

QGIS as a gui for hydrological modelling

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Quadtree flood simulations with sub-grid digital elevation models



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Flooding is an increasing hazard to society and good governance now implies careful water management in terms of design, planning and control of urban and rural areas. This requires that rainstorms, extreme water levels and so on are taken into account with relevant precision. A great aid is the existence of graphical information systems with raster-based digital elevation models (DEMs). Modern technology such as Lidar means that DEMs are of ever-increasing resolution. This paper describes how, without adaptations, a DEM can be used efficiently for detailed 2D flooding simulations. The method is based on four components: the sub-grid method; bottom friction derived from the divided channel method; the finite-volume staggered grid method for shallow water equations with rapidly varying flows; and quadtrees.

1. Introduction

Cartesian grids have many advantages; for example, simple numerical equations are involved and generating suitable meshes is relatively quick and can be fully automated. However, accurate representation of arbitrary land–water boundary outlines is often a problem. Land–water interfaces vary in type. For example, steep walls (such as in quays and dykes) do not move in space as the water level changes and in situations such as these, finite elements and unstructured grids might give a better solution. However, for land–water boundaries that move horizontally as well, such as tidal flats, river banks with mildly sloping bottoms or overland flow, every method faces similar problems.

Recent decades have seen a resurgence of Cartesian grids for computational fluid dynamics. Their classical disadvantage has been largely removed by proposing flow solvers (e.g. cut cells, immersed boundary method, quadtrees) that deal with moving and arbitrary boundaries (e.g. Altonse *et al.*, 1998; Causon and Ingram, 2001; Mittal and Iaccarino, 2005; Rosati *et al.*, 2005). Another recent development is raster-based digital elevation models (DEMs) of ever-increasing resolution, which have been applied in flood simulations (e.g. Bates and De Roo, 2000; Horritt and Bates, 2001; Marks and Bates, 2000). In some works, detailed bathymetric data are used as a sub-grid (Bates, 2000; Yu and Lane, 2006a, 2006b), taking into account some kind of porosity (Cea and Vazquez-Cendón, 2010; Sanders *et al.*, 2008). The effect on bottom friction of sub-grid depth variation inside a coarse grid cell might be accounted for by the definition of the so-called ‘effective depth’ (Oefina, 2000; Yu and Lane, 2006b). Casulli (2009) and Casulli and Stelling (2011) apply detailed sub-grid data in combination with unstructured grids, both for 2D and 3D flow equations. This approach combines the advantages of accurate representation

both sharp and mild land–water interfaces. Casulli (2009) explains the non-linearity of the continuity equation due to the sub-grid combined with flooding and drying. Brugman and Casulli (2009) give a rigorous proof of convergence of the Newton method for a sparse system of non-linear equations if the wet surface is a non-decreasing function of the water level. Flooding problems may contain different flow types within one domain, such as overland flow and rapidly varying flow due to dam break and/or dam overflow. Rapidly varying flow is often simulated with Godunov-type methods (Begnudelli *et al.*, 2008; Cea and Vazquez-Cendón, 2010; Liang *et al.*, 2004). These methods, however, are often not very efficient for overland flow and flow in deeper water due to explicit time integration and time-consuming computational procedures on non-staggered grids. Stelling and Duinmeijer (2003), Kramer and Stelling (2008) and Kerkamp *et al.* (2011) describe a semi-implicit method that is reasonably accurate and efficient for a variety of situations, such as rapidly varying flow, overland flow and flow in normal conditions such as rivers, estuaries and coastal seas.

This paper attempts to combine the best components from the aforementioned literature. The proposed method is based on four components

- (a) the sub-grid method, including flooding and drying (Casulli, 2009)
- (b) bottom friction based on the concept of roughness depth, described in this paper
- (c) the finite-volume staggered grid method for shallow water equations with rapidly varying flows (Stelling and Duinmeijer, 2003), including semi-implicit time integration (Casulli and Walters, 2000)
- (d) quadtrees (e.g. Wang *et al.*, 2004)

Faster calculations:

- › Subgrid and quadtrees computation cells
- › Mass conservative calculations
- › Converging Newton iteration matrix solving

Use detail data for accurate results

- › e.g. LiDAR based height data

Integration of:

- › Rain radar
- › Urban drainage system
- › River flow and sea level





Where we operate



» 3Di studies

- › Stress-tests
- › Flooding
- › Climate resilient design
- › Water system analysis (integral)
- › FEWS (Flood Early Warning Systems)





Alcatraz



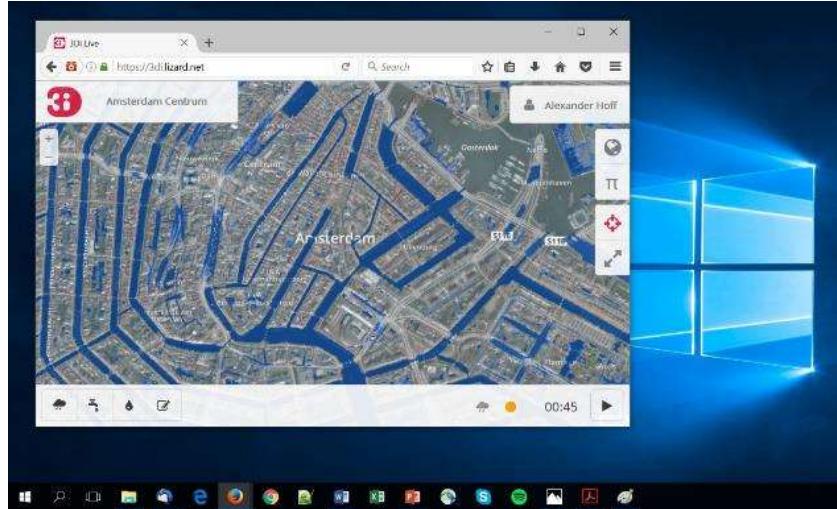
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Presentation & communication

- › Easy to understand maps
- › Online presentation
- › Touch Table
- › Interactive





