

Better Training for Safer Food BTSF

Use of databases and software in handling suspicion, outbreak and dynamics of an emerging animal disease

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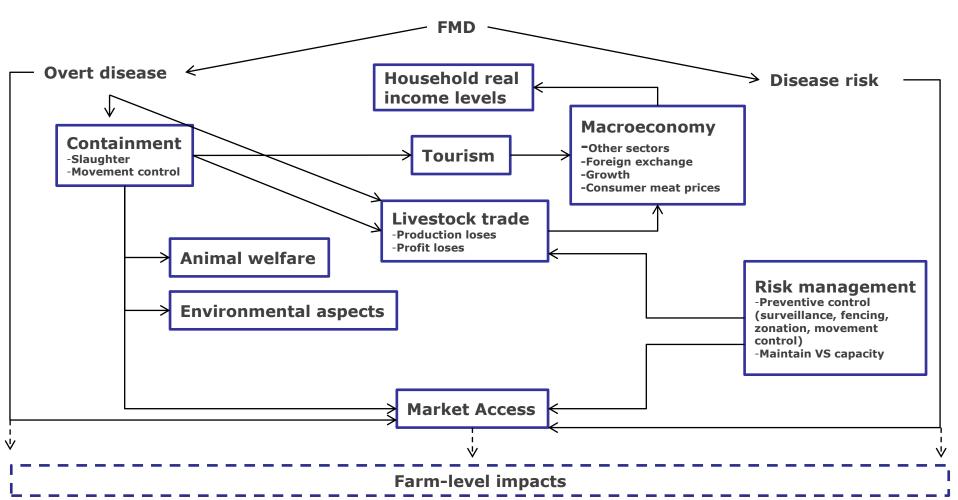






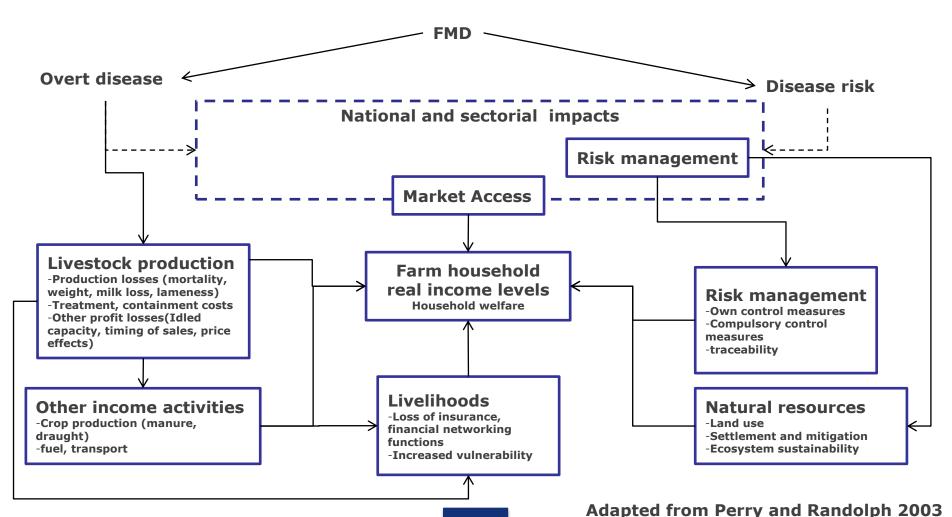


National and sectorial impact of animal diseases





Farm-level impact of animal diseases





The impact of diseases

FMD outbreak . UK 2001

Number of animals slaughtered and total animals

≈ 6.9 Million animals culled

a) As recorded by the Agricultural Census in June 2000
 b) In addition, 526,000 lambs were slaughtered under the light lambs scheme N/A: not available

Economic impact (Million euros)



Source: Thompson et al (2002)



Response to animal disease emergencies

Dynamics of the 2001 UK Foot and Mouth Epidemic: Stochastic Dispersal in a Heterogeneous Landscape

