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## **GF-TADs ASF12 steering group of experts**

### **“Current situation in Belgium”**

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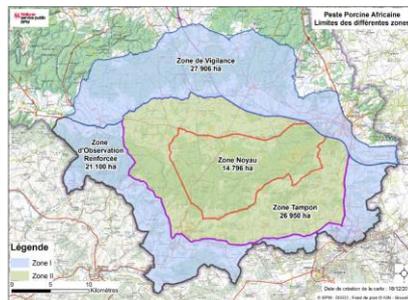
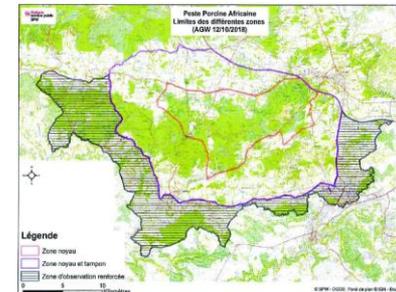
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# 1. Chronology

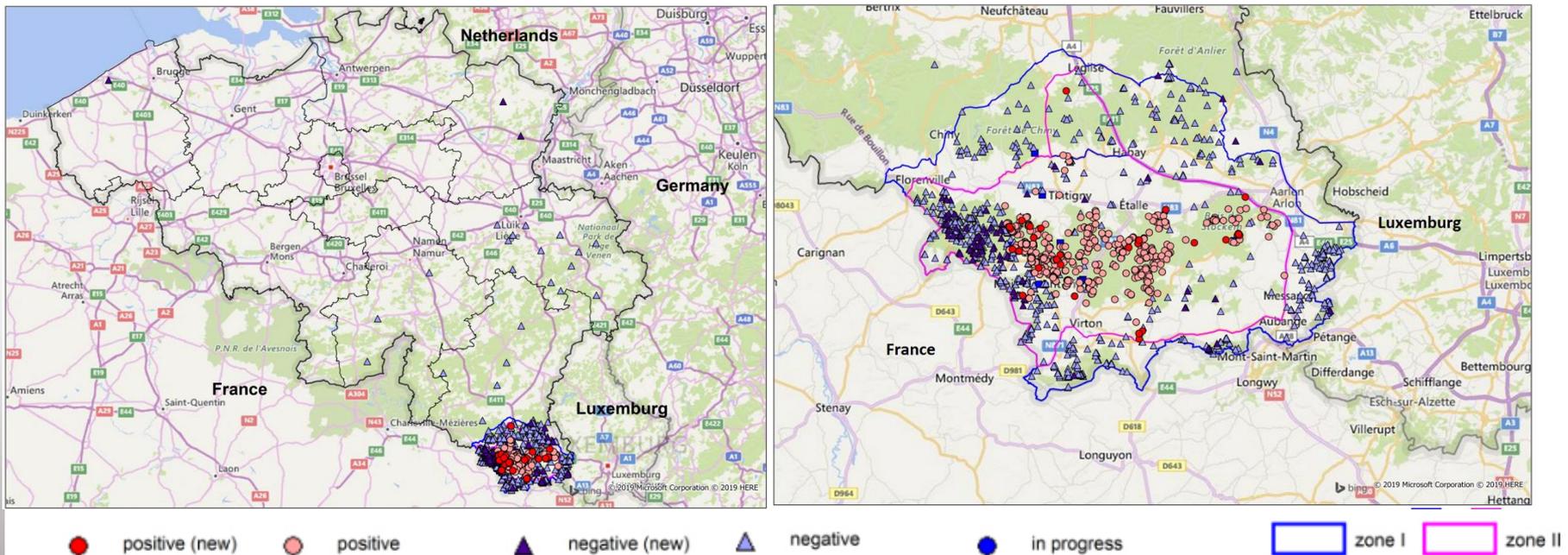
- ✓ 09/09/2018: first case of ASF in wild board in the south of Belgium.
- ✓ **26/09 - 03/10/18: preventive culling of pigs in the infected zone**
- ✓ 12/10/18: delineation by the Walloon Region of 3 "operational" zones within the infected zone, with a view to the management of wild boars
  - kernel zone
  - buffer zone
  - reinforced observation zone
- ✓ 23/11/18: Adaptation European zoning
  - Delineation of zone I (buffer) and zone II (infected)
  - Region: delineation of a vigilance zone



