



Providing an alternative water supply for safe and demand-oriented agricultural and urban landscape irrigation

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Wassertechnologien: Wiederverwendung

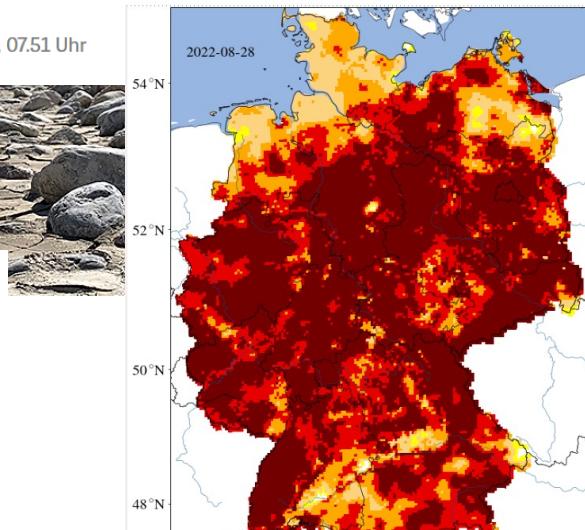
More Frequent Droughts and Heatwaves across Europe



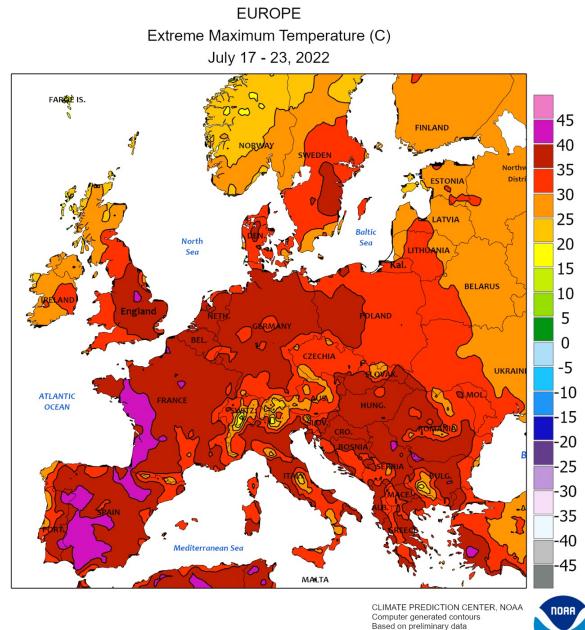
Dürre überall

Flüsse und Seen erreichen historische Tiefstände, weite Landstriche Extrem Sommer auf der Nordhalbkugel ist auch aus dem All zu erkennen

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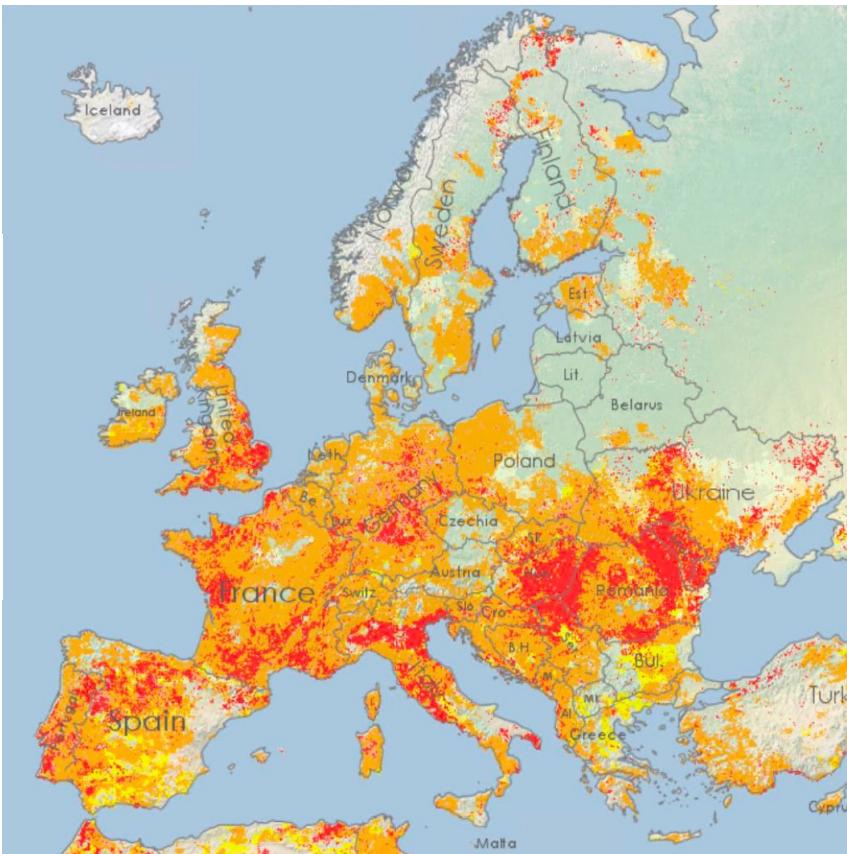
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Drought Condition in Europe in Summer 2022



- █ Watch
- █ Warning
- █ Alert
- █ Full recovery
- █ Temporary soil moisture recovery
- █ Temporary fAPAR recovery

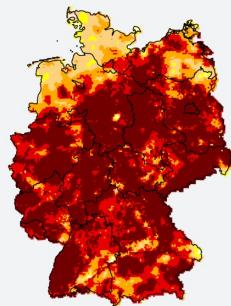


Impacts on Soil Moisture

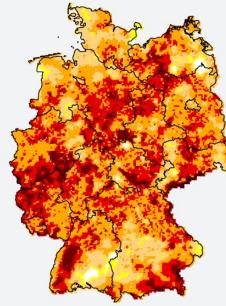
Drought monitor Germany

Gemessen am 24.08.2022

Gesamtboden (ca. 1,8m)



Oberboden (bis 25cm)



