

Result based Nature Protection Plan in Austria

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One minute for the context

- Austria is a „**pillar-2-country**“ (40% pillar 1, 60% pillar 2)
- We have **160.000 farmers**
- **75%** of the farmers take part on **Agri Environment Measures**
- **20.000 farms** take part on specific **nature protection measures**



Result based Nature Protection Plan

- **Pilot project** in „nature protection measures“
- **300 farms** (until 2020)
- ***Vision: 3.000 farms (2020 – 2027)***

How can we protect high nature value farmland?

Mowing not allowed before 30th of June

Max. two times mowing

Mowing before 30th of May

Use of manure each second year

One third has to be cultivated

Don't do that!

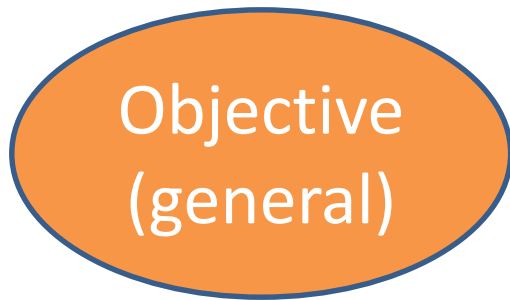
Only pasturing

No snags

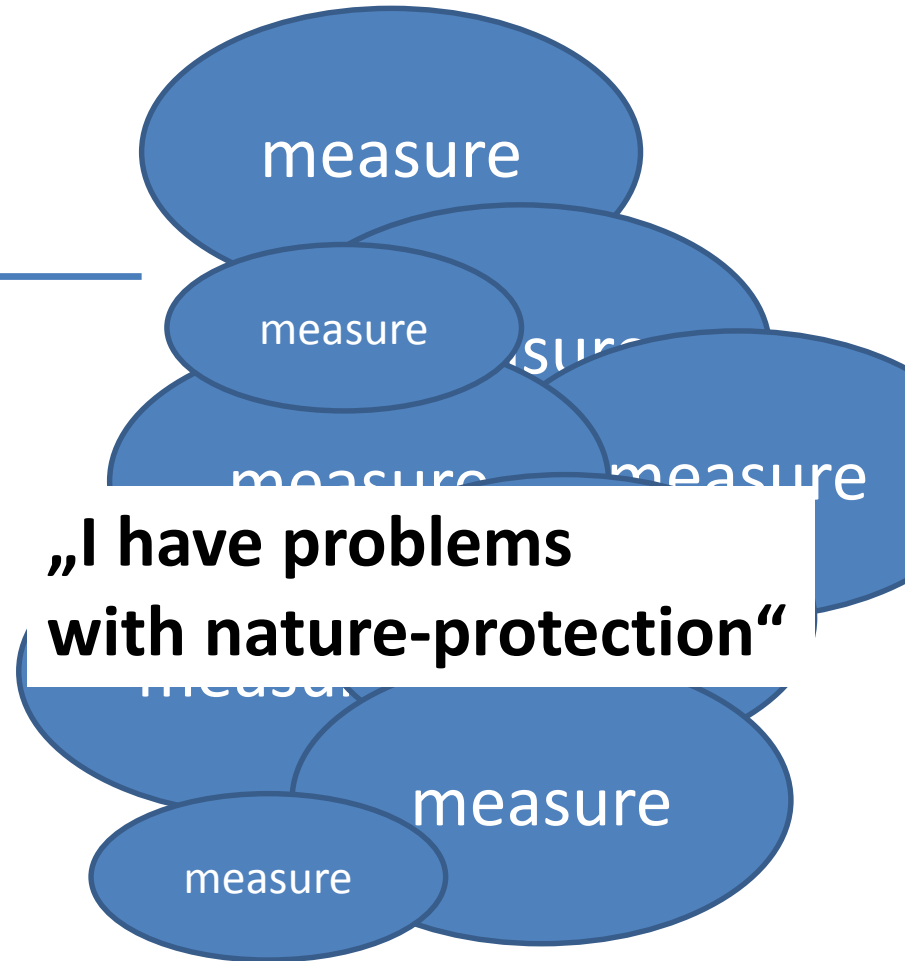
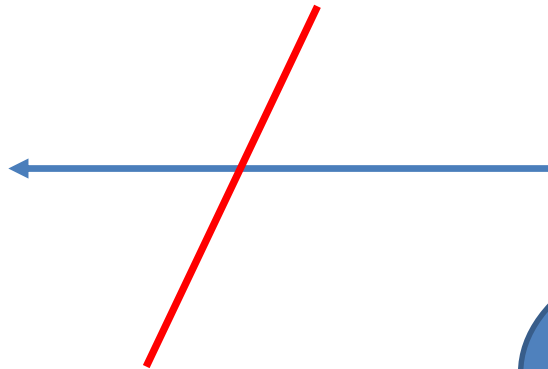
No pesticides

