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Farmes as water manager:

Extreme runoff and adaptation options in rural areas

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Network project with three case studies

Holstebro
Storå



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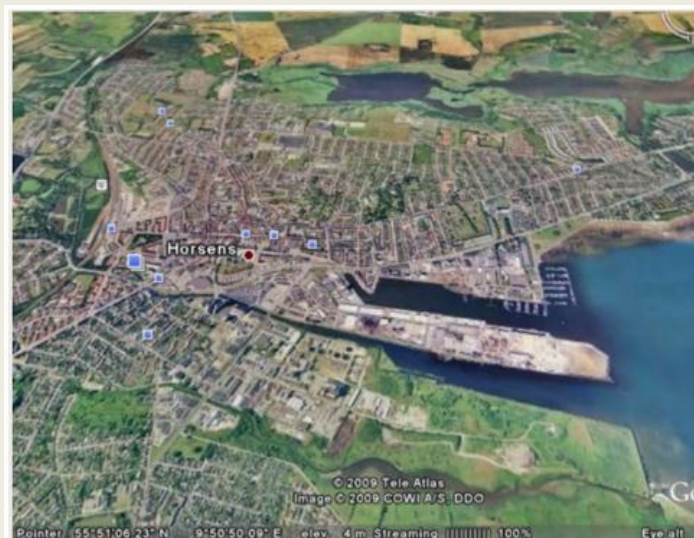


Horsens
Bygholm –
Hansted å

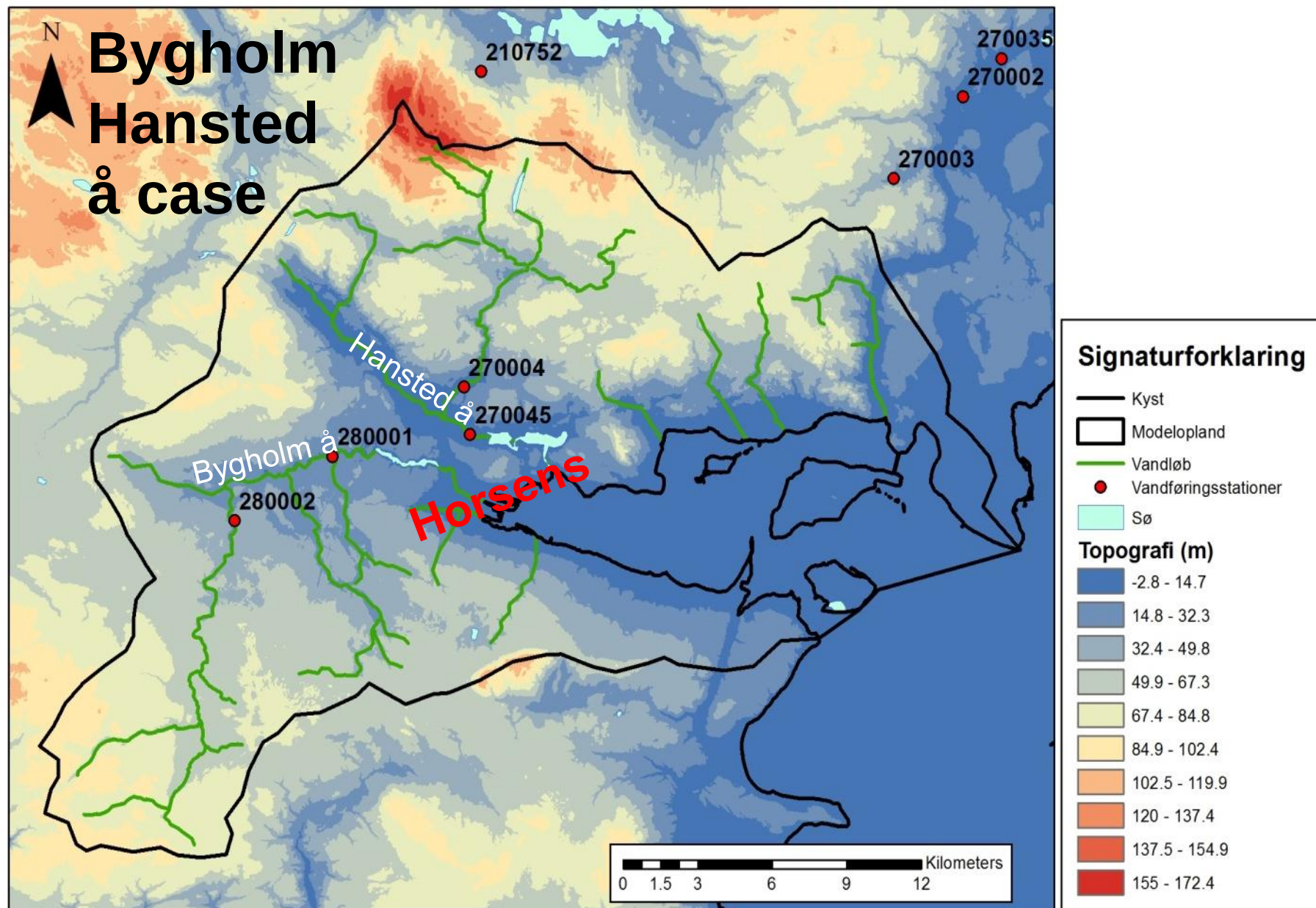


Can adaptation options in rural areas reduce downstream flooding risks in urban areas and create synergies and win-win?

