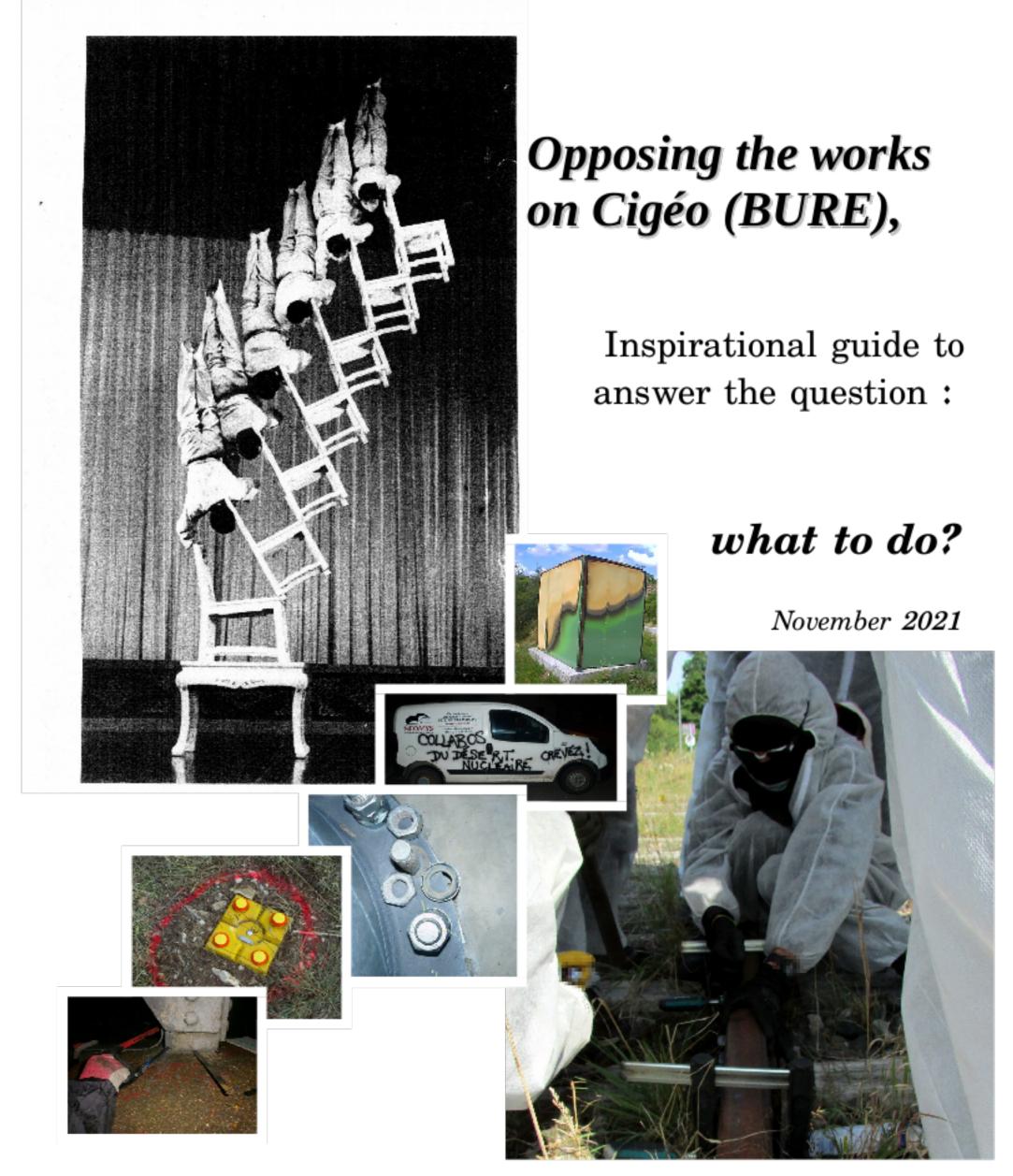


With this booklet, we want to provide practical information on the progress of Andra's work today (2021). It is part of an effort to share knowledge and intensify the attacks against  $Cig\acute{e}o$ . An attached map complements it. You can make it your own and use it for whatever you like. Enjoy reading and much more!



Support of concrete information concerning the progress of the works, the existing infrastructures, the direct actions which took place.

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We miss Loïc and unfortunately we cannot see him anymore, but we hope that all our support reaches him despite the distance and the confinement.

This is why, tonight, bypassing the permanent police presence, at about 7pm, we entered the Lejuc Wood (a forest once occupied, now forbidden by ANDRA) and we fired off fireworks.

Down with the states, the justice, the prisons and the forces of law and order

# Montiers-sur-Saulx: The former police station ravaged by flames 19/12/17

The Est Républicain (mainstream local newspaper) said:

Thirty-two firefighters intervened at the former police station of Montiers-sur-Saulx to overcome a fire that ravaged the roof this Tuesday morning. The 800m<sup>2</sup> of



roofing went up in smoke. A fire broke out this Tuesday morning, before 5:30 am, in the former police station of Montiers-sur-Saulx. The burning building, which belongs to the Meuse departmental council, was used as housing for half a dozen families of gendarmes before its closure a year and a half ago.

The roof is mainly affected (the 800 m2 are gone). [...]

The firemen attacked the fire, with notably the presence of two ladders, and brought it under control around 8 am. They will remain on site this morning and possibly this afternoon to deal with the remaining fires. Several teams entered the building to verify that no victims were inside.

We marked the walls with the paint, smash the windows of some administration buildings, launch smoke bombs and bengals in the yard of the prison and greet the prisoners with pyrotechnic in the surrounding. The action were protected by crowfeeds and burning barricades on the access roads.

The atomic state always implicates the police state as well. To deal with those « technology of power » is generally linked to the centralization of power an have need for a repressive system to protect it.

The answer of the state against the growing resistance in Bure is massive: people get controlled and observed, locked under interdiction of territory and even contact, getting arrested and imprisoned.

While thousands of people went to the streets on Saturday, to manif against the planed waste-dump, we want to remind that some people already pay a high price for this struggle.

LOVE & RAGE to the prisoners Fire to all prisons! STOP CIGEO

PS: With our action we also send smoke signs of solidarity to Hamburg/Germany where our comrades Loïc and the three of the park bench are kept in prisons.

## Fireworks in the wood in support of Loïc 17/12/18

Tomorrow Loïc, a friend of many, will appear before the German justice system in the context of the G20 in Hamburg.

We do not recognize the legitimacy of justice, whether it is that of Germany or any other country.

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# The Drillings

Geologists drill holes to collect data on soil and groundwater. Whadidyousay? With a machine they make a deep hole in the ground, to take samples and analyze them.



A probe can be placed in the

hole (a very long electric cable at the end of which there is a sensor that looks like a microphone, picture on the left). It is this probe that captures the data. Sometimes the hole is wider at the

beginning, and becomes narrower after a few meters. It is closed by a plate with a chain and a padlock. The power supply often comes from a small solar panel on the roof of the box: the cables from the panel enter the box and are connected to a smaller box.

The box is made of metal, it can make a lot of noise. It measures about  $4m^2$  (more or less). The door of the box is locked and inside there can be an alarm (you can hear a little beep, there can be a flash of light -it's also possible that a photo is taken at that moment-) and the guards and the like can come if it is activated.

What we don't know is how long this probe is actually used. The analysis must be done over a long time to see the evolution of the data but maybe after a year the probe is no longer useful. To be verified.

## MESURE DE NIVEAU D'EAU PAR PIÉZOMÉTRIE EN FORAGE

Mesure du niveau de la surface libre d'une nappe en profondeur ou de la pression d'une nappe captive.

Après réalisation d'un forage, on descend dans celui-ci un tube piézométrique crêpiné sur une longueur minimale de 2 m et bouché à sa partie inférieure. L'espace annulaire compris entre le tube et la paroi du forage est comblé avec un matériau filtre sable).

Dans le cas où la nappe est captive (en charge), la réalisation d'un bouchon étanche s'impose autour du tube piézométrique au niveau des couches imperméables traversées.

La mesure ponctuelle de la profondeur d'eau se fait au moyen d'une sonde équipée d'une électrode que l'on descend axialement dans le tube ; lorsque l'électrode entre en contact avec l'eau elle s'allume et donne ainsi la position de la surface de la nappe.

