NCK theme day OASE

Offshore Activities and seabed evolution Opportunities & Challenges

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Trends

Offshore developments:

Ongoing construction of Offshore Windfarms

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- Related need for burial of Export- and infield cables
- Growing demand of sand for nourishments (from sand mining areas)



Offshore Windfarms

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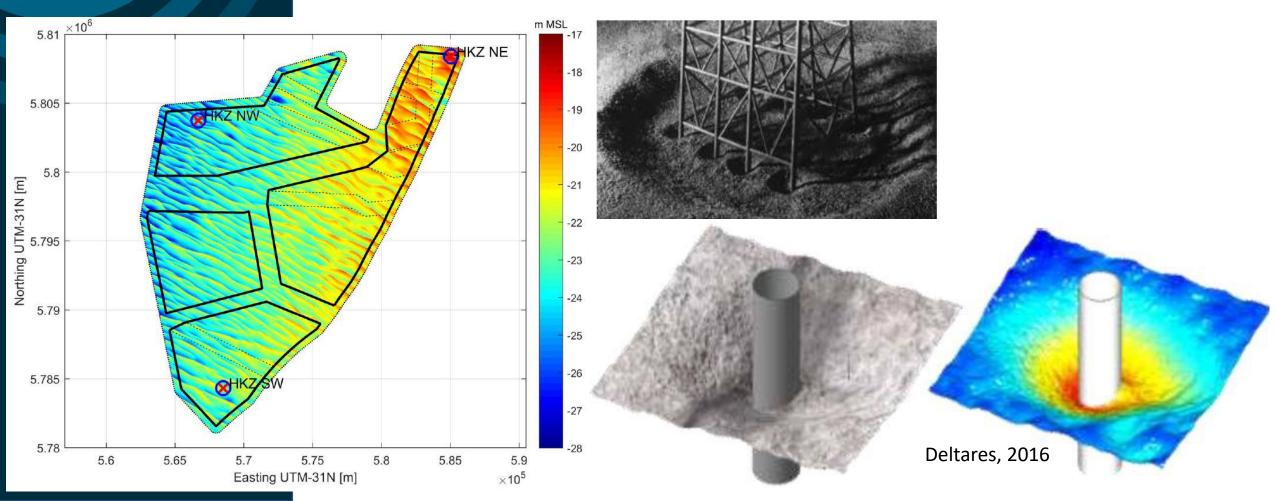
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Legend

Bathymetry

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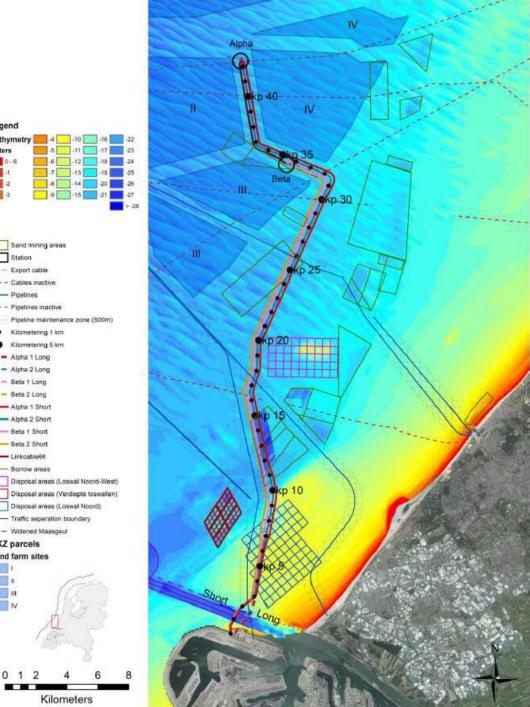
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- - Widened Maasgeul **HKZ** parcels

Wind farm sites

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Crossing sandwave field perpendicular

