



Decision support system for operational management in a regional water system

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Main adaptation concept for water shortages
= shift in mindset for operational water management



"mindset" {noun}

a set of beliefs or a way of thinking that determines one's behavior, outlook and mental attitude.

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Main adaptation elements for daily water management (water shortage and excess) Water Authority Brabantse Delta:

- Institutional; e.g. in the future, operational water management needs to become more anticipating on (extreme) events like water shortage to diminish potential damages;
- Physical; e.g. implementation of measures like additional water buffers and conservation of (ground)water;
- Instrumental; e.g. a Decision Support System (DSS), hence DSS itself is an adaptive measure.

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Shifting mindset:

Set of beliefs/way of thinking:

minimise short-term damage due to water logging	vs.	minimise potential water shortages on the long-term
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Behavior:

flush and release	vs.	optimise conservation and storage
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Outlook:

efficient and effective drainage of wet areas	vs.	balance drainage and water demand in time and space
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Attitude:

'business as usual'	vs.	share operational knowledge and experience via a 'control tower' (DSS)
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