

Woods for Water



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Introduction

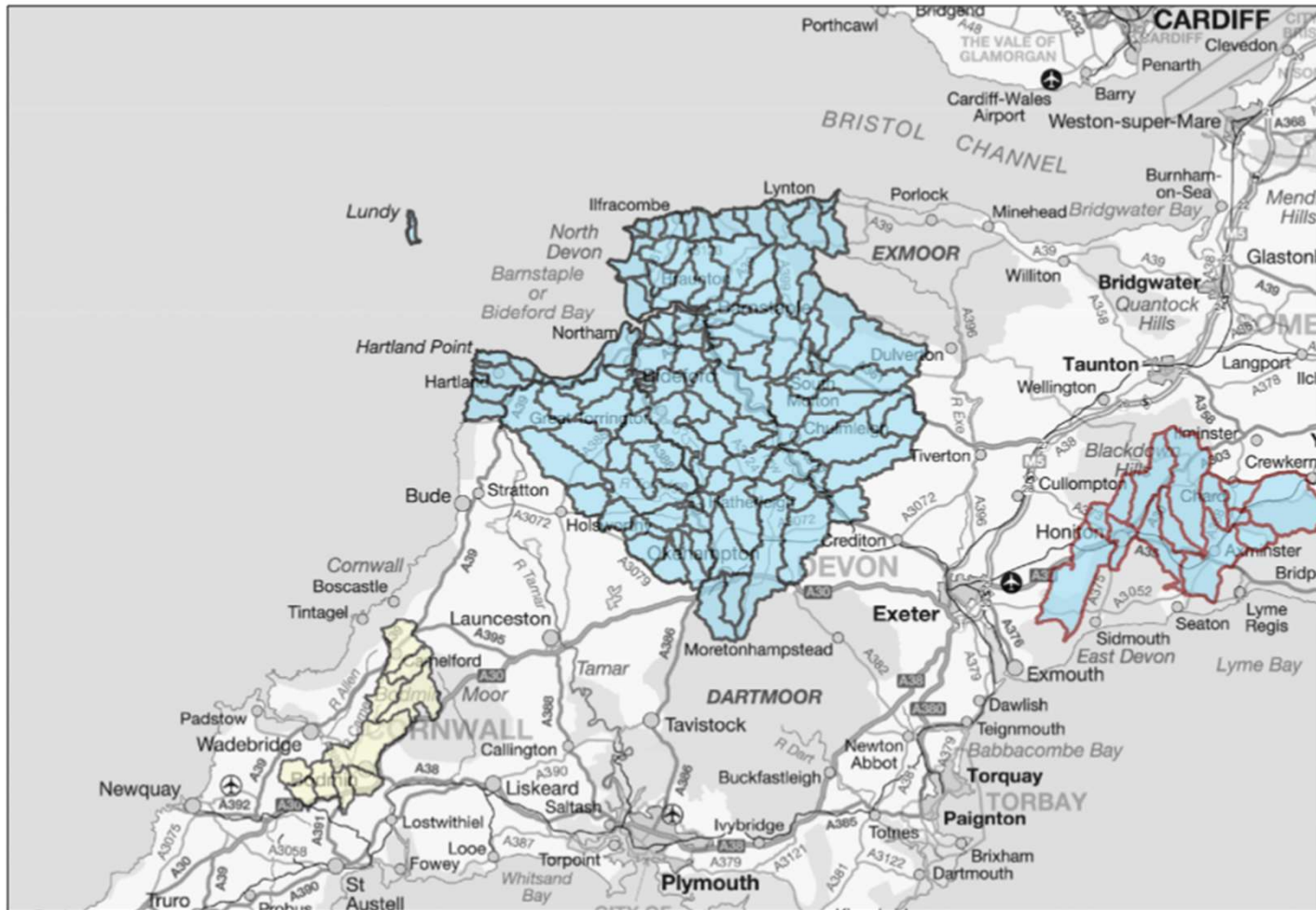
- To stimulate woodland planting and management that will benefit water bodies experiencing elevated phosphate and sediment levels and where communities are impacted by flooding
- Provides targeted visits and bespoke advice based on opportunity maps from Forest Research and Environment Agency
- Supported by grants