And ... what is your vision?





**„I have nothing
against nature“**



I want to understand the
nature and the system
behind

My work depend on
the nature and the
system behind



I respect the nature

measure
2 times
mowing/no
fertilizer

measure
Decided by the
farmer

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certain species,
structures or habitats



Thousand questions

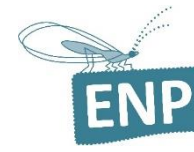
- Does the farmer understand the objectives?
- Is it possible to identify suitable indicators on each spot?
- How to controll „results“?
- How not to overstrain our technical inspectors?
- How to deal with external risks (weather)?
- How to decide about sanctions?

Maybe it is hard for you.

But ... cooperate with technical inspectors.



The key of the system



„Controll criteria“
on spot



Controll & sanction

„Qualitative indicators“
on spot

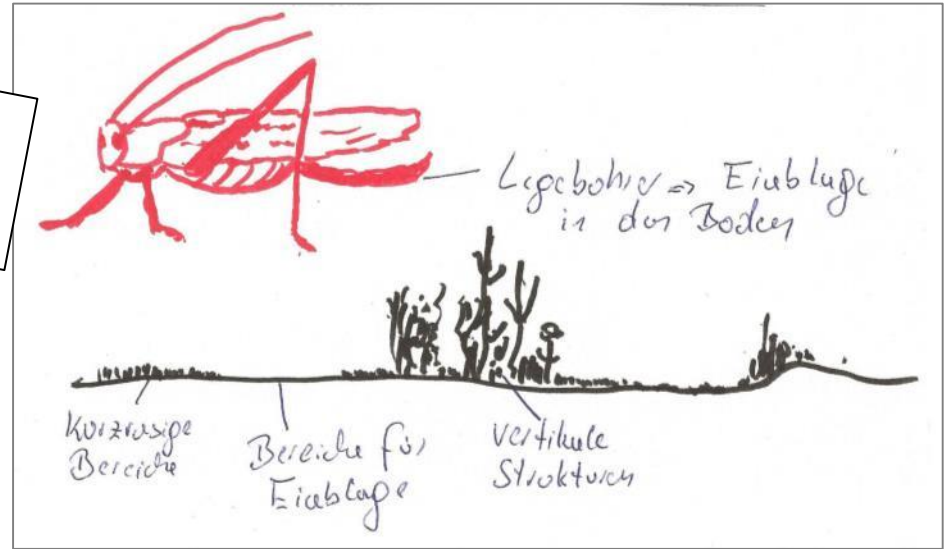


Evaluation, discussion & conclusion

Conserve and develop habitat for wart-biter including areas without vegetation, with high vegetation and with short vegetation



Control criteria
Catsear and wild carrot must be scattered on the area



Das habe ich gemacht:



Das habe ich beobachtet:



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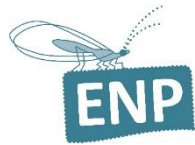
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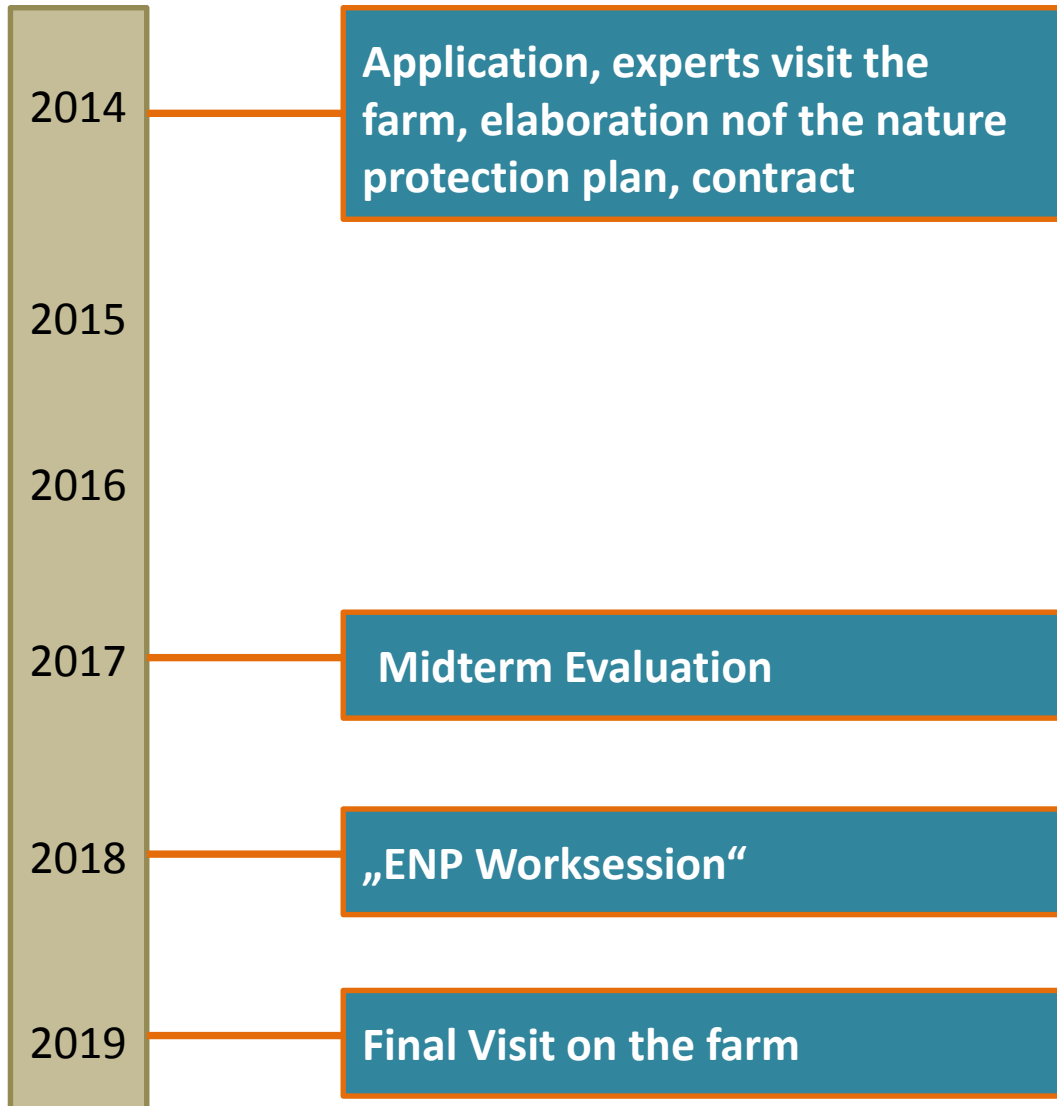
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ENP Time line



Telephone,
Email,
Skype
Advice

Feldstücke / Schläge: 5/1 (Heideteile, Nafl-Nr: N0028197), 60/1 (Tradeln, Nafl-Nr: N0028199), 68/2 (Neuriss, Nafl-Nr: N0028205), 82/3 (Heideteil II, Nafl-Nr: N0028203)

Flächenziel 1



Erhaltung einer artenreichen Ackerbrache als Nahrungshabitat für Insekten und Vögel mit mindestens 25 verschiedenen krautigen Pflanzenarten je Einzelfläche.

