



EWN Webinar



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# TERNEUZEN STRATEGY

## REGIONAL COLLABORATION

### CONCLUDING REMARKS

# Dow's priority water stressed sites

“water tools” – WBCSD, Aquaduct

## Dow's Sustainability Goal #7: World-Leading Operations Performance

By 2025, Dow will reduce its freshwater intake intensity at key water stressed sites and its waste intensity footprint by 20 percent.

## Dow's water vision:

- Sustainable water use and management
- Innovative technologies
- Set new levels for efficient water use
- Creative partnerships



## Water Balance:

- Reuse options
  - Cooling tower make-up
  - Boiler feed
  - Cascading
- Miscellaneous (service, firewater)
- Potable

## Site specific:

- (Fresh) water availability
  - Location (sea, river, inland, local climate)
  - Surrounding
    - industry, cities, rural area
    - nature, recreation
- Focused on process (footprint reduction)
- Minimize wastewater to be treated
- Zero liquid discharge (when it makes sense)





# DOW TERNEUZEN

**NO WATER TO WASTE**

*Engineering with nature*

# I-Parc Dow Terneuzen

## Quick Facts

- Second biggest Dow site globally
- 440 hectares
- 3,200 employees
- 17 Plants incl. 3 Ethylene crackers
- 800+ different chemicals and plastics
- 85% of products exported
- **Located in a Water Stressed Delta**
- **Fresh Water Annual Use is 22 million m<sup>3</sup>**



Zeeuws-Vlaanderen

- 1-2 Million M<sup>3</sup> water locally sourced
- Most water sourced remotely: pipeline ~120km
- Surface & Ground water mildly brackish

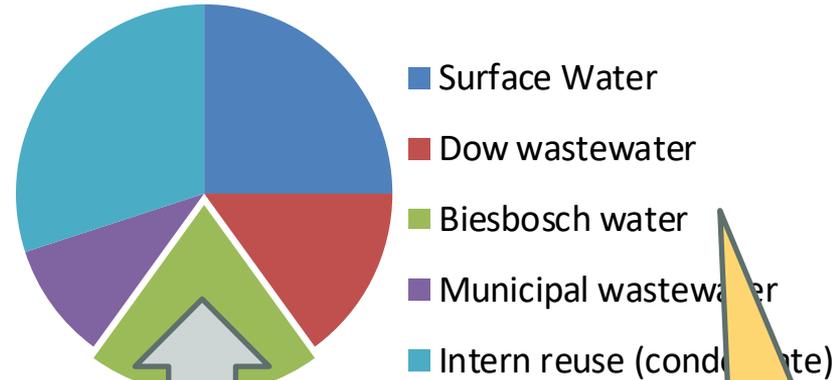
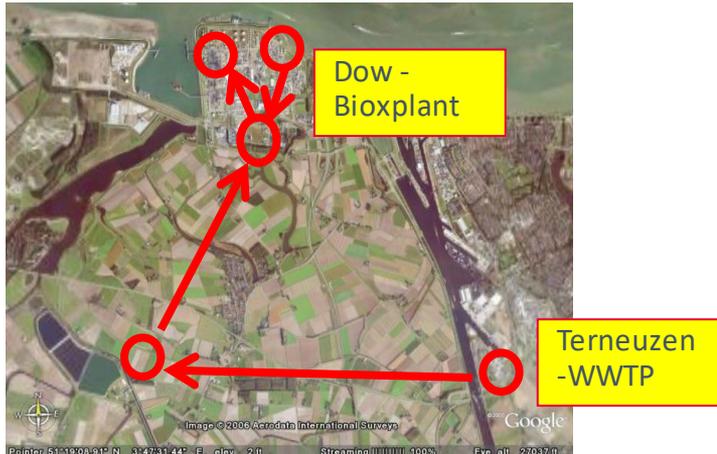


# Terneuzen Water Management – annual water use 22 million m<sup>3</sup>

75% reuse is realized → 100% by 2024 (SG #7)



Fresh water supply – 120 km



Replace source by:

- rainwater
- Dow wastewater
- municipal ww

We don't want to compete for potable water sources

→ reduce Dow's water footprint

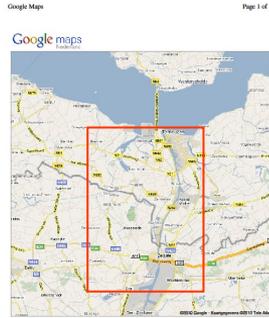
→ self provisioning region



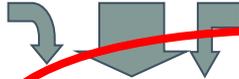
# Regional Robust Water system (multi stakeholder project)

## Key attributes

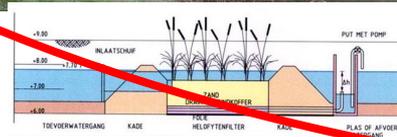
- Surplus of 100 million m<sup>3</sup> of mildly brackish water is discharged annually
- Save scarce potable water sources by using local alternatives
- Nature, landscape and recreation will benefit.



