The community living around Volcanoes National Park and other gorilla habitats often work in collaboration with conservation organizations and park authorities to identify and raise awareness about exploitative, extractive, or consumptive captive or wild animal tourism attractions involving mountain gorillas.Strategies in place place includes:

Community Education and Training: Local communities receive education and training on responsible tourism practices, wildlife conservation, and the ethical considerations surrounding gorilla tourism. This empowers them to identify exploitative or harmful activities and understand the importance of protecting gorillas in their natural habitats.

Collaborative Monitoring: Community members, park rangers, and conservation organizations collaborate to monitor tourism activities in and around gorilla habitats. They keep a close eye on tourist operations, facilities, and attractions to ensure compliance with ethical guidelines and regulations. Any suspicious or exploitative practices can be reported and addressed accordingly.

Awareness Campaigns: Community-led awareness campaigns are conducted to educate both local residents and visitors about responsible and ethical tourism practices. These campaigns include workshops, community meetings, information sessions, and the distribution of educational materials. The goal is to foster a culture of responsible tourism and discourage participation in exploitative activities.

Reporting Mechanisms: Community members are provided with channels to report any concerns or incidents related to exploitative or unethical gorilla tourism attractions. These reporting mechanisms can include hotlines, online platforms, or designated local contacts. Reports are investigated, and appropriate action is taken to address any identified issues.

Community-Based Tourism Initiatives: Community-based tourism initiatives are developed to provide alternative and sustainable income-generating opportunities for local communities. By actively participating in responsible tourism activities, such as guided nature walks, cultural experiences, or handicraft production, communities can reduce their reliance on exploitative or extractive practices.

Collaboration with Stakeholders: Local communities, conservation organizations, government agencies, and tour operators work in partnership to develop and enforce guidelines and regulations for gorilla tourism. Regular consultations and information sharing ensure that all stakeholders are actively involved in creating a sustainable and ethical tourism industry.