



Ministry of Environment
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Danish Veterinary and
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Fence along DK-DE border – ASF prevention



Political agreement on strengthened efforts against introduction of ASF



Extermination of wild boar in Denmark

Intensify measures for extinction of wild boars in Denmark

Change of hunting rules – permit wild boar hunting day and night all year

Establish a wild boar fence along the Danish-German border

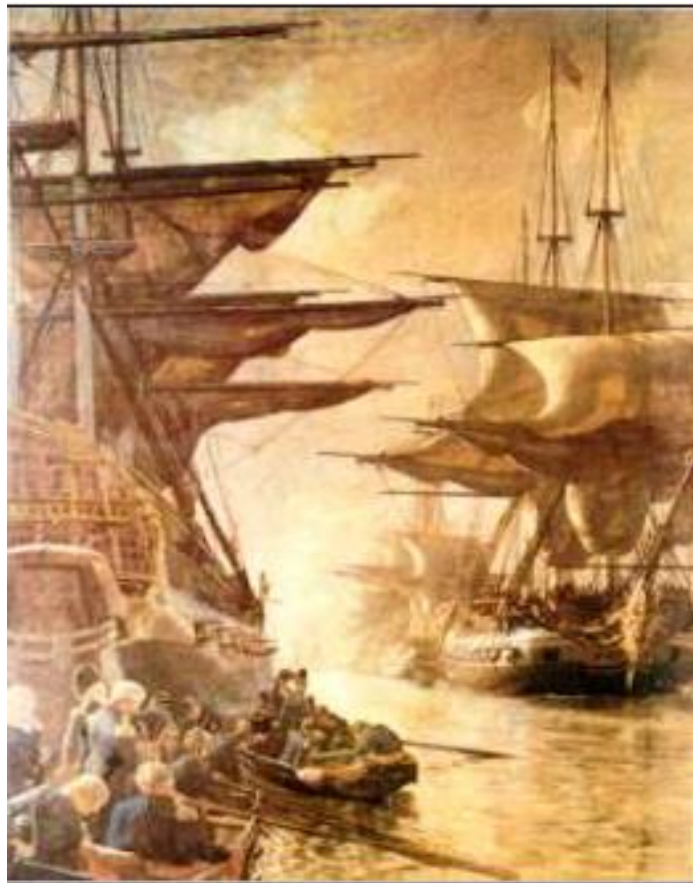
Increase ASF surveillance in killed wild boars – incentive free examination for trichinella

Improve collaboration with hunting associations

Discussion at the Committee on Petitions (PETI) 2. April.