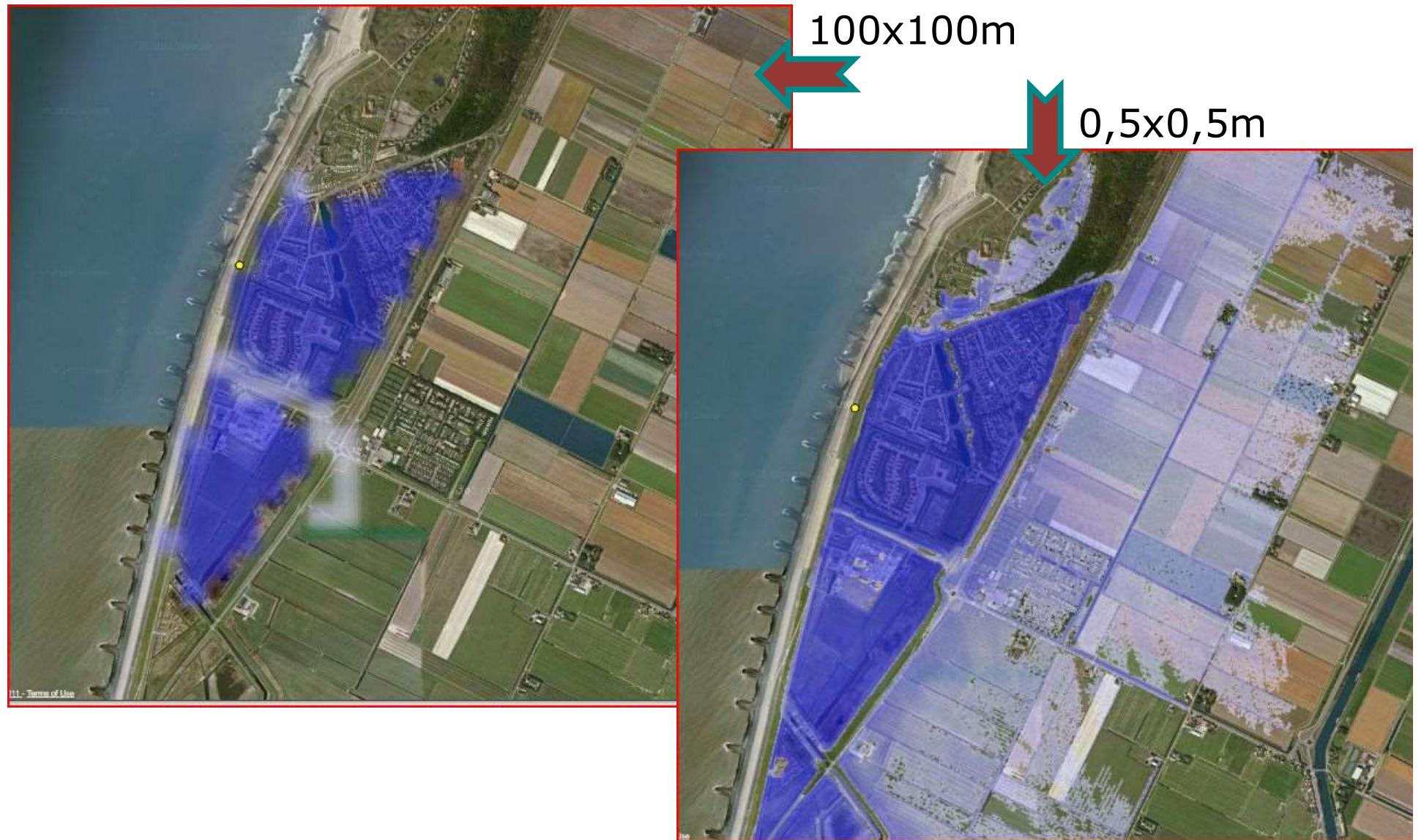
3Di Online interface

The screenshot shows a map of the Almere region in the Netherlands. A central dialog box is open, titled "Rain settings". It contains four tabs: "local only", "radar" (which is selected), "design", and "constant". Below the tabs is a date and time input field showing "Sun Oct 13 2013 12:00:00 GMT+0200". Underneath is a multiplier input field set to "multiplier 1.0 x". At the bottom of the dialog is a red message: "Push the \"OK\" button to submit the radar data." To the right of the dialog is a calendar for July 2014, with the 14th highlighted. A green "OK" button is visible on the calendar. The map background shows various locations like Almere Poort, Almere Haven, Gooimeer, and Muiderberg. A legend at the bottom left indicates a rainfall intensity of "Intensity 20.0 mm/h". The URL "https://3di.lizard.net" is visible at the bottom left, and a timestamp "00:00" is at the bottom right.





e.g. More detailed flood simulations





How to build these models?

- › Create own custom interface?
- › Use existing software?





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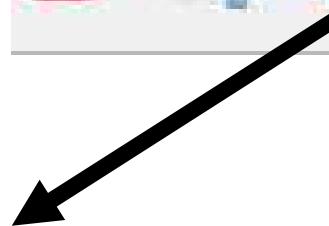
»» Why Qgis?

- Open Source
- No expensive licences required
- QGIS communicates very well with databases like spatialite
- Third party plugins can be easily used:
 - › PDOK (Dutch plugin)
 - › Value tool
 - › Profile tool



» 3di plugin

1. From data to model
2. Result processing
3. Result analysis



- toolbox_tools
 - > stap 1 - Data controle
 - > stap 2 - Data conversie en inlezen
 - > stap 3 - Schematisatie bewerken
 - > stap 4 - Schematisatie converteren
 - > stap 5 - Resultaten nabewerken

