

# Clearance and draught information in free flowing rivers and tidal estuaries

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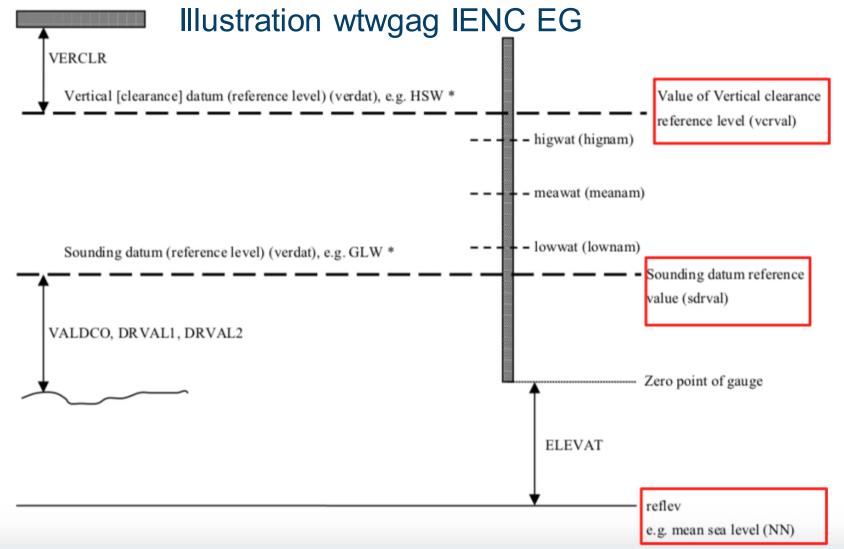


During the IEEG in June 2018 it has been discovered (ie Laessi demo) that the vcrval attribute (value of Vertical clearance reference level) and the sdrval attribute for sounding date reference value is missing in the Feature Catalog and EG for many features.

vcrval and sdrval attributes are important to be able to make a comparison with actual watergauge information (reflev NAP in this case)

Below some examples:

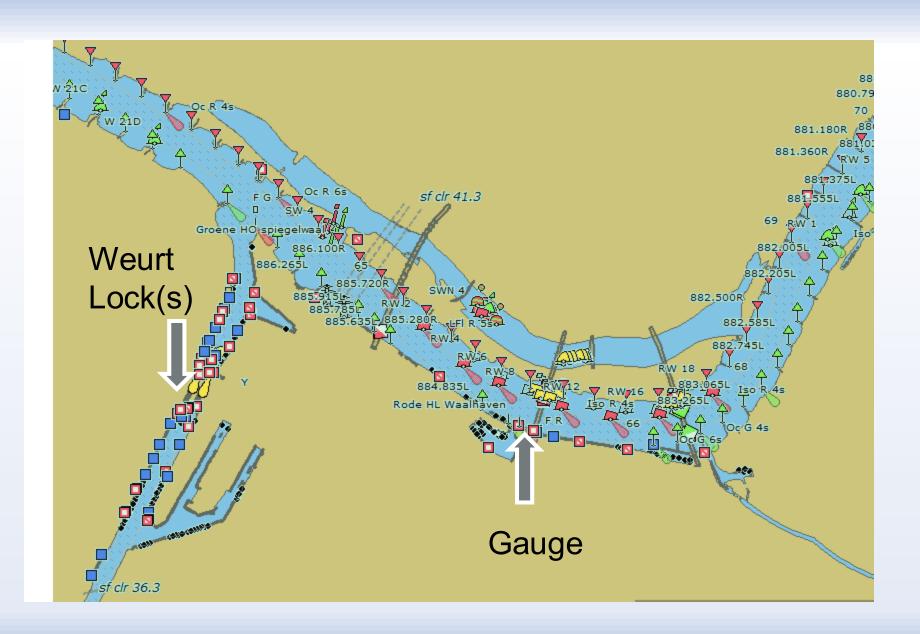




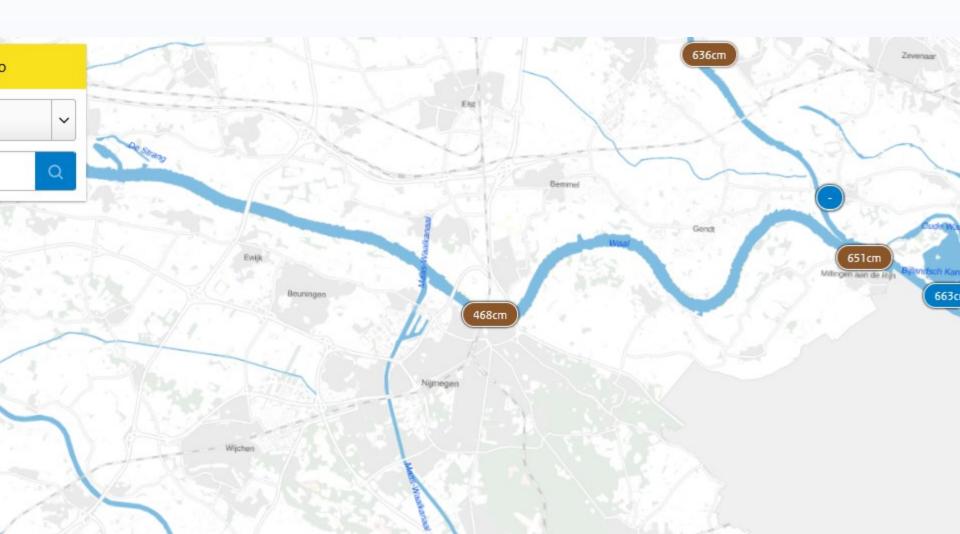
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### Lock Weurt (connected to the river Waal)

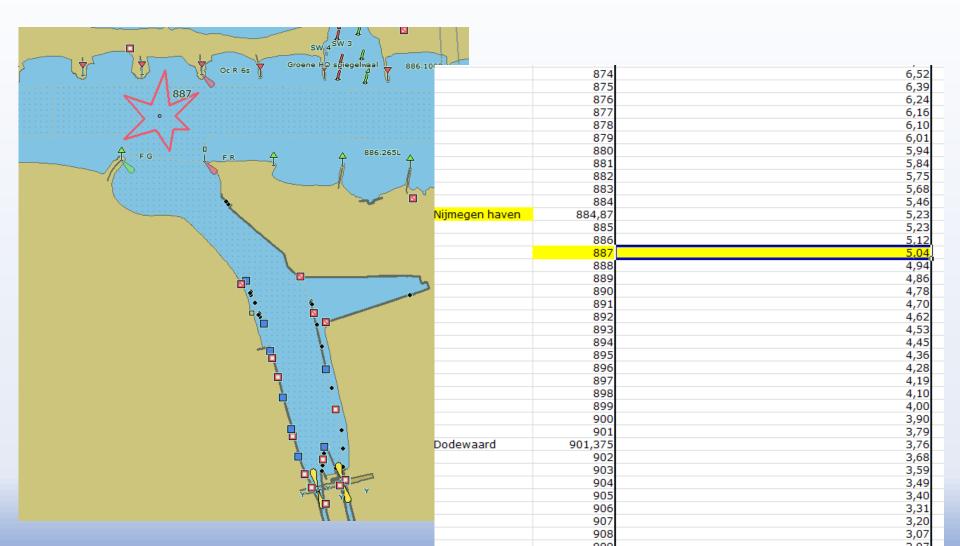




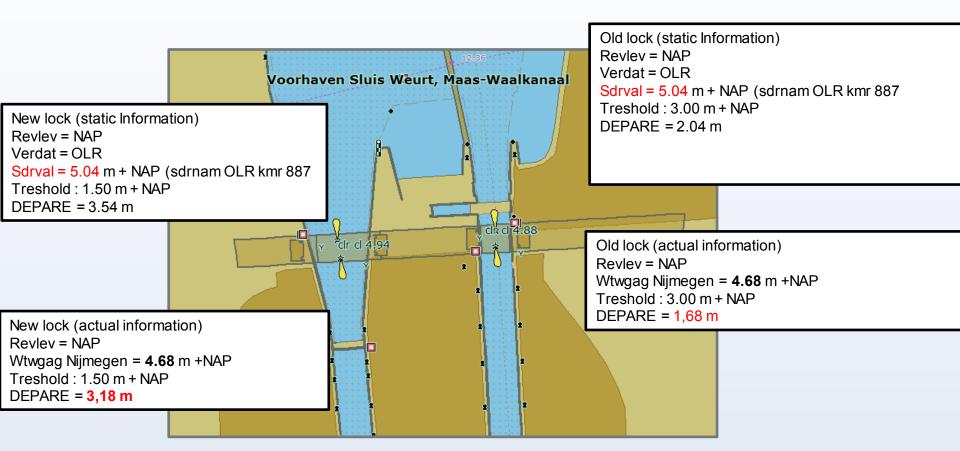
### wtwgag Nijmegen 8 nov 2018 (very low waterlevel)



