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people's trust for  
**endangered  
species**



**PERSIAN LEOPARD DISTRIBUTION IN NORTH-EASTERN IRAN IN  
RELATION TO ESCALATING HUMAN PRESSURES AND PREY  
RESOURCES  
2011/2012**

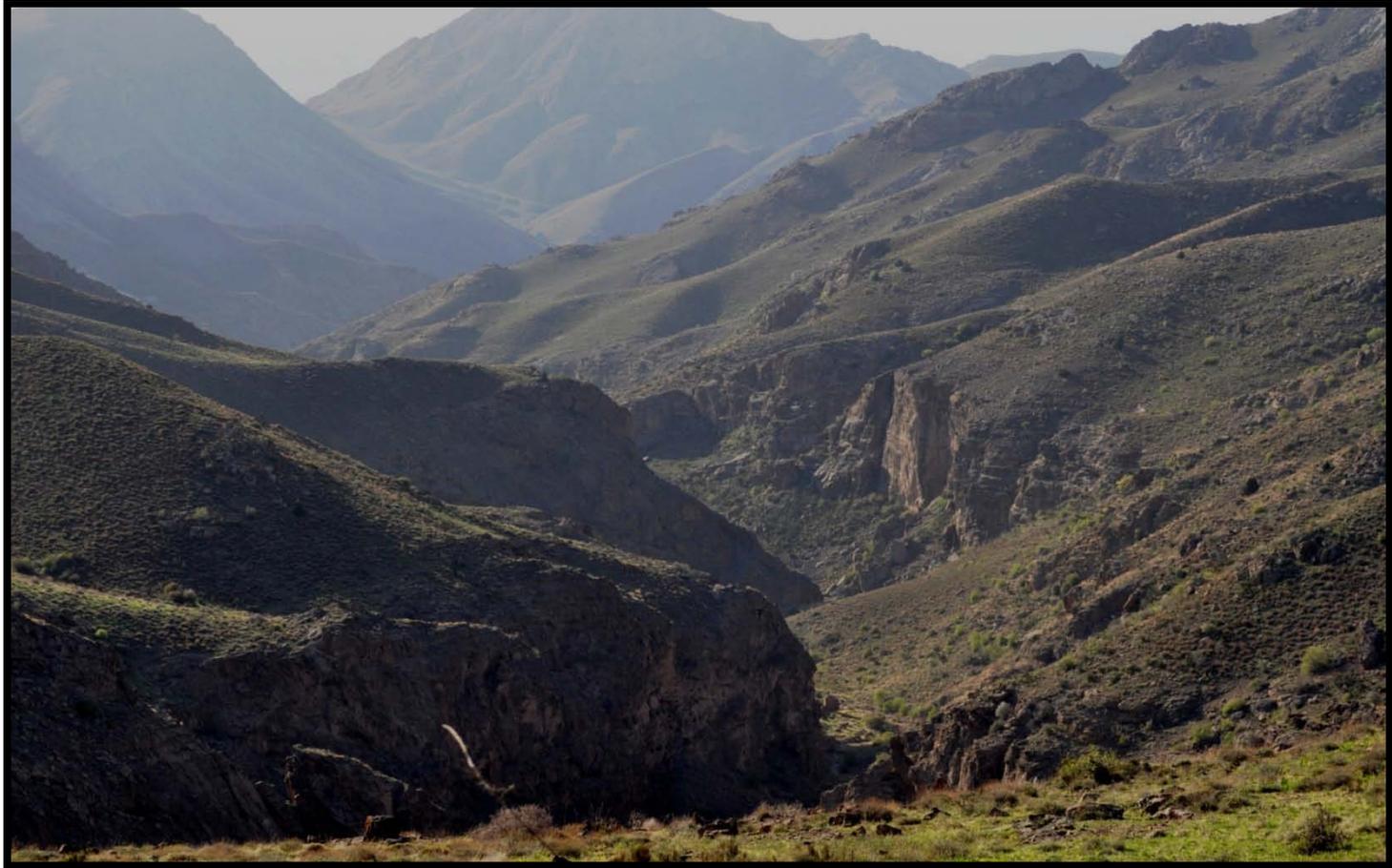
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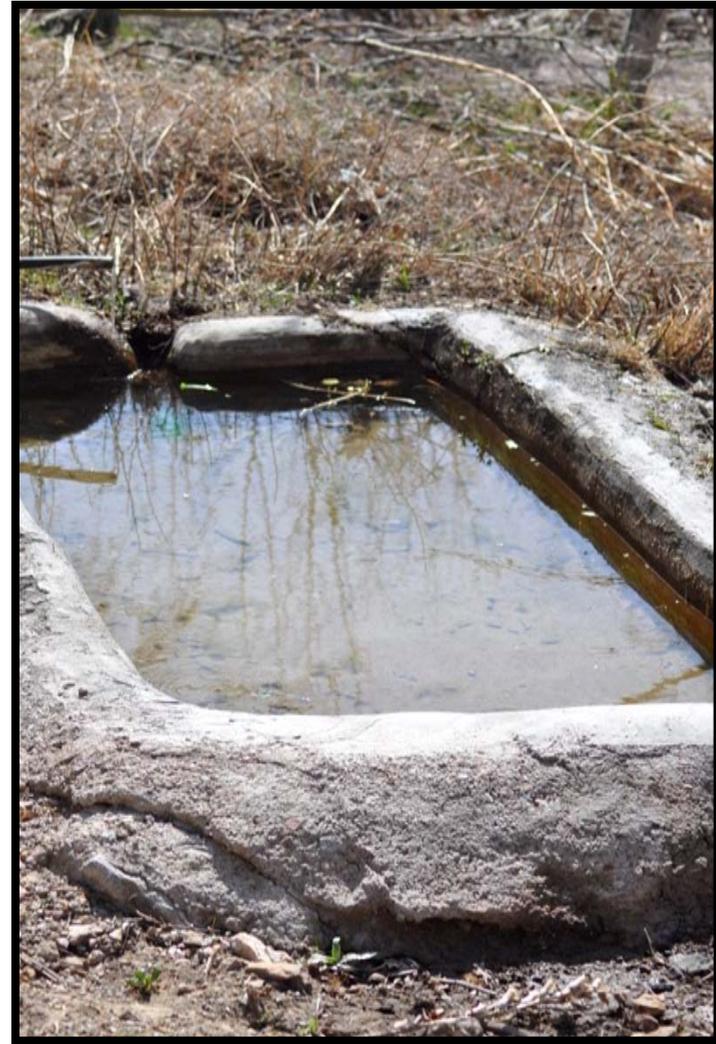
- **HABITAT FEATURE AND PRESENCE OF LIVESTOCK**