Dans le cas d'une nappe captive, la valeur de la remontée d'eau donne une mesure indirecte de la pression d'eau existant dans la nappe.

Il existe également des capteurs de pression qui peuvent permettre une acquisition en continu des niveaux d'eau en forage.

# D >= 50 mm Bouchon étanche Fausses glaises argileuses Crépine 50 mm Faciès sablo-argileux Sables d'Auteuil

Argiles plastiques



Exemple de piézomètre où la mesure

du niveau piézométrique est faite à

l'aide d'une sonde manuelle

(Portail National ADES)

Permet de connaître la profondeur du niveau de la nappe phréatique dans les sols au voisinage de l'ouvrage, mais aussi dans les barrages en terre, digues, etc.

Permet de détecter des fuites à proximité d'ouvrages hydrauliques (écluses, digues, canaux, etc.) à condition de placer un nombre suffisant de forages.

#### Bure cell ("Cellule Bure")

In 2016, well before the investigation for criminal conspiracy, the Bure cell was set up, with the function of monitoring opponents of CIGEO project. It undoubtedly goes beyond the local framework, since in September 2017, the gendarmes mention in their reports the creation of a "national coordination cell." Until the summer of 2018, this cell had five judicial police officers. This nucleus regularly received reinforcements, sometimes for several months. Thus, in November 2018, as searches increased, the cell had nine full-time gendarmes. During interventions in the field, the number of gendarmes involved climbs exponentially. This cell represents the most important part of the budget of the investigation of the criminal conspiracy: up to 772.000 euros, according to the highest estimate. Visibly, since the end of the investigation, the gendarmes of the Bure cell are no longer seen either in the field or in police custody (although before they were sometimes even present during identity checks).

# Prison of Nancy-Maxéville: Nuclear state = Police state 30/7/19

In the pre-evening of the manif against the nuclear waste-dump — project CIGEO « Vent de Bure » at Nancy — we attacked (symbolically) the prison of Nancy/Maxeville, to



send greetings to our comrades who are imprisoned and those who are charger by repression. Also to set a sigh for a society without prisons in general.

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for new cells (this was not the case with the old station in Gondrecourt). Also, the new station is right next to the railroad and near the future Andra platform (enlarged storage place).

#### "Gendarmes Mobiles" Squadron at Andra

In October 2018, an agreement was signed between Andra and the General Directorate of the National Gendarmerie (in french Direction générale de la gendarmerie nationale or DGGN) "to guarantee the long-term security of personnel and facilities" by a squadron of "gendarmes mobiles". In 2017, at least twenty million euros were spent in this context. The gendarmes are housed directly on the Andra site, in purpose-built barracks. They sleep there, store their equipment and vehicles, and take their recovery days there before going back on patrol. These soldiers stay there between three and six weeks before leaving for another assignment. After one or two days of transmission, they are replaced by new arrivals.

ANDRA has a twin-engine airplane, and the gendarmes have drones and a helicopter that occasionally fly over the area: Bure, Bois Lejuc, the train station, etc (especially during events) but also over the railroad tracks (the helicopter has been known to go as far as Treveray), to take many automatic photos. The helicopter makes several times the same route at different altitudes in order to take pictures of different elements and different levels of detail. There are also other airplanes/microlights that fly over the area, which one can assume are not ANDRA's, but without certainty (a civilian runway is close to the area and there are airplanes from the St. Dizier military air base that do not monitor the area).

# \* Articles on the drilling works \*

Drillings are ongoing around the «laboratory» 03/05/16



When one walks near the ANDRA laboratory, between the towns of Saudron (52) and Bure (55), one can see a dozen mechanical core drills in action. These core drills are used to take soil samples from a depth of several dozen meters.

Everything suggests that this is the beginning of the "assessment" of the environment in the vicinity of the future burrying center in order to monitor its evolution throughout its operation. Indeed, as part of the CIGEO project, ANDRA set up a



"Long-term environmental observatory" in 2007.

The samples collected should be kept in the "Écotheque" adjacent to the ANDRA roundabout.

The machines are only at the beginning of their work. In the end, more than 900 km<sup>2</sup> around the CIGEO facilities will be affected by the assessment. In addition to core sampling, CIGEO plans to carry out numerous fauna and flora inventories, in particular by creating a 143-hectare experimental forest site equipped with a "flow tower" and three biogeochemical monitoring stations located in the Montiers sur Saulx forest.

Whether it is the beginning of the assessment or the end of the preparatory work for the CIGEO project, the facts are there and the land continues to be damaged.

We tried to find out more by asking the workers in the field. They did not want to speak to us. Very quickly the ANDRA militia arrived and invited us to leave in an unsympathetic manner.

# Beginning of the drilling works around the former Lum **É**ville train station 05/11/19

Drilling works have started around the former Luméville train station since at least this morning, Tuesday, November 5 (perhaps since yesterday). These drillings, announced since 2017, are preliminary to the construction of the railroad through which Andra wants to transport the nuclear waste.

All day long, employees worked around several small drills positioned in several places on the portion of the future railroad located between the Andra laboratory and the old Luméville train station. Andra guards were present everywhere. Barriers and a prefabricated building were set up at the level of the old gatekeeper's house located on the road between Mandres-en-Barrois and Cirfontaines.

A cop from the Bure cell (special investigation cell against opponents of Cigéo) was also seen on site. During the day, a drone monitored the old station for a while, we do not know if it was a drone of the cops or Andra's guards.

# The repression

# Construction of a police station in Gondrecourt-le-Château

(en cours)



A new police station is being built in Gondrecourt-le-Château. The construction site is under video surveillance (there are by the way other cameras in Gondrecourt). The new station is built to allow

waste project does not weaken: it is constantly transformed, reinvented and spread throughout the territory to block the subcontractors such as POMA.

We are not giving up. POMA must withdraw from the CIGEO project. The campaign continues.

#### Night-time sabotage of POMA installations

9/09/21

Owls from here or elsewhere, we swung into the dark night. We followed the tracks of the fox and the roedeer, smelled the early autumn air, lept under the stars in the alpine mountains and rushed onto installations of the company Poma to take revenge for its contribution to the CIGEO nuclear waste burial project! We chose to target Poma cableways in stations in the Alps. Poma the virtuous, queen of soft mobility and mass tourism, we unmasked you!

Clic goes the key!
Cric crac the first nut!
Cric crac the counter-nut!
Clac the washer!
And the antinuclear night birds sing
« Poma, go bury yourself! »



#### \* Claims of responsibility for drillings sabotage \*

# Claim of responsibility following the sabotage of an Andra drilling 28/02/20

It seems that someone has broken into one of the big green boxes that protect Andra's drillings along its



railroad project. This railroad is to be used for the construction of Cigéo and then for the transportation of radioactive waste.

The probe was removed, the drilling filled with concrete and the electronic equipment, suddenly exposed, has been all broken.

Cigéo will not be built.

Everywhere, let's attack the nuclear industry.

A few people



#### Claim for the destruction of a drilling rig

3/06/20

Andra [1] is planning to restore an old railway track that starts at Gondrecourt-le-Chateau to transport radioactive waste to its gigantic project of underground dump Cigéo [2]. Along the whole length of the track, drilling rigs will gather data on the soil and ground water.

We sabotaged one of them before setting it on fire.

Andra continues to advance its project on the territory and for those who want to there are always plenty of things to do to resist it!

A small group

The order of March 17, 2021 indicates that on June 4, 2020, the person in charge of site security filed a complaint for damages caused to Andra on June 1, 2020, related to the destruction by fire of a piezometric drilling located on a parcel of land belonging to Andra with an estimated loss of 60,000 euros.

#### Bure: an alarm was set off in a drilling box

### You will not lock down our struggles!

17/11/20

In order to oppose the Cigeo project (radioactive waste burial project in Bure) and to show solidarity with our comrades struggling on the field, we decided to concretely support local resistance.

Andra is planning to renovate a railroad to bring nuclear waste. As part of preparatory works, it already did some drilling for analysing the ground. We chose one of the drillings on this railroad, between Gondrecourt-le-Château and Saudron, next to

Despite our geographical distance, our support for the struggle in Bure is complete. And the surprise, when we learned about the involvement of POMA - this well-known company in the region - in this dirty nuclear business, quickly gave way to the will to act.