Historical background



England stole the Danish fleet
1807

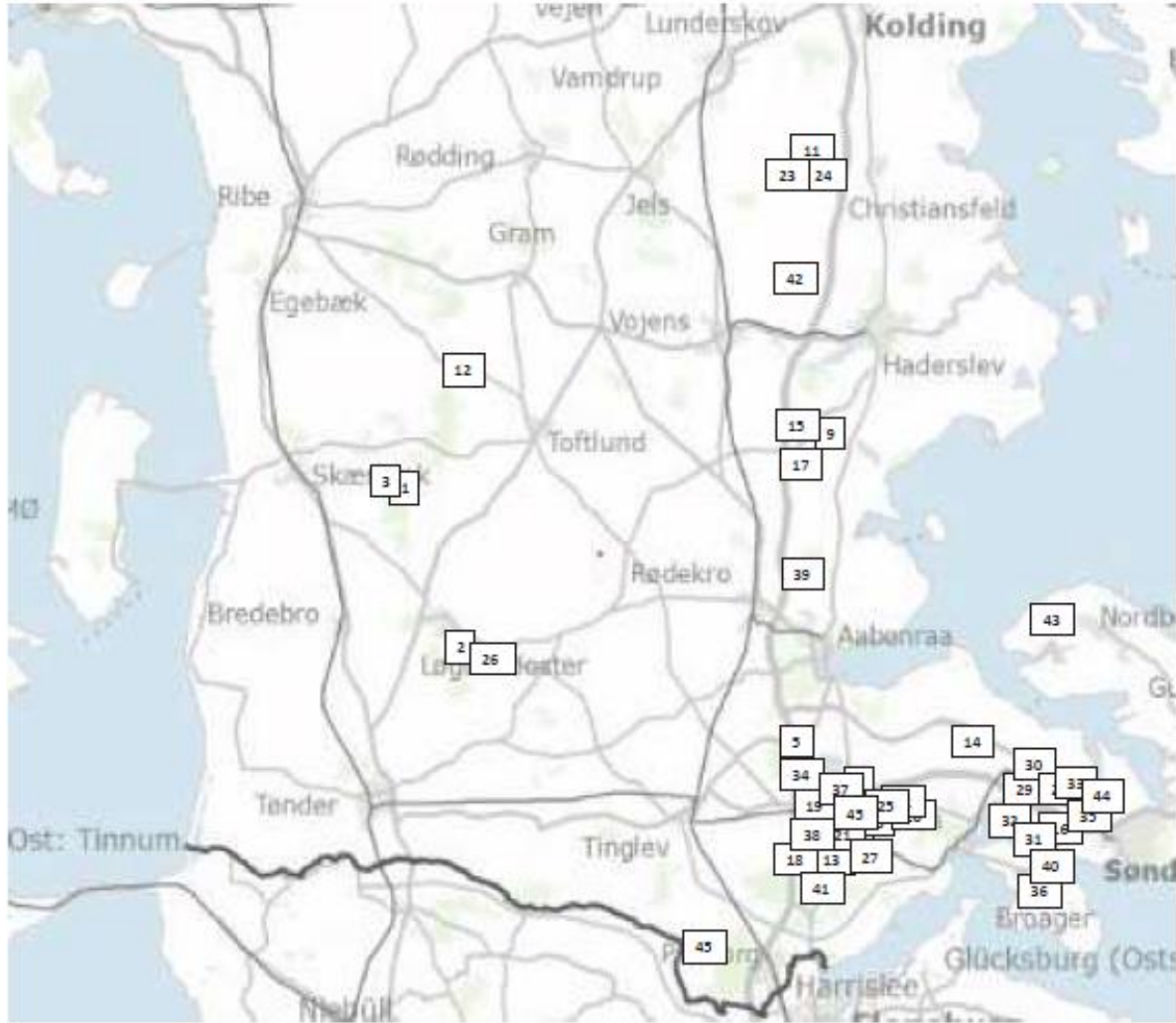


For reconstruction of the fleet oak forests were cut down

No wild boar in Denmark since beginning of 1800



Wild boar management



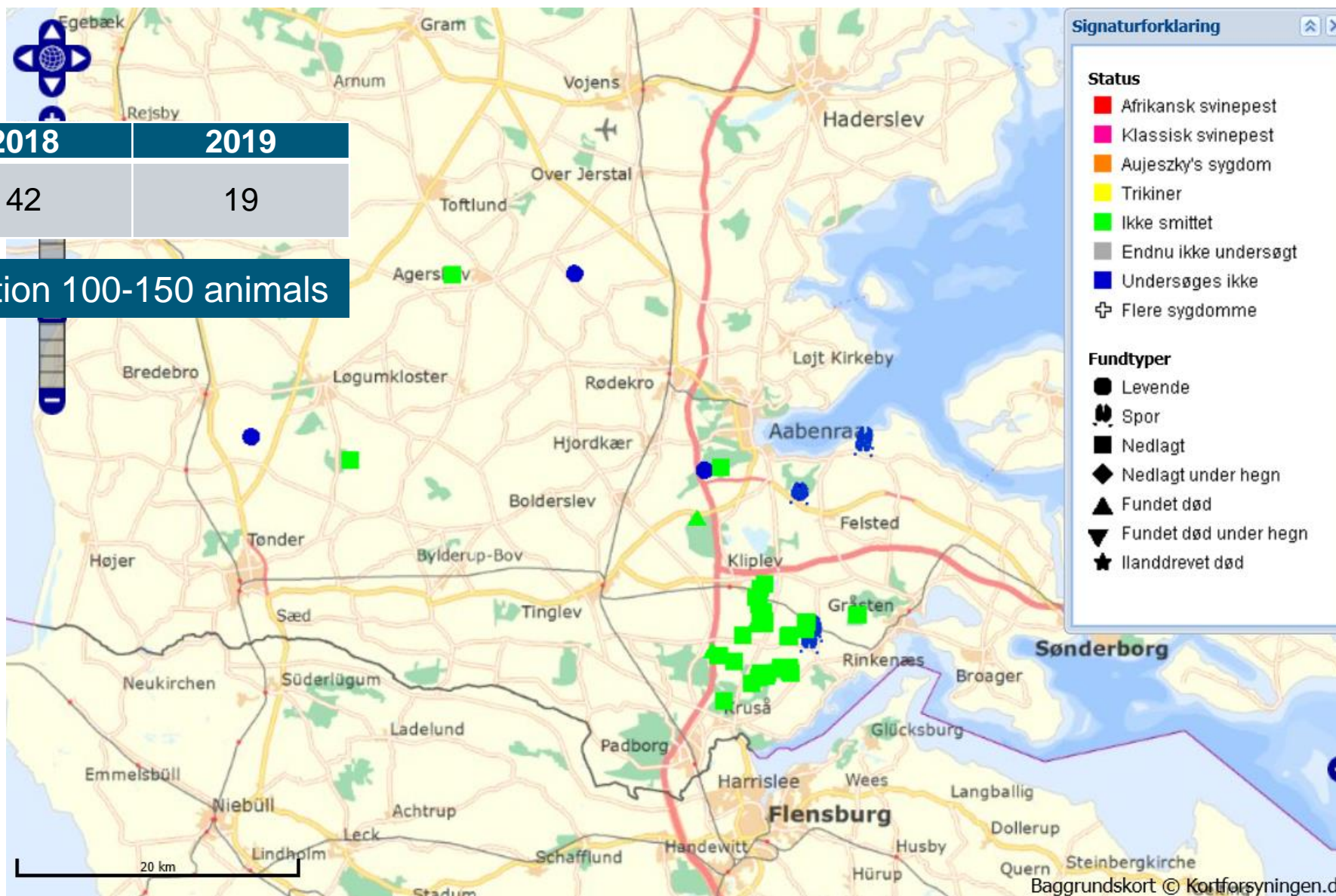
Areas with wild boar observations in DK in 2017



Detection and killing of wild boar 2018-19

	2018	2019
Hunted wild boars	42	19

Estimated population 100-150 animals



Wild boar management



Why establish a fence?

Wild boar has been extinct from Danish territory since beginning of 1800s

In the last 5-10 years stray wild boar has entered from Germany

Denmark has no established wild boar population - only a few sows observed with litters

Germany has decided to follow the recommendations of reducing the wild boar population

This may cause increased migration/spread of wild boar e.g to Denmark

ASF experience has shown that the highest risk of long distance spread is via infected food offal dropped in nature and taken up by wild boar

Cutting this pathway is the most effective risk mitigating measure

Denmark has the unique possibility for applying this measure by preventing the establishment of a wild boar population – erecting a fence

