

NWR supports fight against rhino poaching

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Namibia Wildlife Resorts (NWR) has thrown its weight behind efforts to fight rhino poaching in the country, particularly inside the Etosha National Park.

In a recent statement the company said it has noted with great concern how the situation has deteriorated with the increase in the number of rhinos poached.

What is, however, encouraging is the way the Ministry of Environment and Tourism has taken charge in bringing to book these perpetrators, the company said.

“As one of the recipients of tourists in Namibia, NWR realises the negative impact rhino poaching has on our tourism sector. It goes without saying that one of the drawcards to Namibia is the spectacular wildlife that roams freely within our national parks.

“Thus, it is in our best interest as a country to stand behind our government as the negative impact associated with poaching will severely affect this sector,” said Zelna Hengari, NWR managing director in the statement.

NWR is therefore urging everyone, especially its employees to report anyone they know or suspect to be involved in rhino poaching directly or indirectly and will continue sensitising its employees on the consequences if they are caught on the wrong side of the law.

Hengari commended the ministry for reinforcing anti-poaching units and patrols in the national parks and expressed the hope that one day poaching will be completely routed out of Namibia.