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CONTROLLED DRAINAGE IN OWN FARM COMPANY

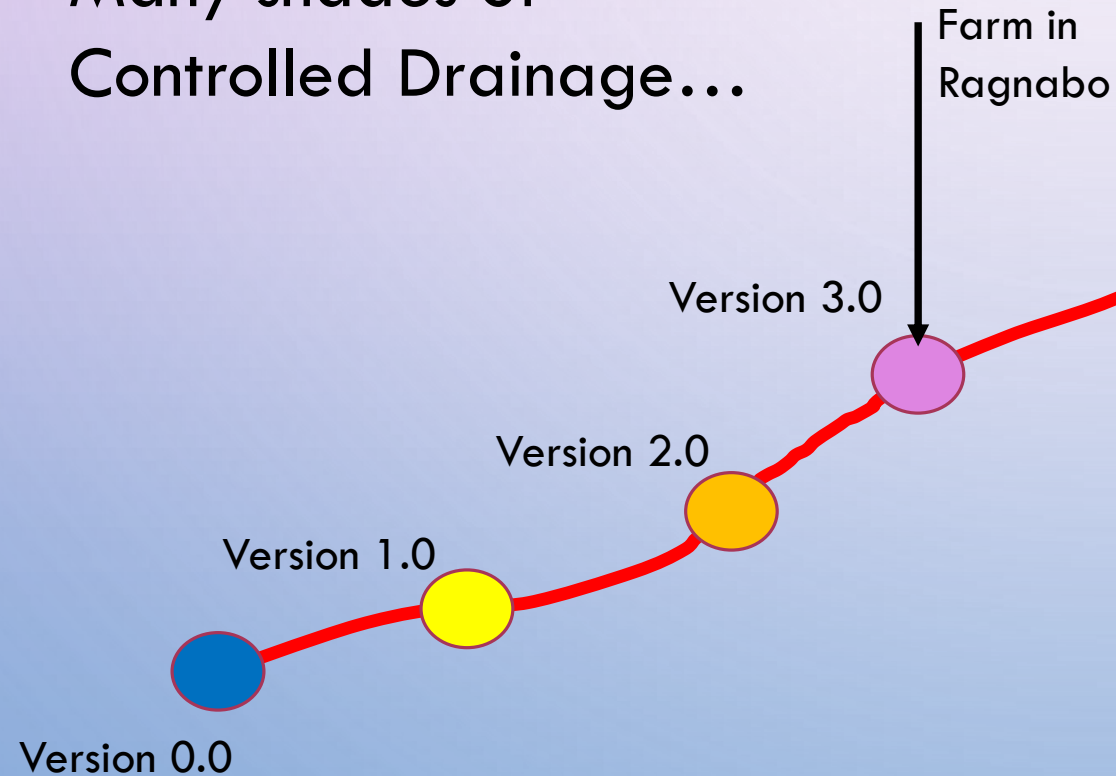
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Farmer  
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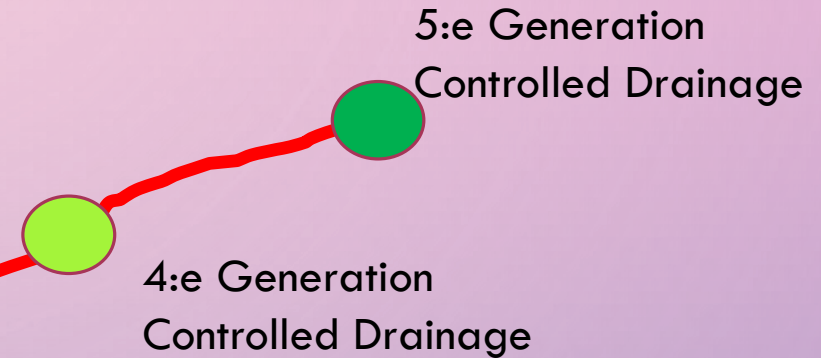
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# THE RED THREAD ...

Many shades of  
Controlled Drainage...



## Future Thoughts



Decentralized raising of water table  
and delay of water flow

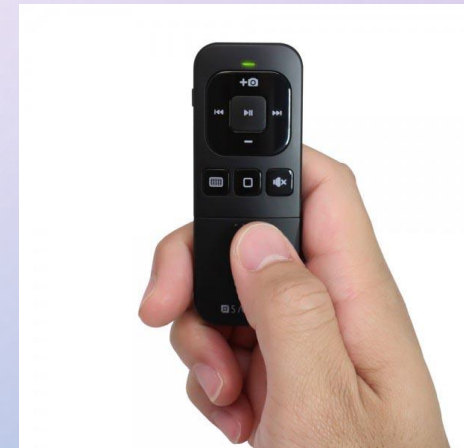
# DISPOSITION

- CLIMATE CHANGES REQUIRES ROBUST CULTIVATING SYSTEM
- PROPERTIES FOR CONTROLLED DRAINAGE
- REQUIREMENTS ON FARMLAND AND DRAINAGE
- ADD ON AS LEGO PARTS
- CULTIVATION VALUE/ENVIRONMENTAL VALUE/ECONOMY/MOVIE
- MY THOUGHTS FOR THE FUTURE



