

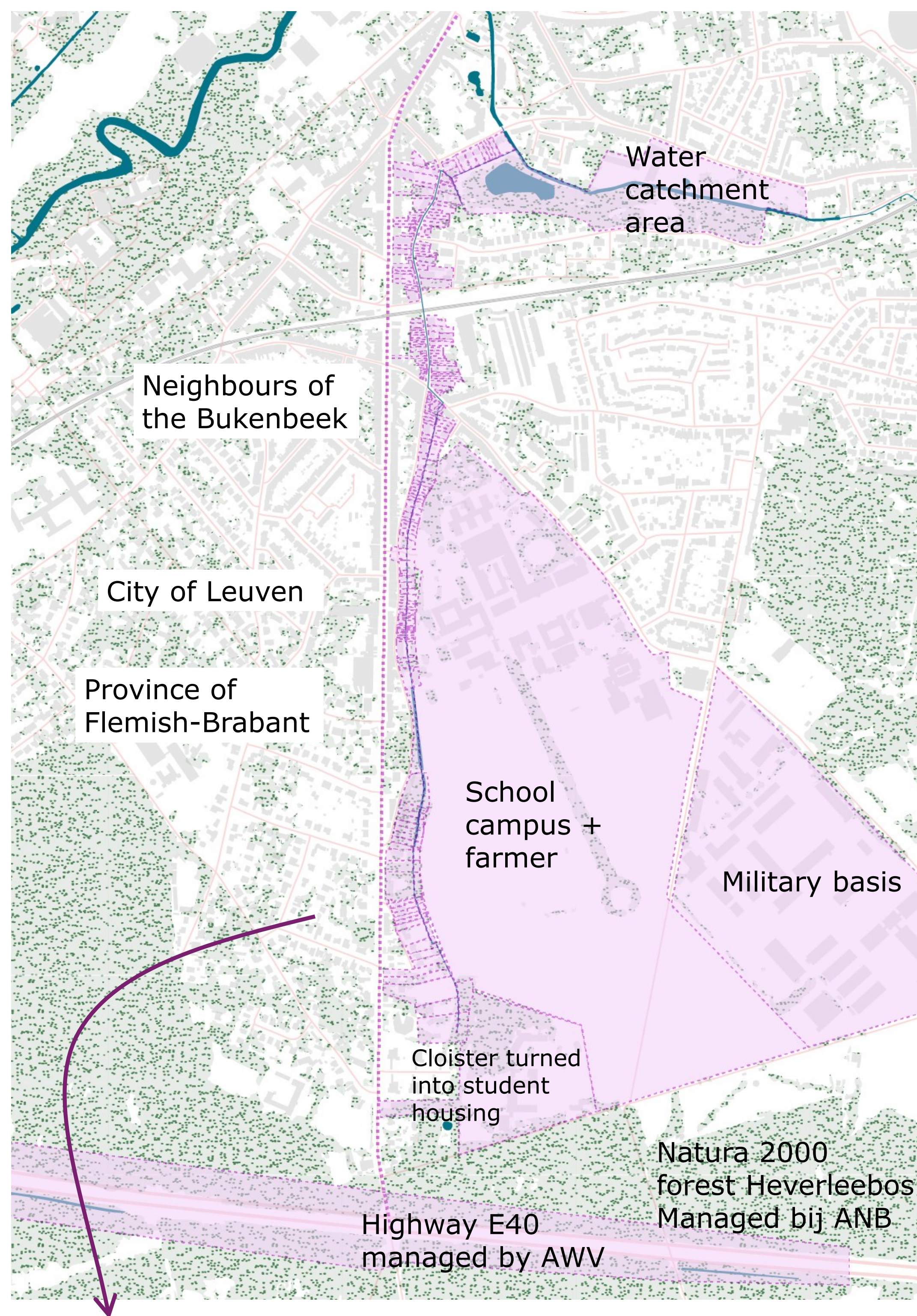
# Rural Roadwater Rescue

## Bukenbeek, where a highway, forest and a river valley meet

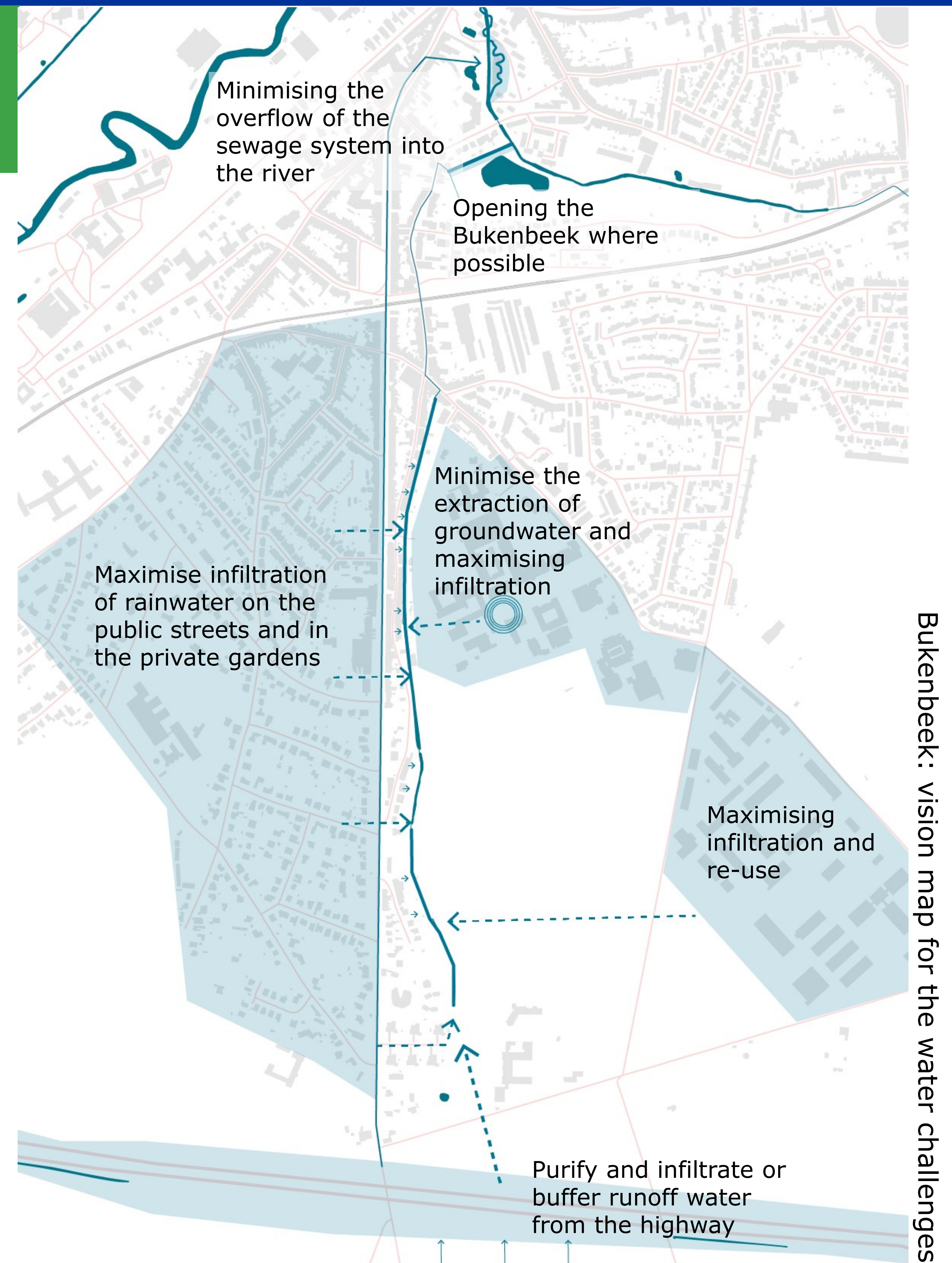
How can we restore the valley of the Bukenbeek, a small tributary, forgotten and hidden between gardens and houses?

Through a participation project since 2022, the Strategic Project of Walden created a vision for the whole catchment area, focusing on water (drought and flood), green connections, building regulations, recreational connections etc.