#### Locks Weurt are related to the OLR value Kmr 887

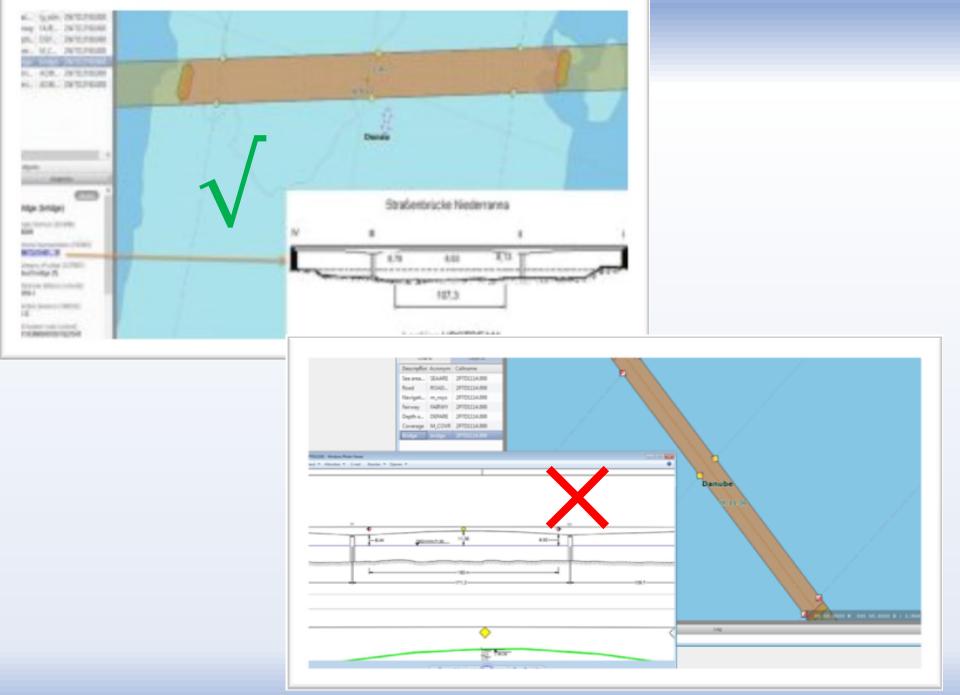


The waterlevels are much less than the OLR value (22102018 wtwgag = 4.35 m NAP!!); so The capacity of the locks is decreased in this period and have much impact on voyageplans etc.



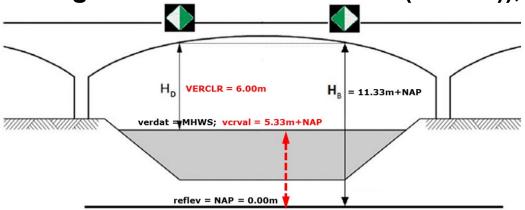
#### **Example use of vcrval at bridges**

The vertical clearance in the IENC is the smallest (safest) passage height of a span over navigable water and is determined by the smallest vertical distance between the normative high water level for shipping (MHW on rivers; 43 (Dutch High Water Reference Level (MHW) and the underside of the span.



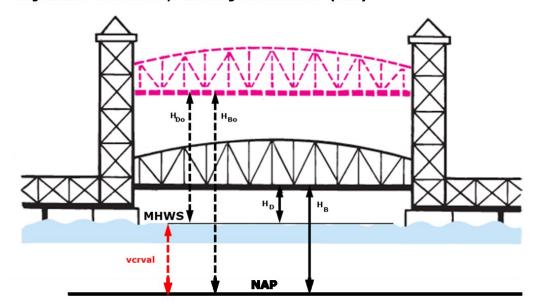


#### Examples of use of vcrval attribute Verdat =43 (Dutch High Water Reference Level (MHWS)),



<sup>H</sup><sub>D</sub> = vertical clearance to the bottom of the fully loaded bridge at the normative high water level for shipping (MHWS)