# WHY IS IT CALLED CONTROLLED DRAINAGE?

- CHANGING BETWEEN TWO NEEDS REQUIRES **CONTROLLABILITY**
  - NEED TO GET RID OF SUPERFLUOUS OF WATER
  - NEED TO SAVE WATER FOR THE CROPS
- WATER MANAGEMENT IN THE HANDS OF THE FARMER



Farmer is in control



# CHANGES - REQUIREMENTS - SOLUTIONS

- CLIMATE CHANGES WITH WARMER CLIMATE
  - MORE WET WINTERS AND MORE DRY SUMMERS
- DEMANDS ON PRODUCTION
  - STRATEGY FOR INCREASED FOOD SUPPLY
- ENVIRONMENTAL DEMANDS
  - WE DO NOT WANT TO POLLUTE OUR WATER
- SOLUTIONS:
  - **ROBUST CULTIVATING SYSTEMS**



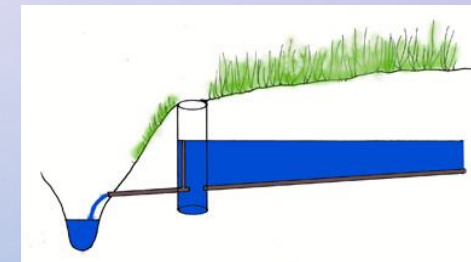
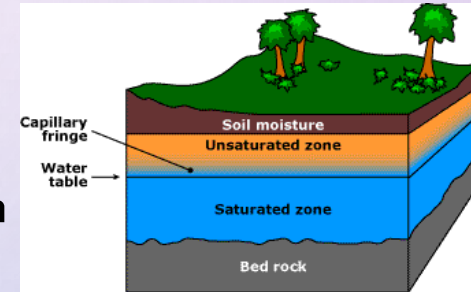
# PROPERTIES OF CONTROLLED DRAINAGE

- WATER TABLE CONTROL TO ADJUST LEVEL
- DELAY OF WATER FLOW TO SEA
- HIGH ECONOMICS OF IRRIGATION
- EARLY AND FREEZE SECURED IRRIGATION
- HIGH CROP YIELD
- CLIMATE SMART CULTIVATION
- DECREASED NUTRIENTS LOSS
- REQUIRES SOME MAINTENANCE



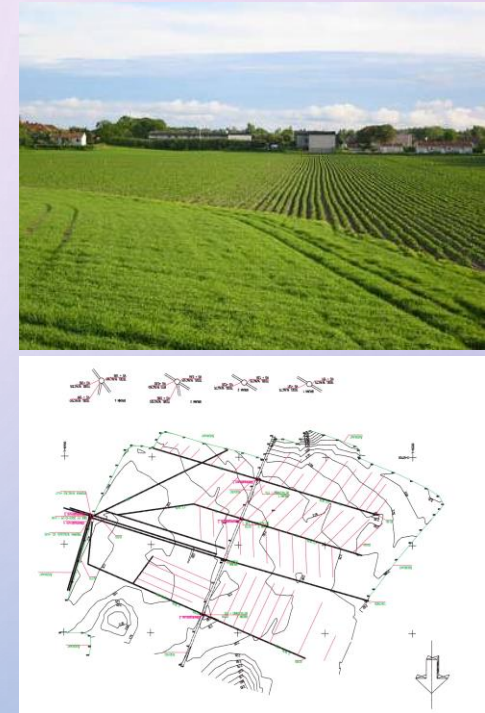
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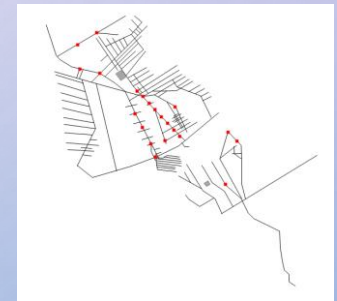
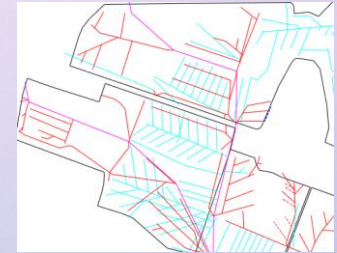
# DEMANDS ON FARMLAND

- LAND MUST HAVE A NEED FOR DRAINAGE
- LAND MUST BE FLAT,  $< 1.5 \%$
- LAND MUST HAVE CONDUCTIVITY FOR WATER
- LAND MUST HAVE "WATERPROOF" LAYER AT ABOUT 1 M DEPTH
- KNOWLEDGE OF TOPOGRAPHY OF THE LAND
- LAND MUST HAVE:
  - AN EXISTING DRAINAGE INSTALLATION
  - OR A PLAN FOR A NEW/RE-CONDITIONED INSTALLATION