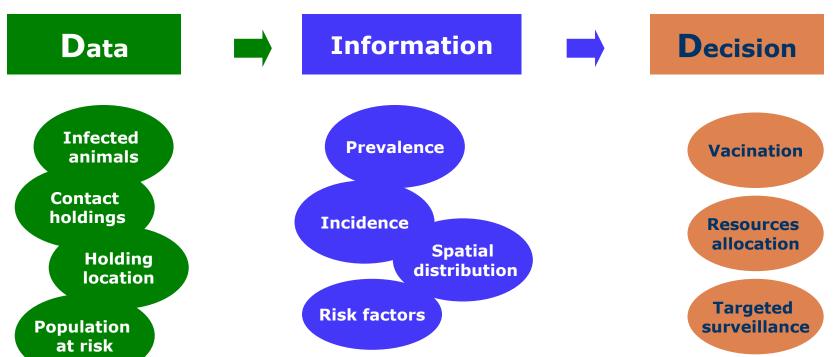
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Control measure	Total cases	Total cull	Total vaccinated
Standard IR cult only	105%	84%	0%
Prompt cull (24/48-hour delay throughout)	57%	54%	0%
Intensive cull (high levels throughout)	45%	73%	0%
3-km ring cull only Standard + 90% vaccination	47% 84%	142% 72%	0% 76%
Standard + vaccination from May	97%	81%	8%
IP only $+$ vaccination $Standard + barrier$ vaccination	784% 70%	156% 69%	453% 251%



The reasoning for information quality

Better information = Better decisions





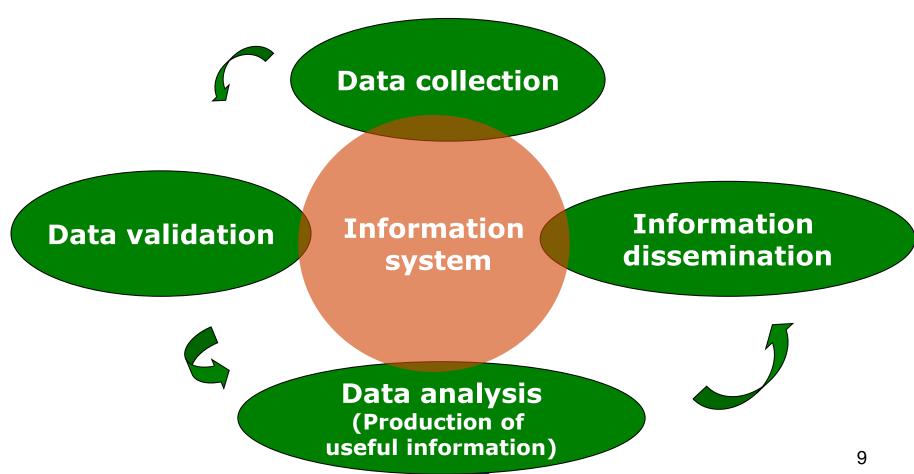
Information quality

Information=f(Data+Definition+Presentation)
Knowledge=f(People+Information+Significance)
Wisdom=f(People+Knowledge+Action)

Quality Characteristics	Knowledge worker Benefit
The <u>right</u> data	The data I <u>need</u>
With the right completeness	<u>All</u> the data I need
In the right <i>context</i>	Whose <u>meaning</u> I know
With the right <u>accuracy</u>	I can <u>trust</u> and rely on it
In the right <u>format</u>	I can <u>use</u> it <u>easily</u>
At the right <u>time</u>	<u>When</u> I need it
At the right <u>place</u>	<u>Where</u> I need it
For the right <u>purpose</u>	I can accomplish our goals



How to assure information quality?





Data sources

National/Regional

- Animal/holding databases
- Animal Health Information Systems
- Ancillary databases:

Entomological surveillance Syndromic surveillance Wildlife disease/mortality

International

- Animal movement
 - TRACES, Eurostat
- Animal Health
 - Official
 - ADNS
 - WAHID
 - EMPRES-I
 - Other
 - Promed-mail
 - Healthmap



