

Dutch activities in ammonia emission research

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Main ammonia activities

- Trend measurements of NH_3/NH_4 in different regions
 - Concentrations
 - Netherlands – 8 sites (RIVM – national monitoring network)
 - Two regions in North and South – multiple passive sampler sites
 - Rain Water
 - Netherlands – 15 sites (RIVM – national monitoring network)
 - Aerosol
 - Netherlands – 5 sites (RIVM – national monitoring network)
 - Throughfall
 - Netherlands – 5 sites (ECN)
- Emission research related to:
 - ‘ammonia gap’
 - setting region specific targets
- Relation between N-flux and GHG emissions



The background of the slide is an aerial photograph of a rural landscape. It shows a patchwork of green agricultural fields, some of which are divided by small trees or hedges. A road or canal runs diagonally across the middle of the image. In the top right, there is a small green square icon labeled 'Airrmonia 2'. There are also several small red and blue square icons scattered across the landscape, likely indicating specific locations of interest for the research.

How can we evaluate specific ammonia reduction measures for farms?

Can we evaluate this on a landscape level instead of controlled experiments at single farms and fields?

Which information is needed?

Aim Dutch Policy:

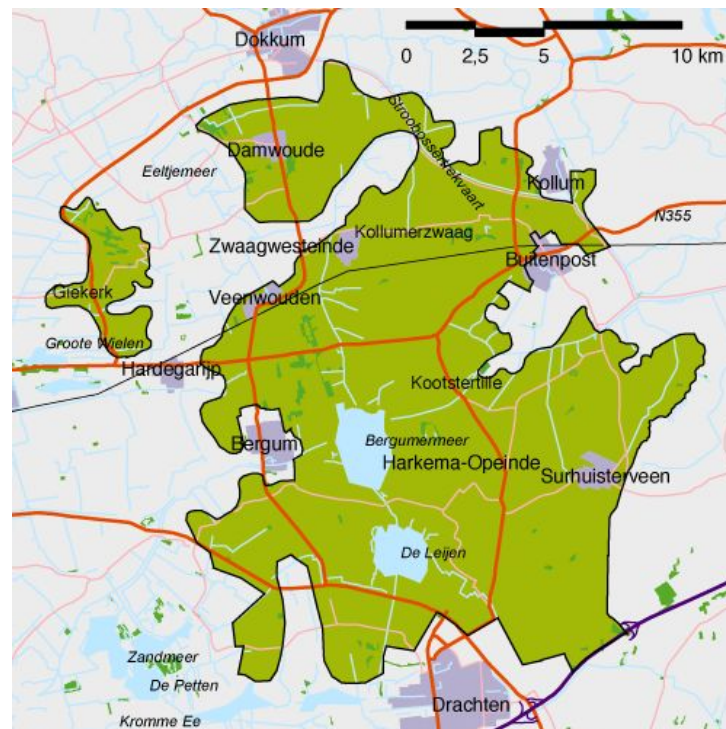
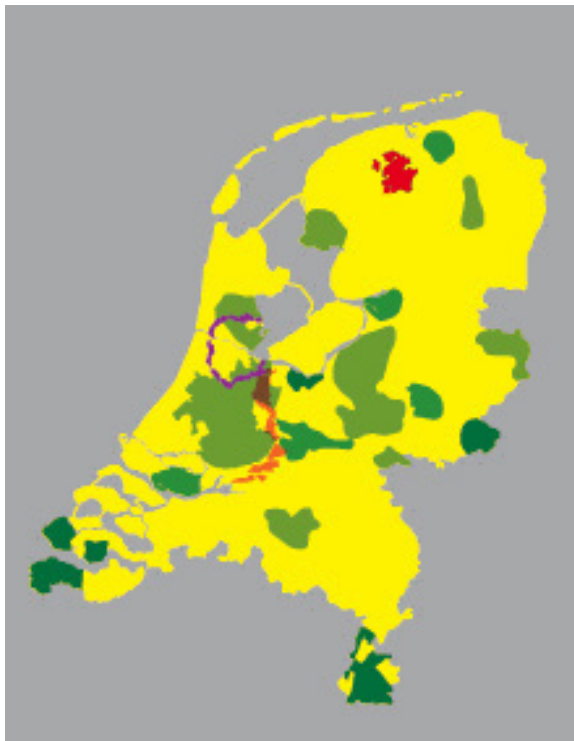
- Reduction NH_3 emissions from each individual source (housing, storage, **fields**)

Reduction measures for **field** sources:

- **Manure application** by “low emission” application techniques.
 - Shallow injection in “trenches”
(80% reduction / 10% volatilization ???)
- Is this right and are there no other measures possible?
 - Broadcast spreading and low N-feeding?
(also 80% reduction, similar to injection???)



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Reference Area:
Shallow Injection



Alternative Area:
Broadcast Appl.

Sources:

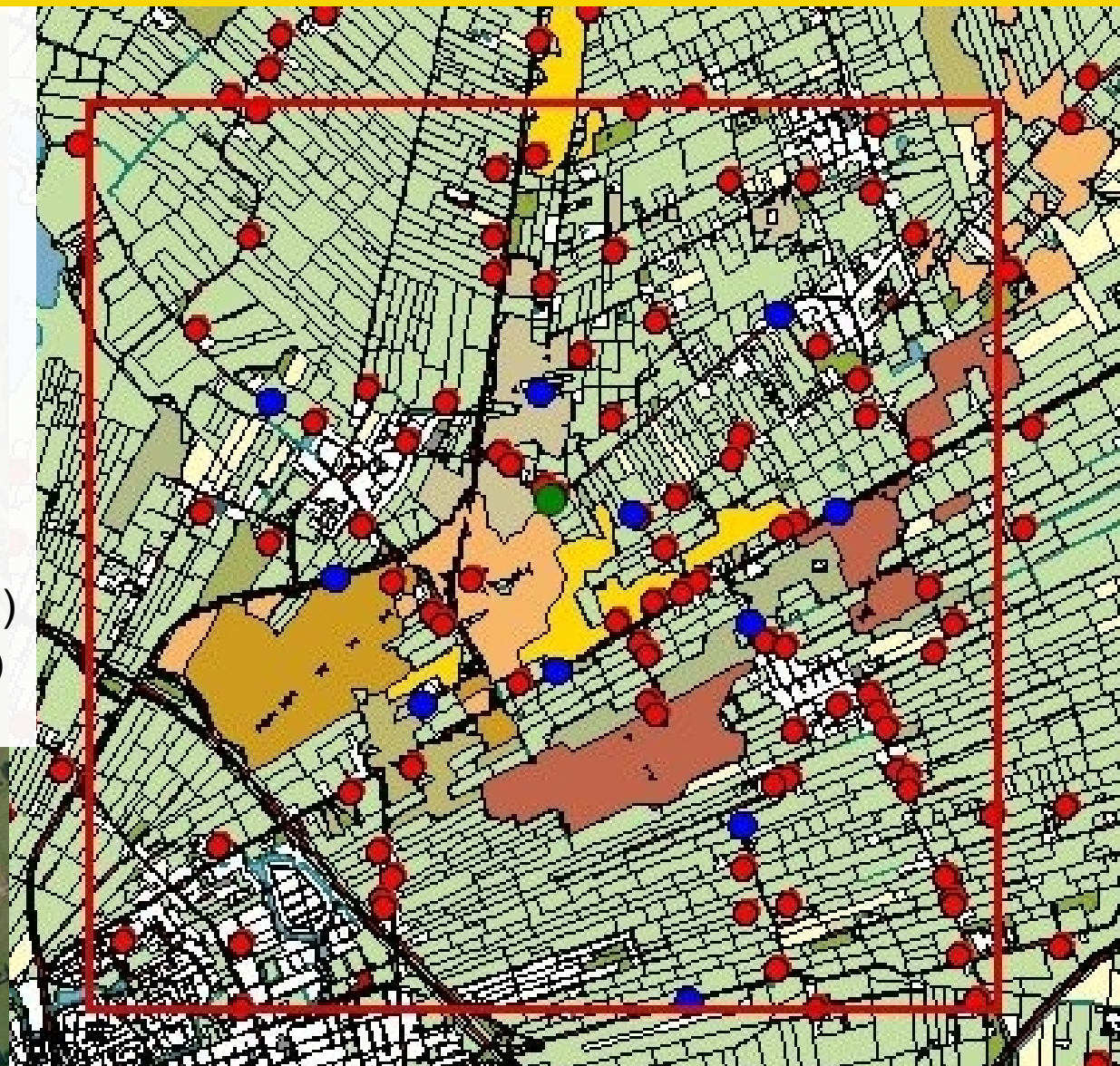
- Farm Housing (red dot)
- Fields (Manure Application & Grazing)

Receptors:

- Airmonia (green dot)
- Passive samplers (blue)

Coupling: (2 steps)

- Emission model (Huijsmans)
- Dispersion model (OPS-ST)



Housing:

- Farm database (GIAB)

- Livestock categories
- Livestock numbers
- Stable type

Fields:

- Field database (BRP)
- Farm management
“(Grassland calendar)”

- NH_3 emission from emission & excretion factors.

- Manure / Fertiliser application
- Grazing
(amount, timing, N-content)

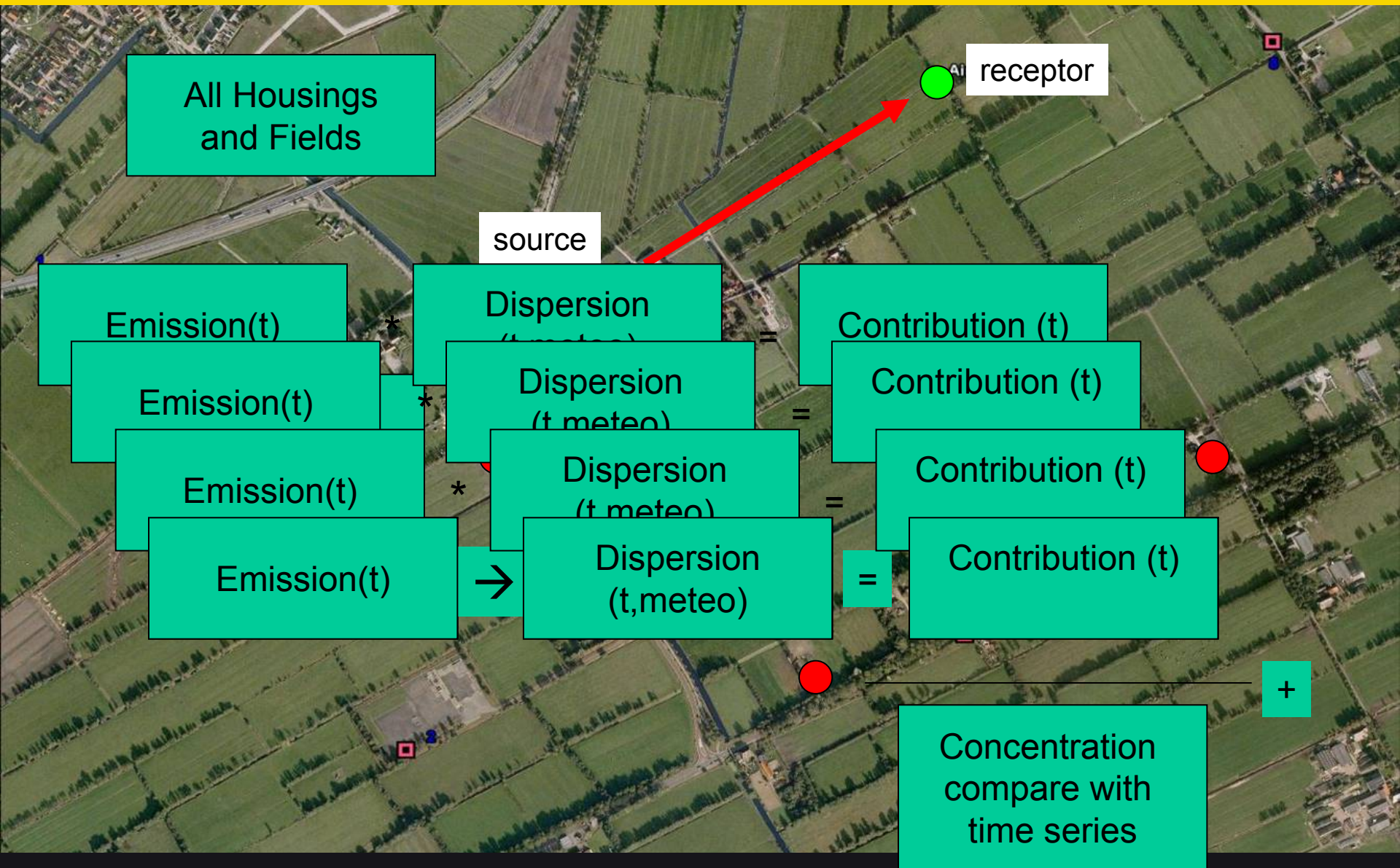
- NH_3 emission from emission model & meteo conditions

Emission factors

- Much discussed in the context of 'ammonia gap'
 - Initially difference between emission / concentration trends
 - Later difference between modelled / measured concentrations
- Indications that difference is caused by:
 - Wrong emission factors (spreading of manure)
 - Problems with dry deposition modelling (e.g. issues like compensation point)

Research on emission factors

- Measurement campaigns to get better insight in the open field emissions after manure application
- Involved parties:
 - ECN, RIVM, TNO, WUR
- Comparison between:
 - WUR Emission model results
 - Measurements
 - TDL (ECN)
 - Lidar (RIVM)



● Passive Sampler



Airrmonia



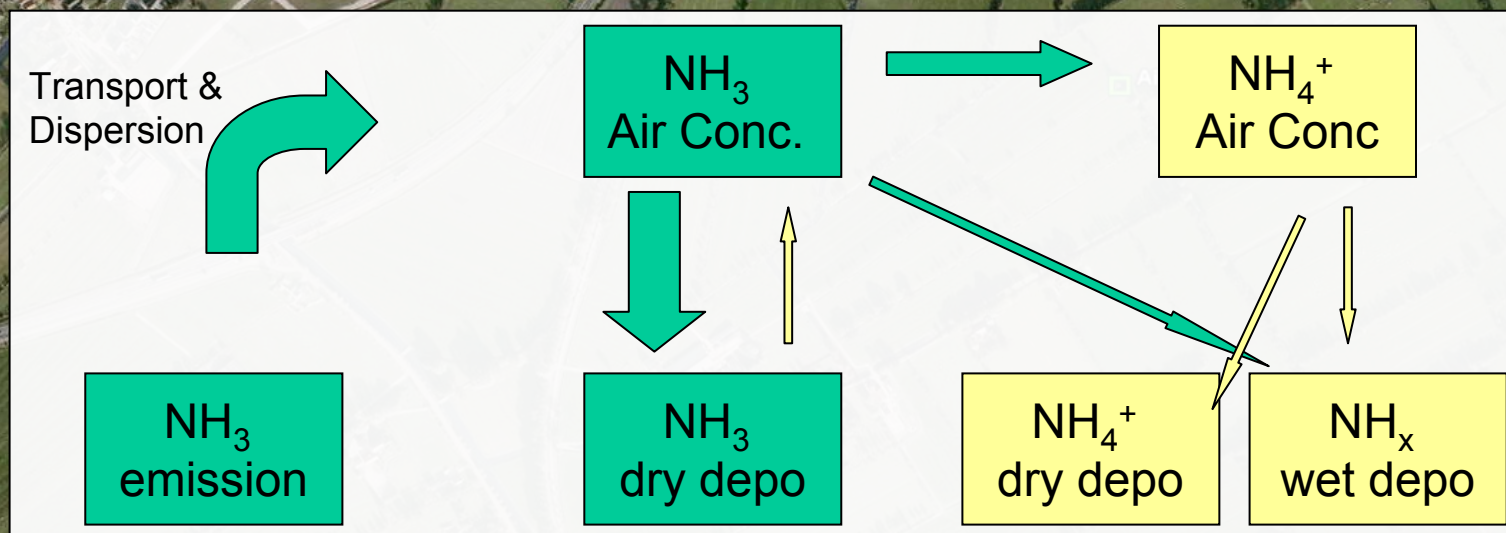
Regression model:
For specific application on grassland fields

Volatilization dependent on:

1. Manure properties (TAN content: $\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{NH}_3$)
2. Application rate
3. Weather conditions (T , RH , U , R_s)

for shallow injection:

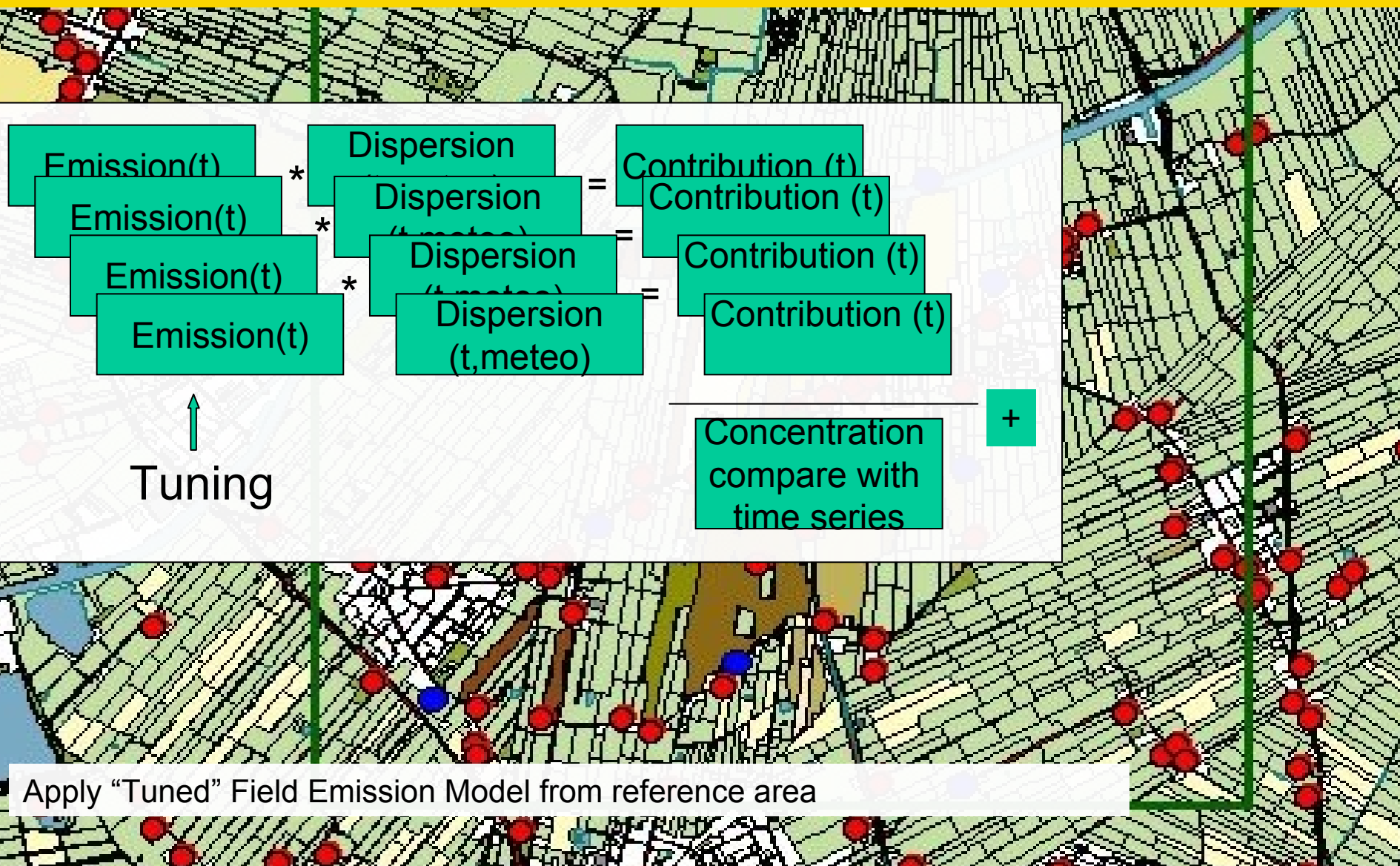
$$\ln z_t = \alpha_0 + \alpha_t \ln(t) + \alpha_1 \text{TAN} + \alpha_2 \text{rate} + \alpha_3 \text{wind} + \alpha_4 \text{radiation} + \alpha_5 \text{temp}$$



Analytical model:

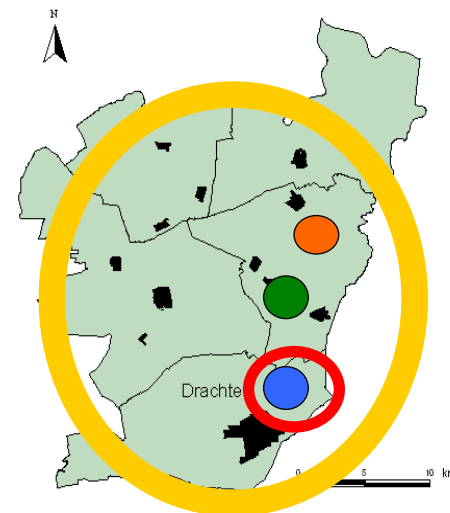
Dispersion from a source by Gaussian Plume model
 Dispersion and Transport are function of height and transport distance

Needs: $U, U_{dir}, T \dots \rightarrow$ Emission height & Turbulence important

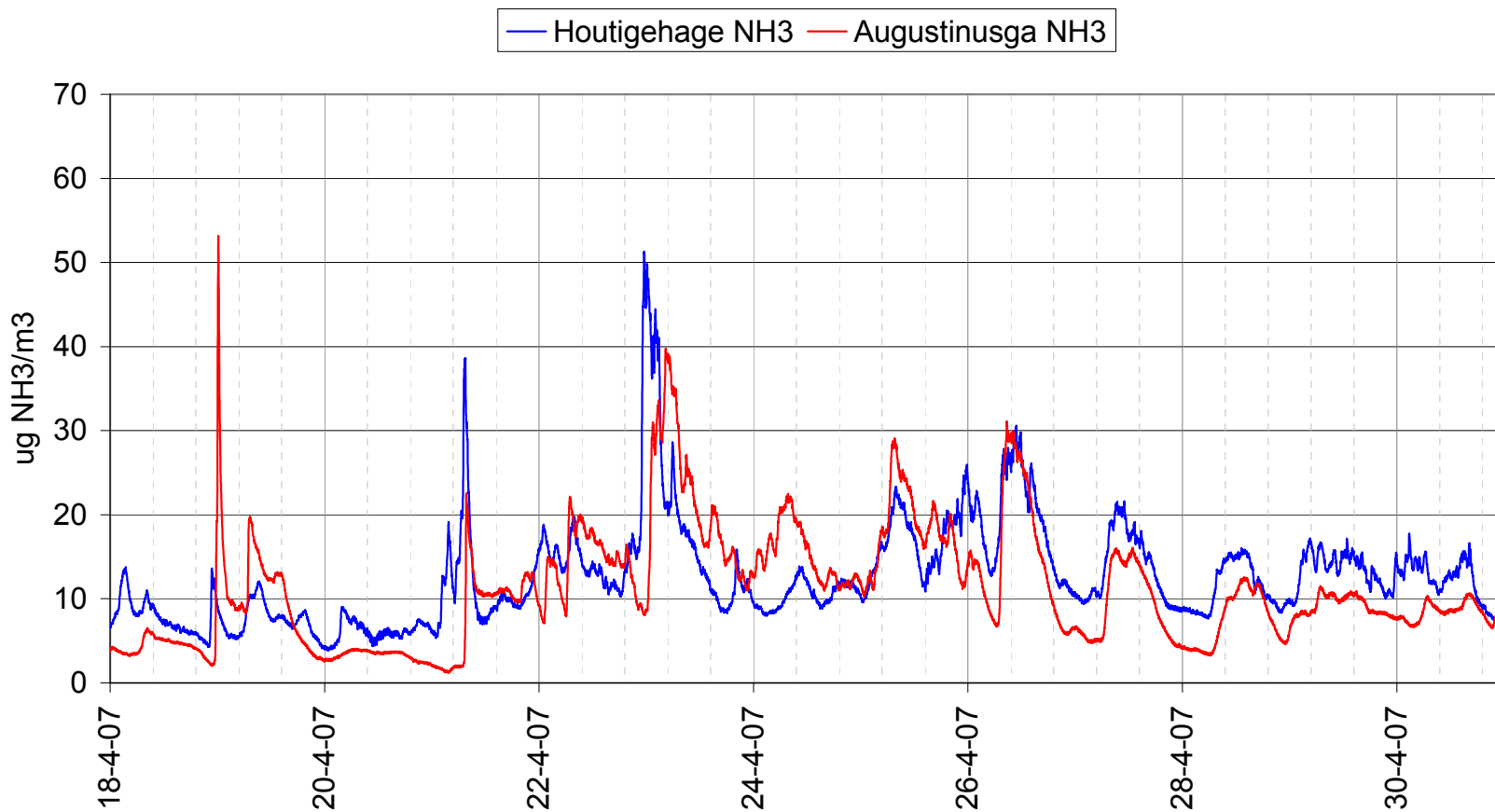


Overview

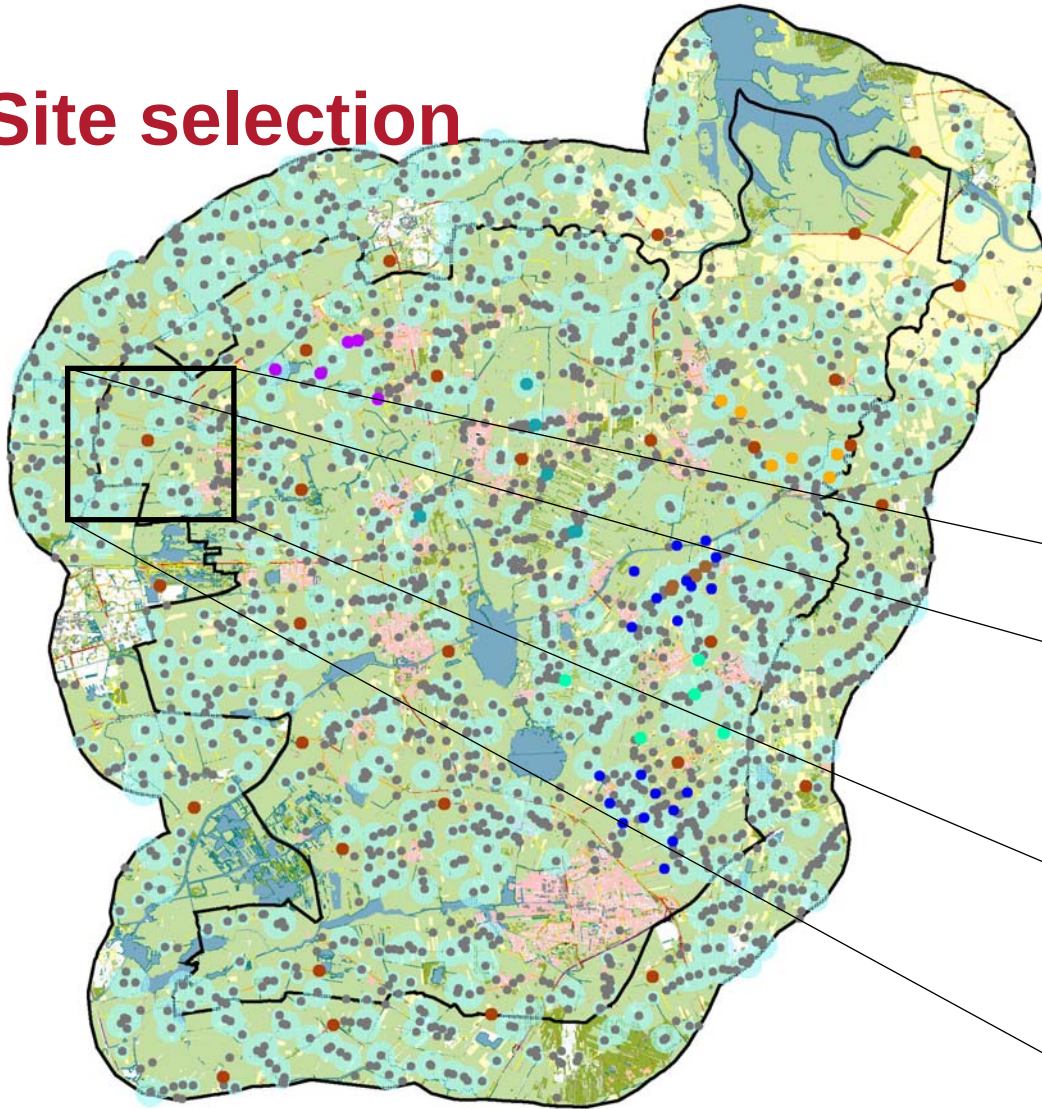
- Spatial and Temporal monitoring of Ammonia
 - Passive samplers (*monthly & spatial*)
 - - 10 * Sand area alternative spreading
 - - 10 * Sand area normal spreading
 - - 10 * Clay area alternative spreading
 - - 30 * NFW total area
 - - Nitro Europe Landscape scale
 - Airmonia (*half hourly; so larger temporal distribution*)
 - - Sand area alternative spreading
 - - Sand area normal spreading
 - Campaign with measurements car (TDL)
 - Spatial variation in short periods



