

Coastal Monitoring in the South West

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A coastal landscape featuring a sandy beach in the foreground, leading to a dune area with green grasses. In the background, the ocean is visible under a clear blue sky. The word "Aim" is centered in the upper half of the image.

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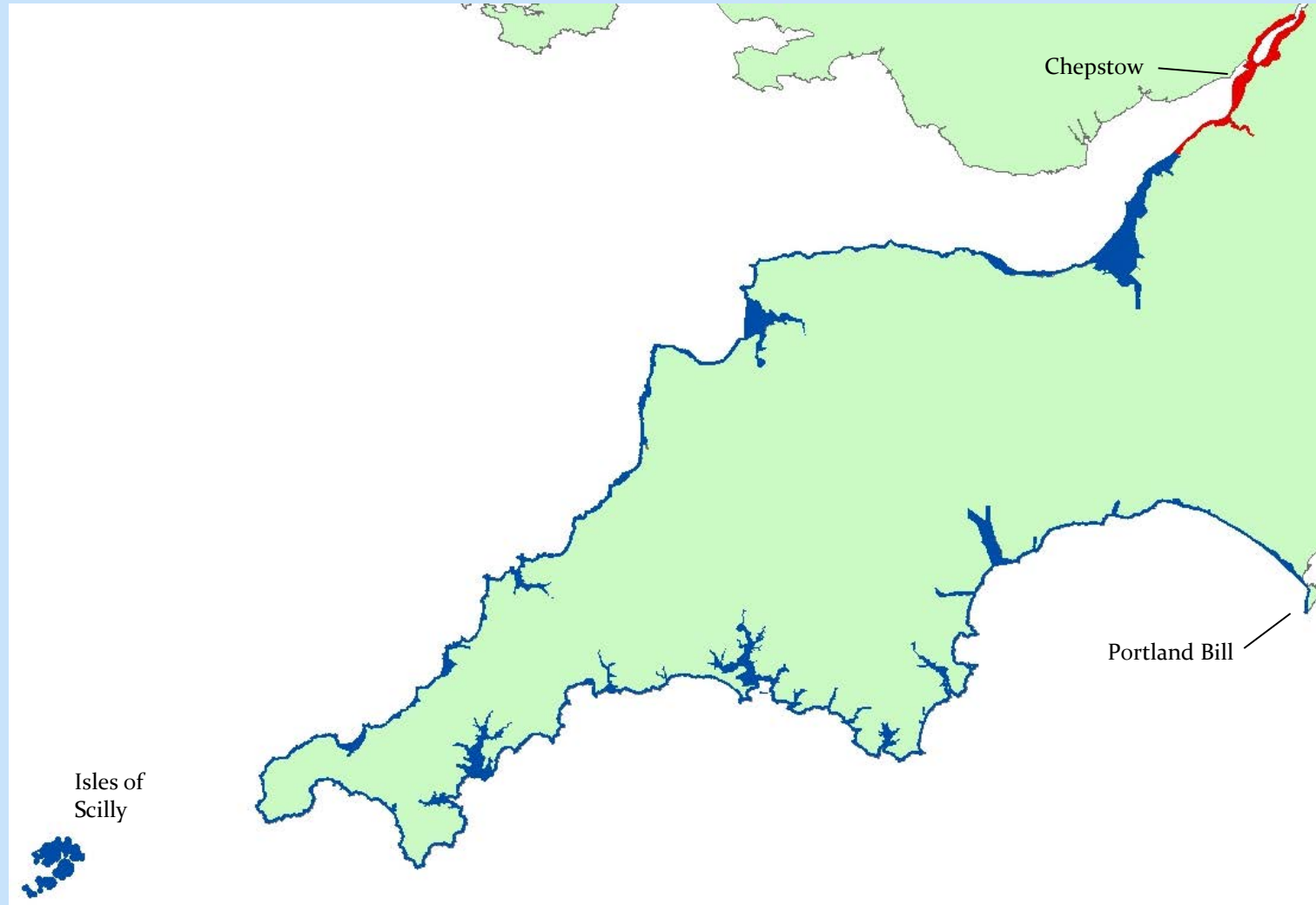
To promote a standard, repeatable and cost effective method of monitoring the coastal environment



