

African Swine fever in wild boar in Belgium

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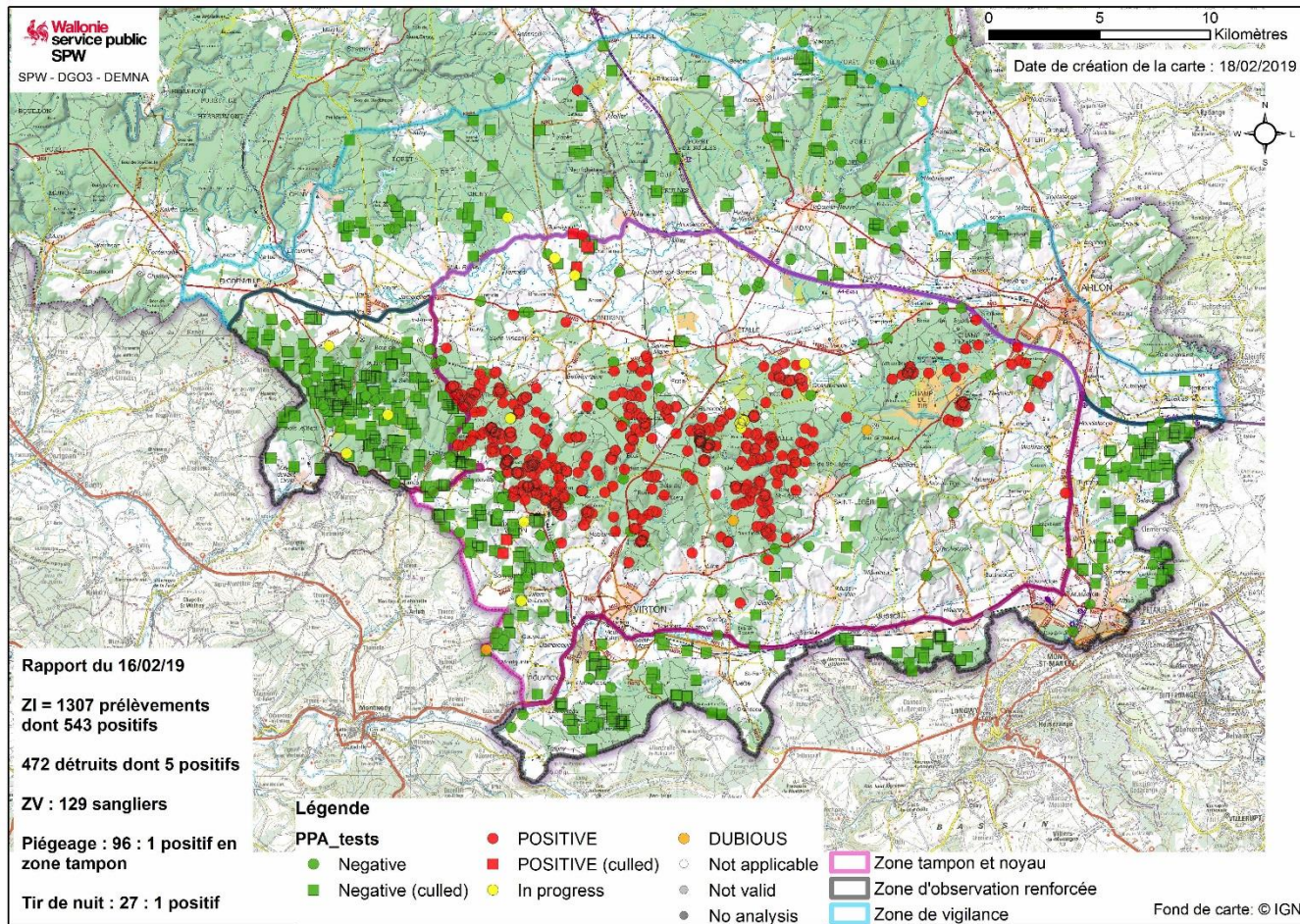
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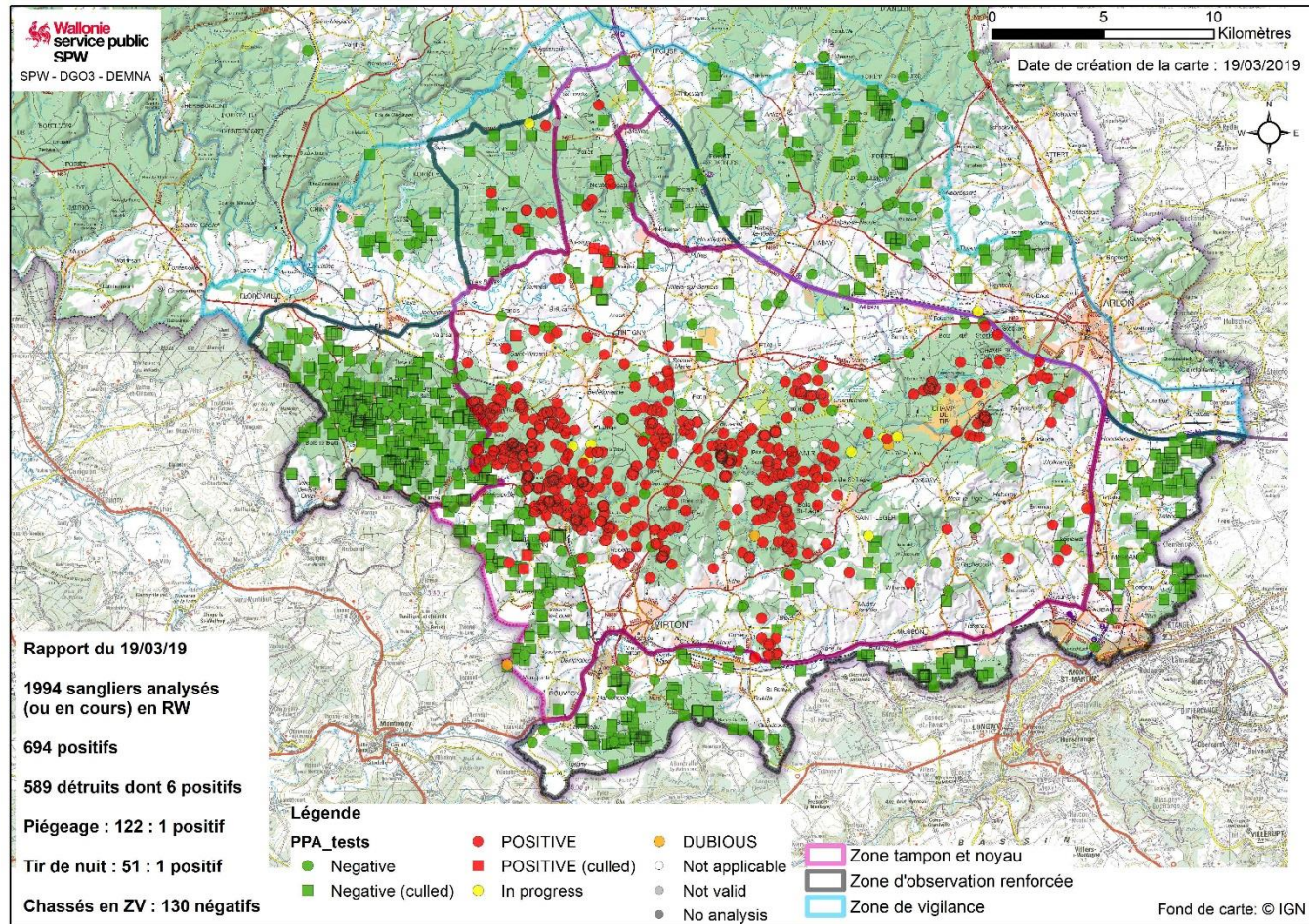
- **1 994 wild boars sampled**
- **694 confirmed cases of AVP in wild boar**
 - **689 in the areas in Part II of the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU**
 - **5 in the areas in Part I of the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU before the last modification**