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2007

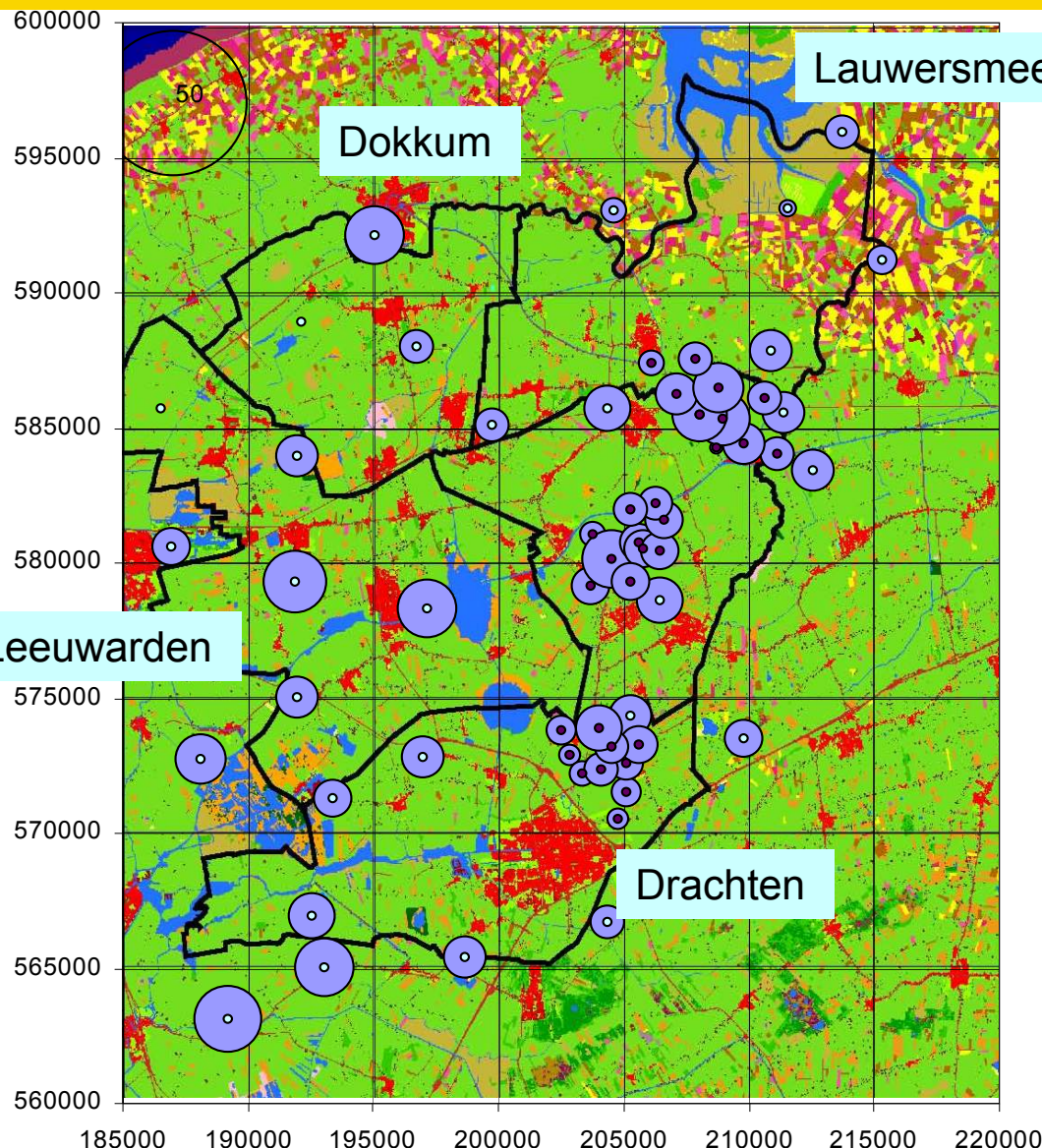


Site selection



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December



- NH3
- Reference
- Region 1
- Region 2,3,4



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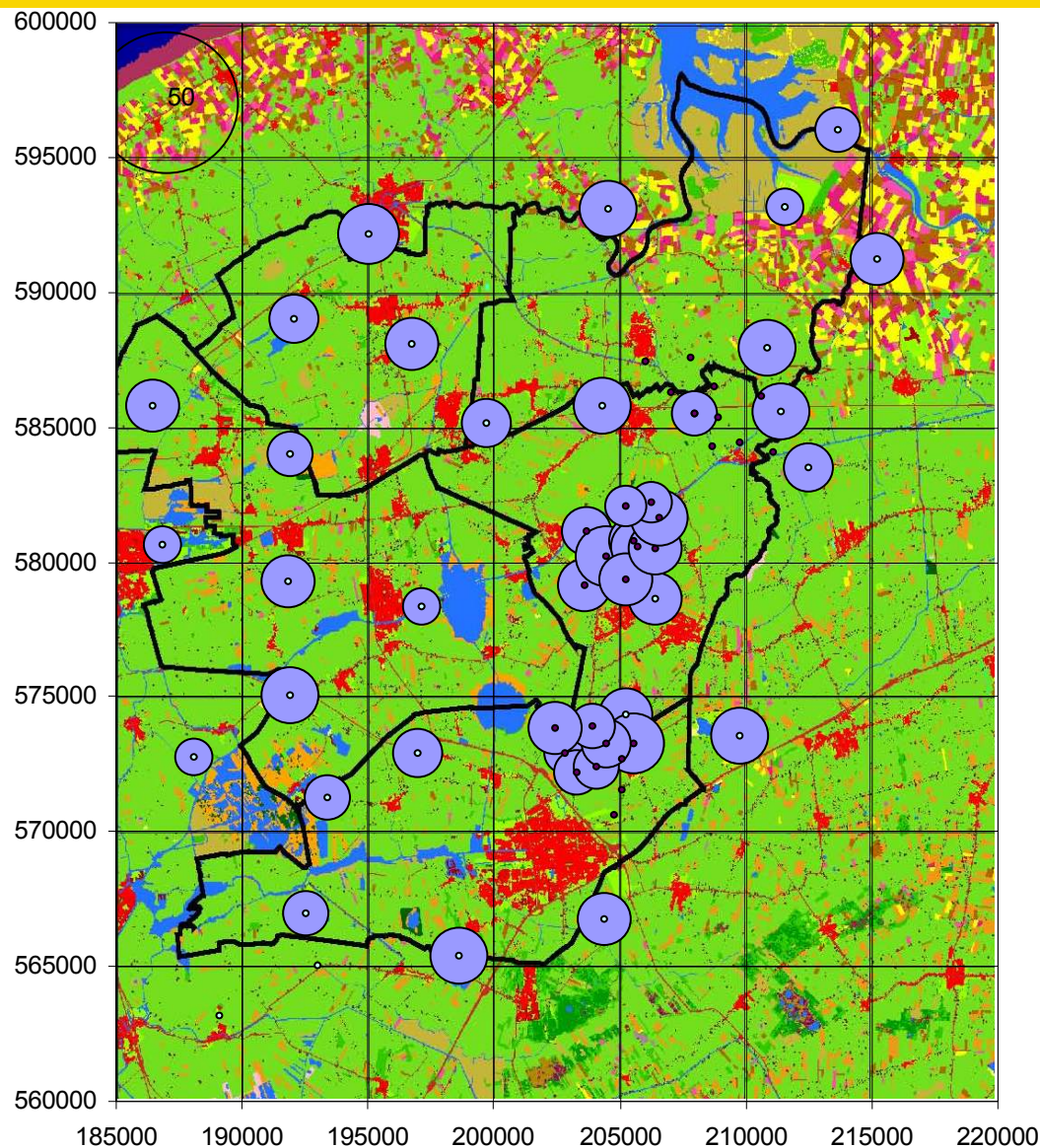
April 2006

9 °C

norm=8.3

37 mm

norm=44



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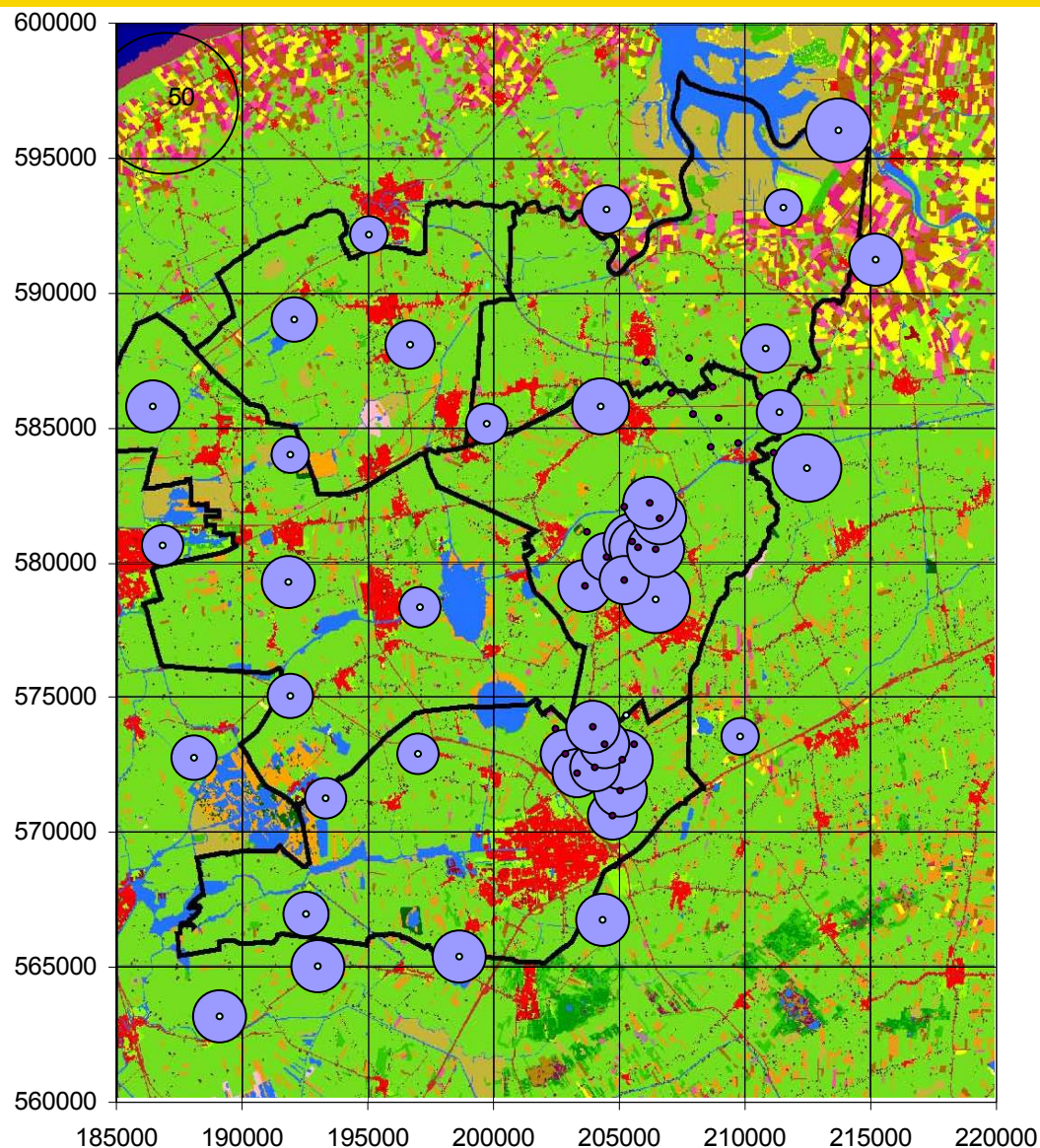
May 2006

14.5 °C

norm=12.7

88 mm

norm=57



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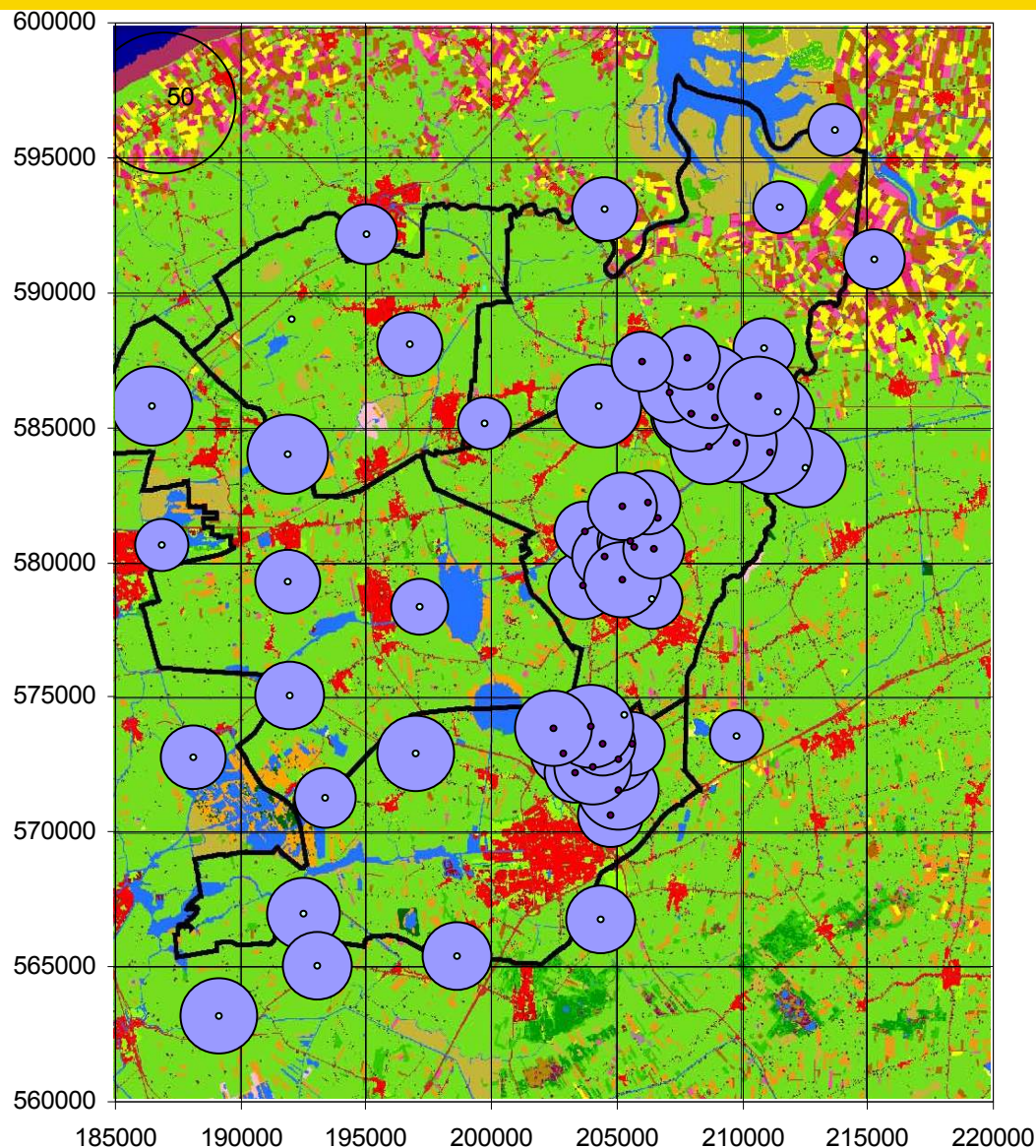
June 2006

16.7 °C

Norm=15.2

28 mm

Norm=71



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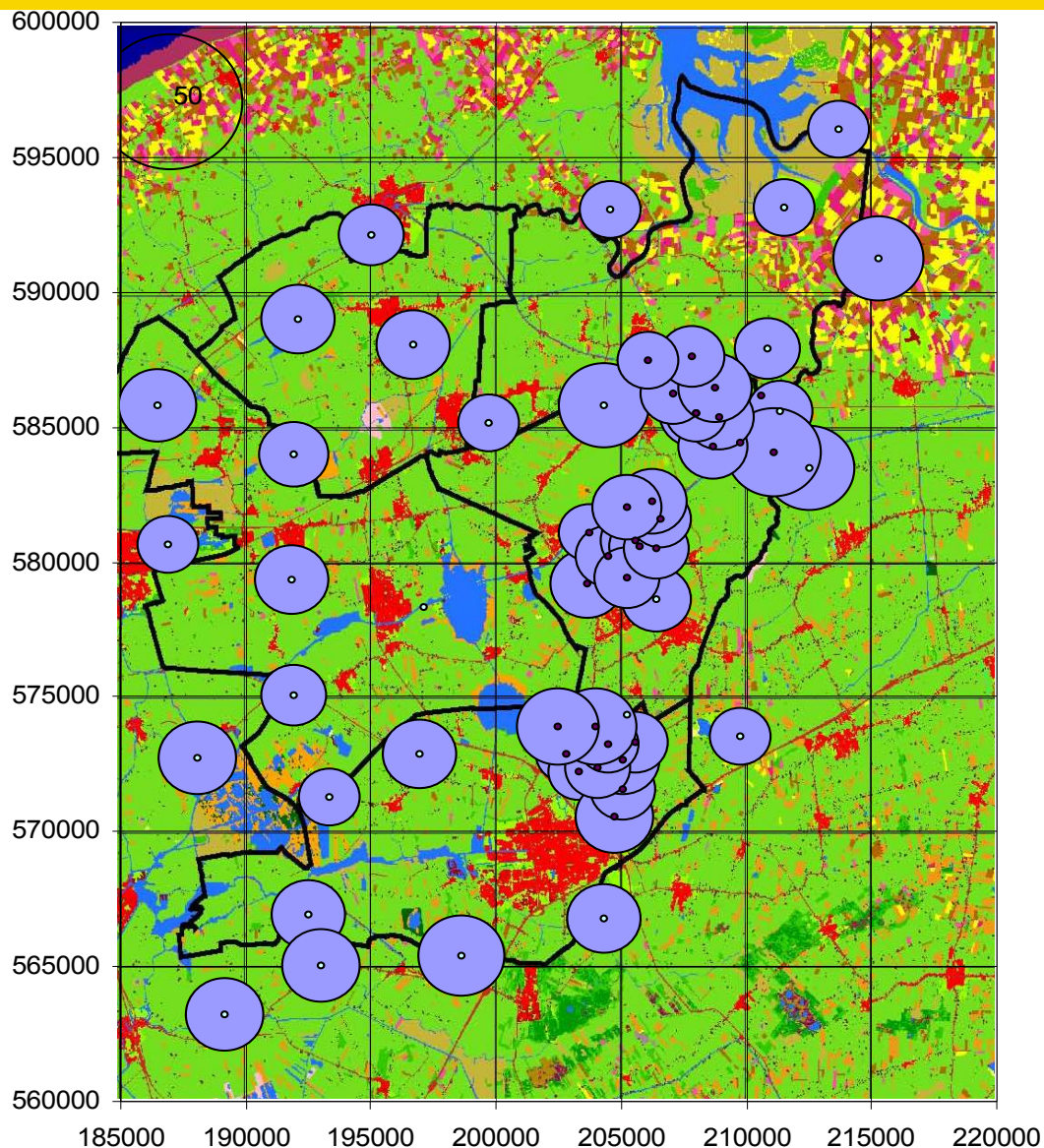
July 2006