One of the challenges: integrating runoff water from the nearby highway E40, now cutting through protected Natura 2000 forest. The water flows nowadays directly through an old sewage system with regular overflows in the river as result.



Stakeholders around the Bukenbeek



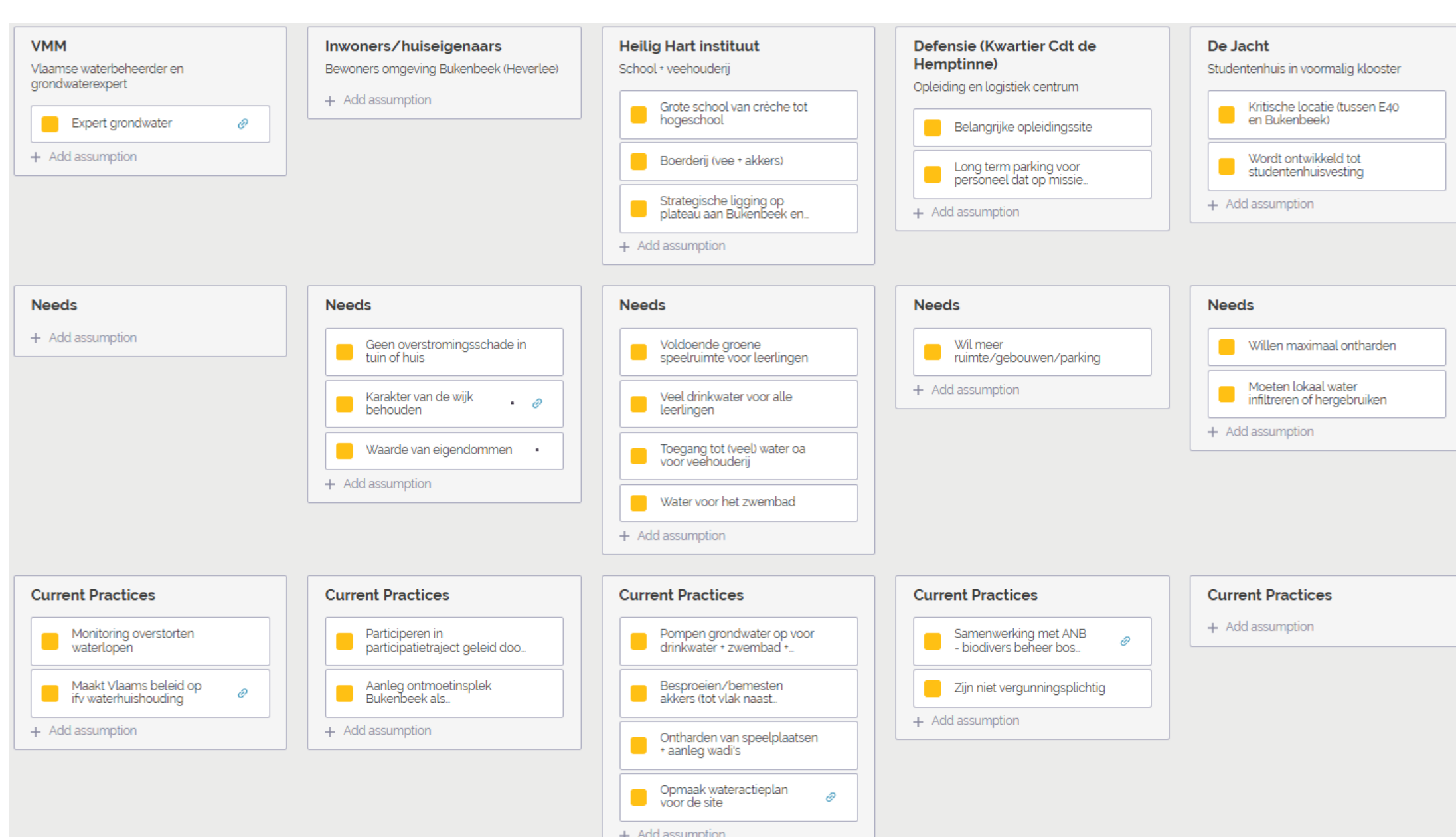
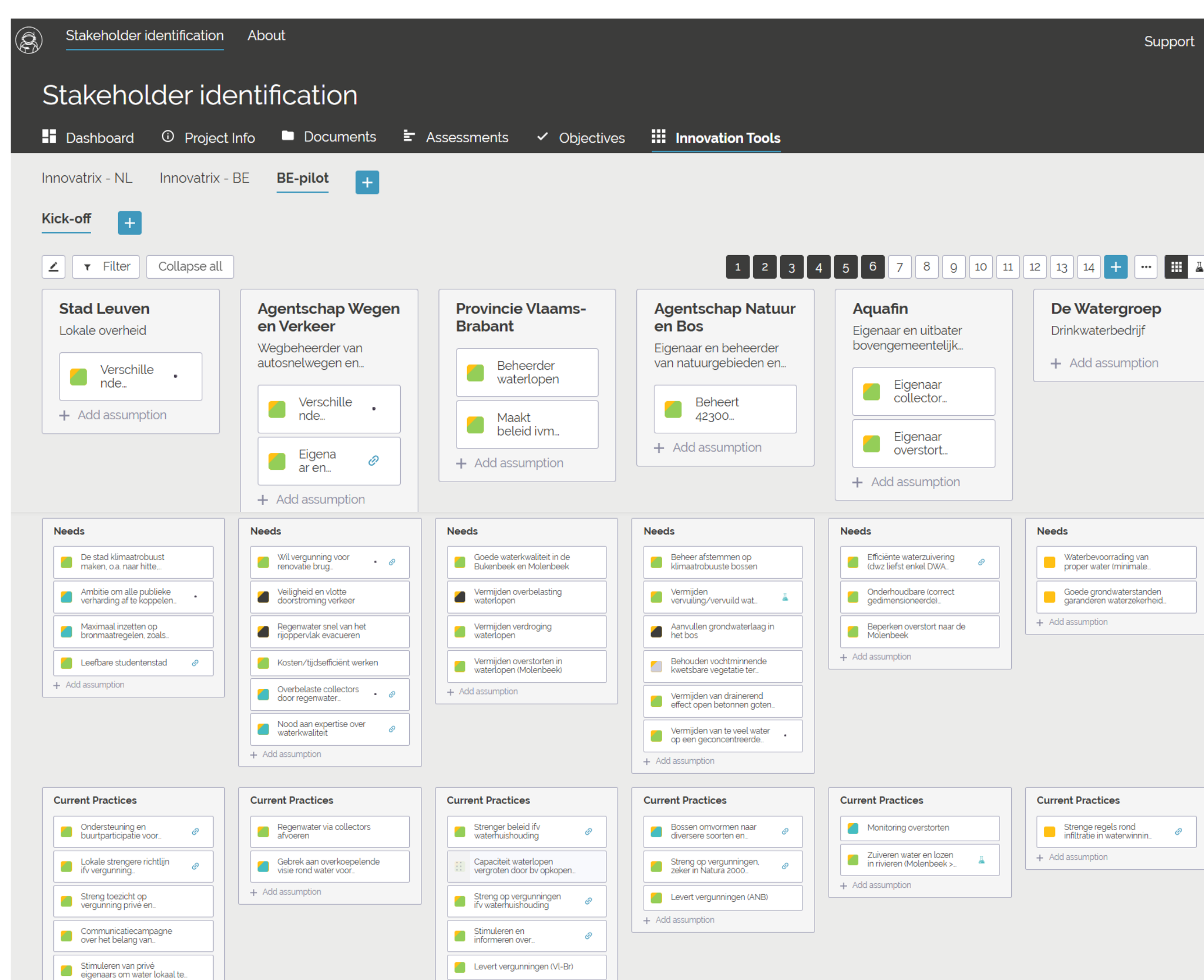
How can we integrate the runoff water back into the landscape?

How can we continue to integrate (the needs of) the neighbourhood and the stakeholders in the process?

Innovatrix, an innovation canvas developed by imec, supports complex innovation trajectories involving multiple stakeholders.

It helps identify key stakeholder segments, their relationships, needs, practices, and obstacles.

Use it to surface your most critical assumptions and define actionable steps to validate them.



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