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Dear Ms Flaherty,

Proposed Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm: Response to SEPA Consultation Request

Overview

I am writing with regards to the consultation request that the Scottish Environment Protection Agency ('SEPA') submitted (via Email) to the Scottish Government on 22 June 2021, in relation to the proposed Corriegarth 2 Wind farm ('the Development').

In its request, SEPA requested amendments be made to several figures of the submitted Environmental Impact Assessment Report ('EIA Report') in order for SEPA to fully consider the submitted application for the Development.

The requested amendments are as follows:

1. Figure 7.2 of Chapter 7: Ecology of the EIA Report is amended to include all proposed infrastructure associated with the Development (clearly marked);
2. All of the figures contained within Technical Appendix A7.1: Habitats and Botany Surveys to include all proposed infrastructure associated with the Development (clearly marked); and
3. Figure 13.2.2 of Technical Appendix A13.2: Outline Peat Management Plan to be provided on OS Basemapping; to be provided in a map series format; and with a revised symbology colour ramp.

This letter responds to each amendment request, and provides amended figures within Appendix A of this letter.

Figure Amendments

Table 1 overleaf deals with each SEPA request in turn, providing an explanation of amendments made, and where required an explanation as to why straight forward amendments are not possible. Where amendments are not possible, every effort has been made to still satisfy SEPA's request.

Table 1: Requested Amendment Summary

SEPA Amendment Request¹	Applicant Response
1.	Arcus Consultancy Services Ltd ('Arcus'), on behalf of Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm Limited ('the Applicant'), have added all proposed new infrastructure associated with the Development to Figure 7.2. The added infrastructure associated with the Development is clearly marked via the legend. Due to the number of entries in the legend, the text and indicative symbol boxes have had to be reduced; however, it is considered that all information remains clear. Figure 7.2 also includes the NVC labels, as requested by SEPA through further discussion with Arcus (via telephone 06/07/2021). Figure 7.2 now also includes an overview figure for ease.
2.	Appendix A7.2 was prepared prior to Development design freeze and its purpose was to inform the habitat baseline; ordinarily, figures within such a Technical Appendix would not include the Development design. However, following discussions between SEPA and Arcus (via telephone 06/07/2021), both parties have agreed that Arcus would provide updated figures to include Development design for the following Appendix A7.2 Maps; • Map 5: Peatland Condition Assessment; • Map 7: Guidance Groundwater Dependency; and • Map 9: Constraints. As A7.2 was prepared by an external party, updates to Maps 5, 7, & 9 will be presented on the Arcus template.
3.	Figure 13.2.2 has been amended to include 25k OS Basemapping, as requested. Additionally, the figure is now spread over several maps providing a more appropriate scale for the reader to understand the peat probe depths more accurately in relation to infrastructure. A revised colour ramp has also been provided.

We trust that the above explanation and amended figures enclosed (Appendix A) satisfactorily meet SEPA's requested as far as possible. We hope this letter and its associated contents are sufficient for SEPA to consider the application for the Development.

Should any further clarification be required, or if SEPA would be amenable to a meeting to discuss this response, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Heather Kwiatkowski
Principal Environmental Consultant

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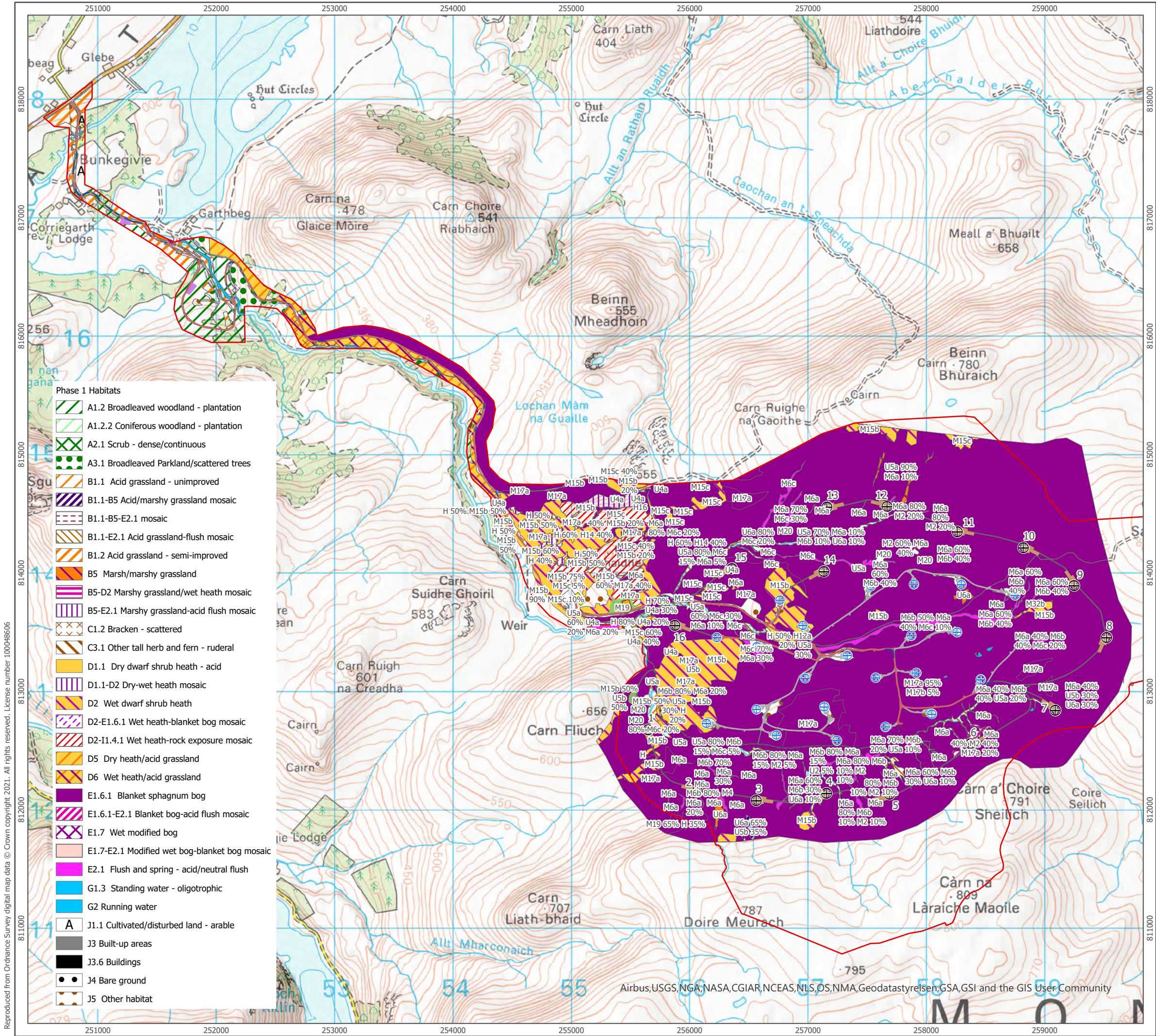
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SEPA Planning Service – planning.north@sepa.org.uk.

¹ Please refer to the aforementioned amendment requests contained within the 'Overview' section of this letter.

Appendix A – Amended Figures

Enclosed Figures:

- Figure 7.2;
- Map 5;
- Map 7;
- Map 9; and
- Figure 13.2.2.



- Site Boundary
- Proposed Turbine Location
- Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines
- Borrow Pit Extents
- Construction Compound
- Crane Hardstanding
- Existing Tracks to be Utilised
- Existing Wind Farm Tracks
- Laydown Area
- Proposed Access Tracks
- Substation Compound
- Track Widening Area
- Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

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Phase 1 and NVC Survey Results Overview

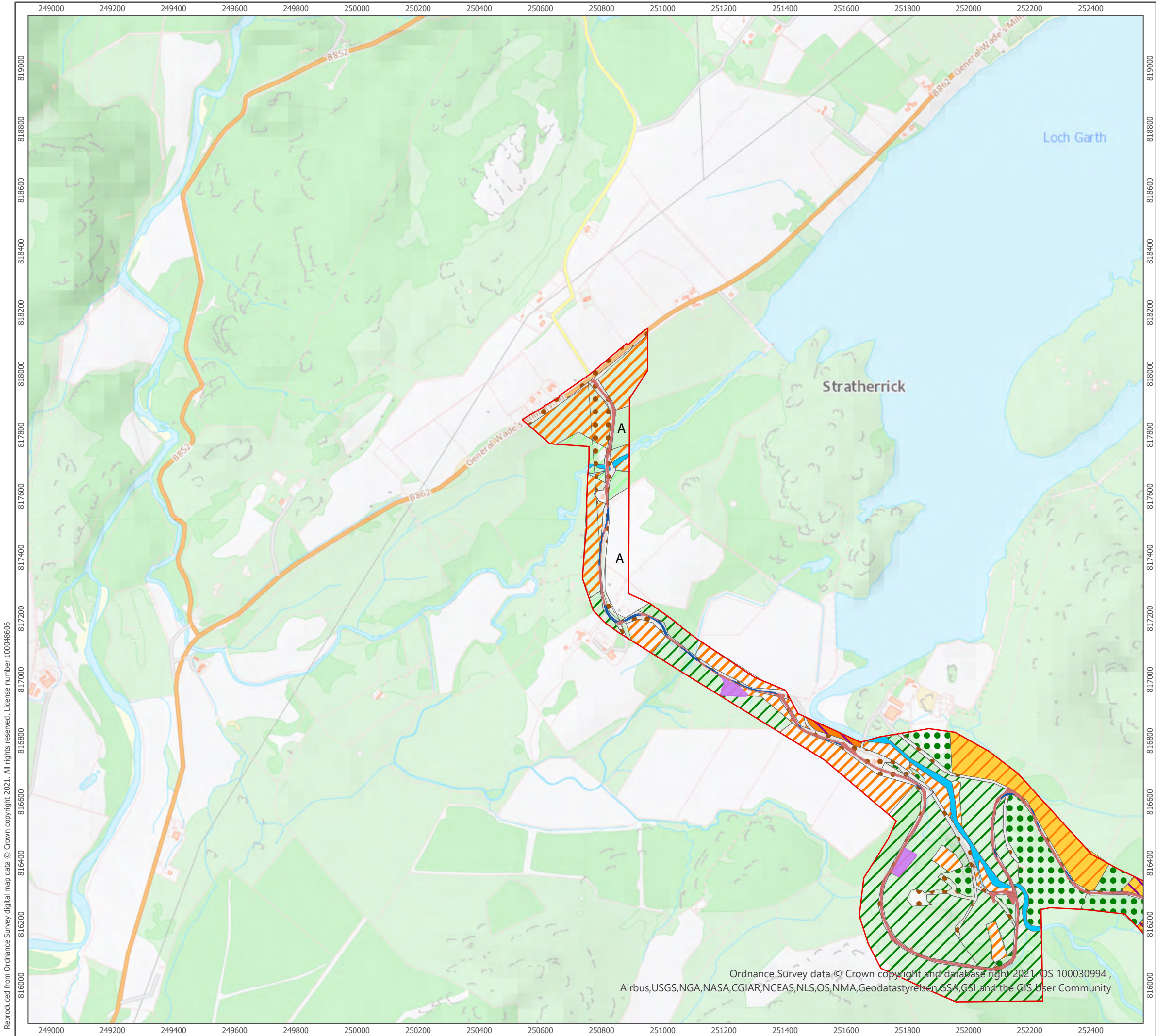
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Figure 7.2

Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm

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- Site Boundary
- Existing Tracks to be Utilised
- Laydown Area
- Track Widening Area
- Phase 1 Habitats
 - A1.2 Broadleaved woodland - plantation
 - A1.2.2 Coniferous woodland - plantation
 - A3.1 Broadleaved Parkland/scattered trees
 - B1.2 Acid grassland - semi-improved
 - B5 Marsh/marshy grassland
 - C1.2 Bracken - scattered
 - D5 Dry heath/acid grassland
 - D6 Wet heath/acid grassland
 - G1.3 Standing water - oligotrophic
 - J1.1 Cultivated/disturbed land - arable
 - J5 Other habitat

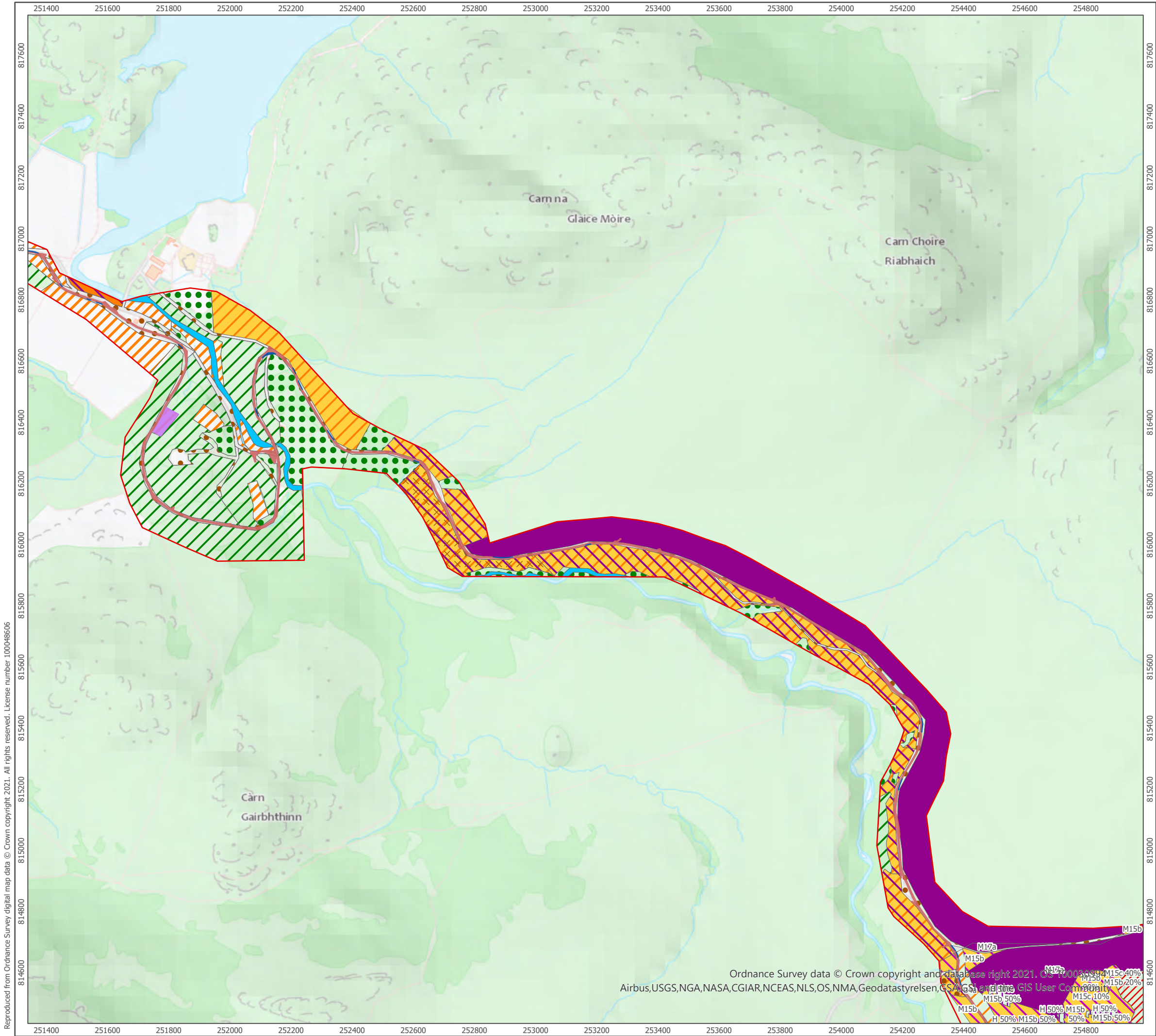
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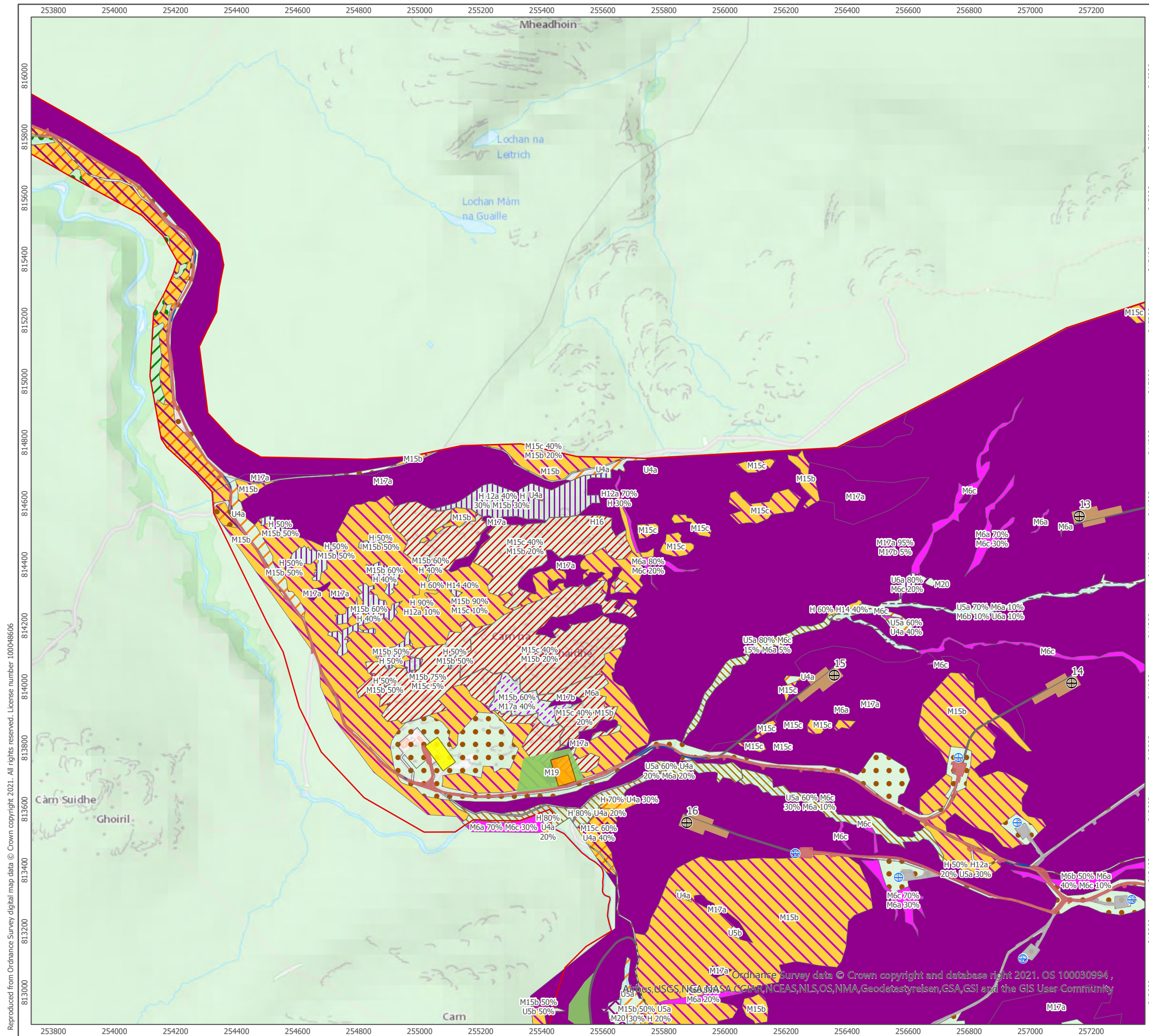
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Figure 7.2A

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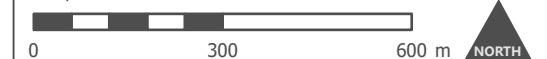


-  Site Boundary
-  Proposed Turbine Location
-  Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines
-  Borrow Pit Extents
-  Construction Compound
-  Crane Hardstanding
-  Existing Tracks to be Utilised
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-  Proposed Access Tracks
-  Substation Compound
-  Track Widening Area
-  Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

Phase 1 Habitats

- | | |
|---|---|
|  | A1.2 Broadleaved woodland - plantation |
|  | A3.1 Broadleaved Parkland/scattered trees |
|  | B1.1 Acid grassland - unimproved |
|  | B1.1-B5-E2.1 mosaics |
|  | B1.1-E2.1 Acid grassland-flush mosaics |
|  | B5-D2 Marshy grassland/wet heath mosaics |
|  | B5-E2.1 Marshy grassland-acid flush mosaics |
|  | D1.1 Dry dwarf shrub heath - acid |
|  | D1.1-D2 Dry-wet heath mosaics |
|  | D2 Wet dwarf shrub heath |
|  | D2-E1.6.1 Wet heath-blanket bog mosaics |
|  | D2-I1.4.1 Wet heath-rock exposure mosaics |
|  | D5 Dry heath/acid grassland |
|  | D6 Wet heath/acid grassland |
|  | E1.6.1 Blanket sphagnum bog |
|  | E1.7 Wet modified bog |
|  | E2.1 Flush and spring - acid/neutral flush |
|  | J5 Other habitat |

