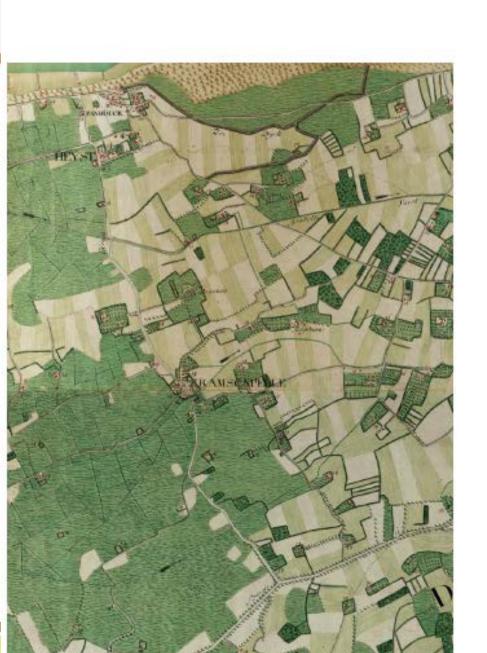


Port of Zeebrugge Impact of Harbour-related infrastructure



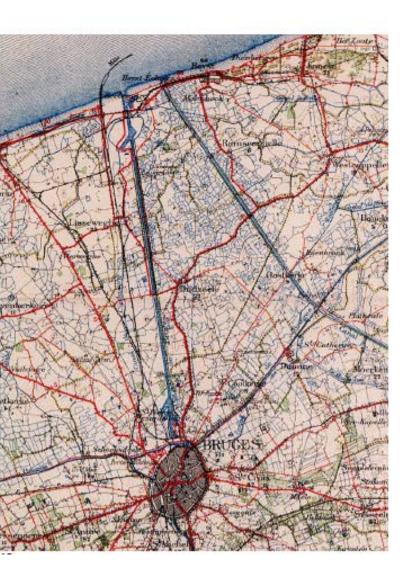


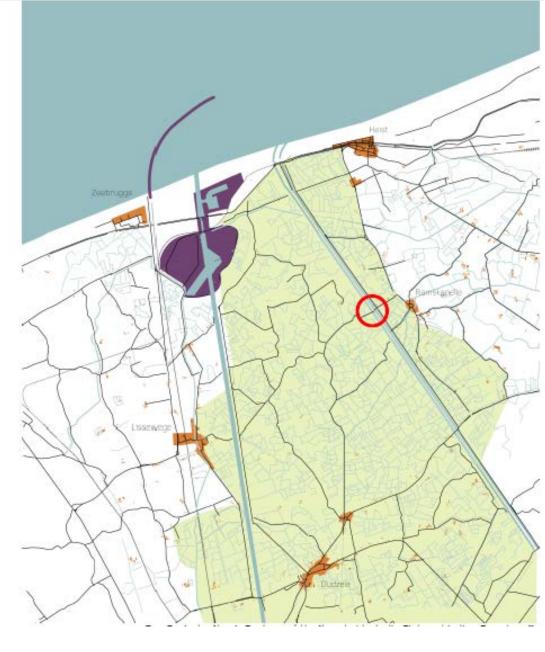
A short history

- Connecting Bruges to the sea:
 - 1891: "Commission Mixte de Bruges Port de Mer": commission to develop a sea-harbour connecting Bruges with the sea.
 - 1894: decision to develop the harbour by the "Compagnie des Installations Maritimes de Bruges" (now MBZ)
 - An outer-port in Zeebrugge
 - A sea-canal between Zeebrugge and Brugge
 - An inner-port in Brugge
 - 1896 -1905: construction of the infrastructure











