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*Temporary nature in an harbour area:
Dudzeelse polder (Brugge, Belgium)*

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WHAT ?

Place and context

- ✓ **Location :** *Harbour of Zeebrugge (Brugge, Flanders - Belgium)*
- ✓ **Urban context of site:** *(peri-urban) harbour development*
- ✓ **Size of site:** *170 ha*
- ✓ **Former use of site:** *Temporary agricultural use in anticipation of harbour development after expropriation (1970's)*



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WHAT ?

Place and context

- ✓ ***What is currently on site:***
 - ✓ ***Historical polder landscape***
 - ✓ ***Newly developing habitat (2010): compensatory measures for habitats directive***
 - ✓ ***Designated as part of SPA Birds and PA Habitat (Natura 2000)***



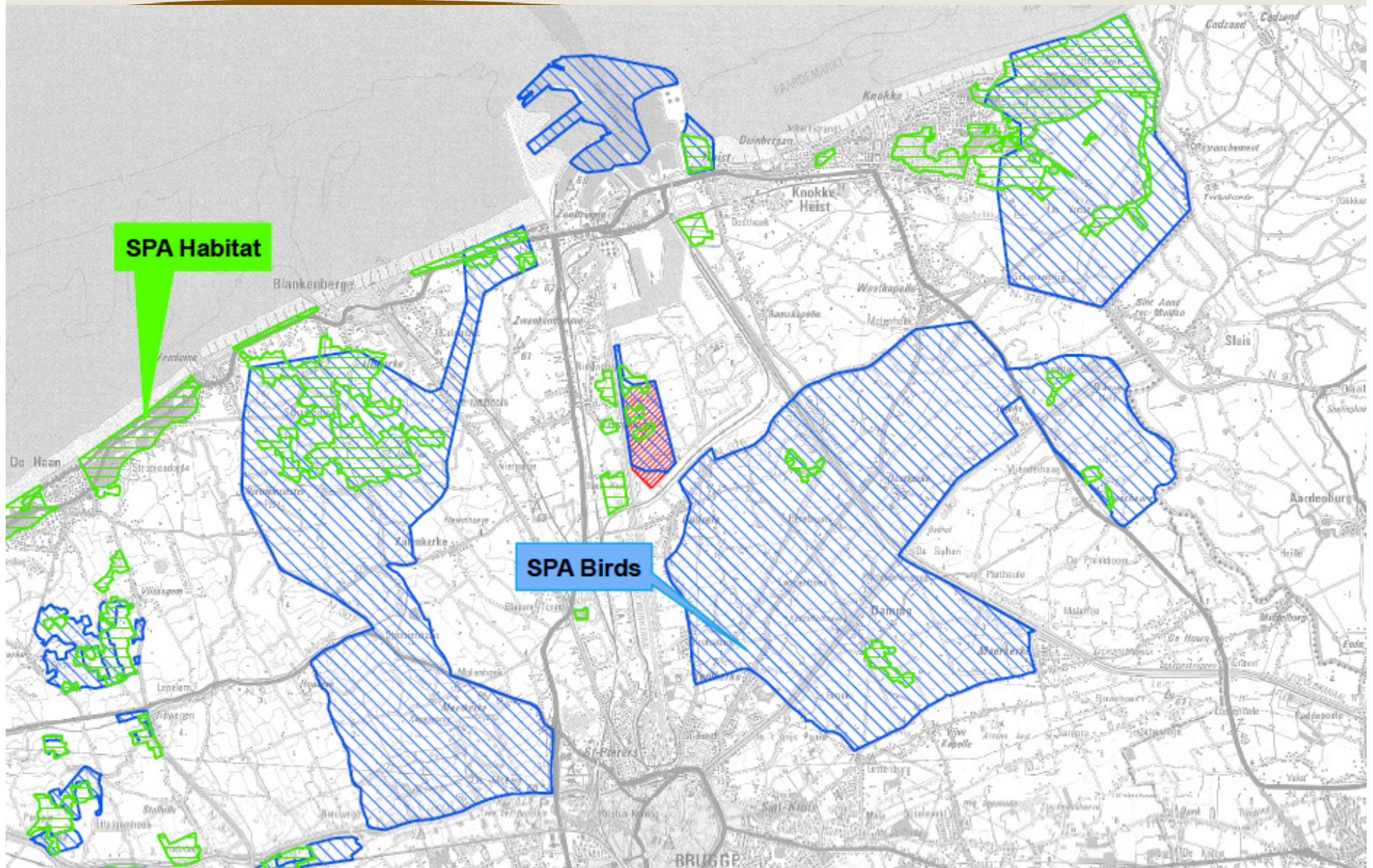
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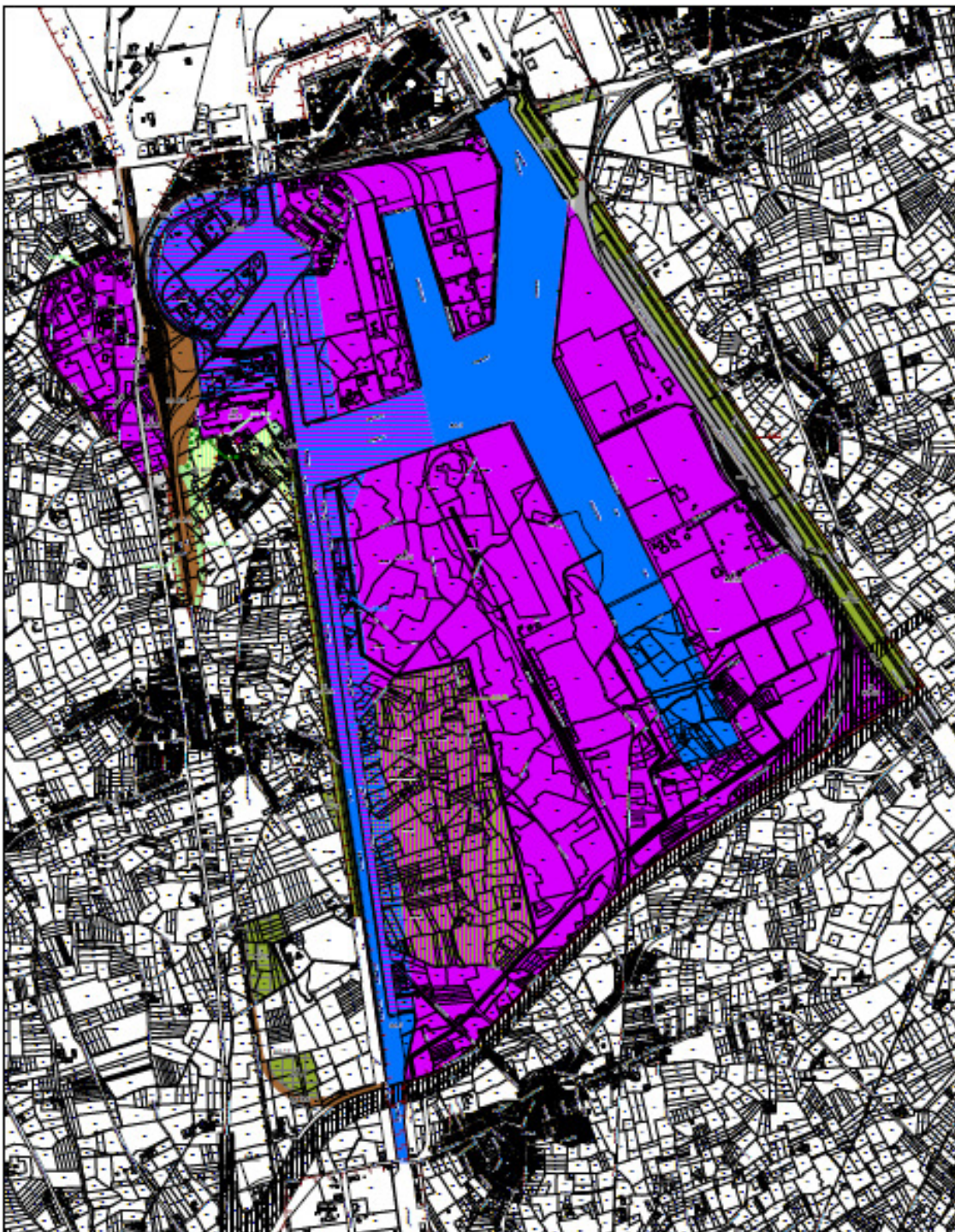


