African Swine fever in wild boar in Belgium

PAFF Committee 24-25 October 2019



Confirmed cases in wild boar

On 21 October 2019:

- 3 999 wild boars sampled
- 827 confirmed cases of AVP in wild boar
 - all in the areas in Part II of the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU
- 862 wild boar culled: 7 positive for ASF
- 1 090 wild boar captured: 4 positive for ASF
- 202 wild boar shot at night: 2 positive for ASF

No positives for 10 weeks!

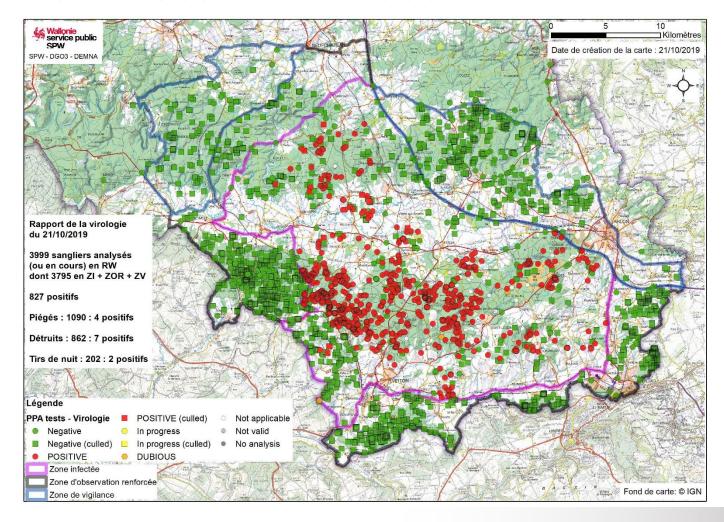


Areas in the annex of Decision 2014/709/EU



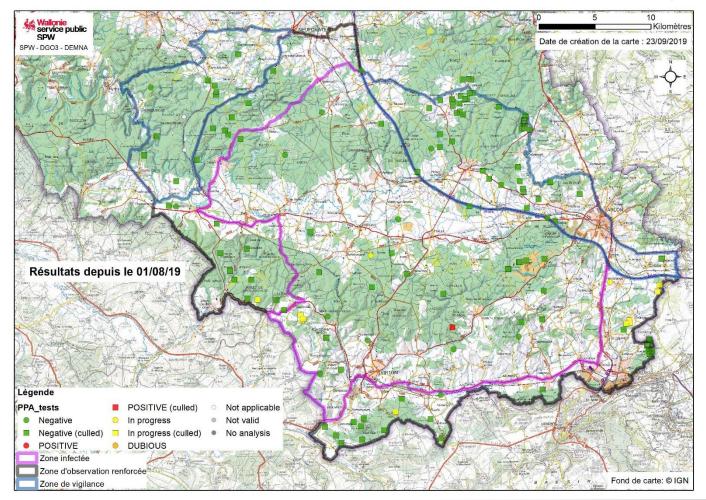


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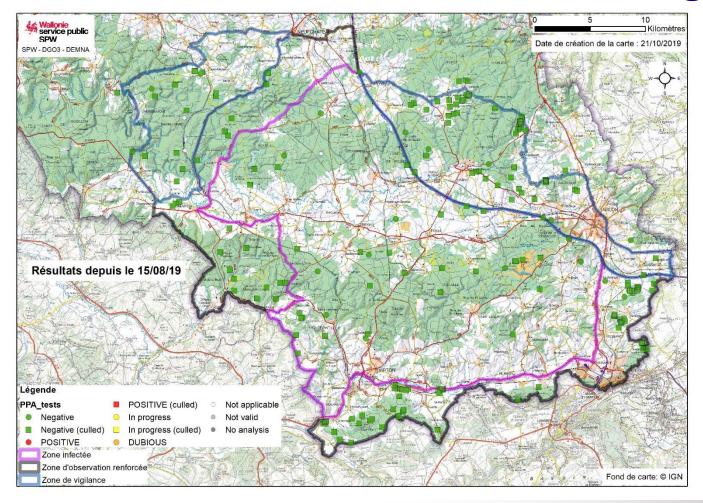