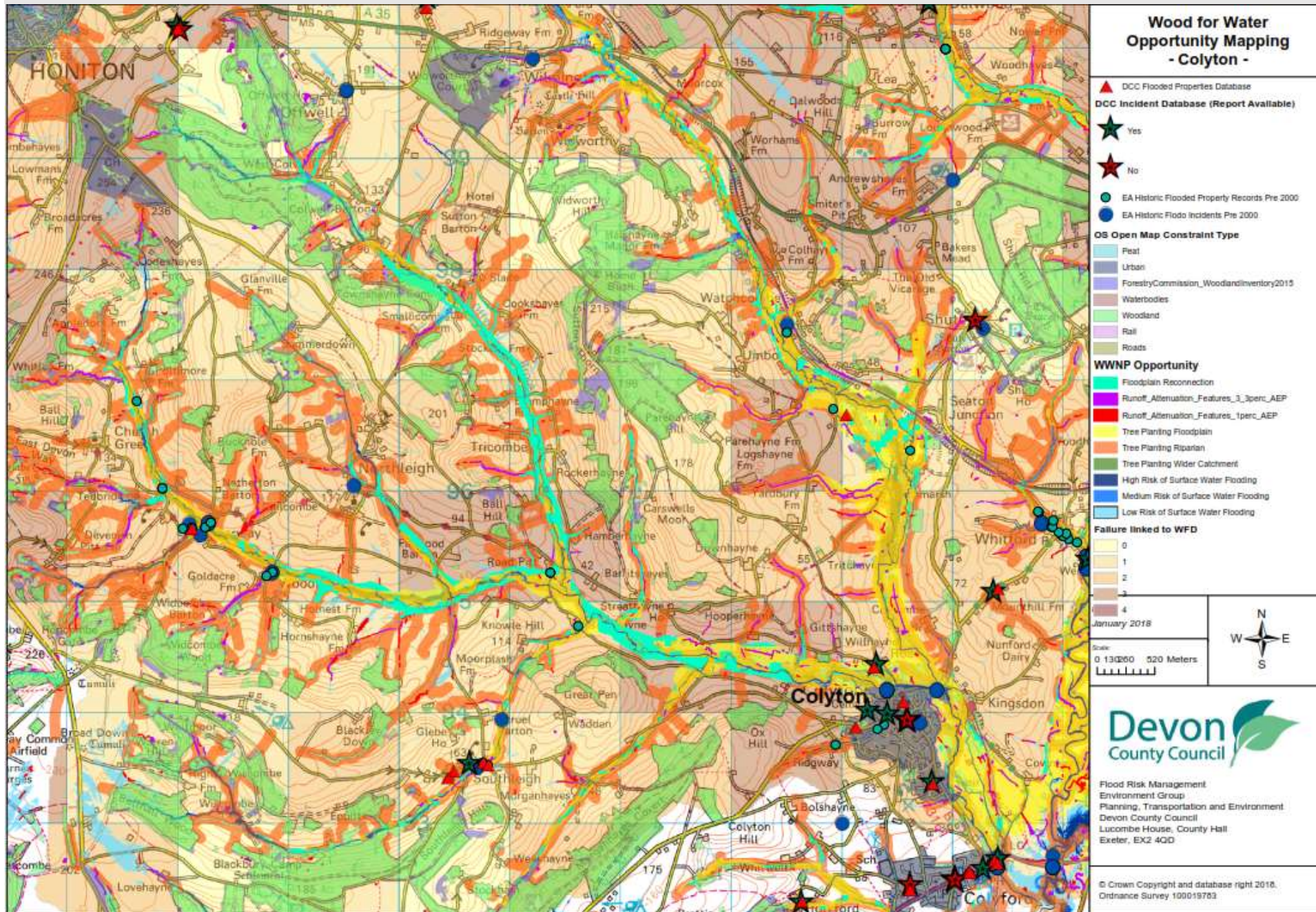


Blackdown Hills
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty



Project areas





Woodland creation



- Trees as buffers to reduce pollutants entering watercourses
- Tree roots help to bind soil, reducing erosion and sediment delivery
- Tree roots aid water infiltration into the soil, thereby helping to reduce downstream flooding