Equipped with a few scraps of paper and a modest banner, we went to decorate the facade of one of the company's factories and tried to seal its gate.

To the workers of POMA, our rage is not directed against you, but against the choices of your leaders and the nuclear activities of your company. Activities about which they are careful not to communicate. Would they be a little ashamed? Participating in hiding the waste of our nuclear society does not correspond to the image of the small green family business? What a shame. We intend to continue to taint this facade, as long as the truth is not widely known and POMA does not stop its nuclear business. Hoping that other groups will join us ...

## Action in Grenoble: gluing posters 2/6/21

Beautiful posters denouncing not only the role of the Isère company POMA in the nuclear waste burrying center project in Bure but also the contracts signed between the Grenoble metropolis and POMA for the construction of a new cable car. The mayor of Grenoble, Eric Piolle, claims to be an ecologist and a fervent anti-nuclear activist, but he allows such contracts to be concluded in the metropolis.



In the middle of the trial of the opponents of the CIGEO project, accused of criminal conspiracy, the struggle against the nuclear

Slogan ideas (Note from french-english translator: well I was too lazy to try to translate the solgans):

POMA, tu pues du nuke

POMA, ANDRA = ORDURES, PAS DE DECHETS A BURE

POMA: remonte tes fesses mais enfouis la hess

POMANDOUILLE GROSSE NOUILLE

POMA complice du nucléaire

POMA complice de l'ANDRA

PAS DE POMA, PAS DE CIGEO

Je suis tombé.e dans le POMA quand j'ai appris que tu Étais complice du nucléaire.

POMA CASSE-TOI, A BURE, PAS D'ORDURES

POMA, ANDRA, mêmes ordures, mêmes combats!

OH POMA, Y'A PAS MOYEN POMA

POMA : dévisageait nos montagnes, BIENTÔT : détruira nos sous-sols

Partenaire/Pollueur Oppresseur de la Mafia Atomique

Pur Objet MachiavÉlique de l'ANDRA

Poteaux Odieux du Monstre Atomique

PS: Graffiti on frost, it doesn't work.

#### Night visit at POMA in support of Bur

5/12/19

In the night of Sunday 29th to Monday 30th November 2020, we went with some friends to greet the company POMA in Gilly sur



Isère. The day before, a call for decentralized actions had been launched on the site enfouissons-poma.info. This one followed another call for mobilization: that of the local associations in Meuse and Haute Marne.

the village Luméville-en-Ornois. But when we opened the box that protects the drilling, a visual and sound alarm was set off. So we decided to leave and to disappear into the night... Less than ten minutes later, cops/guards arrived.

We imagine that there are probably alarms in other drilling boxes: Andra might have leveled up the security of these drillings after the sabotage over this last year. We don't want to discourage people from attacking these drilling boxes again, we only want to warn, so that this information can be taken into account when other actions are planned.

Of course, we would have prefered an other outcome to our little trip but to us it's already a good thing to spread this information without anyone being arrested...

And also, maybe Andra spent more money to install so many alarm systems than what we could have been able to do!

Andra away! Resistance & sabotage!

# The renovation of the railroad

The railroad project to transport radioactive waste is being undertaken by SNCF (France's national state-owned railway company) from Ligny-en-Barrois to Gondrecourt-le-Château and by ANDRA from Gondrecourt to Guillaumé/Saudron (at the level of the "descenderie").

From Ligny to Gondrecourt, the rails are still there, whereas from Gondrecourt to Saudron/Guillaumé, one can follow the route but there are no rails. The route of the future railroad goes through the former Luméville train station.

Although the rails are existing on a part of the section, they will have to be changed. To change them, the old rails must be functional so that a small train can pass with a machine that removes them to replace them. To be verified.

The works that are going on episodically are clearing around the track, drilling, bridge measurements and naturalist studies.

#### Works on the railroad are starting

28/10/18

New works are noticed every day on the railroad route. Gravel roads are being created to facilitate the passage of trucks, surveyors accompanied by security guards and cops are placing markers and making markings and measurements. Between Horville-en-Ornois and Gondrecourt-le-Château a construction site has been set up to clear the old dump: temporary construction buildings and two hundred meters of fencing have been installed

and patrols are going through the adjacent forest, probably with dogs. A municipal order prohibits access to a bridge. Several sections of forest have been cleared along the track.

The railroad track is, like the electrical transformer, a particularly important step that Andra is trying to take in 2019, when neither the application for a declaration of public utility nor the application for authorization of the Cigéo project have been filed. This technique has already





been used in the past to get its projects accepted (Bataille law in 1991, establishment of the laboratory, etc.): progress as much as

#### The action campaign is just beginning

14/2/21

Early in the morning, I will go to tag POMA, in spite of the snow, the cold, we are there!

In mid-January, between go sûres, we went to write our slogans on three of the ski lifts of the ski resort La Bresse-Hohneck, in the Vosges.



#### Why did we do this?

Because POMA is building its prototype of a mechanical descent in Froncles, in Haute-Marne.

Because without this funicular, there will be no burial of nuclear waste.

Because we want POMA to be under pressure!

Because POMA is everywhere in the Vosges.

So that its complicity with ANDRA in the project of burying waste in Bure is known.

So that the information circulates and that actions against POMA multiply.

This is only the beginning?

NO POMA, NO CIGEO!

especially braking tests – that will be carried out there are crucial, because through them POMA wishes to demonstrate the technical feasibility of its scientific aberration. But if the feasibility of this technology on an industrial scale is not demonstrated, the descent project – which is one of the cornerstones of the CIGEO project – will not be realized!

His megalomania and passion for technological challenges led POMA into the nuclear business. Let's make him understand that his collaboration in the nuclear delirium will not remain without consequences.

POMA and its subsidiaries must immediately disengage from the CIGEO project. As long as they have not announced their withdrawal, we will not let them go!

This is a call for decentralized and determined actions of all kinds against the premises, infrastructures or construction sites of the POMA company. Let's never give it a break, let's attack everywhere, at all times. From symbolic action to direct action, from pedagogy to intimidation, it is through repetition and diversity that we will make them bend.

#### POMA will get buried!

possible under cover to present a project that is already advanced. It is therefore urgent and necessary to fight against the works as long as they are only at their beginning, especially since without this railroad, the project as a whole cannot succeed. It is important to monitor the works, their progress and regularity. The extent of the work site makes it particularly vulnerable: survey markers have already been destroyed or removed in several places.

#### Survey markers on the railroad route 6/2021



To remove a survey marker, you need to take some leverage to "uproot" the holding spikes and/or a good sledgehammer to break the cone. There are currently markets survey placed recently (last week of June) every 150m or so from the train station to Gondrecourt (they are small, about 10cm\*10cm, and the

surveyors have tried to camouflage them: sometimes you have to look a little to find them).

## In the night of... (Direct action against Cigéo) 15/6/21

At the beginning of June, the trial for criminal conspiracy against 7 people was held in Bar le Duc. A trial against opponents of the nuclear waste burrying center project in Bure, Meuse. For the State, the stakes are clear, to try to crush at all costs any resistance to the nuclear waste project in Bure, one of the missing links in the French and European nuclear chain. Sold as a clean energy, nuclear power is in fact the opposite. From uranium mining to waste burial, everything is a social and ecological disaster. Just like what the all-digital society promises us. This promise will require us to produce more and more electrical energy, these growing demands will have to be met by nuclear energy. The geopolitical stakes of digital technology are reminiscent of those that were raised for nuclear power, regardless of the massive refusal they encounter, the damage or the risks, the State has launched its absurd race.

So when Andra wants to impose itself on a territory, all the public decision-makers are put to work to silence the opposition to their productivist race: exchange of land, sale of forests, subsidies of thousands of euros to the departments of Meuse and Haute-Marne.

Since the beginning a resistance has taken place on the spot. At first through associations, then more autonomously since 2015, this resistance prevents Andra from doing what it wants. It seems important to us to accentuate the ongoing struggle because this year is decisive, marking the end of the public utility inquiry for the project, which might not succeed if the inquiry is challenged.