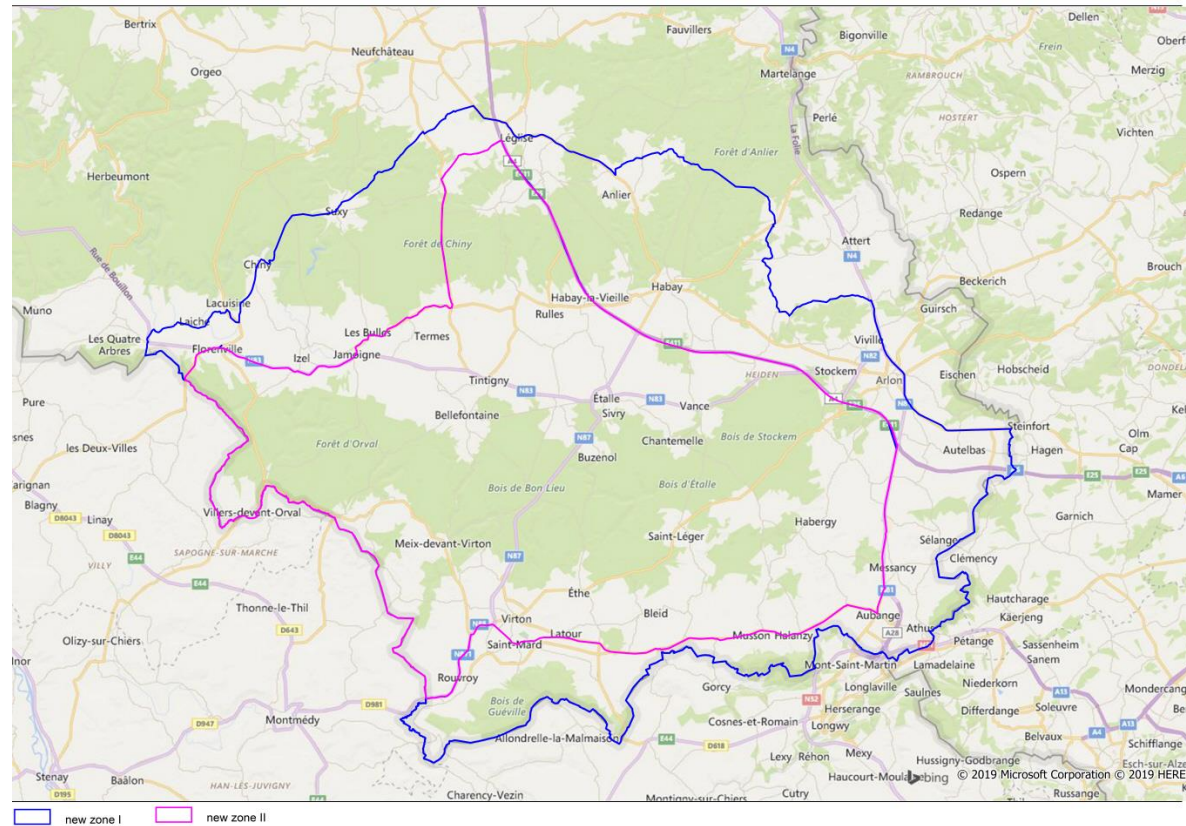
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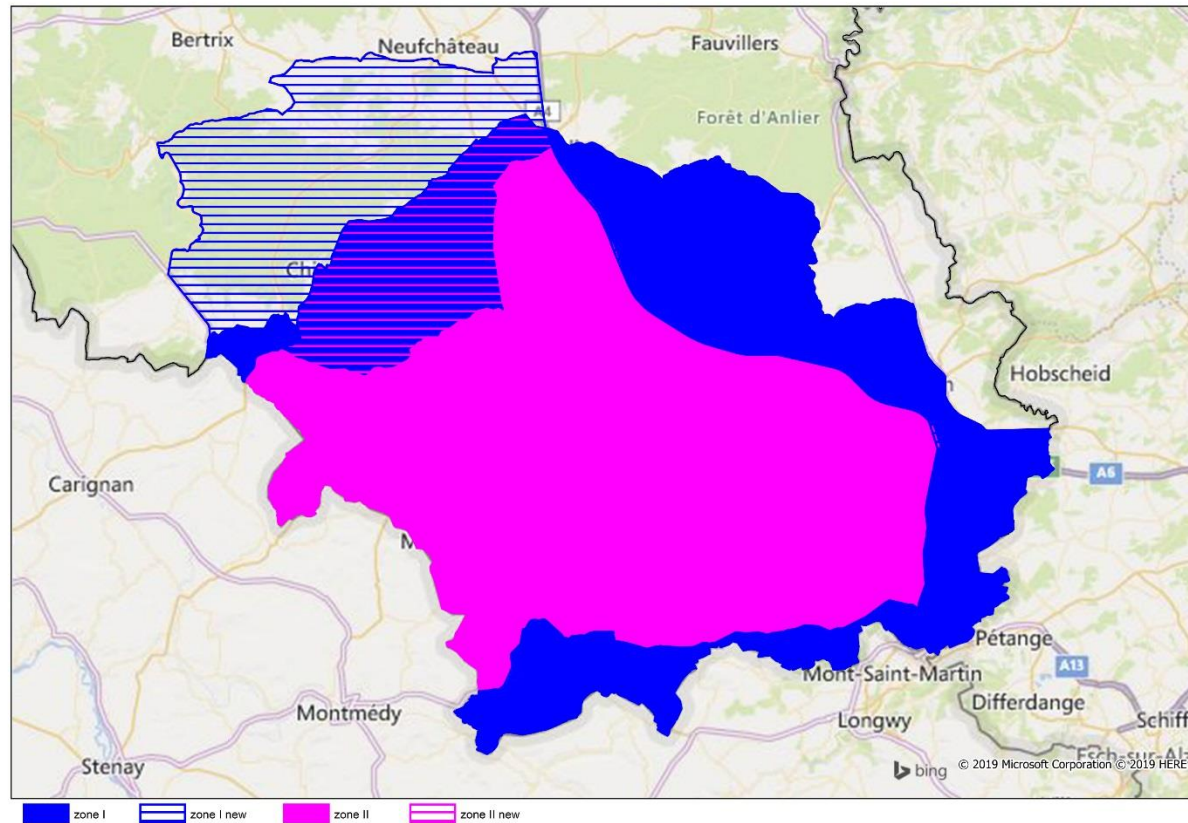
