



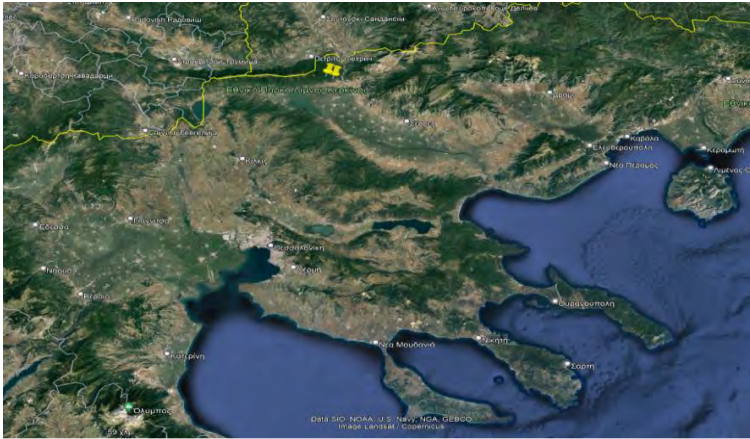
African Swine Fever in Greece

*Ministry of Rural Development and Food
Directorate General of Veterinary Services
Animal Health Directorate
Department of Infectious and Parasitic Diseases*

SCOPAFF meeting, 14. 09. 2023

Outbreaks of ASF in Greece January – September 2023

Outbreaks of ASF in Greece in wild boar



20 January 2023

1st case

1-2 years old, female
wild boar
Serres RU



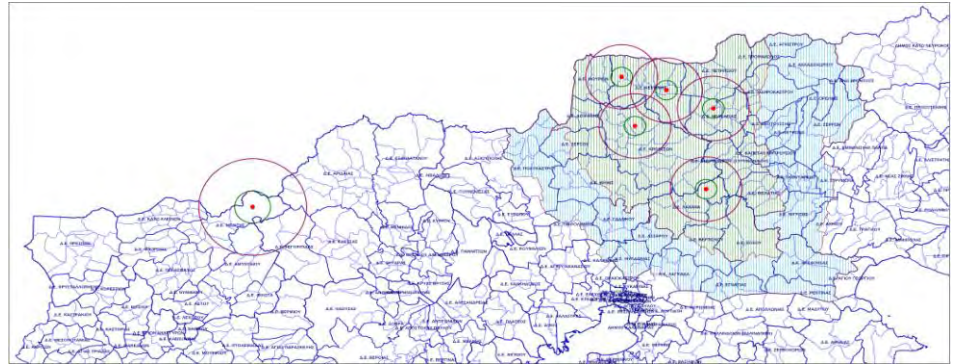
25 January 2023

2nd case

2-6 years old, male
wild boar
Serres RU



Outbreaks of ASF in Greece in domestic pigs



1st case: 26 April 2023,
commercial farm, 675 pigs,
Kerkini Municipal Department, Sintiki Municipality

2nd case: 17 May 2023,
outdoor farm, Greek black pig, 31 pigs,
Chrisochorafa Municipal Department, Irakleia Municipality

3rd case: 8 June 2023,
outdoor farm, Greek black pig, 147 pigs,
Kastanousi Municipal Department, Sintiki Municipality

4th case: 19 June 2023,
small commercial farm, 9 pigs
Lahanas Municipal Department, Lagadas Municipality, Thessaloniki
Regional Unit, Region of Central Macedonia

5th case: 23 June 2023
outdoor farm, 81 pigs
Vathi Municipality, Kilis Regional Unit, Region of Central Macedonia

6th case: 5 July 2023
outdoor farm, 16 pigs
Meliti Municipal Department, Florina Municipality, Florina Regional Unit,
Region of West Macedonia