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**Spatial plan 2009 –
Demarcation harbour
Brugge - Zeebrugge**





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WHAT ? Place and context

✓ *Legal constraints:*

Part of SPA Birds and Habitat



Constraints for future development as harbour area



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■ **WHY?** Ideas and plans

Temporary plans for the site:

- ✓ ***Habitat development (salt marsh – salt meadows)***
- ✓ ***Implementation of suitable management measures***



Compulsary according to art. 6 of the EU directive 92/43 EEG (habitats directive).











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■ **WHY?** Ideas and plans

Purpose/ benefits of the project

- ✓ ***Quick accomplishment of compensatory measures***
- ✓ ***Necessary for quick harbour development***



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■ **WHY?** Ideas and plans

Why this specific project area?

✓ ***Quick accomplishment of compensatory measures:***

➡ ***physical conditions ideally suited for developing salt habitat***

✓ ***Economic use of available space: expropriated in 1970's***

➡ ***Short term gain: no need to acquire 80 / 400 ha (20%)***



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■ **WHY?** Ideas and plans

Long term goals for site?

- ✓ ***Remains area for future harbour development (Spatial plan 2009)***
- ✓ ***According to strategic plan 2000-2030: no economic need to develop the area for harbour activities in this planning period***
- ✓ ***Time horizon of 20 years gives opportunities for using the area for successful habitat development: short term benefits outweigh the long term costs***



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