■ ungewöhnlich trocken

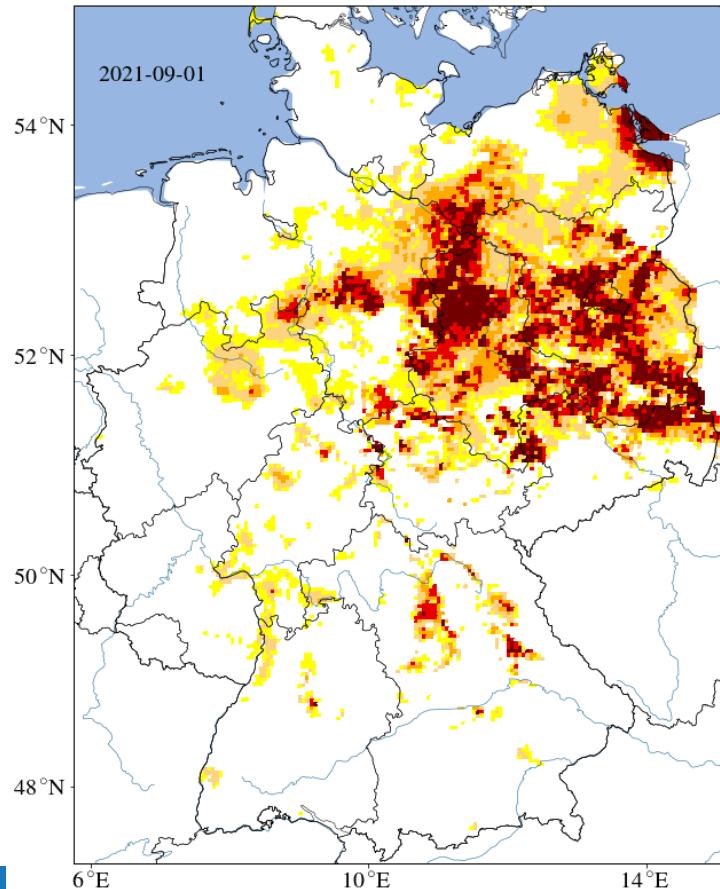
■ moderate Dürre

■ schwere Dürre

■ extreme Dürre

■ außergewöhnliche Dürre

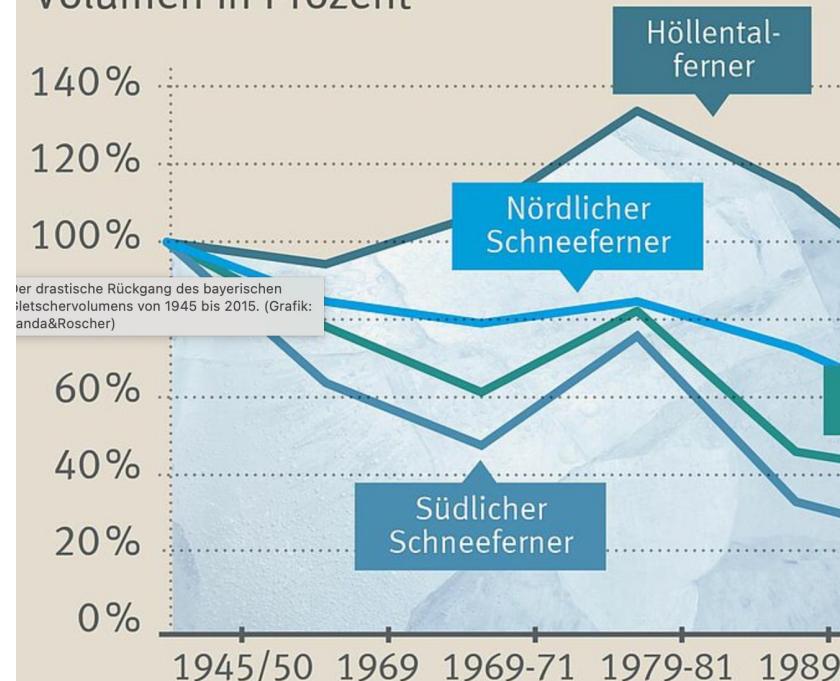
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Impacts on Glacier and Permafrost Soil