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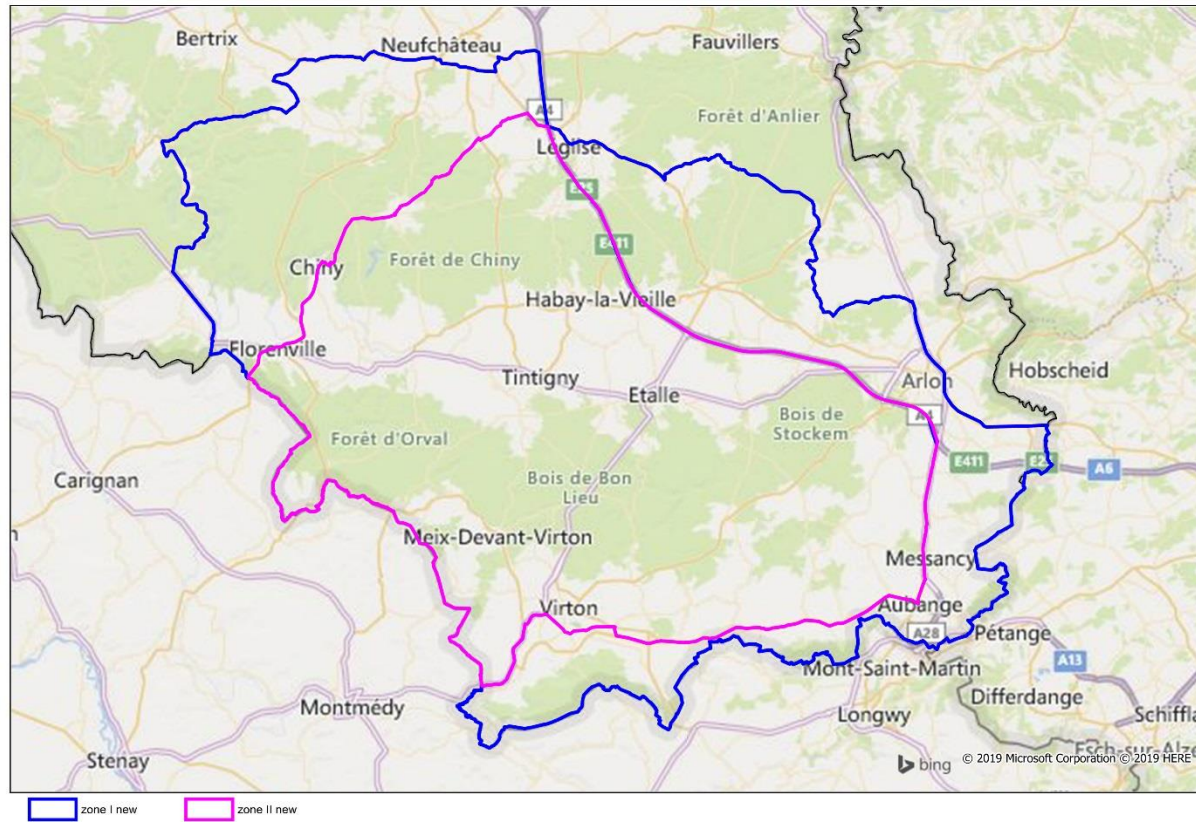
Actual areas in the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU



Proposal to modify the areas in the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU



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No outbreaks in domestic pigs!



Measures in the infected zone (Wal. Region)

Wild boar

Area in part II of the annex

- Ban on hunting wild boar
- Ban on feeding wild boar
- Forest works are allowed under strict conditions (planning of the works & disinfection of the equipment)
- Biosecurity measures
- Searching, collection and testing of all wild boar found dead
- Trapping and culling of wild boar
- Fence network completed on the northern, western and southern sides of the buffer zone (other sides with artificial barriers, e.g. highways). New fences are being build



Measures in the infected zone (Wal. Region)

Wild boar

Area in part I of the annex

– Reduction (eradication) of the wild boar population

- Hunters must organize wild boar culling under strict conditions
- Trained hunters, forest guards and agents of the Walloon administration
- Shooting day/night, with or without baiting,... drive hunting with dogs forbidden, single hunting and silent drives allowed
- Trapping and culling of wild boar
- Biosecurity measures
- Testing of shot wild boar
- Rendering of carcasses of shot wild boar
- Compensation per wild boar for the management of the culled wild boar with respect of biosecurity rules and transport to the collection center



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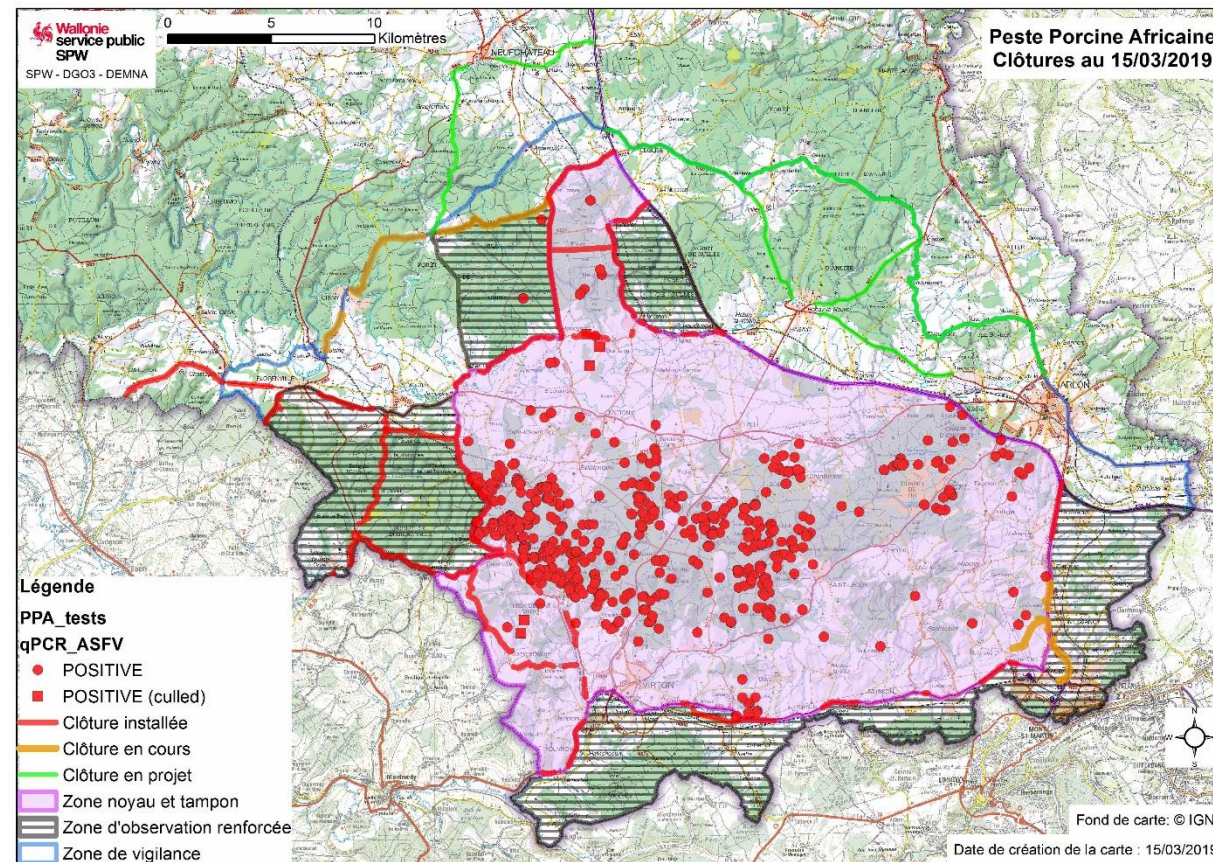
Wild boar