Now





Infrastructure for the port of Zeebrugge

- In it's history the port of Zeebrugge has shifted from a traditional "industrial harbour" to a "logistics harbour"
 - In the beginning: harbour related heavy duty production industry: cokes-factory, glass-factory, food-production, ...
 - Now: container transport, car-transport, roll-on/roll-off truck transport, liquid-gas, ... with almost no production-facilities in the harbour.
- In this development to a logistics harbour:
 - Investments in the sea-related infrastructure
 - Less investments in the land-related infrastructure



Land-related infrastrcuture

- Connection port with the highway infrastructure:
 - Now: no direct connection to the highway-network
 - Planned:
 - Investments in the ringway-around Bruges and the N31 (Bruges-Zeebrugge): highway connection to Brussels and France)
 - Investments to develop a new highway connecting the ports of Zeebrugge, Gent and Antwerp



Primary roads in Flanders

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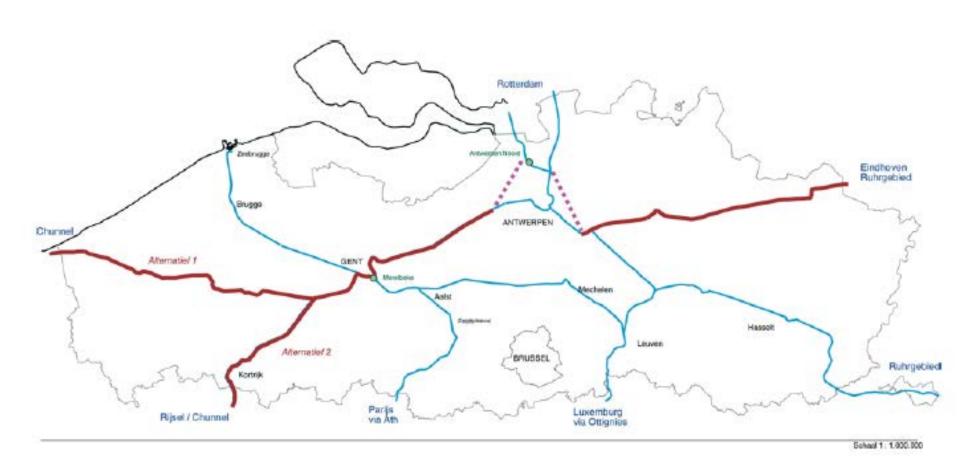


Land-related infrastrcuture

- Connection port with the railroad-infrastructure:
 - Now:
 - too much interaction between passenger-traffic and industrial-traffic: congestion on the railroad infrastucture
 - Train-composing-station of Zeebrugge is congested
 - Planned:
 - Investments in the railroad Zeebrugge-Brugge-Gent-Brussels (doubling the capacity from 2 railways (one in each direction) to 4 railways (two in each direction)
 - Investments in new train-shunting-stations for the port of Zeebrugge



Primary railroads for industrial traffic



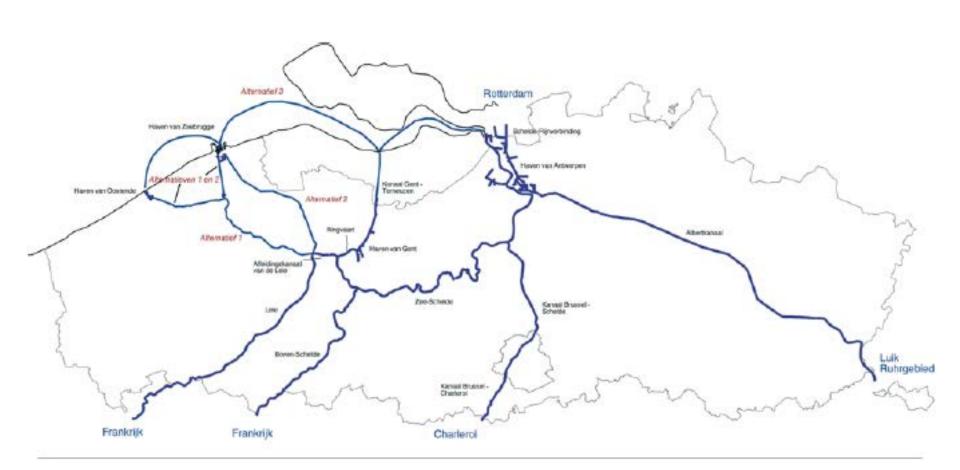


Land-related infrastrcuture

- Connection port with the canal-infrastructure:
 - Now:
 - Only waterway connection is congested around Brugge and has a low capacity of shiploads
 - Planned:
 - Development of short-sea-shipping
 - Development of new canal between Zeebrugge and Gent