22.3 °C

norm=17.4

29 mm

norm=70



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August 2006

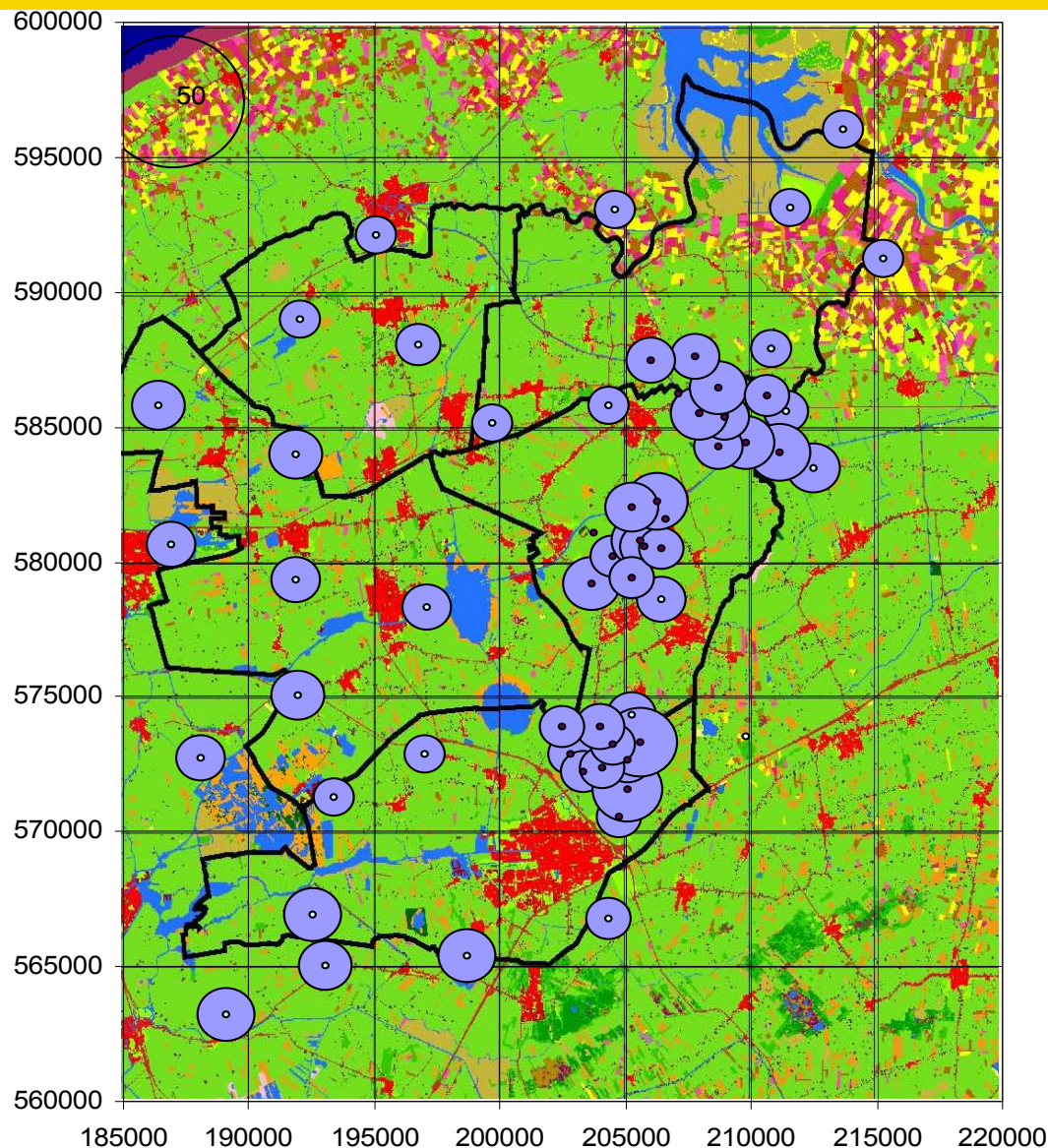
“Natste oogstmaand
in 100 jaar”

16.4 °C

norm=17.2

184 mm

norm=62



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September 2006

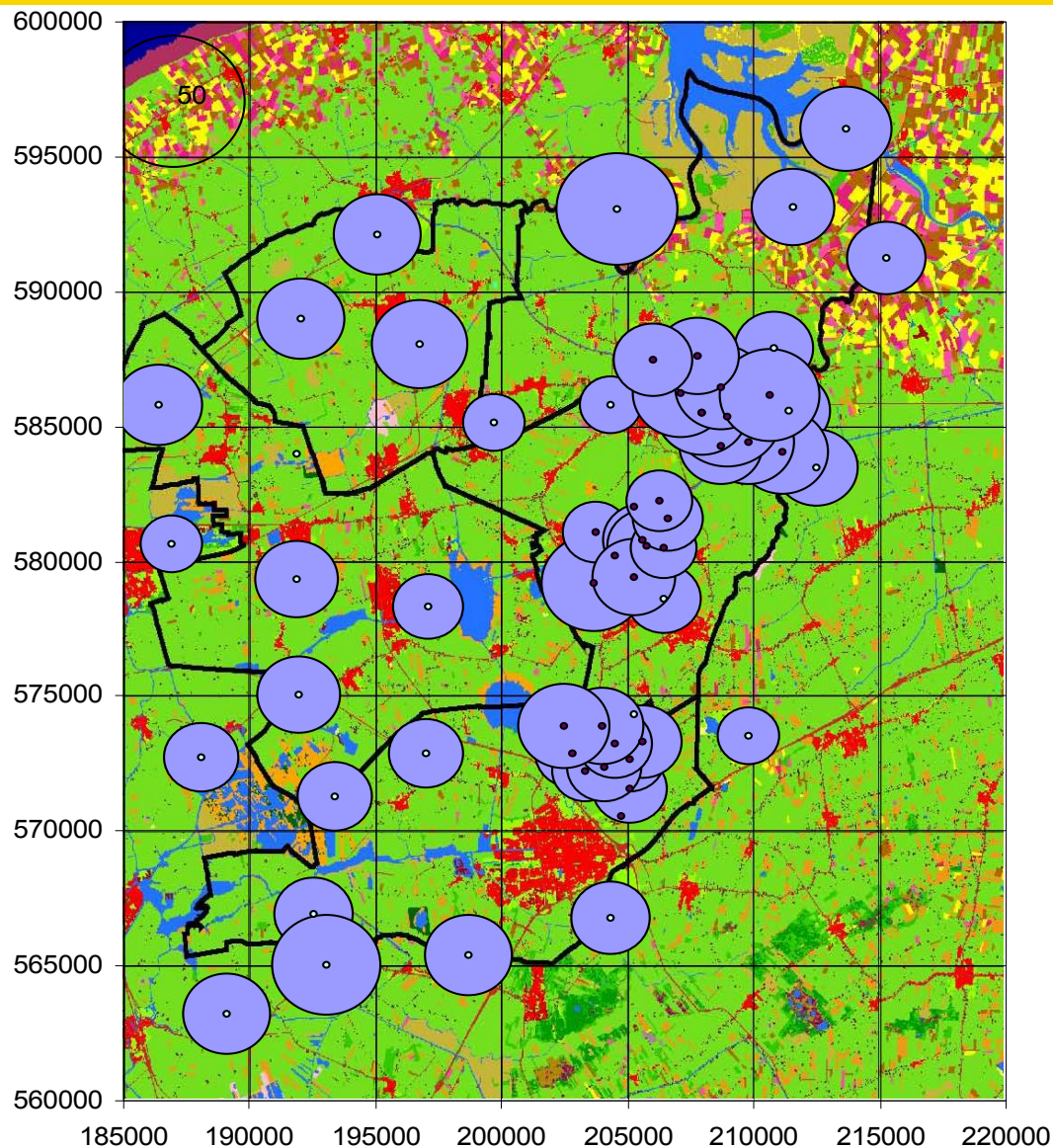
“Warmest in 300 jaar”

17.9 °C

norm=14.2

12 mm

norm=75



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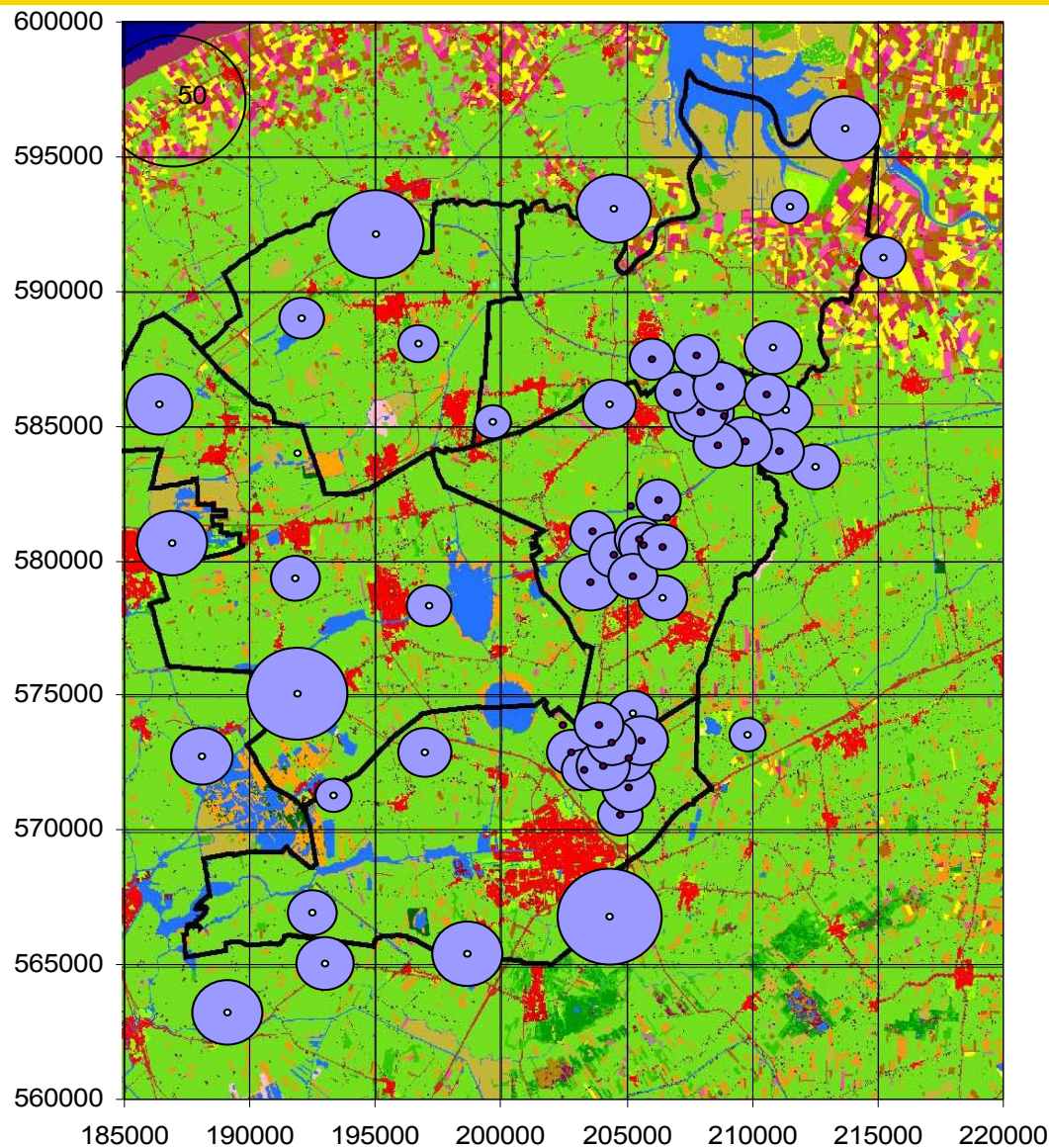
Oktober 2006

13.6 °C

norm=10.3

91 mm

norm=78



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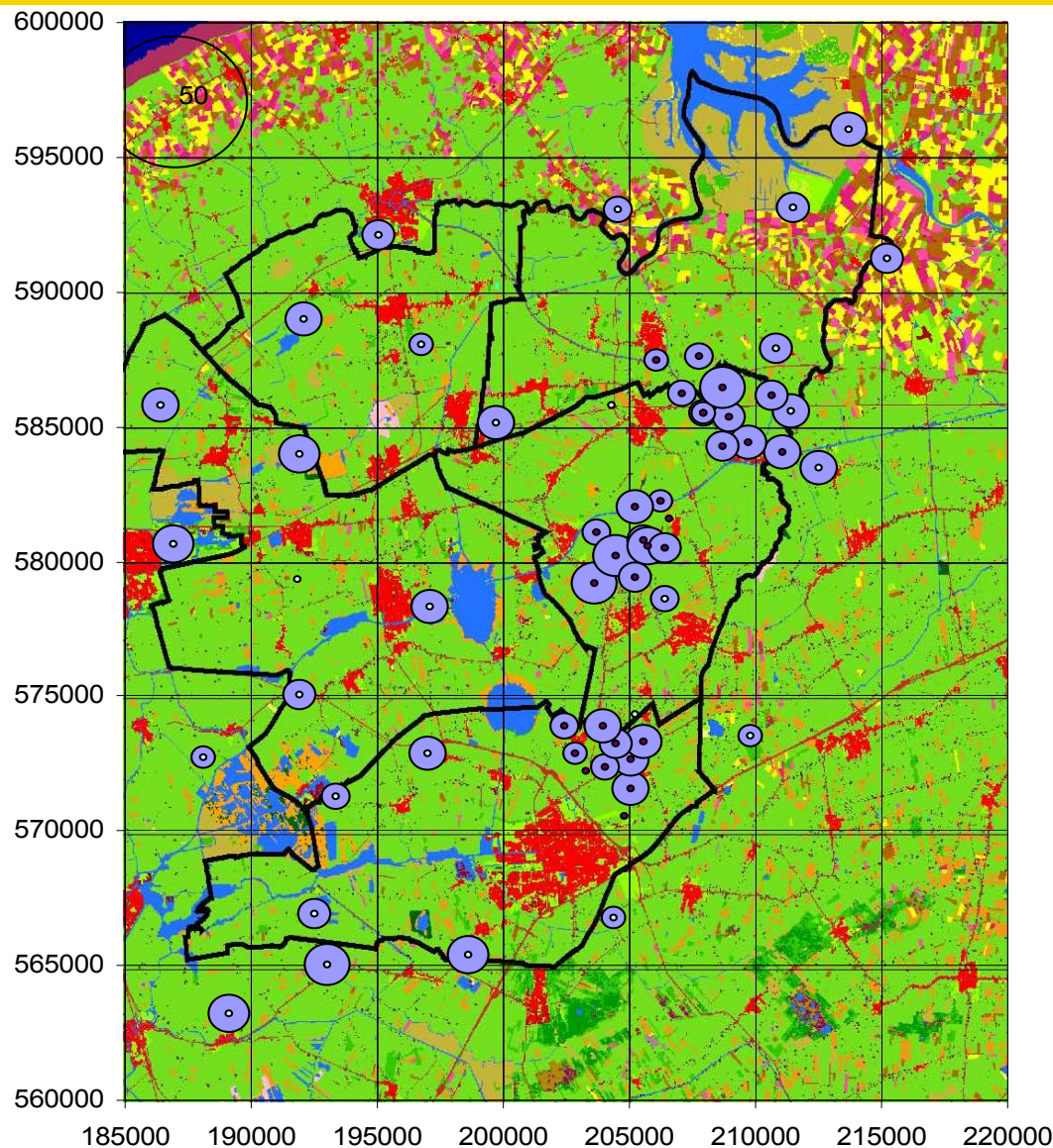
November 2006

