

Economic efficient policies for ecological targets

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Three policy areas

- Generic policies
- License policies (targeted)
- Abatement

Critical Habitat Cell vs. Total Impact

- Deposition in critical habitat cell as indicator of significance
- Used in Flanders
- $Significance_x = \frac{Deposition_{x,y}}{Critical Load_y}$
- Indicator of total impact in whole nature area
- Correlates better with total damage costs
- $Impact Score_x = \sum_y \frac{Deposition_{x,y}}{Critical Load_y}$

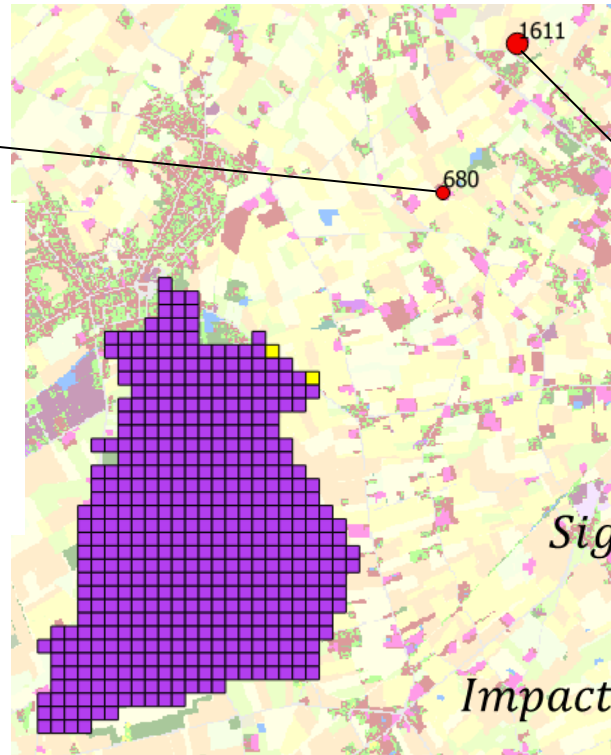
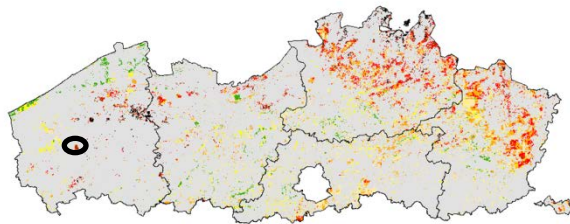
Critical Habitat Cell vs. Total Impact

Significance =

3%

Impact Score =

1.04



Significance =

3%

Impact Score

= 1.43

$$\text{Significance}_x = \frac{\text{Deposition}_{x,y}}{\text{Critical Load}_y}$$

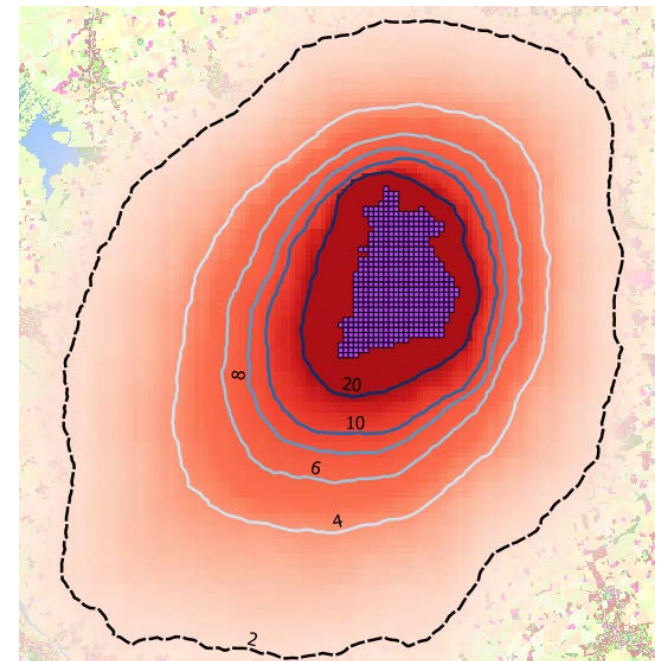
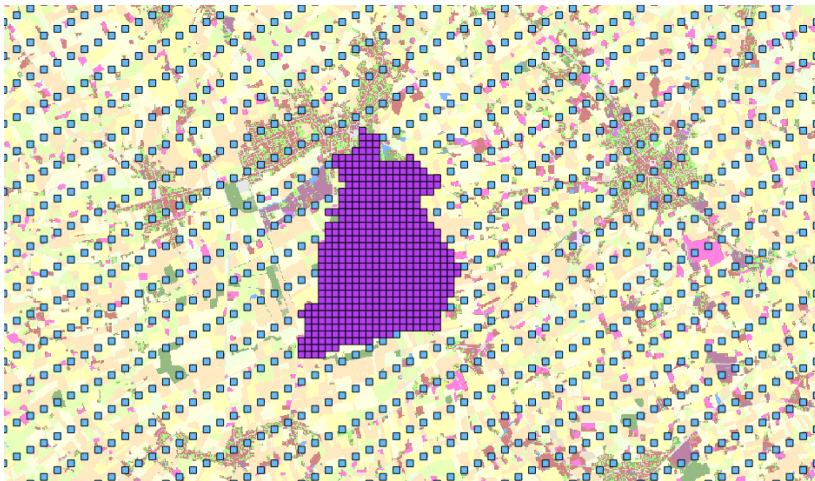
$$\text{Impact Score}_x = \sum_y \frac{\text{Deposition}_{x,y}}{\text{Critical Load}_y}$$



