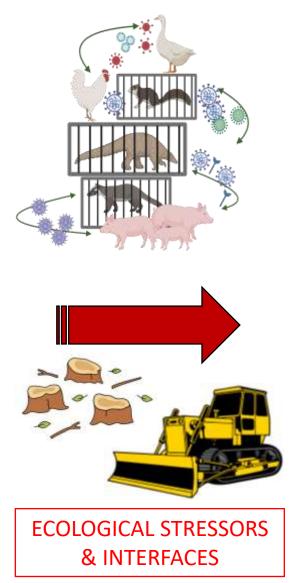
- Only global conservation NGO with robust health program
- 100+ years wildlife health
- One Health founder
 - 2004 "Manhattan Principles"
- Multidisciplinary and Cross-Sectoral at core
 - Field-based conservationists
 - Communicable and noncommunicable health threats
 - Counter Wildlife Trafficking
 - Indigenous Peoples and local communities

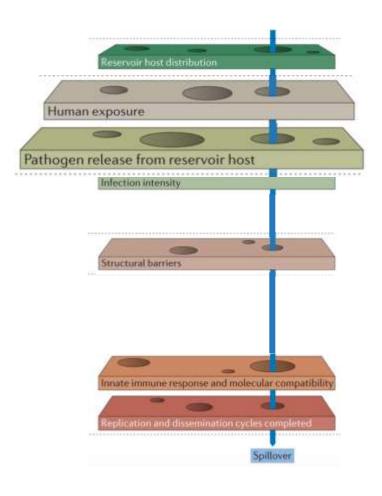




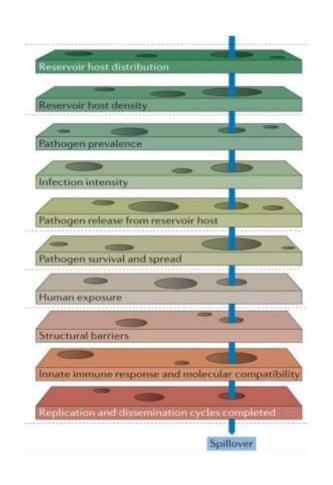
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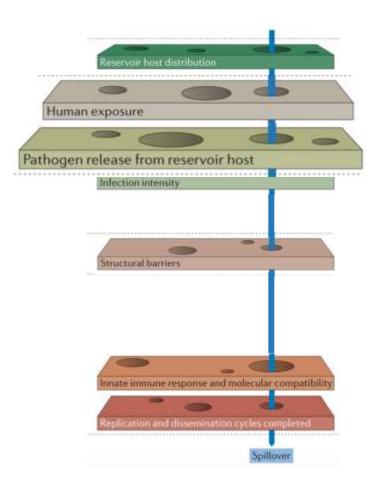




Surveillance creates health intelligence







Outline Wildlife Health Surveillance

- Background
- Build
- Skills
- Tech
- Response



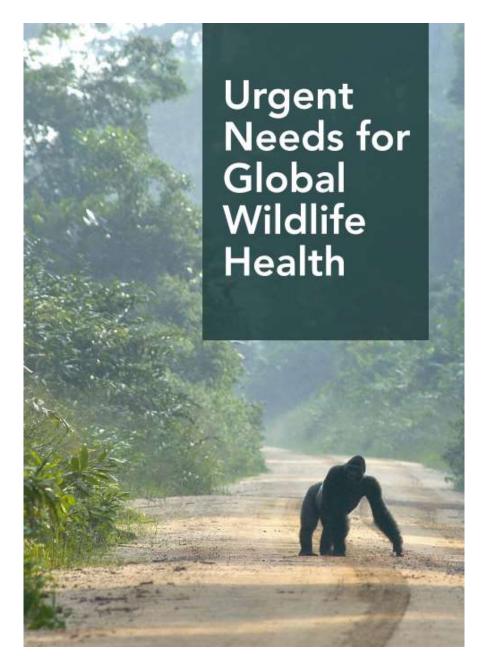






Urgent need for wildlife health surveillance

- No disease monitoring for vast majority of species
- No requirement for wildlife disease reporting except WOAH listed (mainly livestock) diseases
- No mention of wildlife health/zoonotic disease activities in 94% of National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (NBSAPs)
- Response to mortality events are reactive, not preventative



Challenge: Cross-sectoral bottom-up engagement



Global

- International organization
- National organizations with international mandates