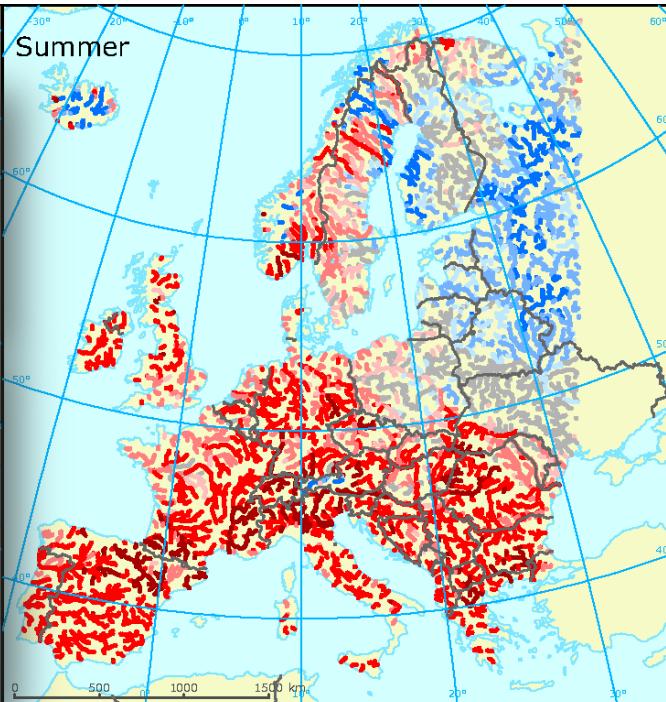
Glacier retreat

Volumen in Prozent



Impacts of Droughts on Stream Flows

River Rhine, Summer 2022

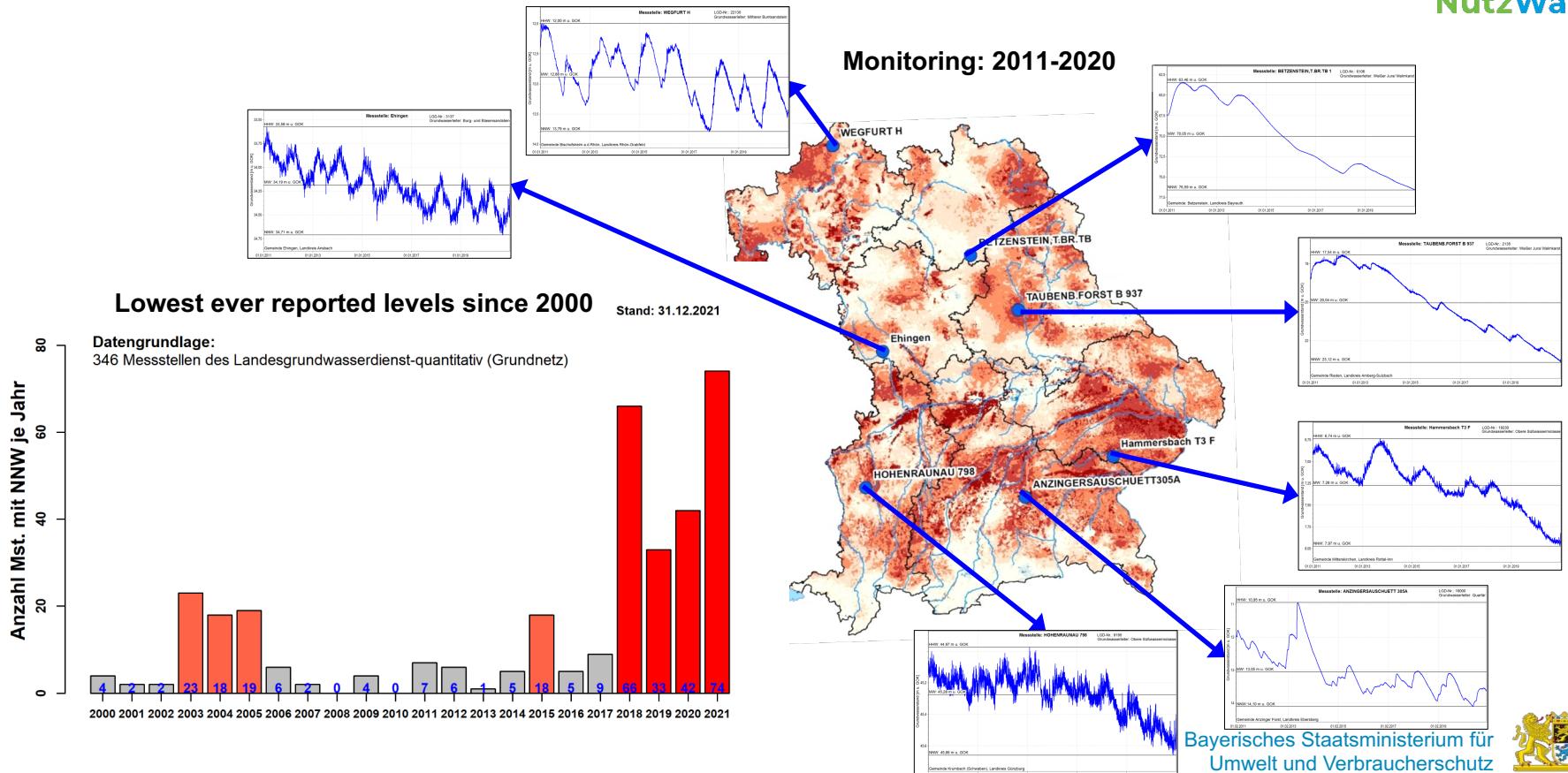


Impacts on Groundwater Recharge Rates - Bavaria



Fachdaten:
Kooperation KLIWA

Groundwater levels across Bavaria, Germany



Increasing Number of Conflicts

- Increasing demand for agricultural irrigation
- Increasing demand for urban landscape irrigation
- Public water supply
- Cooling and process water demand
- Maintaining ecological base flows
- Fit-for-Purpose: Do we need drinking water quality for all purposes?



EU Regulation for Water Reuse, 2020

EU Water Reuse Regulation, 2020/741 May 2020

L 177/32

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Official Journal of the European Union

5.6.2020

REGULATION (EU) 2020/741 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 25 May 2020
on minimum requirements for water reuse

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 192(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee (¹),

Having regard to the opinion of the Committee of the Regions (²),

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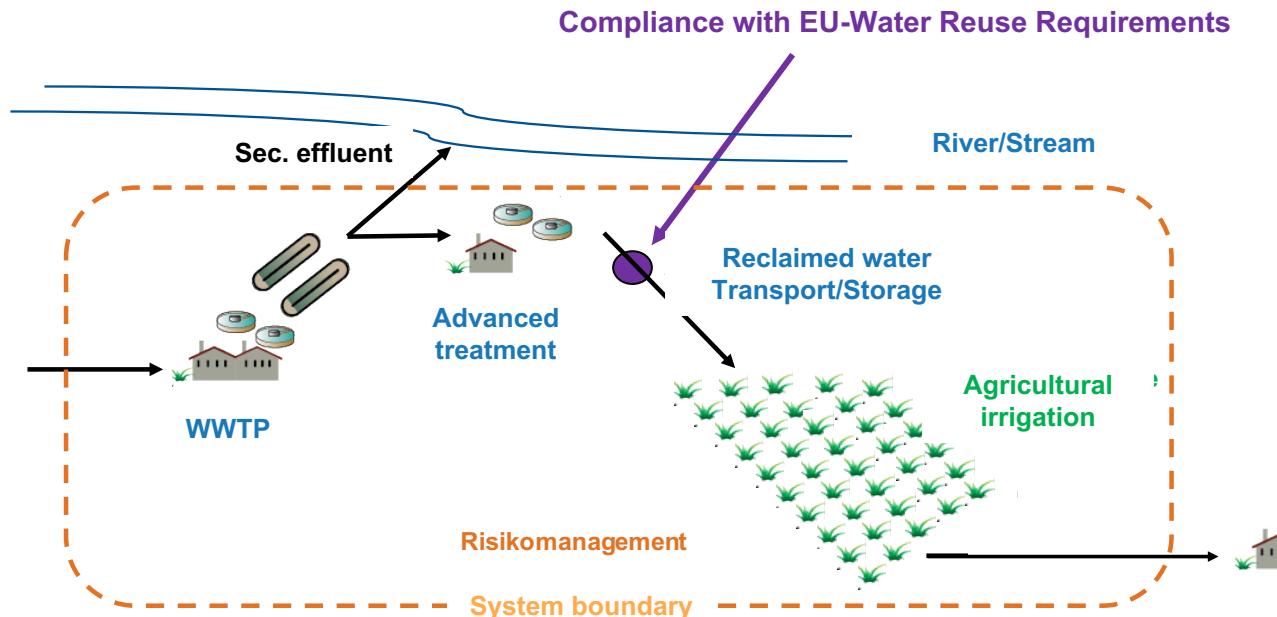
-> comply with rule by 26 June 2023

