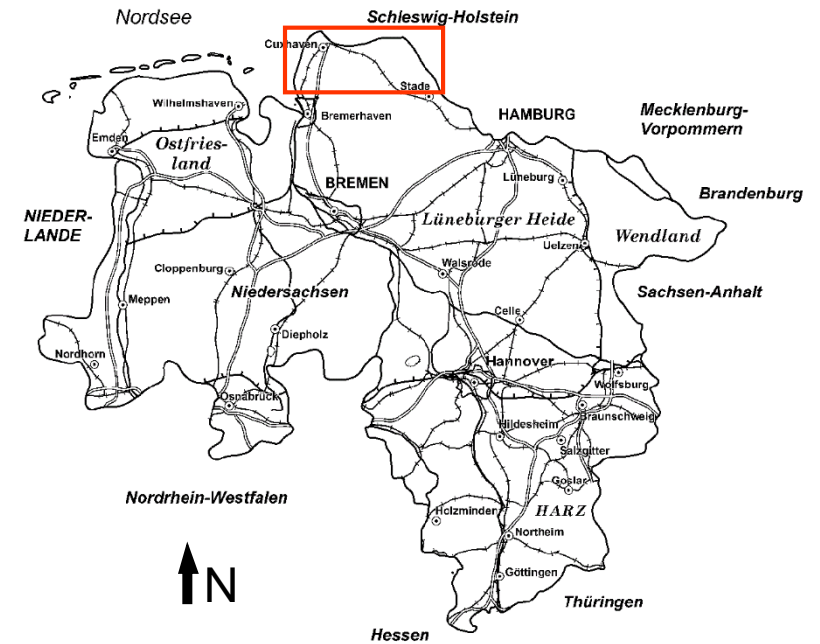


Pilot area GE 2:

➤ Impact of MAR on salt-/freshwater distribution and freshwater availability in a coastal aquifer of Lower Saxony



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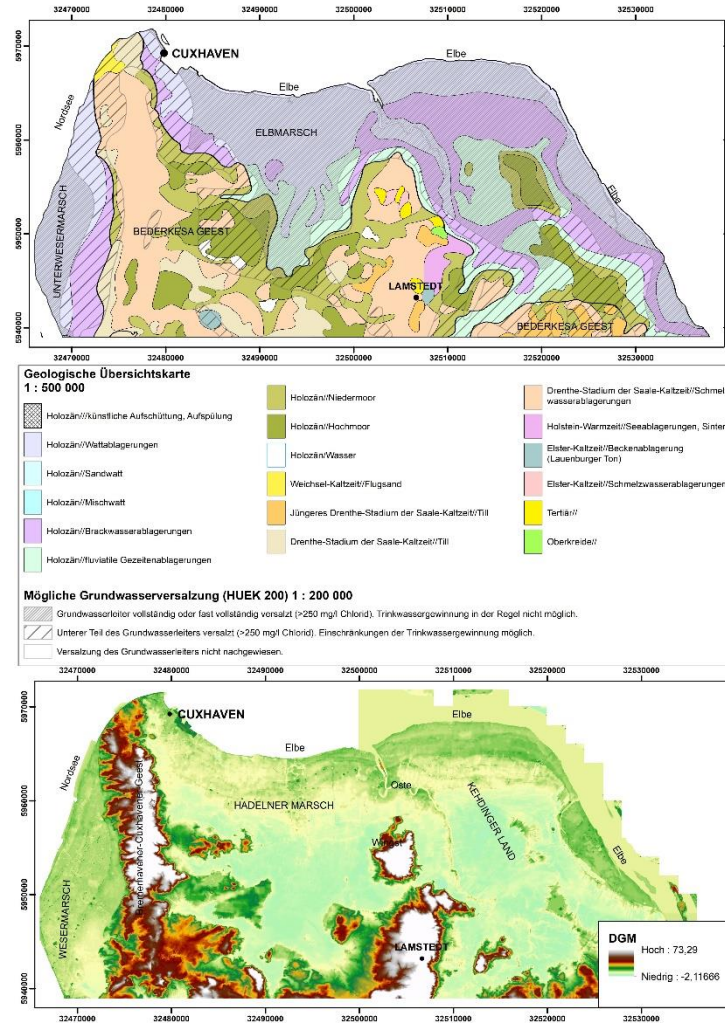