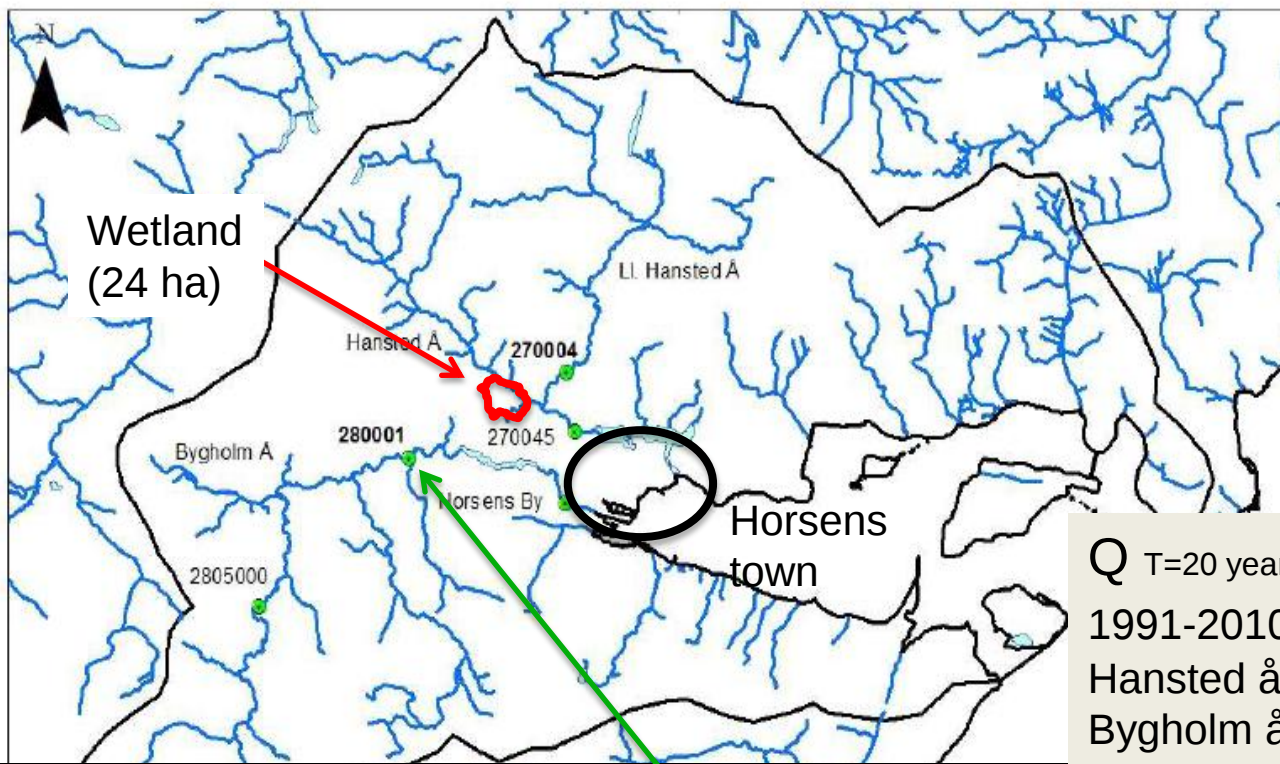
A dozen of adaptation options in rural areas (technical–natural–cultivation) was discussed in stakeholder workshops



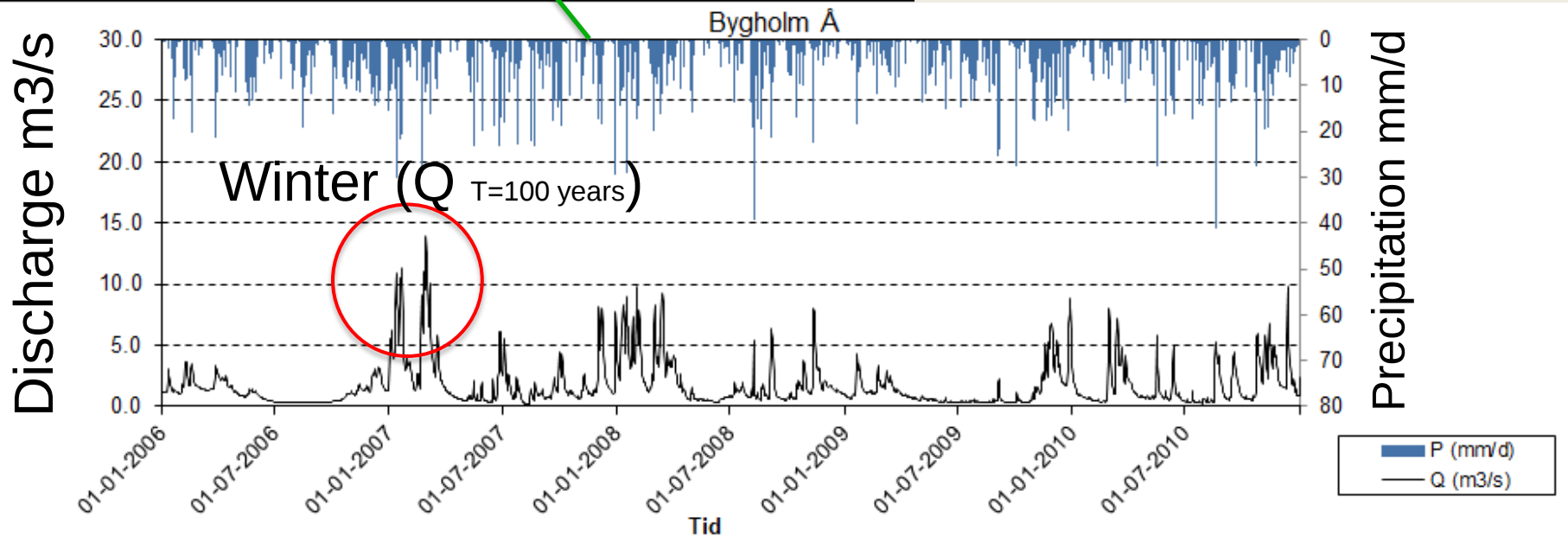
⇒ Reduced flooding risks in **Horsens town** and possible other synergies



