

The role of field margins in biodiversity

Motive

Flower-rich field margins, extensively managed, will play a more prominent role in the countryside in the future. In a number of large projects, like the Montagu's harrier project in the province of Groningen and the Grey-partridge projects in the south and east of the country, it is expected that in near future through transition in modern agriculture towards nature-inclusive agriculture, agri-environmental schemes or the upcoming delta plan on biodiversity restoration more small-scale initiatives will be generated. For this purpose, it is necessary that knowledge on the practice of construction and management will be combined with scientific knowledge on the value of these margins for biodiversity.

Goal

Development of scientific-sound experience in practice in the construction and management of flower-rich or extensively managed field margins for biodiversity restoration. This knowledge must become applicable in the construction and management of field margin.

Result

A comprehensive scientific review on the role and function of field margins in (agricultural) biodiversity; construction, management and spatial conditions indispensable for success.

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