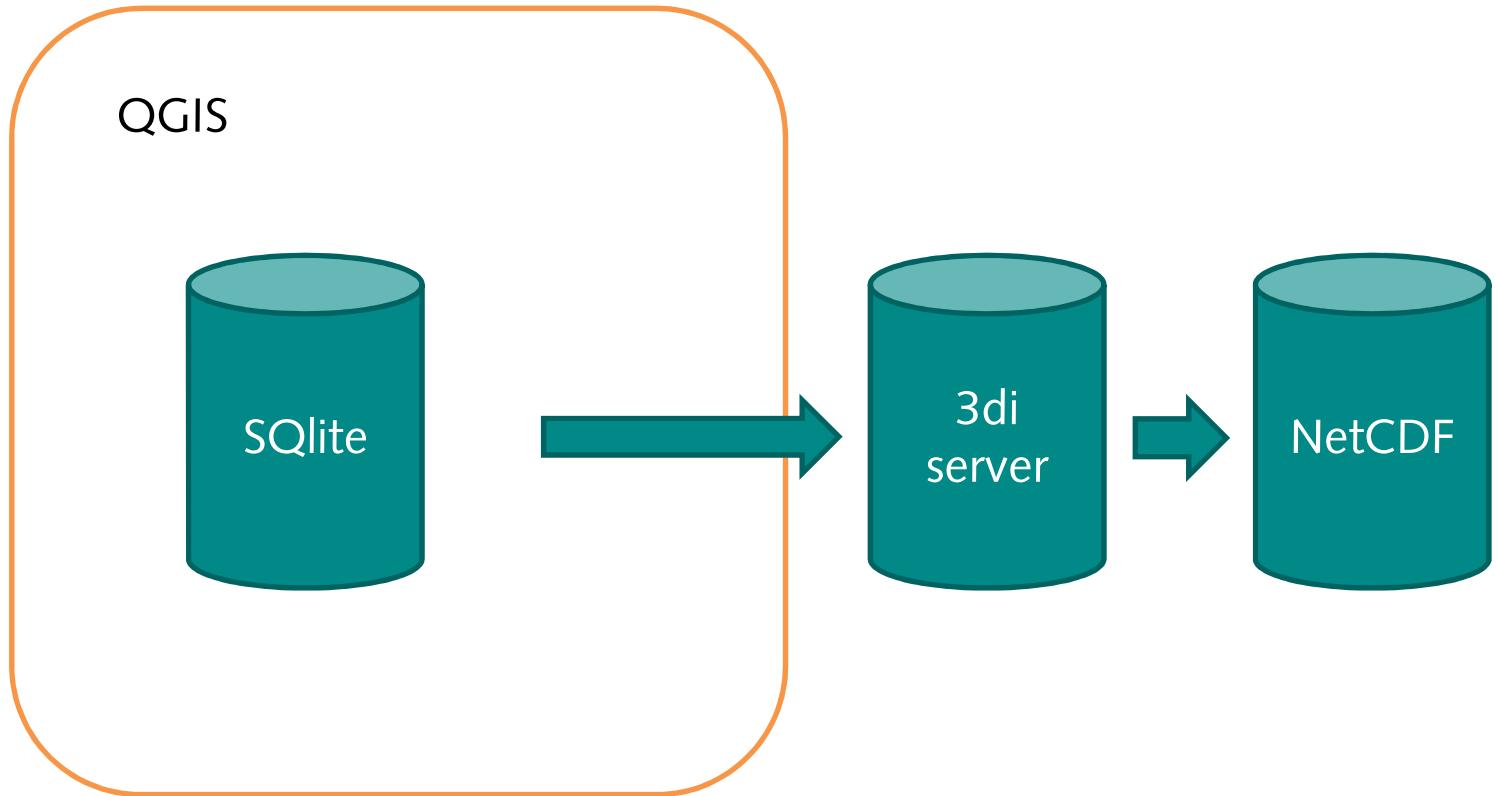


» Why a new plugin?



