

Historical Landscape Characterisation: Kobarid, Staro Selo, Drežnica, Ladra.

Description of the Categories

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Map 1: Historical Landscape Characterisation

Semi-urban areas

Industrial: industrial area

Semi-urban: area of a rural settlement

Ornamental, Religious: areas used for religious purposes (churches, religious monuments) or ornamental areas including non-religious monuments (categories have been joined due to the paucity

Recreational: recreational areas (sport fields etc.)

Fields

Field anew: Newly created fields, either in newly adopted areas or with new technologies/crops (vineyards outside historic areas).

Fields regular: Fields comprised of the best land with rectangular (large and medium cluster) field boundaries; on rugged terrain small clusters with irregular borders may appear. None (or little - can be indicative of 'later' colonisation of less favourable areas) pastures among fields, excellent integration in path/road network as well as field place-names (the place-names including word 'polje') are indicative. Very often these fields are directly adjacent to the settlement. Cluster of fields may have irregular borders as well, particularly small clusters. Mapped and described (best land) as such on Franciscan cadastre, most likely still in use, hence a high survival rate of historical boundaries is typical. Interpretation: fields (probably) used in the same form since the establishment of the adjacent settlement.

Field and/or Pasture -Historic: Mixed field and pasture use with preserved historical land division preserved. Historically these areas have been used exclusively or predominantly as fields, i.e. **on historic fields**. Interpretation: historical fields in process of abandonment in favour of pastures.

Pastures and Meadows¹

Pasture - historic: Pastures with **historic use** and clearly visible historic land division.

Pasture, Field - Historic Division: Mixed pastures and field land-use with visible historic land division on historic pastures. Areas are mostly located in flat areas not directly adjacent to the settlement. Due to changed preferences (proximity to settlement no longer important due to the use of machinery, large unenclosed flat areas preferred to enclosed and/or areas on slopes).

Pastures - Historical Division: Used predominantly as pastures, some fields may occur. Historical land division is still clearly visible (hedges, stone fences). **Historically used as fields / pastures.**

Pasture - Wood clearance: Pastures made by clearance of historic wood.

Pastures - unified: Used as pastures; modern land-use has destroyed signs of historical (pre-1820s) land division (i.e. unification of land-parcels) and/or is showing a post 1820s land division.

Pastures - Modern Division: Modern pastures on areas of historic pastures but with modern (post-1820s) land division.

Terrace - pasture: Semi-abandoned terraced fields that are only used as meadows and / or pastures.

Wood

Wood - ancient: Areas wooded since the earliest available evidence, at least since 1820s.

Wood - historic: Areas that show re-forestation before the earliest available evidence, at least before 1820s.

Wood reforestation: Areas that show re-forestation since the earliest available evidence, at least since 1820s.

Wood - becoming: Areas that are in the process of reforestation, most often due to the neglecting of historic pastures.

Wasteland

Wasteland: Areas with no or scarce vegetation and without any economic value, such as high mountains.

Water

Water: bodies of water

¹ HLC methodology doesn't allow to distinguish between the meadows and pastures throughout the entire history of known use, especially since combined use was common in the past. Therefore, we use the term pasture in the sense Pasture and / or Meadow.