Crossing sandwave field parallel

Crossing sand mining pit

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Landfall



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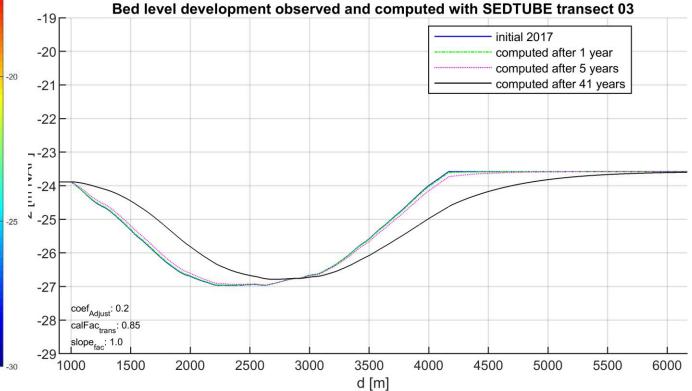
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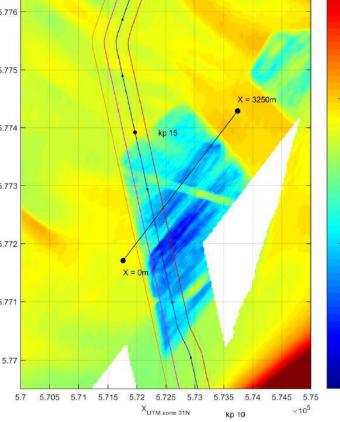


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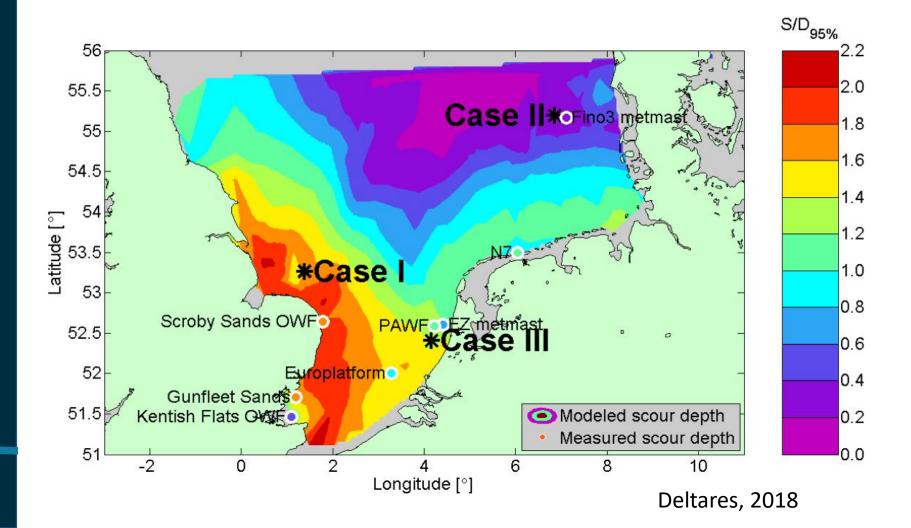
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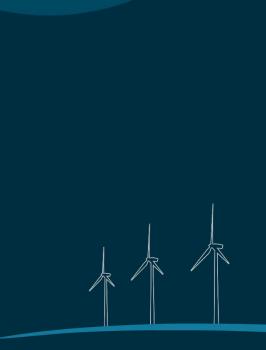
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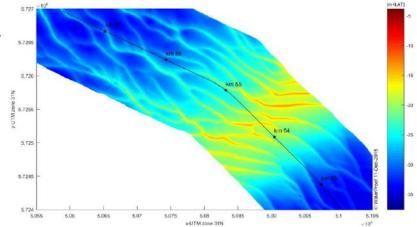
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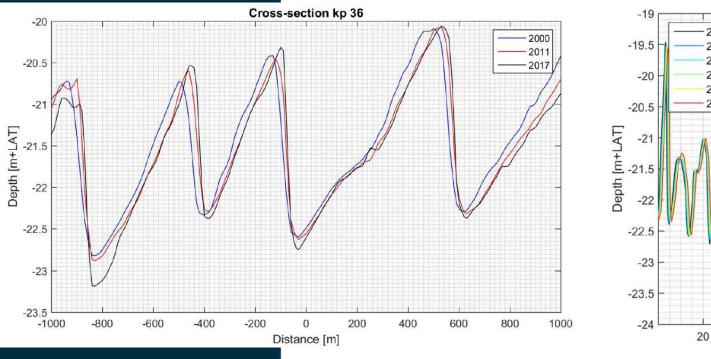