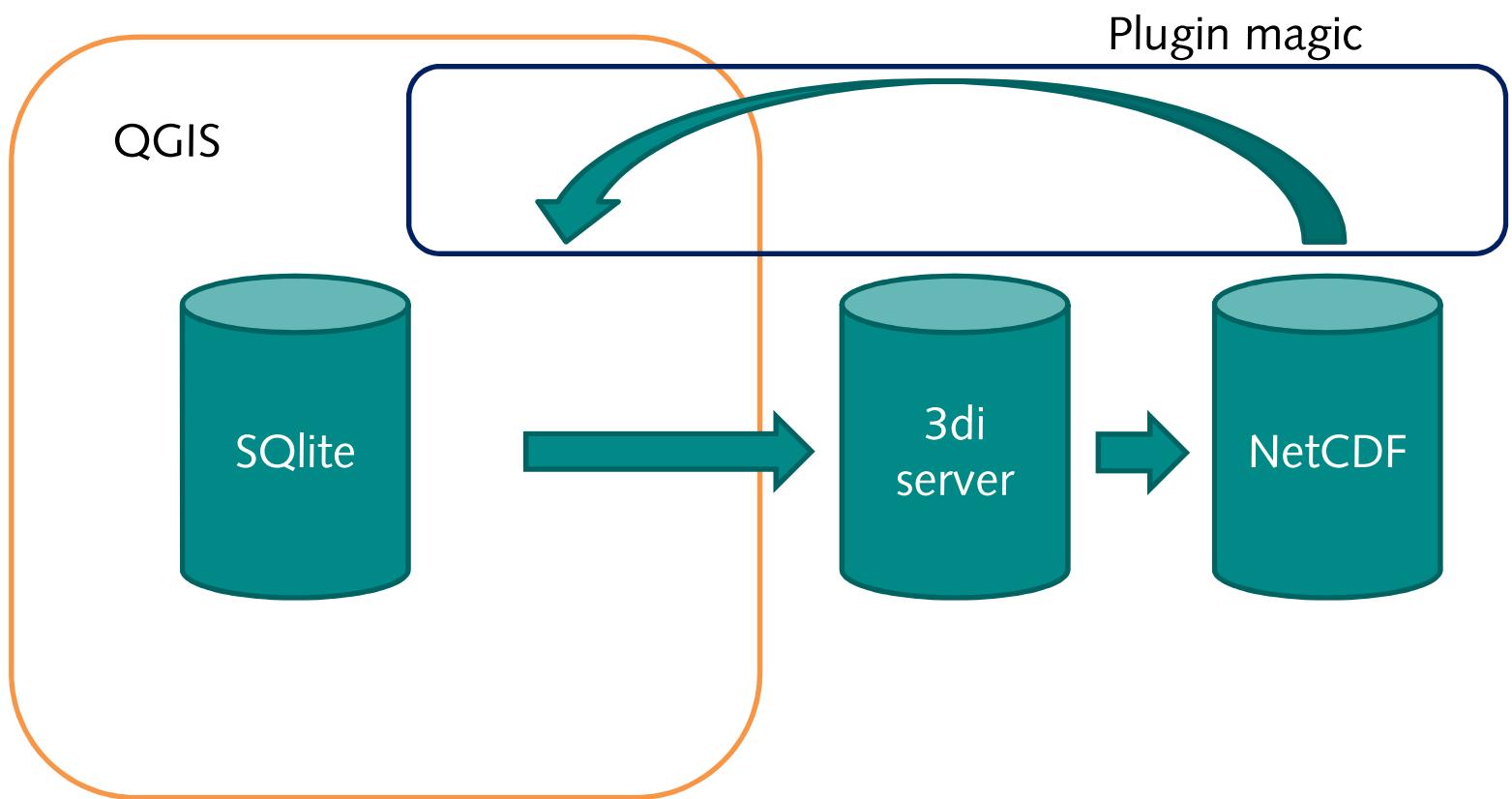


From model to results





From model to results





DEMO





Weir volume discharge



» Plugin installation

› <https://github.com/nens/threedi-qgis-plugin/wiki>

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'nens / threedi-qgis-plugin'. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Features, Explore, Pricing, and a search bar labeled 'This repository' and 'Search'. On the right, there are 'Sign in or Sign up' buttons. Below the navigation, the repository name 'nens / threedi-qgis-plugin' is displayed, along with statistics: 8 Watchers, 0 Stars, and 0 Forks. A navigation bar below the repository name includes links for Code, Issues (24), Pull requests (2), Projects (0), Wiki (which is highlighted in orange), Pulse, and Graphs.

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3Di Toolbox is a QGIS plugin for working with 3Di models and netCDF results. For more information about 3Di see: <http://www.3di.nu/>

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Installation

Releases of the plugin are available at the Lizard QGIS plugin repository. To add the plugin open QGIS and via the menu bar go to Plugins > Manage And Install Plugins'. Go to 'Settings' ('extra' in Dutch version). Add a plugin repository ('plug-in opslagplaatsen' in Dutch) with name: 'Lizard' and URL: <https://plugins.lizard.net/plugins.xml>' and reload. Go to 'all' and install the plugin by selecting '3di toolbox'. New versions of the plugin are upgradeable via the same menu.



3Di Toolbox

- Home
 - Installation
 - How to use



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» Challenges

- › Installation of QGIS including plugins at clients
- › Professional support
- › Competition with other GIS packages





Questions?