Extreme event analysis of Q_{max}



$Q_{T=20 \text{ year}}$ flooding events (m^3/s)		
	winter	summer
Hansted å	7,6	2,7
Bygholm å	11,7	3,7



Peak flow faktor ~ evaluation of change in max flow due to change in land use etc in the catchment (winter example)

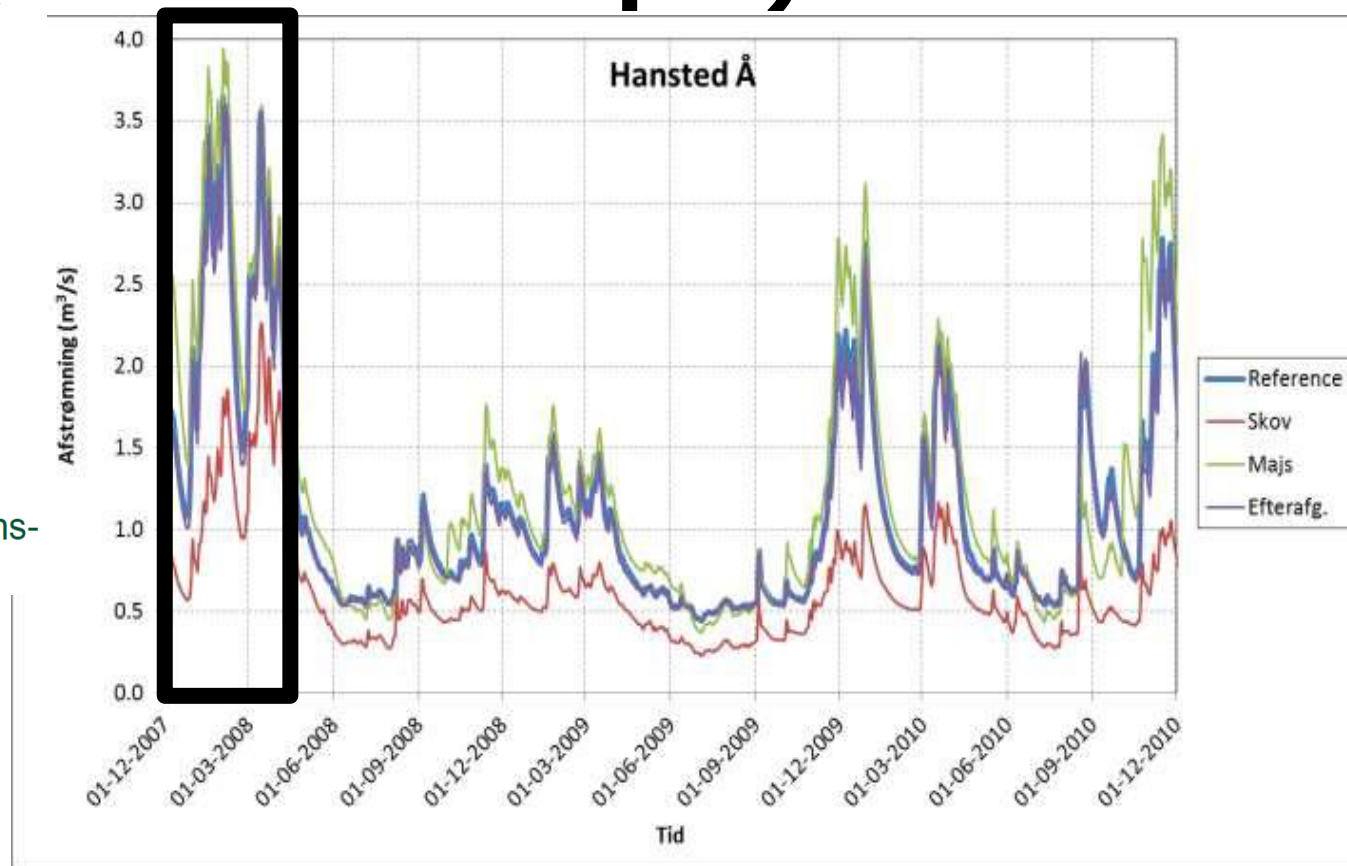
Analyse: Peak Flow Faktor

🏠 T-års hændelse estimeres, Q_T

🏠 $PFF = Q_{T, \text{tiltag}} / Q_{T, \text{ref}}$

🏠 $PFF = Q_{10, \text{tiltag}} / Q_{10, \text{ref}}$

