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Rhino bull killed and dehorned by poachers near Otjituu

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Summary

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Namibian Police Force Unit Commander for Community Affairs in the region, Inspector Maureen Mbeha in an interview with Nampa on Friday said the poaching is suspected to have happened on the farm between 01 April 2023 and 01 May 2023, as the crime scene is old, and was only discovered this week.

The police preliminary investigations indicate that the animal was shot twice in the head with a heavy hunting rifle.

“The suspects sawed and removed the horns of the animal,” Mbeha said.

Its carcass was found in a decomposed state, she added.

A case of hunting specially protected game valued at N.dollars 500 000 has been opened at the Otjituu Police Station situated less than 100 kilometres east of Grootfontein.

No arrest has been made in connection with the matter, and police investigations continue.

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