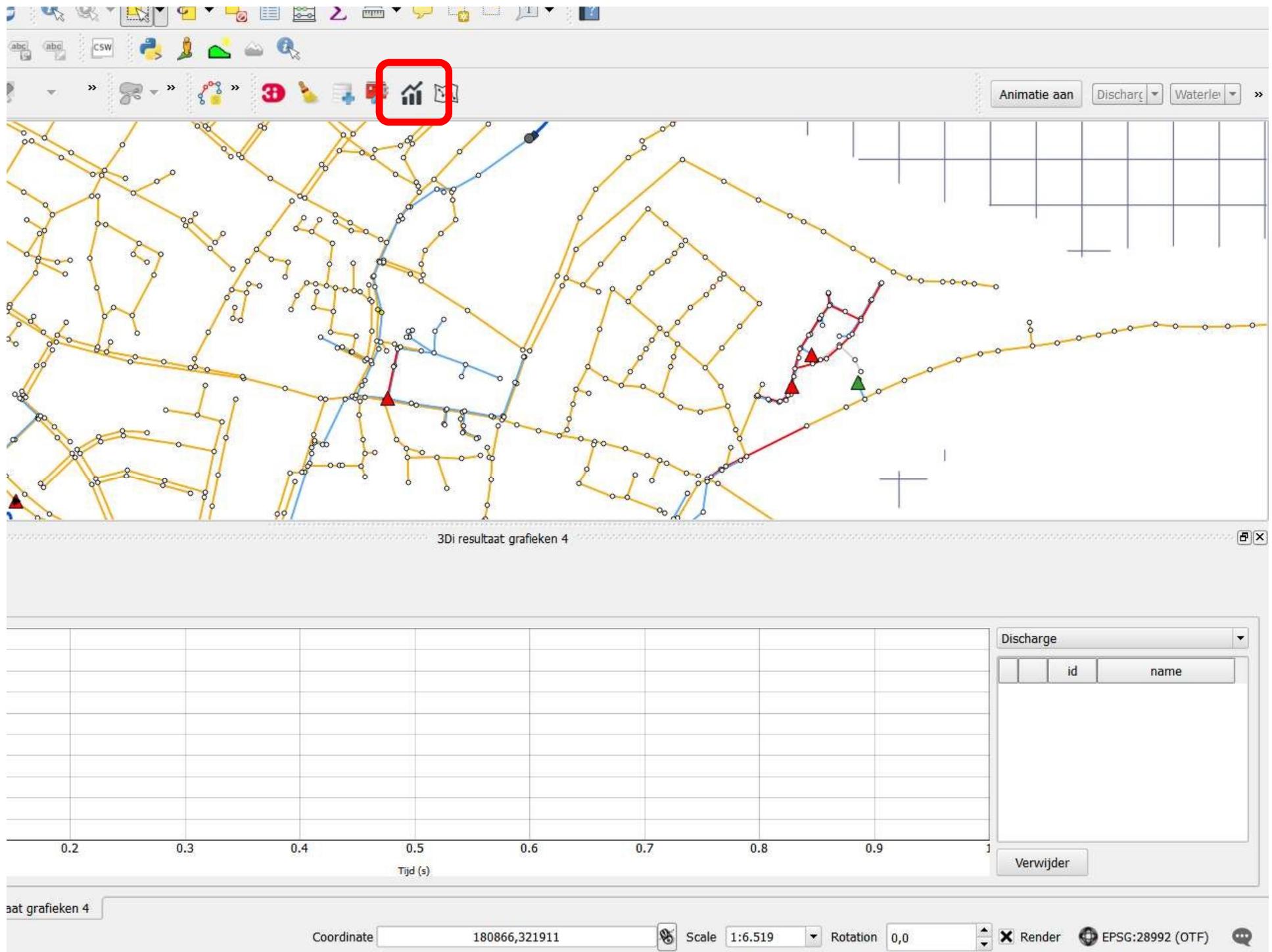
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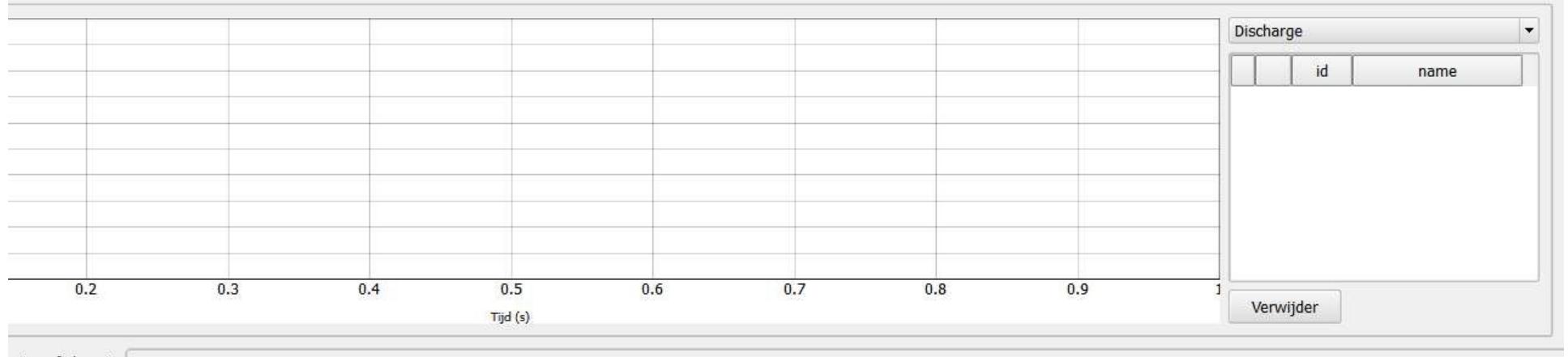
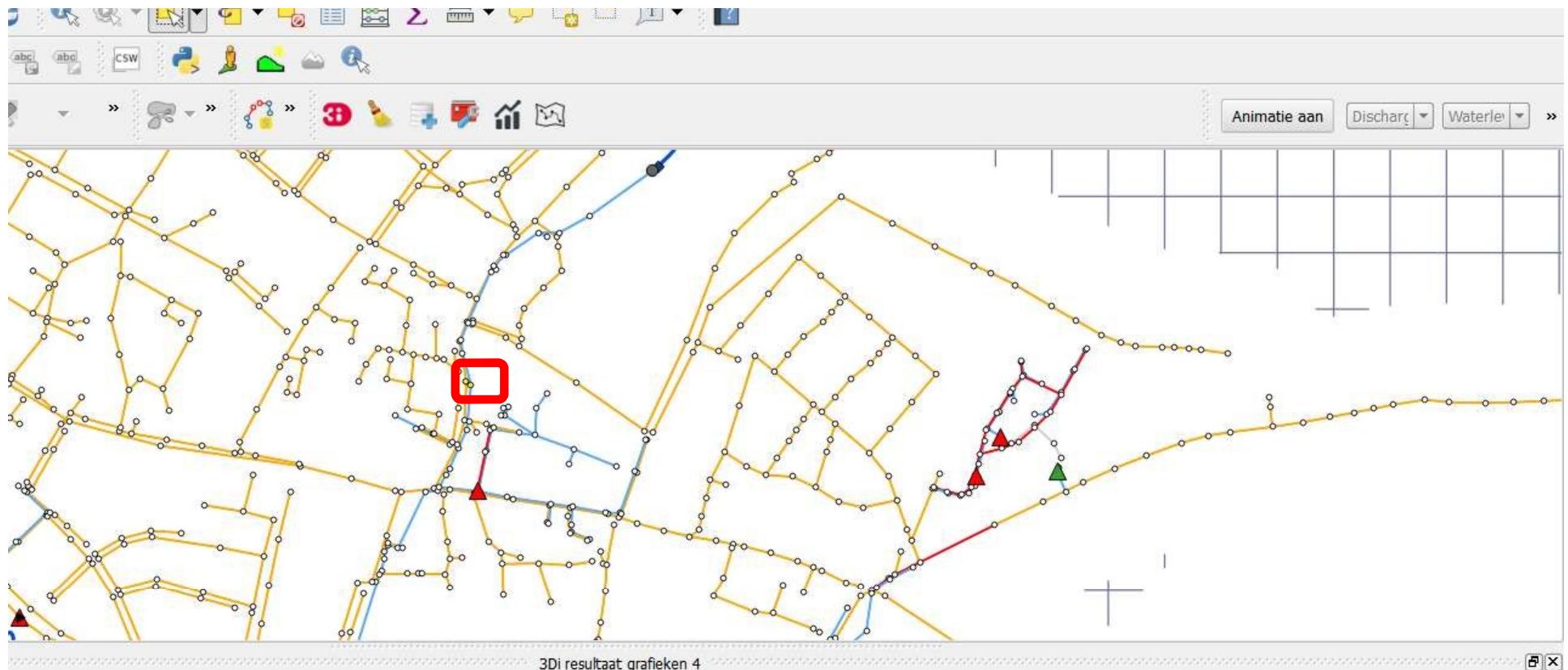