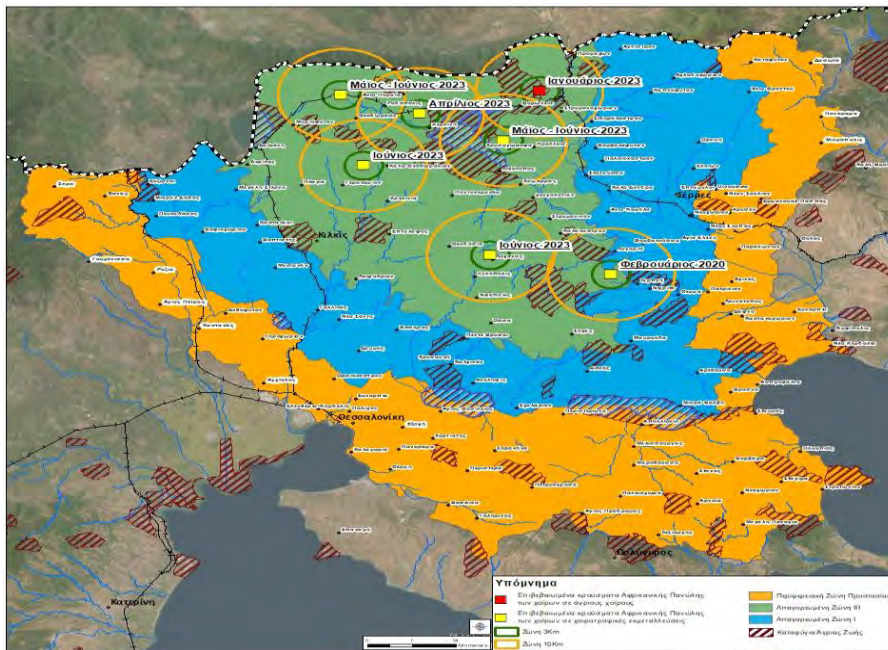
ASF in Greece 2023

Serres Thessaloniki Kilkis RU's

Measures to be implemented wild boar

Central Coordinating Body

Meeting on 04.07.2023



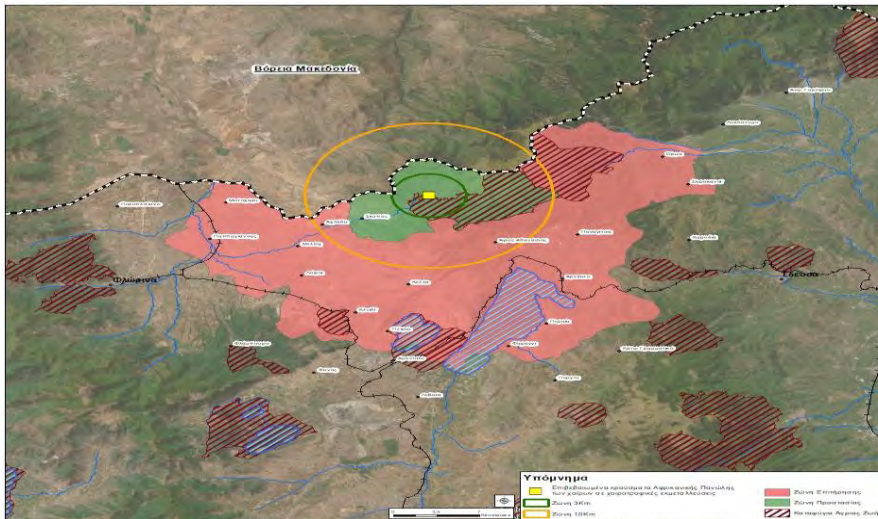
Three activity zones

- **Restricted zone III:**
 - ✓ Active search for dead wild boar-Passive surveillance-sampling
 - ✓ Intensive hunting centripetal direction-Active surveillance-sampling
- **Restricted zone I:**
 - ✓ Intensive hunting of wild boar, extinction of wild boar population from hunting groups- Active surveillance-sampling
- **Peripheral protection zone**
 - ✓ Systematic reduction of wild boar population

ASF in Greece 2023
Florina and Pella RU's
Measures to be implemented wild boar

Central Coordinating Body

Meeting on 12.07.2023



Two activity zones

- **Protection zone:**
- ✓ Active search for dead wild boar-
Passive surveillance-sampling
- ✓ Intensive hunting of wild boar
centripetal direction-Active
surveillance-sampling
- **Surveillance zone:**
- ✓ Intensive hunting of wild boar
centripetal direction, Active
surveillance-sampling

ASF in Greece in domestic pigs 2023



Amendment of Article 7 of ministerial decision 1102/182415/12.07.2021.

Ministerial decision 990/215939/ government gazette B' 4459/12.07.2023

- ✓ Protection and Surveillance zones, Restricted zones I, II, and III preventive slaughter or culling for the purposes of preventing the spread of the disease and based on epidemiological information according to par. 2 of article 22 of the delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687

Florina RU

•Culling of **80 animals** from 39 backyard farms

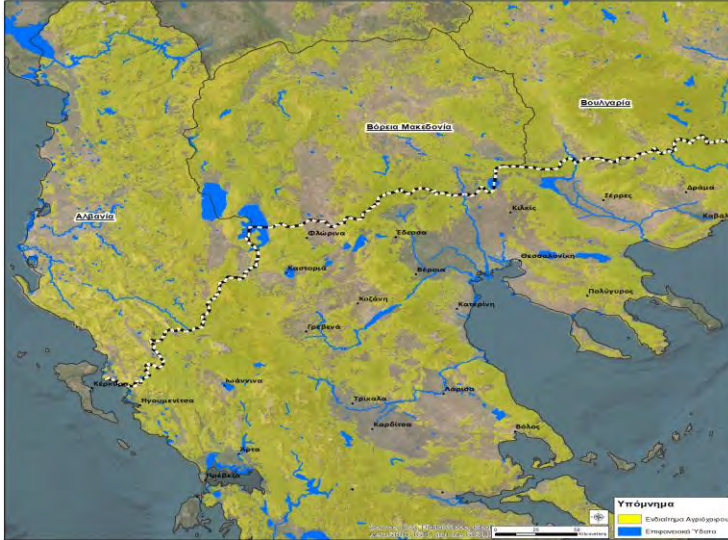
Serres RU

•10 backyard farms with **85 animals** (Decision to be implemented)