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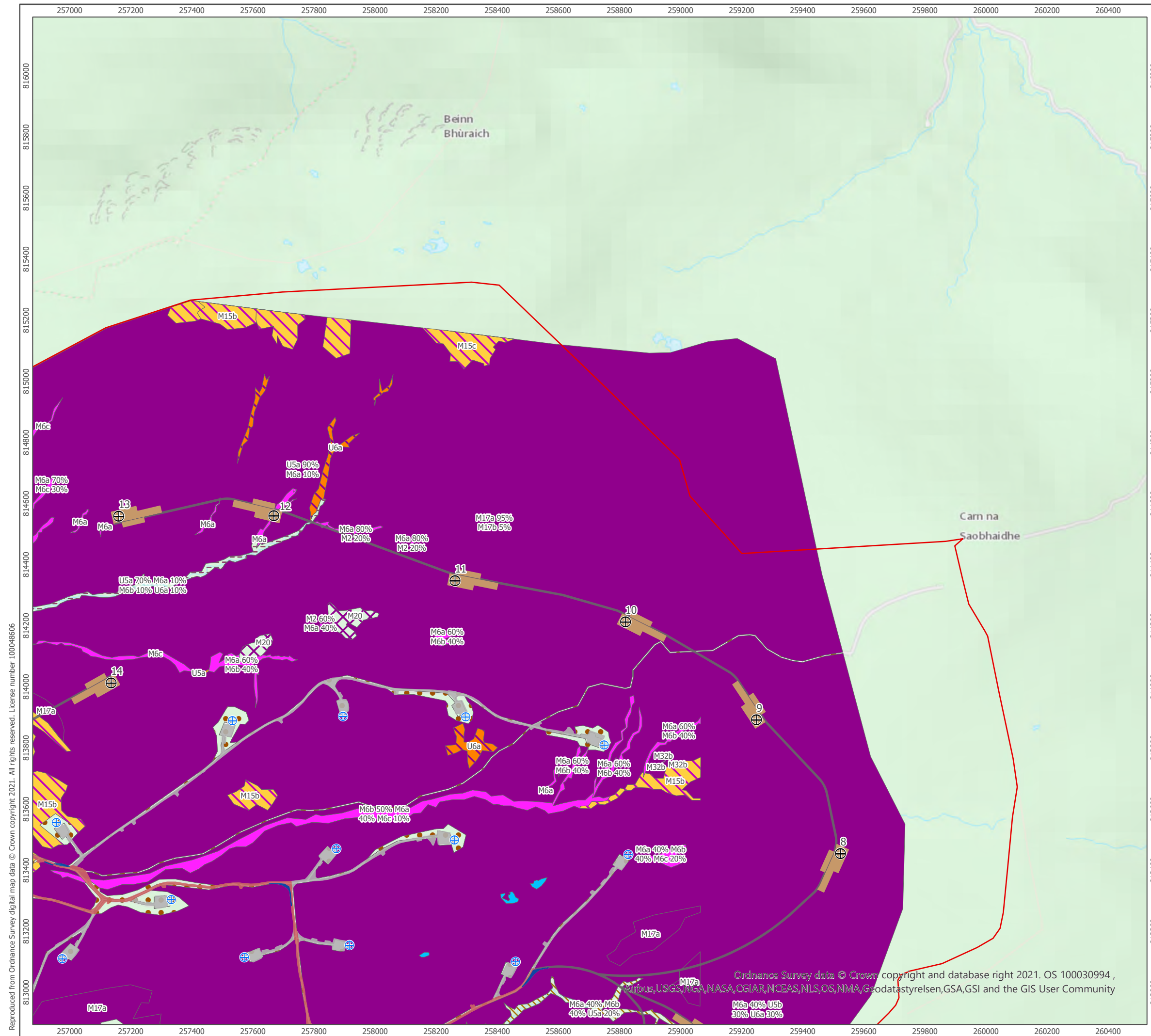
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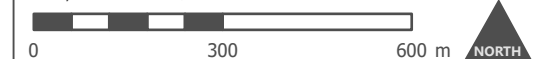
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Figure 7.2C

Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm EIA Report



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|  | Site Boundary |
|  | Proposed Turbine Location |
|  | Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines |
|  | Crane Hardstanding |
|  | Existing Tracks to be Utilised |
|  | Existing Wind Farm Tracks |
|  | Proposed Access Tracks |
|  | Track Widening Area |
| Phase 1 Habitats | |
|  | B1.1 Acid grassland - unimproved |
|  | B1.1-B5-E2.1 mosaic |
|  | B1.1-E2.1 Acid grassland-flush mosaic |
|  | B5 Marsh/marshy grassland |
|  | D2 Wet dwarf shrub heath |
|  | D5 Dry heath/acid grassland |
|  | E1.6.1 Blanket sphagnum bog |
|  | E1.7 Wet modified bog |
|  | E2.1 Flush and spring - acid/neutral flush |
|  | G1.3 Standing water - oligotrophic |
|  | J5 Other habitat |

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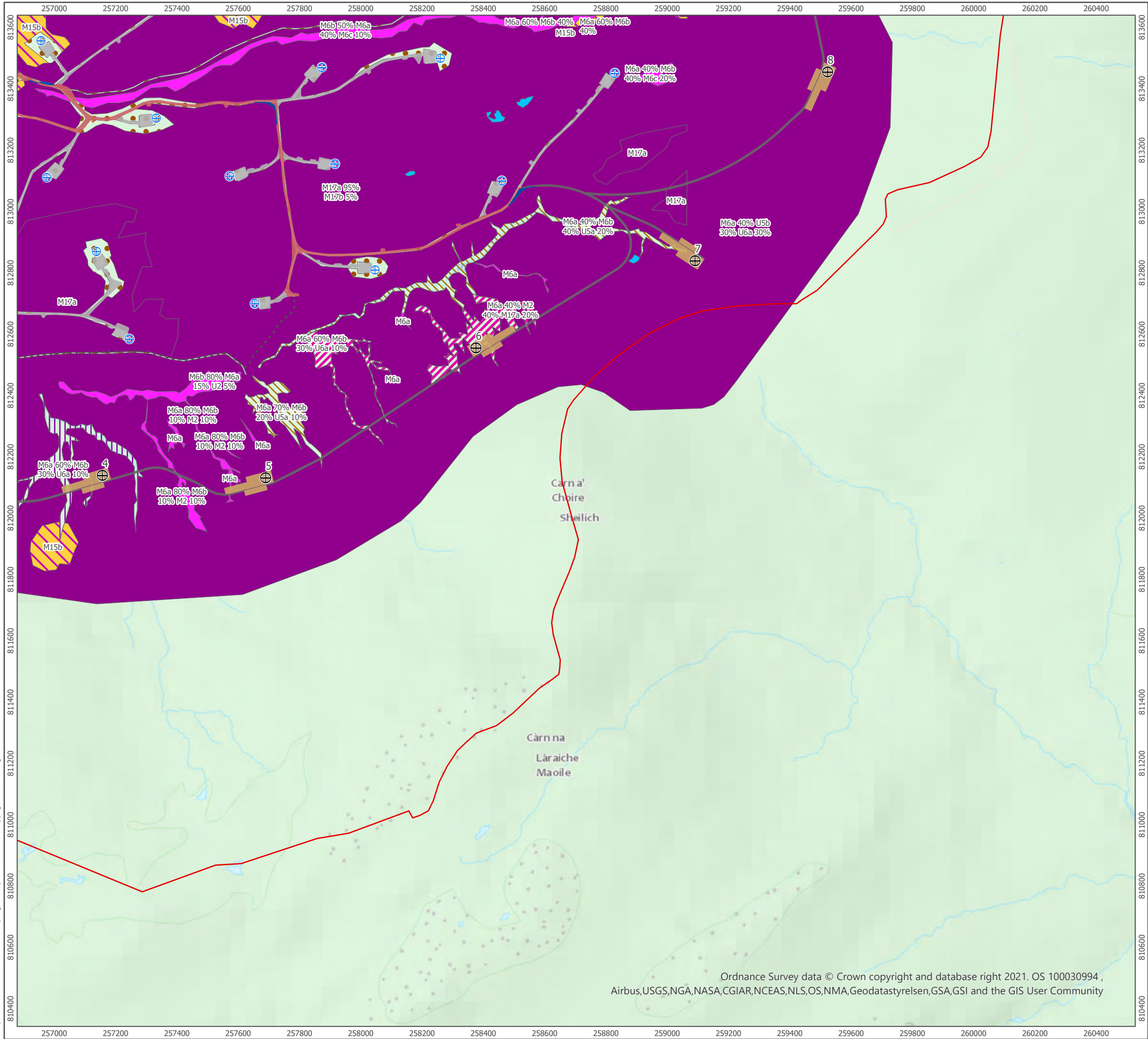
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Site Boundary

Proposed Turbine Location

Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines

Crane Hardstanding

Existing Tracks to be Utilised

Existing Wind Farm Tracks

Proposed Access Tracks

Track Widening Area

Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

Phase 1 Habitats

B1.1-E2.1 Acid grassland-flush mosaic

B5-E2.1 Marshy grassland-acid flush mosaic

D2 Wet dwarf shrub heath

D5 Dry heath/acid grassland

E1.6.1 Blanket sphagnum bog

E1.6.1-E2.1 Blanket bog-acid flush mosaic

E2.1 Flush and spring - acid/neutral flush

G1.3 Standing water - oligotrophic

J5 Other habitat

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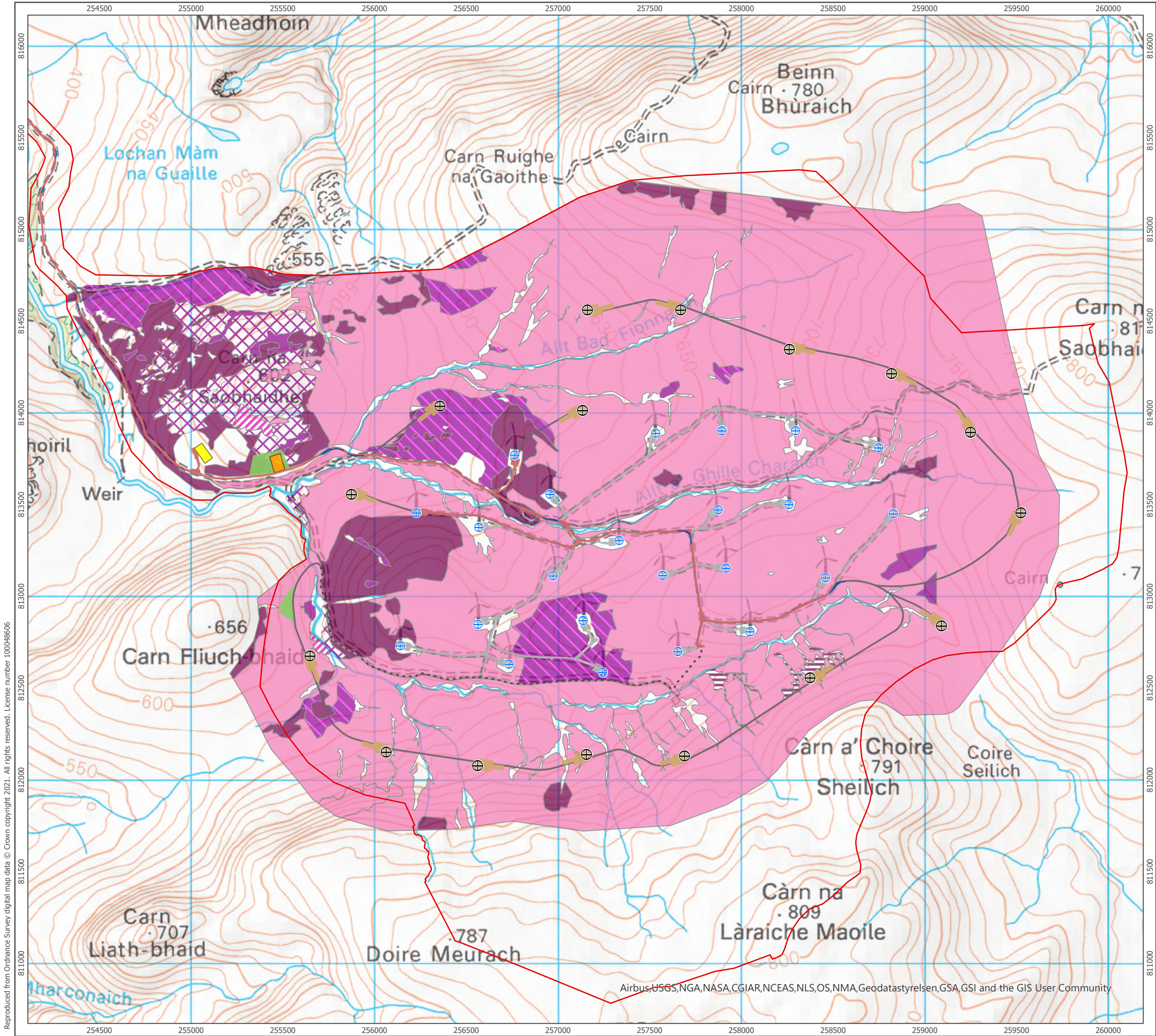
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Figure 7.2E

Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm

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- ⊕ Proposed Turbine Location
- ⊕ Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines
- Site Infrastructure
- Borrow Pit Extents
 - Construction Compound
 - Crane Hardstanding
 - Existing Tracks to be Utilised
 - Existing Wind Farm Tracks
 - Laydown Area
 - Proposed Access Tracks
 - Substation Compound
 - Track Widening Area
- Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)
- Peatland Condition Assessment
- 2 Modified Blanket Bog
 - 2 Modified Wet Heath
 - 2 Modified Wet Heath Mosaic
 - 2 Modified Blanket Bog Mosaic
 - 3 Drained Blanket Bog
 - 4 Actively Eroding
 - 4 Actively Eroding Mosaic

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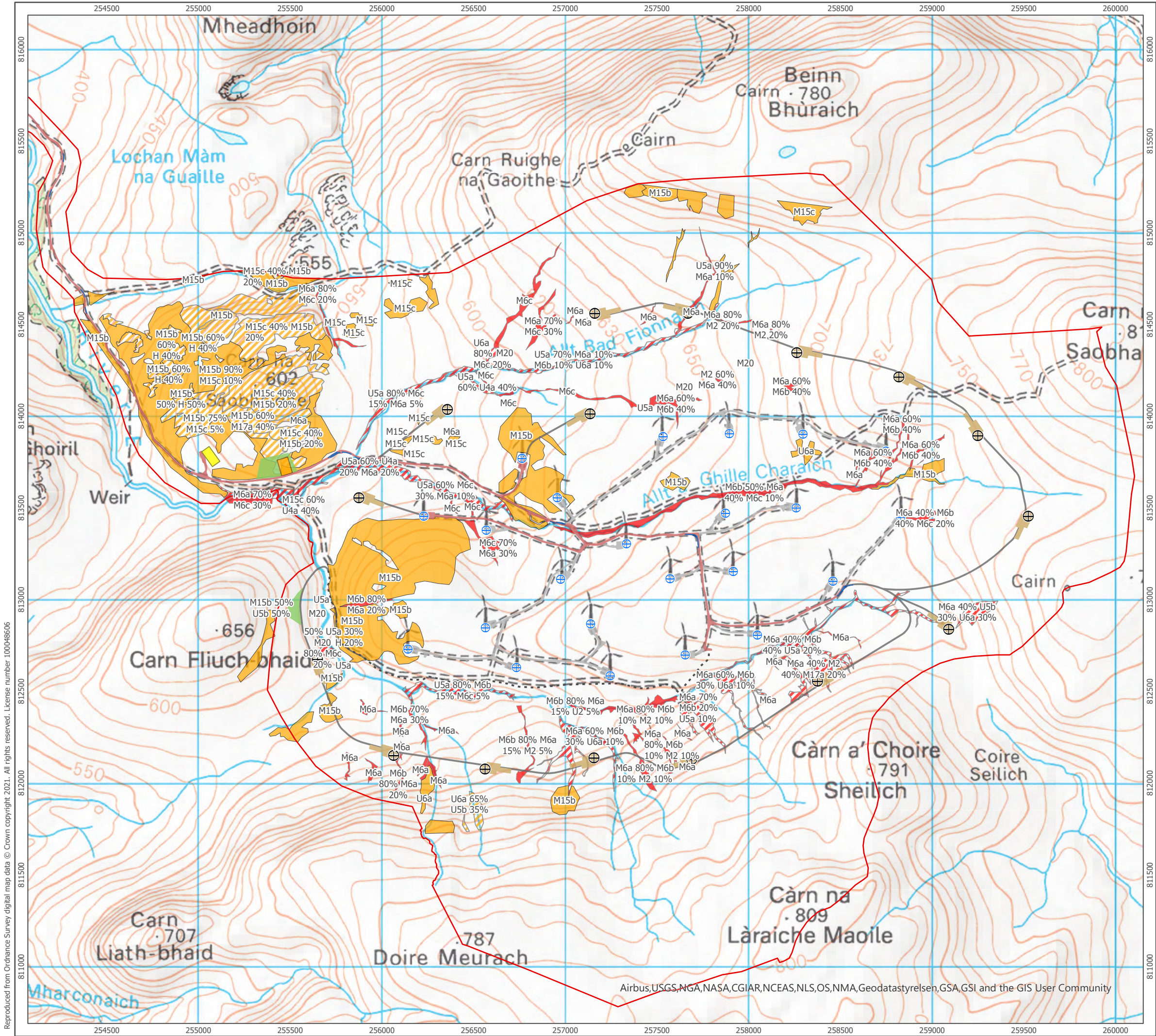
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- ⊕ Proposed Turbine Location
- ⊕ Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines
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- Borrow Pit Extents
- Construction Compound
- Crane Hardstanding
- Existing Tracks to be Utilised
- Existing Wind Farm Tracks
- Laydown Area
- Proposed Access Tracks
- Substation Compound
- Track Widening Area
- Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)
- Guidance Groundwater Dependency
- High
- High Mosaic
- Moderate
- Moderate Mosaic

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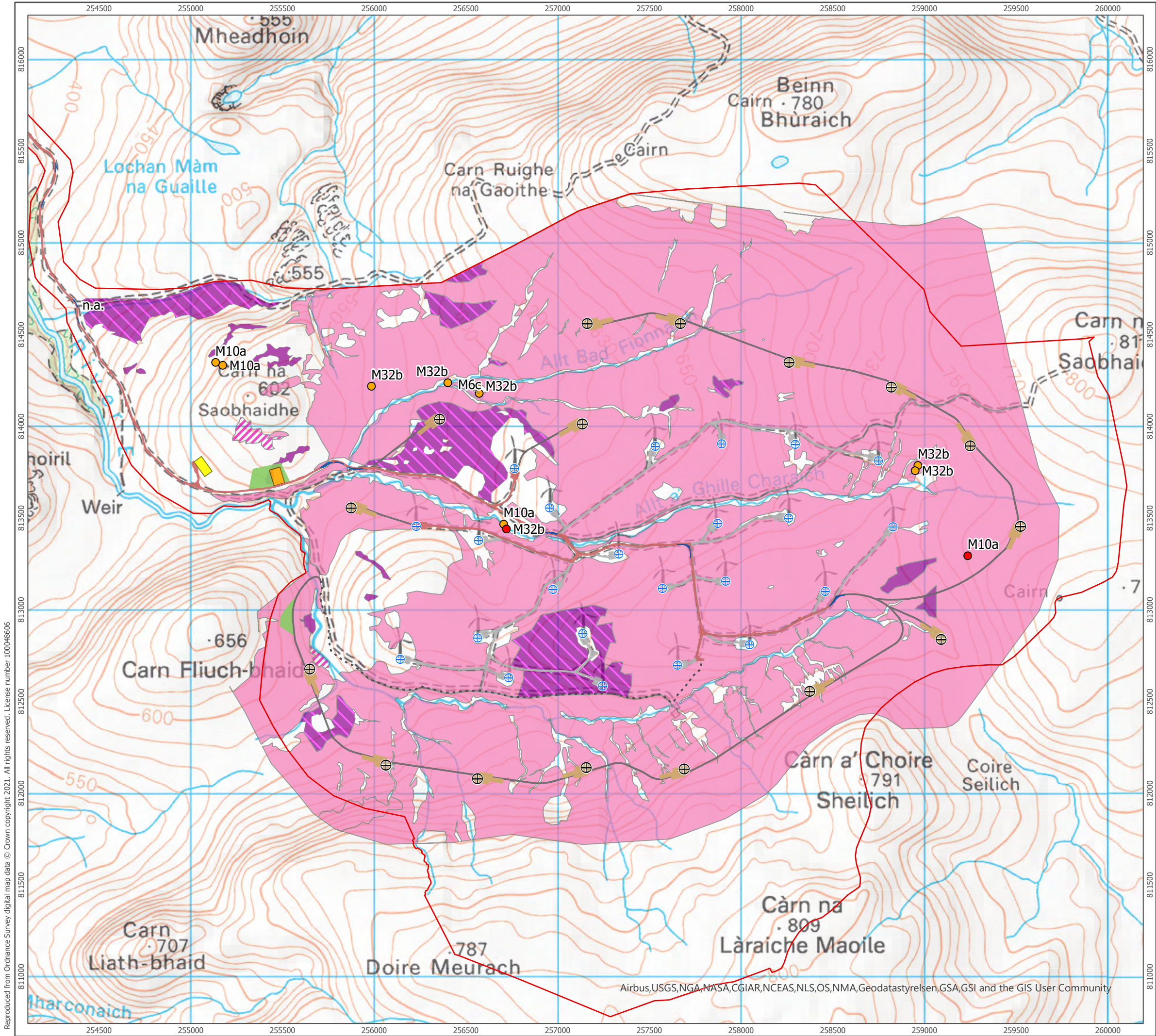
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Site Boundary

Proposed Turbine Location

Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines

Borrow Pit Extents

Construction Compound

Crane Hardstanding

Existing Tracks to be Utilised

Existing Wind Farm Tracks

Proposed Access Tracks

Substation Compound

Track Widening Area

Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

High (<3 m diam.)