Impact map

- Based on bigaussian dispersion modelling
- Maps the impact of hypothetical emission of 5000 kg NH₃-N/year

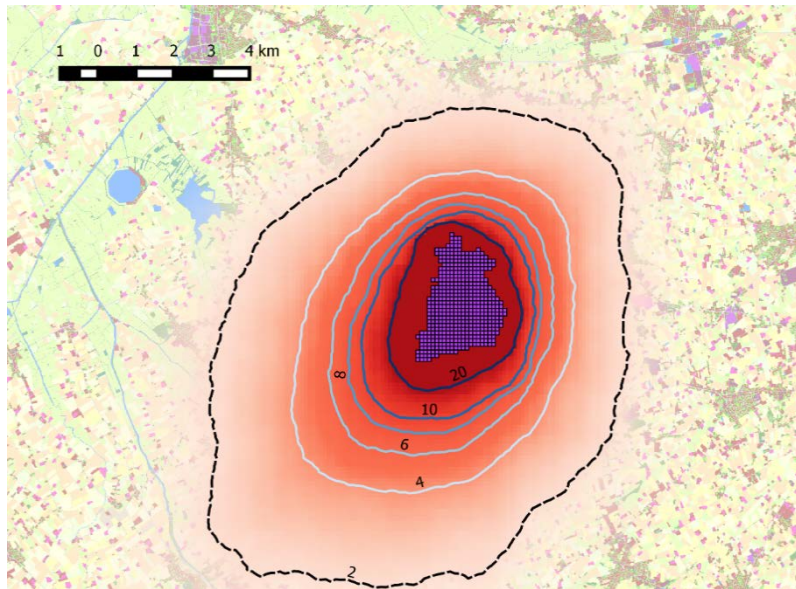
- $$Impact\ Score_x = \sum_y \frac{Deposition_{x,y}}{Critical\ Load_y}$$



Impact dependend on sensitivity of habitat (~CL)

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Habitat 9120: Atlantic acidophilous beech forest (CL 15 kg N/ha.yr)



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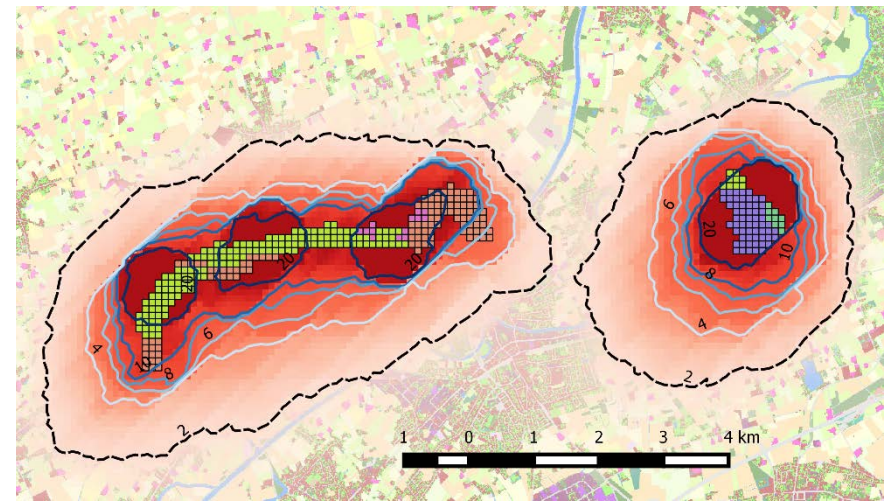
Habitat 9120: Atlantic acidophilous beech forest (CL 15 kg N/ha.yr)