- ✓ Risk assessment by the National Group of Experts
- ✓ Compensations to pig farmers

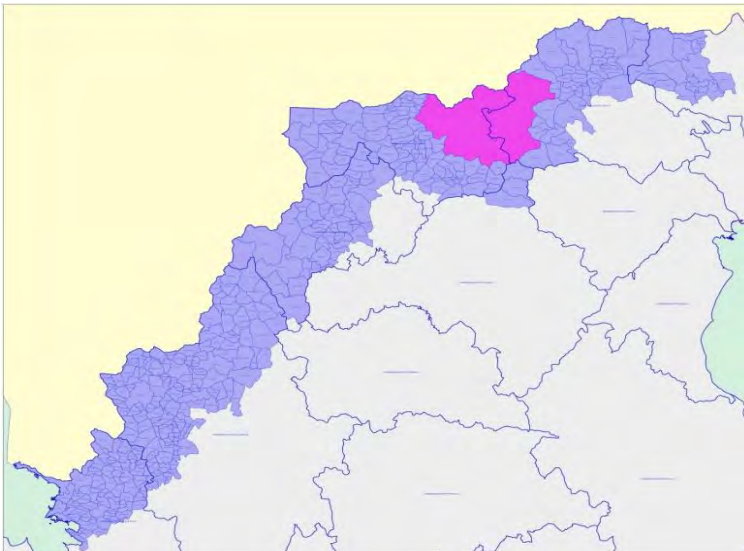
ASF in Greece

Extension of Restricted Zone I



**Decision of the National Group of Experts
(24.07.2023)**

- ✓ **Continuity of wild boar habitats**
- ✓ **Epidemiological situation in Western Balkans**



Areas along the northern border of the country and within 20 km of the border with the Republic of North Macedonia and Albania were included in Restricted Zone I

ASF in Greece

Extension of Restricted Zone I



➤ **Delimitation of New Restricted Zone I according to Reg.(EU)594/2023 (01.08.2023)**

➤ **Circular 1098/244075/02.08.2023: «Restricted Zones due to confirmation of outbreaks of African Swine Fever in Greece- Amendment of paragraph A of Circular 701/140178/10.05.2023»**

- ✓ Intensive passive/active surveillance (domestic pigs, wild boar)
- ✓ Biosecurity checks
- ✓ Clinical examinations
- ✓ Selective hunting
- ✓ Preventive slaughter /culling
- ✓ Recruitment of additional seasonal staff

Coordination with neighboring countries



- Meeting of BFSA
- 04 - 05/09/2023
- Sofia, Bulgaria
- “ASF Challenges and Control measures”



- ✓ Common and coordinated efforts by the countries in the region should be applied to put the disease under control.
- ✓ The countries should actively cooperate, participate and transparently exchange on ASF situation.

Awareness campaign

Region of East Macedonia and Thrace

- Drama, **07/09/2023**
- Veterinarians, Pig farmers, Hunters
- Distribution of leaflets and posters
- Invited speakers from Belgium and Bulgaria





RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (RDP)



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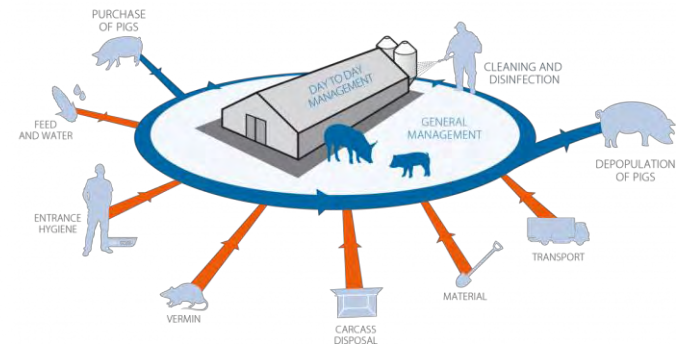


*Under the
Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)*

Improve biosecurity of pig farms

- Investments for the construction of **fences, loading ramps** and partition facilities in 'clean' and 'dirty' areas
- Investments for the purchase or construction of **disinfection** installations and equipment

Pig house



- **107 applicants**
- Total Budget → 7.000.000 €
- Funding rate 80%
- Selection criteria: location, pig population, density of pig farms in each RU
- Evaluation process

Results from Passive and Active Surveillance in Wild Boar

Year	Category	No. of samples
2023	Found dead	8 (2 positive)
	Road Accident	3
	Hunted	483

Results from Passive Surveillance in domestic pigs

<i>Year</i>	<i>No of samples tested for ASFV</i>	<i>Results</i>
2023	677	47 positive

Results from Active Surveillance in domestic pigs

<i>Year</i>	<i>No of samples tested for ASFV</i>	<i>Results</i>
2023	1331	0



...Ευχαριστώ πολύ για την προσοχή σας

...Thank you very much for your attention