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- Plymouth Coastal Observatory
 - Plymouth University
- South West Partners
 - SW Local Authorities
 - Environment Agency (South West Region)

Programme Survey Area



Isles of
Scilly

Data Collection

- Topographic Surveys
- Bathymetric Surveys
- Hydrodynamic Surveys
- Aerial Photography
- LiDAR Surveys
- Ecological Mapping



Why are we doing this?

- 18 Local Authorities with coast protection interests
- Various coastal defence schemes underway in the South West
- Monitoring required for each scheme – data rarely archived
- Tourism spending in South West is over £9,000m annually

Plans, Strategies and Studies

- Flood Risk Management Schemes
- Managed Realignment Projects
- Beach Management Schemes

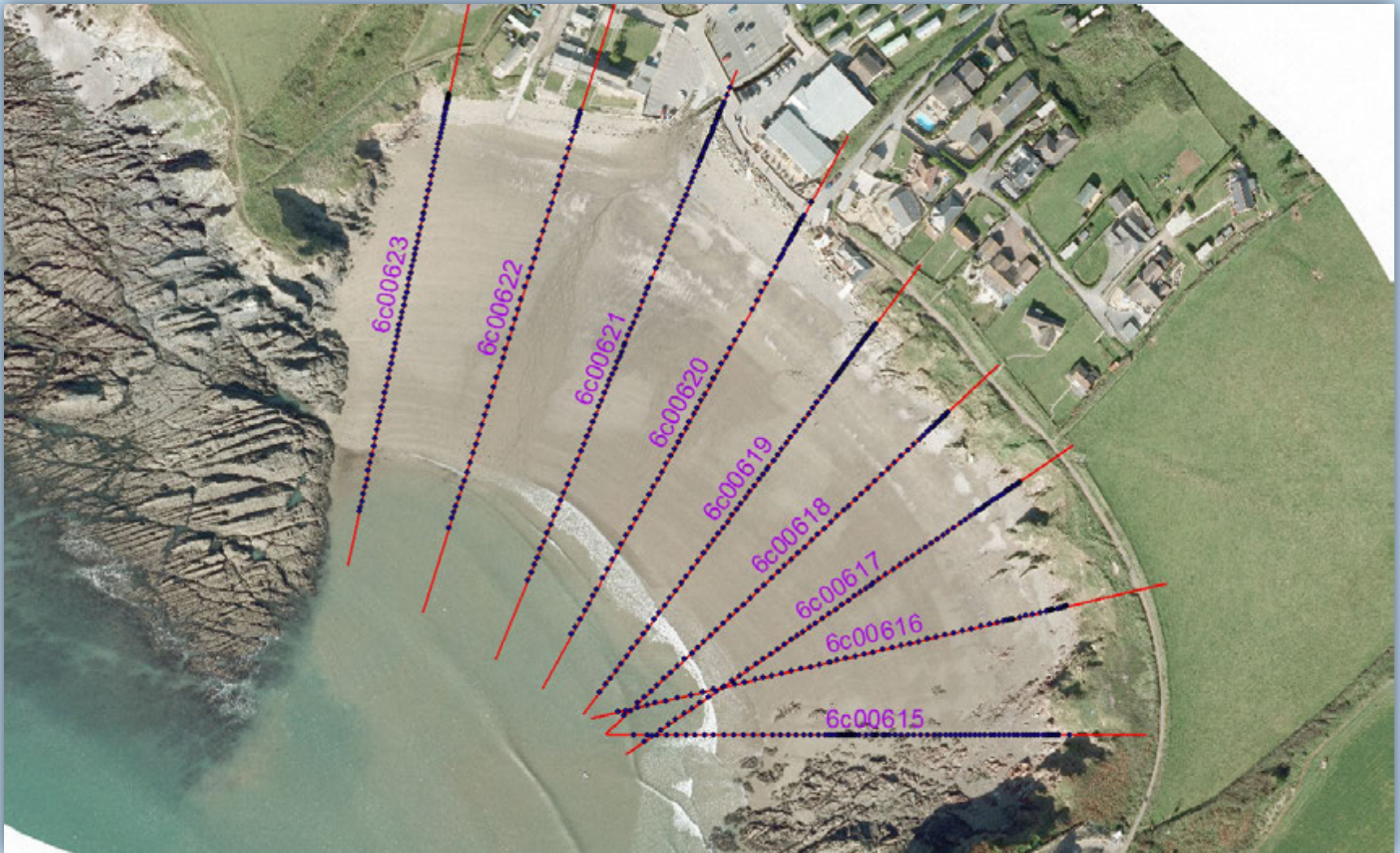


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Continuous Topographic Survey



