


Climate adaptation navigator: design and analysis of adaptation strategies

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Climate adaptation

- Deltas influenced by climate change:
 - Sea level rise → increases salt intrusion
 - River discharge changes
- Adaptation to climate change needed
- Adaptation strategies: spatial planning *and* participatory approach (multi-actor process) → Climate adaptation navigator

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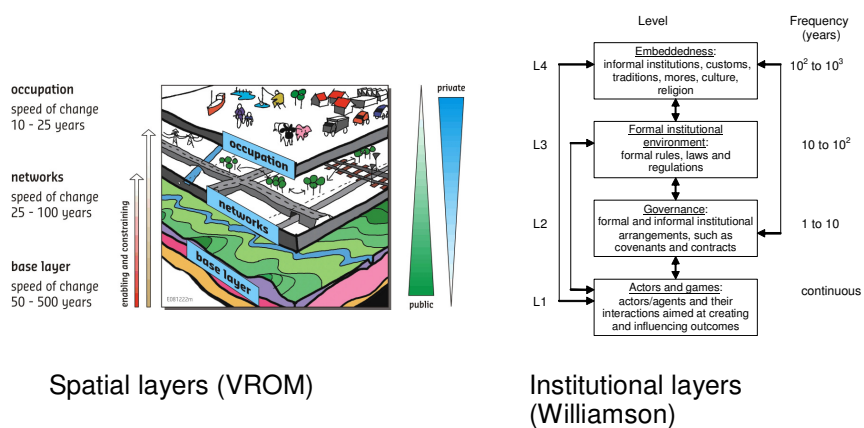
- Combination of two layer approaches: spatial & institutional
- Spatial planning: adaptation in what layers?
- Institutional layers: who is steering adaptation? what are steering mechanisms
- Climate adaptation navigator: What is needed to implement adaptation strategy? (steering mechanisms)