🏠 $PFF \neq 1$: Ændring af maksimums-afstrømning





Workshop in Horsens march 2014

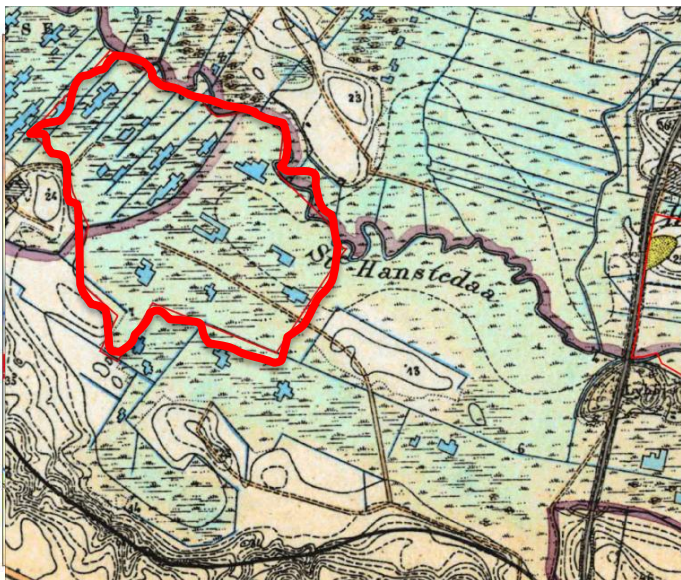
25 invited participants:

- municipalities
- water works
- researchers / network
- Regions
- farmers
- farmers consultants

Purpose: Participatory
Integrated assessment and
Scenario Analysis
(*land use model learning*)

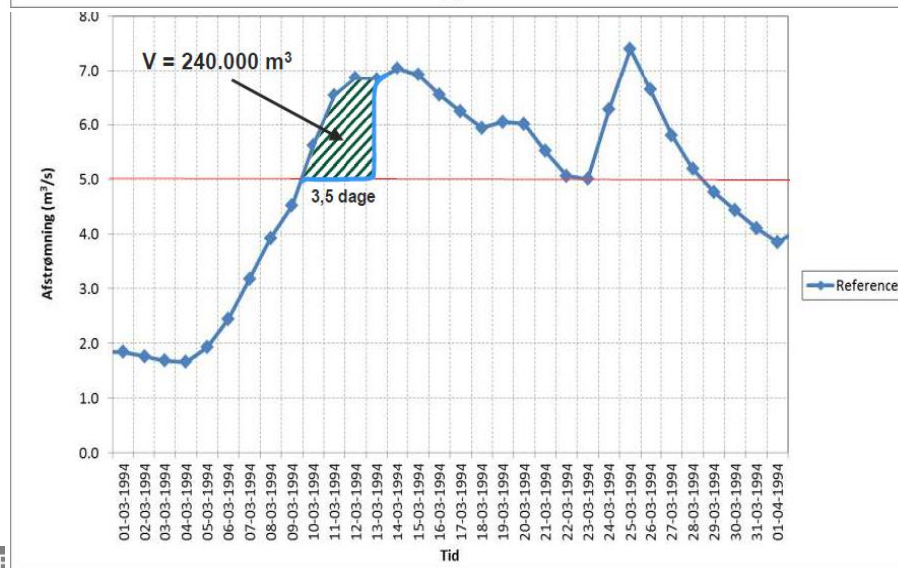
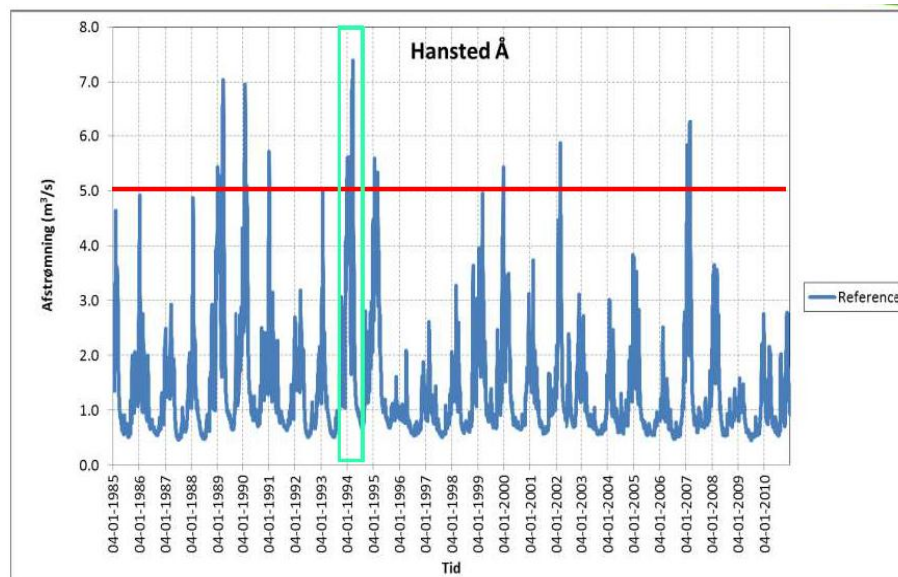
Bygholm enge

