

⇒ Community of practice

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Why an international community?



Beaver digs through a dike - 20th September 2023



Regional water authority Rivierenland



Challenges regular situation



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Challenges at high water



Luchtfoto: Tom Hessels

It's not only dikes

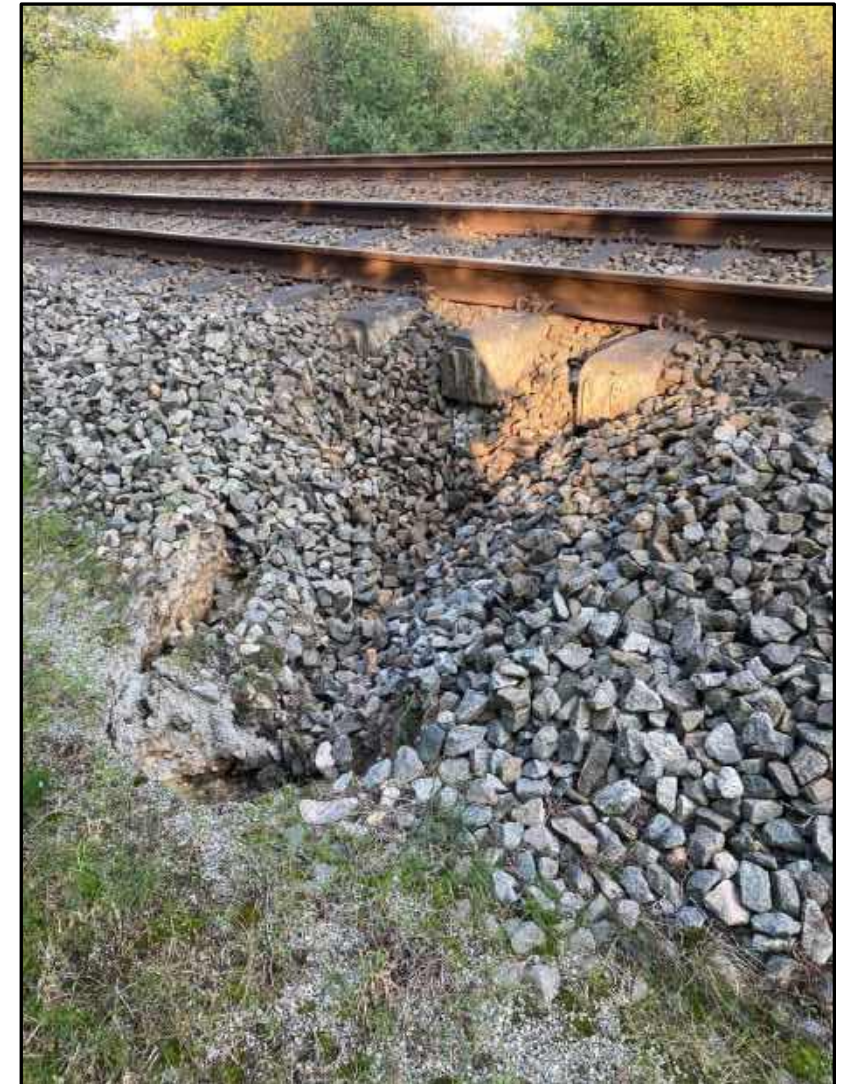
- Railroads
- Main roads
- Buildings
- Gaspipes
- Etc...



Bevers richten bij A73 voor tonnen schade aan en daar blijft het niet bij: 'Alleen al in Limburg negen risicolocaties'



De reparatie van afrit 6 bij Venray duurt weken en kost bakken met geld. — © Mara van den Oetelaar



Goal international community

- To inspire each other
- To learn from each other
- To help each other
- To build a wide network



Start of this community in 2024

- Need for inspiration
- Focus on beavers and infrastructure
- Questionnaire with 62 results
- Positive response

What is your organization and your function?



Would you be interested to be part of an international community in which knowledge can be exchanged and inspiration can be gained?

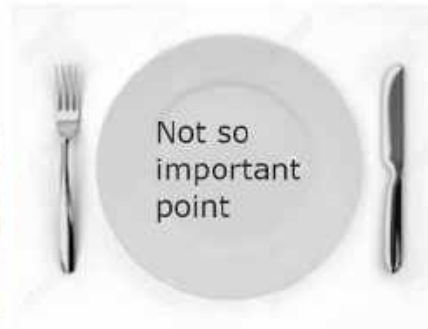
98%
Yes

Are you interested in a two-day international meeting with field excursions in the Netherlands?

93%
Yes

6%

Favorite food



Topics to gain knowledge about

- Integrated management solutions (beaver-human conflict)
- Measures in the field
- Positive impact of the beaver
- Beaver dams and flood risk
- Beaver management / culling / population control
- Long-term living with beavers
- Detection and inspection
- **EVERYTHING!**



Participating countries

- Great Britain (England, Scotland)
- Germany
- Switzerland
- Belgium
- France
- Czech Republic
- Lithuania
- Slovenia
- Austria
- Italy
- Netherlands



Results and future

- News letters – Beaver burrowing in infrastructure
- Building a network, which results in visits
- Webinar about 'Beavers at the Elbe'
- Building an international website
- This conference!

To be continued...