Confirmed cases in wild boar since 1 August 2019



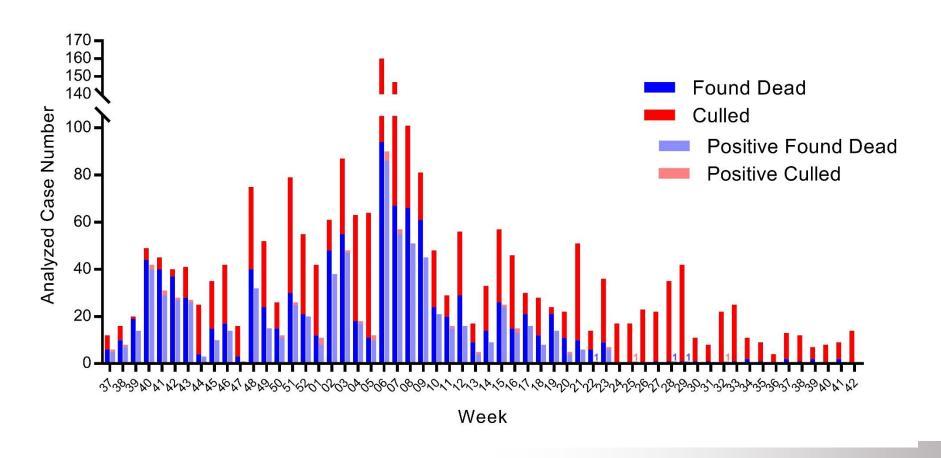


Confirmed cases in wild boar since 15 August 2019





Number of tested wild boar and number of confirmed cases in wild boar in the area in part II of the annex





No outbreaks in domestic pigs!



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

Area in part II of the annex

- Searching, collection and testing of all wild boar found dead
- Trapping and culling of wild boar
- Objective: elimination of all wild boar by 31 December 2019 (DWG 6 June 2019)



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

Area in part I of the annex

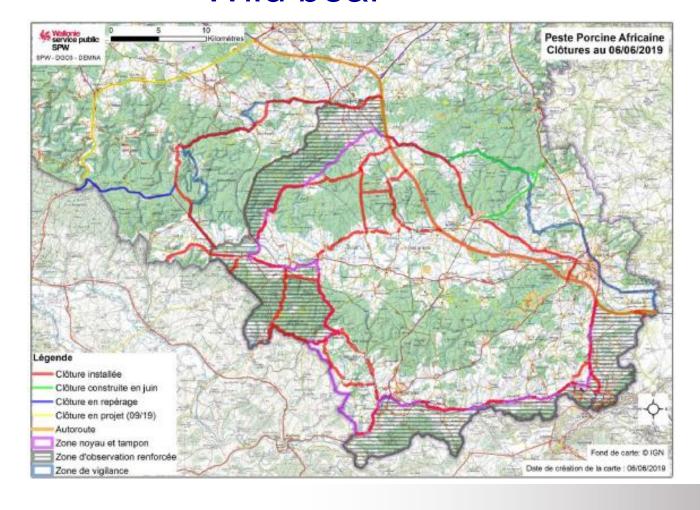
- Reduction (eradication) of the wild boar population
 - Hunters must organize wild boar culling under strict conditions
 - Trained hunters, forest guards and agents of the Walloon administration
 - Shooting day/night, with or without baiting,... drive hunting with dogs forbidden, single hunting and 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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Measures in the infected zone (Wal. Region) Wild boar

Fences

250 km!





National measures - Pigs

- Additional measures following the introduction of ASF
 - All assemblies of pigs prohibited (except for pigs for slaughter)
 - 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: 8 124 pigs tested on 1 631 pig farms: all negative!
- Raising awareness of farmers, hunters and vets
- Biosecurity



Conclusions

- Measures for the control and eradication of ASF are in place
- All concerned partners are actively involved
- Close collaboration with neighboring countries
- No cases in wild boar in recent weeks
- Prepared in case an outbreak would occur in domestic pigs



Thank you for your attention