9.2 °C

norm=6.2

78 mm

norm=82



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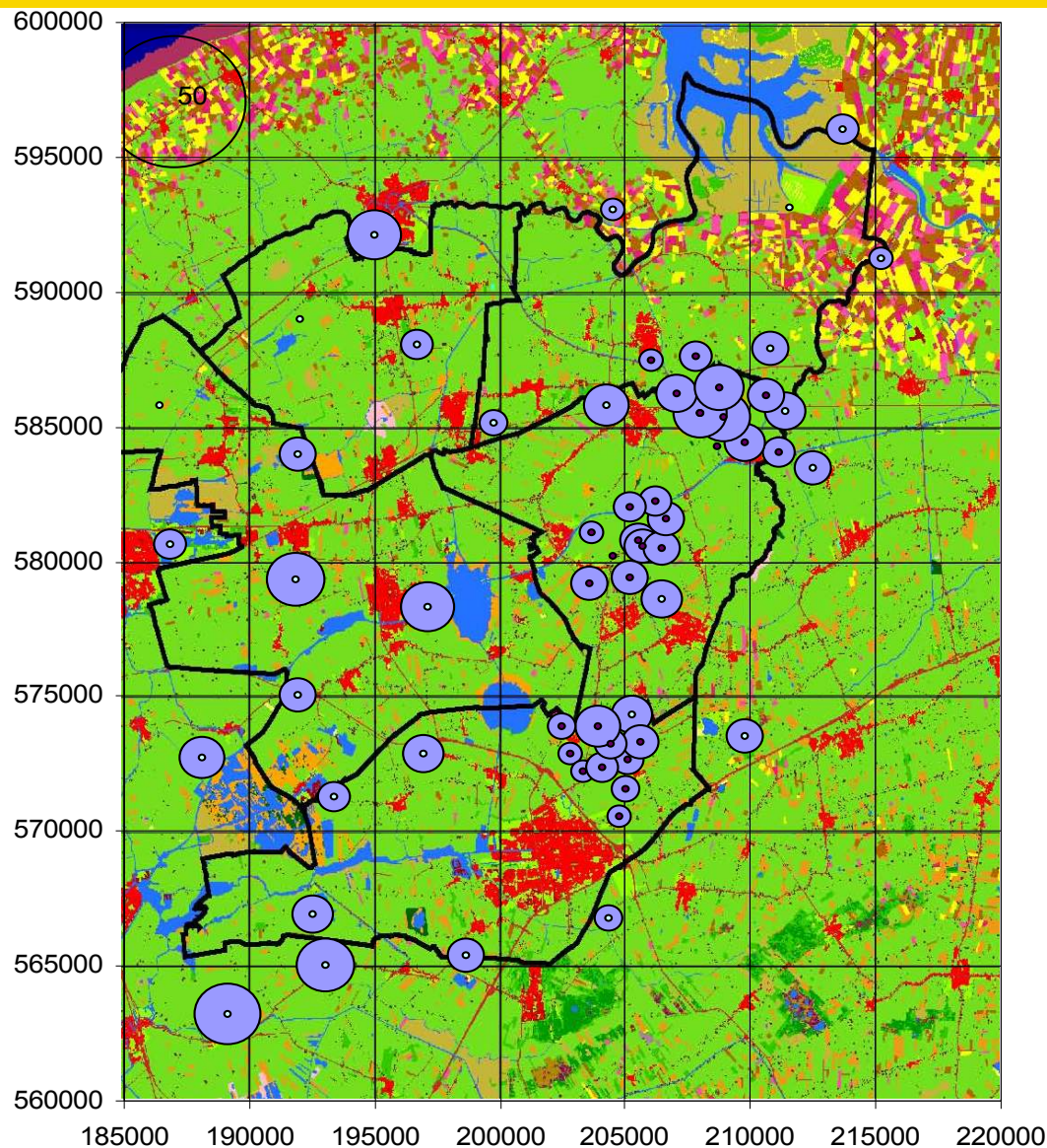
December 2006

6.5 °C

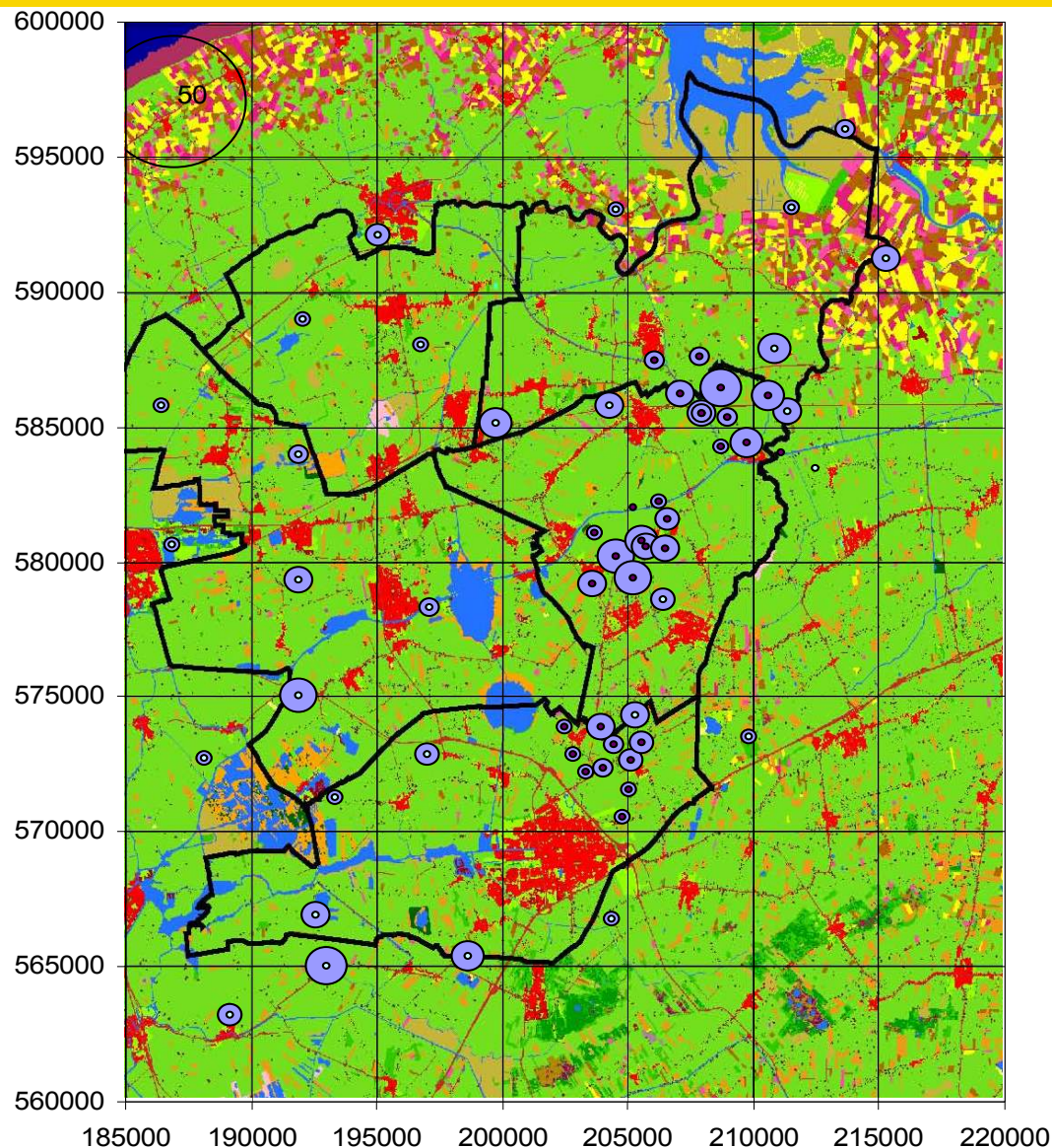
norm=4

80 mm

norm=79



7.1 °C
norm=2.8
113 mm
norm=69



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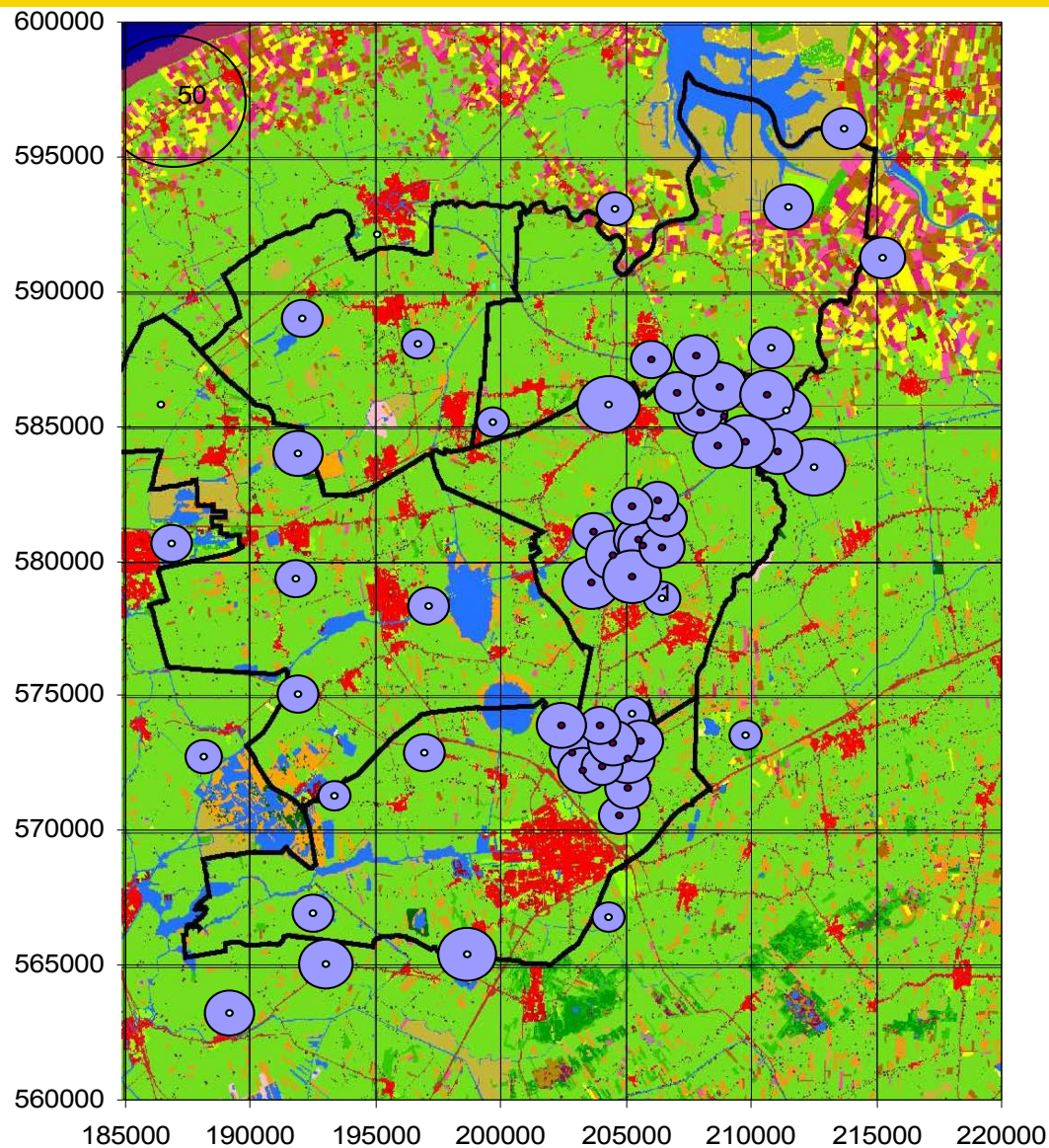
January 2007

6 °C

norm=3

78 mm

norm=47



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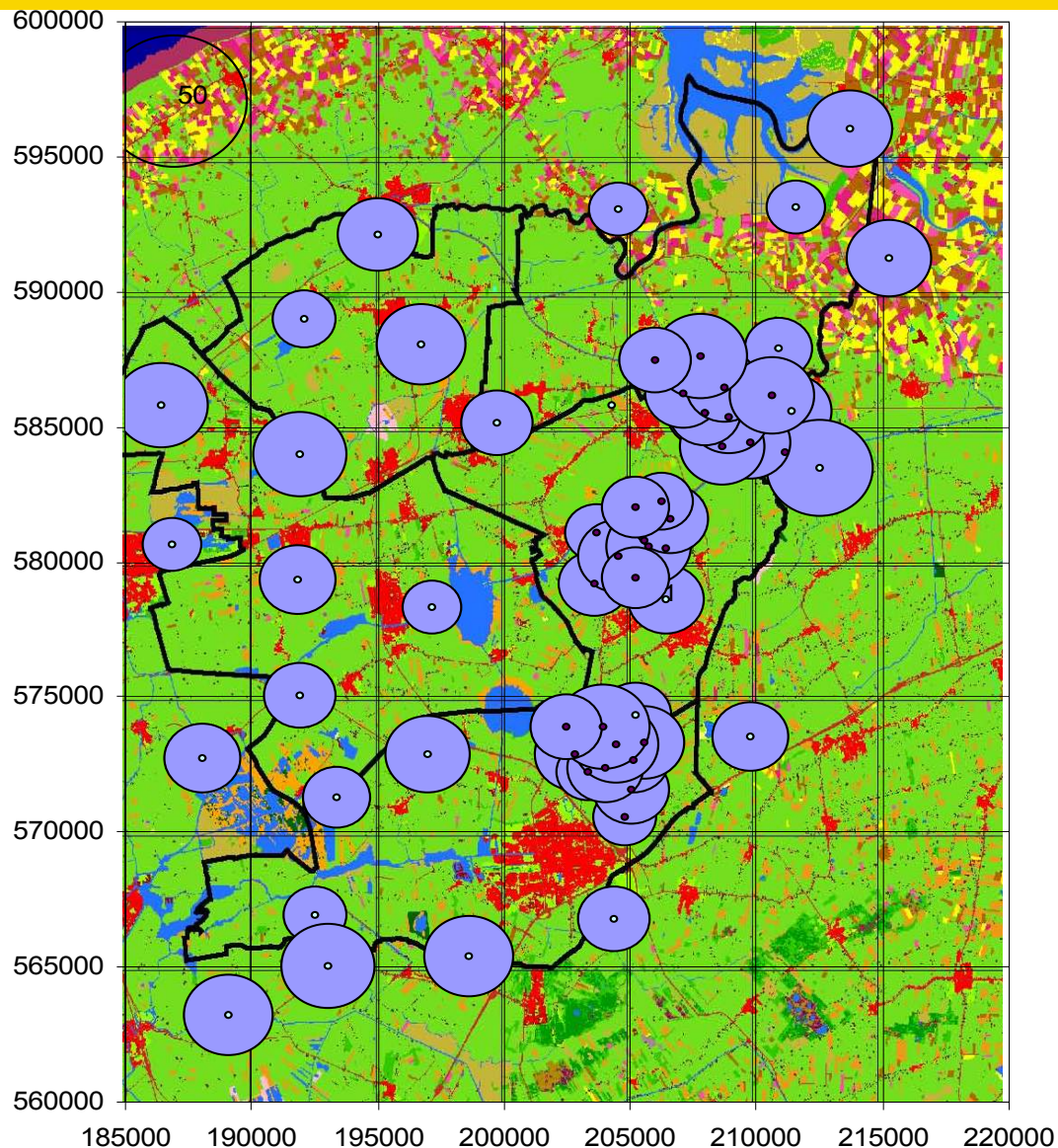
February 2007

8 °C

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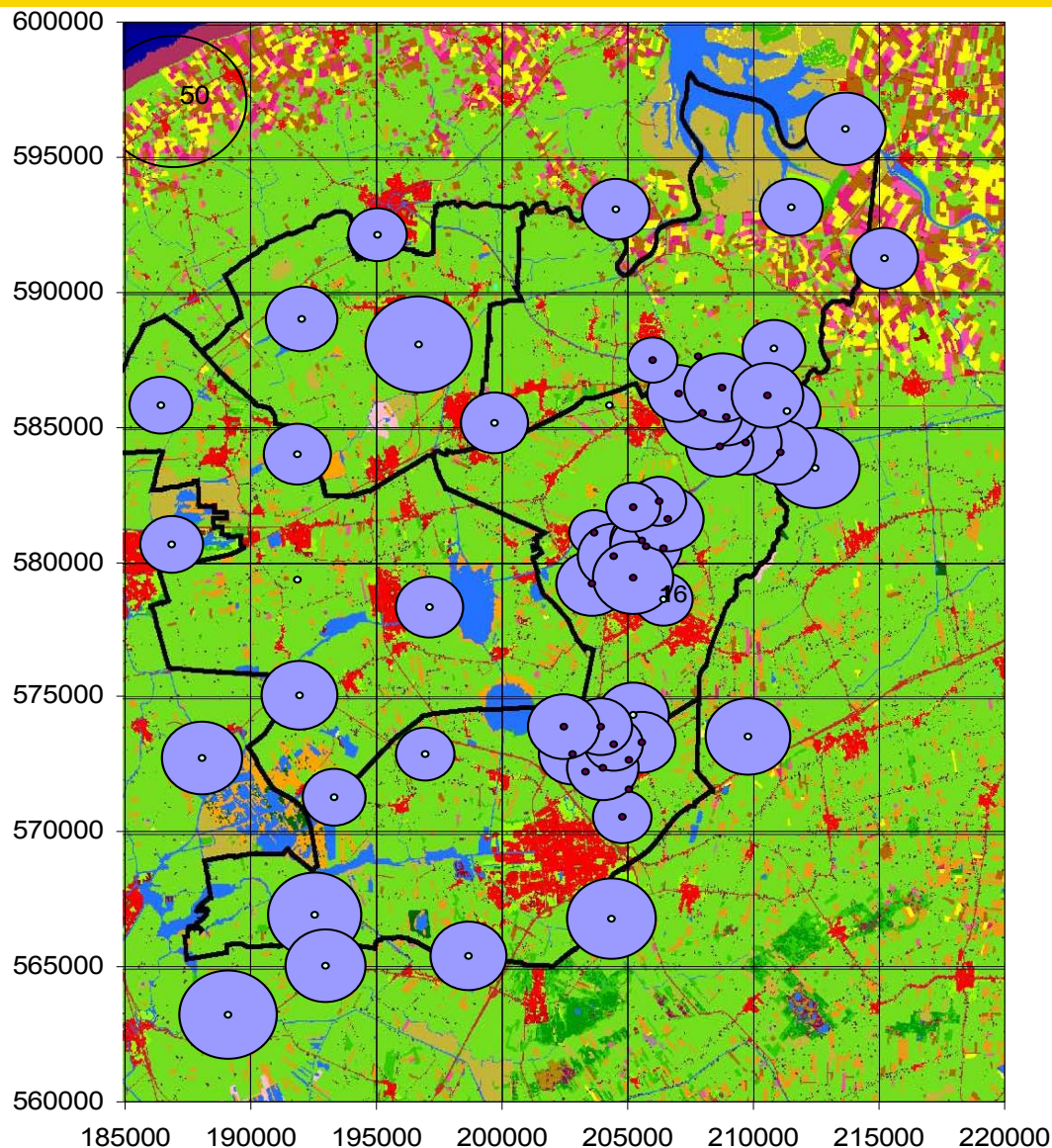
69 mm

norm=65



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March 2007



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April 2007

“Warm en dry”