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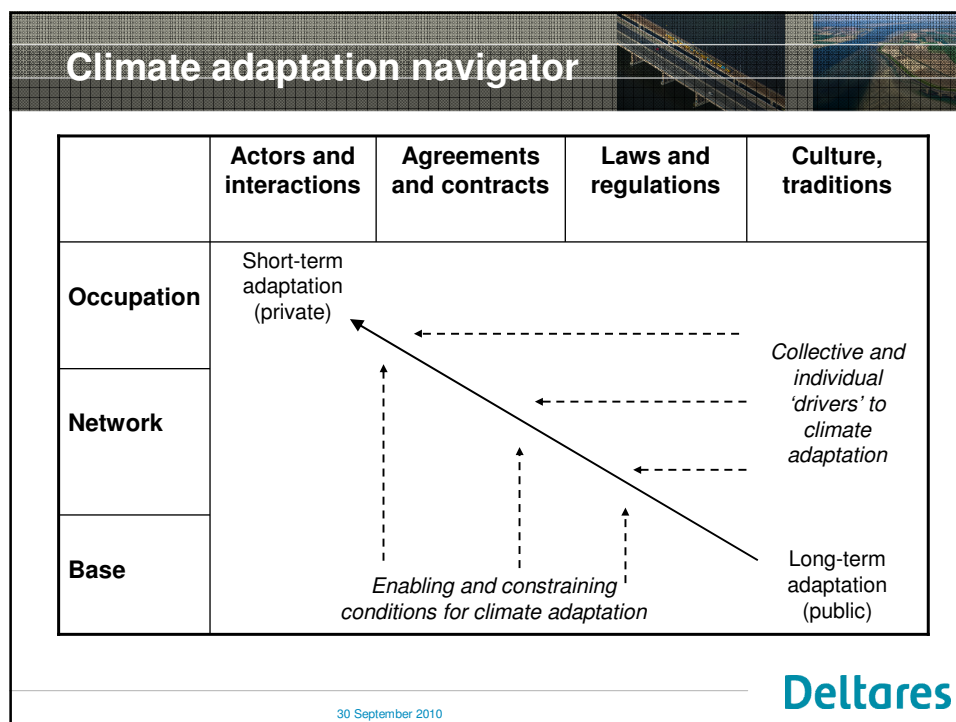
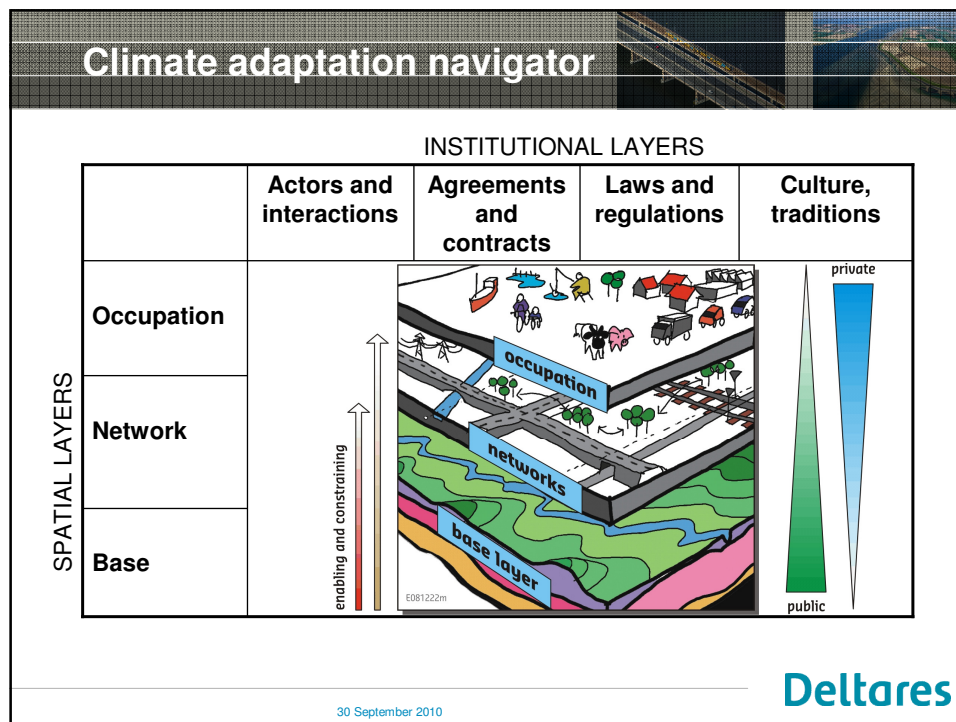
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Based on combination between two layer approaches:



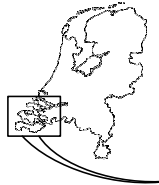
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Example: South western Delta

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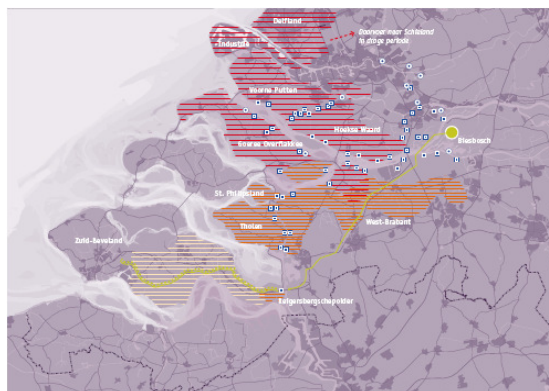
- Deltaworks:
 - Safety
 - Ecological problems
- Future: Climate change and estuarine dynamics (policy measure)
- Freshwater supply agriculture?

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Freshwater dependence in SW Delta

- Mostly agriculture
- Dependent on freshwater
- Freshwater availability may change in near future



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Climate adaptation strategies SW Delta

- What are strategies (navigation routes) to climate adaptation?
 1. Moving along with salt intrusion by climate change
 2. Combat salt intrusion
- What "steering" mechanisms for implementation?
 - Apply climate adaptation navigator