Woodland creation



Priority areas

1. Wider catchment
2. Riparian
3. Floodplain



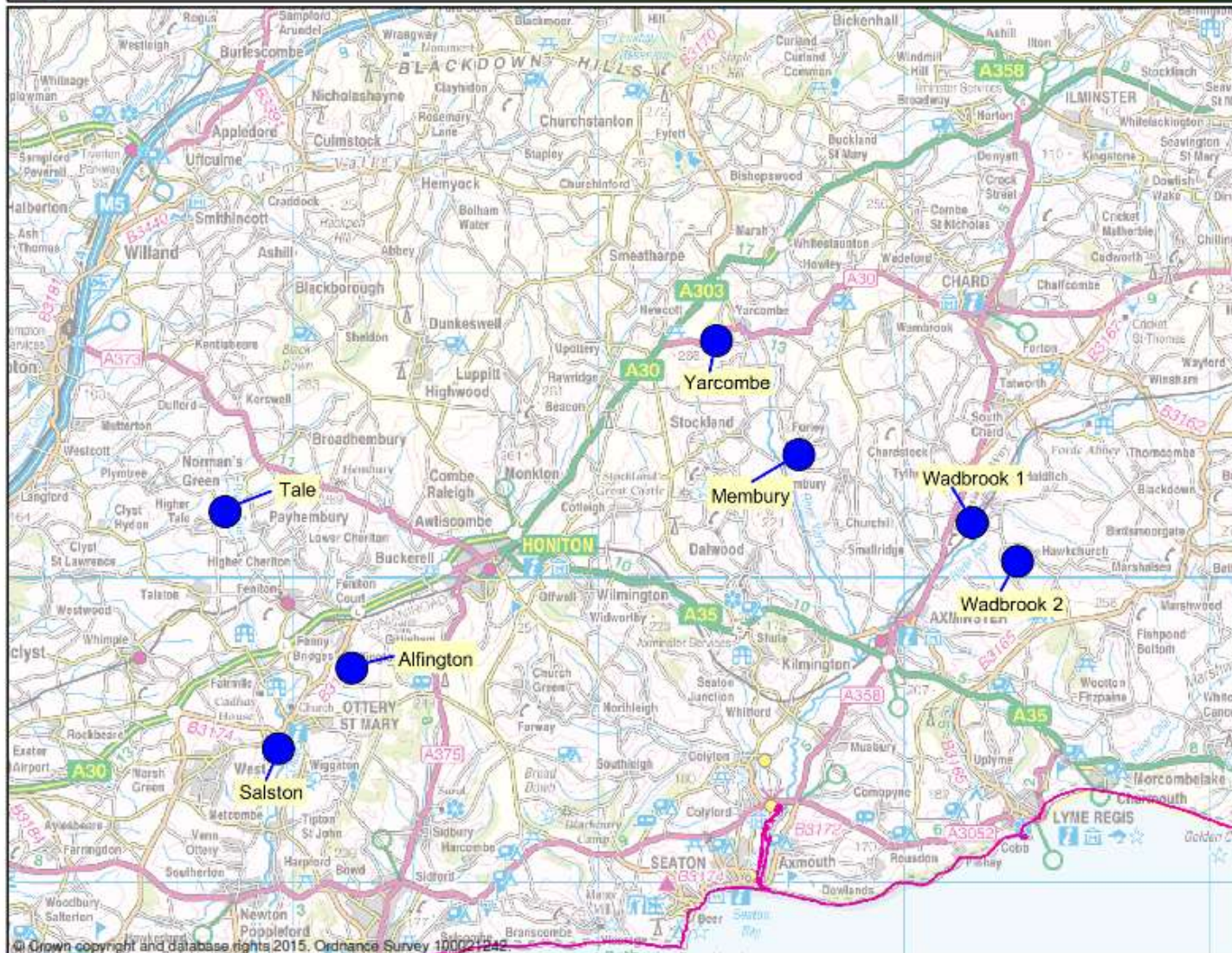
Grant aid

- Woodland Trust
(capital only)
- Countryside
Stewardship
(capital + revenue)

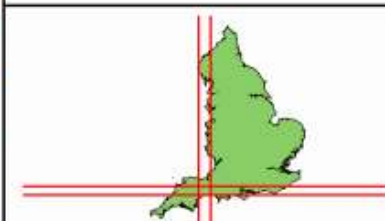
Min block size 0.1ha

Min width 10m

Min scheme size 0.5ha



Forest Services Areas



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Sustainable Drainage Systems



- To maintain water quality
- To 'slow the flow' using natural processes

50% grant aid available in selected target areas