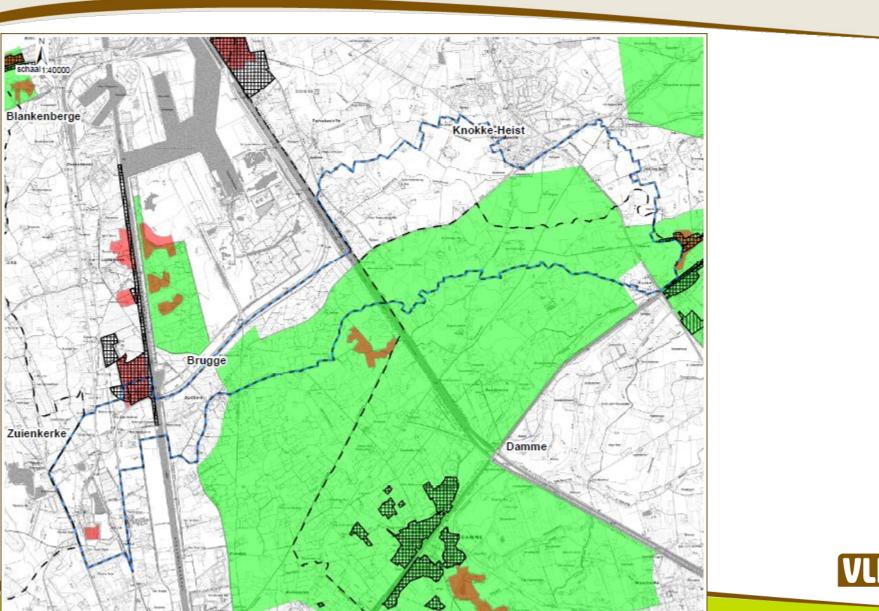


Primary Waterways





Impact infrastructure: ecology EU-protected area's





Projects to diminisch impact on surroundings infrastructure

- Nature-compensation projects
- Land-development projects
- Land-consolidation projects





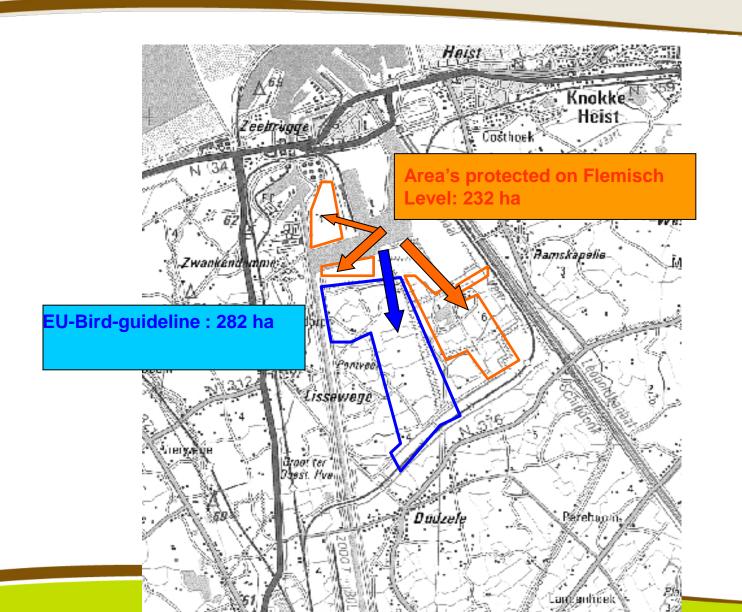
Nature compensation projects

Nature-compensation projects

- Nature compensation for the development of the inner-port of Zeebrugge
- Nature compensation A11: nature compensation for the construction of the new A11 highway