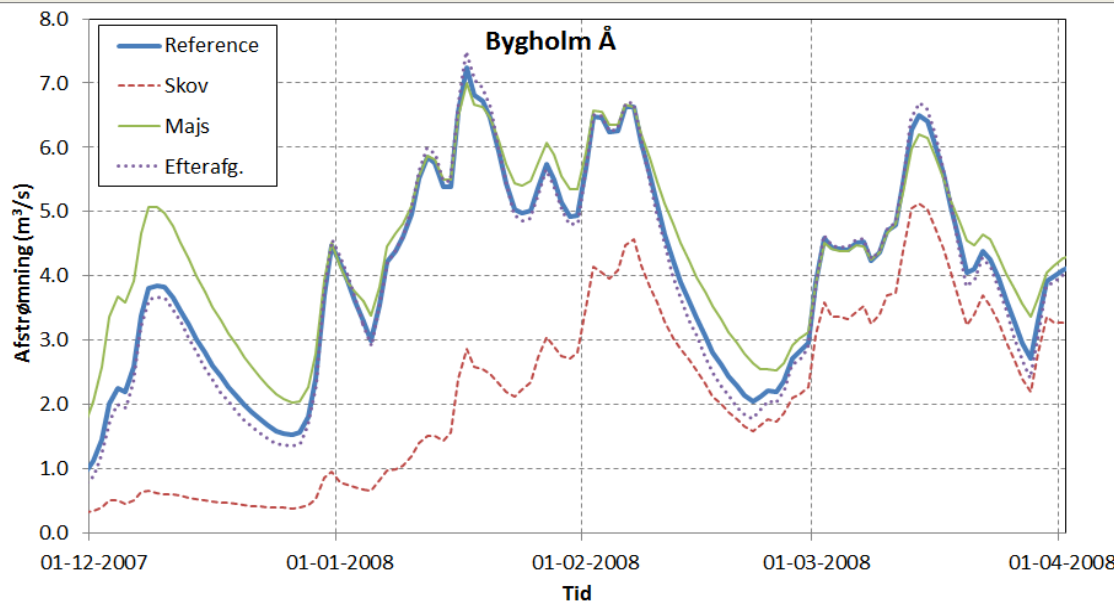
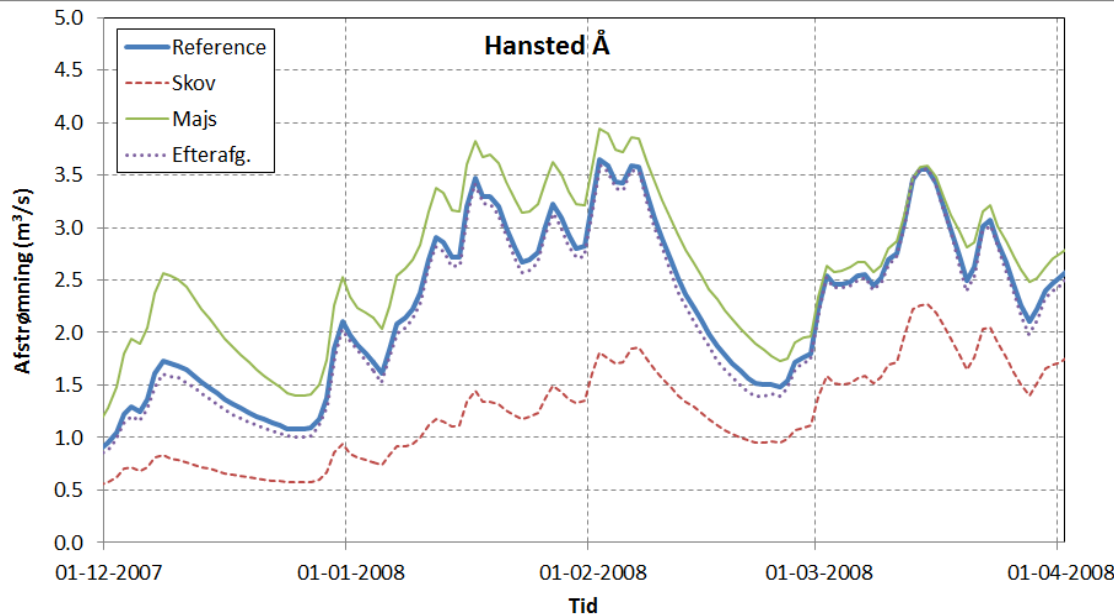
N - wetland



Flooded area: 24 ha
 Water depth: 0,5 – 1,0 m
 Volume: 120.000 – 240.000 m³

Example:
 N Wetlands





Scenarios:

- **Reference /Actual land use**

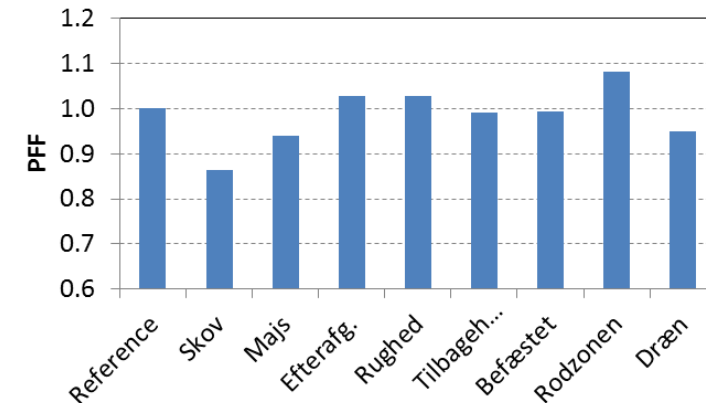
Change of reference to all:

- **Forest /Conifers (Skov)**
- **Maiz (Majs)**
- **Catch crops (Efterafgrøder)**

Change of parameters to

- **Reduced surface M (Rughed)**
- **Wetlands (Tilbageholdelse)**
- **No paved areas (Befæstet)**
- **Root zone capacity (Rodzonen)**
- **Controlled drainage (Dræn)**

Peak Flow Factor, Horsens By



Bygholm å

Effect of adaptation options

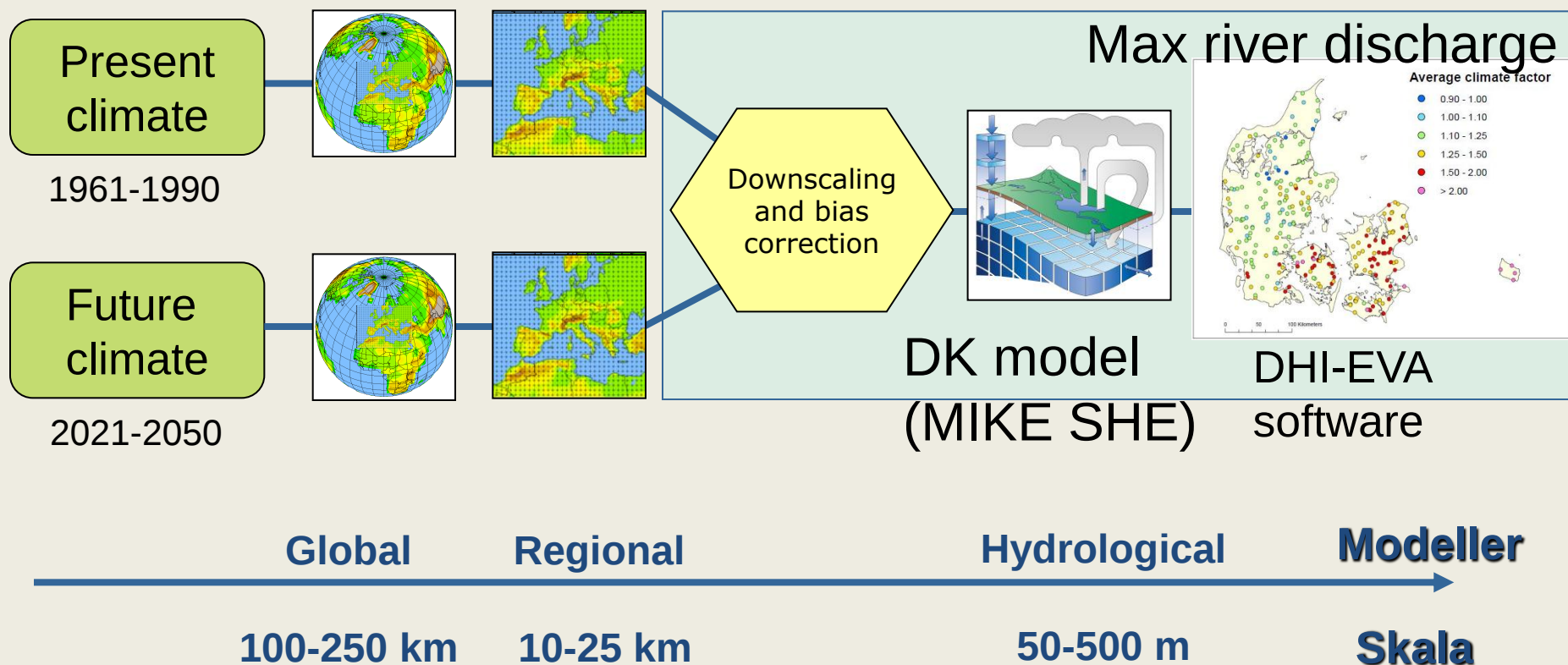
$$\text{peak flow factor} = \frac{Q_{\max \text{ T=10 years scenario}}}{Q_{\max \text{ T=10 years ref}}}$$

Adaptation option	Hansted å 270045 Hilly clayey soil	Bygholm å Horsens Flat sandy soil
Forest	0,79	0,86
Maiz	0,96	0,93
Drainage	0,96	1,00
Wetlands	0,99	0,99
No paved A	1,00	0,98

Note that scenarios for forest and maiz is for changing all current land uses (crops) into forest or maiz. Controlled drainage only impacting clayey soils, and wetlands is only a limited part of the catchment. Paved areas have limited extension in rural areas (relatively little effect)

What is needed for coping with climate change effects?