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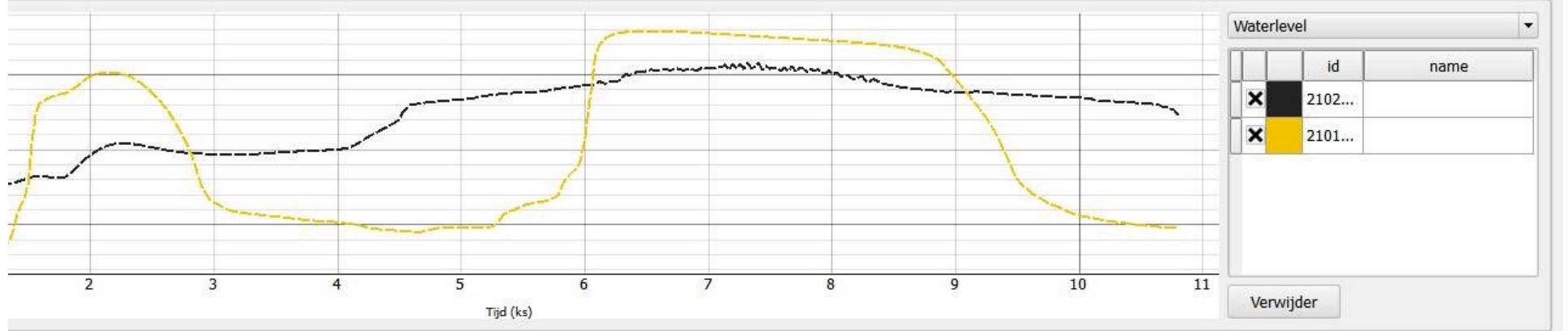
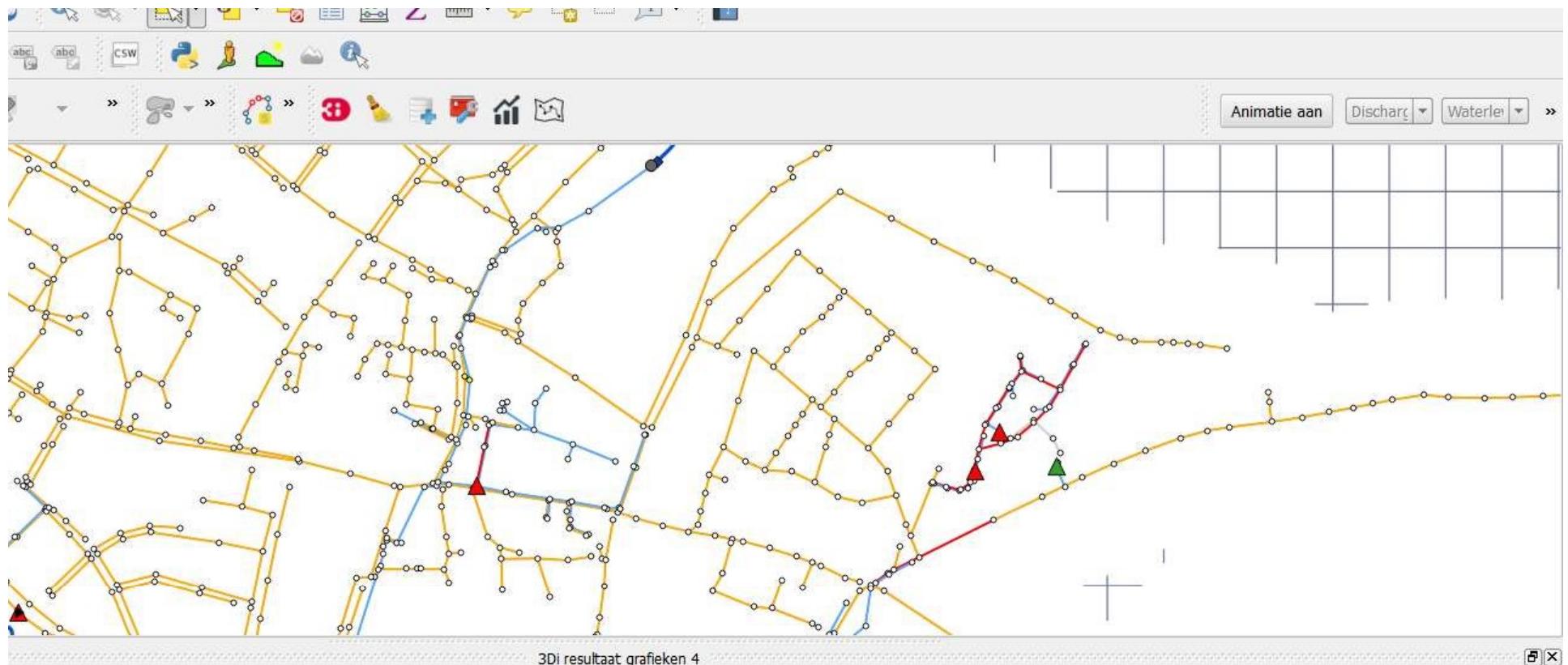