Crowdsourced data

Advantages

- Millions of potential data providers
- Real time data

Risks

- More data ≠ Better data
- Creating expectations



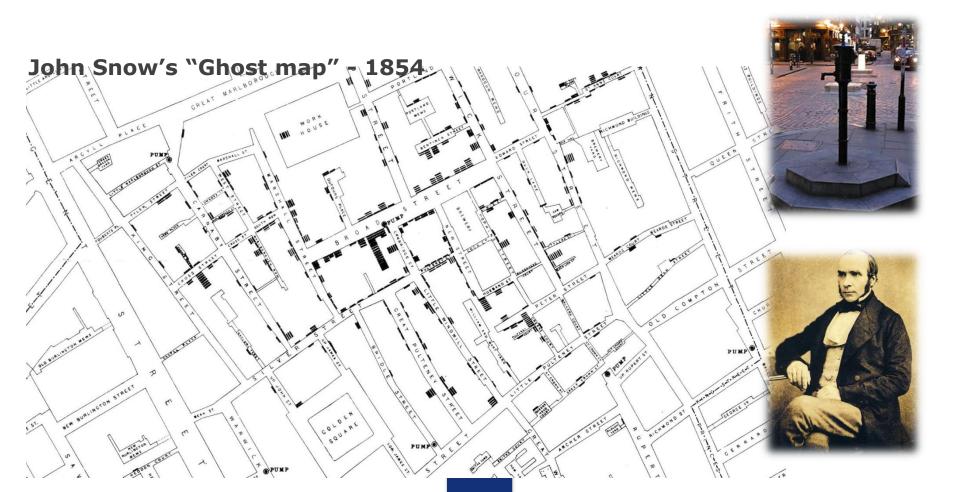








Using geographic information to control diseases

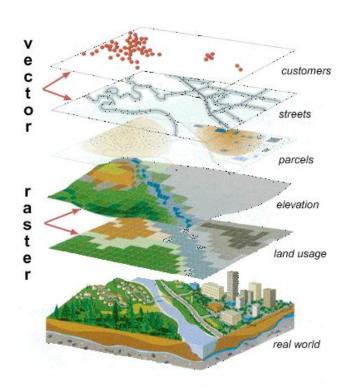




Geographical Information Systems

GIS deals with data by using several different layers each of which represents an abstraction the real world

Each layer should have one and only one theme

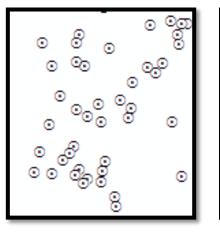




Vectorial Data

- useful for the recording of discrete spatial data (like farms, rivers, buildings, train stations, ...) POINTS LINES POLYGONS
- 3 types of geometry:

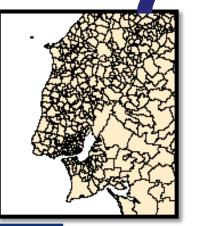
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Lines



Polygons

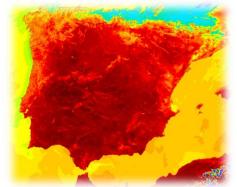


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	4	Polygon	010105	BARRÔ	
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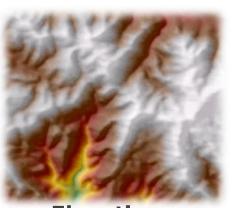


Raster data

- Raster are Images, where each pixel is the unit
- useful for the recording of spatial data that has a continuous geographical distribution
- (temperature, elevation, slope, satellite imagery, ...)
- it can also be used to store ortophotos (aerial imagery), satellite imagery and scanned maps



Surface Temperature



Elevation



Digitized maps



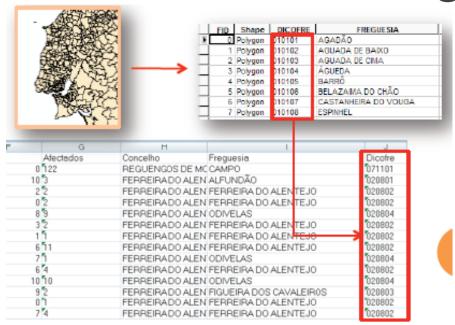
Satellite imagery

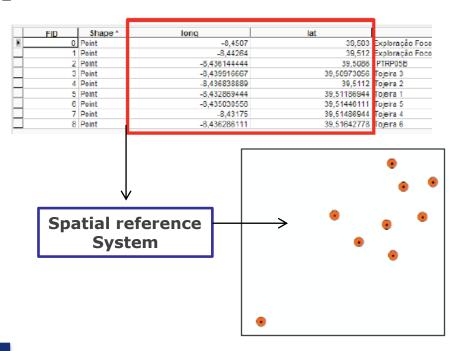


Alphanumeric data

GIS can also read alphanumerical data as data tables that can be geographically represented using:

A relational model OR Tables with coordinates







Components of animal disease emergency preparedness plans

Early warning



Early reaction



Early warning

Objectives

- Rapid detection of:
 - **Introduction of the disease**
 - Sudden increase in the incidence

Methods



- disease surveillance,
- reporting
- epidemiological analysis

Results



- Knowledge of the distribution and behavior of disease outbreaks
- Monitoring of the effectiveness of disease control campaigns
- "Forecasting" of the evolution of the disease outbreaks



Risk based surveillance

Example: BTV8 in Portugal (May 2008)

Objective: Identification of areas with bovines moved from BTV8 infected areas or their offspring where BTV8 competent vectors were present

Data sources:

- Entomological data Vector presence models (Entomological surveillance program)
- Animal movements and births— TRACES, National Bovine Identification System
- BTV8 infected areas ADNS, WAHID



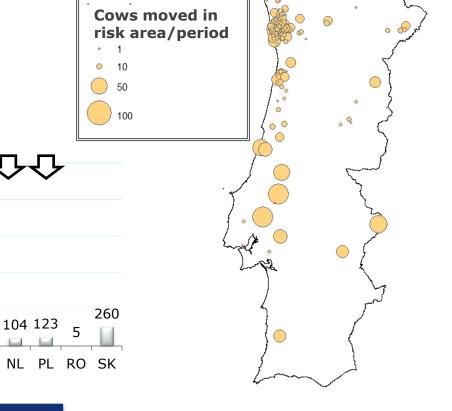
Risk based surveillance – BTV8 in Portugal

Movements from affected member states in the vector activity period: **3999** cows

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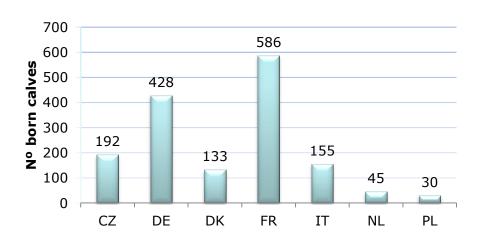
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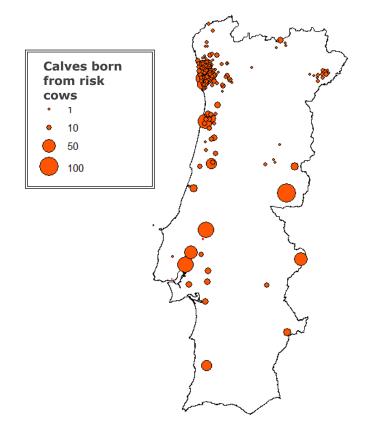
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1569 calves born from cows moved from affected areas