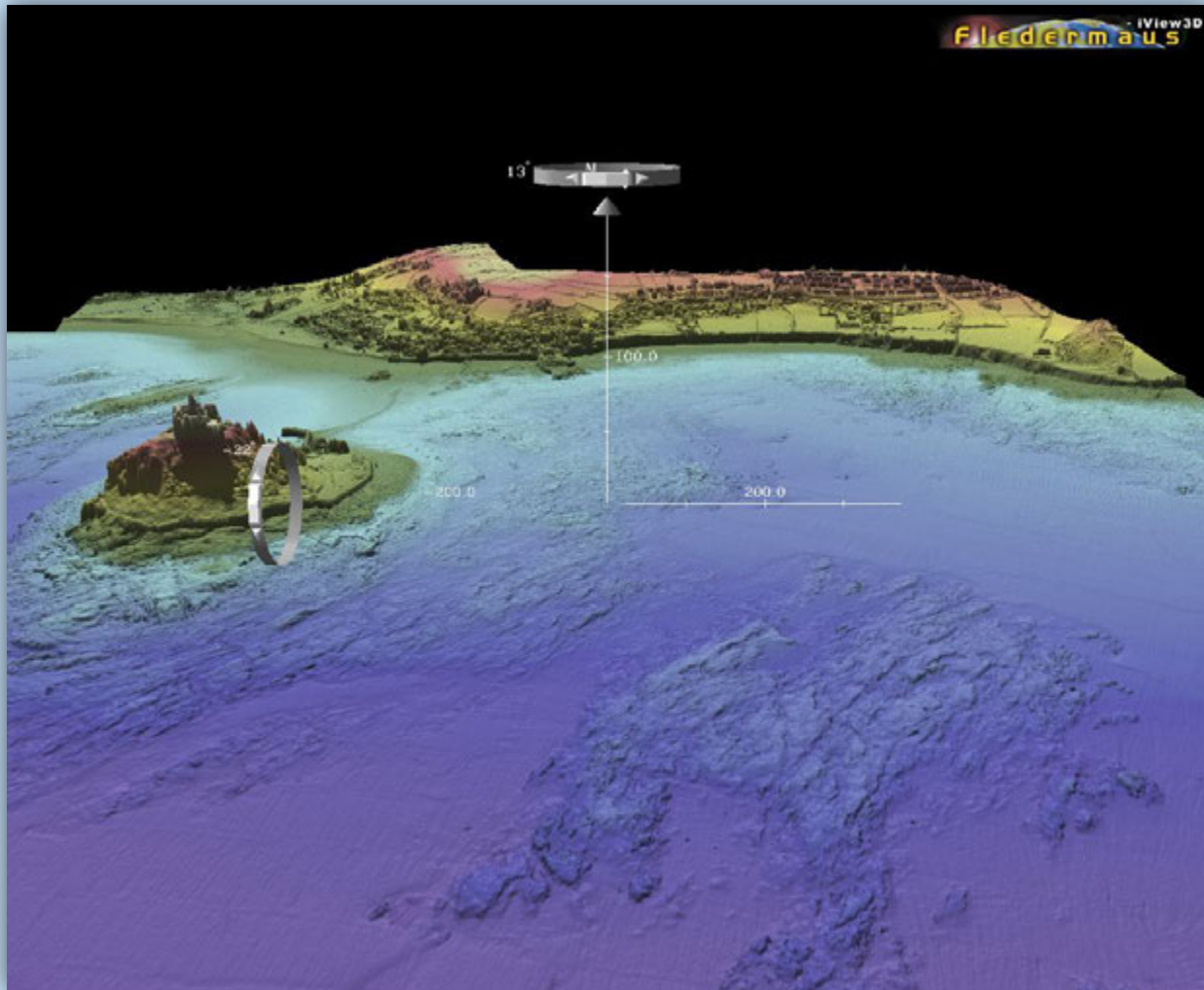
Beach Profile Topographic Survey



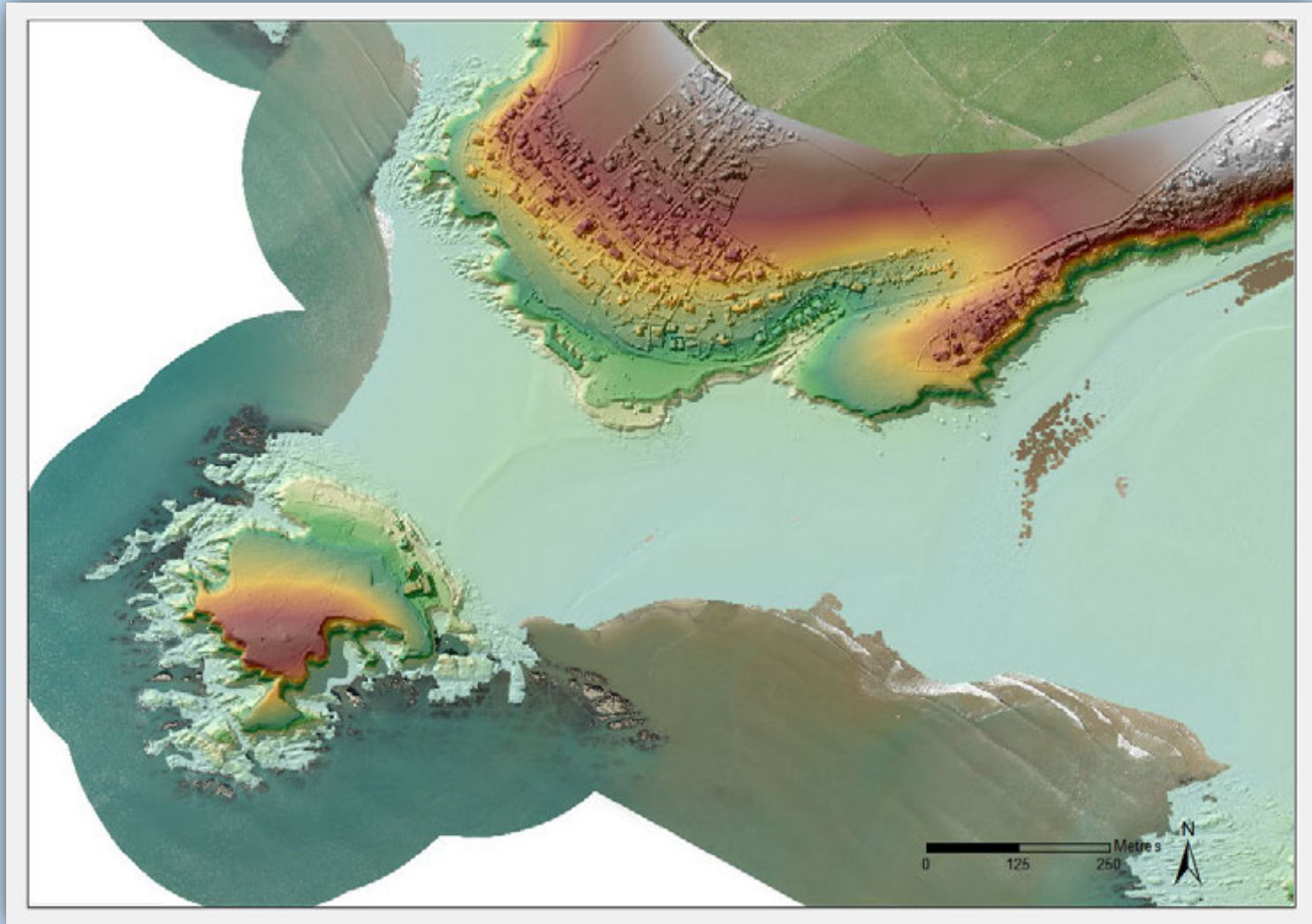
