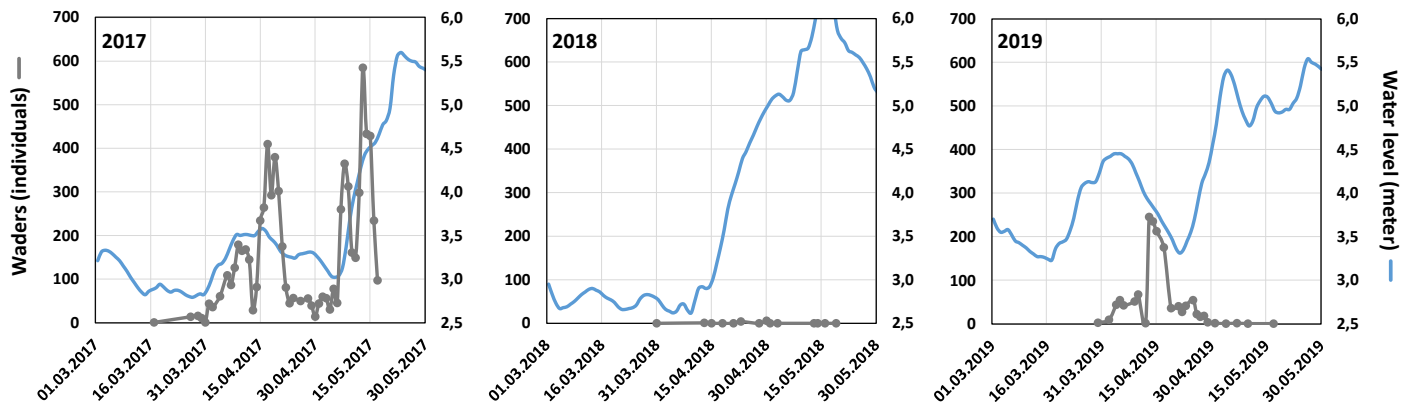


Foraging waders on the mudflats of Svellet, Lake Nordre Øyeren 1 March – 31 May 2017 -2019



Sources: The Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate (water level), Norwegian Species Observation Service and Nordre Øyeren Bird Observatory (wader counts)

In 2017 this led to a dramatic decrease in wader numbers after 15 May. In 2018 an early spring flood led to a complete loss of foraging possibilities in May. In 2019 the target water level was reached already 1 May and no significant May migration of waders was observed.

Nordre Øyeren Bird Observatory, The Norwegian Ornithological Society, Oslo and Akershus Region, Birdlife Norway and The Norwegian Biodiversity Network (Sabima) urge The Norwegian Environment Agency and the Ramsar Convention Secretariat to take action without delay.

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