For these reasons and for many others, we have, in the night of Friday 11th to Saturday 12th June, targeted the following actors and infrastructures:

- In Nancy, in the building that hosts the Chamber of Agriculture of the region, the SAFER and the offices of the insurance company Groupama, plaintiff in the trial of Bar le Duc, a good dozen windows were shattered and a tag reading: "NIK LE NUK" was written on the front of the building.
- In Bar le Duc, the windows of the SAFER premises were targeted and a tag was written: "Bure free area".

ANDRA is now working on the technical realization of this pharaonic and highly risky project, the CIGEO project. To do this, it is partnering with the worst engineering, aeronautics and construction companies to try to invent the miraculous technological innovations that would solve its problems. This is the case of one of the masterpieces of the project: the "descent". How can highly radioactive packages be lowered 500m underground, starting from a gigantic tunnel inclined over 5km? In an attempt to answer this thorny question, ANDRA concluded a contract with a company still unknown in the nuclear business world: POMA [3].

Better known in the Alps and in the Rhône-Alpes region, POMA likes to present itself as a small, local, family business, which would have allowed the greatest number of people to access the mountains thanks to its ski lifts. The reality is different: POMA is a world giant in cable transportation which makes almost 80% of its sales for export. Whether it is in the transportation of humans for mass tourism or the transportation of materials in mines and cement plants around the world, POMA is passionate about oversized projects and technological innovations. It has been owned since May 2000 by the Italian industrialist Michael Seeber, through a Dutch holding company HTI BV which is its sole shareholder.

After having disfigured the mountains, POMA wants to poison the subsoil. And all means are "good" to achieve this. At the request of ANDRA, POMA has set up in Froncles, in Haute Marne, 40km from Bure, to build a "model", on a scale of 1:1 of its downhill project. This is the demonstrator. This model and the tests -

#### Call for actions - POMA is going to get buried! 26/11/20

Several local and national associations opposed to the *Cigeo* project launched a few days ago a call for mobilization against the company POMA and its involvement in the Cigeo project: « Poma disengage yourself ».

Far away from the Meuse and Haute-Marne, this call has been heard! We believe that the fight against the  $Cig\acute{e}o$  project will be won by strong and divers initiatives against the companies that, like POMA, collaborate in this deadly project. But we also know how much the local struggle has already been shaken and bruised by repression in recent years.

Arousing desires beyond the usual circle of activists, anti-nuclear and ecological associations, by proposing a campaign of determined and decentralized actions independent of the call of the associations and a dedicated website, has appeared as a useful contribution to the ongoing struggle.

#### [CALL FOR ACTIONS]

In order to solve its problem of too much radioactive waste that it no longer knows what to do with [1], the French nuclear state has decided - through its national agency in charge of their pseudo "management", ANDRA - to bury its most dangerous waste 500 meters underground. Burial is presented as THE solution to the waste problem, even though it only aims at renewing the French nuclear fleet [2], as well as exporting this model to the world market of nuclear waste pseudo-management.

- Between Ligny-en-Barrois and Tréveray, the railroad tracks, which are still disused but which the SNCF wants to rehabilitate in order to connect CIGÉO to the national network via the NanÇois-Tronville station, were damaged in several places with a car jack.

So that the project never sees the light of day, because we dAn account of the day of action near Bure, Saturday 21 August 2021

All Colours Are Beautifull On Saturday 21st, four processions, Violet, Golden, Green and Circus, spread out from different starting points to reach the same target. In a context where Andra is trying to get the Dossier d'Utilité Publique (DUP) accepted and is announcing a public inquiry in September to make it its democratic showcase, we have targeted the work associated with Cigéo.

The processions marched on or around the route of the railway line that runs from Ligny-en-Barrois to Saudron-Guillaumé, passing through Gondrecourt-le-Château. This railway line is intended to carry radioactive waste to the downstream facility and then bury it underground. If the DUP is accepted, the renovation of this railway line could officially begin, as well as the expropriation of the surrounding houses and fields.

The processions had different intentions and different ways of doing things. Stress-free, press-free, wheelchair accessible, noisy, fast, etc. Within them some of them were queer groups or groups without cis men, people with different mobility and stamina, different ages.

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This former furniture factory, which had to be closed, is a vast esplanade with 2 or 3 sheds and a small water tower clearly visible in the ANDRA colours. It is the place where machines are stored and geological samples are taken. Above all, it is the future ANDRA intermodal platform located on the edge of the old railway line. It is the symbol of a deadly project that is perfectly suited to the desertification of this region. This place will probably become a

On Friday, February 26, 2021, for the first time, POMA (and Andra!) were opening the doors of the site to representatives of the GIP 52, the Departmental Council, the CCI 55/52, and Energic 52/55, in the presence of **Patrice Voirin**, Mayor of Froncles, and **Christophe Pinay**, Director of the Forges.

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# \* Let's burry POMA \* 26/11/20 https://enfouissons-poma.info (detailed map)

#### La model of the "descenderie" (POMA)

# POMA has installed a demonstration unit in an unoccupied building of the Forges de Froncles. 2/3/21

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The demonstration unit of the famous funicular that transport Andra's packages 500m below Bure is being installed at Froncles in Haute-Marne. If the Cigeo project is completed as planned by its sponsors, radioactive waste "packages" will be stored at a depth of 500



meters in tunnels dug under the borders of the Meuse and Haute-Marne regions, near Bure. The solution chosen for depositing these "packages" at the bottom is the funicular.

The POMA group, a specialist in cable transportation (1500 employees - 450 million turnover) won this contract. Strongly



encouraged by Andra, POMA installed a demonstration unit in Haute-Marne, in an unoccupied building at the Forges de Froncles. The site was rebuilt (floor, roofing, electricity etc.) mainly by soliciting companies from Haute-Marne.

fortress like the laboratory in Saudron or the Bois Lejus. It is now that we must act while we still have some footholds. And this Saturday we got off to a good start!

Under the fireworks, the Golden and Green processions arrived, from one side and from the other. The gates came down, the walls of the sheds and those surrounding Lejuc Wood were tagged, office windows were smashed and a few cars were damaged or turned over. The Circus sang "Andra dégage, résistance et sabotage" [Andra fuck off, resistance and sabotage] and the drums of the Violet bloc could be heard in the distance. On the way back, one person was arrested – we send her strength. Support rallies were held in the following days in front of the police station and the court.

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o not want a system that destroys more and more, let us continue our harassment of the institutions, companies and infrastructures that help Andra to set up in Bure. There is still time!

Warmly

B.O.R.I.S.

An account of the day of action near Bure, Saturday 21 August 2021 1/09/21

All Colours Are Beautifull

On Saturday 21st, four processions, Violet, Golden, Green and Circus, spread out from different starting points to reach the same target. In a context where Andra is trying to get the Dossier d'Utilité Publique (DUP) accepted and is announcing a public inquiry in September to make it its democratic showcase, we have targeted the work associated with Cigéo.

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Contractors of ANDRA are often international corporations. While the place of CIGEO project is more and more a military stronghold full of surveillance and state violence, the weak points of the whole structure could be find in other places. They can put enormous number of armed forces in one place but they are not able to secure all the places where the corporations working on CIGEO are. Let's start focusing on all their weak points until ANDRA has no contractors anymore to do their dirty jobs.

We are not asking for any specific type of action : be creative and feel free to do whatever you would like to.

In France, the campaigns targets specifically a company called Ingérop. They are mostly present in France but also have agencies elsewhere in the world. On the other pages you will find lists of other companies that work for the Cigéo project.

# \* The Monsters of Cigéo \* 11/6/18 https://lesmonstresdecigeo.noblogs.org (detailed map)

# Action call out : the Cigéo Monster à action

In France, the national agency ANDRA is planning the construction of a huge center for burrying nuclear waste called CIGEO. The entire CIGEO project is a kind of Frankenstein which is made from the core ingredients of capitalist power. ANDRA – company on the front line of CIGEO is just the well made up face of this creature hiding the enormous complexity of connections between civil and military industry, state and finance sector. Digging a bit one can easily realize that divisions between civil and military, state and corporations, public and private, national and international are nonetheless just illusions.