**“EU Animal Health Strategy
Prevention is better than cure”**

Fence as protection against wild boars invasion – prevention of long distance spread



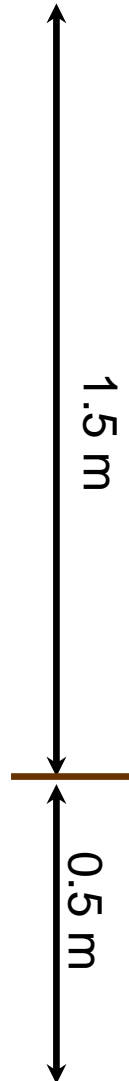
None of the Danish 8.500 pig farms are fenced – could be a demand from third country markets with increased ASF risk – 2-3,000 km fence needed



Free-range pigs fenced by double fence with electricity



Fence along Danish-German border – 67 km



Holes for small game animals every 100 m

Status for establishment of Danish fence



Seven km erected corresponding to red areas. Experience with different types of landscape



Appearance of fence in nature



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Facts about the fence

Total distance approximately 67 km

Height 1.5 m and 0.5 m in the ground

1.5 m should allow deer to jump over and is the max height for wild boar to pass

21 road or railway passings

Colour green in order to reduce visibility in landscape

Holes 20x20 cm for every 100 m for passage of small game animals

No fence through village areas



Thank you for your attention