# 2. Current situation

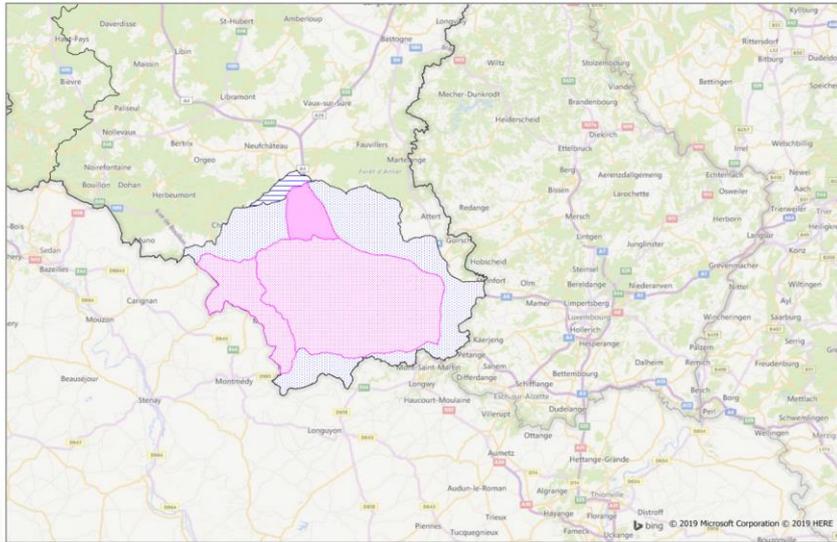
As at 01/03/2019

- 1,851 wild boars found dead or shot were tested and analysed
  - 1,754 in the "infected zone"
  - 640 positive ASF
- **No outbreak in domestic pigs**



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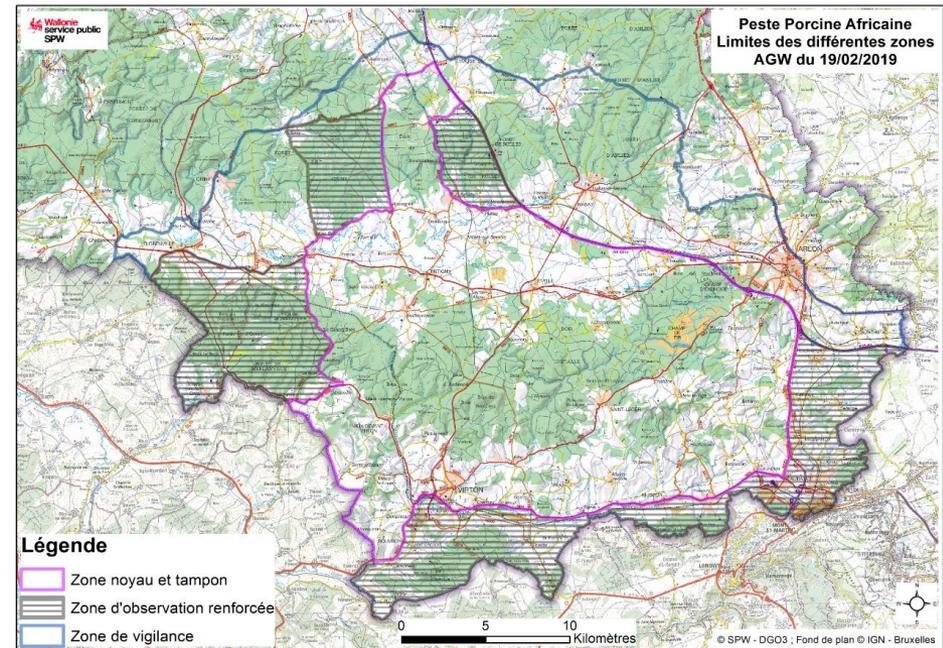
## EU Zones