Aerial Photography



Bathymetric Surveys



LiDAR Data



Hydrodynamic Data (Waves and Tides)

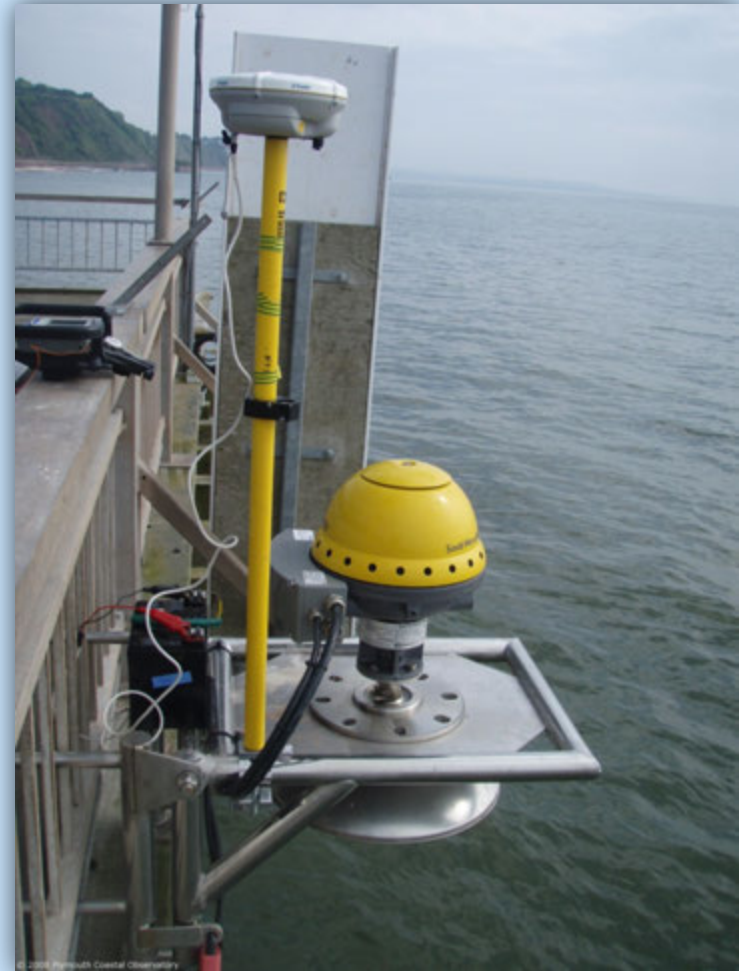
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Wave Buoys and Tide Gauges