Challenges:

- Seawater intrusion due to climate change
- Increasing water demands
- Buffering of freshwater for dry periods

Marsh area

- low groundwater recharge,
- Groundwater level between -1 & 1m NHN
- Extensive drainage,

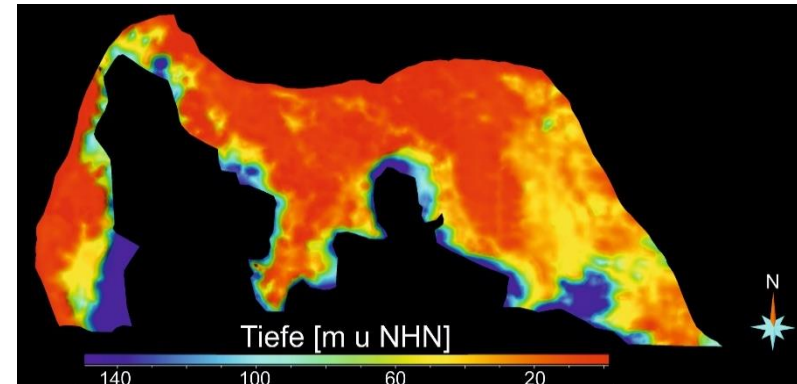
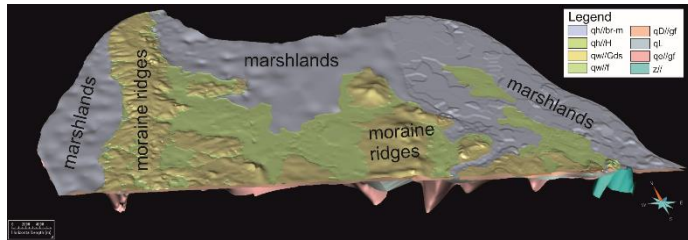


Moraine area

- High groundwater recharge,
- Groundwater level between 5 to 15m NHN



Effects of climate change on the salt-/fresh water distribution in coastal aquifers of Lower Saxony?



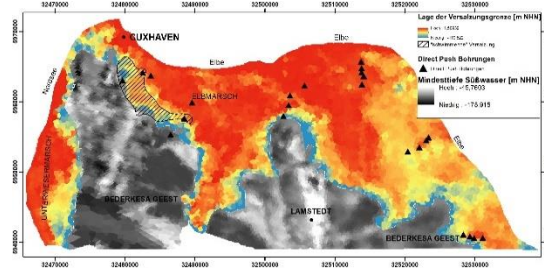
Deducing the distribution of Salt- & fresh water as input for the flow model



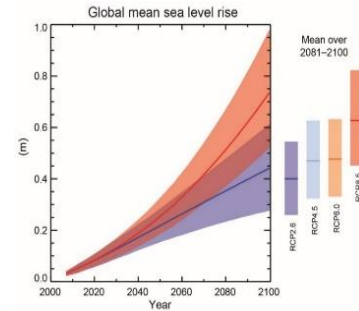
Modeling the impact of climate change on the salt-/fresh water distribution



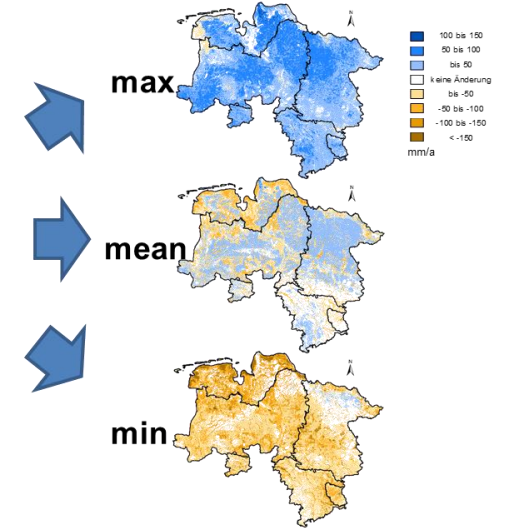
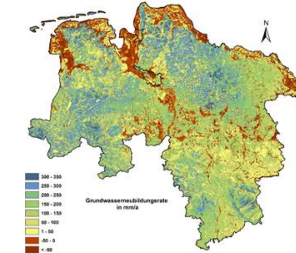
Modelling the climate change induced variations in salt-/freshwater distribution