Flächenziel 2



Auf dem Foto zu sehen: Natternkopf (*Echium vulgare*), Wolliger Fingerhut (*Digitalis lanata*), Echtes Labkraut (*Galium verum*) und Herzgespann (*Leonurus cardiaca*)

Folgende Pflanzenarten sollen flächig in lichtem Bestand vorkommen und zur Blüte gelangen: Natternkopf (*Echium vulgare*), Echtes Labkraut (*Galium verum*), Herzgespann (*Leonurus cardiaca*), Steppen-Salbei (*Salvia nemorosa*), Schlitzblättrige Karde (*Dipsacus laciniatus*), Schwarze Königskerze (*Verbascum nigrum*), Bienen-Kugeldistel (*Echinops sphaerocephalus*), Muskateller-Salbei (*Salvia sclarea*)

ENP-FLÄCHE 2



Kräuterreiche Ackerbrache

Kontrollkriterien:

- Landreitgras darf maximal 25 % pro Einzelfläche bedecken.
- Es müssen mindestens 20 unterschiedliche Blütenpflanzen (nicht gerechnet werden Gräser) je Einzelfläche vorkommen (zu kontrollieren zwischen Mai und August).



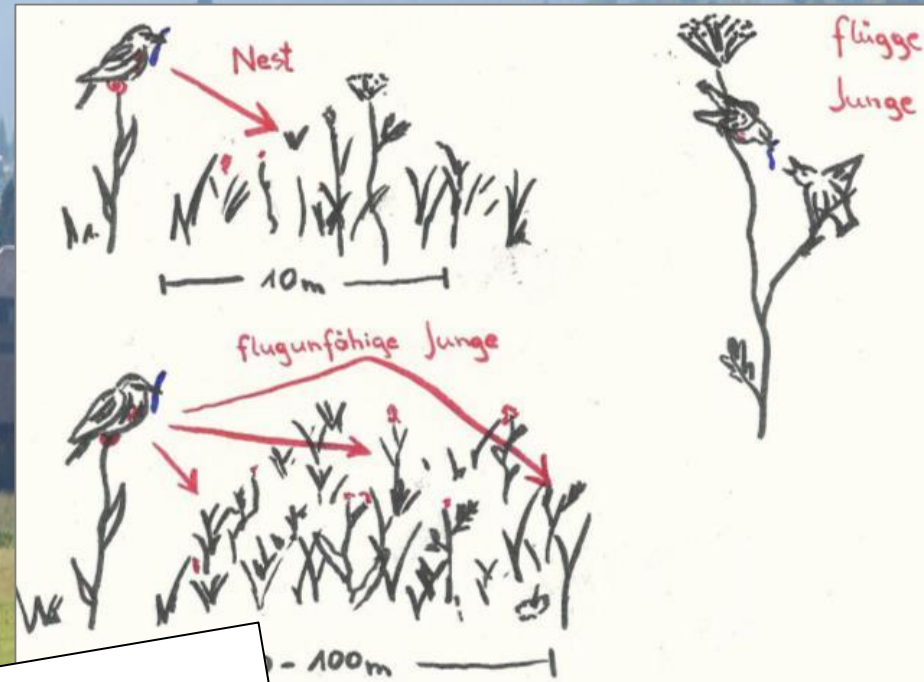


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Two pairs of whinchat should have successful chickens.

Suitable nesting-habitats should be on 15% of the area until middle of july.

Look for enough perches (50m distance).



Controll criteria
On min. 5% of the area vegetation must be mor than 40cm until middle of june.

**The neighbours ...
what do they say about Rudi?**







Two minutes for the three conclusions

Invest in awareness – farmers are interested in nature. They are not interested in boring general statements. They want details.

Give farmer more flexibility – they know much more about land use, techniques on grassland or arable land and pasturing. Trust them.

To the experts: **Be creative in indicators**, learn to think in indicators. Even if you have measures in mind.

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