(treated) waste water,  
diffuse discharges, rain water



Influent buffer



JDA with Evides

E4Water

Hydraulic buffering

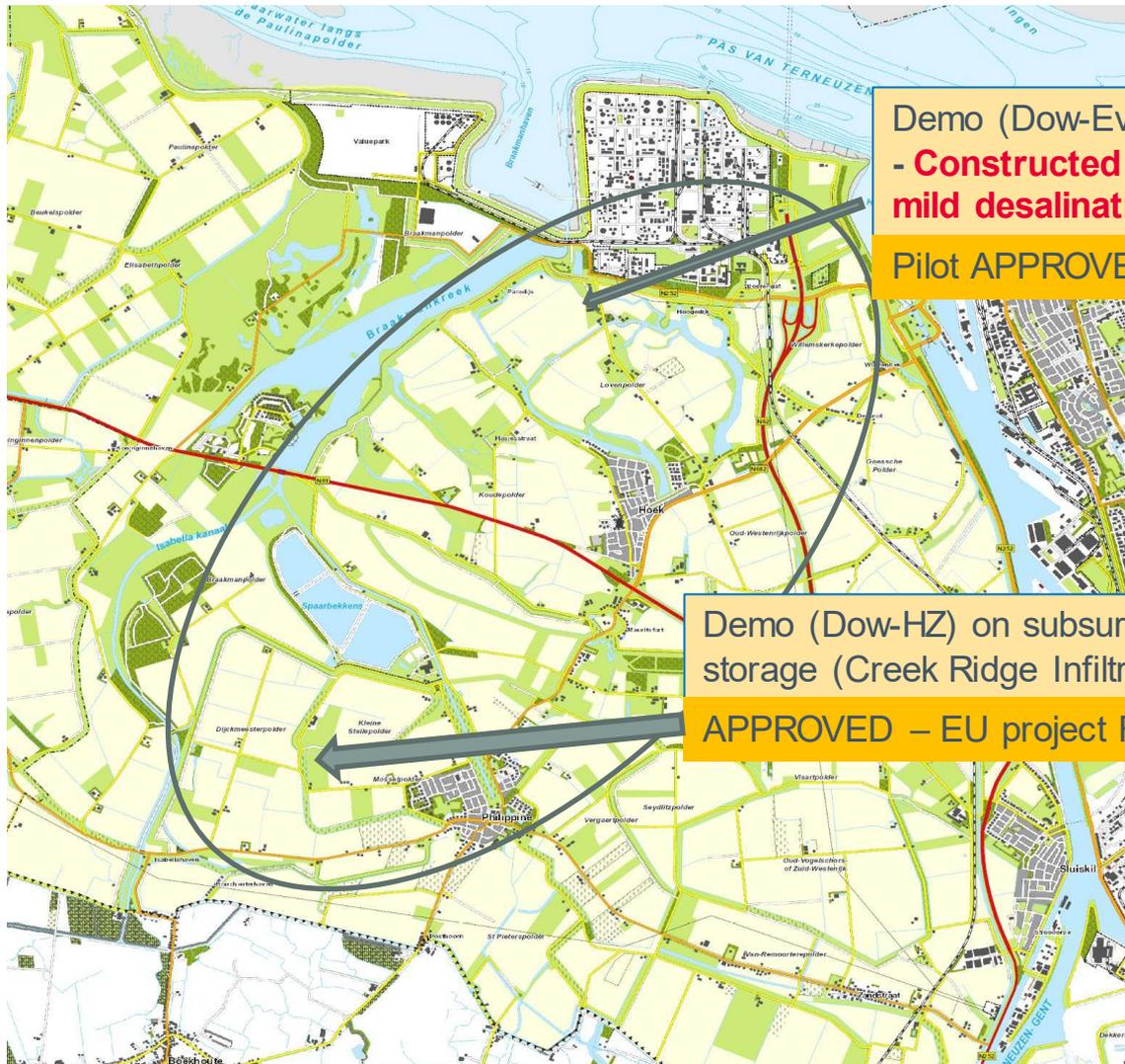


Agricultural usage

Mild desalination

Industrial use





Demo (Dow-Evides-Waterboard)  
- **Constructed wetland connected to mild desalination plant**