Status quo



Sealevel rise



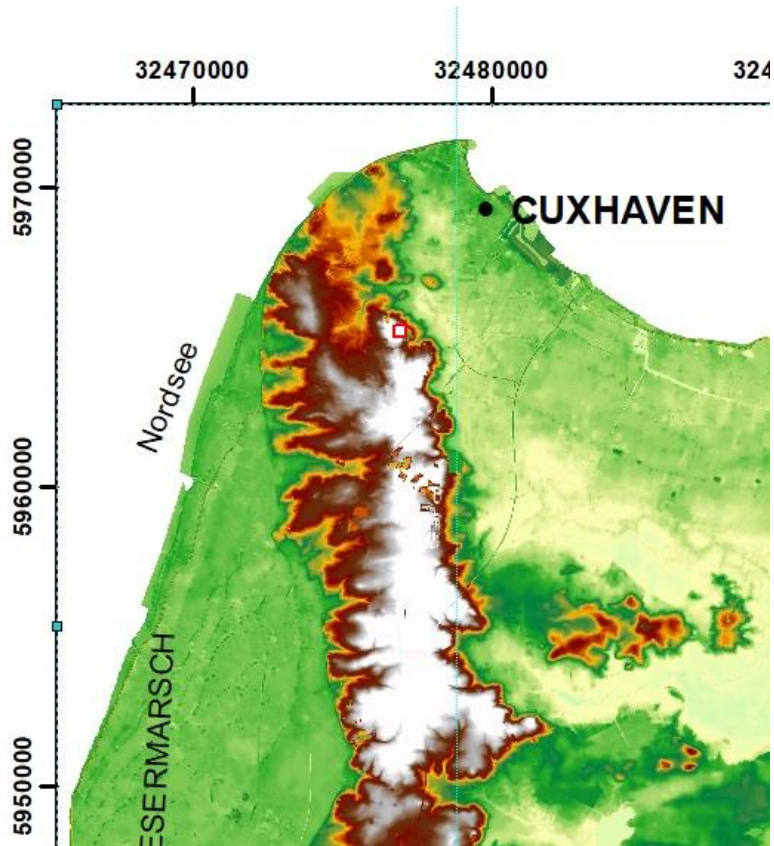
Changes of simulated groundwater recharge rates from mGROWA18 for the period 2071 - 2100

- Extraction rates
- Drainage
- Groundwater level
- Groundwater characteristics
- Chloride concentrations from HEM data


Climate szenario: RCP 8.5 (IPCC report, 2013)



Managed Aquifer Recharge



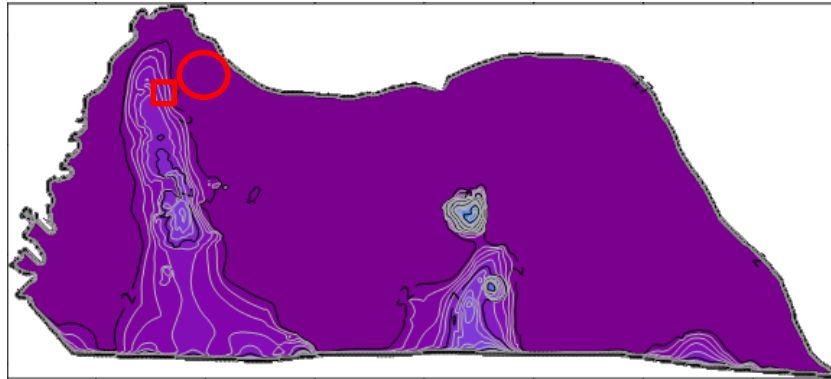
- *Calibrated model (2009-2013)*
- *All boundaries are kept constant*
- *Recharge was changed to consider effect of climate change*
- *Average recharge 2010-2040.*
- *20 Mio m³ per year water recharge by MAR*