# DEMANDS ON EXISTING DRAINAGE INSTALLATION

- INSTALLATION MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION
- DOCUMENTATION AND MAPS MUST EXIST
- IF NOT DRONES CAN BE USED...
- KNOWLEDGE OF POSSIBLE OLDER DRAINAGE INSTALLATIONS
  - SPECIFICALLY CLOSE TO LOW POINTS IN FIELD

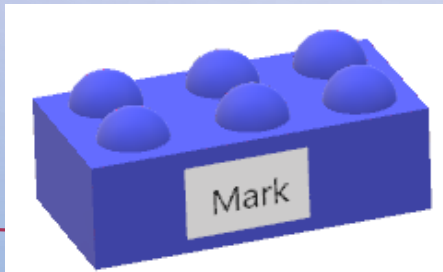




# DRAINAGE 0.0 - PRINCIPLE OUTLINE

## Hopeless Field

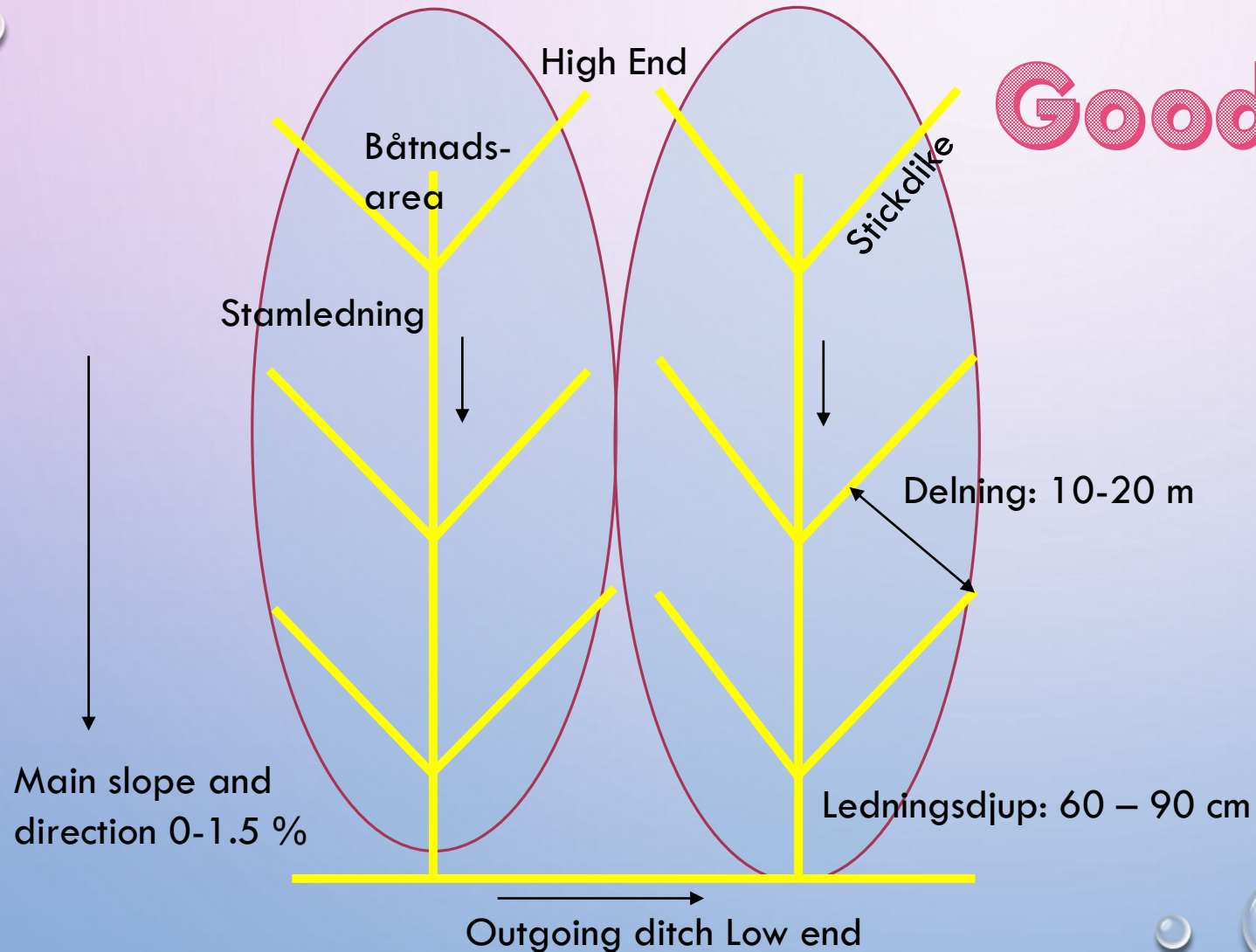
Eternal fallow field  
Black marsch field