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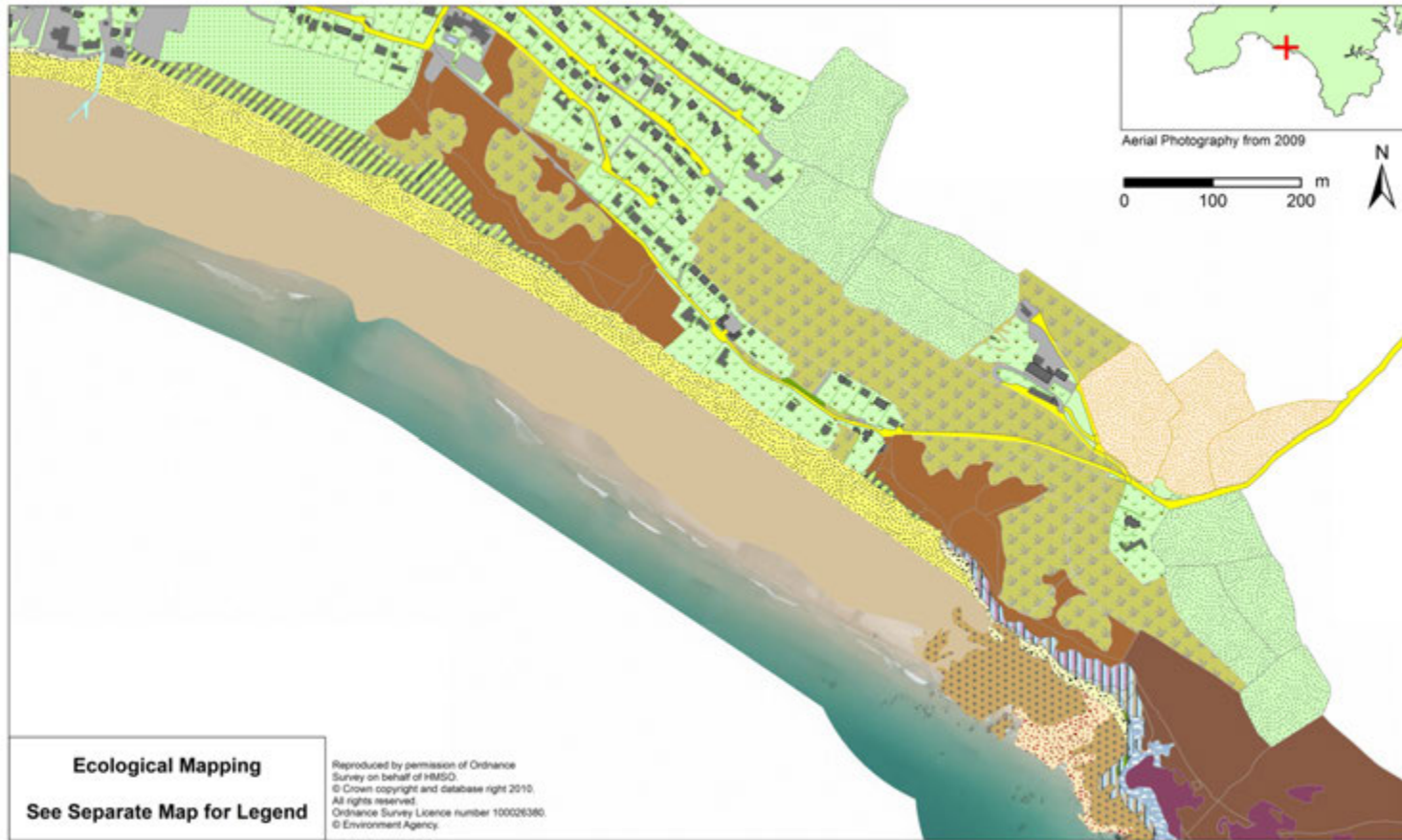
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Ecological Mapping

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Ecological Mapping
See Separate Map for Legend

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