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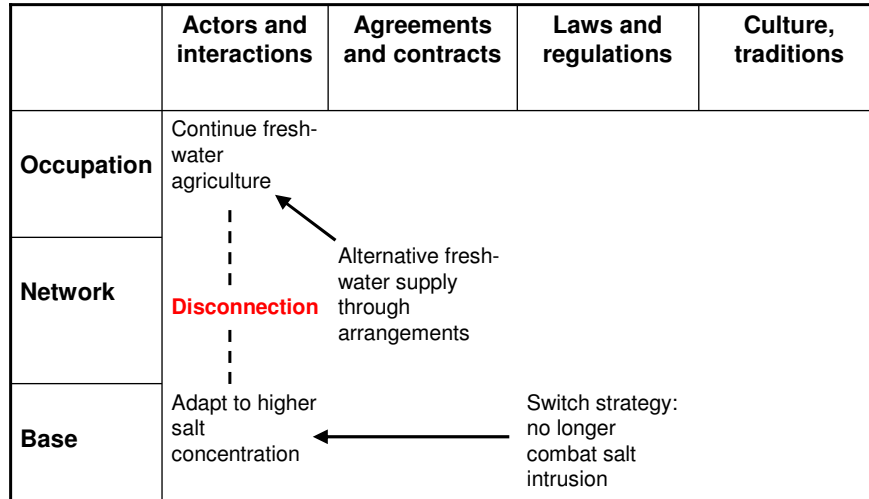
Strategy 1: moving along

| | Actors and interactions | Agreements and contracts | Laws and regulations | Culture, traditions |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Occupation | <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <div>Switch to salt tolerant crops</div> <div style="margin: 20px 0;">↑</div> <div>Adapt to higher salt concentration</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div></div> <div>←</div> <div>Switch strategy: no longer combat salt intrusion</div> </div> | | | |
| Network | | | | |
| Base | | | | |

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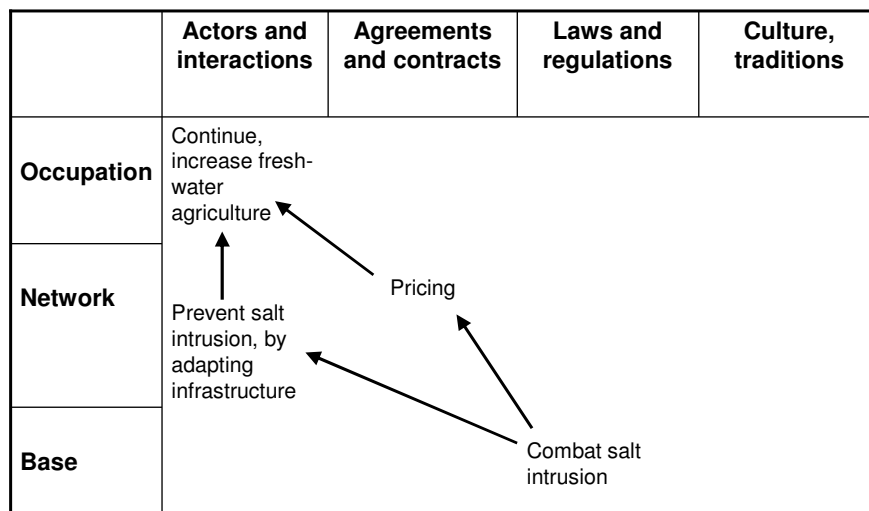
Strategy 1: moving along, private response



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Strategy 2: combat salt intrusion



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3x4 matrix for analysis & design

| | Actors and interactions | Agreements and contracts | Laws and regulations | Culture, traditions |
|------------|--|---|---|---|
| Occupation | Private investments | Land ownership | Policies on spatial zoning | Entrepreneurship |
| Network | Public and private investments | Public agencies own and manage water networks | Government agencies as main responsible institute | Government task to provide utility networks |
| Base | Public management and maintenance, e.g. nature restoration | Groundwater licenses | Water Framework Directive | Water is a public good |

Marchand & Ruijgh-vd Ploeg, 2009

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Conclusions: Climate adaptation navigator

- Spatial planning: adaptation in what layers?
- Institutional layers: who is steering adaptation?
- Climate adaptation navigator:
 - What is needed to implement adaptation strategy? (steering mechanisms)
 - Use navigator to design strategies for climate adaptation (future)
- Future plans: apply to case study for waterboard Zuiderzeeland

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