Climate change impacts on hydrologi and extreme river runoff ($Q_{T=10 \text{ year}}$, $Q_{T=100 \text{ year}}$ etc.)



Extreme value methodology:

POT/GP2 distribution function most optimal for max
Q simulated with DK model with L-moment

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Generalized least squares and empirical Bayes estimation in regional partial duration series index-flood modeling

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Uncertainty of climate factor

Climate factor estimate:

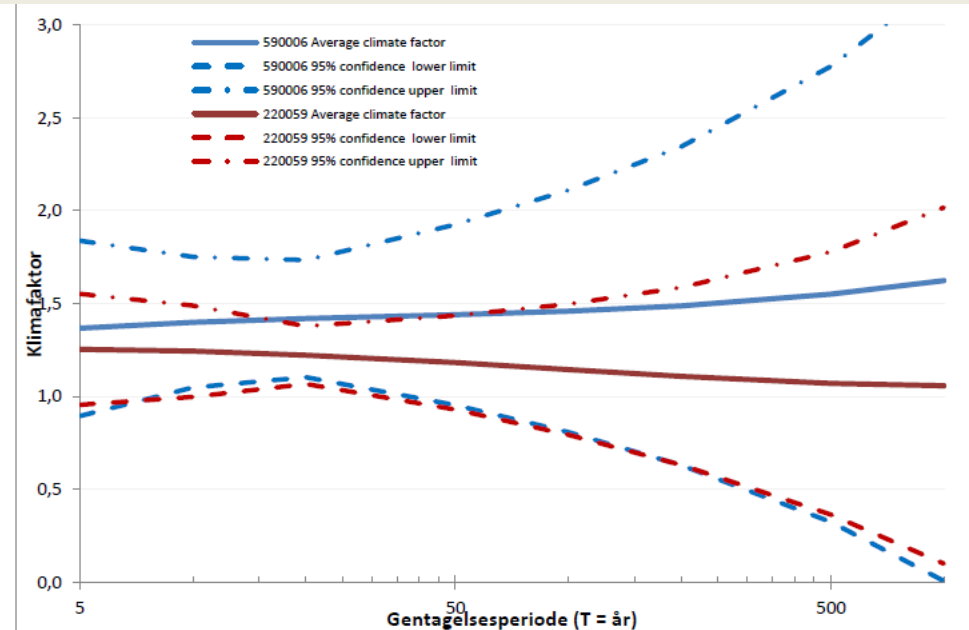
$$CF = \frac{x_{T,F}}{x_{T,C}}$$

where $x_{T,F}$ and $x_{T,C}$ are estimated T -year events for future and control, respectively.

Variance of climate factor estimate:

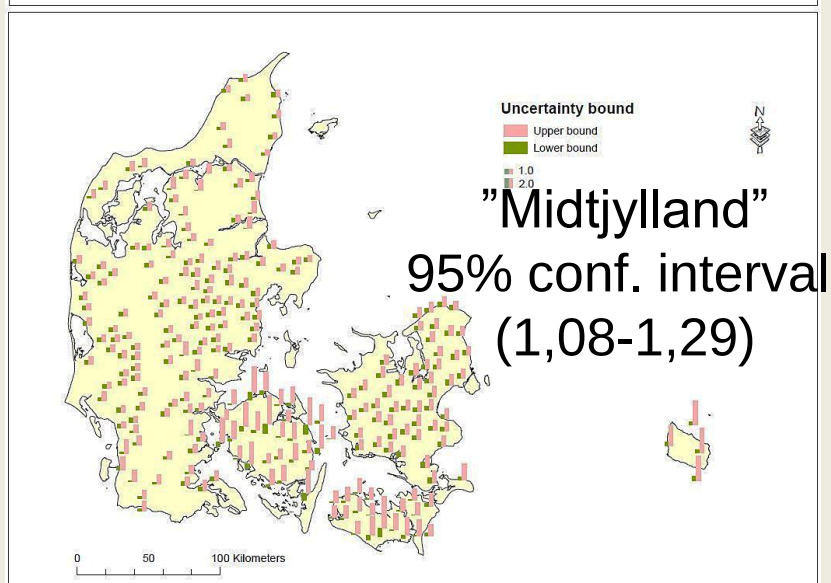
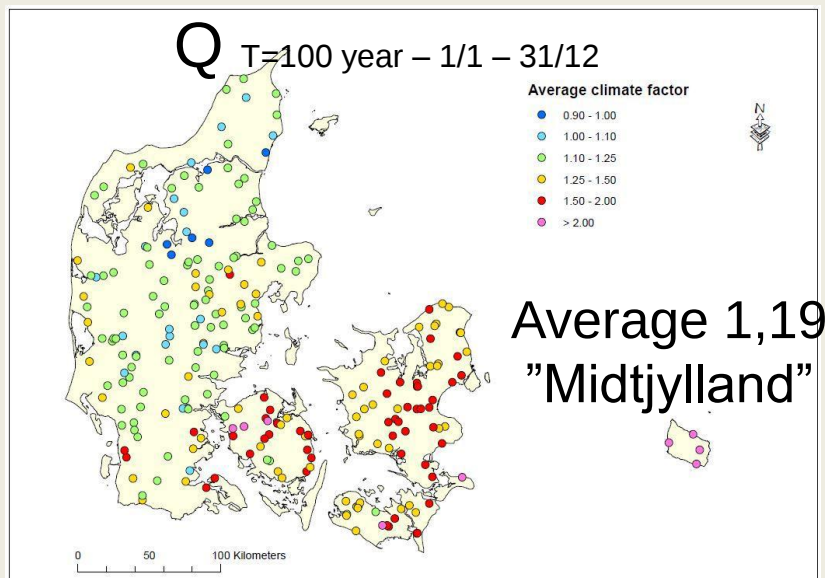
$$Var\{CF\} = CF^2 \left(\frac{Var\{x_{T,C}\}}{x_{T,C}^2} + \frac{Var\{x_{T,F}\}}{x_{T,F}^2} \right)$$