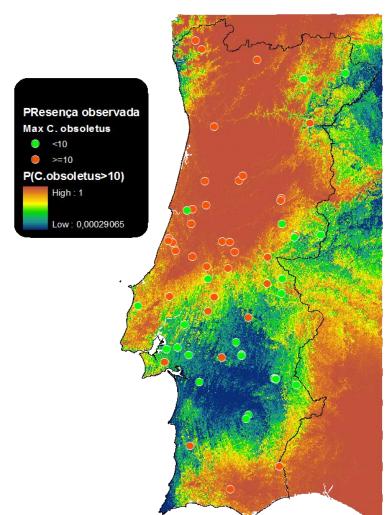


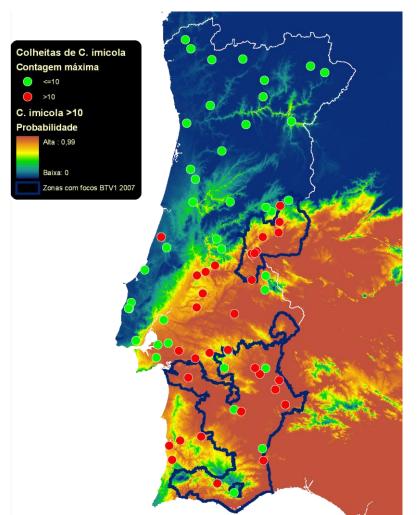




C. obsoletus (complex)

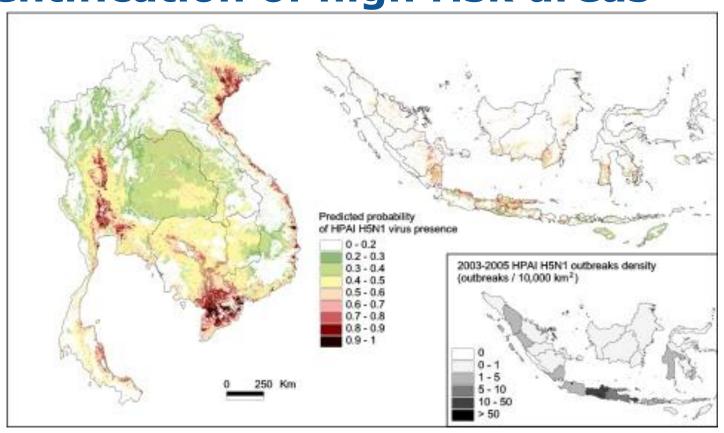
C. imicola







Risk based surveillance Identification of high risk areas



Source: Pfeiffer et al (2009)



Early reaction

Carrying out without delay the disease control activities needed to:

- contain the outbreak
- eliminate the disease and infection in the shortest possible time
- in the most cost-effective way

provide objective, scientific evidence that these objectives has been attained.

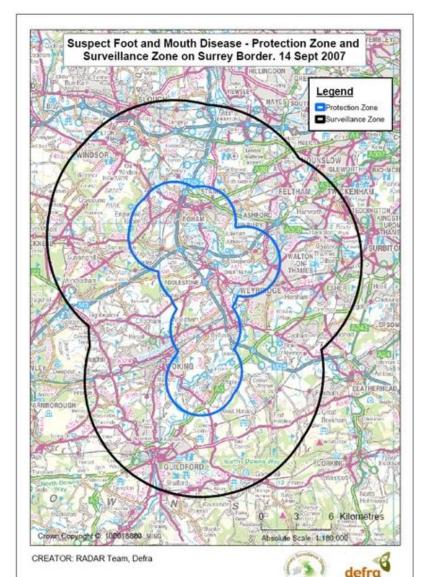


Steps in a Response

Detection
Investigation/Diagnosis
Quarantine/Stop Movements
Surveillance
Depopulation
Disposal
Cleaning and Disinfection
Indemnity/Recovery