old zone II    new zone II    old zone I    new zone I



## National Operational Zones



### Légende

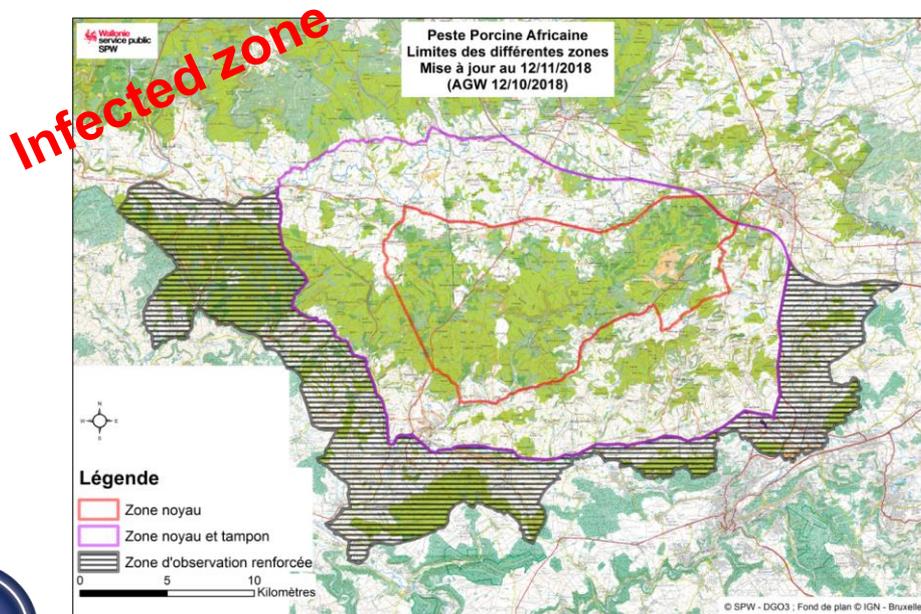
- Zone noyau et tampon
- Zone d'observation renforcée
- Zone de vigilance



# Wild Boar: Measures in the "infected zone"

## Strategic objectives for eradicating the disease

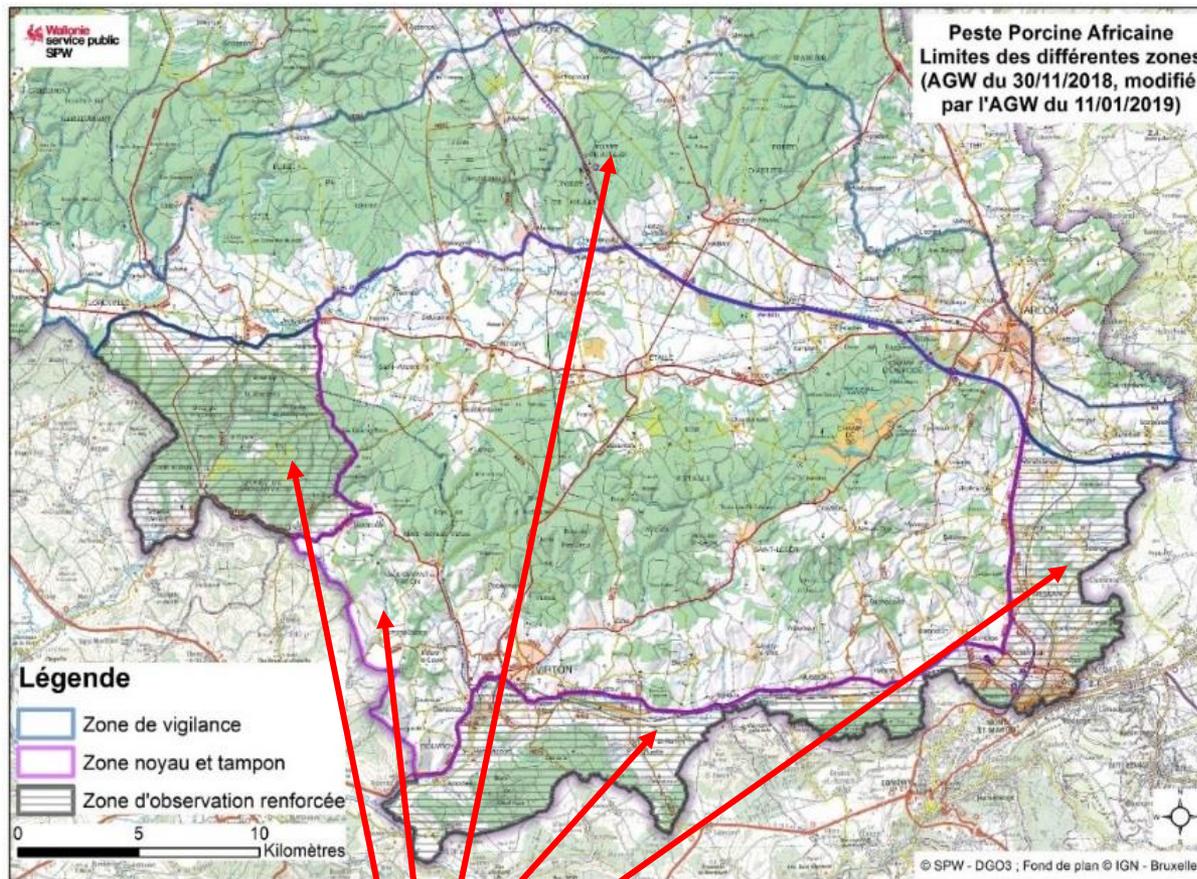
- Knowledge of the situation & its evolution
- Limiting & preventing spread among wild boars
- Eliminating contaminated carcasses (= removing the source of infection)
- Progressive and adapted elimination of all wild boar



