

Amidst the global pandemic, in North West Namibia, conservancies undertook their annual game count activities. Whereby, game guards and members from the various conservancies came together to undertake the counting of wildlife animals on particular routes that have previously been identified as relevant in the identification of wildlife population numbers in various conservancies.

As part of explorative and base assessment activities, from the 22 to 26 May 2020 three researchers from the SCIONA project joined the game count. The researchers were given several routes to undertake as part of the game count. During the undertaking of the routes, the researchers were able to observe and identify inadequacies within the game count processes, and at the same time the researchers were able to formulate recommendations and suggestions that ought to be implemented to enable more efficient and effective game count activities.

It ought to be noted that cautionary, social distancing and health protocols were adhered to during the game count

