



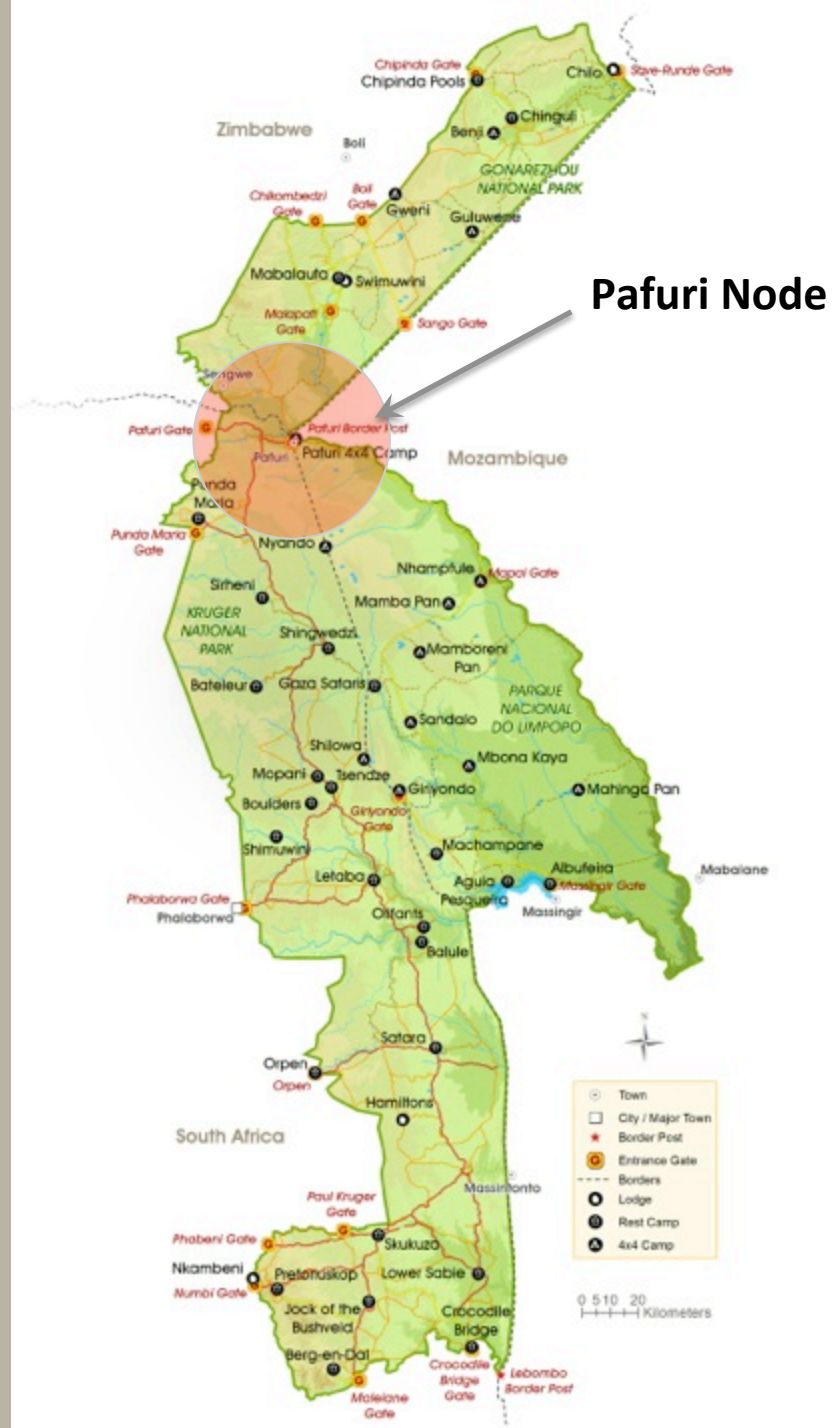
*Great Limpopo Transfrontier
Park & Conservation Area*

Pafuri Cross Border Wilderness Trail & Shangane Festival

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Background & Context

- GLTP Treaty:
 - (e) develop trans-border eco-tourism as a means of fostering regional socio-economic development
- Importance reiterated at Ministerial Bilateral held on 14 June 2013:
 - “Parties to look into interventions aimed at creating sustainable jobs, and improving livelihoods for local communities surrounding the GLTP”
- Pafuri Area also identified by GLTP Joint Management Board as a key Development Node



Pafuri Development Node

- Consist of northern Limpopo National Park (Mozambique), Makuleke Area (South Africa), and Sengwe-Tshipise Corridor (Zimbabwe)
- ‘Heart’ of the GLTP / GLTFCA
- Symbolic from a cross-border cultural linkages point of view
- Focus area for community development / livelihoods diversification programme (funded by USAID RESILIM B)



Pafuri Cross Border Trail & Shangane Festival

- Development Node within GLTFCA
- Pilot Trail conducted on 27 – 30 September 2013
- Partnership between GLTP / GLTFCA & Private Sector (Wilderness Safaris)
- Concept is to use Makuleke Area as launch pad for tourism activities into Sengwe/Tshipise Corridor
- Existing tourism base & private sector involvement in Makuleke

Area



Pafuri Cross Border Trail & Shangane Festival

- Continued this year – wilderness trail & Shangane Festival 5-8 September 2014
- Cross border MTB event was planned – cancelled due to very hot weather conditions
- Two groups of 8 people based in Makuleke Area
- One day cross border trail & Shangane Festival (Dhavhata Village – near Gwaivi Village)