- NO DRAINAGE WHAT SO EVER
- NOT WORTH OF CULTIVATING
- GREAT NEED FOR DRAINAGE WORK
- CONSIDER NEW DRAINAGE OR WETLAND

# DRAINAGE 1.0 - PRINCIPLE OUTLINE

## Good Field

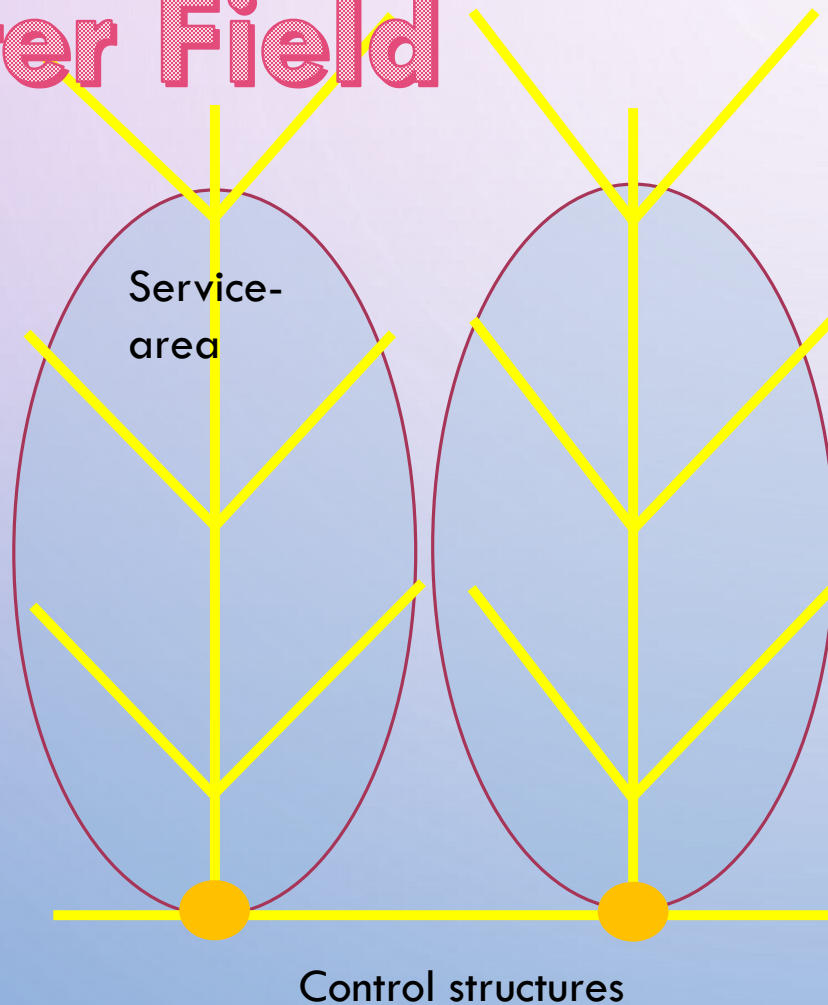


- ADD-ON 0.0 → 1.0
- GET RID OF SUPERFLUOUS OF WATER

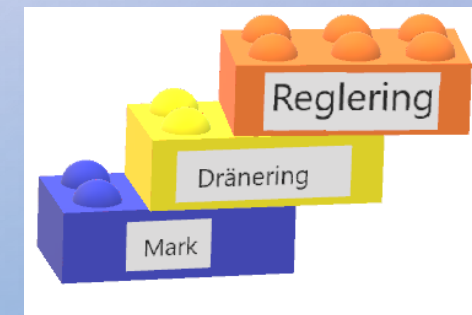