Habitat 3150: Natural eutrophic lake (CL 30 kg N/ha.yr)

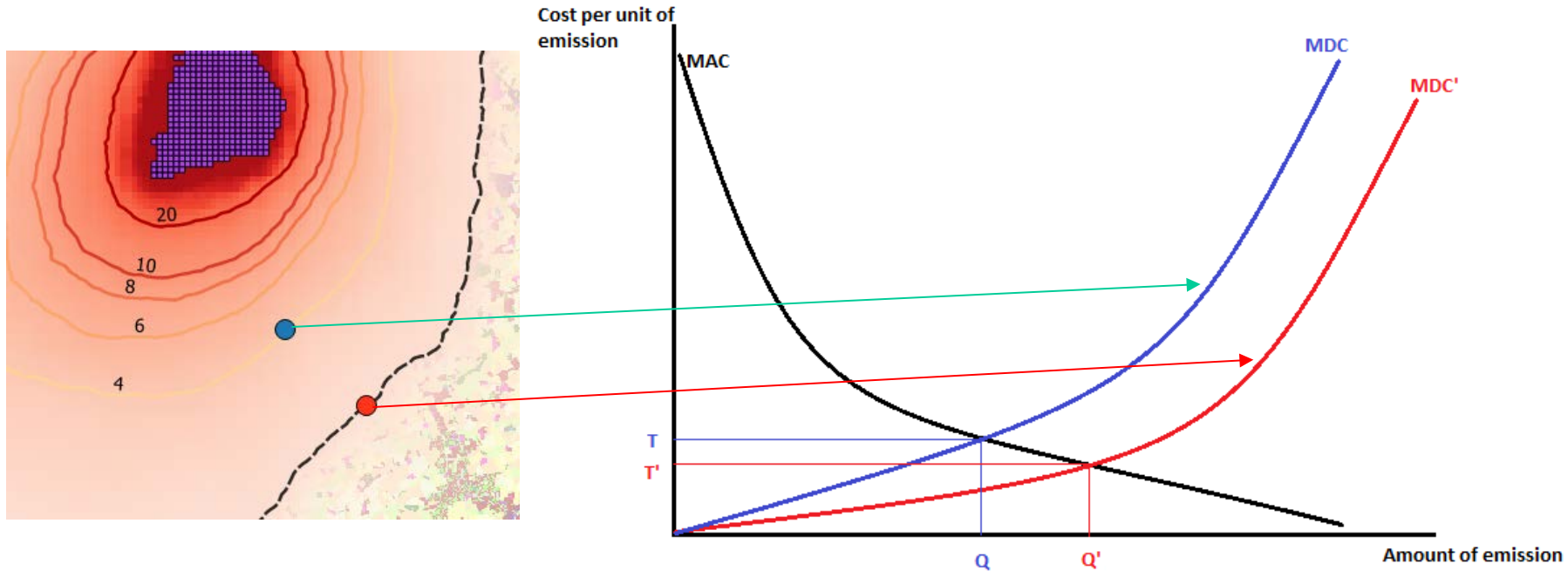
Habitat 6430: Hydrophilous tall herb fringe (CL 30 kg N/ha.yr)

Habitat 9160: Oak-hornbeam forest (CL 20 kg N/ha.yr)

Habitat 91EO: Alluvial forest (CL 29 kg N/ha.yr)



Impact map as tool for spatially differentiated pollution control



NER: nutriënten emission permits rechten

- permits for animal production
- tradable
- Change to concentration permit (Montgomery, 1972):
 - ▶ Emission x impactscore = needed permits
 - ▶ Farms decide themselves on relocation or on additional emission reduction measures