Pilot APPROVED – Dutch Delta Fund

Demo (Dow-HZ) on subsurface freshwater storage (Creek Ridge Infiltration)

APPROVED – EU project FRESH4Cs

# Realization as part of new 20-yr water supply contract with Evides Industriewater

## Technical concept characteristics

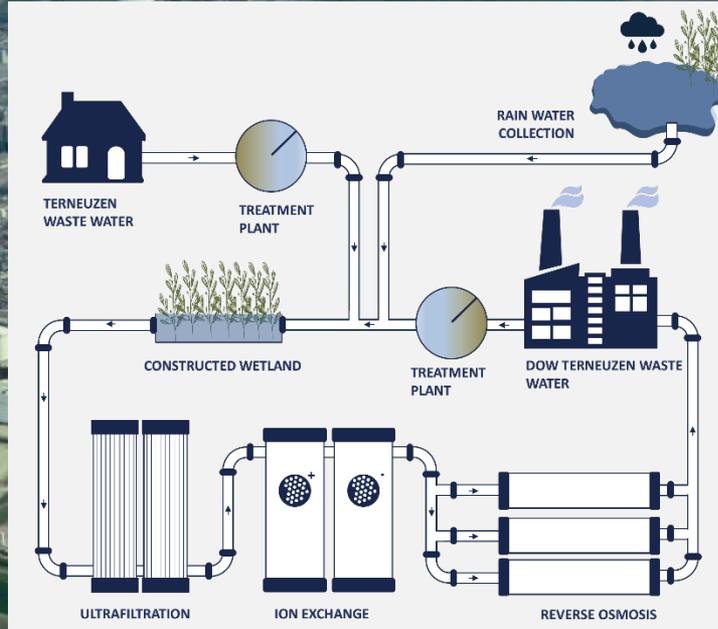
- Addressing the need for **higher degree of reliability** and robustness, meeting **future water quality** objectives
- High quality CT make-up water represents an **excellent business case** for downstream facilities
- **Collected experience** of DW&PS SME's, Dow sites and external, current Evides water plant and preceding E4Water (EU study) results
- Wetlands for feed stream equalization and biological stabilization
  - Cost savings vs. alternatives (BACF) in chemicals, energy, and O&M
  - Adds to Nature Goal (hybrid between green and gray)

# CLOSING THE WATER LOOP

Reuse of three different sources:

- **WWTP-effluent Dow** (increase from 2 to 4 million m<sup>3</sup>/y)
- **Municipal effluent** (increase from 2.5 to 3.5 million m<sup>3</sup>/jy)
- **Collected rainwater** (0.5 million m<sup>3</sup>/y)

Biological system based on green infrastructure as pretreatment to reduce downstream biological fouling