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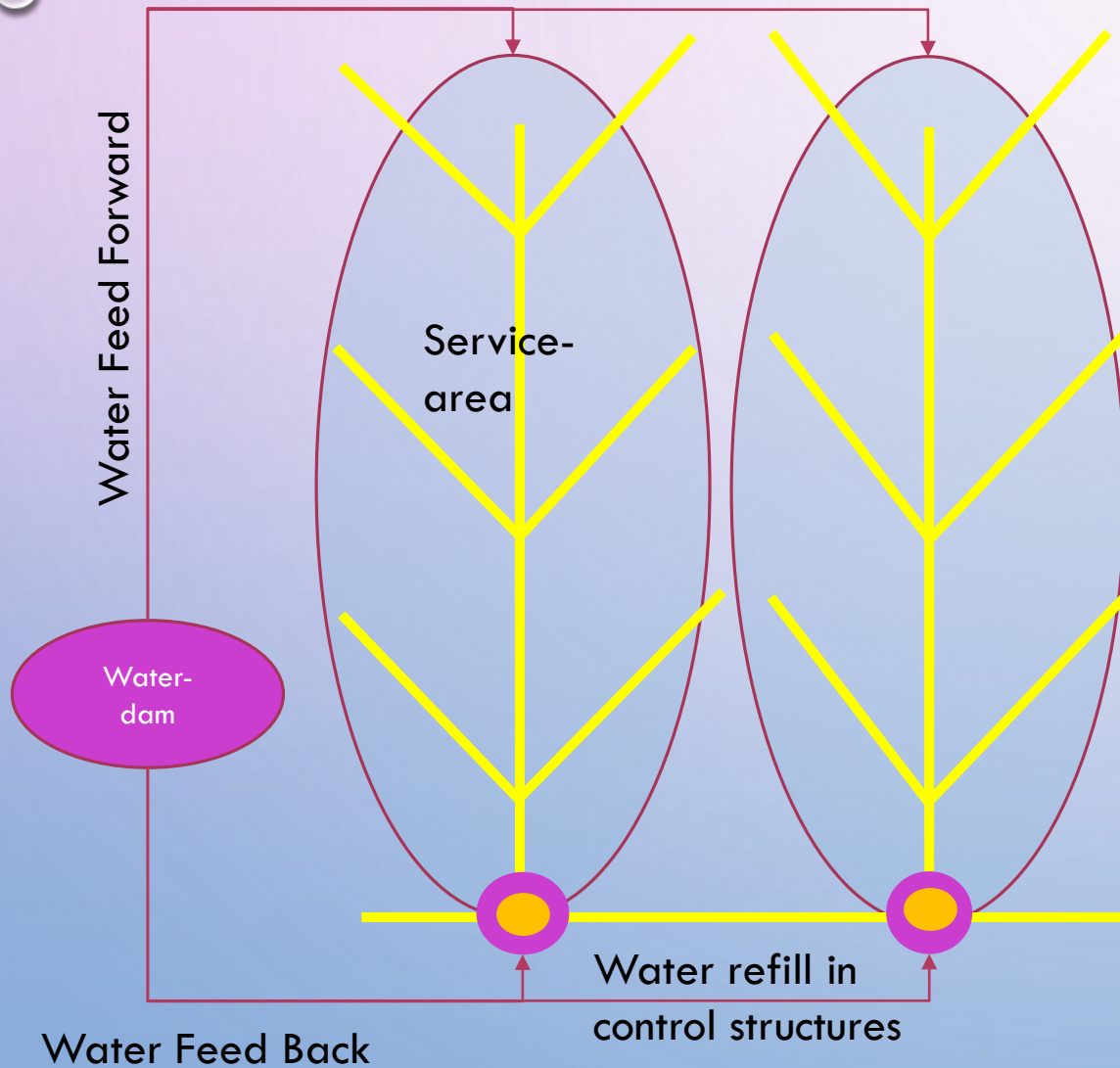
**Better Field**



- CONTROLS WATER TABLE
- SAVES WATER TO CROP
- 2 CROPS ON SAME FIELD CAN HAVE DIFFERENT LEVELS
- SERVICE AREA ABOUT 1-1.5 HA/WELL
- FAST AND EARLY IRRIGATION START
  - WHOLE AREA FROM DAY 1
  - NO RISK OF FREEZING PUMP OR HYDRANTS