Untill now, the main struggle against the nuclear dumpster took place in Bure in Meuse department (where the project is planned to be established) and surrounding departments. 30 years of struggle with a large palette of tactics like juridical attacks, pickets, demos, hundreds of different actions, occupations and sabotage allowed to delay CIGEO's process. However it has its price. Capitalist and state alliance proved its determination increasing the land grabbing, the blackmailing and the repression like evictions, trials and jail. After last eviction of occupied Lejuc Forest, ANDRA, preparing itself to push further the project, is calling for contracts for drilling, construction, surveillance, security and risk management services. State already gave its hand by "securing" the place constantly keeping in Bure and surroundings high number of gendarme forces proving once again that nuclear power always means militarization.

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On the pictures, we can see the use of a hydrolic jack to bend a rail: after removing the stones (the ballast), we place a jack under the rail and we activate the arm to raise the rail. Little by little we add blocks of wood under the neighboring rail, then we lower the jack and remove it.





deadly radioactive waste for millions of years of which the radioactivity is equal to ten times the history of the humanity ?! The only option is to end nuclear power and nuclear waste production.

Preventing the Cigéo project in Bure is blocking any official management of the current, future and deeply problematic radioactive waste that has accumulated daily, within a legal framework, for many years now. To block Cigéo is neutralising the atomic machine and creating huge pressure for the final shut-down of nuclear power in France. Our wish is to see people from everywhere making this call out theirs and organising as many actions as they can over a one year period from the start of the Bure 365 campaign.

Bure 365 is the occasion to act in a decentralised manner in unexpected places following our own calendar where nucleocrates' rules no longer exist. Bure 365 will support all types of action based on complementary ways of doing things: civil disobedience, public, direct or legal actions and so on ... We urge however not to harm people physically: any physical attack will be considered as going beyond the limits of the Bure 365 campaign.

Our fight cannot be undone! Cigéo will be buried!

## Call for decentralized actions

#### \* BURE 365 : call out ! 4/04/2014 \*

Following several meetings of » Assemblée anti-nucléaire du Grant' Est « (i.e. The Eastern anti-nuclear Assembly), we have decided to launch a one-year campaign of actions called "Bure 365".

The main aims of Bure 365 are to make people aware of the continuing conflict with the geological disposal for high level radioactive waste in Bure(namely, the Cigéo project), general nuclear technologies and the world that goes with this and also to reinforce the long-term fight at both the national and international levels.

Deep geological disposal has been put forward by French authorities, amongst others in the world, as THE solution to the impossible nuclear waste dilemma. In spite of what the French government and its multinational industries keep planning – the renewal of the entire French nuclear fleet as well as the export of the Cigéo model to the global economic market of nuclear waste pseudo "management" ... Deep geological disposal is irreversible and does not allow any sort of debate for future generations.

We do not want to suggest any alternative to deep geological disposal until nuclear waste production is definitely stopped! To propose something could amount to the same thing as working for free for "nucleocrates" in order to find a way to get rid of their own crap. They can keep dreaming!

We all know very well that there won't be any miracle solution for managing nuclear waste. Who could claim they are able to manage

# RTE electrical transformer - EHV line

## Electrical transformer of the Cigéo project

26/10/21

The Cigéo project has electrical needs equivalent to 150,000 homes.

To meet this demand, RTE (the French electrical transmission operator) wishes to build a dedicated electrical transformer station for the Cigéo project with a surface area of about ten hectares, or about 20 soccer fields. Its purpose would be to connect the Cigéo project to the 400,000-volt EHV line passing between the laboratory and Lejuc Wood.

Technically, this main transformer would be used to lower the electrical voltage from 400,000 to 90,000 volts. Then, two smaller transformers would be built (one in Lejuc Wood and one at the laboratory) to lower the voltage a second time from 90,000 volts to 20,000 volts.

To connect this main transformer to the secondary transformers, three large electrical cables would be buried through the fields at a depth of 1.5 meters in a single trench.

# Would the electrical transformer be built before the Cig**é**o project is authorized?

"In order for the Cigéo construction site to be ready to start as soon as the authorization for its creation is obtained, preliminary work must be carried out. Off-site connections: [...] Electricity, water, sanitation..."

## - CLIS meeting - october 2016 -

This quotation and other elements in the Andra and RTE documents suggest that the transformer construction site would begin after obtaining the declaration of public utility without the DAC. The start of the work is announced for 2023 for commissioning in 2025. Thus, the electrical transformer would be completed before a decision is made on whether or not to proceed with the Cigéo project. Indeed, given the titanic dimensions of this project, the electricity needs will be enormous and will have to be available as soon as the construction work begins.

#### Where would the electrical transformer be built?

We believe that the most likely choice is 5S (see map on next page) because it is the solution presented by Andra in 2017 before it was debated, because the Meuse prefect had already given his authorization for 5S in 2016, and also because it is the least expensive and most technically coherent solution.

The transport of the transformer parts will be done by special convoy, and we will be able to oppose this. This will force these convoys to be under high surveillance and will slow down the construction site.

Parisian ogre; the Aveyron, as an ecological guarantee for Occitanie and as a tourist place to allow the Toulouse metropolis to produce airplanes and other missiles in all tranquillity... Rurality is at the

service of the military-industrial society.

Far from the myth of the alternative, nuclear power, coal and industrial wind power today walk hand in hand. The Piggott wind turbine at the House of Resistance in Bure will have a hard time convincing its 160-meter-high "big sisters" and the



nucleocrats that ecology will be anti-industrial, local and popular or it will not be.

In Bure, in Saint-Victor and elsewhere, the state represses, technocracy oppresses, industry decimates.

Solidarity against all evictions.

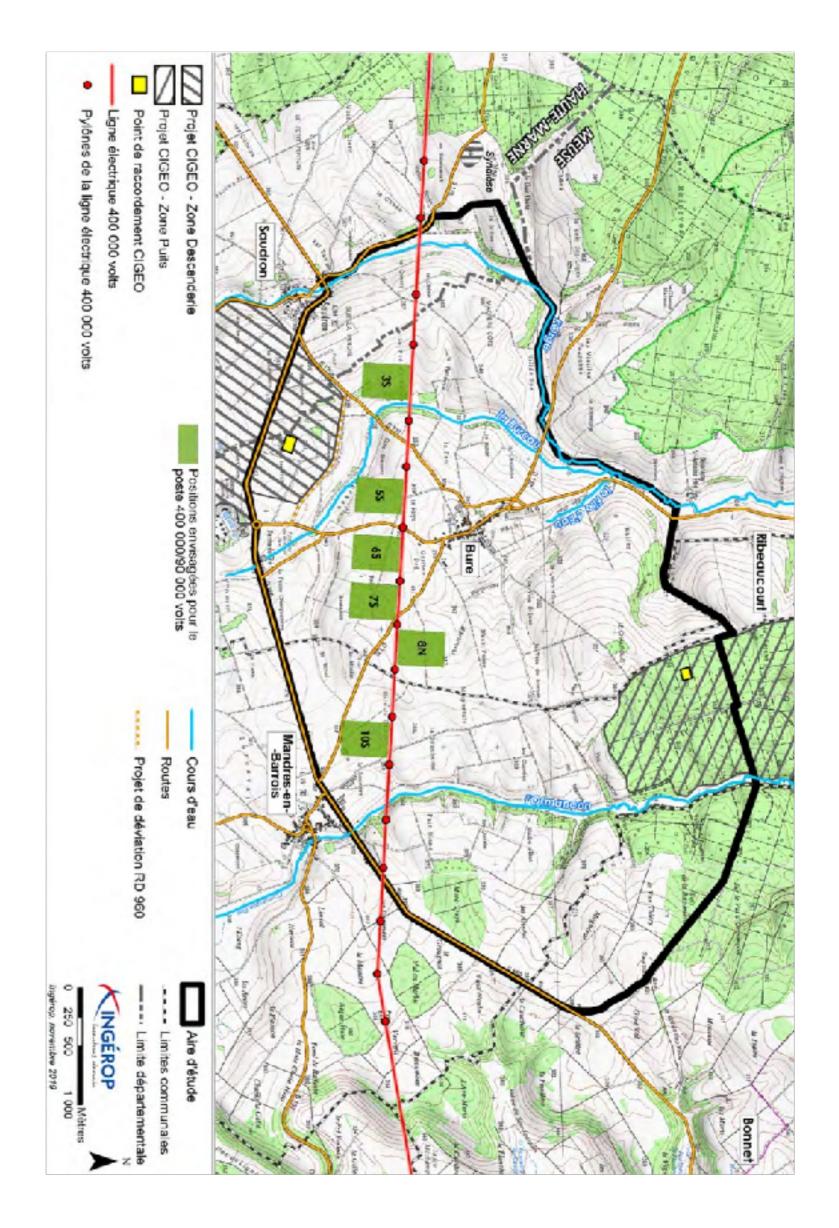
The existence of this centralized network reminds us of the nuclear industry: it shares its functioning. The production units are located far from the places of consumption and are in the hands of the big energy groups: Areva, Total, EDF... The citizens have no right to examine these parks. Would one of these mini-factories be enough for the consumption of their village? Are there alternatives, would it be a way to realize concretely what our electric consumption implies? The debate is not there, the technocrats decide for us.