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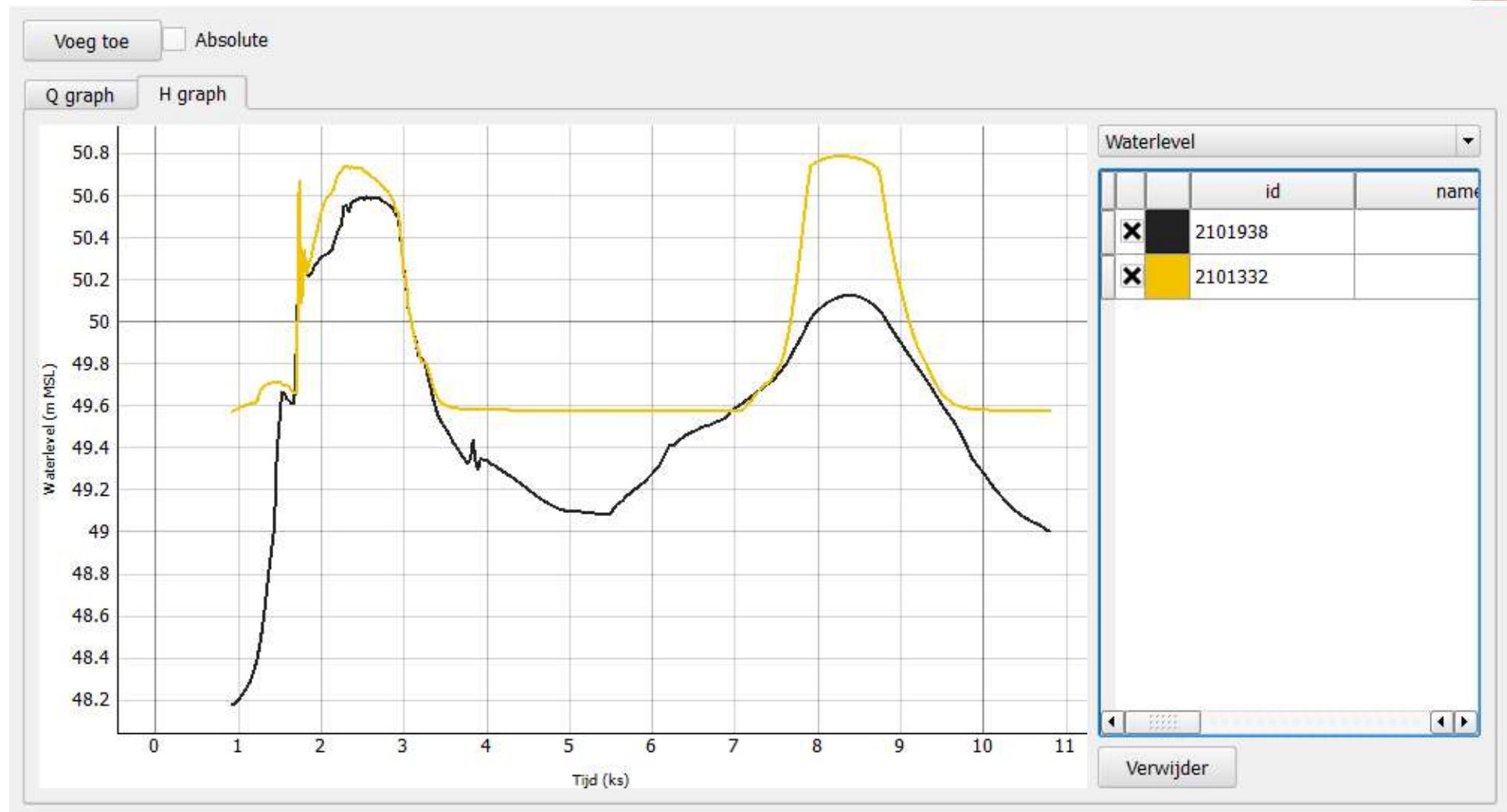
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Water level per node