Pafuri Cross-border Tourism Products

PAFURI WALKING TRAIL
Shangane Cultural Festival | 5-8 September 2014



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- Single track and rough roads though big game areas of South Africa and Zimbabwe and the adjacent rural Shangane communities
- In the Sengwe Corridor
- 2 nights rustic camping Pafuri, Kruger NP
- 2 nights rustic camping Mabeleuta, Gonarezhou NP

Minimum R12 000 donation to Children in the Wilderness per cyclist. (18% tax certificate issued to SA tax payers)
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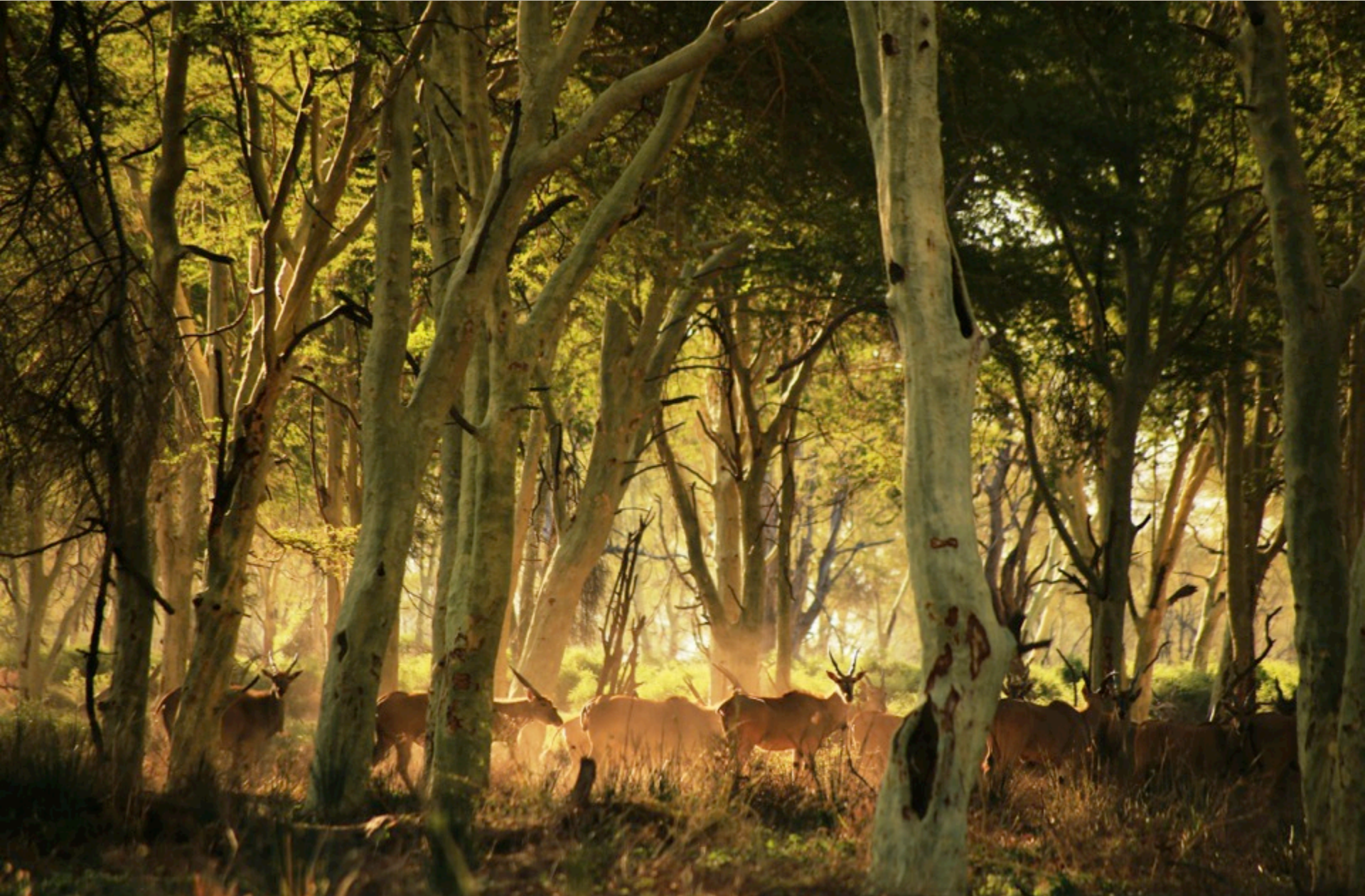


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Pafuri Cross Border Tourism Products

- Opportunities & Constraints:
 - Tangible benefits – USD 2,700-00 in cash to stakeholders
 - Opportunity to expand cross border tourism product in Pafuri / Sengwe Area in 2015 onwards
 - Wilderness Safaris lease been taken over by Elsemore Lodges – Makuleke community direct stake in business
 - Need to ensure effective cross border administrative & logistical processes



Pafuri Cross Border Tourism Products

- Future – what will make it work?
 - Providing for a diversity of cross border tourism products – development of tourism product
 - Maximising benefits and minimising leakage – providing for real economic / enterprise development opportunities
 - Effective community & private sector participation (CPPP)
 - Seamless cross border administrative & logistical processes (will be further addressed through GLTFCA Livelihoods Diversification Programme planning process)