Key underlying principles:

- Introduction of **minimum requirements** for water reuse in agricultural irrigation
- Underlying **risk management plan**
 - Parametric values for quality of reclaimed water & monitoring requirements to address **HEALTH** risks
 - Key risk management elements addressing **ENVIRONMENTAL** risks & and potential additional health risks
 - System of permits and compliance checks

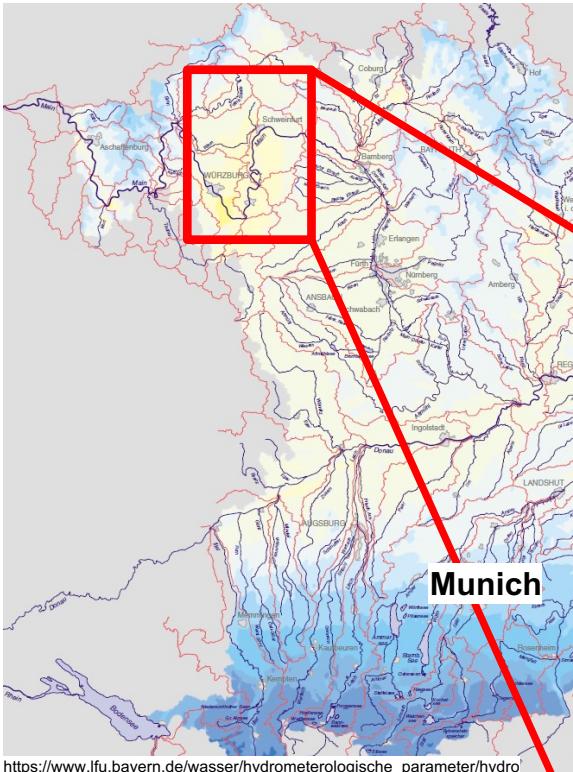
Risk Management Framework

- A system level approach



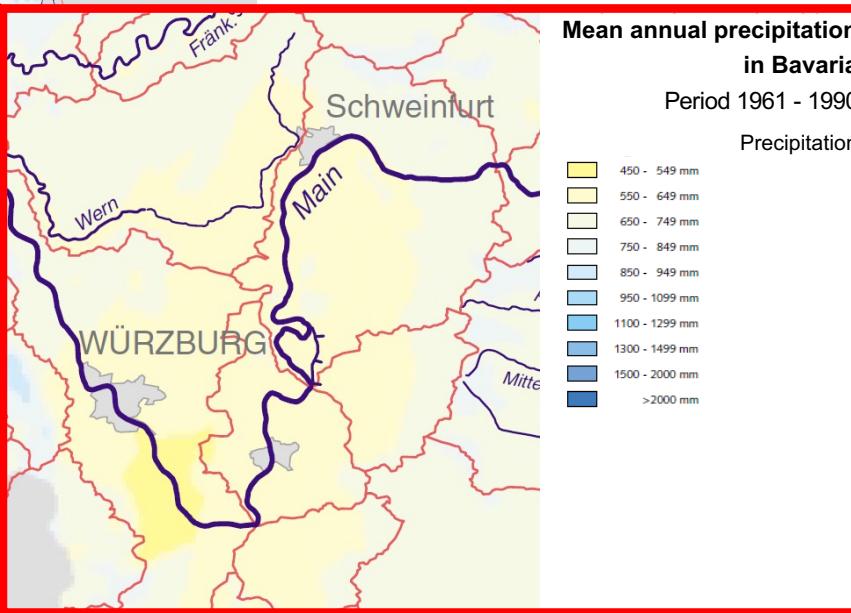
Comprehensive Risk Management Plan

Lower Franconia - an area with severe water scarcity



Lower Franconia precipitation (RUF, 2010):

- Annual precipitation ~ 700 mm, in dry year < 500 mm
- Low groundwater recharge rate (50-100 mm/a)



Stakeholder Process

- inclusive, interactive, transparent



Establishment of a Stakeholder Process

- Potential users, representatives of agricultural, wastewater treatment facilities, drinking water supplier, regulatory agencies, environmental groups, etc.
- Development of a joint vision and discussion on concerns and requirements
- Identification of case studies for urban and agricultural irrigation



Estimation of water demand + alternative water resources

- Demand estimation using surveys, historic data, modeling
- Identification of potential alternative supplies by stakeholder engagement and by using other data

