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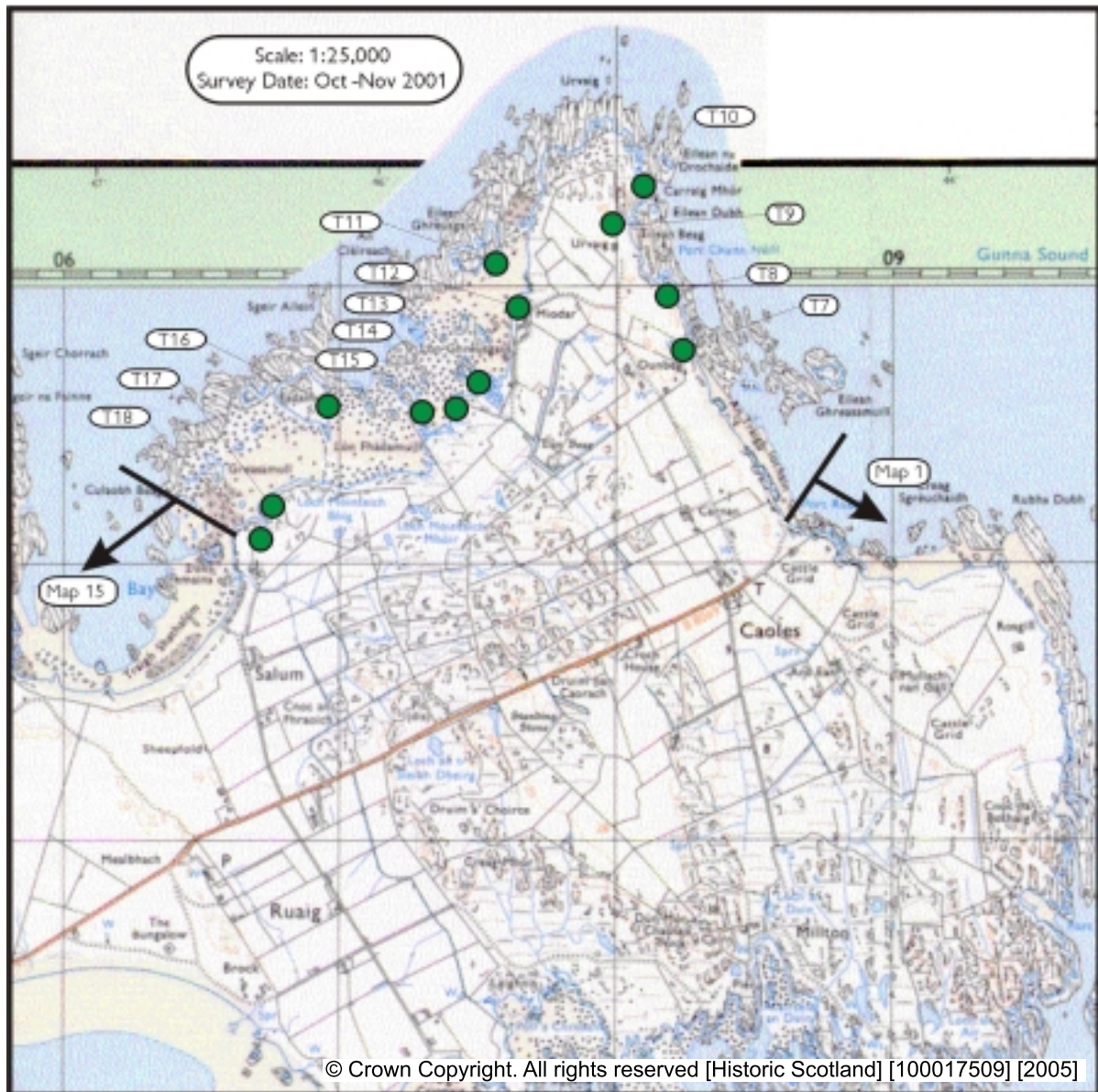
Map 16: Greasamull to Port Ruadh

This map section extends from Salum around the headland of Urvaig to Caoles. The north facing coastline has a broad sand and cobble covered foreshore, with an unenclosed coastal strip behind which are enclosed grazing fields. There is modern settlement within the hinterland. The east facing coastline is more rocky, although there are sandy beaches around Eilean Beag and at Traigh-lochain. Here also, the coastal strip is largely unenclosed and the hinterland is divided into fields of grazing land.

