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Humans are having an affect on the lion population in Africa in a variety of ways. According to the article, “The Kings of the Jungle Are Disappearing from Africa”, humans are both a cause of endangerment and a possible solution. Trophy hunting is one problem that the article highlights. The author states that, “Trophy hunting is yet another threat to African lions.” Trophy hunting is when humans hunt animals for sport so that they can take them as a “trophy”.

Another way humans are having a negative impact on lions is through farming. According to the passage, farmers are moving onto land where lions have traditionally roamed. The farmers clear fields and away grazing land from antelopes, which are food for lions. The article also states that farmers sometimes poison their own cows in order to kill lions that feed on the cows.

Poachers also have a negative impact by illegally killing lions and also antelopes, which they sell for “Bush Meat”.

There is some good news. Although there are people still killing lions there are some that are here to help. The author writes about a group called WildCru that is using Cecil (a famous lion killed by a trophy hunter) to raise funds to make sure lions don’t disappear from Africa forever.

As the article “The Kings of the Jungle Are Disappearing from Africa” makes clear, humans are a having a major impact on lions in both positive and negative ways.