National

- National Laboratories
- National Parks & Preserves
- Universities



Ministerial

Livestock,

 Forestry, Animal
 Health,
 Environment
 Departments &
 Ministries

Environmental

Animal Health

Human Health



Provincial

- Provincial Offices
- Wildlife Rescue Centers/Zoos



Local

- Community Members
- Local NGOs
- International NGOs

Challenge: Cross-sectoral bottom-up engagement



Building Local-to-National surveillance networks

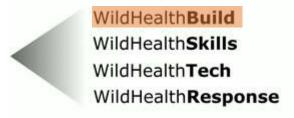


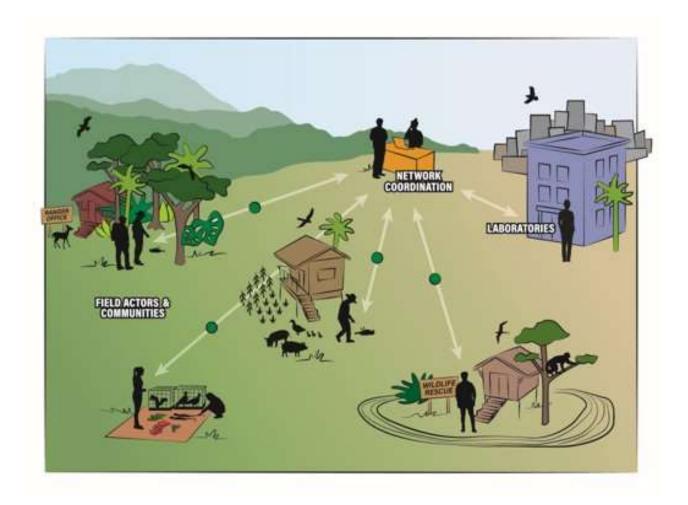




Build:







- ✓ Identify, connect, and integrate actors into operational networks
- ✓ Map communication and build durable relationships among network actors
- ✓ Formalize responsibilities SOPs (e.g., Lao PDR, Cambodia)

✓ Start where you can

Policy Field implementation

National event-based Surveillance Network

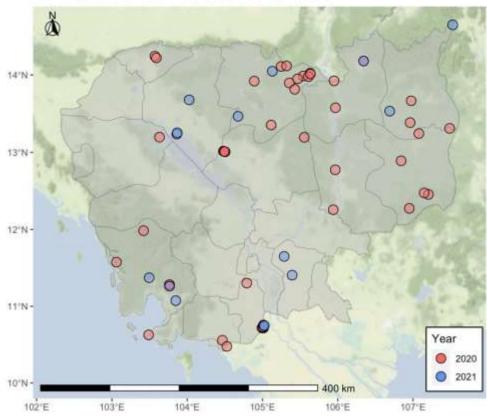








Events in Cambodia





Detected:

- African Swine Fever
- Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N1
- Nipah virus

107 morbidity and mortality events; 97 carcasses collected

Protected Area Event-based Monitoring Network in Peru





Moving towards a national system

- Wildlife health monitoring conducted by rangers in 72 protected areas (SMART for Health)
- Action plan to construct a national wildlife health surveillance system





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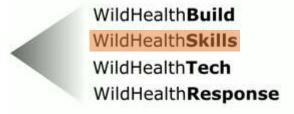






Skills:







- ✓ Identify existing capacity, knowledge gaps, and available human resources across network
- ✓ Deliver <u>targeted</u> and <u>context-specific</u> training
- ✓ Evaluate training effectiveness
- √ Train the trainers and provide teaching resources



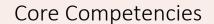




Training Materials









PowerPoint presentations



Instructional videos

Sample Collection for Rangers

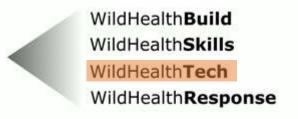


Pocket guides for the field



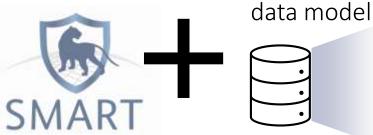
Tech:







- ✓ Identify technology needs
- ✓ Deploy appropriate and sustainable solutions
- ✓ Facilitate field data collection
- ✓ Support effective and standardized data management and analysis to supports decision making