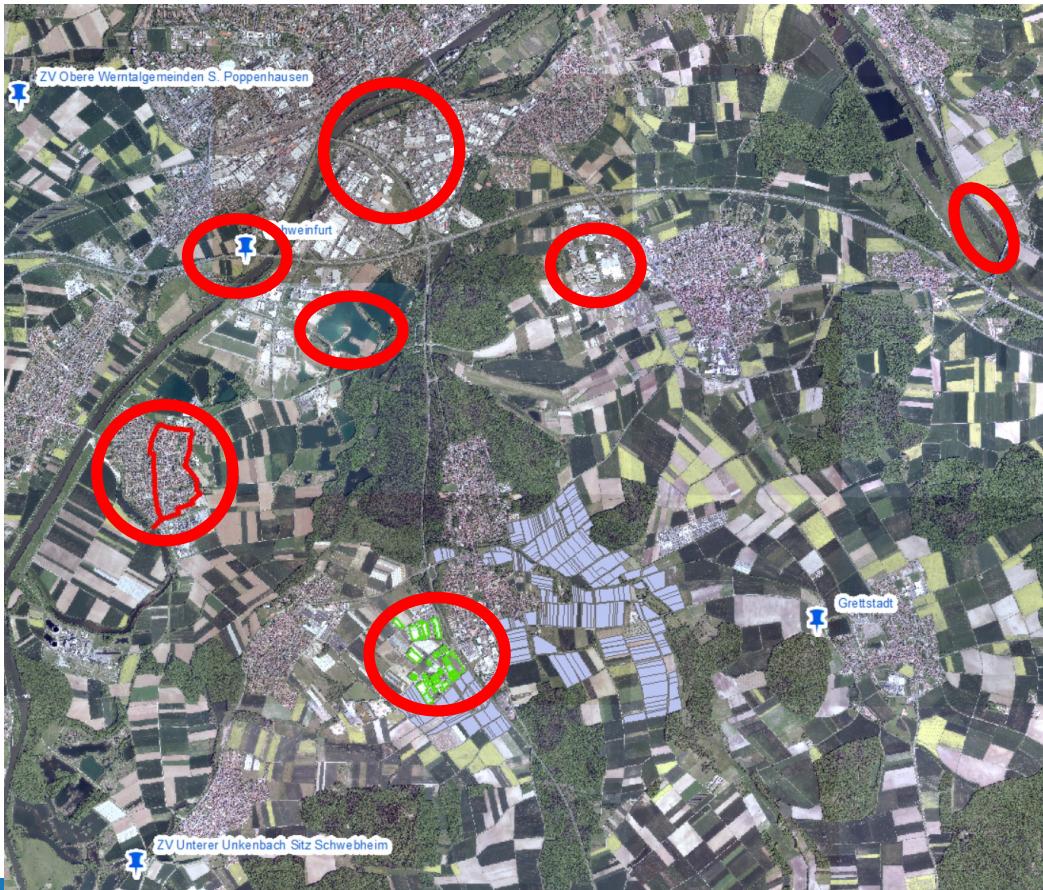


Concept development water reuse

- Identification using Stakeholder process
- Based on water demand estimates and alternative supply options



Possible Alternative Water Resources



Alternative Water Resources

Groundwater pumping facility
Grafenrheinfeld

Industrial wastewater effluents

Stormwater

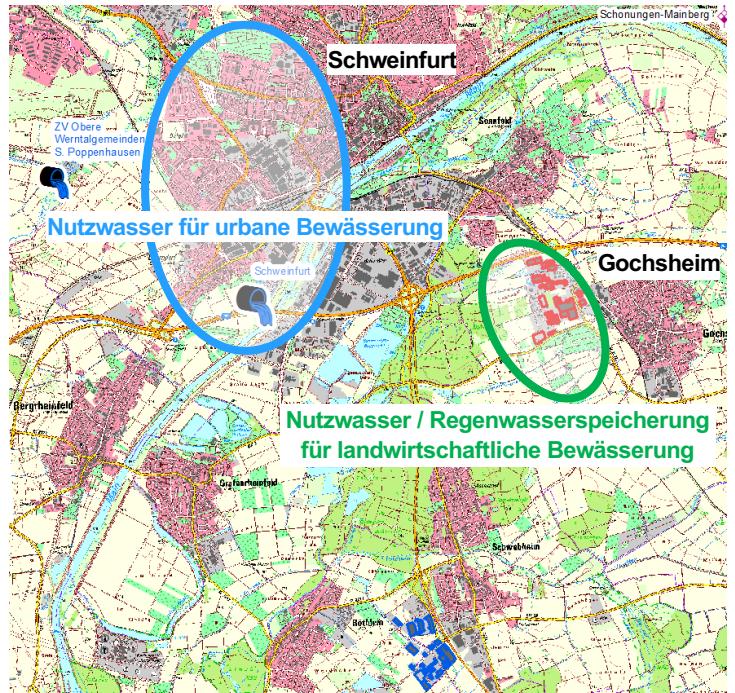
Bank filtration River Main

Schmachtenberg recreational lake

WWTP Schweinfurt – sec. effluent

Demonstration Project: ,Nutzwasser‘

- **Two demo-labs** to demonstrate viability of water reclamation and reuse:
 - Demand-oriented **agricultural irrigation** on 60 ha
 - Demand-oriented **urban landscape irrigation** within the City of Schweinfurt (football stadium, public green spaces, ice stadion)



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Nutzwasser Project- Scope and Partners

- Development and optimization of highly flexible and demand-oriented **management strategies** close to engineering practice for safe water reuse applications targeting **agricultural and landscape irrigation**
- Project partner:

Engineering practice



Regulatory and advising agencies



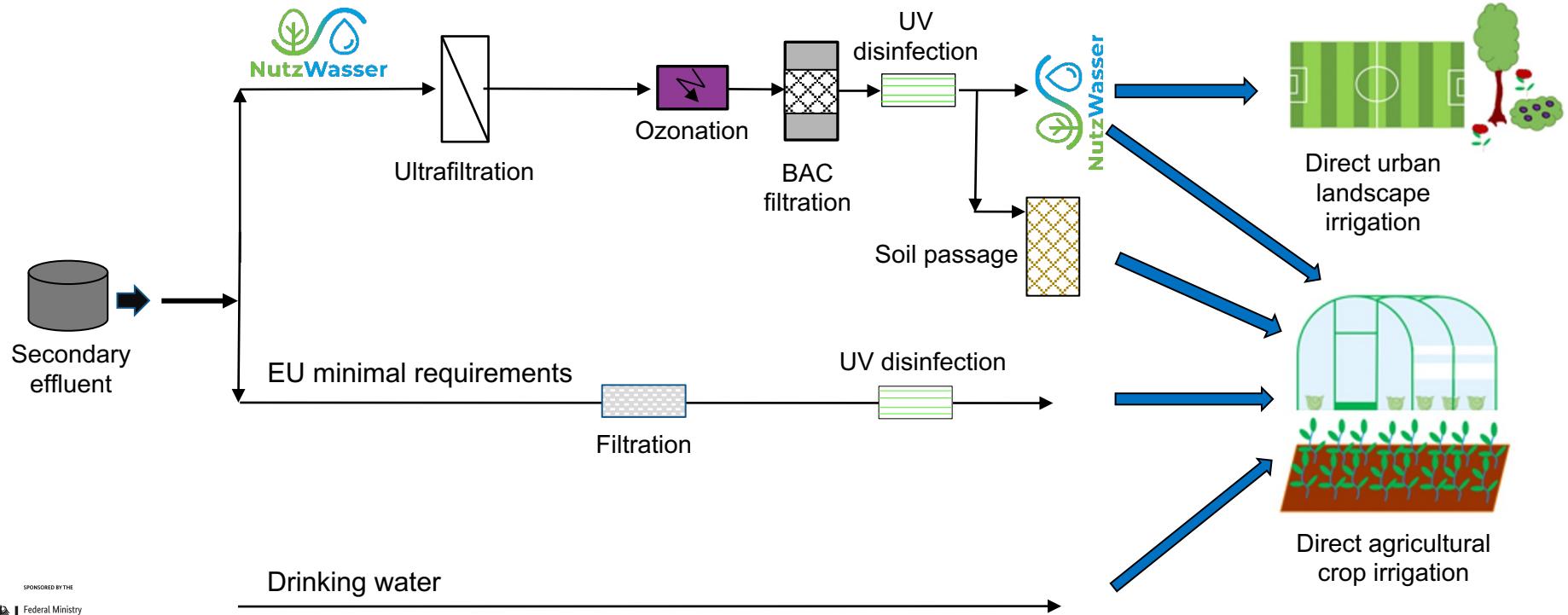
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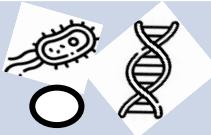
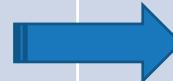
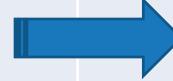
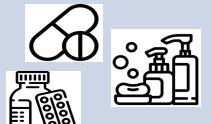
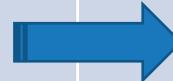
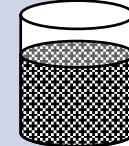
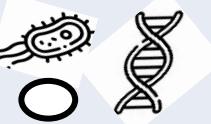
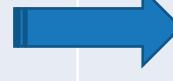
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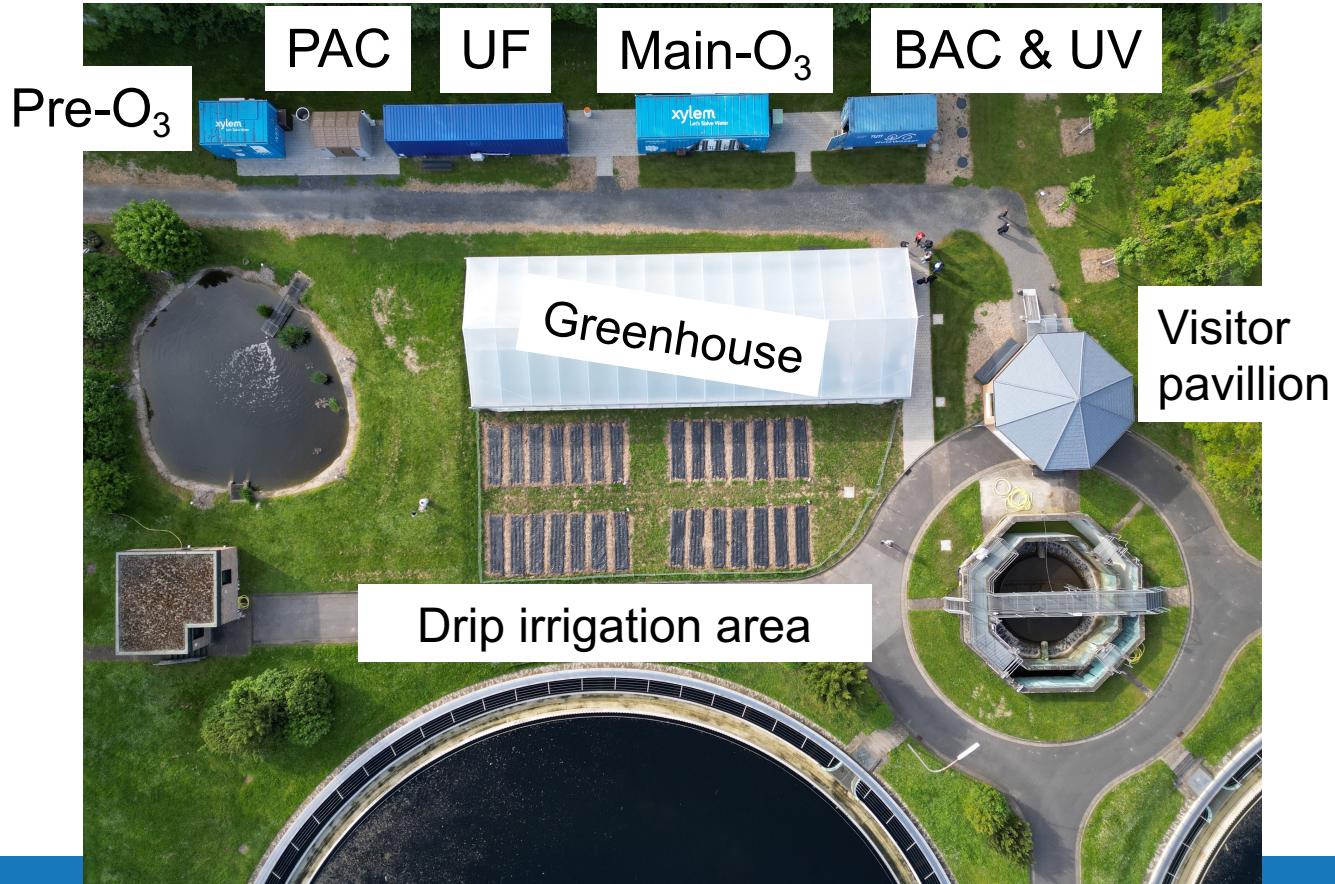
On-demand Strategies for urban and agricultural Irrigation



Multi-barrier Treatment Train

Relevant contaminants	Potential technical barrier	
Pathogens		
	 Ultrafiltration Membranes (UF)	
Pathogens		
	 Ozonation (O_3)	
Trace organic chemicals		
	 Granular activated carbon (GAC) Powdered activated carbon (PAC)	
Oxidation by products		
Pathogens		
	 UV Radiation	
Antibiotic resistance		