Controlled area delineation and reporting

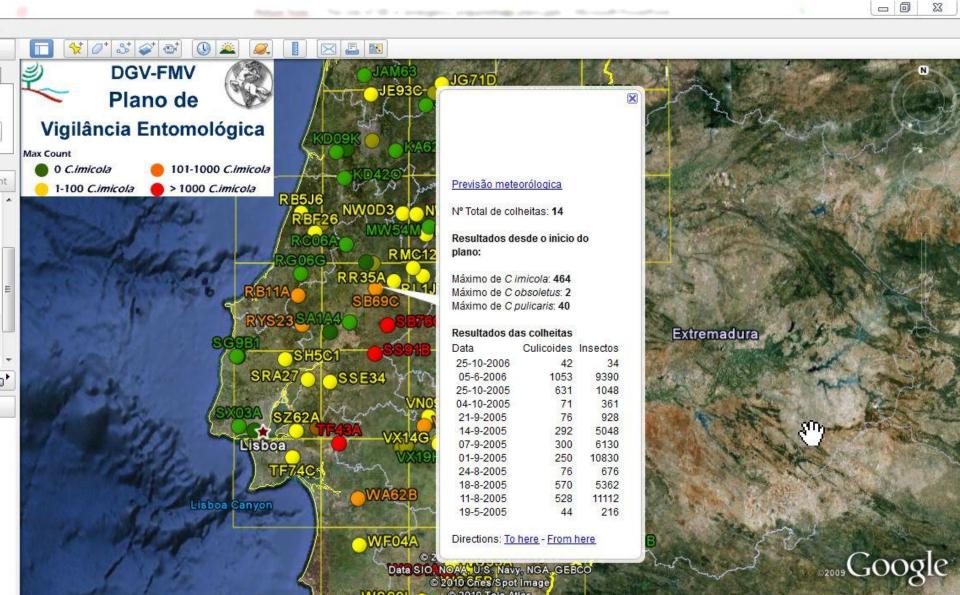




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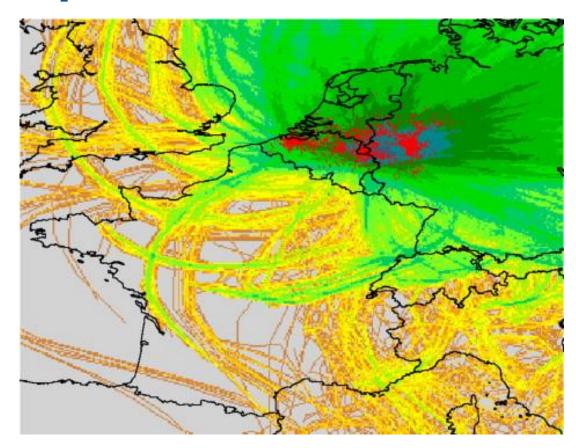


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Searching for likely sources of infection for new infected premises



Airborne spread of culicoides



Source: Hendrickx et al (2008)



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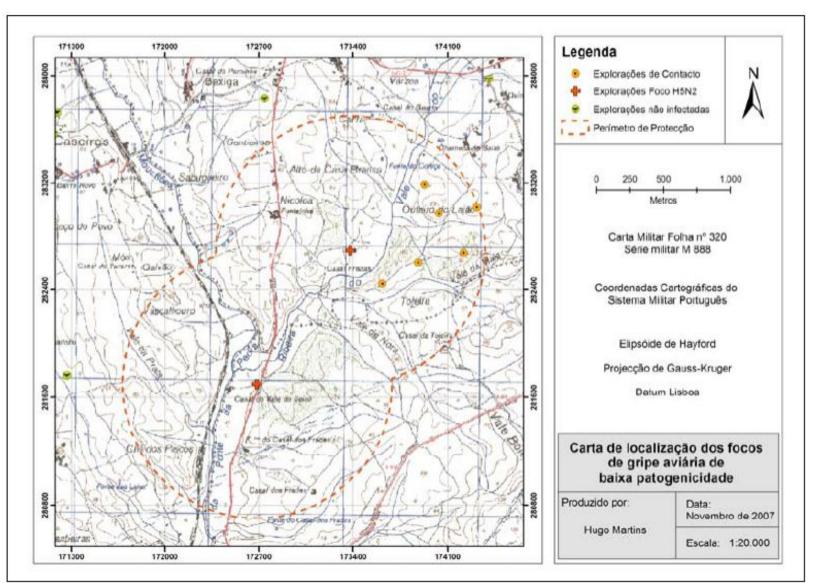
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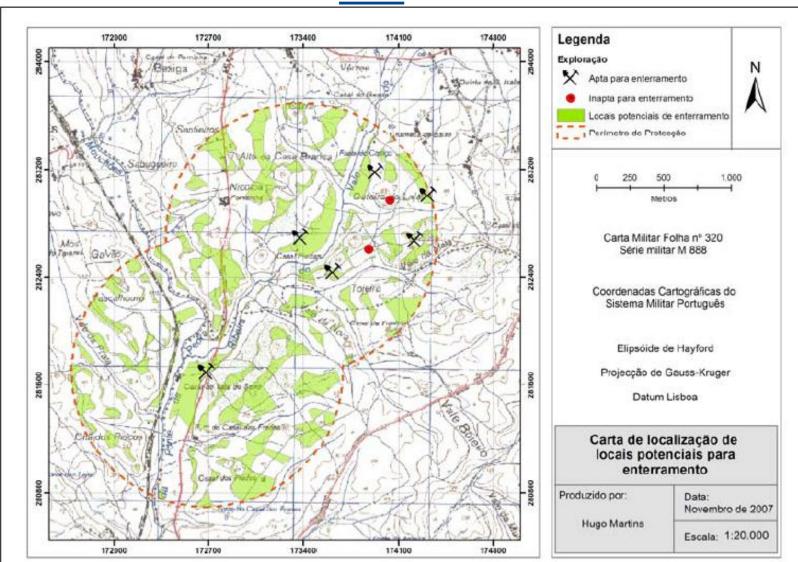
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