The primary goal of these machines is not to ensure the energy autonomy of the country. "Green" electricity (who has ever seen the color of an electron?) is well priced on the European energy market and on "carbon offsetting", the spearhead of financialized ecology. This saves these groups from large fines and, above all, from having to ask themselves the question of a model of energy overconsumption.

As it is, this new production of renewables is added to the production of nuclear power: energy consumption, which cannot be decoupled from the consumption of other finite resources, is increasing in total. How many nuclear reactors have been closed in France since the beginning of the "energy transition"?

From the point of view of the territory, the logic is also the same as for the Meuse and the Haute Marne: the functionalization of the territories. If in the minds of the planners, the Grand Est must become a "pole of excellence" in nuclear energy, the political and industrial elites of Aveyron aim to transform their department into a hub of renewable energy production. If the image is undoubtedly more flattering, the mechanism is the same: a specialized territory at the service of centralizing metropolitan areas.

The Grand Est must serve both as a granary and a garbage can, as a rear base of the nuclear industry for the country and the



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#### RTE transformer - Two new consultations

26/12/19

Andra has scheduled two new dates in its consultation cycle. The topic will be the construction of the RTE electrical transformer to connect Cigéo to the EHV line.

We can note that Andra likes symbolic dates, as they chose January 13, which is also the launch day of the week of action against RTE (January 13 to 18, 2020).

# RTE get out - let's sabotage their rampages in support of AMASSADA 15/01/21

Communiqué in support of l'Amassada - somewhere in France

Well, we're not going to do another communiqué to tell you how rotten the world we live in is. Disgusting. To vomit.

From there, we tried to imagine worlds where everything would be reversed. Where we would stop spending a crazy energy to



manufacture useless stuff to consume.



Clowns would populate the planet, work would only be voluntary, anarchy would triumph.

"Border" would be banished from the vocabulary. Nature would no longer be a resource whose economic exploitation sheep. The project was carried out in 2010 by the company HELIO SOLAIRE (now HELIO MIDI) and then by the company EUROCAPE NEW ENERGY FRANCE (based in Montpellier and Poitiers) and realized by BOUYGUES ENERGIES ET SERVICES. The life of the project is estimated at 30 years, before the installations are dismantled (and the recycling of the various materials according to the standards in place during the dismantling).

In Dainville-Bertheléville, next to Chassey-Beaupré, a new industrial wind farm of 12 turbines was inaugurated in 2018, in the middle of the forest, initially supported by FUTUREN (ex THEOLIA), then by QUADRAN TOTAL.

During the winter of 2020-2021, a wind turbine project is submitted to the town hall in Biencourt-sur-Orge.

# The struggle in l'Amassada is also an anti-nuclear struggle 9/10/19

RTE plans to build a 6-hectare electrical transformer on this agricultural land. Could this be a foretaste of the works associated with Cigéo? The similarities do not end there.

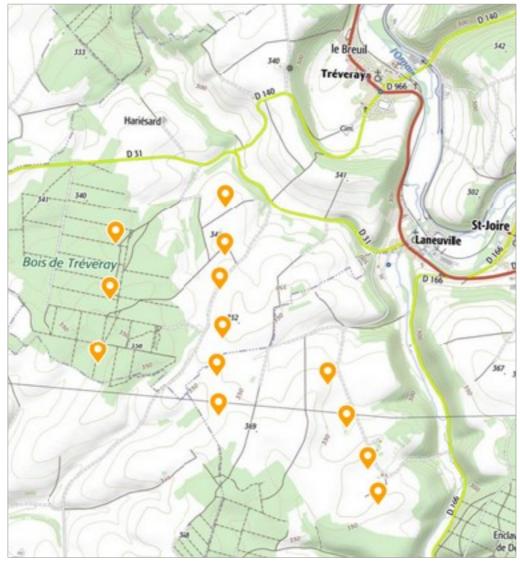
The purpose of this transformer is to contribute to a transnational electricity transmission network, like a node on an energy highway that runs from northern Europe to the Maghreb. It will allow the connection via other transformers of lower voltage of hundreds of wind turbines in project in Aveyron.

A godsend for the ecology? Not so sure! In addition to the destruction of agricultural land and other sensitive natural areas in territories chosen for their low population density, it is the question of the energy model that accompanies this industrialization of the countryside that must be asked.

(headquartered in Moselle), on behalf of LANGA (acquired in 2018 by ENGIE), via a greenwashed participatory financing carried by ENERFIP (a company with 23 employees based in Montpellier). The construction site mobilized nearly 6 people from CHARDOT TP (a public works company based in Commercy doing civil engineering with a concrete plant and quarry operation) for several months. The total investment was 19 million euros, including 3.3 million euros for infrastructure work (roads, platforms, foundations, electrical networks, etc.).

For the Bonnet-Houdelaincourt wind farm, the "reorganization" of the environment as well as the nuisance caused to the bats by the wind turbines is "co-managed" by the Lorraine association Chauve-Souris Infos CPEPESC (based in Neuves-Maisons); and the

scientists of the "negative impacts" wind farm on  $_{
m the}$ environment (natural habitats, bat and bird populations) are carried office ENVOL ENVIRONNEMENT (head offices in Dijon and in the North) The LANGA company (now ENGIE) has also carried out two other wind farm projects in Meuse in recent years: in Tréveray-St Joire (13 wind turbines) and Erize-la-Brûlée/Belrain/Nicey-sur-Aire/Pierrefitte-sur-Aire (10 wind turbines).



Not far from there, in Goussaincourt, between Domremy-la-Pucelle and Neufchâteau (88), a 52-hectare field of photovoltaic panels (82,000 panels) was built on the heights of the village and was put into service in the spring of 2021. Built on an uncultivated agricultural land, the park will regularly host a flock of some 160

would be maximized, but something to be respected as such, to be preserved in order to continue living in it. "Equity" would no longer be a simple word spoken, it would be enthroned next to "freedom" in our hearts and our gestures.

We could even add "adelphity".

But there are many walls to cross (or demolish) before the parties and the rainbows.

The authoritarian and liberticide State, allied to a capitalism repainted in green, polluting and happily exploiting as usual, must be destroyed. No reform will get rid of it.

Ballot, demonstration, or saw? We no longer believe in this "democracy", which is locked up by lobbyism and the mass media. Nobody believes in it anymore. So we choose the saw.

Direct action.

Direct action to see groups of saboteurs emerge everywhere; autonomous and free. Everywhere to see pylons fall, socially deadly factories closed, environmental massacres denounced, police stations burned.

To be everywhere. To make ourselves swift, stealthy. To act and disappear. To hide. To be elusive.

Sabotaging everything that falls between our gloved hands.

Hm hmm. One moonlit evening, our hands took saws. We cut the legs off a high voltage pylon.

And maybe - ifthegoddessesoflifeandlovewillallowit, acabélluia - one of these days it will crash to the ground.

Energy is the nerve of their war.

The towers of the Defense (major business district in Paris) hold thanks to nuclear power.

The pylons carry their authoritarian power. Let's bring them down.

The damages have a cost, private companies will be hurt in their wallet, the state gets scared stiff.