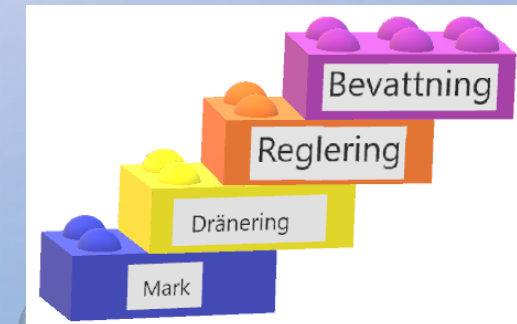


# CONTROLLED DRAINAGE 3.0 – PRINCIPLE OUTLINE



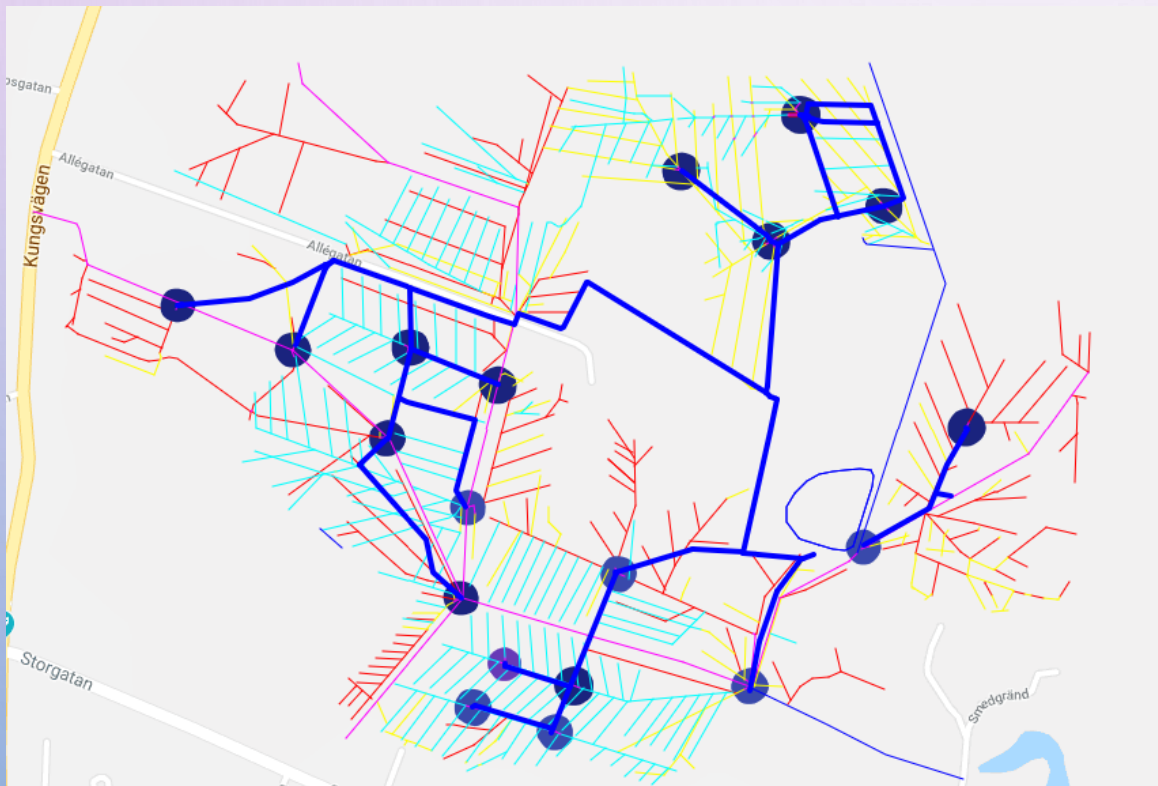
## Best Field

- CONTROLS WATER TABLE WITH SUB-IRRIGATION
- ADD WATER UNDER DRY SEASON
- 2 CROPS CAN HAVE DIFFERENT IRRIGATION STRATEGIES
- NO DAMAGE TO CROP DUE TO MACHINE OPERATIONS





# CONTROLLED DRAINAGE 3.0 IN OWN FARM COMPANY



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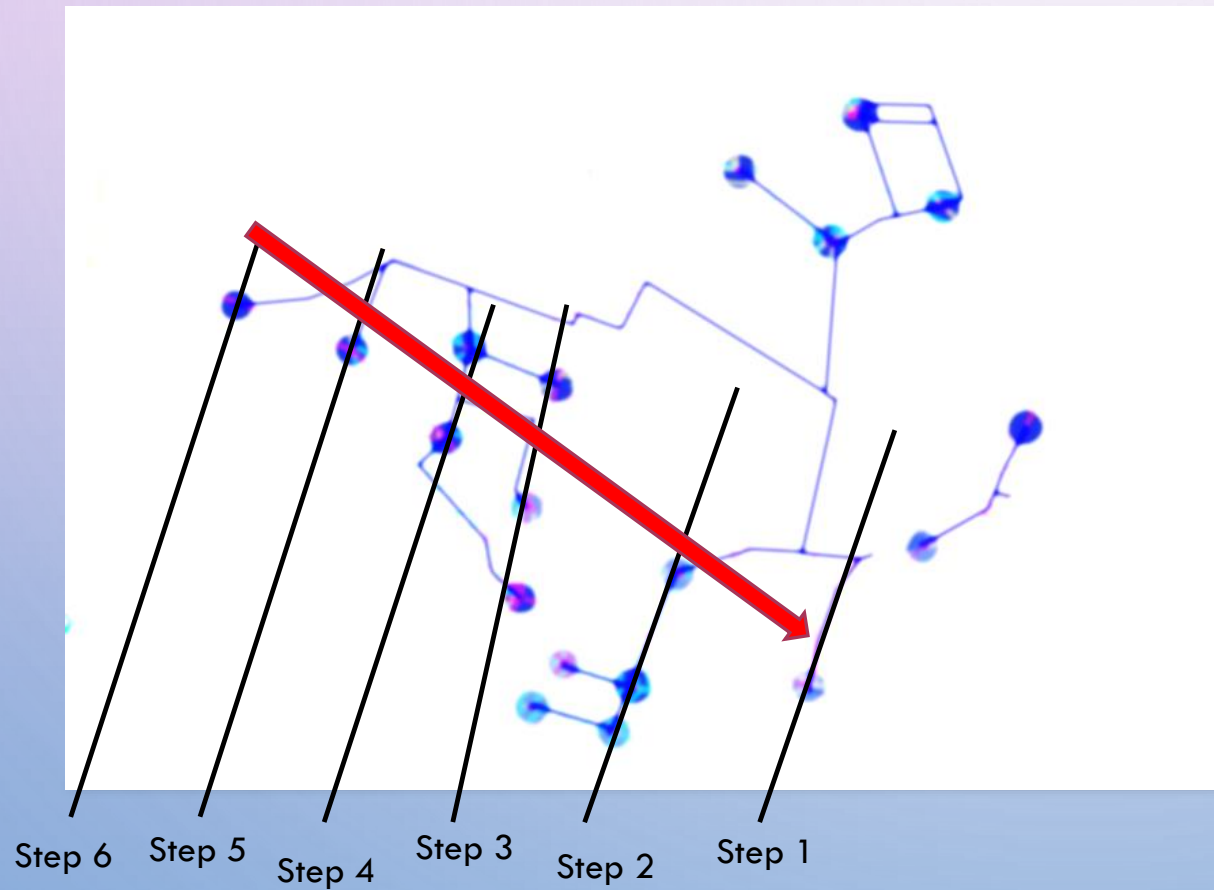
Picture shows:

Drainage (—lightblue, —red, —yellow)

20 st. Control structures( ● darkblue)

Waterline (— darkblue)

# CONTROLLED DRAINAGE 6 STAIRS



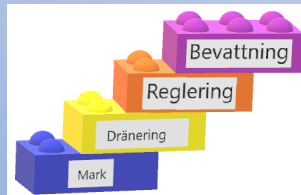
Picture shows 6 controllable steps  
Main slope about 0.7 %  
Each step 80 cm  
Raising height/step 50-60 cm  
Effect of capillary about 10-20 cm



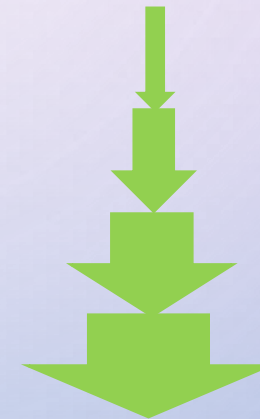
# ADDED VALUE OF UPGRADING: 0.5 → 3.0



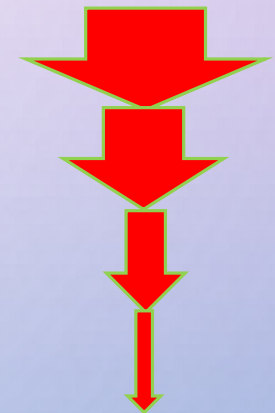
- 0.5 DRAINAGE (HALF GOOD, HALF BAD)
- 1.0 DRAINAGE (VERY GOOD)
- 2.0 CONTROLLED DRAINAGE
- 3.0 CONTROLLED DRAINAGE WITH SUB-IRRIGATION



Added value  
in cultivation



Less nutrient  
losses



Higher crop yield  
Less water run off  
Fertilizer precision to "known yield"

**Main Message**

# CULTIVATION VALUE/NUTRIENTS LOSSES

## BEFORE/AFTER CONTROLLED DRAINAGE WITH IRRIGATION

- INCREASED CULTIVATION VALUE +3348 KR/HA
- INCREASED CROP YIELD +31%
- DECREASED N-SURPLUS - 41 KG N/HA\*
- DECREASED N-LOSSES -12 KG N/HA\*

\* Greppa Näringens växtodlingsbalans 2012



# RAISING WATER OUTLET OCH IRRIGATION 2019

- LOGG BOOK
  - 7 APRIL: RAISING STARTED (WINTER WHEAT)
  - 27 APRIL: SUB IRRIGATION STARTED (WINTER WHEAT)
  - 3 MAJ: MOVIE "DAMNING & IRRIGATION ON 1 MIN"
  - 27 JUNI: PLANNED START SUB IRRIGATION OF POTATOES



