

Agroforestry update from Northern Ireland

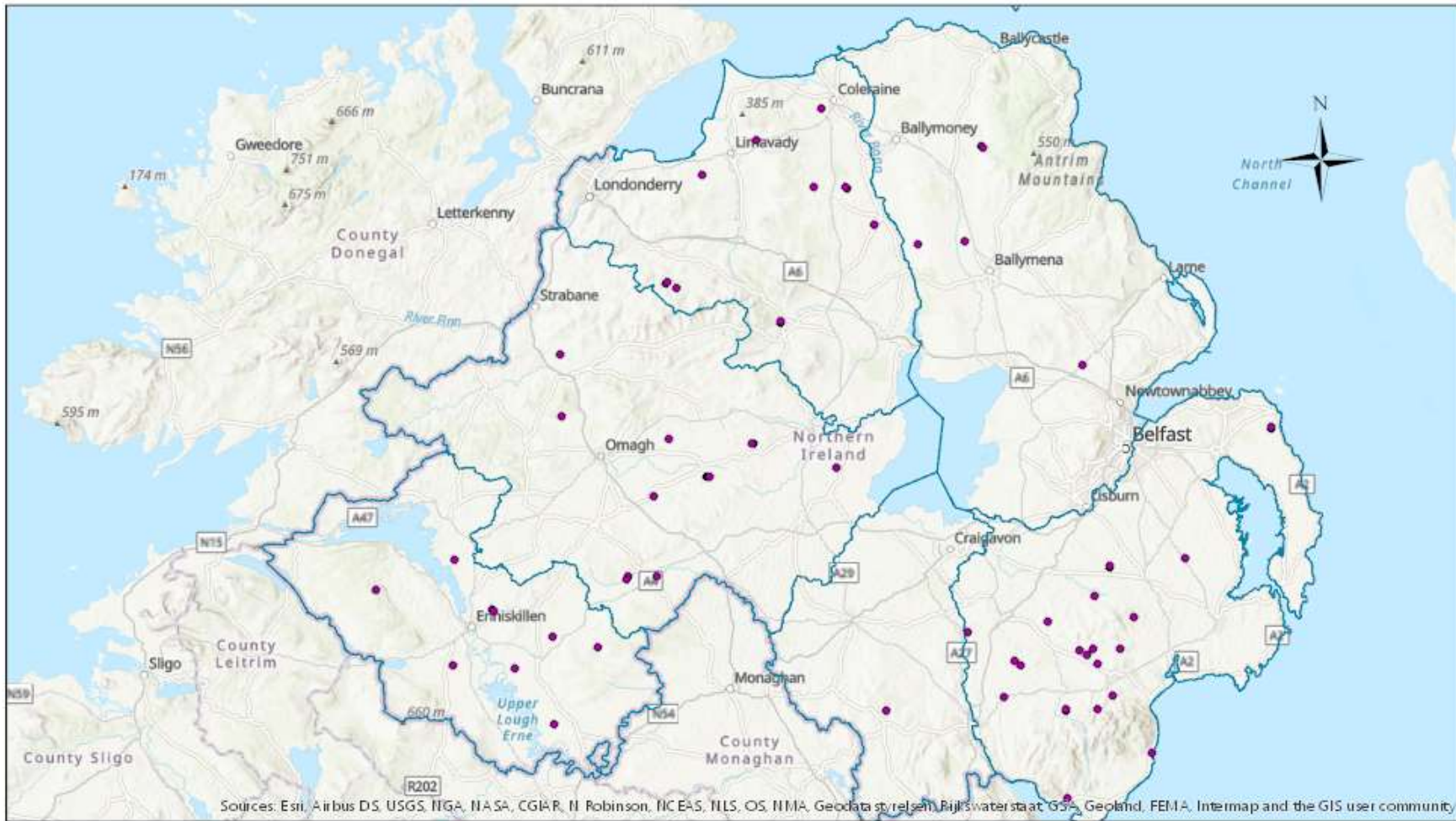
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Agroforestry support in Northern Ireland

- Within our RDP, AF is delivered through our agri-environment scheme, the Environmental Farming Scheme (EFS).
- However, it is programmed under Measure 8.2 of the RDP, which is classed as an 'Investment in Forestry' under Article 21 of EC 1305/2013 ('the Rural Development Programme Regulation').
- So at the RDP level, it is regulated as a Forestry measure under 8.2 rather than an Agri-Environment measure under 10.1.

Environmental Farming Scheme Agroforestry



Future use of the Loughgall site

Now over 30 years old-still retains its treatment integrity



Next generation.....



A valuable research resource-open for collaborative research

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Technology transfer and training

Nutritive value
of tree fodder



RESEARCH

- ammonia absorption from slurry
- Spore deposition-ash dieback



Wider links will be increasingly important for NI in a post-Brexit era