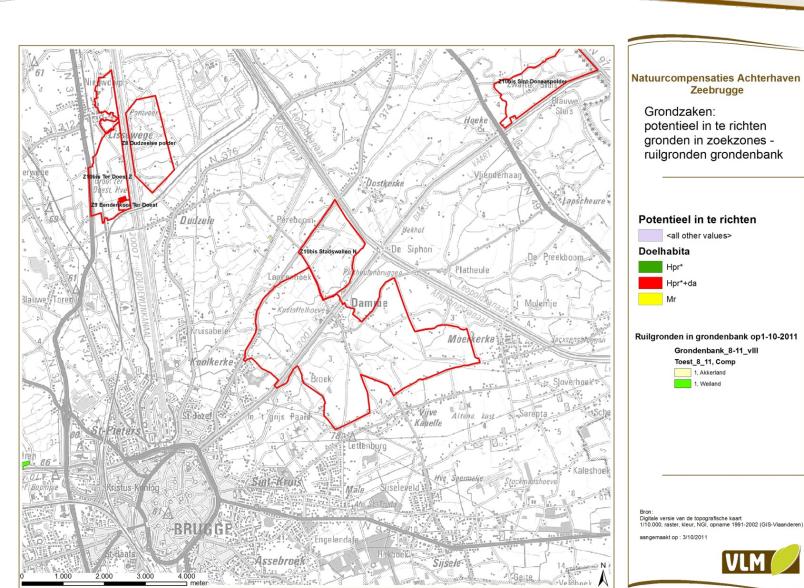


Nature compensation development inner port



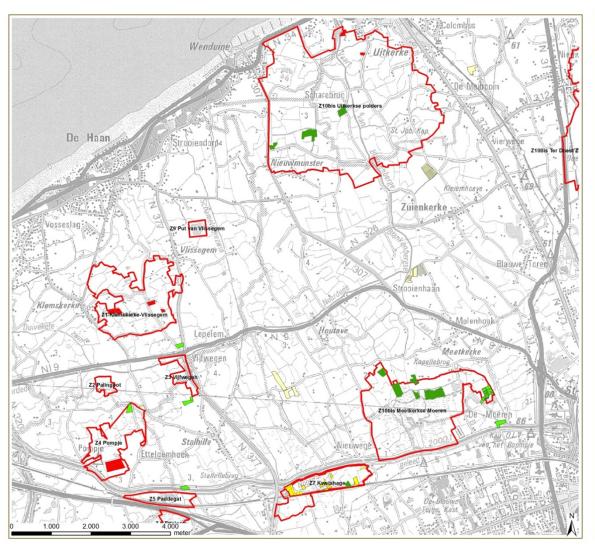


Compensation Area's





Compensation Areas







Goal of the nature compensation project

- A total of 290 ha "new nature" to create of which:
 - Salty pasture: 172 ha
 - Polder pasture: 44 ha
 - Reed wetland: 65 ha
 - Brackish pond: 9 ha
- Pro-active compensation: industrial development/harbour development can only start when nature is compensated.
- Results:
 - +/- 40 % is allready compensated
 - +/- 75 % of needed surface for compensation is purchased



Dudzeelse polder





Put Wenduine





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Land-development projects

Land-development project "Mobility-axis Gent-Brugge-Zeebrugge"