Sub irrigation in planned potatoes field 2019

# FUTURE ?

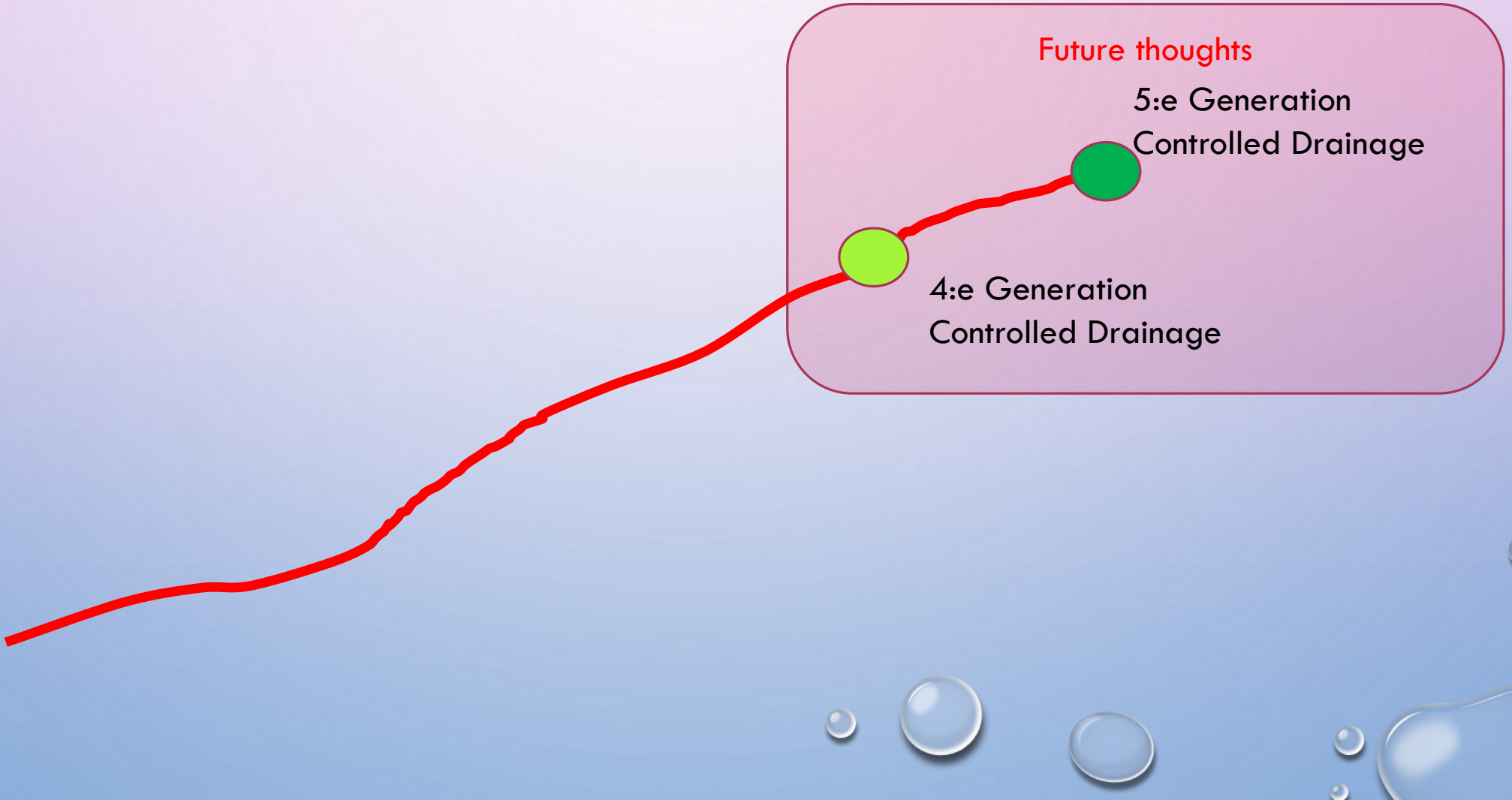
## Future thoughts

5:e Generation

Controlled Drainage

4:e Generation

Controlled Drainage



# FOURTH GENERATION CONTROLLED DRAINAGE 4G

- ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT AND AUTOMATIC OPERATION OF CONTROL STRUCTURES
- SCALED UP TO LARGE FIELDS
- NO OBSTACLES FOR AGRICULTURE MACHINE OPERATION

# FIFTH GENERATION CONTROLLED DRAINAGE 5G

- NEW CLOUD SERVICE
  - REGIONAL DATA COLLECTION FROM INSTALLATIONS OF CONTROLLED DRAINAGE, WATER FLOWS, RAINFALL ETC.
  - SHOWS WATER TABLE LEVELS AND WATERFLOWS AT FARM LEVEL
  - GIVES RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PRECISIONS IRRIGATION WITH CONTROLLED DRAINAGE OR OTHER EQUIPMENT
- FORECAST SERVICE



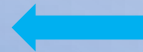
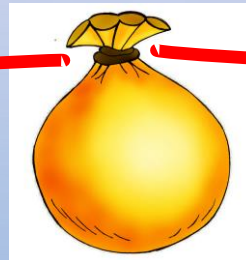
The background features a light blue-to-purple gradient. It is decorated with several realistic water droplets of various sizes, some with highlights and shadows, giving them a 3D appearance. A faint, large, light-colored circular graphic is centered in the background.

# CHALLENGES

- FOR FARMERS
  - MAINTENANCE AND REALIZATION OF CONTROLLED DRAINAGE
- EXCAVATING ENTREPRENEURS
  - TO HAVE CAPACITY FOR 10000 HA PER YEAR
- FOR TECHNIQUE INNOVATORS
  - DEVELOPMENT OF FUTURE CONTROL STRUCTURES
- FOR RESEARCHERS AND SCIENTISTS
  - DEVELOP MATHEMATICAL MODELS FOR WATER TRANSPORT
  - LOCAL FORECAST SERVICES AT FARM LEVEL

# JUST TO WRAP UP ...

Investments in farmland constructions are driven by climate change and food supply strategy



Hopeless Field

Intelligent watersystem



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

- QUESTIONS?

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