Moderate (<3 m)

Moderate

2 Modified Blanket Bog

2 Modified Blanket Bog Mosaic

3 Drained Blanket Bog

4 Actively Eroding

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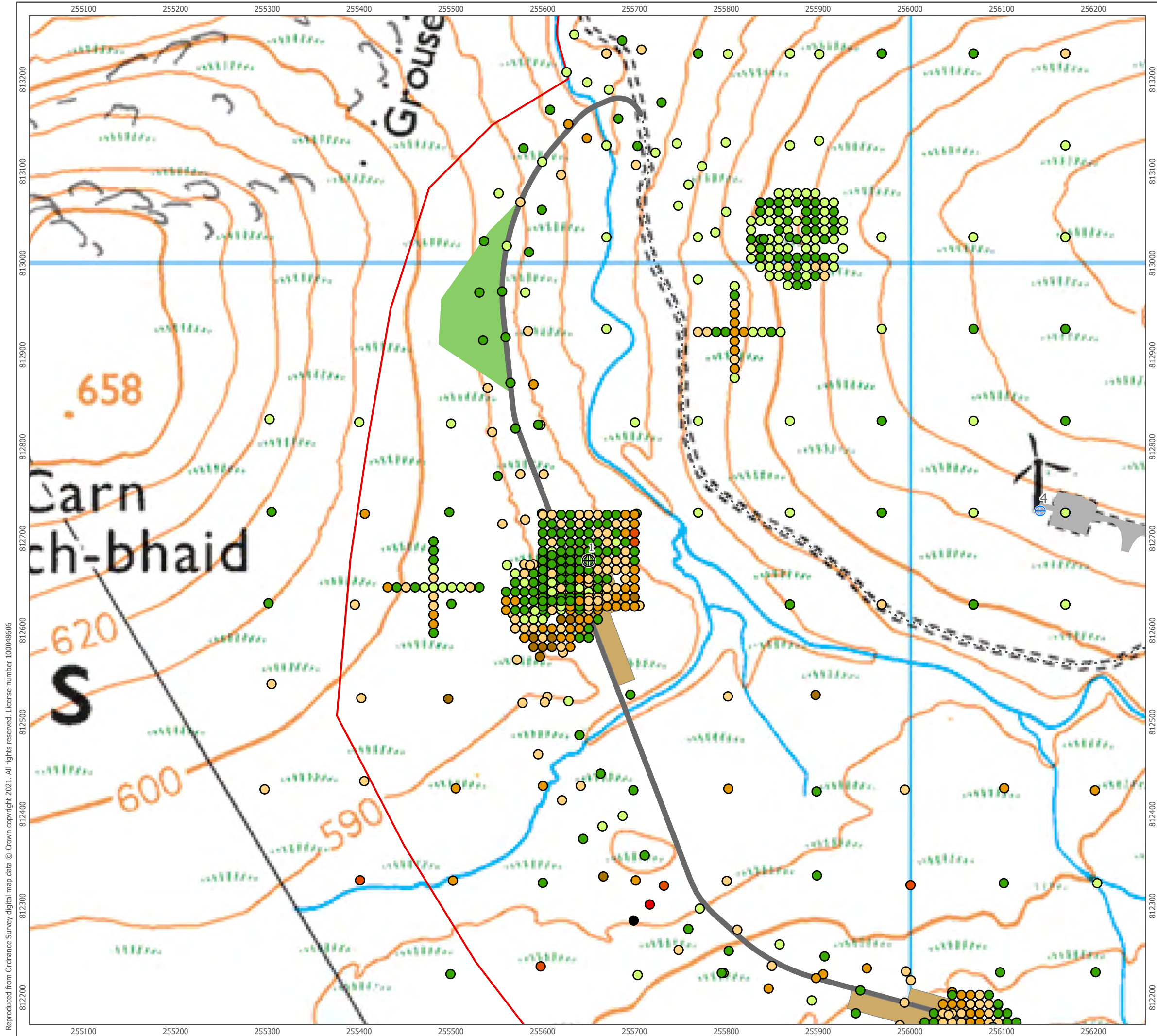
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Map 9

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Site Boundary

Proposed Turbine Location

Proposed Site Infrastructure

Borrow Pit Extents

Crane Hardstanding

Existing Tracks to be Utilised

Existing Wind Farm Tracks

Proposed Access Tracks

Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

Recorded Peat Depths (m)

0.00 - 0.50

0.51 - 1.00

1.01 - 1.50

1.51 - 2.00

2.01 - 2.50

2.51 - 3.00

3.01 - 3.50

3.51 - 4.00

5.01 - 5.50

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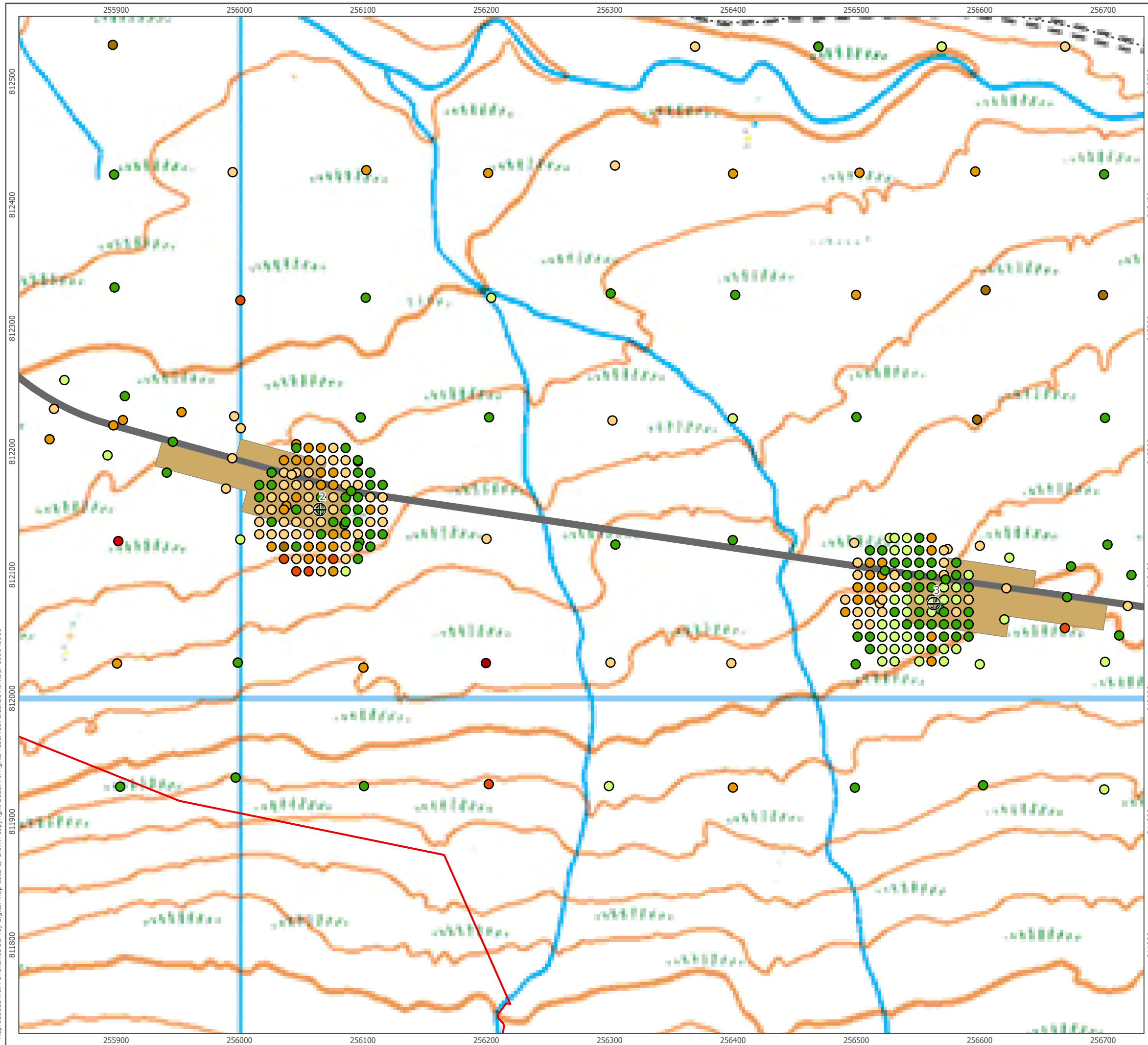
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Site Boundary

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Proposed Turbine Location

Proposed Site Infrastructure

Crane Hardstanding

Proposed Access Tracks

Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)

Recorded Peat Depths (m)