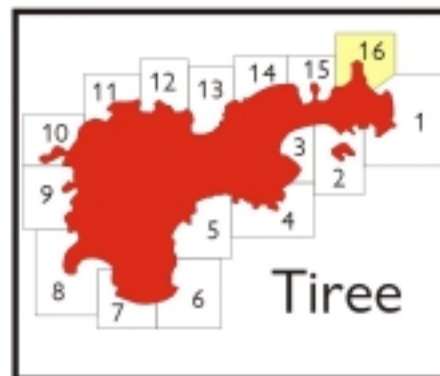
There is a short section of stable coastline between Salum and Greasamull, but from this point to Urvaig, the presence of salt march along the coast indicates that the coast edge is being inundated and gradually eroded. From Urvaig to Port Ruadh the coast edge is formed from blown sand deposits and is generally stable with only localised areas of erosion.

All but two of the sites identified in this area are thought to be of 18-20th C date. They include several abandoned blackhouse settlements (T7, 8, 12), old field walls and enclosures (T9, 14, 17) and kelp working remains (T10, 11, 15, 16). The kelp working remains are mostly located to the W side of Urvaig. A possible burial mound at the N end of Salum Bay occupies what appears to be an artificial platform (T18). A second mound to the S of Miodar (T13) may also be a burial mound, although this could not be clearly determined.

T7 NM 08275 49681 Dunbeg Blackhouse 18-20th C Good/fair Nil	T13 NM 07537 49690 Miodar (S of) Mound Unknown Fair Monitor
T8 NM 08171 49956 Dunbeg (N of) Blackhouse, enclosure, boat and noost, walls 18-20th C Fair Nil	T14 NM 07449 49569 Lon Ghreusgain (S of) Land boundaries and slipways 18-20th C Poor Nil
T9 NM 07996 50200 Urvaig Sheep fold 18-20th C Fair Nil	T15 NM 07288 49559 Lon Ghreusgain (S of) Kelp wall 18-20th C Poor Nil
T10 NM 08064 50367 Urvaig Kelp drying walls and kilns 18-20th C Fair Nil	T16 NM 06960 49589 Salum, Fadamull Kelp drying walls and possible kelp kiln 18-20th C Fair/poor Nil
T11 NM 07548 50081 Urvaig Kelp drying walls 18-20th C Fair/poor Nil	T17 NM 06797 49236 Salum, Greasamull Enclosure, land boundaries 18-20th C Fair Nil
T12 NM 07654 49913 Urvaig Blackhouse 18-20th C Fair/poor Nil	T18 NM 06707 49040 Salum Bay (N end of) Possible burial mound 3-1st mill BC Fair Monitor



- Built Heritage & Archaeology
- Protected Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
 - Monument formally proposed by Historic Scotland for scheduling or wreck for designation
 - + Listed Historic Building
 - Undesignated wreck
 - Known ancient monument
 - Site found by this survey
 - Site complex



1. Miodar

NM 075 496

3.1 Km

Rock and Salt Marsh

Coast edge <5m

Drift/rock interface occasionally visible

The coast edge in this unit is a confusing mix of rock and salt marsh. The salt marsh is over 200m deep in places. A massive storm beach at the north end of the unit has been heavily disturbed by quarrying. Hinterland is fenced pasture.

2. Carnan

NM 084 494

1.8 Km

Sandy foreshore

Coast edge <5m

Drift/rock interface not generally visible

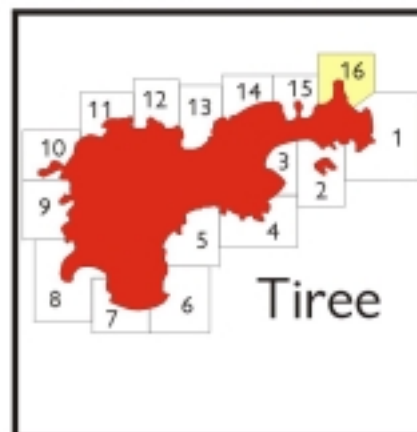
Narrow sandy foreshore punctuated by frequent rocks. Hinterland is rough pasture, blown sand is accumulating in this area - some fences and gates are half buried by sand. There is a short sea wall in front of a ruinous blackhouse at Dunbeg (site T7).