Prepare to board RTE get out

#### The naturalist studies

While walking around, one notices on the ground black plates where it is written in white "scientific research, please do not displace".

# Et pendant ce temps là à l'Andra 13/04/20

On April 10, an authorization was published in the "recueil des actes administratifs" (list of administrative orders) of the Prefecture (p17),



authorizing the Cigeo project to "collect amphibians" (the exact list of animals they want to catch is on the press release) along the D5 between Montiers-sur-saulx and Ecurey, near Biencourt-sur-Orge (on the road towards Couverpuis), and near Saint Joire - in a place called "Côte du Val" along the OrmanÇon river. This authorization is valid until December 20, 2022.



These "collections" will be carried out by the Hirrus association (located at 10 rue Neuve, 88500 Pont sur Madon).

on the future construction site of the railway and those who are opposed to it.

Twenty years ago, some opponents were putting down the fences of the first platforms of the Andra, in Bure. Today, the lab became a fortress. There is no doubt that the same will happen to where we are today, to Lejuc forest, and to all the land that this project will swallow up. It is right now that we must act, while we still have a shot!

## ANDRA GET OFF RESISTANCE AND SABOTAGE!

# Wind turbines and photovoltaic panels

# Wind turbines and solar panels in the area

In the south of Meuse, the agricultural desert is used for the implantation of numerous wind/photo-voltaic parks, of which here are some examples.





Since February 2018, a new wind farm with four additional turbines has been commissioned in Bonnet-Houdelaincourt, developed and built by TERRE ET LAC CONSEIL (based in Lyon, Chambéry, Paris,

Bordeaux and Béziers), in local partnership with BAE

of the private road that will belong only to the ANDRA and that will go for about fifteen kilometers, from Gondrecourt to Bure, including the former Luméville-en-Ornois train station, where the Camp des Rayonnantes is taking place these days.

For the moment, the ANDRA stores here only a few machines and the old walls with which the agency believed, they could prevent access to Lejuc forest in 2016. Soon, if its plan is successful, if the Cigéo project is recognized as a public need, if it then obtains its authorization, there will be a railway platform here. A few hundred meters from the houses, will pass, every day and for at least a century, trains carrying materials and rubble, then convoys of highly radioactive waste.

For us, it is a symbolic and strategic fact to be here today. This place bears the memory of a past history – industrial and social, the memory of the knowledge of workers and craftsmen, the memory of the wood industry that kept many people alive when intensive agriculture was getting the countryside empty– and this place is also the hallmark of a deadly project that perfectly fits with the desertification of this region.

Here, we can see the Meuse (region) of Andra's dreams: a depopulated territory, a «platform» in concrete where trains will circulate under the control of Geiger meters to a gallery where robots will move the contaminated barrels. And all this under the eye of the cops, who are never far away when it comes to nuclear power: two hundred meters from here, a police station is being built. It will be accompanied by ten pavilions to house the cops and their families. Above all, it will allow them to keep a constant eye

This association, like many others, has been working regularly for Andra since at least 2013, more precisely on behalf of the "Long-term environmental observatory", housed in the ecotheque. This observatory participates in the current inventory of the environment to be able to put in museum what was the life before they destroy everything.

A statement for a graffiti action had already been carried out against Hirrus in March 2018.

#### Solidarity with our owl cousins of Bure!

18/03/18

[Sabotage] One swallow does not make a summer... But one night, some of them have embellished the winter by turning against those who claim to use them as an emblem.



These birds, usually diurnal, flew away

in the middle of the night to 10, Rue neuve, Pont-sur-Madon (Vosges), headquarters of the "naturalist" association Hirrus. After having feasted on the bird food laid out in abundance on the shrubs of the garden and having squatted in the nesting box for a nap, the swallows sent a clear message to these traitors.

One of the birds also left a warning letter, carried in its little beak (reproduced at the end of the article), at the door of the house.

Cigéo Bure Collabos of the nuclear desert

At about the same time, by a happy coincidence, a group of water shrews (Neomys fodiens) decided to attack those who have shamefully appropriated their latin name. The small mammals went towards a car and a van of the Neomys study office, parked at 240, rue de Cumène, Neuves-Maisons (54). Just to mark the occasion, they also left a letter identical to the one of the swallows. Amazing, these little creatures.

We observed, in some "naturalists" of Lorraine, a strange syndrome of disconnection from reality. It is characterized by an ability to do one's job normally without seeing the slightest inconsistency in the fact that they have been commissioned by Andra (the national agency for radioactive waste management), whose mission is to bury uncontrollable radioactive materials under the ground of Bure, Meuse. Thus, the associations Hirrus and Neomys, respected in the Saintois and the Nancy area for their initiatives in favor of the environment, do not shout it from the rooftops that they are facilitating the establishment of the nuclear mafia in the south of Meuse.

The inventories and studies carried out by these associations will be used by the OPE (Observatoire Pérenne de l'Environnement, Long-term environmental observatory), an agency of Andra dedicated to the knowledge of the territory before its radioactive contamination for millennia to come. The agency will thus be within the legal framework that will allow it to move forward, crushing everything in its path, while claiming that it has taken great care of the species and ecological dynamics present.

Like Hitchcock's birds, the swallows, now warned of the hypocrisy of these "naturalists", are watching out. The other animal and plant species, unwilling to become radioactive, have no shortage of ways to stop these associations from collaborating with Andra and

#### Little story of the warehouse, why we are there

The warehouse, as it's called, is actually an old furniture factory. Meuse Omni Style was, in the mid-1990s, a flourishing company, based here in Gondrecourt-le-Château. It was the largest employer in the township with more than 1,000 people working on site.

Then the sawmills started to close and with them almost all the carpentry shops that existed in the area. These small businesses were no longer competitive in a globalized market and gradually sunk. Meuse Omni Style made several redundancy plans in the early 2000s before being bought by an industrial group which led to the compulsory liquidation in 2011. Hundreds of people lost their jobs with no hope of finding one locally.

Since 2013, ANDRA has jumped on this unexpected property describing it as an «industrial wasteland, unhealthy and abandoned». ANDRA bought it for nothing, explaining that it lacked space on its site at the Bure-Saudron laboratory to store machines and «carrots», samples from geological drilling. then they applied for and obtained demolition permits for most of the buildings, keeping only two or three buildings and a small water castle.

As you can imagine, the Andra did not want this factory to store its machines. Andra calls this place its future «MULTIMODAL PLATFORM». It is indeed a capital outlet for it because it is located on the edge of the old railway line that it intends to put back into operation to transport the materials of the titanic work of Cigéo and, ultimately, the radioactive waste that would be buried there. Precisely, the old factory is at the end of the section of the railway that will be renovated by the SNCF and at the beginning

presentation of the project and its issues, with a concert of rocks and the knocking down of construction site gates. Farmland, forests and our lives are not commodities. In 2016, the Syndièse project was suspended because it was deemed not economically viable. Specifically, today the site is a building still owned by the CEA, and we don't know what's going on in it, or what it might be used for in the future. And the building is also permanently guarded by a security guard.

#### Warehouse in Gondrecourt-le-Château

Little story of the warehouse, why we went there! 2/09/21

On Saturday, the 21 of August, four groups made a separate journey to meet in front of Andra's warehouse, in Gondrecourt-le-Château. This building was attacked from several sides, its gates fell down and everyone had an opportunity to express in his



own creative way what the presence of the agency and its project Cigéo in this region evokes to them.

The following text was read or distributed as a leaflet in the various groups. It explains the history of this warehouse and why we targeted it.

to remind them of what they are supposed to be defending. If this infamous double game persists, the good state of conservation of Hirrus and Neomys for years to come cannot be guaranteed...

Whether you are a swallow, a newt or a bat, don't forget that there is always an Andra collaborator near you that you can sabotage to eat into the Cigéo project with us.

"And the little that will come, from them to you, is their droppings."