0.00 - 0.50

0.51 - 1.00

1.01 - 1.50

1.51 - 2.00

2.01 - 2.50

2.51 - 3.00

3.01 - 3.50

3.51 - 4.00

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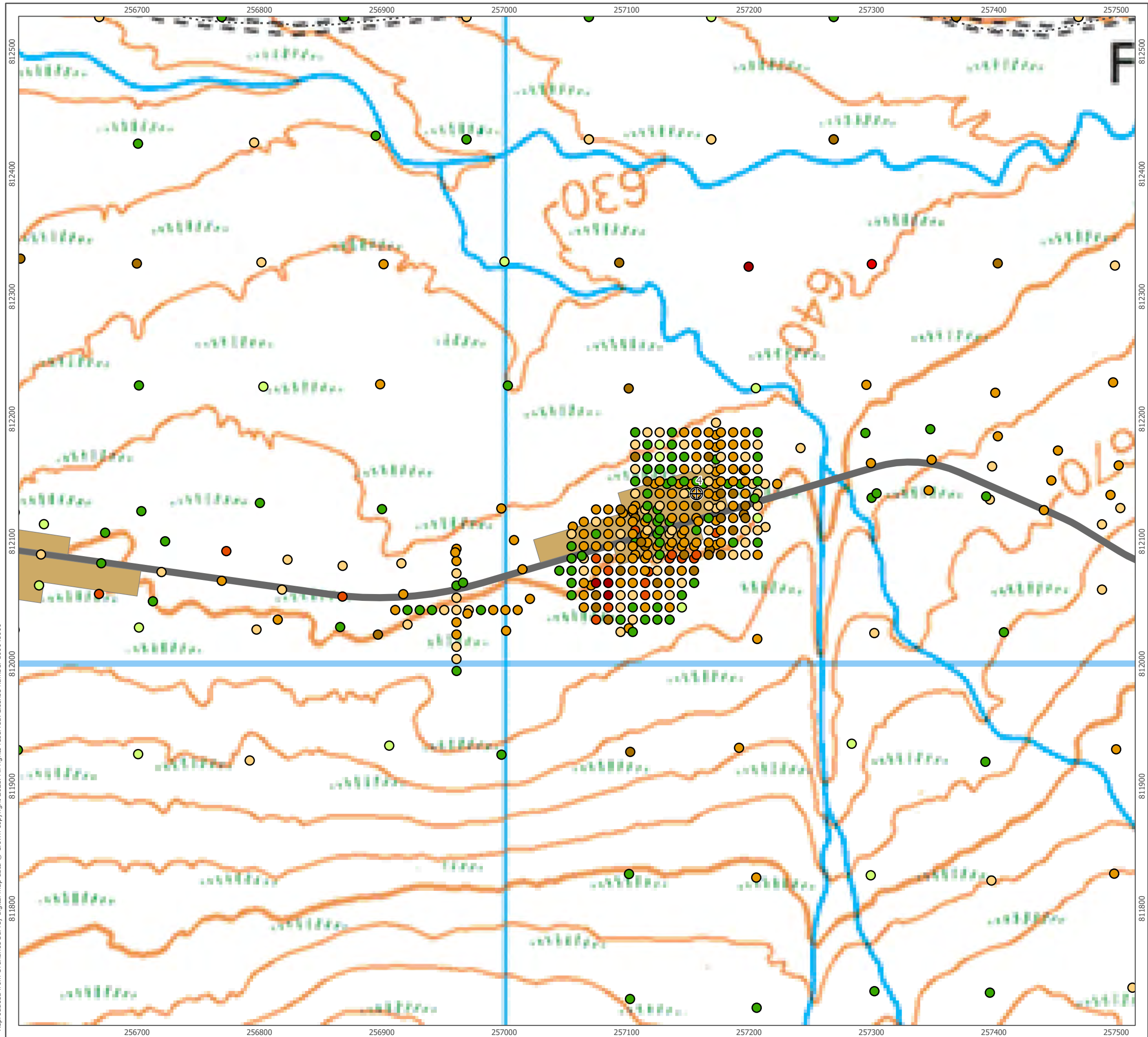
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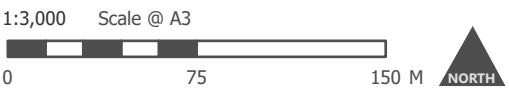
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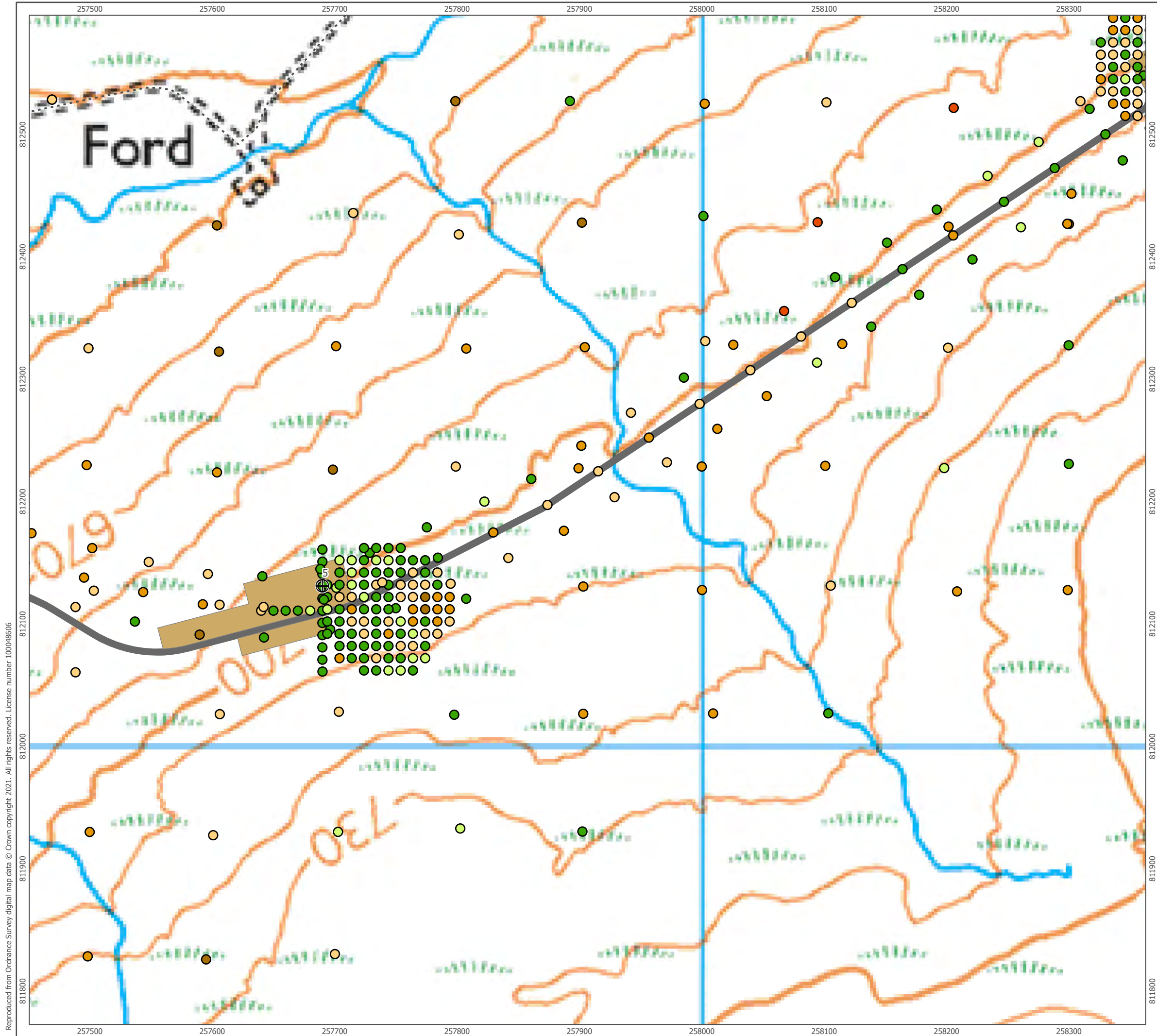
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 - 0.00 - 0.50
 - 0.51 - 1.00
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 - 1.51 - 2.00
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 - 2.51 - 3.00
 - 3.01 - 3.50
 - 3.51 - 4.00



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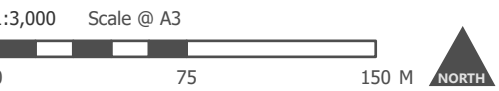
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- Site Boundary
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- Proposed Site Infrastructure
- Crane Hardstanding
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- Existing Track (Use restricted to construction phase for access to borrow pit only)
- Recorded Peat Depths (m)
- 0.00 - 0.50
- 0.51 - 1.00
- 1.01 - 1.50
- 1.51 - 2.00
- 2.01 - 2.50
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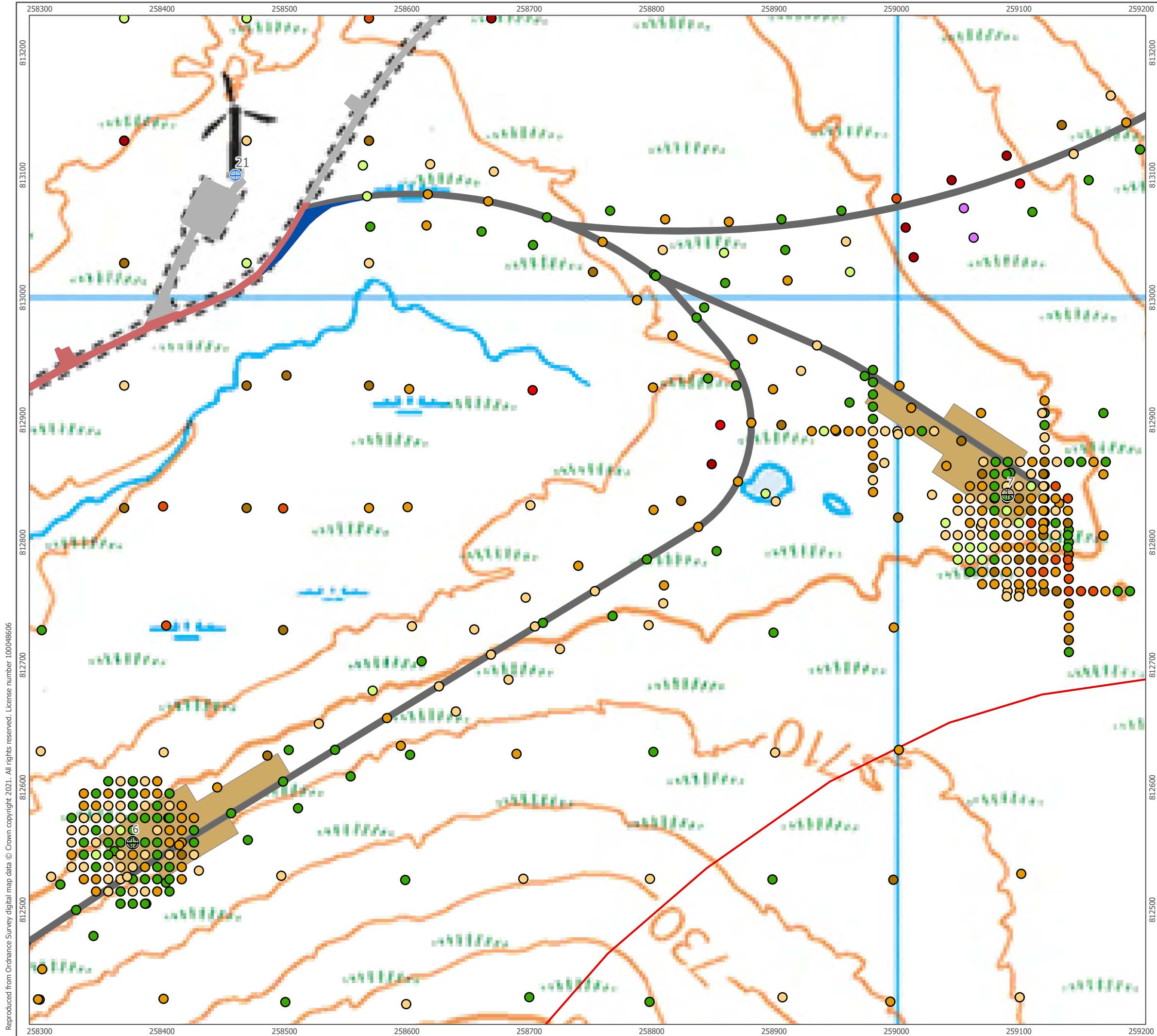
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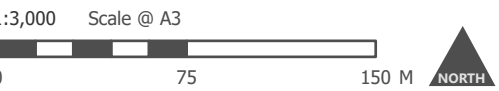
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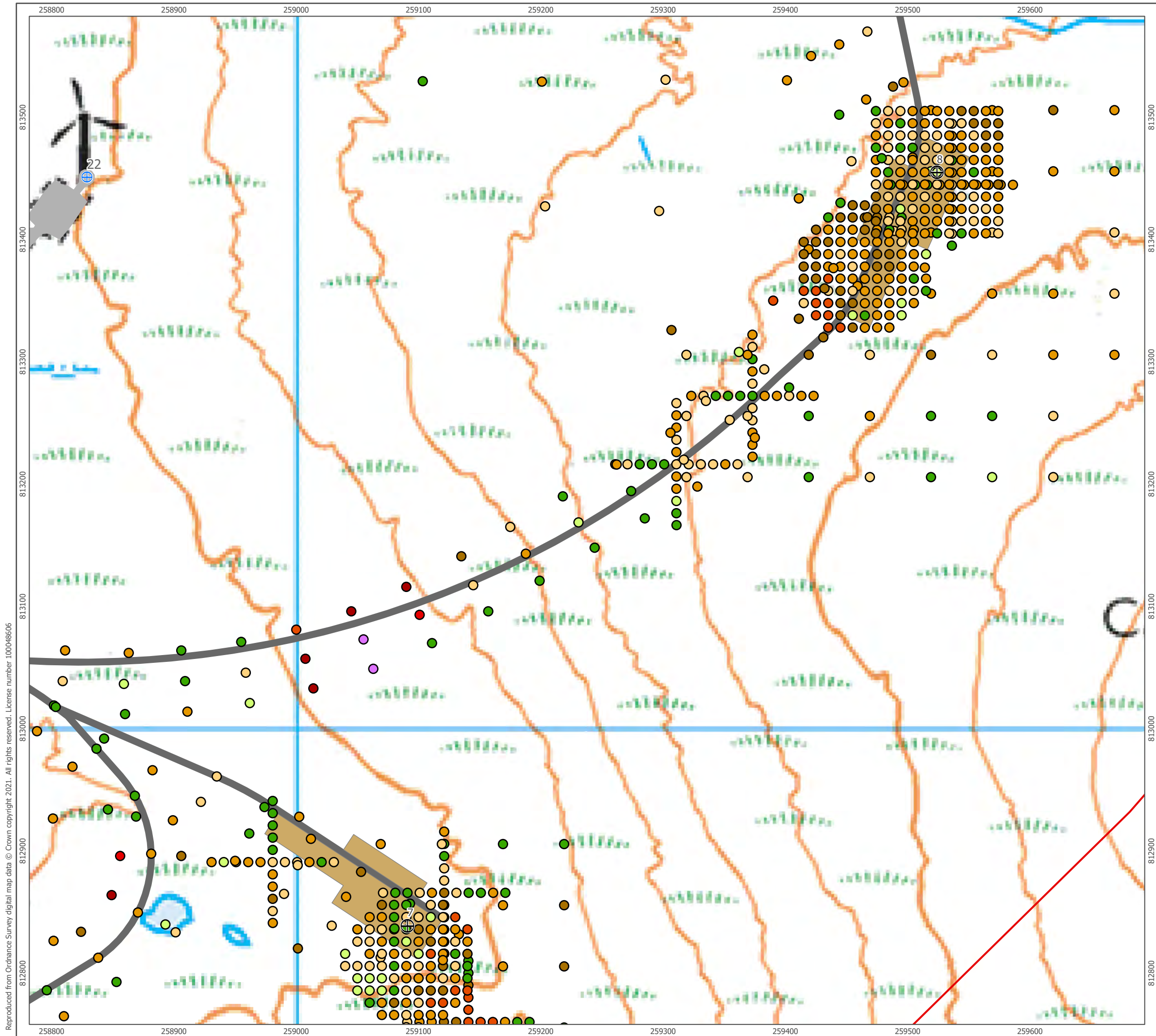
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 - Track Widening Area
- Recorded Peat Depths (m)
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 - 0.51 - 1.00
 - 1.01 - 1.50
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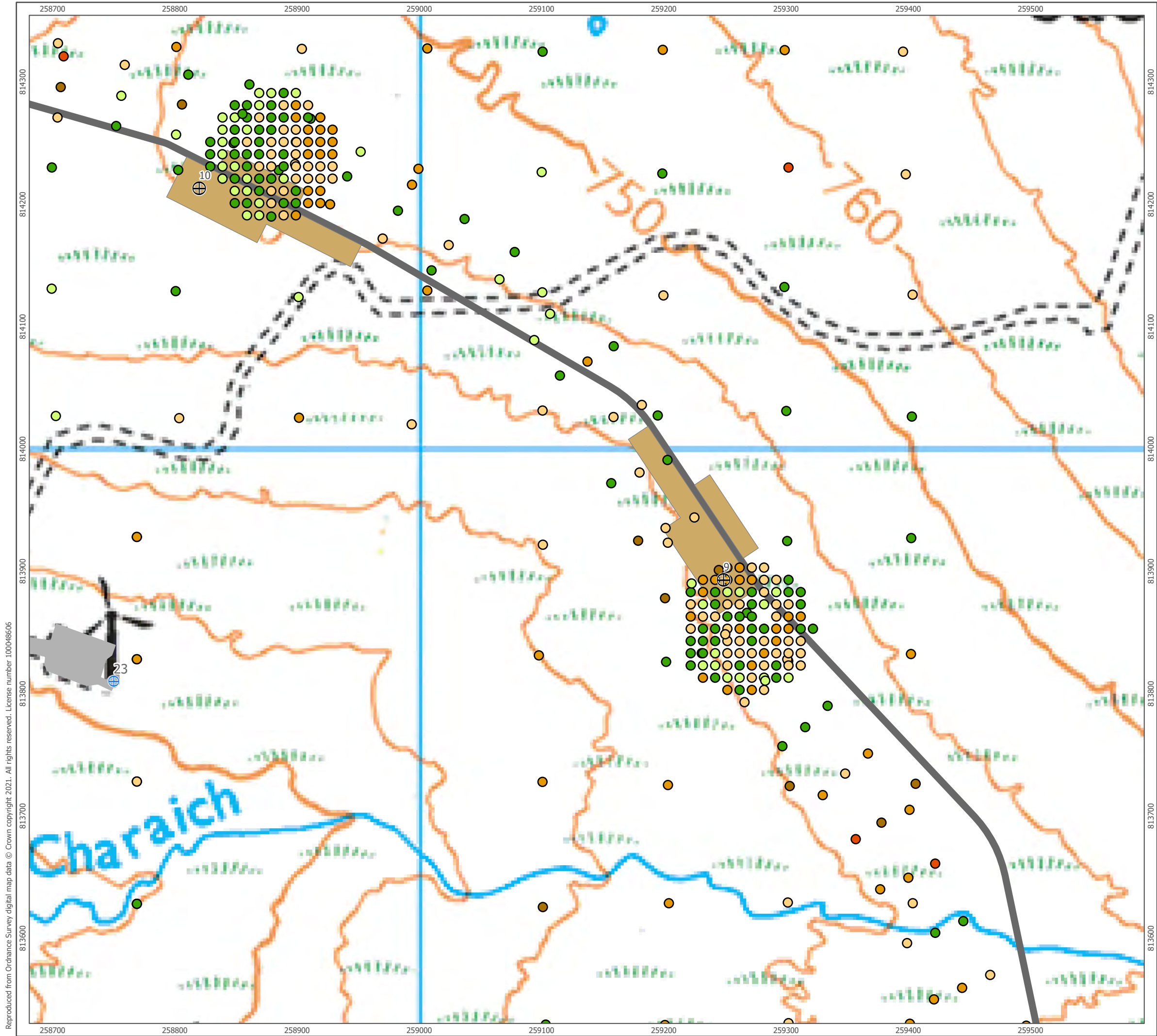
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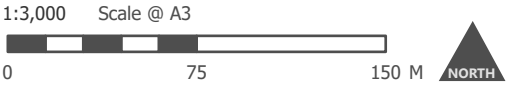