**Leopard habitat in Salouk NP**



**Livestock grazing in a wildlife habitat close to the Turkmenistan border**



**Waterholes established by DoE for wildlife in Salouk NP**

- **CAMERA TRAPPING, DIRECT OBSERVATIONS AND SIGN SURVEYS**



Leopard tracking in a non protected leopard corridor to set the camera traps



CAMERA TRAPPING SURVEYS IN 4 REGIONS OF SALOUK NP, SARIGOL NP,  
DEHGAH NON PROTECTED AREA, REIN NON PROTECTED AREAS







**PERSIAN GAZELLE (*Gazella subgutturosa*) IN A PLATEAU CLOSE TO A LEOPARD AREA IN ESFARAYEN TOWNSHIP**

• QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEYS AND INTERVIEWS WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES





**USE OF WILD SHEEP HORN ON THE ROOF OF BUILDING FOLLOWING BY BELIEFS OF LOCAL TURKMENS ABOUT WILDLIFE SPECIES**

- CHECKING FOR THE SIGNS OF PREDATOR ATTACKS ON LIVESTOCK AND IDENTIFICATION OF RESPONSIBLE SPECIES, INVESTIGATIONS REGARDING COMPLAINTS OF LOCAL SHEPHERDS



Current Research provided us several important approaches for leopard conservation and management in North Khorasan province. Additional to the objectives of this research, we also used current results to develop a study for distribution modeling of the Persian leopards in whole the country. We also identified local persons who are willing to conserve wildlife species in their area. Some local persons were trained and assisted us during the current research. Later on we embarked on facilitating establishment of groups of local communities in North Khorasan province who are willing to save Persian leopard and its main preys in their area.



And our efforts for the Persian leopards in this region has continue...