3Di resultaat grafieken 2

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Sideview

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Animate aan Dischar... Waterlev...

Show sideview of 3Di model with results

Processing Toolbox

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3Di sideview 3

Hoogte (mmNAP)

Astand (mm)

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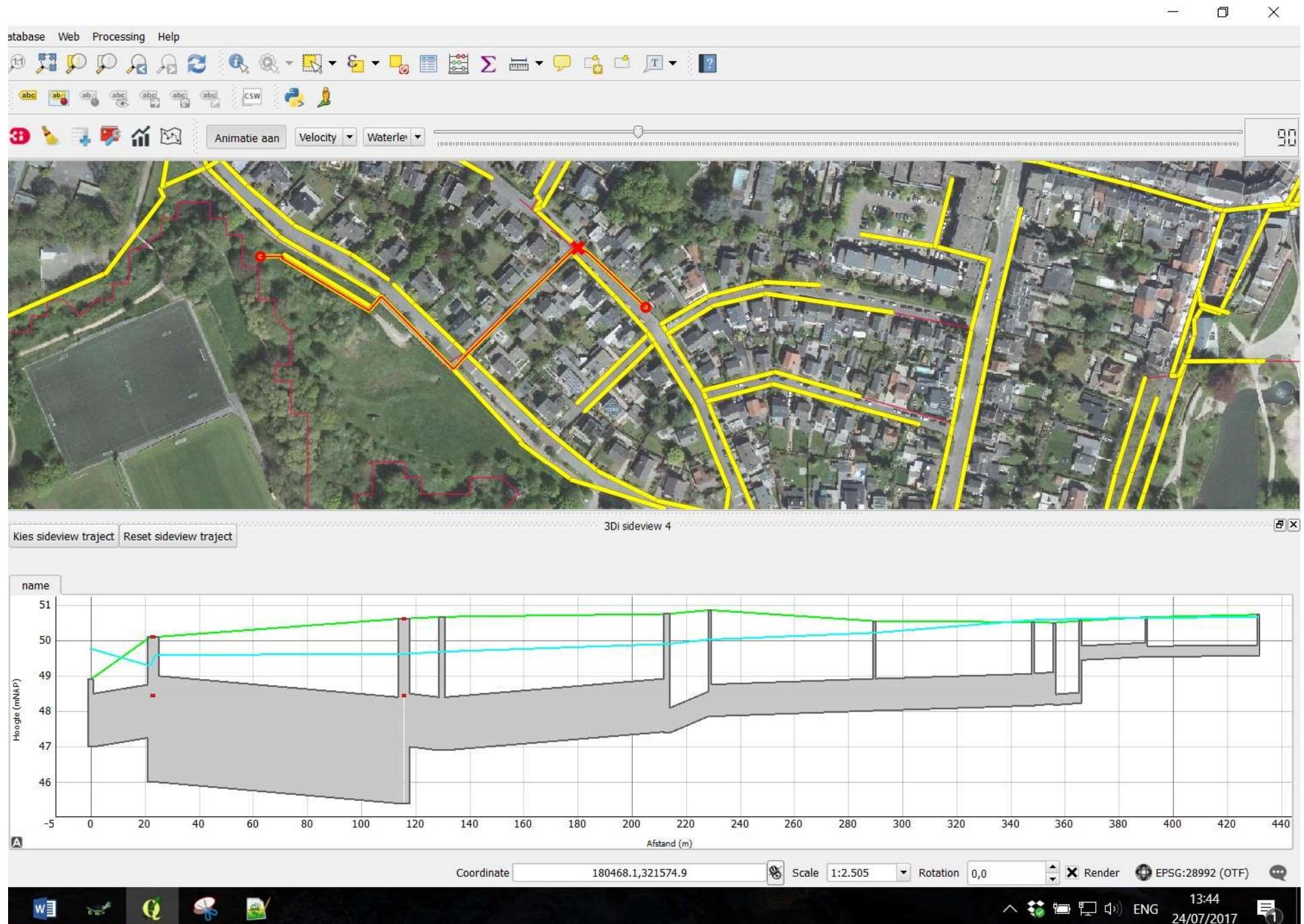
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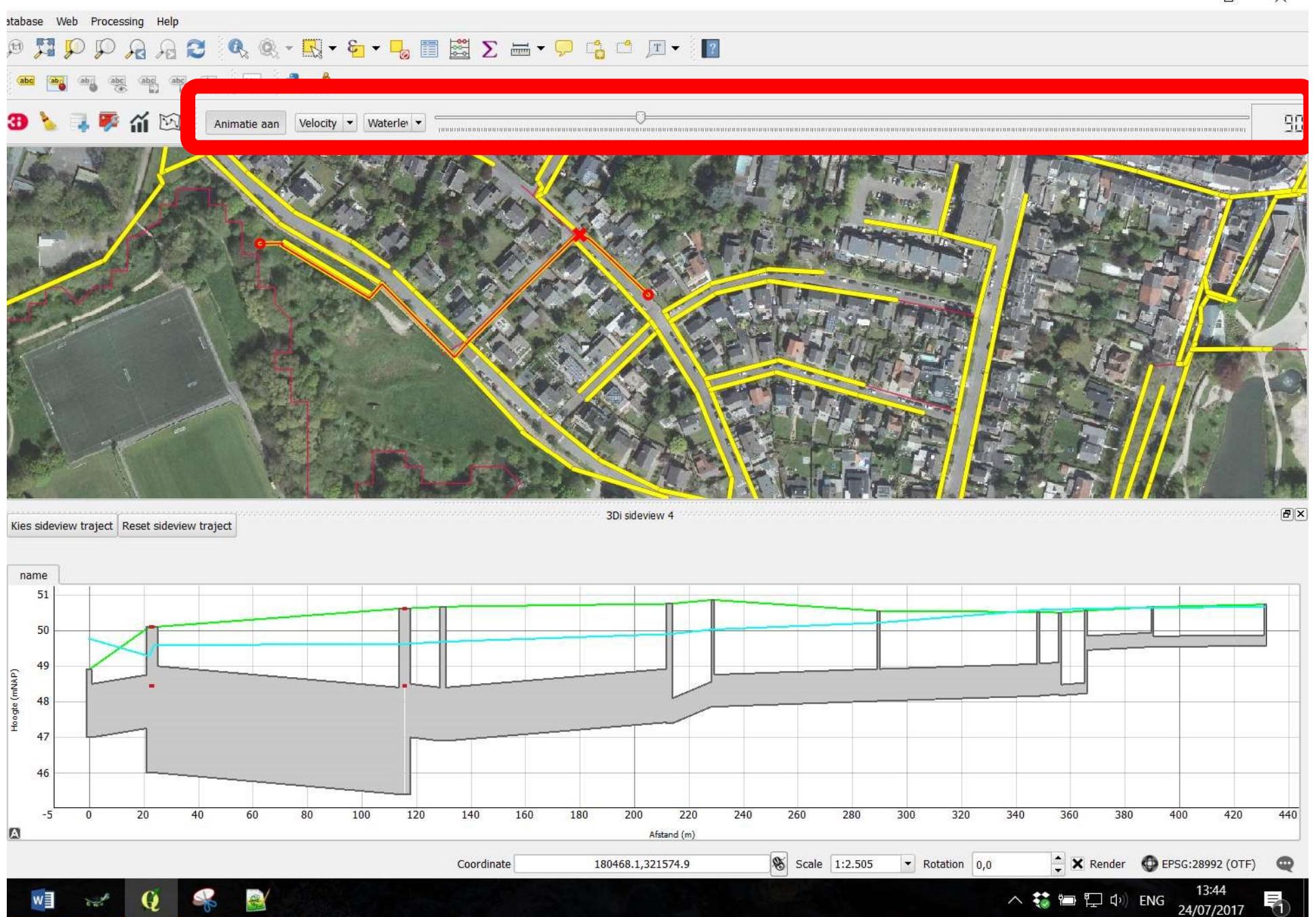
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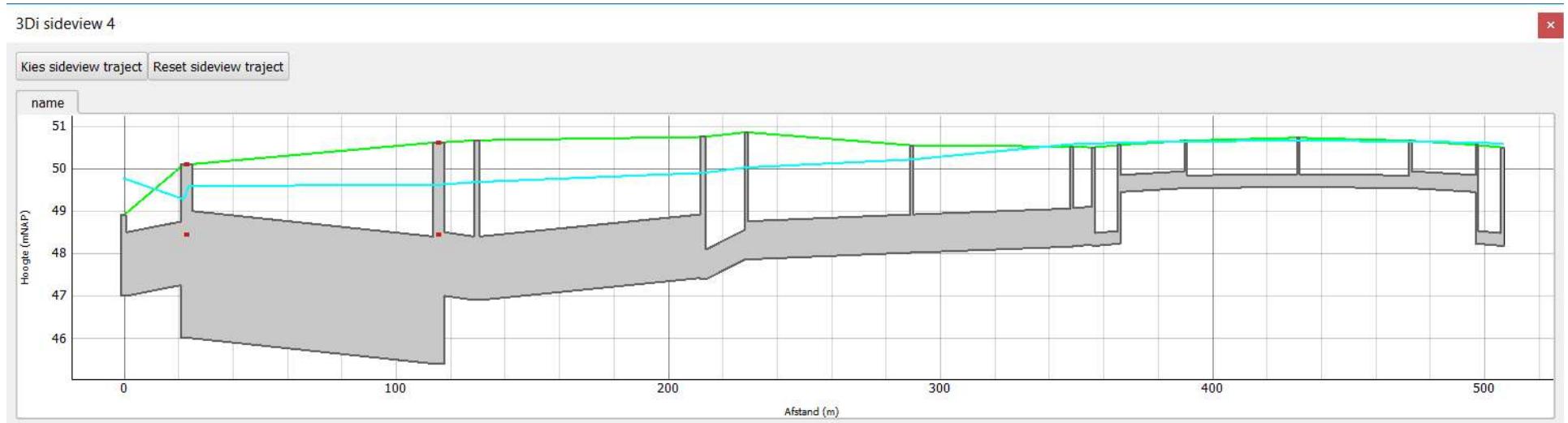
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