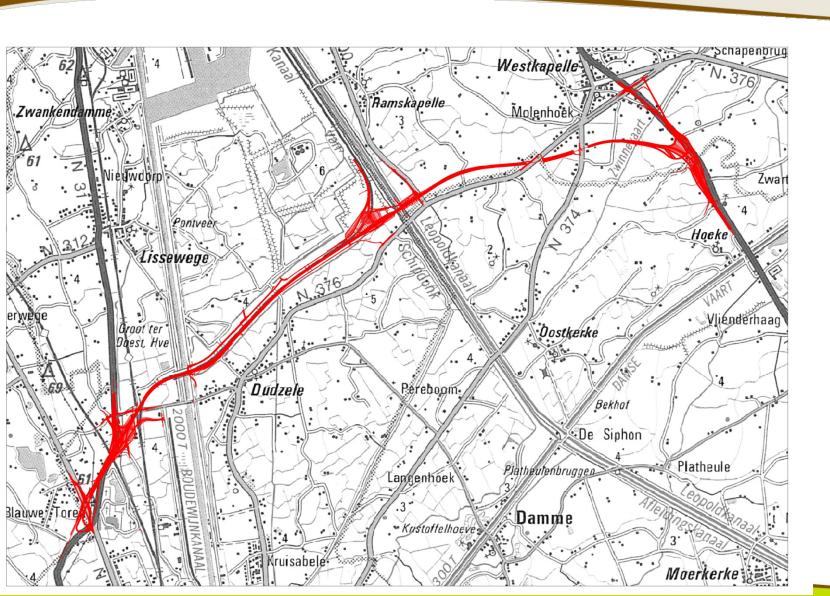


Land-development project "Mobility-axis Gent-Brugge-Zeebrugge"

- Goals of the land-development project:
 - Establish projects to reduce the impact of NEW infrastructure-projects on the surroundings of the infrastructure-project
 - Establish projects to reduce the impact of EXISTING infrastructure on the surroundings of the infrastructure



Project "A11"





Project "A11"

- Landscape restauration
- Establish buffer-area between village of Dudzele and the A11-port of Zeebrugge