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Analysis

Markets of concentration permits: The case of manure policy

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Conclusion

- Impact map
 - ▶ Visualization of ‘emission space’ around protected area
 - ▶ Useful for spatially differentiated pollution control
- Impact score is better indicator for environmental damage than deposition in critical habitat cell
- Use of impact score threshold instead of critical habitat cell constraint is more efficient



Spatial optimization model - Principles

Farm A	Farm D	Forest CL: 15 kgN/ha.yr
Farm B	Grassland CL: 24 kN/ha.yr	Heathland CL: 11 kgN/ha.yr
Farm C	Farm E	Farm F

- 'Region' = Grid of 3x3 km²
- Collection of i farms and j nature areas
- Farm = number of animals
- Nature area: zone with characteristic critical load

Spatial optimization model - Principles

- Objective function:

Maximize $\sum_i Animals_i$

s. t. $Deposition_{i,j} * Animals_i <$

$0.03 * CL_j$ (Individual contribution constraint)

$\sum_i Deposition_{i,j} * Animals_i + 20 < 2 * CL_j$

(Total deposition constraint)

- $Deposition_{i,j} = \frac{em - (em * e^{-Distance(i,j) * 0.01207})}{\pi * Distance(i,j)^2} * 0.01$

$em = 14 \text{ kgN/ha.yr}$

$Distance_{i,j}$ = from center to center

Farm A 1390	Farm D 841	Forest CL: 15 kgN/ha.yr Dep: 21,75 kgN/ha.yr
Farm B 1241	Grassland CL: 24 kN/ha.yr Dep: 22,86 kgN/ha.yr	Heathland CL: 11 kgN/ha.yr Dep: 21,97 kgN/ha.yr
Farm C 1390	Farm E 874	Farm F 617

Spatial Optimization

- Dispersion modelling: bigaussian with Pasquill-Gifford dispersion parameters (σ_y en σ_z):

$$C(x, y, z; h) = \frac{Q}{2\pi u \sigma_y \sigma_z} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y^2}{\sigma_y^2} + \frac{(z-h)^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right)\right]$$

- Meteo parameters wind direction, wind speed and atmospheric stability from KNMI station Eindhoven (2009-2015)
- Estimation of NH_3 emission per animal category and emission stage: EMEP guidebook (European emission inventory)
- Nature area (location, habitat type and critical load): map with natura 2000 areas and biological valuation map from www.geopunt.be
- Coordinates of industrial livestock farms (big pig and poultry farms) from www.geopunt.be

Spatial optimization: Reference Scenario 3% of CL in CHC

Maximize $\sum_i Emission_i$

s. t. $Deposition_{i,j} < 0.03 * CL_j$

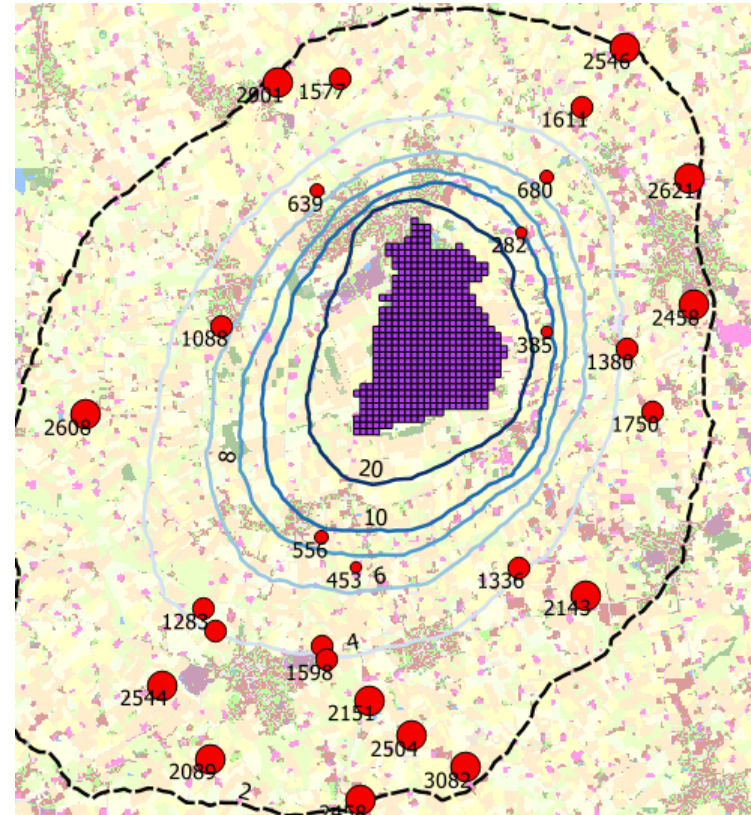
(Individual contribution constraint)