#### Reproduction of the letter addressed to the traitors

To the attention of so-called defenders of nature,

It seems that you dedicate your life to the preservation of biodiversity and to making known the wonders of the environment. When you make such a commitment, how can you remain "neutral" in the face of an insane and destructive industrial project? How can one remain "neutral" in the face of the upcoming arrival of 80,000 cubic meters of deadly nuclear waste over thousands of years? How can one remain "neutral" in the face of the illegal clearing of land already carried out in Lejuc Wood, and in the face of the programmed destruction of 160 hectares of this same wood in the months to come? What "nature" do you want to defend when it will be pierced by trucks and trains of nuclear waste several times a week for a century and a half? Did you even get the facts before giving in to the lure of profit? So it only took a few thousand euros to buy your silence and your blindness to this huge atomic waste project? And even if you have enough common sense to demonstrate the catastrophic impact of this project on the ecosystem, are you naive enough to believe that the steamroller of the nuclear industry will take it into account?

Your collaboration with Andra must stop immediately. We are not trying, with this letter, to convince you of anything or to establish a "dialogue", because you have already gone too far astray.

As a reminder, other naturalist associations have refused to collaborate with Andra and have not sunk for all that. So don't make anyone believe that your survival is at stake. Think rather of the survival of a whole territory and of the nature that you are supposed to defend.

We wait resolutely your withdrawal from the Cigéo project. If it does not come, we will provoke it. We do not wish to stop all your activities and initiatives for the environment, but if this is necessary to neutralize a link in this immense radioactive chain that is imposed by brutality, we will not hesitate.

Nature, ready to defend itself.

# Lejuc Wood

Following the eviction of February 22, 2018, there is a ban on walking there, under penalty of 500 euros fine per hour spent in the woods. No fine has ever been received, even after the 3rd occupation in July 2019. On the other hand, there are regular patrols by the gendarmes on the main roads (Roman road,



"vigie entrances, sud"). Cameras are installed: also they triggered when are you pass in front of them and the cops come in can afterwards. They look like boxes attached to tree trunks.

# Nuclear buildings in the vicinity

#### The lab & AREVA archives

On the ANDRA site (Bure-Saudron) there are various buildings related to nuclear energy (and its protection): the laboratory with its 2km long galleries at 500 meters underground, the "Écotheque" where ANDRA intends to "preserve" biodiversity (sic!), the hotel-restaurant where the Gendarmes sleep, the technological space for exhibits and school and tourist visits, a fire station just in case, the EDF archives, a grocery store and a gas station.

And 13km away are the AREVA archives in Houdelaincourt.

#### Syndièse in Bure-Saudron

In October 2014, the "Commissariat à l'Énergie atomique et aux Énergies alternatives" or CEA ("Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission") inaugurated a pretreatment facility for biomass of forest origin on the Bure-Saudron platform, between Saudron and Montiers. The Syndièse project consisted of making diesel fuel from the surrounding woods, i.e. destroying 90,000 tons of wood per year, starting with the 200 hectares of wood that are to be cleared on the Cigeo site, to run 3,000 cars. With such a project, about 20% of the forest area of Lorraine (about 2000 hectares of forest) would fall victim to the CEA project. This first phase of the Syndièse project required an investment of 24 million euros, largely financed by subsidies from the GIP Meuse and Haute-Marne and the European Union. A few months earlier, on June 29, 2014, as part of the call for decentralized actions Bure 365, about thirty people demonstrated their opposition during a

the occupation was revealed, 4 tree houses had already been built proves that this statement is false and cheap propaganda. Although they did not seem to expect at the time and intensity of the attack, this does not mean that they were not prepared! We have the impression that at the time of the publication of the occupation communiqué, they already had a planned and well-established intervention scenario that was available at all times thanks to the permanent presence of the gendarmerie. It seems interesting to discuss what this means in terms of future strategies for action in the « zone ».

But it was not only the police who seemed surprised by the unexpected reoccupation: the lack of mobilization in the preparatory period, the poor communication during the action and afterwards made it difficult for many people in the fight against Cigeo to understand politically the events.

After all that we learned later on about the character of the action taken, it is not possible to talk about a homogeneous commando action. Although the well-kept secret of planning has effectively excluded many people, the reoccupation shows a real diversity of tactics, in which different forms of action have coexisted equally. We still consider this heterogeneity as a central key to the success of our resistance! Therefore, we do not want to consider the reoccupation of the forest as an isolated act. Behind this, there is a turbulent summer during which resistance against the nuclear waste project has been strong in many respects. The events carried out by various components have shown that the fight against cigeo continues at all levels.

The cameras we are sure of are just after the south-east entrance (2 looking at each other, 3-4m high on the row of trees along the right path). For these, the cops come to check about 20mn after a passage in front of it (they don't see from a distance what the camera is filming, there is just an integrated detector but once there they capture the video memory, probably by bluetooth). Then, there is at least 1 camera at the south entrance which looks at the entrance from a tree in front (but anyway there are almost always cops here). Finally, there is at least 1 camera at the north (west) entrance looking at the stone "fence". There may be others.

Having said that, we have more than once managed to walk around, hang banners on the trees, keep ourselves busy.

#### At Lejuc Wood, no firewood for the anti-Cigéo 10/03/20

What is happening in Lejuc Wood? For several months now, this piece of forest in the Meuse has been tearing apart the inhabitants of Mandres-en-Barrois, near Bure (Meuse). The Agence nationale de gestion des déchets radioactifs (Andra) has authorized certain local residents, selected according to their militant inclination, to come and cut wood there... in complete opacity.

#### A walk in the Bois Lejuc

21/12/20

Next to Bure, the Andra plans to cut the Bois Lejuc to build the ventilation shafts of Cigéo, its project of a center for burrying radioactive waste. These past days, even though the Andra (still) hasn't obtained the authorization to cut, trees were cut in the forest. Behind these cuts, a scheming between Andra and the town hall of Mandres-en-Barrois: parcels of the Bois Lejuc were attributed to the people of the village for their « affouages » – a right that authorizes people in villages in the south of Meuse to cut and pick up wood in the communal forests.

#### **Hunt for Andra instead**

29/10/21

On Friday morning, October 29, a small meeting was held in the community hall of Bure, bringing together about thirty hunters from Meuse and Haute-Marne, but also from much further away. Indeed, Andra and the recent director of the Meuse/Haute-Marne center and director of industrial operations Patrice Torres took the liberty of organizing a hunting party in Lejus Wood.

This is not the first time that ANDRA and Patrice Torres, like a great lord to his serfs, have offered hunting parties on their land: "It is for us a **public relations tool** that allows us to reach a large part of the actors of the territory. (...) We must not caricature, it is not because an elected official is invited to an event or a hunt that he is indebted for anything. (...) And I remind you that we invite elected officials, of course, but also many other people, residents, business leaders, farmers, **not with the objective of making them indebted or manipulate them**." (2017).

Patrice, you take the words out of our mouths. Your hunting trip is indeed a purchase of consciences. When will Andra stop taking us for naive hillbillies?

After having tried to control the farmers in the area, and having classified them as "controlled, controllable, difficult to control", Andra wants to put the hunters in its pocket!

Because behind this invitation to come and hunt in Lejus Wood, there is in reality a disgusting publicity operation: to show itself in its most beautiful guise in order to silence the opposition and soften up the inhabitants, while the Cigéo project is being forced through.

If some hunters confided to us that they did not know the history and the stakes of Lejus Wood, the participation of mayors of villages directly threatened by the Cigéo project raises questions. At some point, we will have to choose clearly which side we are on...

This is why this morning, some opponents to the Cigéo project, with leaflets and signs in hand, stood up to denounce this masquerade. They read texts, sang and heckled the ridiculous little monarch of Cigéo, Patrice Torres.

LET'S CHASE ANDRA OUT OF THE MEUSE, THE HAUTE-MARNE AND EVERYWHERE.

#### The return of owls

14/09/2019

#### About the reoccupation of Lejuc wood in July 2019

(...)

From a technical point of view, the assurance with which this reoccupation was carried out is very clear: from what we have heard, we assume that the cops were caught by surprise. There were no reinforced patrols in and around the forest, no climbing team (they had to come from Paris). 300 gendarmes are permanently available to guard this 200-hectare forest. Instead, they prefer to spend their time harassing residents and carrying out abusive controls. The commanders probably had to explain how about 50 activists managed to enter the forest without being noticed, build huts in the trees, erect barricades, then attack and chase away the cops who were guarding the wood. They therefore preferred to use an attack from the outside as an excuse, which they believe has been contained. The simple fact that at the time