where $Var\{x_{T,F}\}$ and $Var\{x_{T,C}\}$ are variances of the T -year events for future and control, respectively



	Gentagelsesperiode T = antal år							
	5	10	20	50	100	200	500	1000
Trykkeværlde å Station 590006								
Øvre 95 % konfidensgrænse	1,84	1,75	1,74	1,93	2,11	2,35	2,78	3,24
Middel klimafaktor	1,37	1,40	1,42	1,44	1,46	1,49	1,55	1,62
Nedre 95 % konfidensgrænse	0,90	1,05	1,10	0,95	0,81	0,63	0,32	0,01
Skjern å Station 220059								
Øvre 95 % konfidensgrænse	1,55	1,49	1,38	1,44	1,50	1,59	1,78	2,20
Middel klimafaktor	1,25	1,24	1,22	1,18	1,15	1,11	1,07	1,06
Nedre 95 % konfidensgrænse	0,96	1,00	1,07	0,93	0,79	0,63	0,36	0,10

Rare winter events - Climate factor 2021-2050 versus 1961-1990



		DK1	DK2	DK3	DK4	DK5	DK6	DK7
5a	Regional average CF	1,39	1,58	1,32	1,17	1,22	1,13	1,85
	Lower confidence limit	1,24	1,02	1,12	1,03	1,11	0,91	1,67
	Upper confidence limit	1,55	2,14	1,51	1,30	1,33	1,34	2,02
10a	Regional average CF	1,42	1,55	1,34	1,17	1,21	1,12	2,04
	Lower confidence limit	1,27	1,00	1,13	1,04	1,11	0,90	1,52
	Upper confidence limit	1,57	2,10	1,55	1,30	1,32	1,34	2,57
20a	Regional average CF	1,45	1,53	1,38	1,18	1,20	1,12	2,27
	Lower confidence limit	1,32	0,99	1,15	1,04	1,10	0,88	1,97
	Upper confidence limit	1,58	2,08	1,62	1,32	1,30	1,35	2,57
50a	Regional average CF	1,50	1,53	1,44	1,21	1,19	1,11	2,63
	Lower confidence limit	1,36	0,98	1,17	1,04	1,09	0,86	2,23
	Upper confidence limit	1,63	2,07	1,72	1,37	1,29	1,35	3,03
100a	Regional average CF	1,55	1,54	1,60	1,24	1,19	1,10	2,98
	Lower confidence limit	1,39	0,99	1,28	1,05	1,08	0,84	2,23
	Upper confidence limit	1,71	2,09	1,91	1,43	1,29	1,37	3,03
200a	Regional average CF	1,62	1,58	1,77	1,28	1,19	1,11	3,42
	Lower confidence limit	1,44	1,02	1,41	1,07	1,07	0,82	2,84
	Upper confidence limit	1,81	2,14	2,13	1,50	1,31	1,40	4,01

Extreme value methodology:

POT/GP2 distribution function most optimal for max Q simulated with DK model with L-moment^{13...}

Comparison of effects of rural measuers compared to climate change impacts

Peak flow factor Q _{max} T=10 years	Hansted å 270045	Bygholm å Horsens	Midtjylland
Adaptation measure	Hilly clayey soil	Flat sandy soil	
Forest	0,79	0,86	
Maiz	0,96	0,93	
Drainage	0,96	1,00	
Climate factor Q _{max} T=10 years	1,13 (0,82 – 1,45)	1,12 (0,86 – 1,37)	1,21 (1,11 – 1,32)
Climate factor Q _{max} T=100 years	1,23 (0,80 – 1,66)	1,17 (0,87 – 1,46)	1,19 (1,08 – 1,29)

Conclusions

Most efficient measures (farmers)

- Land-use change
 - Forest (conifers, energy crops?)
 - Maiz
 - Controlled drainage
 - Wetlands (if large area/or many small)
- Important also to evaluate synergy effects on biodiversity, CO₂, nutrients etc.

Business models (Private sector/farmers <> Municipality):

- Tendering auctions/rounds or
- Compensational payment (institutional challenges/EU)