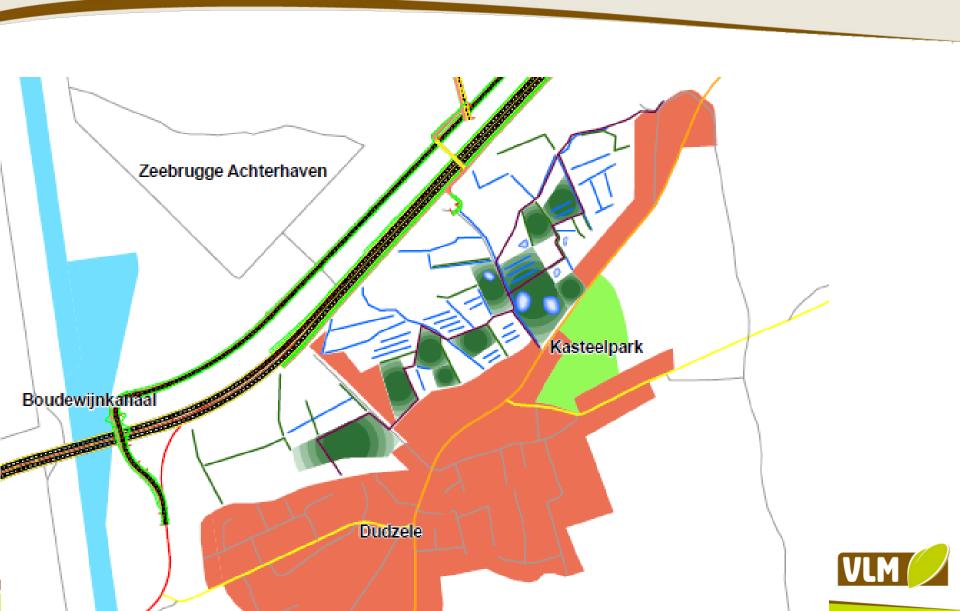


Project "A11": buffer-area village of Dudzele

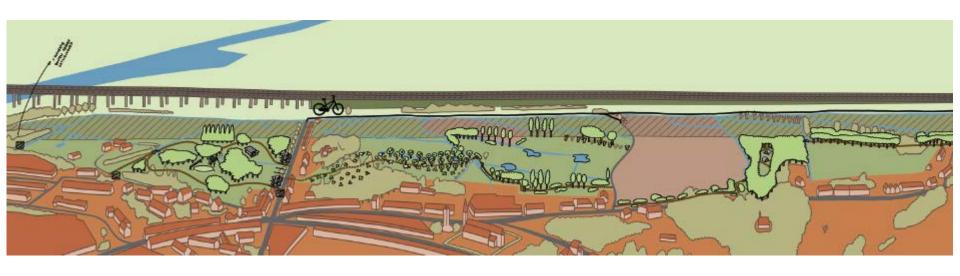




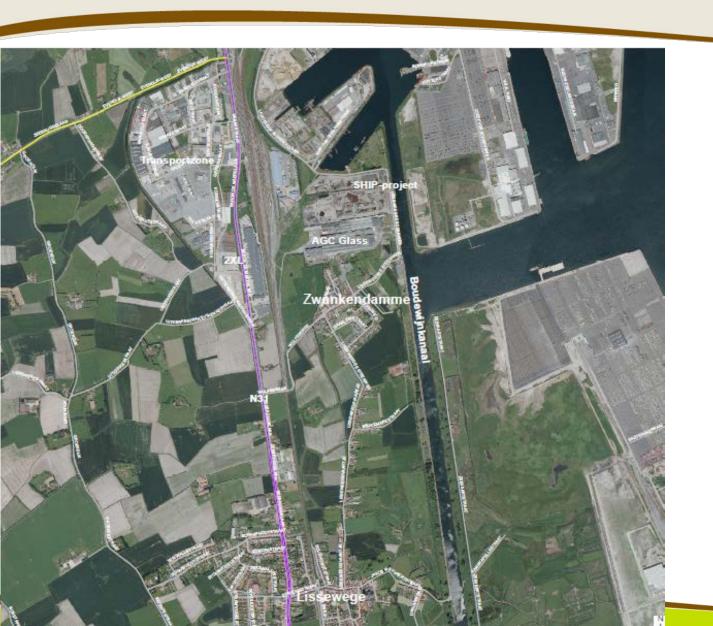
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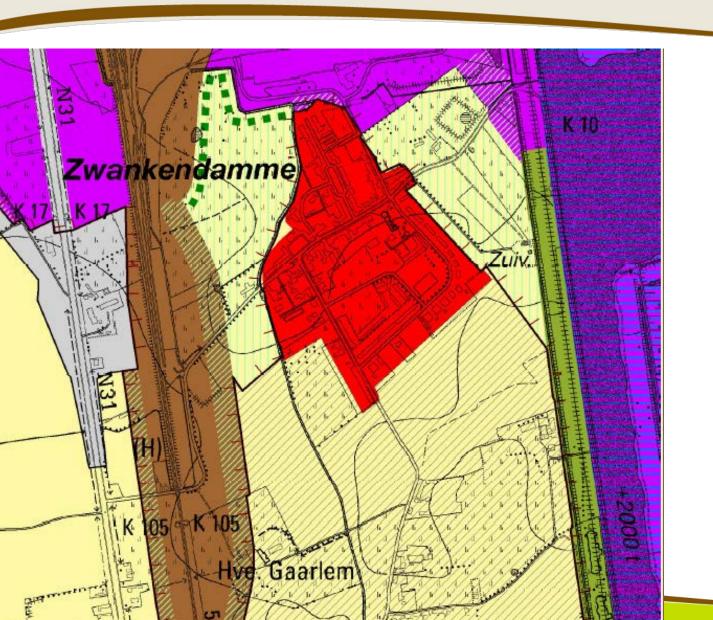