National data base & data model

Project Surveillance Objective

Field Activity Location

Sources and Source Records

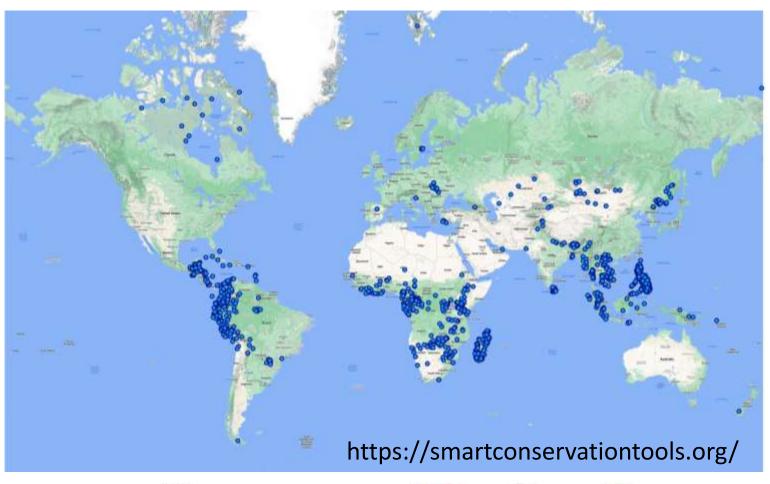
Specimens Diagnostics

Data Dictionary



Why SMART?

- Created in 2011, now in v.7
- Supported by 9 major conservation organizations (WCS)
- Used in more than 1,100 protected areas ->
- In 100 countries multiple languages
- At least 55k rangers trained
- Adopted and sustainable
- Flexible: add monitoring targets (wildlife health event data)















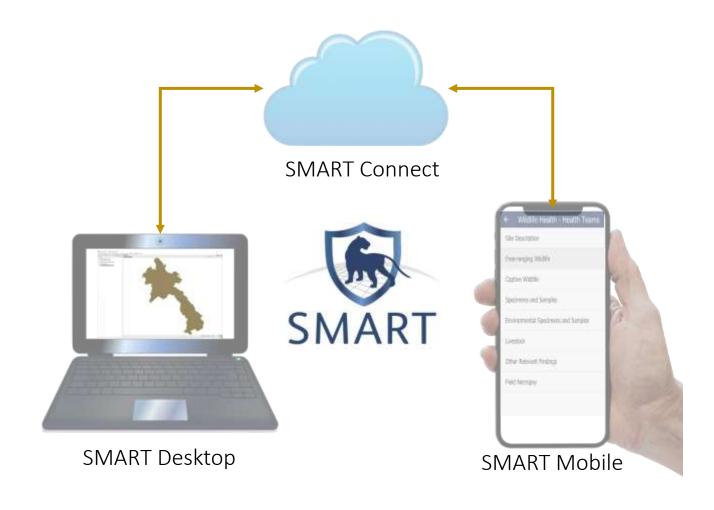








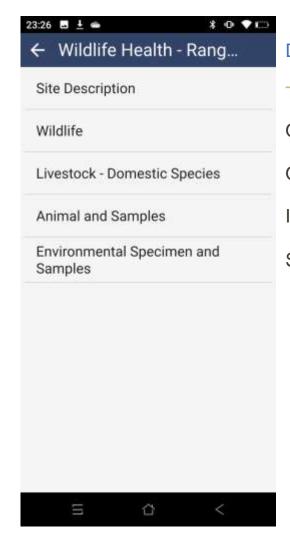
SMART Version 7





SMART for Health

- Set of fields to record health data in a standardized manner
- Adaptability for specific needs and users
- Alerts
- SMART for Health continuously improved based on field trials
- Multiple languages
- Integrated into the Patrolling Data Model



Descriptions of

The event site

Observed Species

Observed domestic animals

Individual animals sampled & samples

Samples from unknown animal/abiotic source

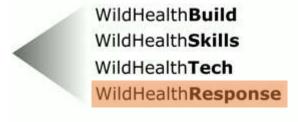


Comprehensive description of the event

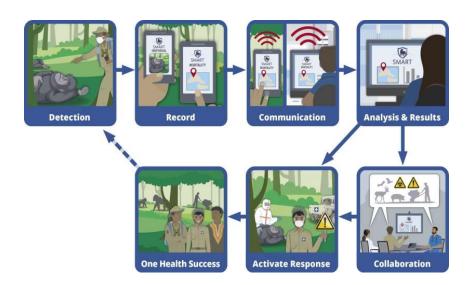
Response:







- ✓ Support use of WH intelligence in formulating appropriate response
- ✓ Facilitate integration of WH network to local and global One Health community, in both action and policy
- ✓ Build a global community of practice supporting local needs around response



Lumpy skin disease (LSD) in endangered banteng in Preah Vihear, Cambodia







Thailand: wildlife sanctuary camera trap – 9 banteng suspected with LSD (July 2021)



Cambodia: wildlife sanctuary ranger reports and confirmed LSD banteng (*Bos javanicus*) (September 2021)



LSD vaccination of domestic cattle targeting Preah Vihear and Mondulkiri

Sharing & learning together







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Wildlife-Livestock Interface