Reclaimed Water - Demo Lab Schweinfurt



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Ceramic Ultrafiltration



Ozon



BAC Filtration



UV
Disinfection

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March



May



April



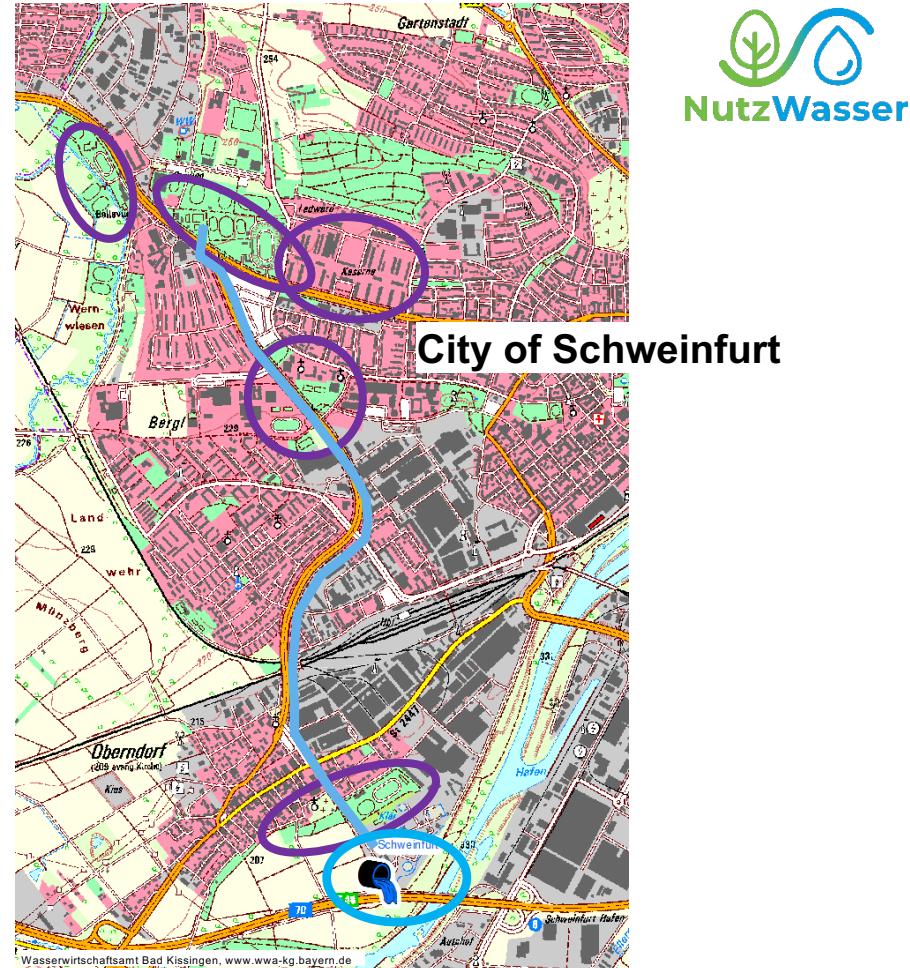
Parallel application:
Sprinkler and drip irrigation



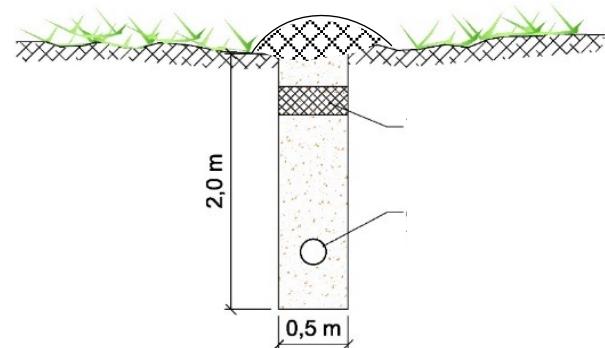
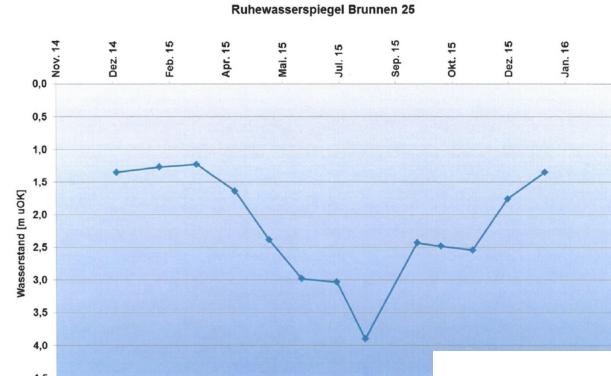
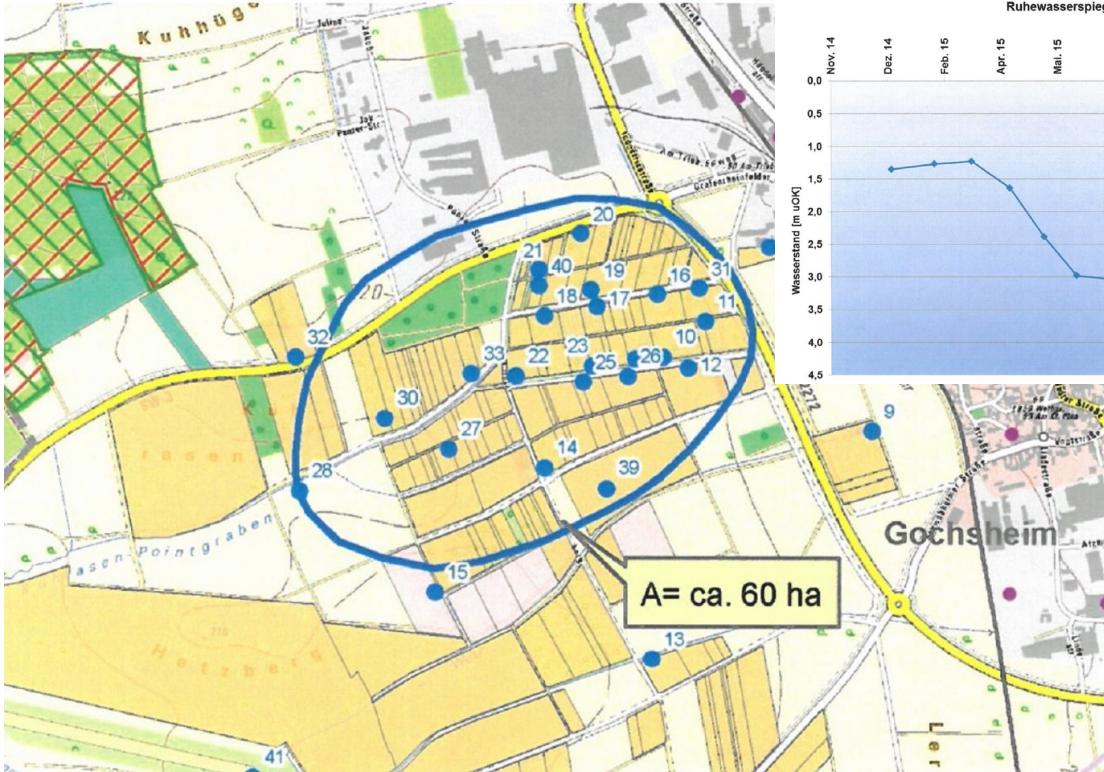
Demo Lab City of Schweinfurt