2025

# A STEP FURTHER: ENGINEERING WITH NATURE

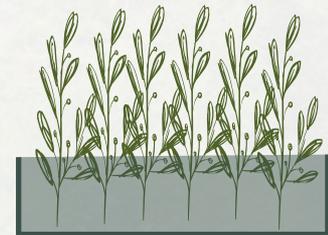
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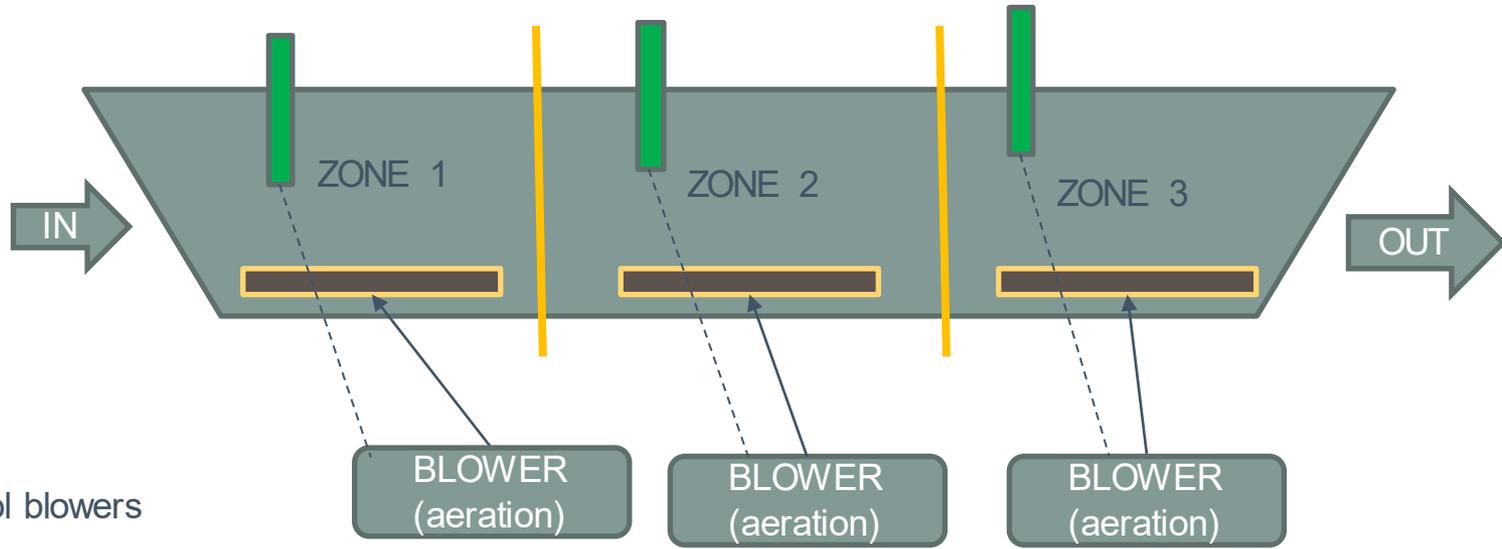
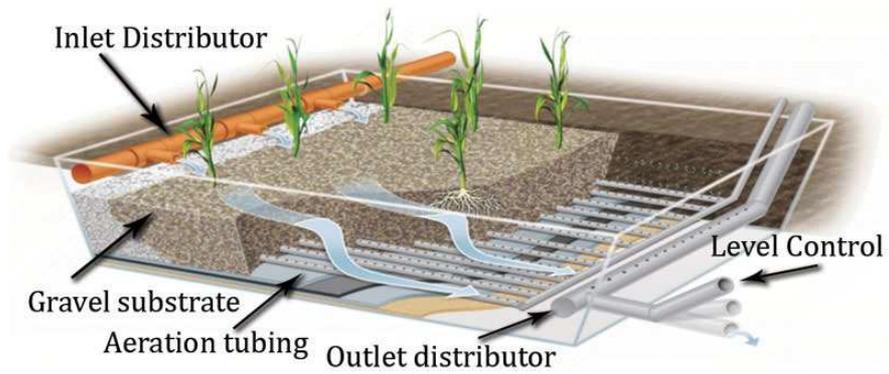
## Why WETLANDS?

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Reduce use of  
chemicals and  
energy in  
conventional  
treatment systems