WildHealthNet: Supporting the development of sustainable wildlife health



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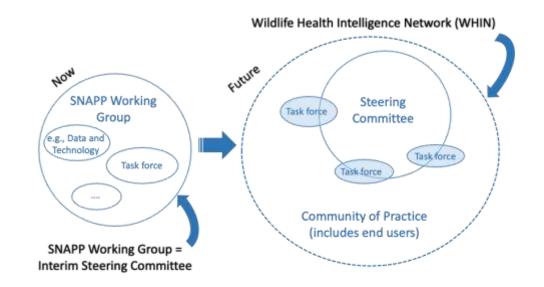
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Wildlife Health Intelligence Network



- A community of practice to collaboratively work on the implementation of wildlife health surveillance
- Bridge the gap between international standards and field implementation
- Move forward on pathways of change





Working group participants, July 2023 at WOAH offices in Paris

























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Sentinel Device













AI Models: Videos and Imaging





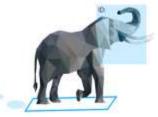




Behavior & Disease



Individual re-ID



Anomaly Detection





British Columbia, Canada





The Nature Conservancy

Virginia, USA Seabird Research





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Florida, USA Neurological disease research in big cats





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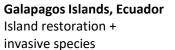
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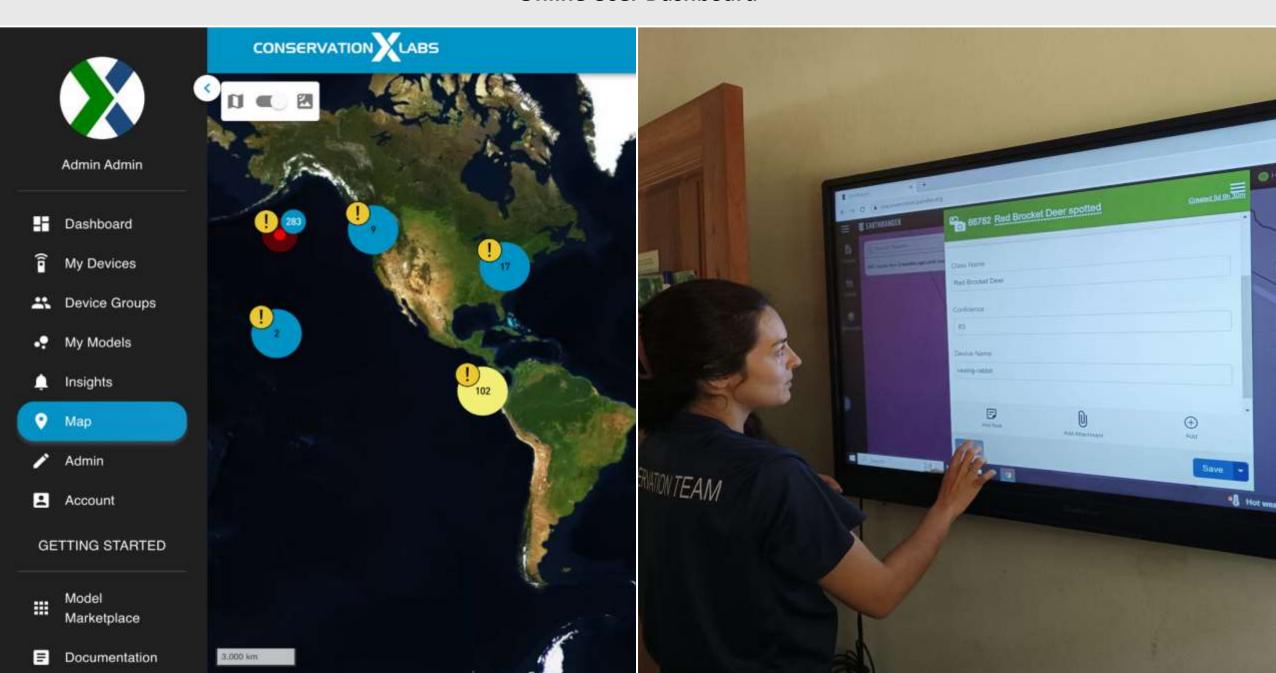