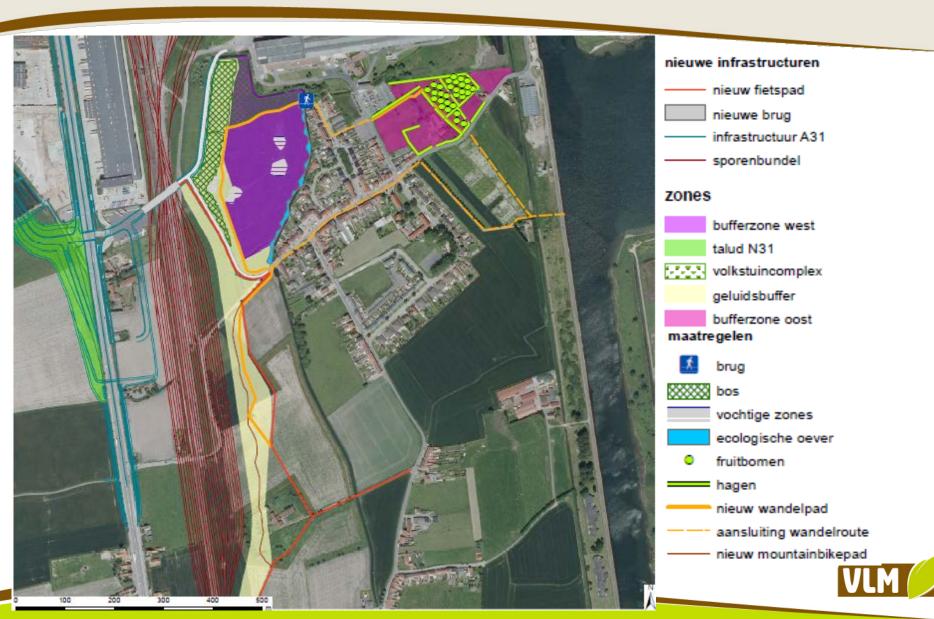
- Establish buffer-area between village of Zwankendamme and the new train-shunting station of Zwankendamme
- Establish buffer-area between village of Zwankendamme and the harbour of Zeebrugge
- Landscape project on the surroundings of the new bridge connecting Zwankendamme with the N31 highway Brugge-Zeebrugge



