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Coastal and transitional water ecosystems

A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT IN KENT AND PAS-DE-CALAIS









Kent in United Kingdom and Pas-de-Calais in France face the same water management challenges: flooding, drought and water pollution.

With climate change, the frequency and impact of severe weather events is increasing, and we all need to be prepared and mitigate risks.

These events have an impact on water quality, and traditional management through hard engineering can be expensive and ineffective. There are alternative, cheaper and more sustainable measures that can be implemented.

Over the next three years, two organisations on each side of the English Channel will team up to demonstrate that **nature-based solutions** can **reduce water management costs**, while **improving freshwater quality**, **reducing pollution**, and **providing benefits for wildlife**, **biodiversity and local communities**.

Did you know?

Only 30-40% of rivers entering the Channel are classified as Good Ecological Status.



IMPROVING WATER QUALITY AND MANAGEMENT IN A CHANGING CLIMATE





Our activities

2019

Map and select pilot sites in catchment areas of the Stour (UK) and Authie (FR)



Monitor water quality changes



Support decisionmaking to manage water sustainably Implement nature-based solutions to deal with flood and drought on pilot sites



Analyse freshwater flows and usage

Deliver tools to transfer knowledge in other areas in the UK and France



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Join us!

The H2O:Source2Sea project is collaborative. We will need the help of all local community members to ensure the success of the project, and there will be many opportunities to get involved in our activities.

Surveys and interviews	Public debates
Citizen science programme to monitor water quality changes	Training opportunities for all
Workshops with farmers and landowners	Workshops with local authorities

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