13.2 °C

norm=8.3

0.4 mm

norm=44

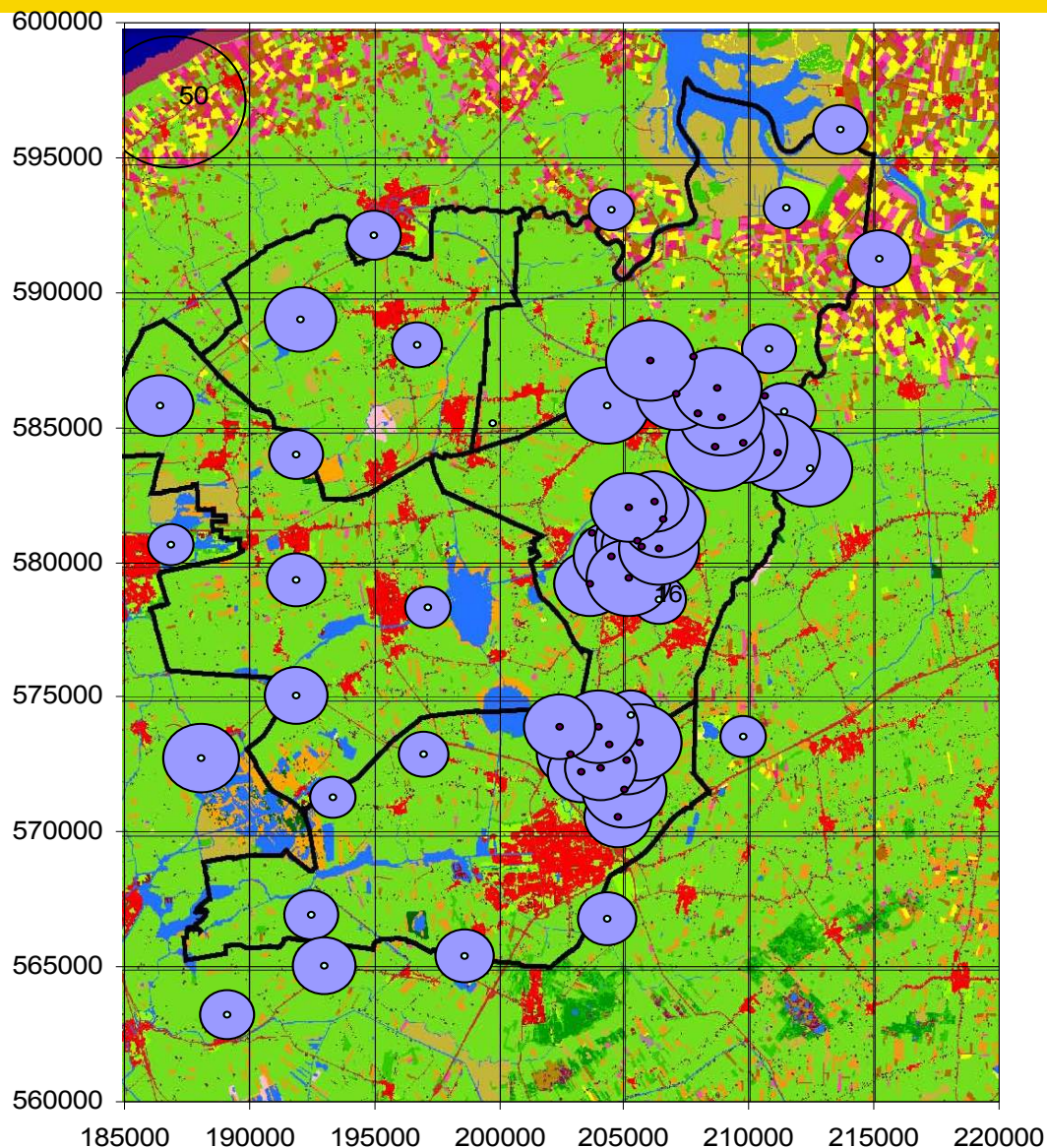
Wet

14.1 °C

norm=12.7

104 mm

norm=57



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May 2007

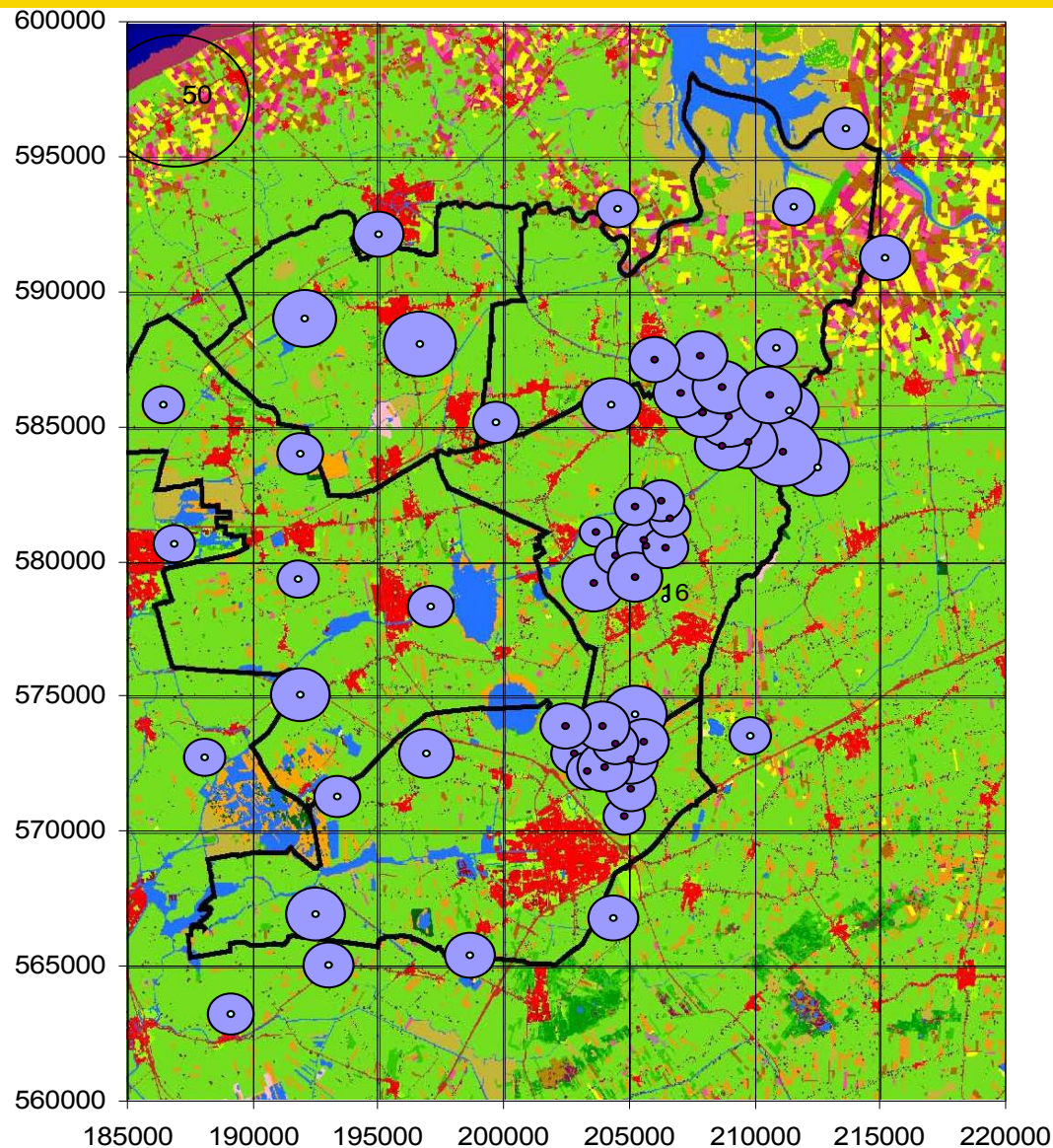
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17.5 °C

norm=15.5

95 mm

norm=71



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June 2007

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July 2007

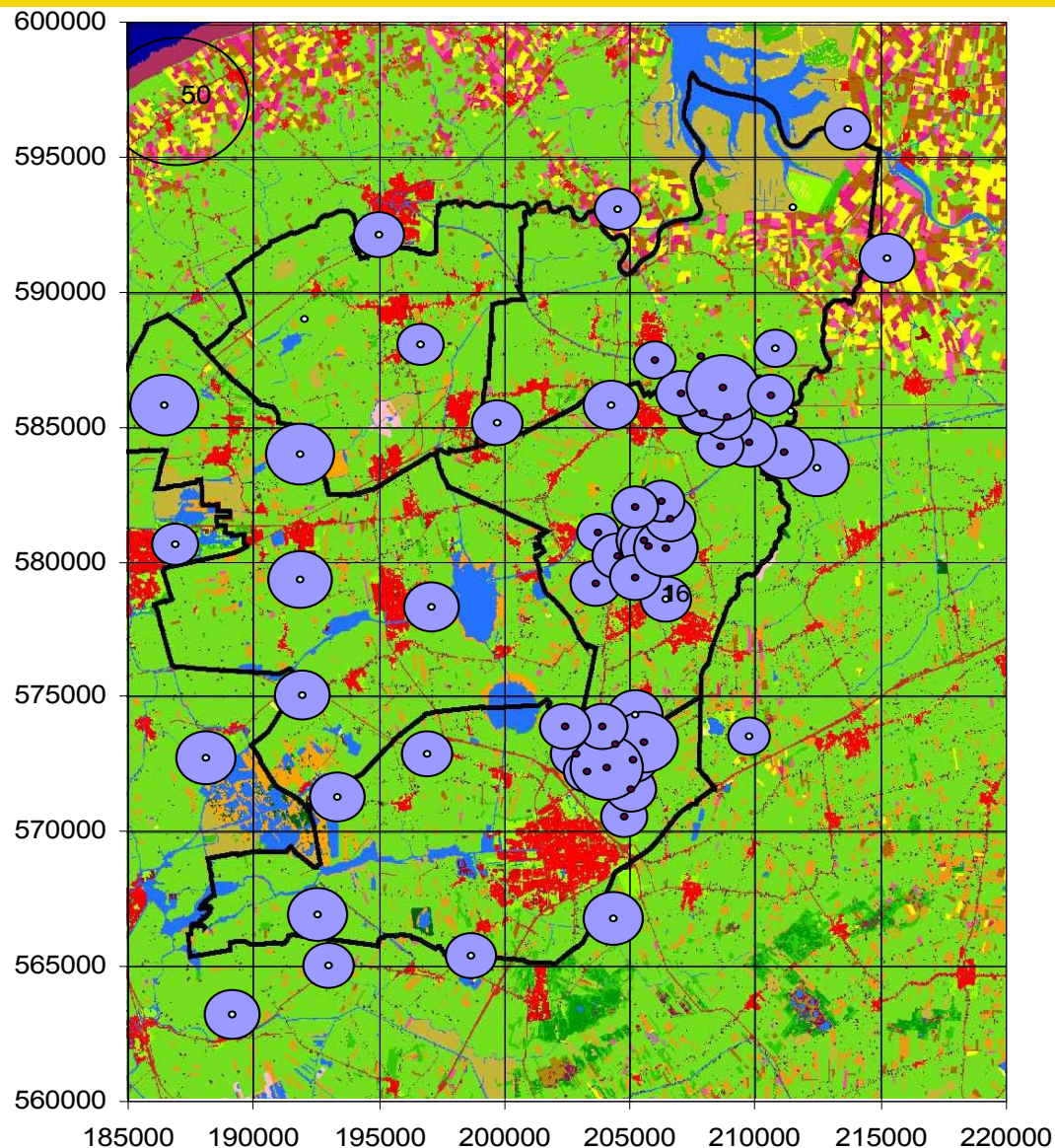
Verry wet

17.0 °C

norm=17.4

155 mm

norm=70



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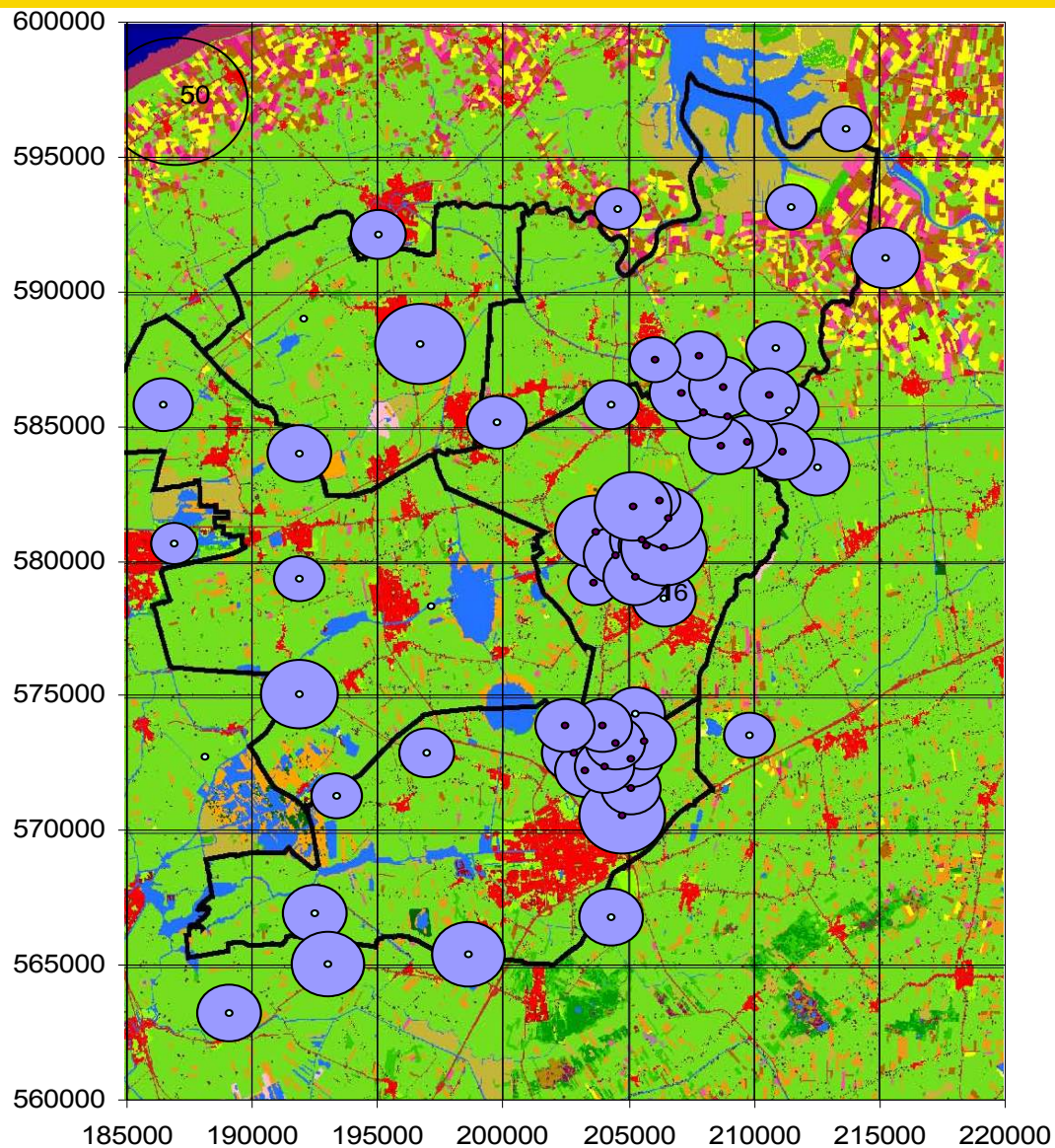
August 2007