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- Proposed Access Tracks
- Recorded Peat Depths (m)
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- 0.51 - 1.00
- 1.01 - 1.50
- 1.51 - 2.00
- 2.01 - 2.50
- 2.51 - 3.00
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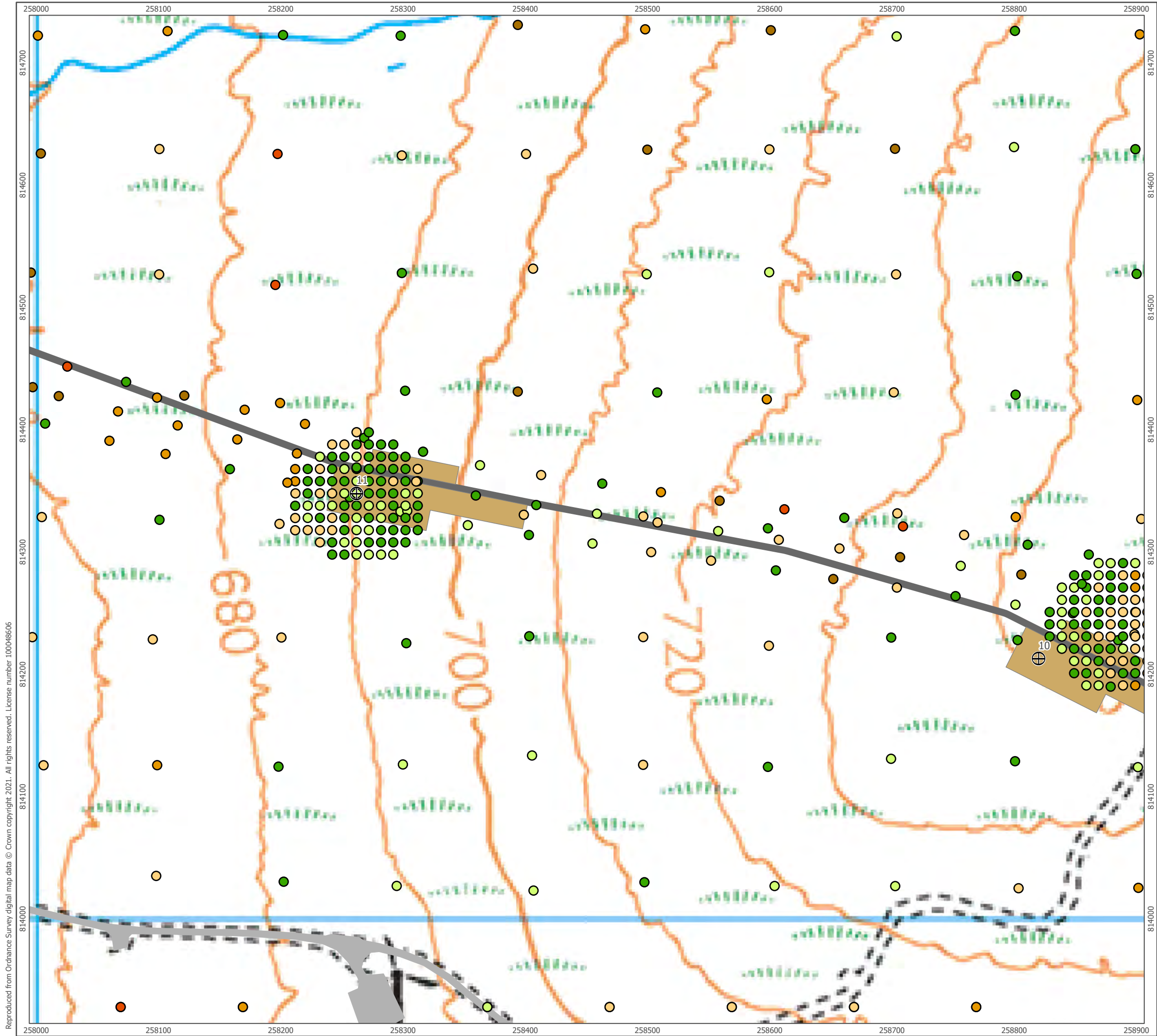
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- 0.00 - 0.50
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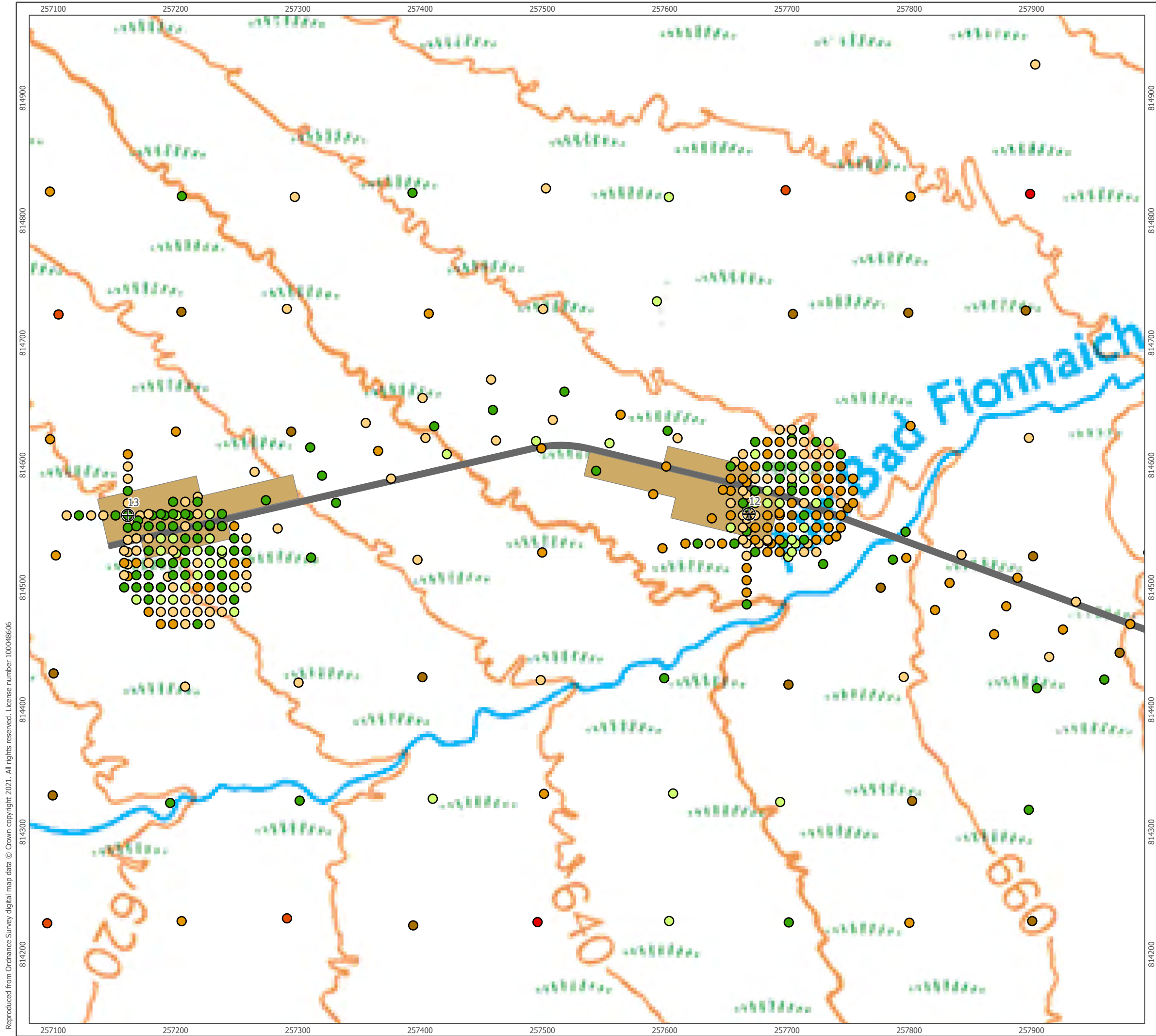
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- Recorded Peat Depths (m)
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 - 0.51 - 1.00
 - 1.01 - 1.50
 - 1.51 - 2.00
 - 2.01 - 2.50
 - 2.51 - 3.00