$$\sum_i Deposition_{i,j} * +20 < 2 * CL_j$$

$$\sum_i Emission_i$$

$$\sum_i 47542 \text{ kgNH}$$

$$Average \text{ deposition} = 21.34 \frac{\text{kgN}}{\text{ha.yr}}$$



Scenario 2: no individual CL constraint, max. deposition from reference scenario

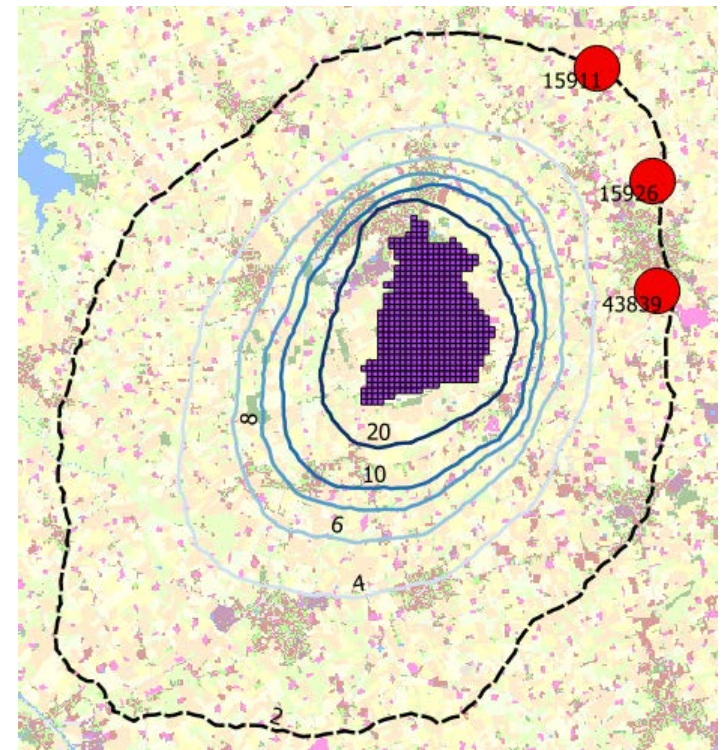
Maximize $\sum_i Emission_i$

s. t. $Average\ Deposition < 21.34 \frac{kgN}{ha.yr}$

$\sum_i Deposition_{i,j} * +20 < 2 * CL_j$

$\sum_i Emission_i =$
 $75676\ kgNH_3\ N/yr$

- 59% more emissions for same environmental quality (average deposition)
- Emissions spread over only 3 farms



What if we would use the total impact as constraint?

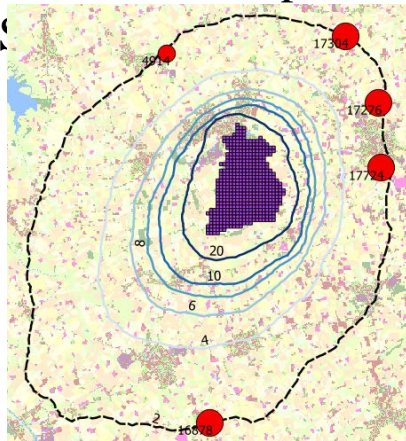
Maximize $\sum_i Emission_i$

s. t. $Impact\ Score_i < Treshold$ (Individual contribution constraint)

$\sum_i Deposition_{i,j} * +20 < 2 * CL_j$

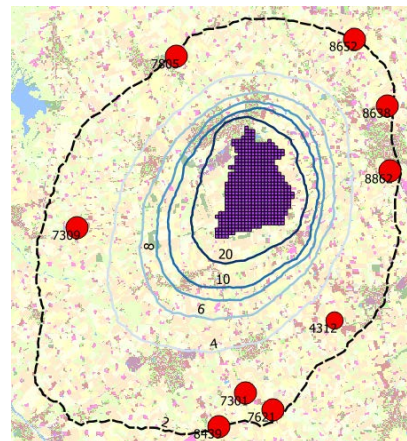
Average Deposition $< 21.34 \frac{kgN}{ha.yr}$