### Basis for the definition of zones

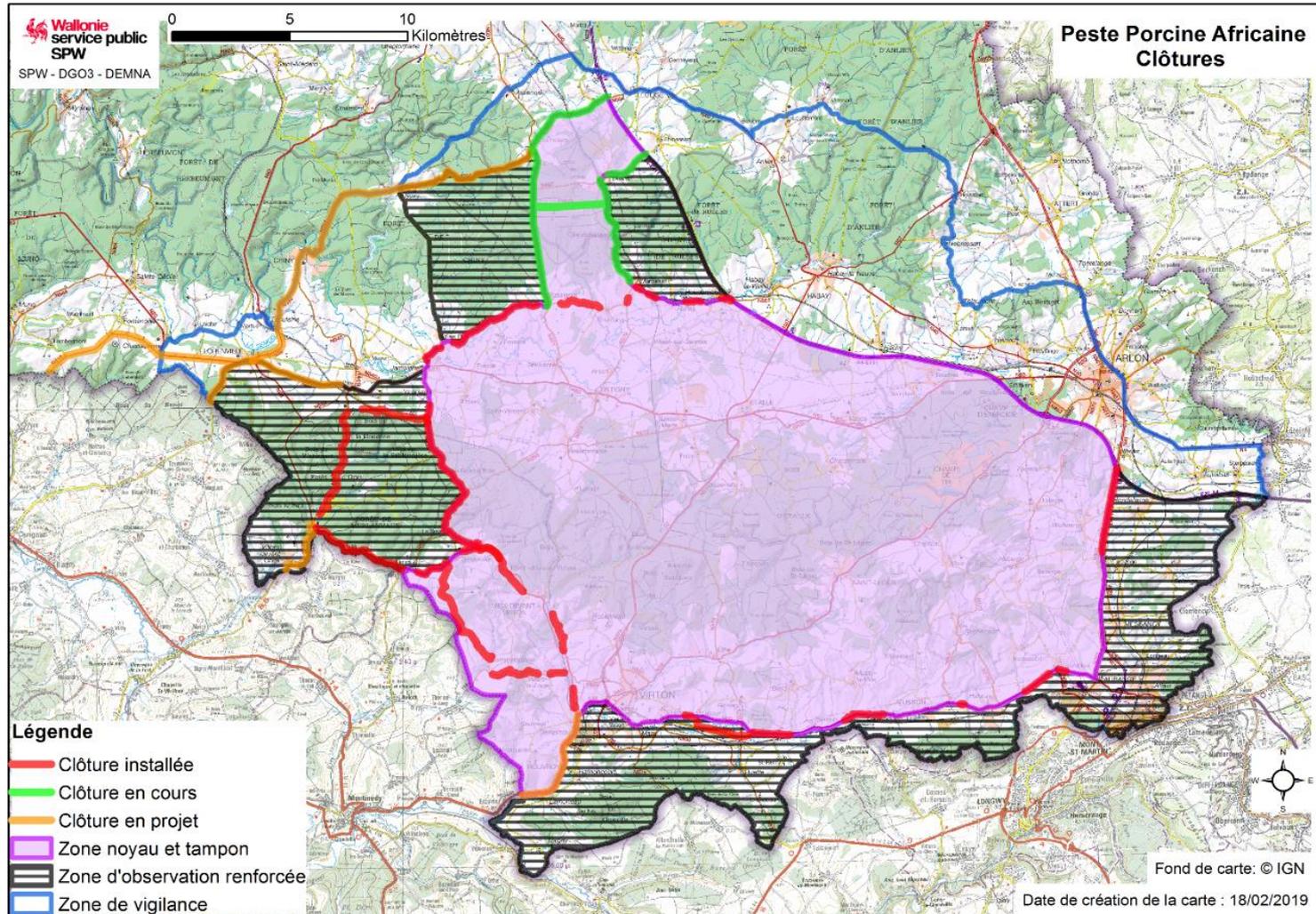
1. *Presence of the ASF virus*
2. *Habitat of wild boar & forested areas*
3. *Existing natural or artificial barriers*