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Site Boundary

Proposed Turbine Location

Proposed Site Infrastructure

Crane Hardstanding

Proposed Access Tracks

Recorded Peat Depths (m)

0.00 - 0.50

0.51 - 1.00

1.01 - 1.50

1.51 - 2.00

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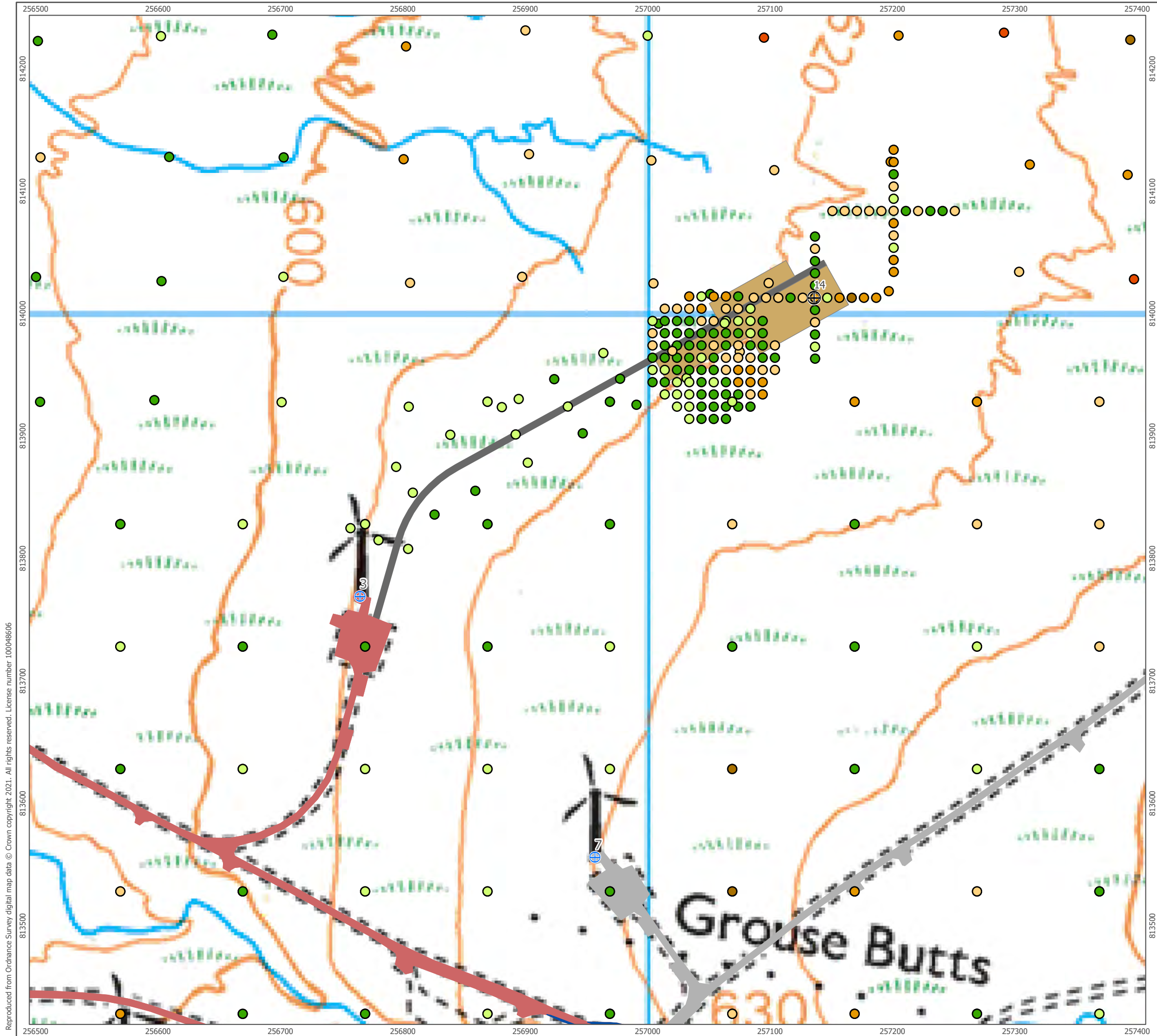
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- Proposed Site Infrastructure
 - Crane Hardstanding
 - Existing Tracks to be Utilised
 - Existing Wind Farm Tracks
 - Proposed Access Tracks
 - Track Widening Area
- Recorded Peat Depths (m)
 - 0.00 - 0.50
 - 0.51 - 1.00
 - 1.01 - 1.50
 - 1.51 - 2.00
 - 2.01 - 2.50
 - 2.51 - 3.00

1:3,000 Scale @ A3

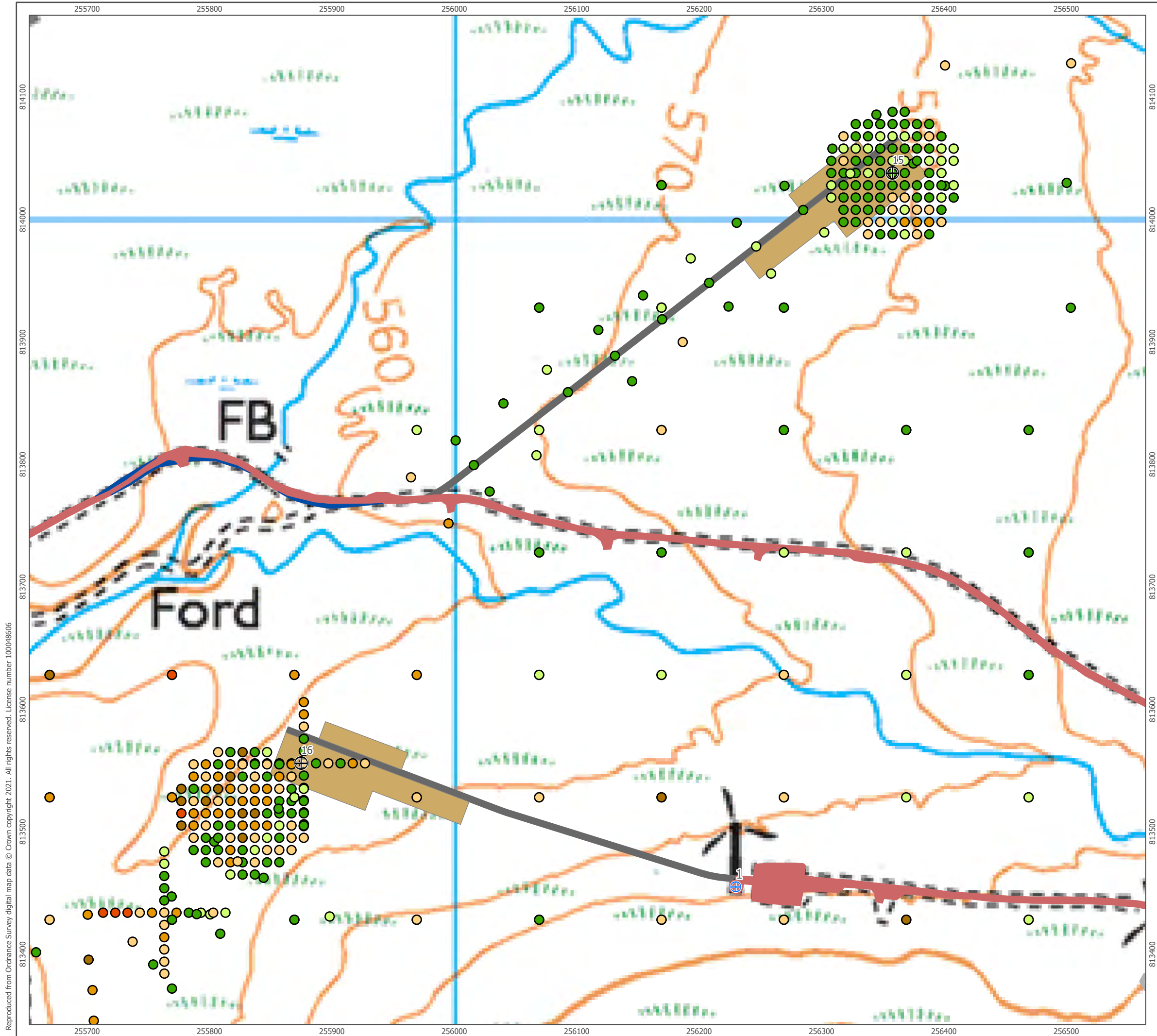
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Recorded Peat Depths
Post-Submission SEPA Amendment
Figure 13.2.2j

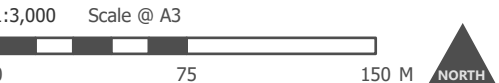
**Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm
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- Site Boundary
- Proposed Turbine Location
- Operational Corriegarth Wind Turbines

- Proposed Site Infrastructure
- Crane Hardstanding
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 - Existing Wind Farm Tracks
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