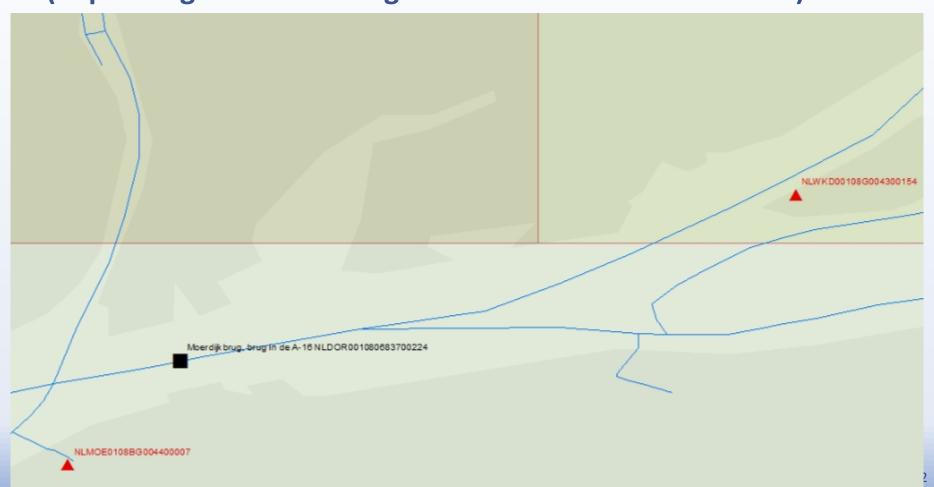
 $H_B$  = height of the bottom of the fully loaded bridge in relation to NAP (reflev)





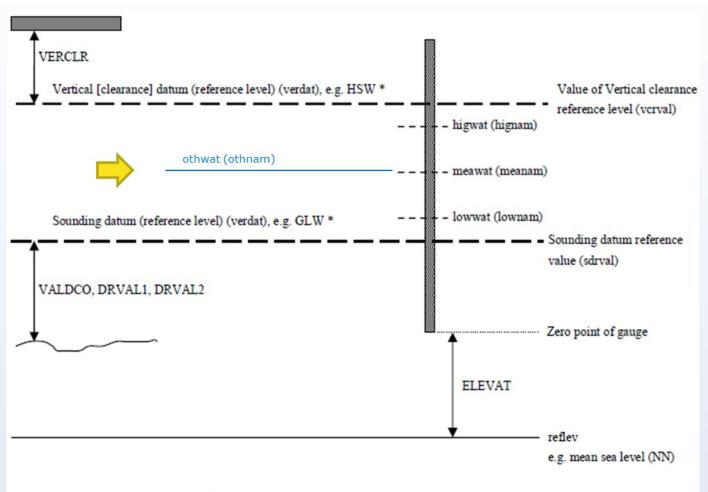
#### Moerdijk bridges

For calculation actual clearances in tidal waters, you need level information from more than one wtwgag's (depending on time during the tide and river discharche)





The illustration for wtwgag in the IENC EG misses the attributes othwat and othnam. With these attributes you are able to registrate **official strive(design)waterlevels** (verdat = local datum 24)



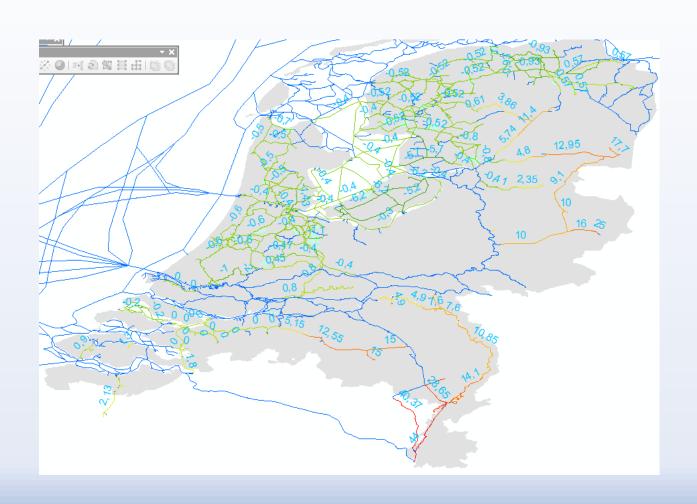
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## In NL there are more than 56 official (design) strive-waterlevels (verdat = Local datum (24)





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