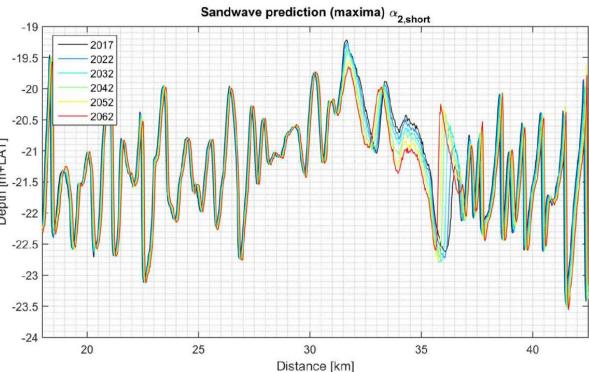
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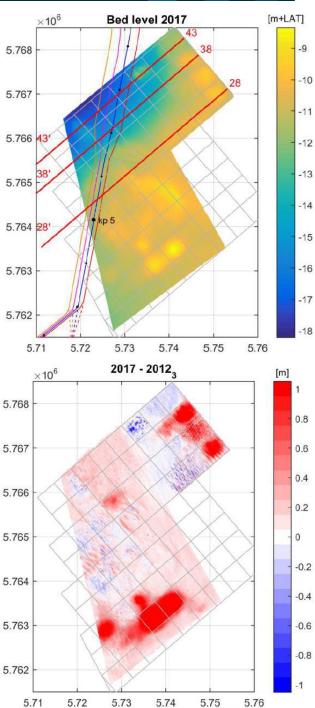


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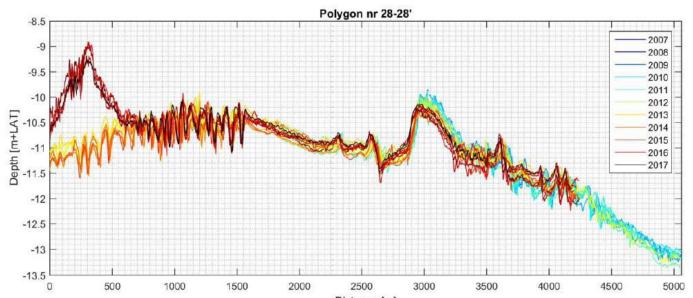
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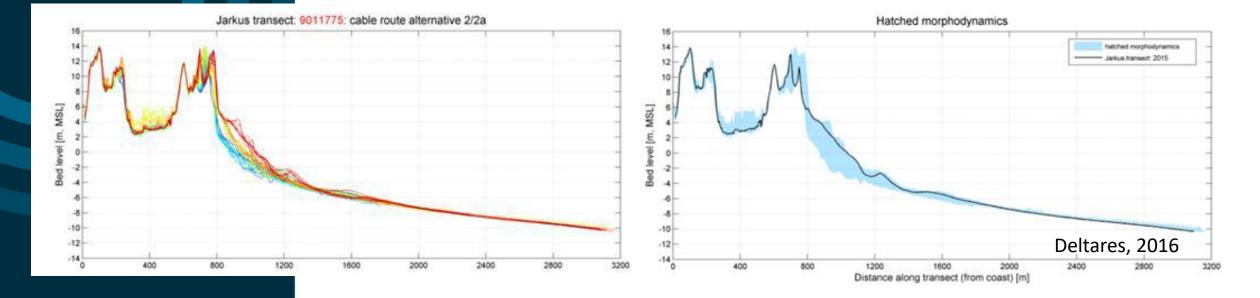
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