- 589 wild boar shot in part I of the annex: 6 positive for ASF
- 122 wild boar captured: 1 positive for ASF
- 51 wild boar shot at night: 1 positive for ASF



Measures in the infected zone (Wal. Region) Wild boar

- New fences

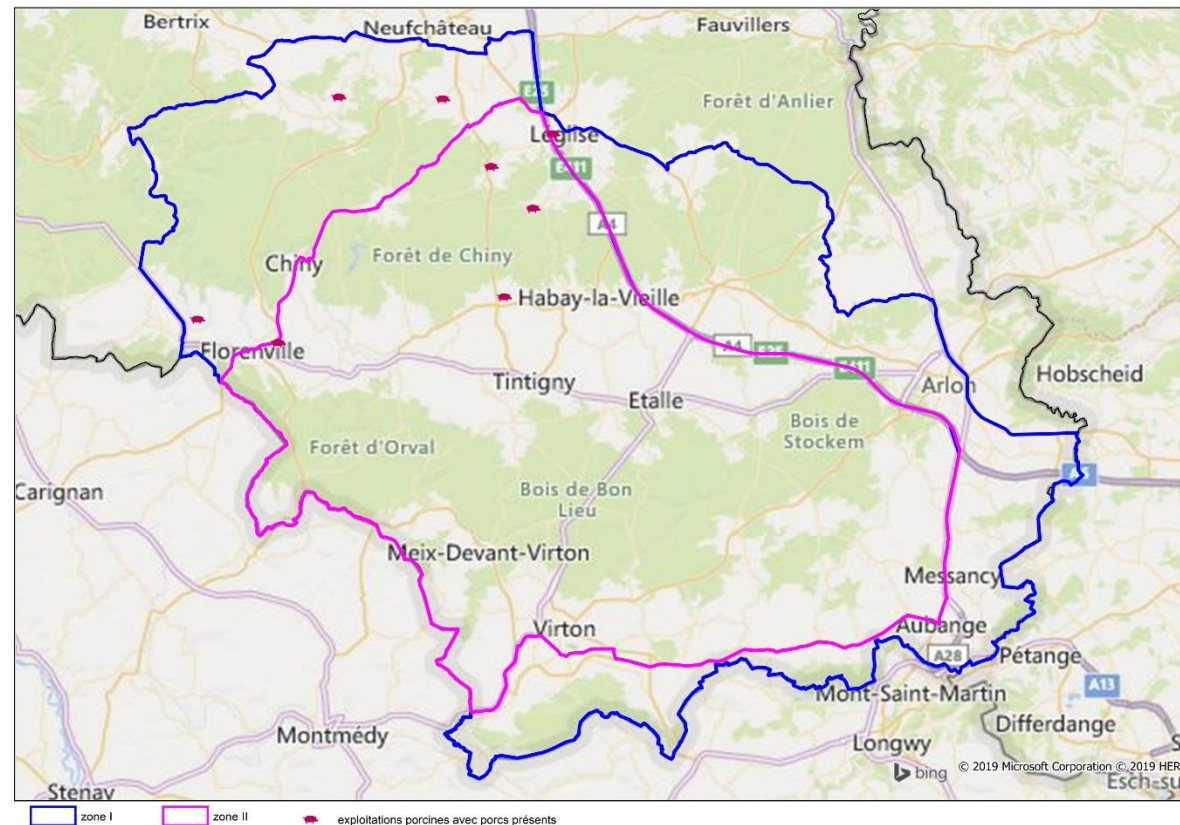


National measures - Pigs

- Additional measures following the introduction of ASF
 - All assemblies of pigs prohibited
 - Only 1-1 transports of pigs (except to the slaughterhouse)
 - No visitors allowed to pig farms if not needed
 - All introduced pigs must pass quarantine
 - Increased surveillance: no treatment of sick pigs without sampling for ASF tests: 3 856 pigs tested on 894 pig farms: all negative!
- Raising awareness of farmers, hunters and vets
- Biosecurity



Pig farms in the modified areas in the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU



Collaboration with neighbouring countries

- Regular meetings for exchange of knowledge and experience and aligning measures taken



Conclusions

- Measures for the control of ASF are in place
- All concerned partners are actively involved
- Close collaboration with neighboring countries
- Prepared in case an outbreak would occur in domestic pigs



Thank you for your attention