# Wild Boar: Measures in zones I and II

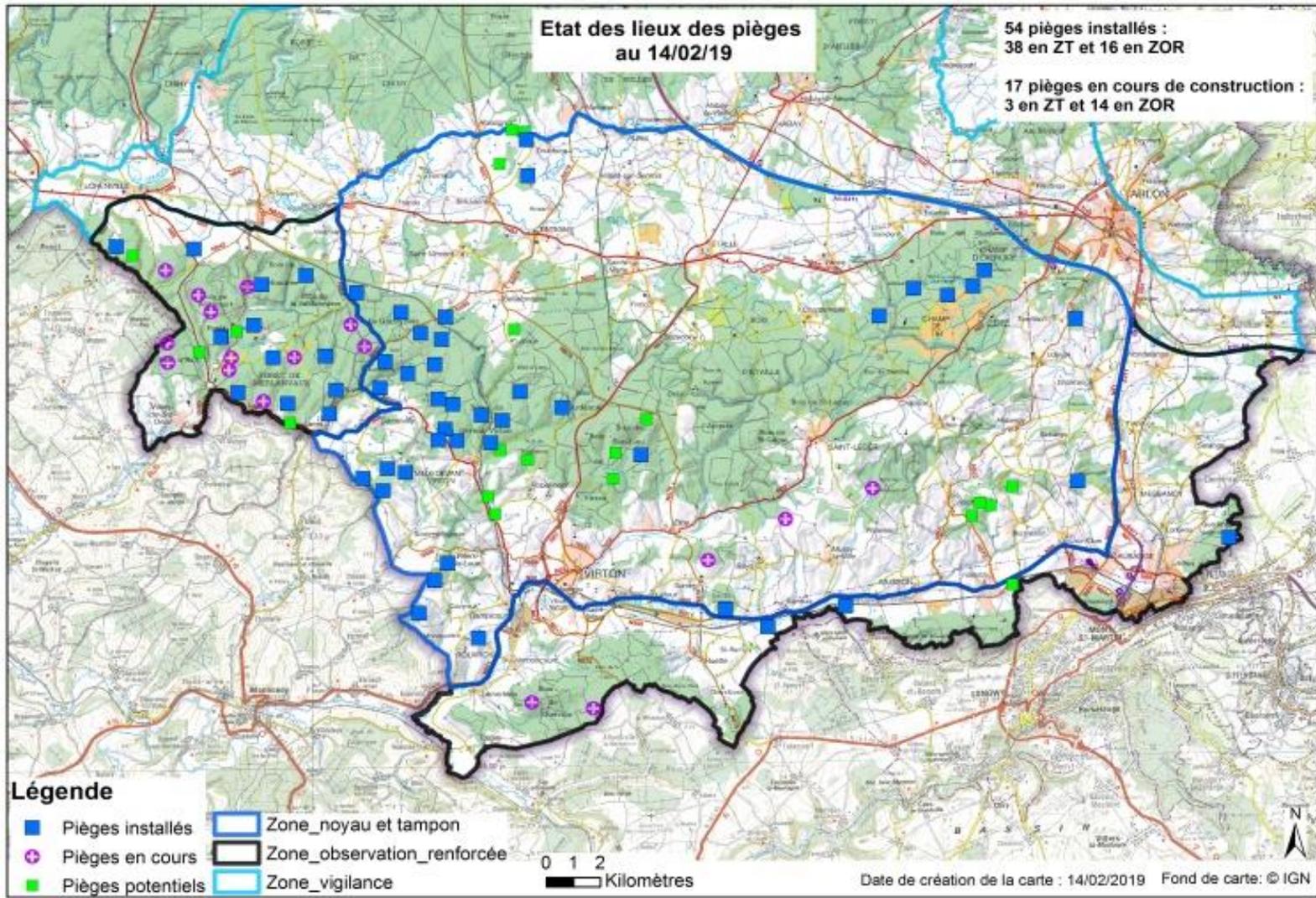


**Destruction objective: 0 boars = "depopulation zone"**

# Fences



# Traps





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*Thank you for your attention*



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