

Tasking

Preserve dykes, dams and dunes

- coastal area: protect dunes, dykes and sea defence systems*
- area around the major rivers: preserve primary flood defence systems for rivers and IJsselmeer lake*, accommodate peak discharge
- transitional area: preserve primary defence systems for rivers in the transitional area between sea and river influence*
- •••• protect the dykes and flood defence systems in the Oosterschelde*
- ____ preserve other primary defence systems*
- * flood defence systems (work through backlog of dykes that failed inspection, tasking from new insights and climate changes)

- preserve sandy coastal system (prevent drowning of shoals, erosion, protect dunes)
- maintain water discharge from IJsselmeer lake to Wadden Sea
- develop a comprehensive strategy for dyke rings 14, 15 and 44
- protect IJssel and Vecht delta against surges in the case of water level increases

Switch to risk-based approach

- protect area liable to flooding
- area of attention, additional tasking expected based on tolerable individual risk and social disruption

Causes

- increase in precipitation
- rising sea levels: 0.35 0.85 m
- erosion and sedimentation
 - higher peak discharge of rivers: Rhine: 16,000 → 18,000 m³/s Meuse: 3,800 → 4,600 m³/s
- soil settlement (soil subsidence)
- imbalance in protection level and consequences