 Possible locations (min. 400 x 400 m)

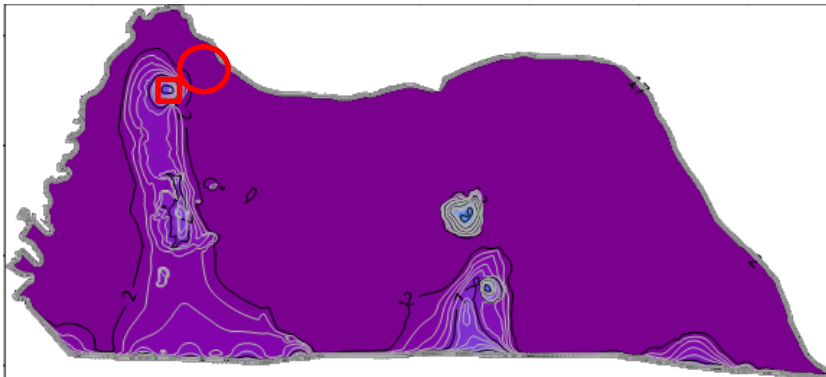


Managed Aquifer Recharge

Head at -20 m ASL without MAR

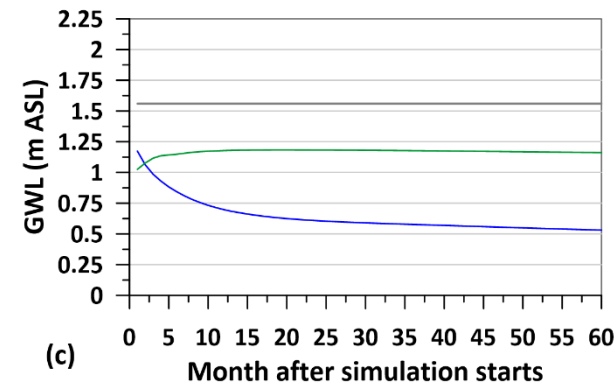
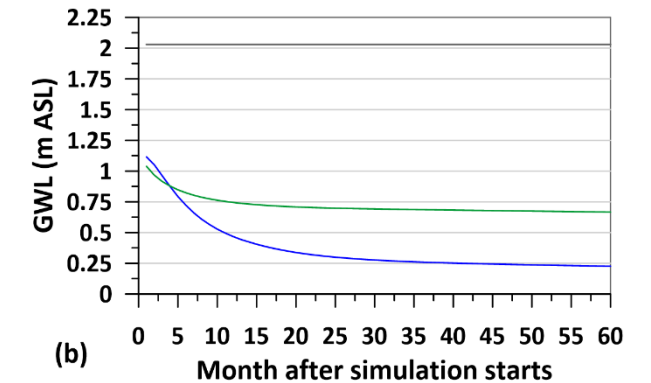
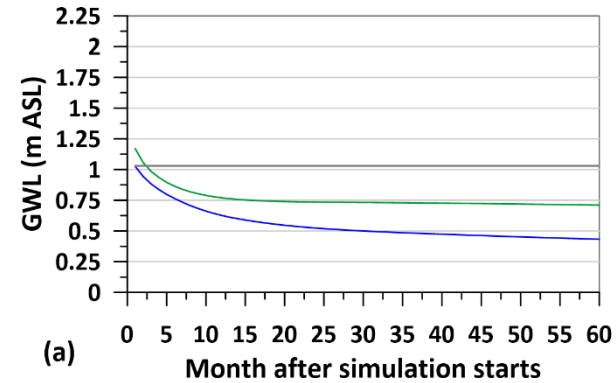