Scenario 3: Impact



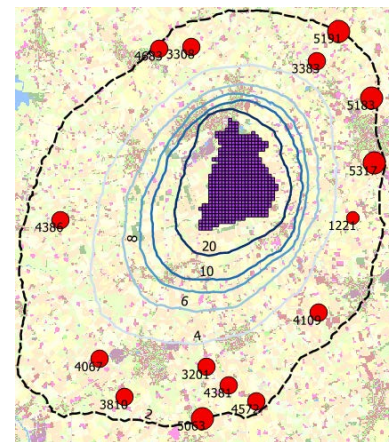
$\sum_i Emission_i =$
74095 kgNH3 N/yr
+56%
5 farms

Scenario 4: Impact



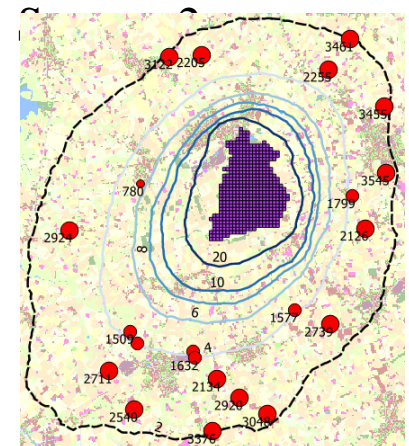
$\sum_i Emission_i =$
68938 kgNH3 N/yr
+45%
9 farms

Scenario 5: Impact



$\sum_i Emission_i =$
61873 kgNH3 N/yr
+ 30%
15 farms

Scenario 6: Impact

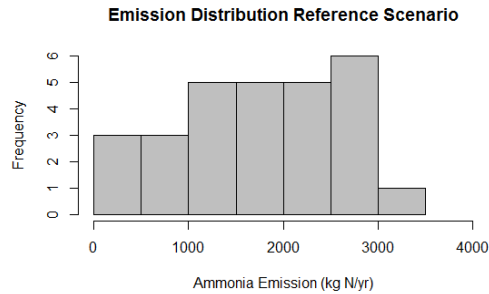
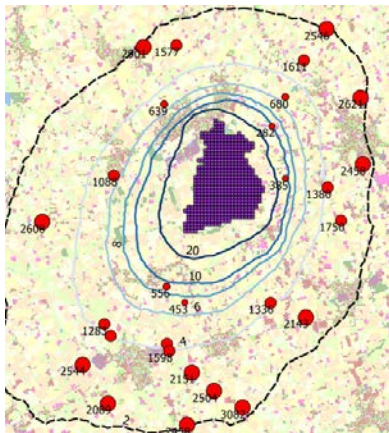


$\sum_i Emission_i =$
53207 kgNH3 N/yr
+ 12%
22 farms

What if we would use the total impact as constraint?

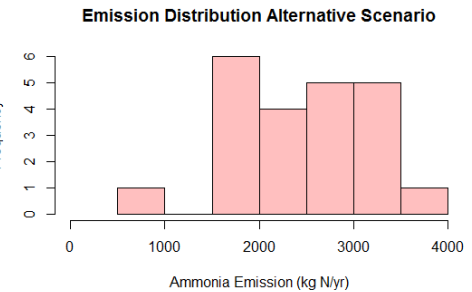
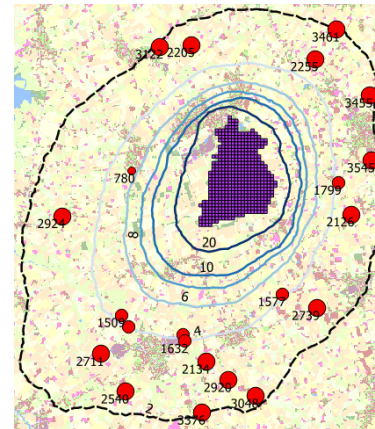
Reference scenario

$$Deposition_{i,j} < 0.03 * \sum_i CL_i \quad Emission_i = 47542 \text{ kgNH}_3 \text{ N/yr}$$



Alternative scenario

$$Impact Score_i < 2 \quad \sum_i Emission_i = 53207 \text{ kgNH}_3 \text{ N/yr}$$



- +12 % emissions for same average deposition
- 6 farms with highest impact closed