# PRINCIPLE AERATED WETLAND



# "A high tech wetland"



## Wetland operation and control



Blowers



UV Sensor



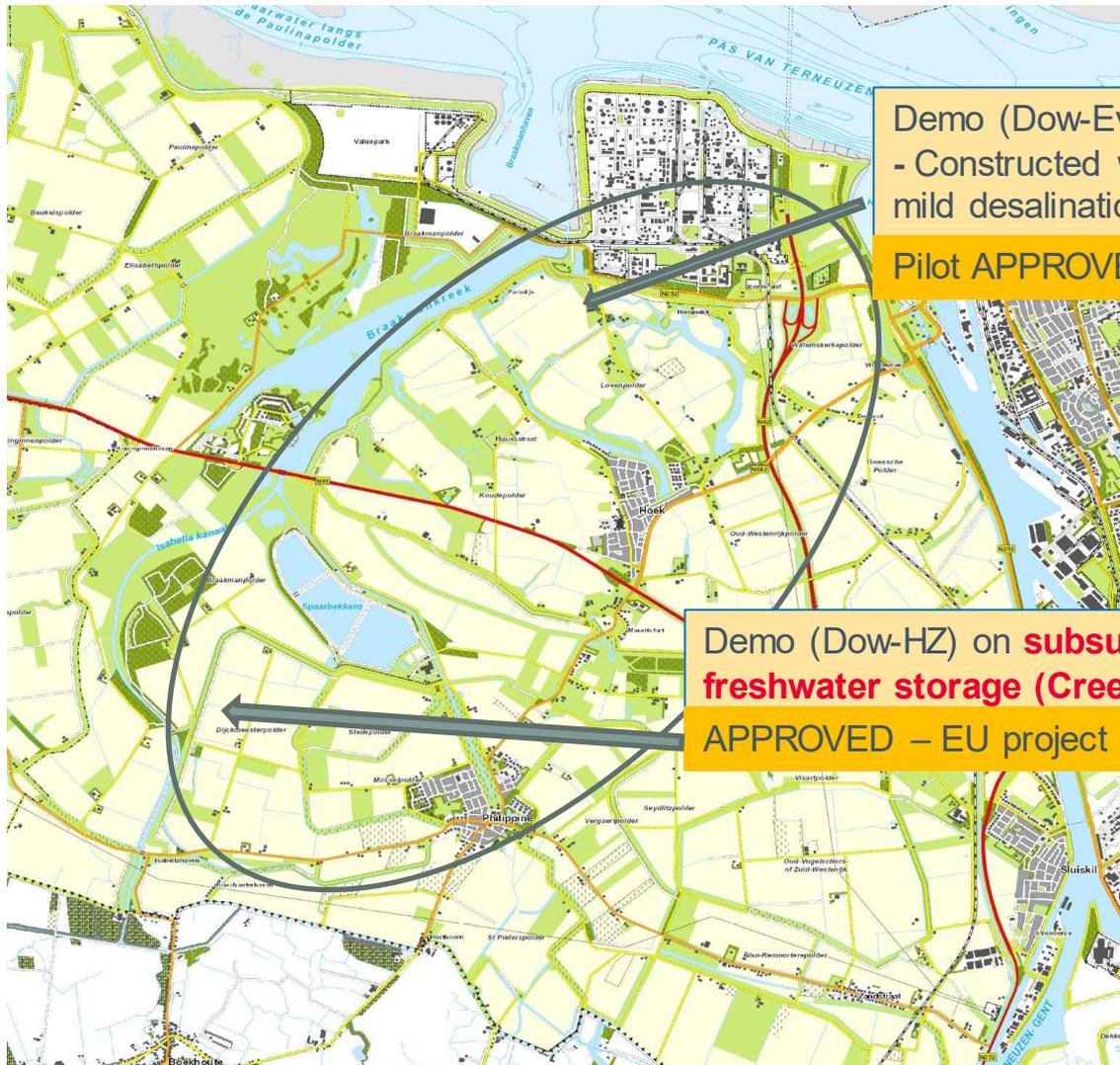
Nitratax sensor



Amtax sampler measuring ammonium



DO and temperature probes

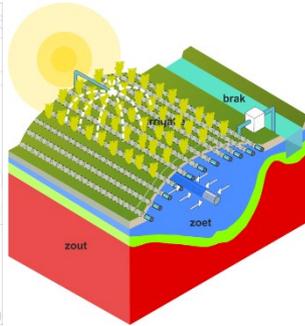
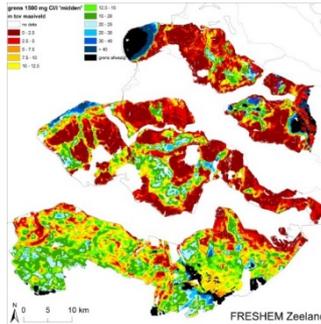


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freshwater storage (Creek Ridge)**  
APPROVED – EU project FRESH4Cs



FRESH4Cs aims for sustainable alternative water resources for all users in coastal areas through the demonstration and replication of technologies for water buffering and water reuse.

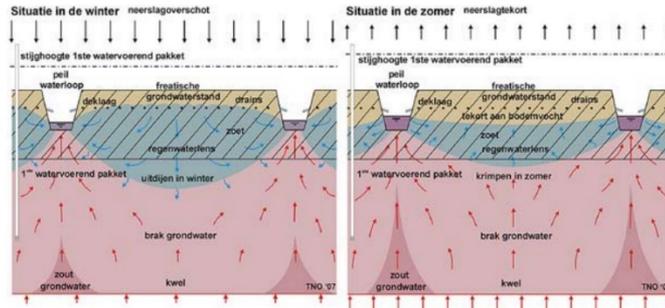


## Sustainable fresh water supply using subsurface

## Creek ridge infiltration System opportunities

### Boundary conditions

- Sandy creek ridge
- Presence of a fresh water lens in saline area
- Growth opportunities (sandy layers underneath)
- Agricultural land use
- Natural infiltration (no seepage)
- Groundwater level sufficiently low (unsaturated zone available)