17.1 °C

norm=17.2

52 mm

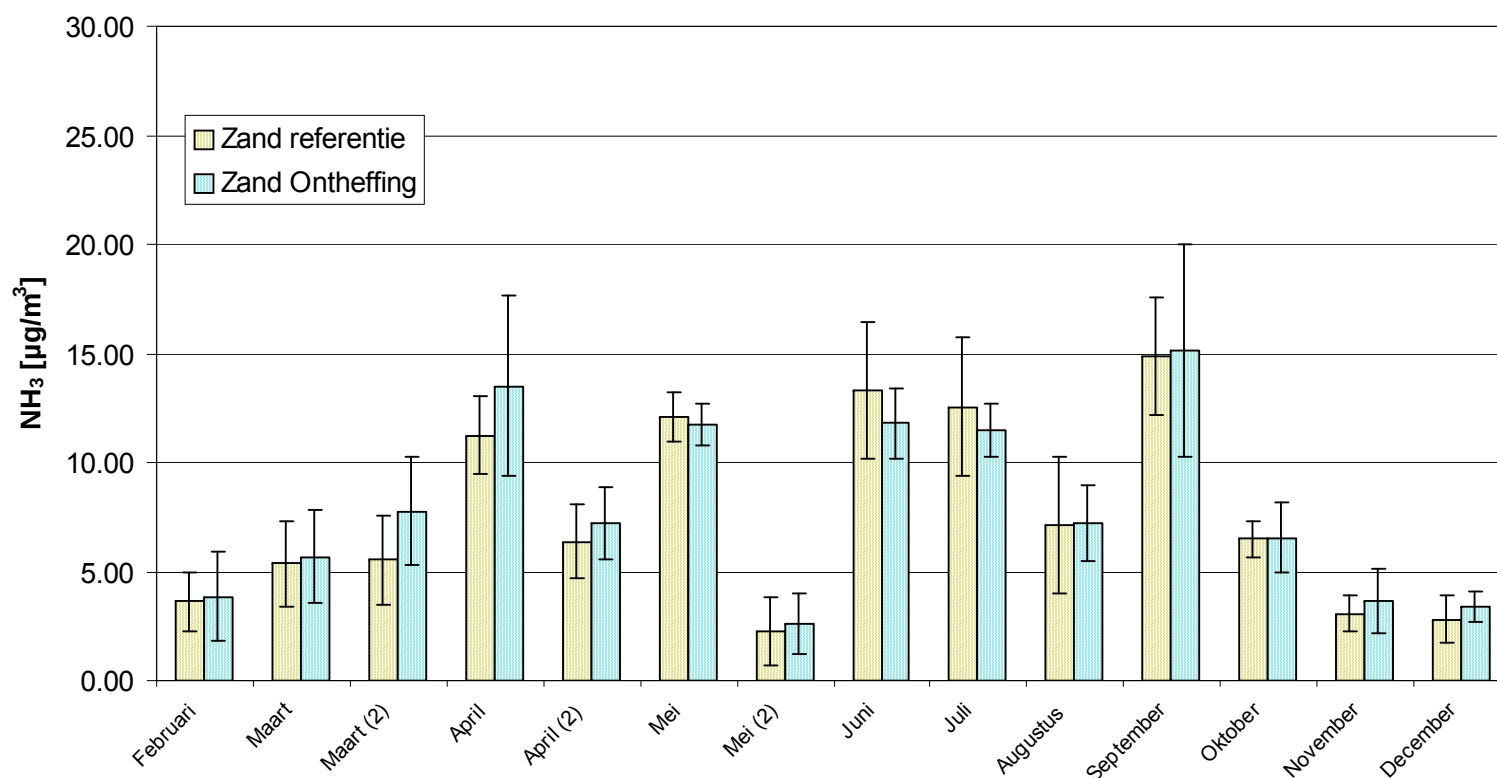
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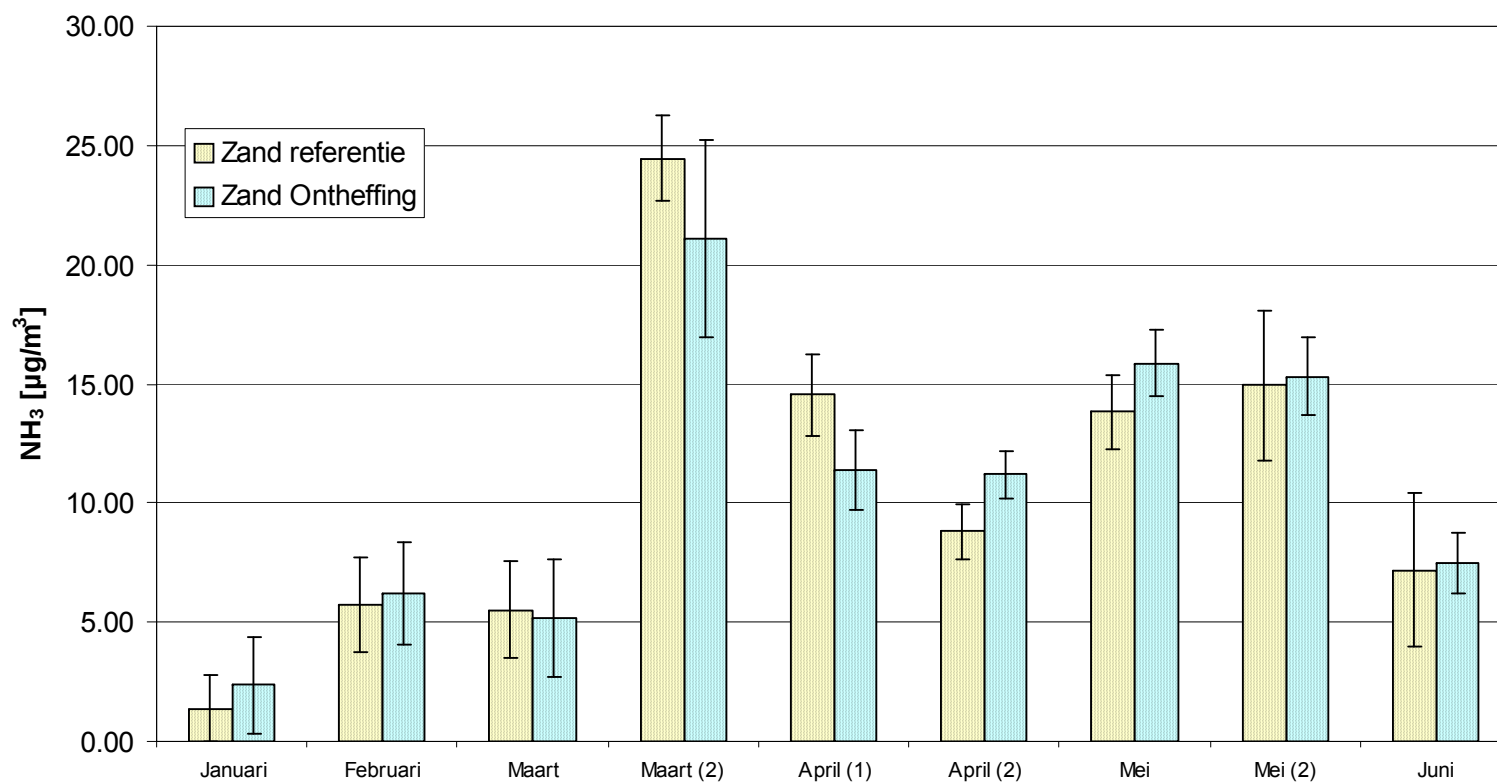
Mean concentrations in each area

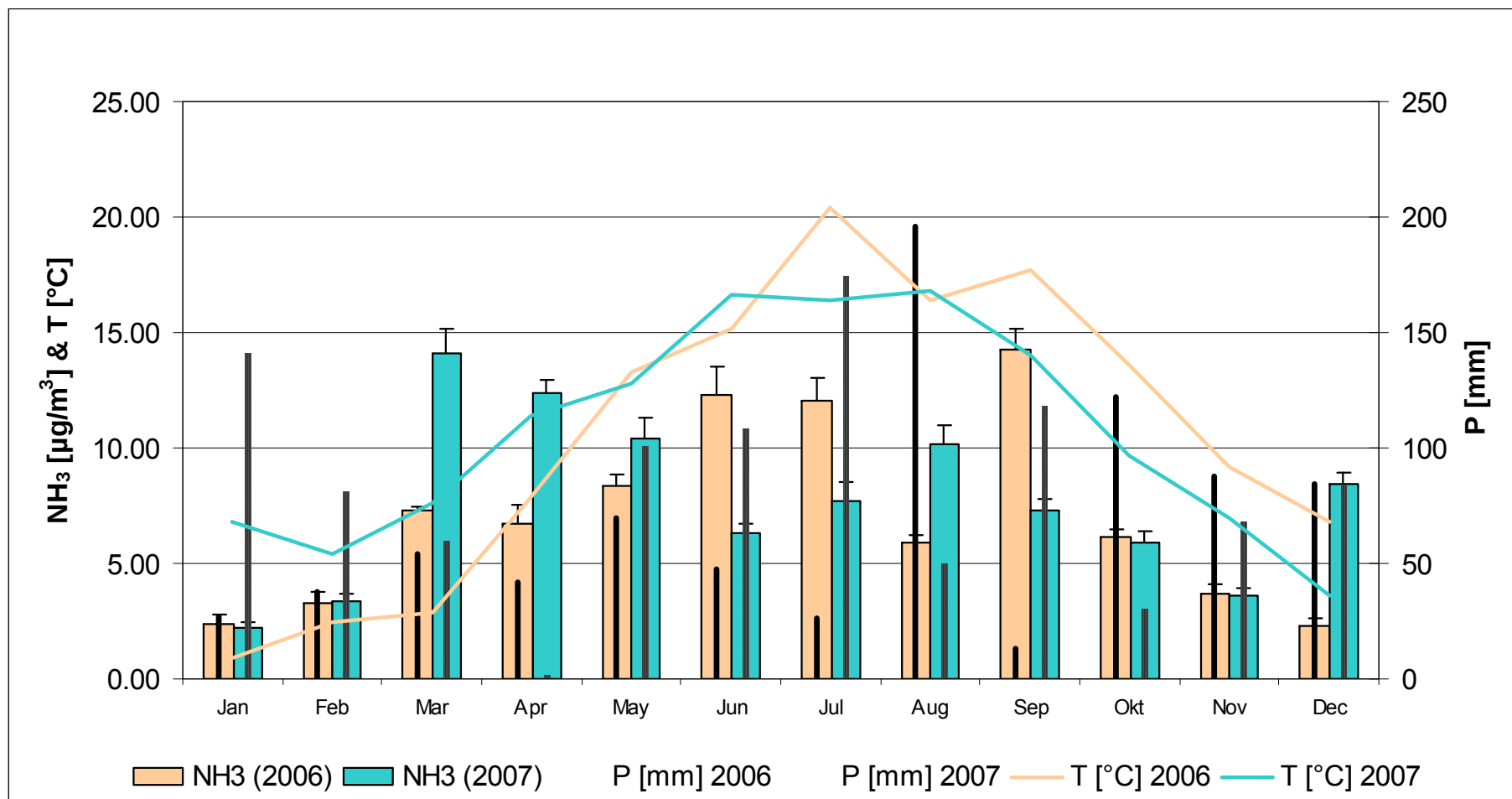
2006



Mean concentrations in each area

2007





Using the passive sampler data

- Get the spatial information
- Are there hot-spots

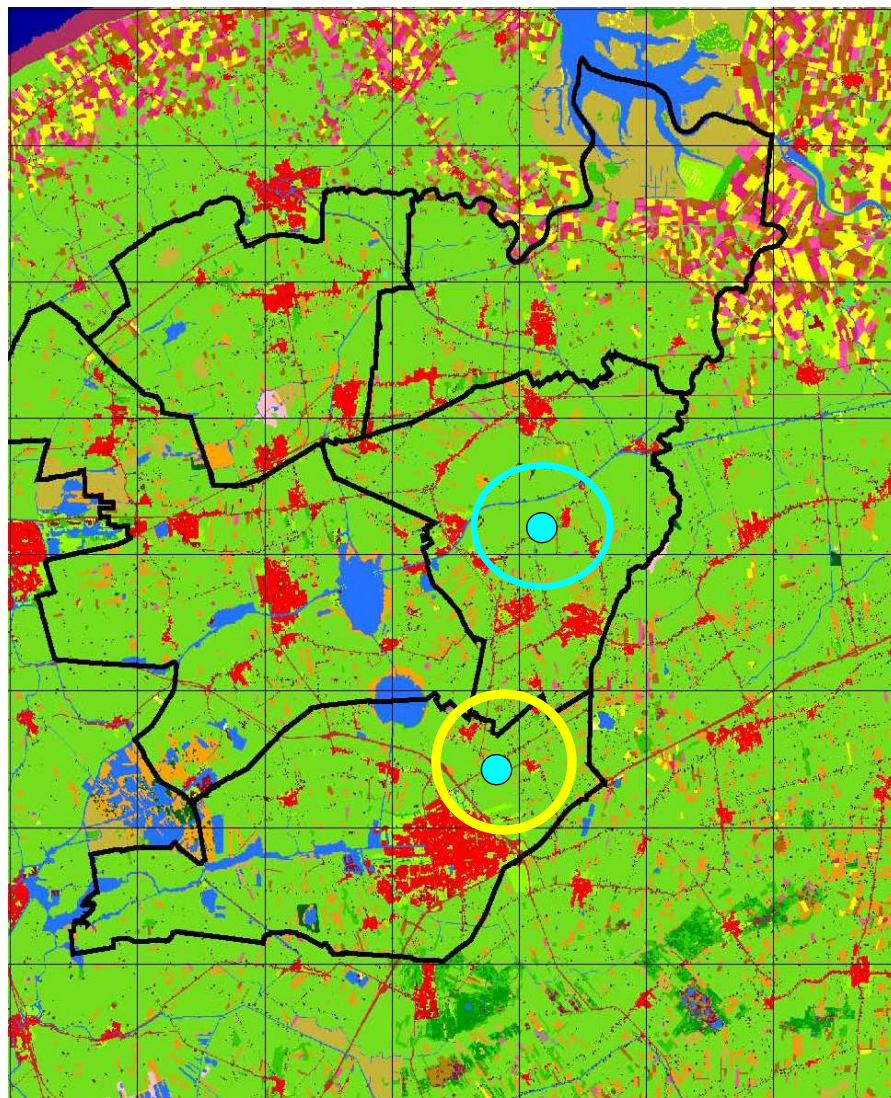
Continuous concentration data at 2 locations