Head at -20 m ASL with MAR



After 2 years

3 observation points

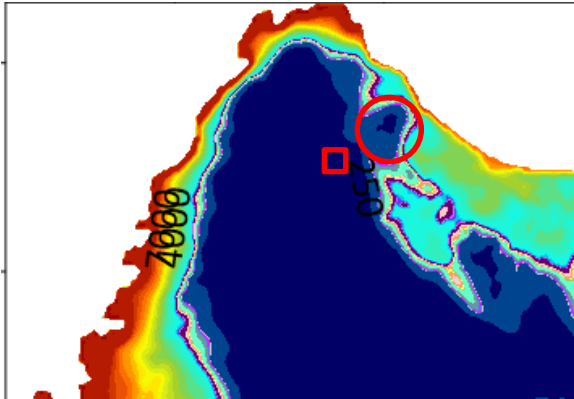


- topographie
- Gw level with MAR
- Gw level without MAR

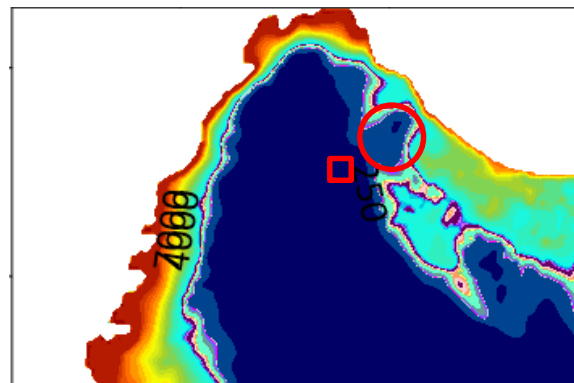
- MAR location
- Location observation wells

Managed Aquifer Recharge

Salinity at -20 m ASL without MAR

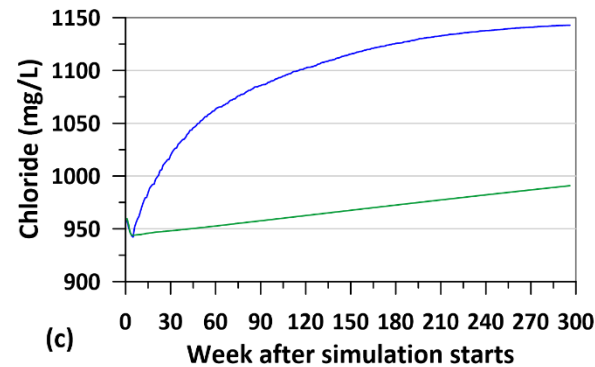
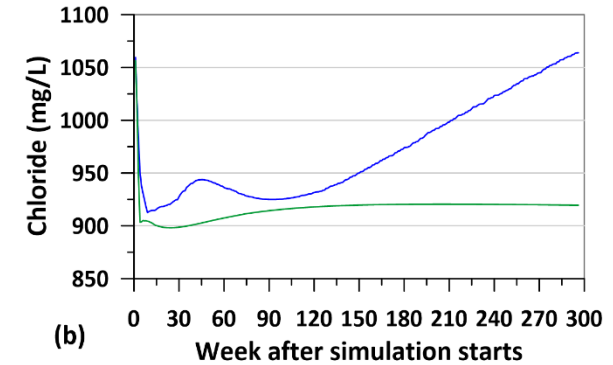
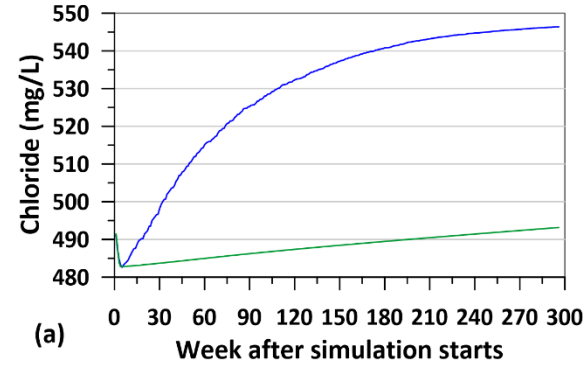