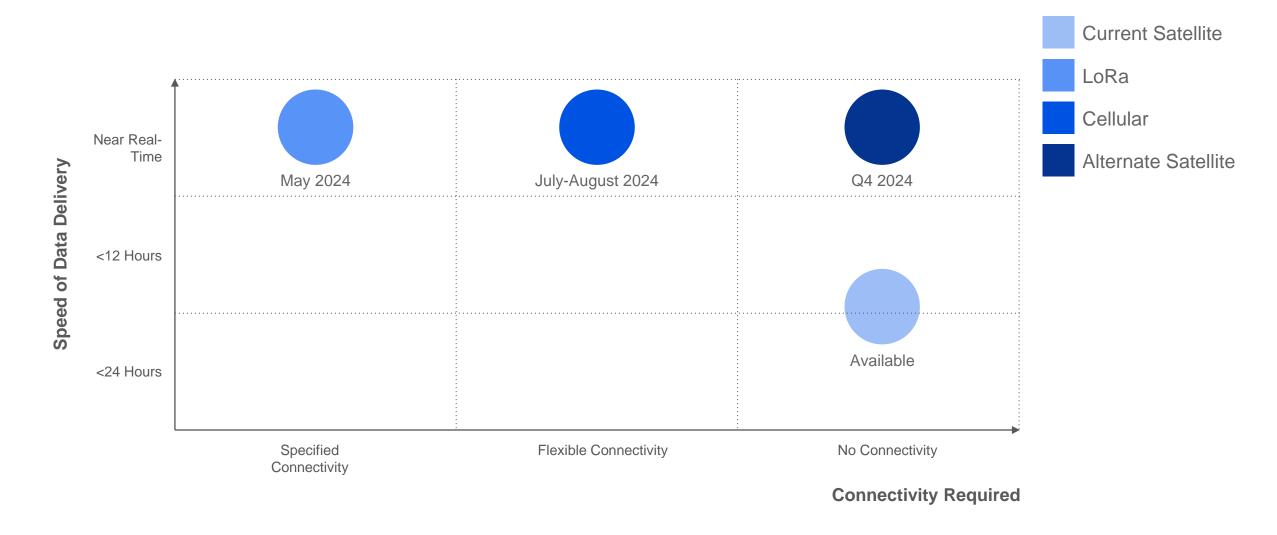
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Online User Dashboard



Sentinel Device Product Roadmap

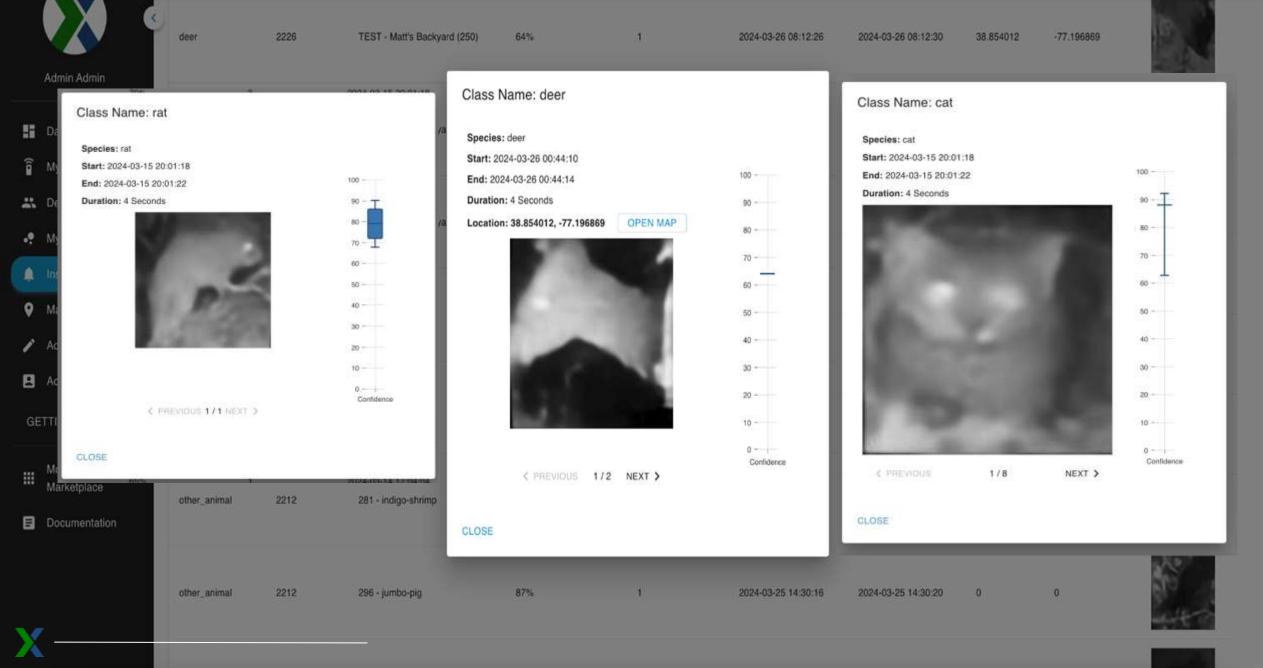
How they enable impact





















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