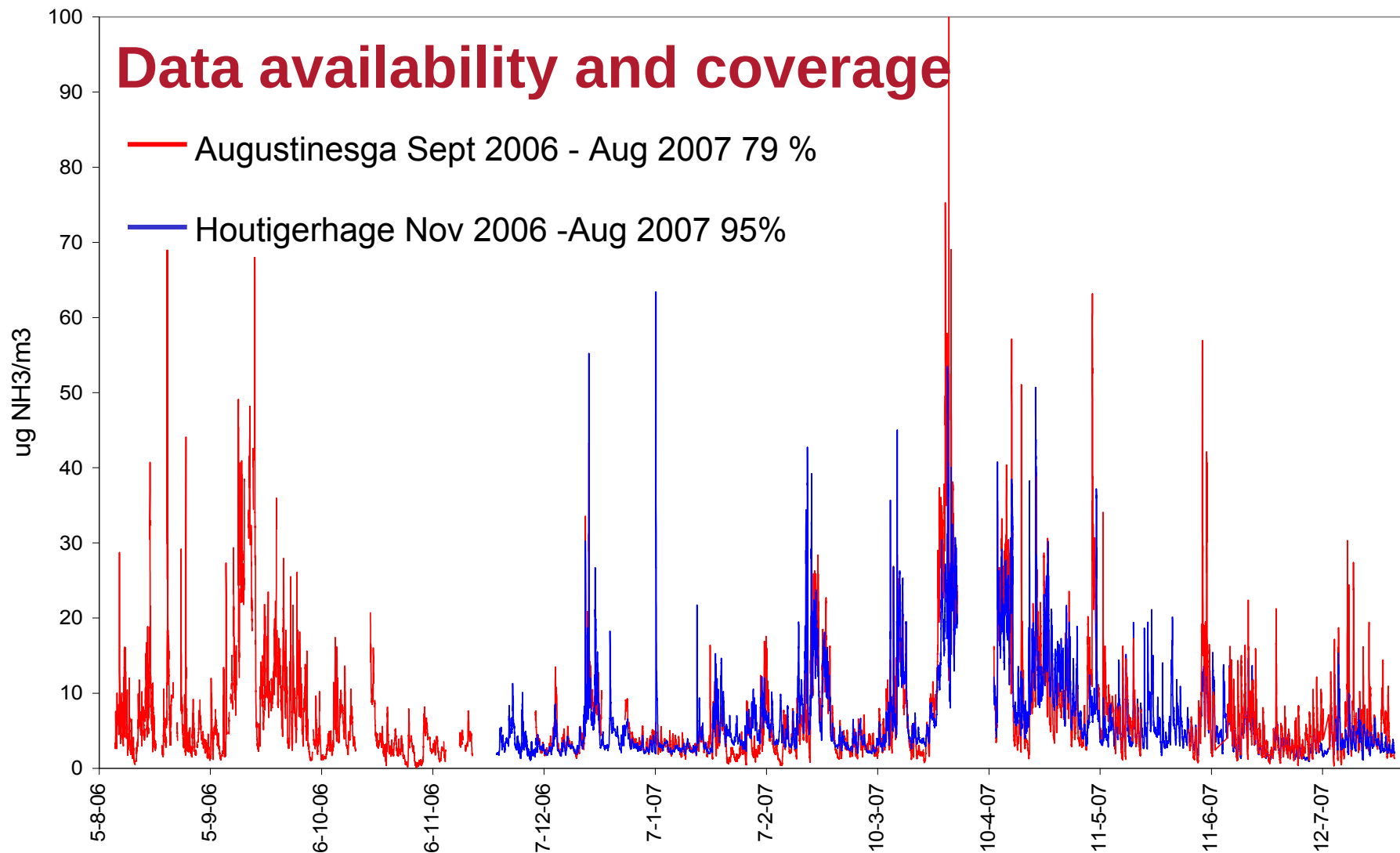
Location:
Wetterskip
Pumping station



Continuous monitoring stations



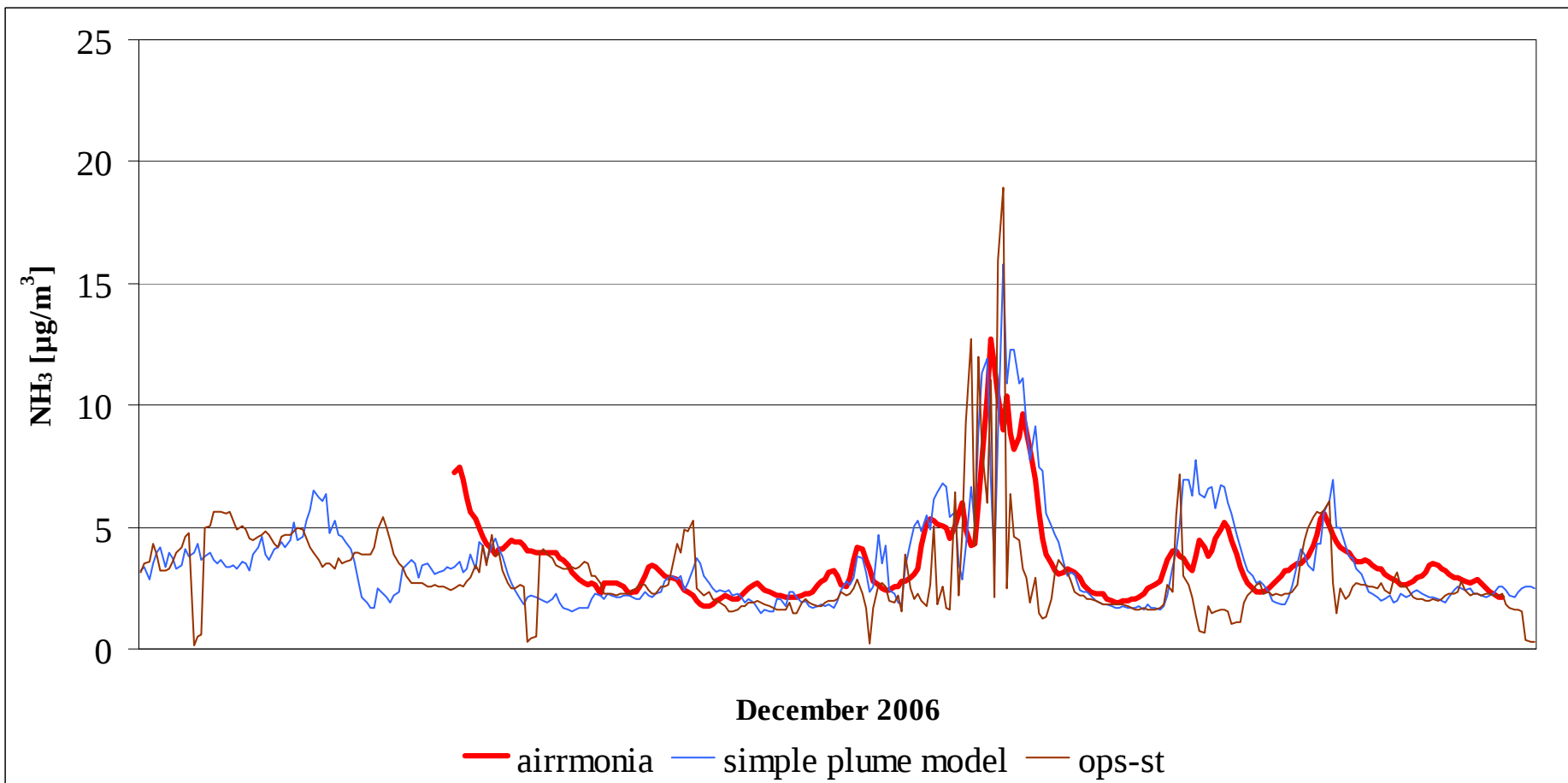
10 km



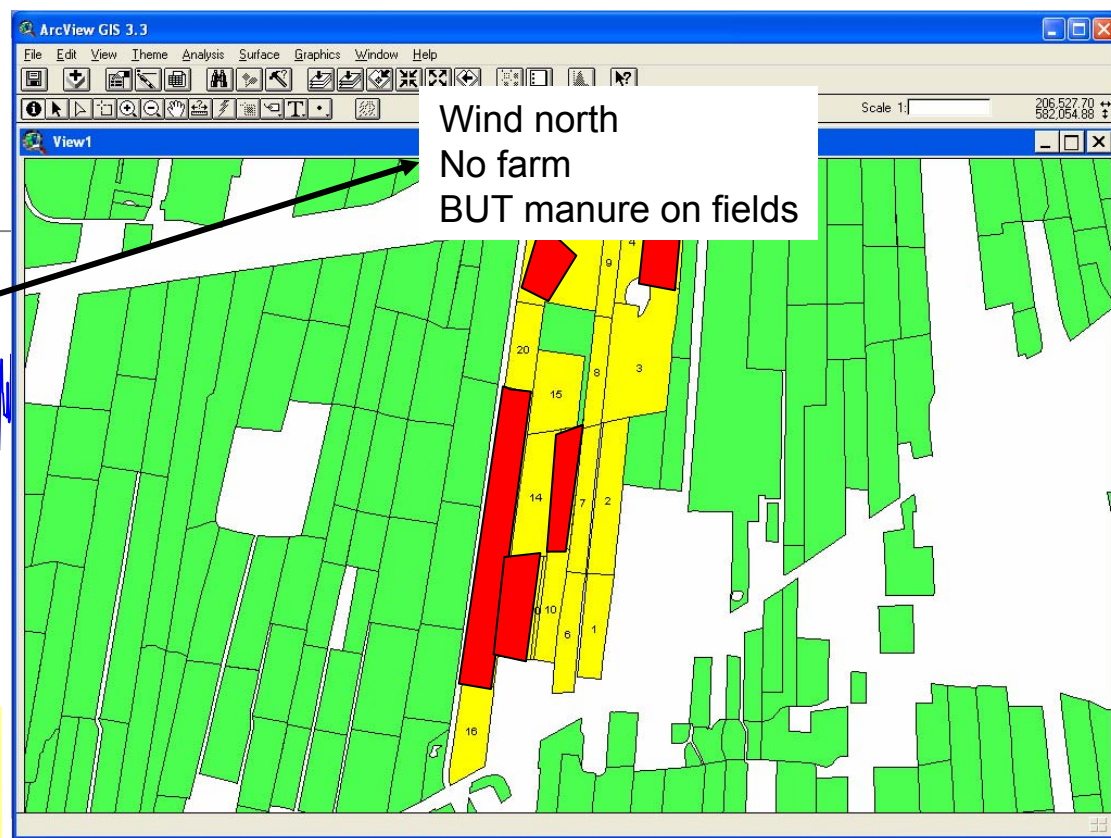
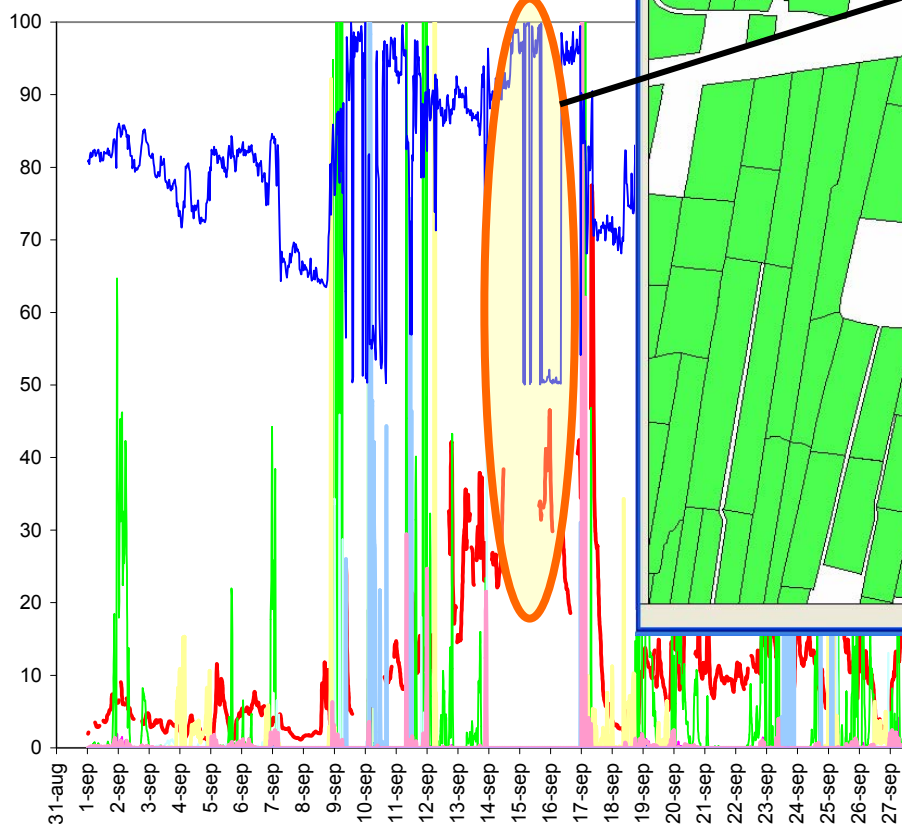
Using the Airrmonia data

- High temporal resolution
- Check on combination of emission and meteo data
- Check models that will also be used for all passive sampler locations



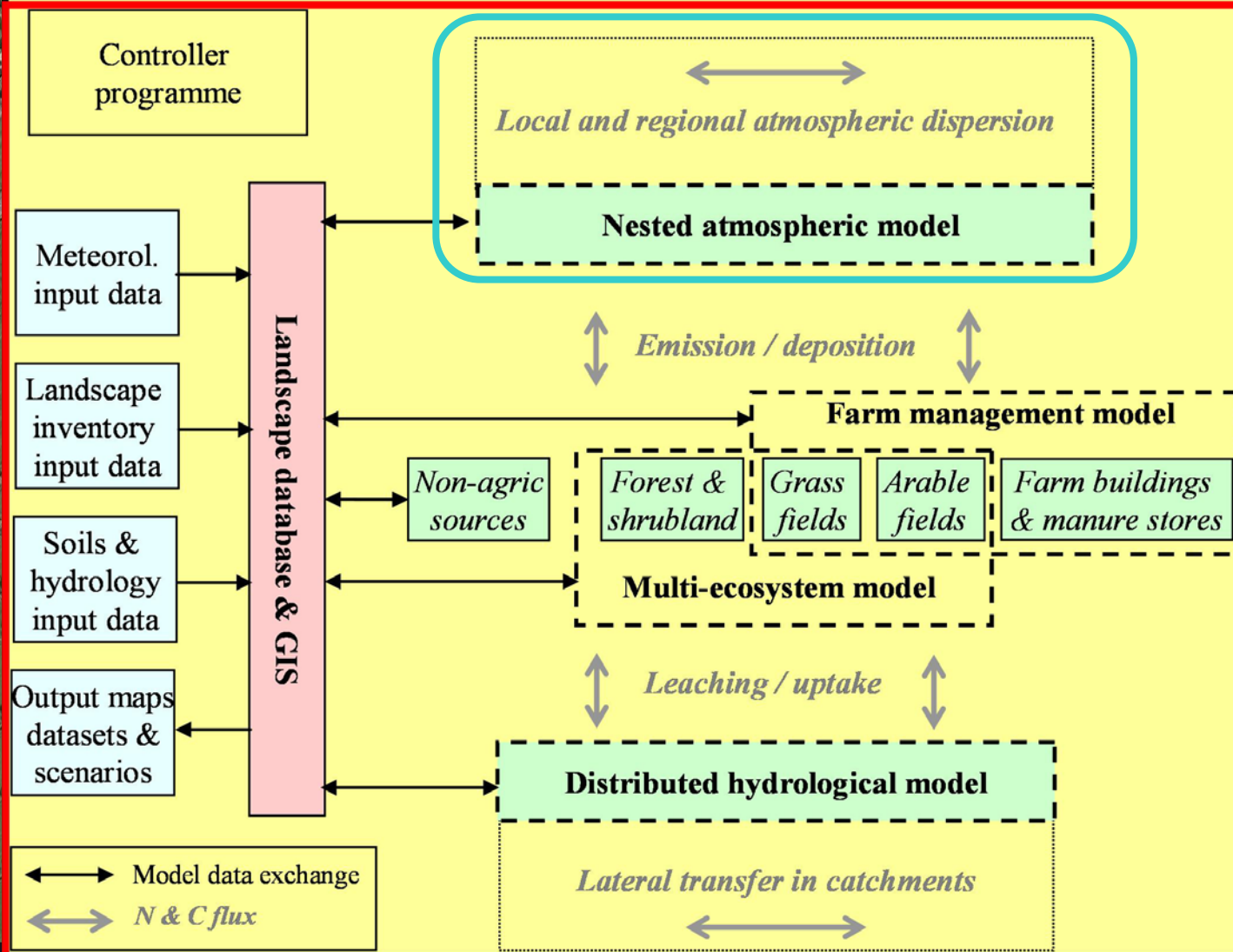


September



5 grasland	1.532 middag: 12.00-18.1	14-9-2006
11 grasland	1.169 morgen: 07.00-12.	14-9-2006
13 grasland	1.491 morgen: 07.00-12.	14-9-2006
19 grasland	1.27 morgen: 07.00-12.	14-9-2006
1203 grasland	1.109667 morgen: 07.00-12.	14-9-2006
17 grasland	1.588 morgen: 07.00-12.	15-9-2006
18 grasland	1.186 morgen: 07.00-12.	15-9-2006

The NitroScape model



Status of the projects

- Finalizing stages
 - Emission factor work
 - Comparison of spreading/feeding measures
 - Verification measurements NitroEurope
- Possible extension
 - Overall NFW work with respect to determining landscape scale targets
 - Combining NH_3 and GHG measurements

Thank you for your attention!