Salinity at -20 mASL with MAR



After 2 years

3 observation points



— Chloride concentration with MAR
— Chloride concentration without MAR

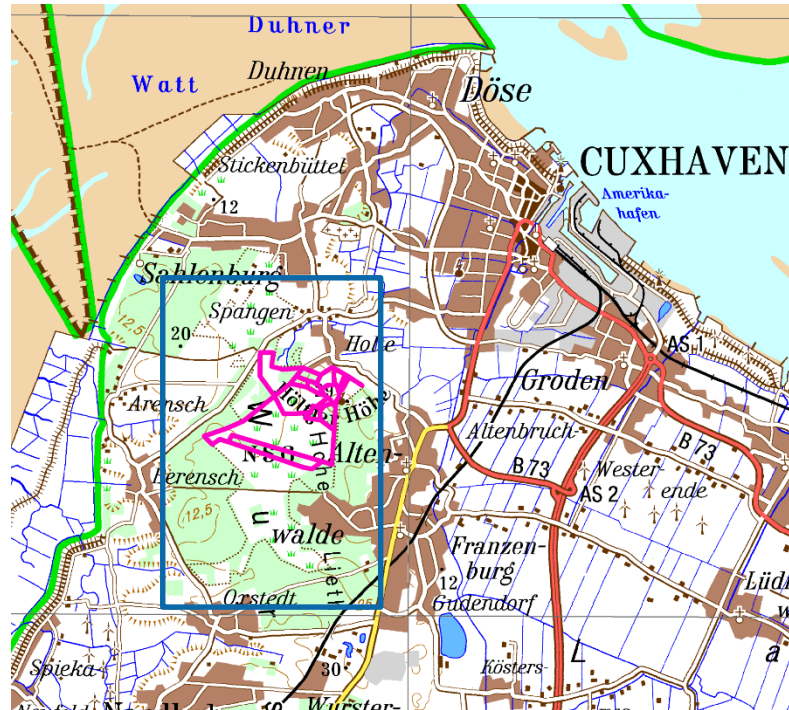
(a) 9 % reduction of chloride
(b) 14 % reduction of chloride
(c) 14 % reduction of chloride

□ MAR location

○ Location observation wells

Activities in topsoil extension:

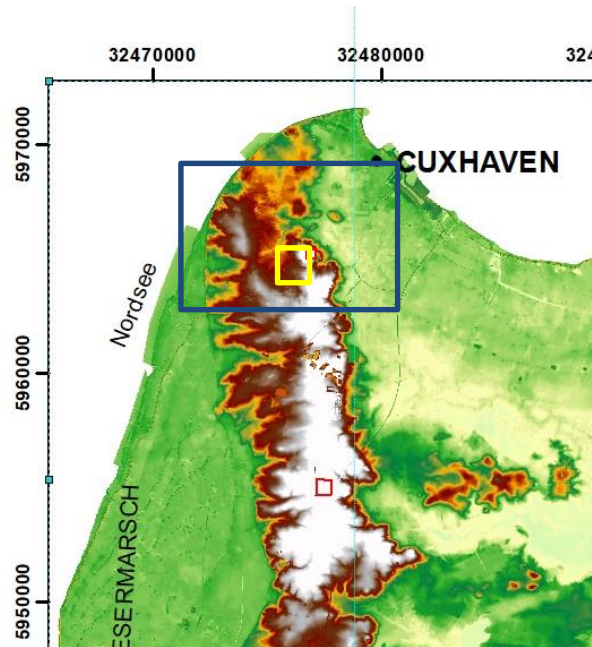
- Refine the geologic model by using additional information like geophysical data (e.g. tTEM, NMR, drone coupled EM) ➡ in progress but waiting for geophysical data



— tTEM- survey area

— Additional geophysical investigations (LIAG)

- Generate a local high resolution groundwater model → starts 01/2021



— model area
— MAR location

- Implement several MAR scenarios with different freshwater injection rates → starts 04/2021



Thanks for your attention!

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