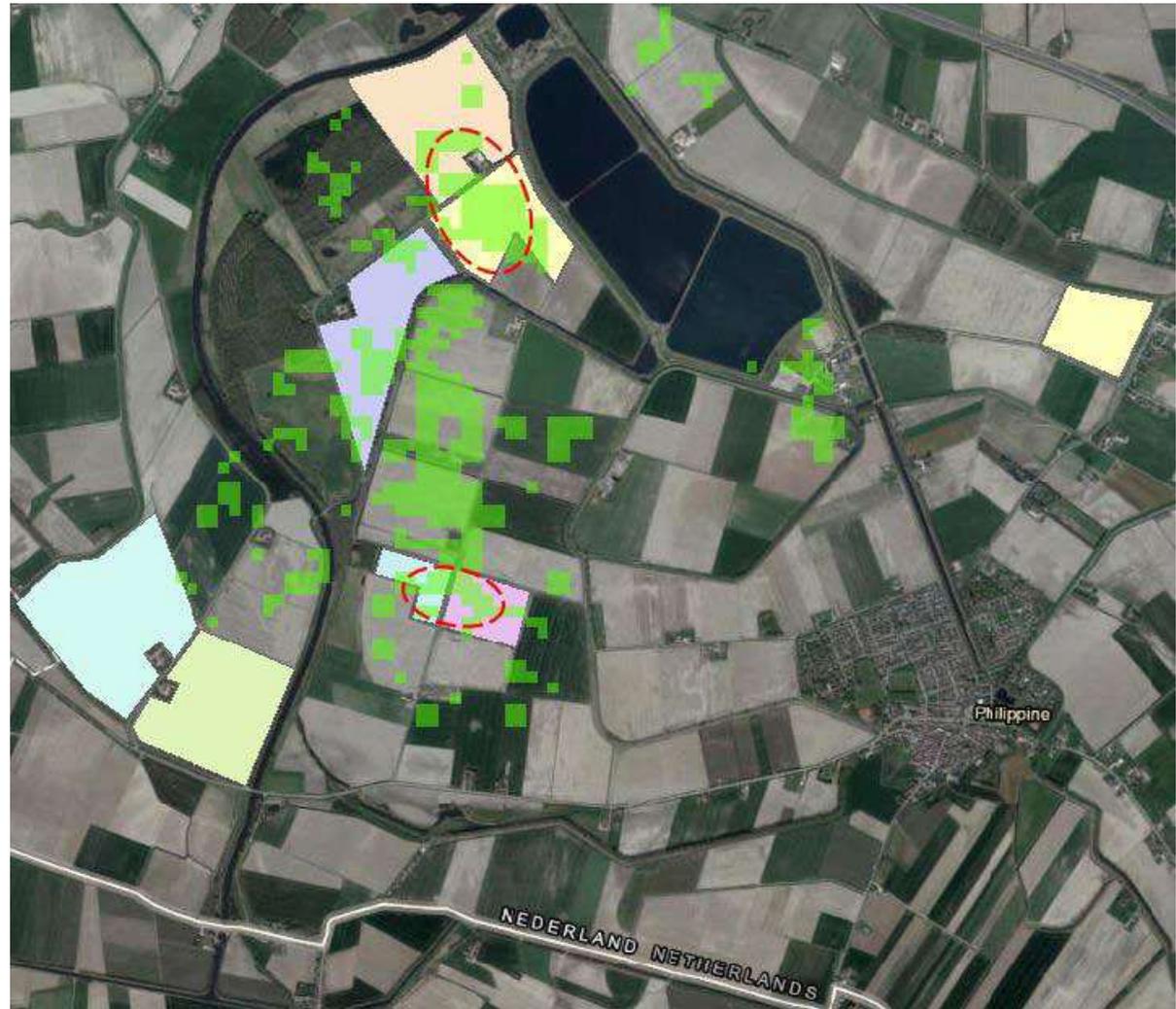


## Map of suitable areas for CRI

- green areas fulfill all criteria for CRI
- dashed areas identified for field measurements and demo in 2021/2022

**Collaboration with agriculture, so that also farmers can benefit in periods of drought**

Target 0.5 – 1 million m<sup>3</sup>



# NEXT STEPS



1

2019

PILOT UNIT ~1.7 MM\$



Evides

0.8 MM\$ from the Government

Balance between Dow, Evides and Water Board

2

2021

3

2024

FULL SCALE  
PLANT



Terneuzen

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2025  


**100%**  
Circular Water Use  
by **2025**





*Connects  
Chemistry & Water  
with passion!*

Water



Each drop counts!



**Seek**

**Together™**