Direct urban applications:

- On demand irrigation of football stadium, public green spaces, ice stadion
- Transport via pressurized pipeline (DN 75) in main sewer line
- Subsurface storage



Demo Lab Gochsheim: On-demand agricultural irrigation



Rapid infiltration trenches

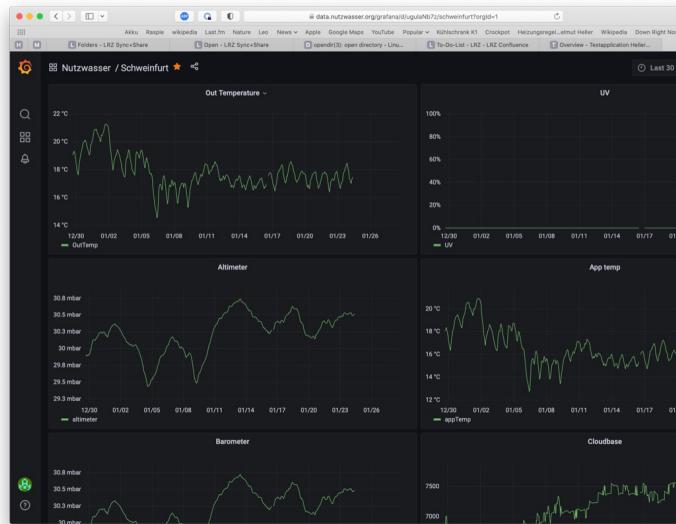
On-demand Irrigation via Internet of Things (IoT)



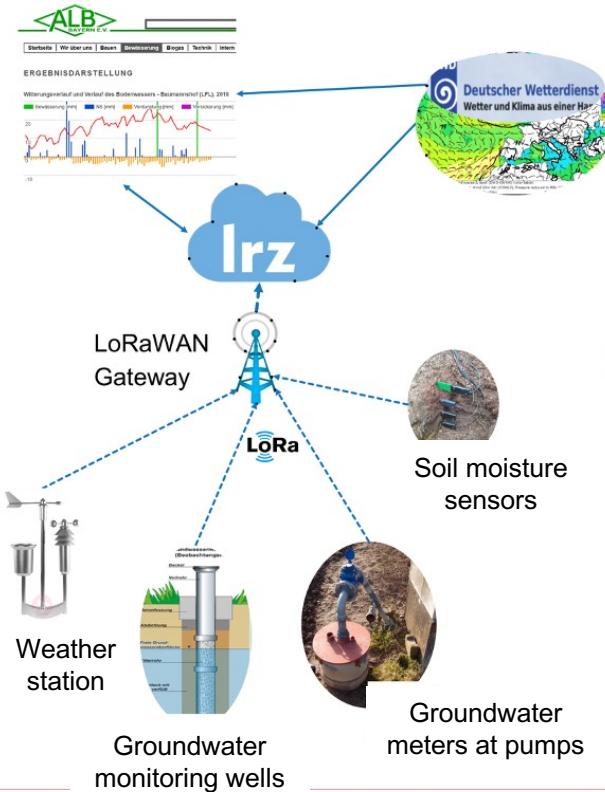
Irrigation Management via Internet of Things (IoT)



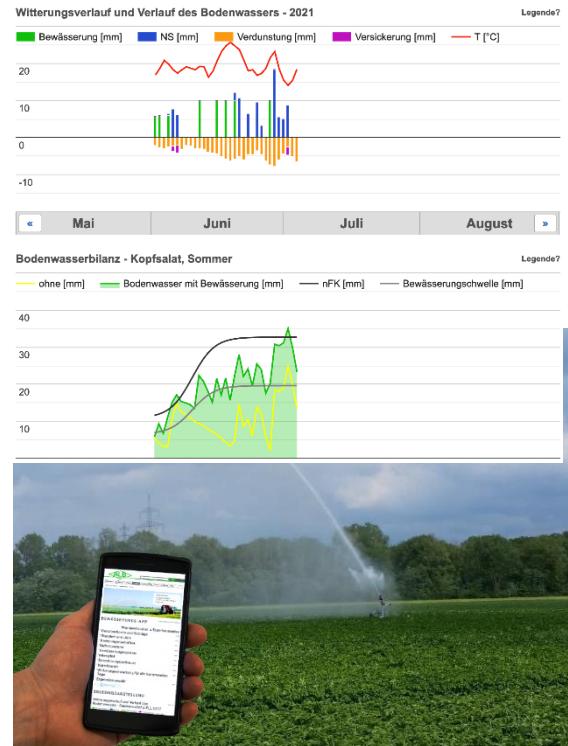
Data transfer and storage to Cloud



Cloud-based Determination of Irrigation Demand



Irrigated crop: Letuce



Challenges for Water Reuse Implementation



MANAGEMENT

Regulatory requirements



Stakeholder Participation



Business & operation models



TECHNOLOGY

Water demand management



Water quality & Treatment



Water storage



Outlook

- Water reuse can be a safe alternative water supply option
- Implementing risk management plans requires a different attitude for operators, regulatory agencies and users
- Risk management is always site specific
- Irrigation has to consider best practices and agronomic rates, which requires administrative and technological adjustmens
- Seasonality of irrigation requires flexible approaches for treatment and storage
- Synergistic effects due to new requirements of revised UWWT

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