

The Dune Farmers Platform Aim Duinboeren:

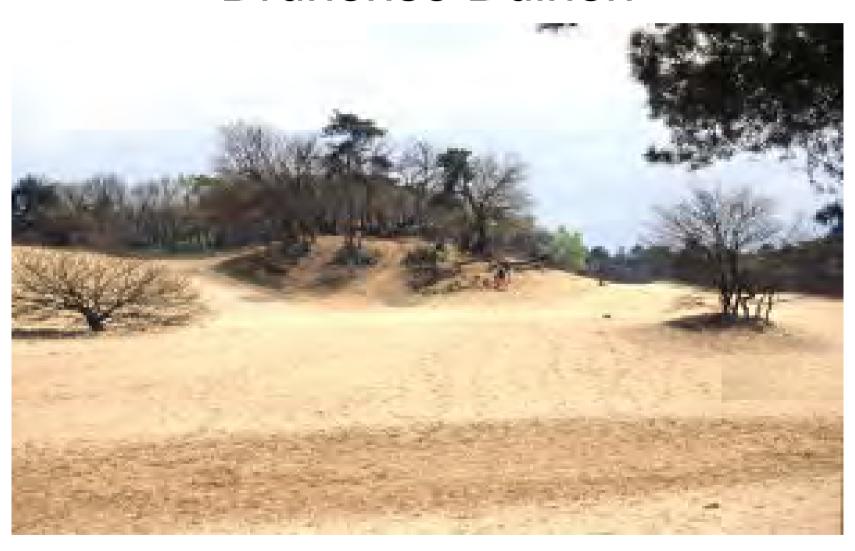
To maintain and enhance the economic performance of their farms, while respecting environment, nature and landscape.



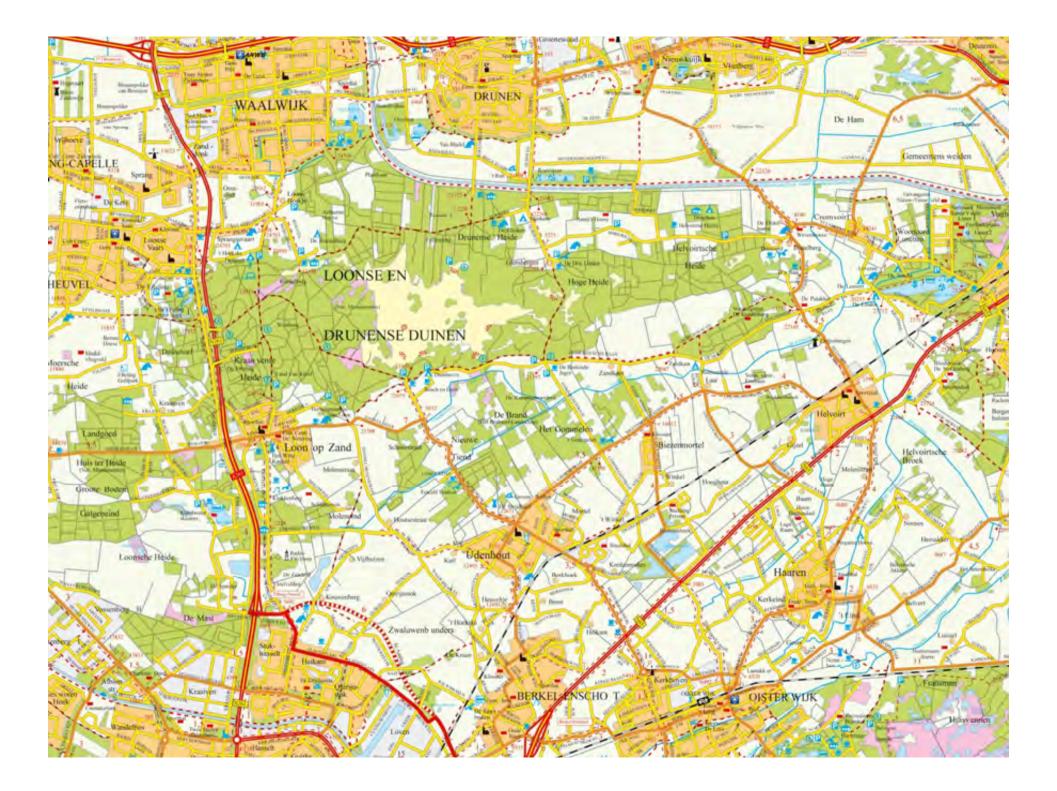
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- Nat. Park: "Treath or a challenge?"

National park The Loonse en Drunense Duinen







How they got started

- 1992: Minister of Agriculture gave Loonse en Drunense Duinen the status of National Park in formation
- Farmers felt threated by the National Park
- Question how to cope with the changes in the area
- They decided to act in an pro-active way



Organization

- The board is a group seven farmers from the region
- Supported by a small group of employees
- Based on projects
- Projects are direct result of ideas and initiatives of the farmers



Innovations on the farms

- Duinboeren en Daden
 - Effective phoshate management
- Biodiversity
 - Use of biodiversity on the farm
- Regional products
- Dairy farming and Climate
 - Reduce the emission of Laughing-gas, ammonia,
- Land use
- Schoon water / Clean Water
 - Good pesticides use



Studygroups, demonstration and experiments





Projects

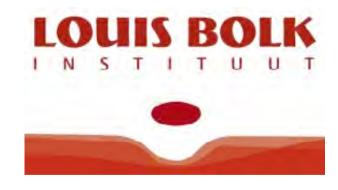
- Area-based
 - Parcel exchange with different targets
 - In areas with a small group of farmers
 - Brokkenbroek

Fodder trees

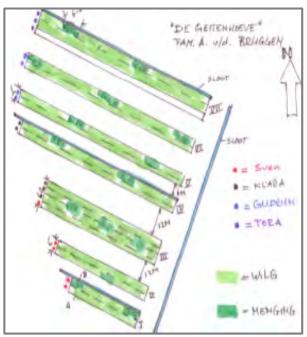


Fodder trees as a third crop on dairy farms in the Netherlands









September 2012

First in April 2011: planting of 4 willow clones (Sven, Klara, Gudrun and Tora) Selection based on production, disease resistance and palatability for animals



Results harvesting Silage making





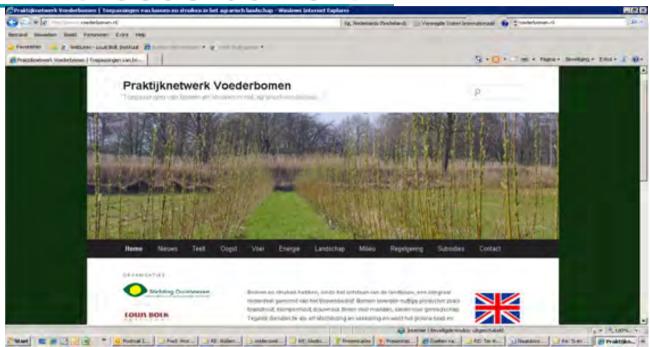


Look at www.voederbomen.nl
"Oogst" for film



More information

www.voederbomen.nl



Proposition

At the moment the general policy is too much regulating and not stimulating for tree cultivation as a crop on agricultural land.

Threats and challenges

Challenges

- Diversification on farms
 - Tourism
 - Regional products
- Landscape development en maintenance
- Working together with Other landowners in the region



Threats

- Decreasing number of Dairy farmers
- Perspective for Dairy farmers (land and development)
- Decrease of diversity of farms
- Due to the high price for agriculturale land only the strong tree nursery will survive in the region





Questions?