- Foreshore**
- Rock platform
 - Mainly sand
 - Mainly alluvial/marine mud
 - Marsh

- Modifiers**
- Low edge <5m
 - Cliff >5m
 - Man made barrier
 - Shingle/storm bank
 - Human disturbance

- Hinterland**
- Drift
 - Drift on visible rock
 - Raised beach etc.
 - Blown sand
 - Glacial sand/gravel
 - Alluvium



1. Lon Ghreusgain

NM 075 496

3.1 Km

Eroding to stable

This unit is dominated by an extensive area of salt marsh which is up to 200m deep. There are many old, derelict field walls within the salt marsh which demonstrate the gradual erosion of this stretch of coast. There is a short stretch of more stable coast edge towards the southern end of this unit

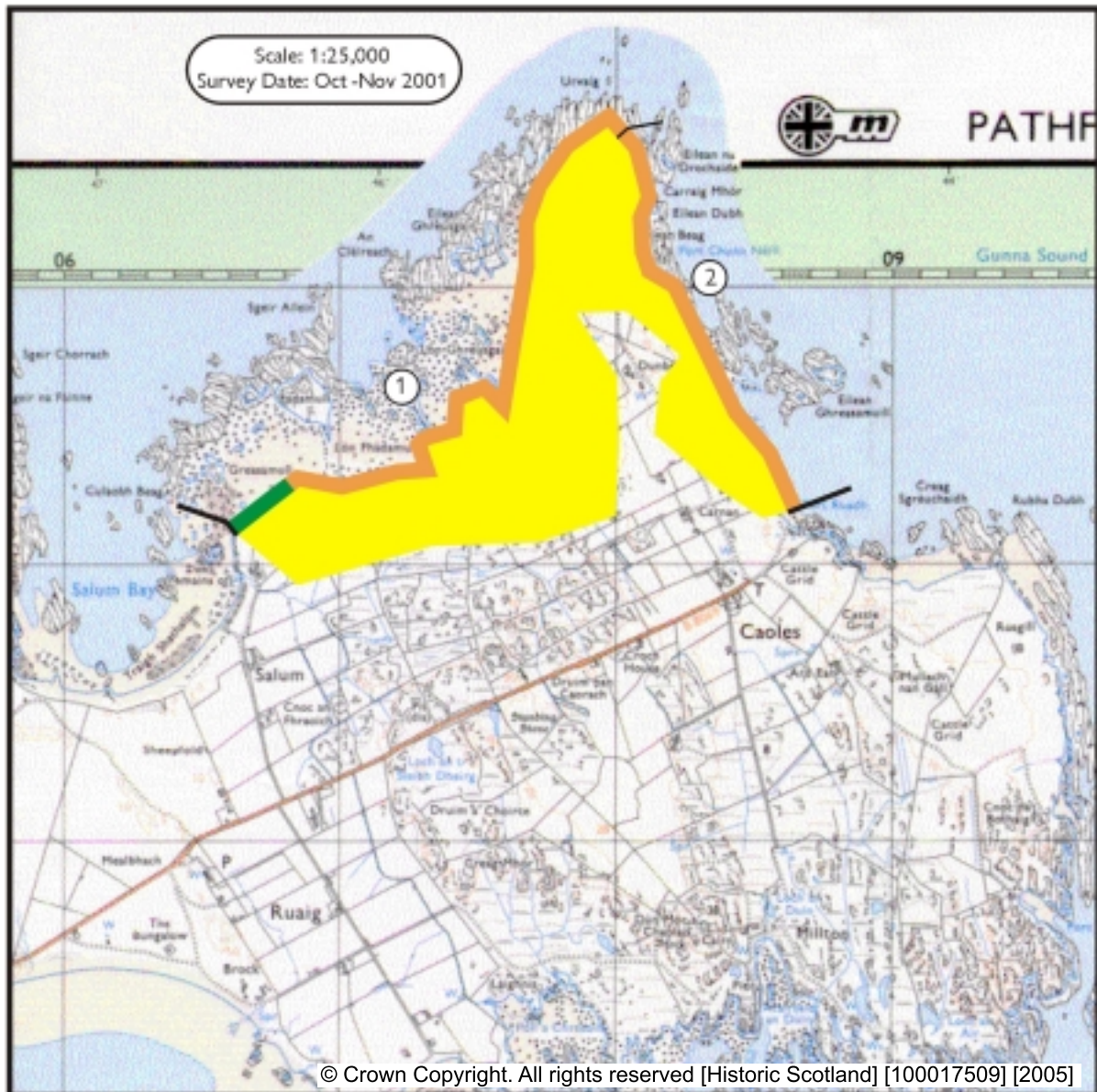
2. Dunbeg

NM 084 494

1.8 Km

Eroding to stable

The coast edge in this unit is generally sandy but with rock protruding in many places. The coast edge appears stable, with only minor erosion. The hinterland, however appears to be accreting sand. Many fences and gates are part buried by sand.



- Erosion Class
- Definitely Accreting
 - Accreting or Stable
 - Stable
 - Eroding or Stable
 - Definitely Eroding
 - Accreting and Eroding
 - No access
 - Land below 10m