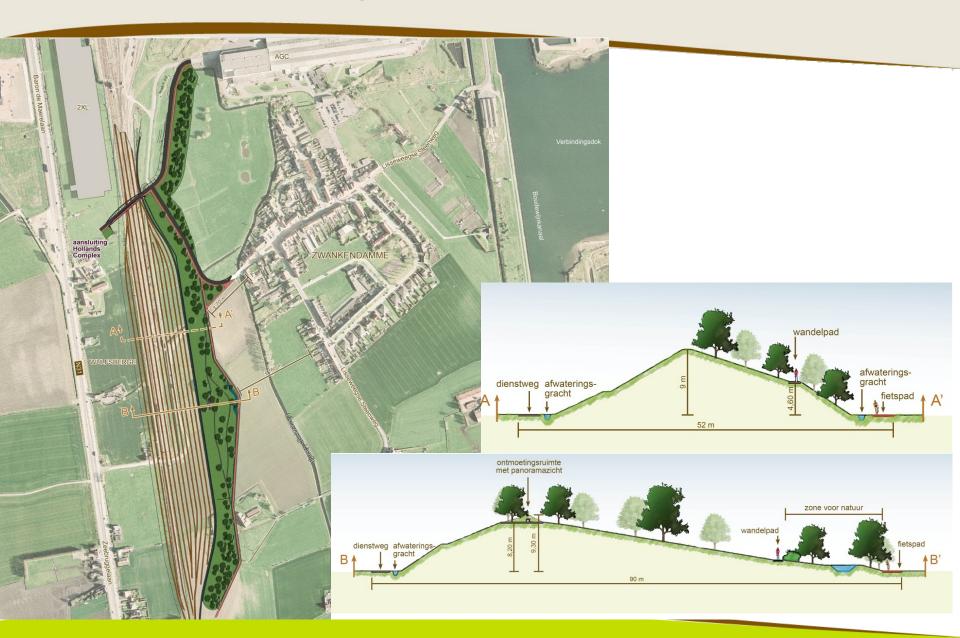








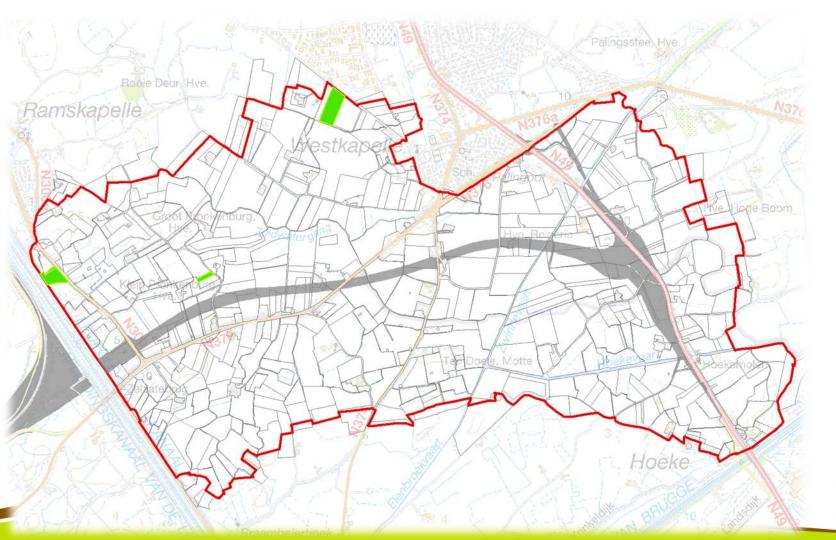
Project "Zwankendamme": Sound barrier





Land-consolidation project

Land-consolidation project "A11"



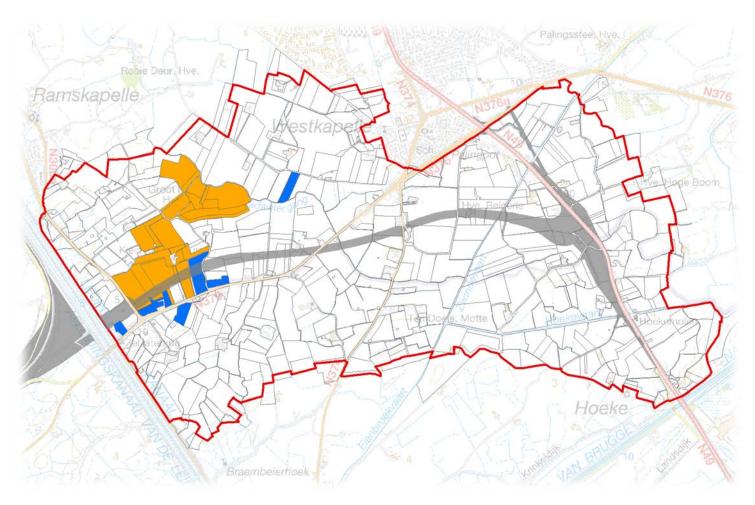


Land-consolidation project "A11"

- Goals of the land-consolidation project:
 - Reduce the impact of the newly constructed highway on agriculture
 - Exchanging land from on side of the new road to the other side: farmer has all his grounds on one side of the new road: reducing costs of construction of the highway as less bridges are needed
 - Exchanging land in order to establish parcels that are usable for modern agriculture
 - Construct new roads to restore accessibility of farmers' land
 - Reduce the impact of the newly constructed highway on its surroundings:
 - Visual buffers between houses and highway
 - Restore landscape-structure
 - New bicycle road



Example: before





Example: after

