



Ministry of Infrastructure and the  
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# The 380 kV powerline Southwest

Lessons learned

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# Massive protest against 380 kV powerline



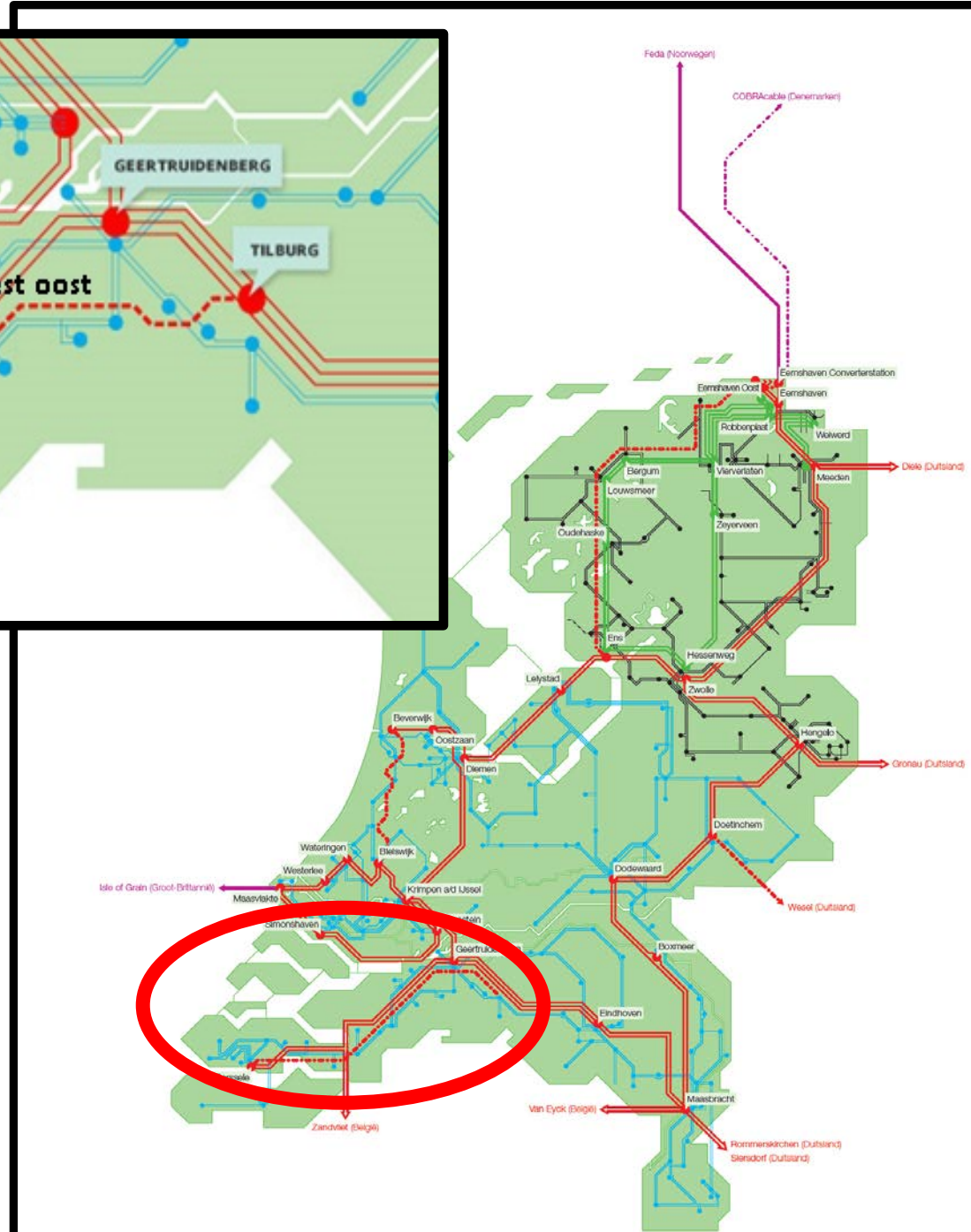
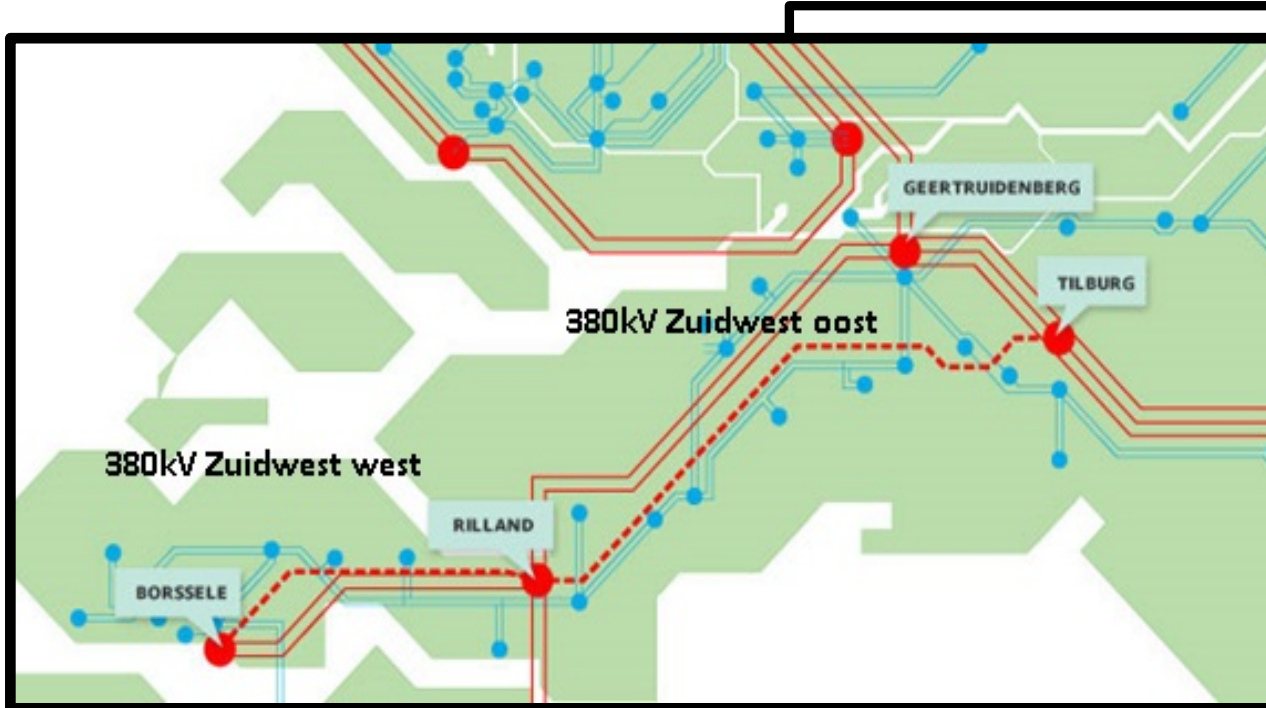




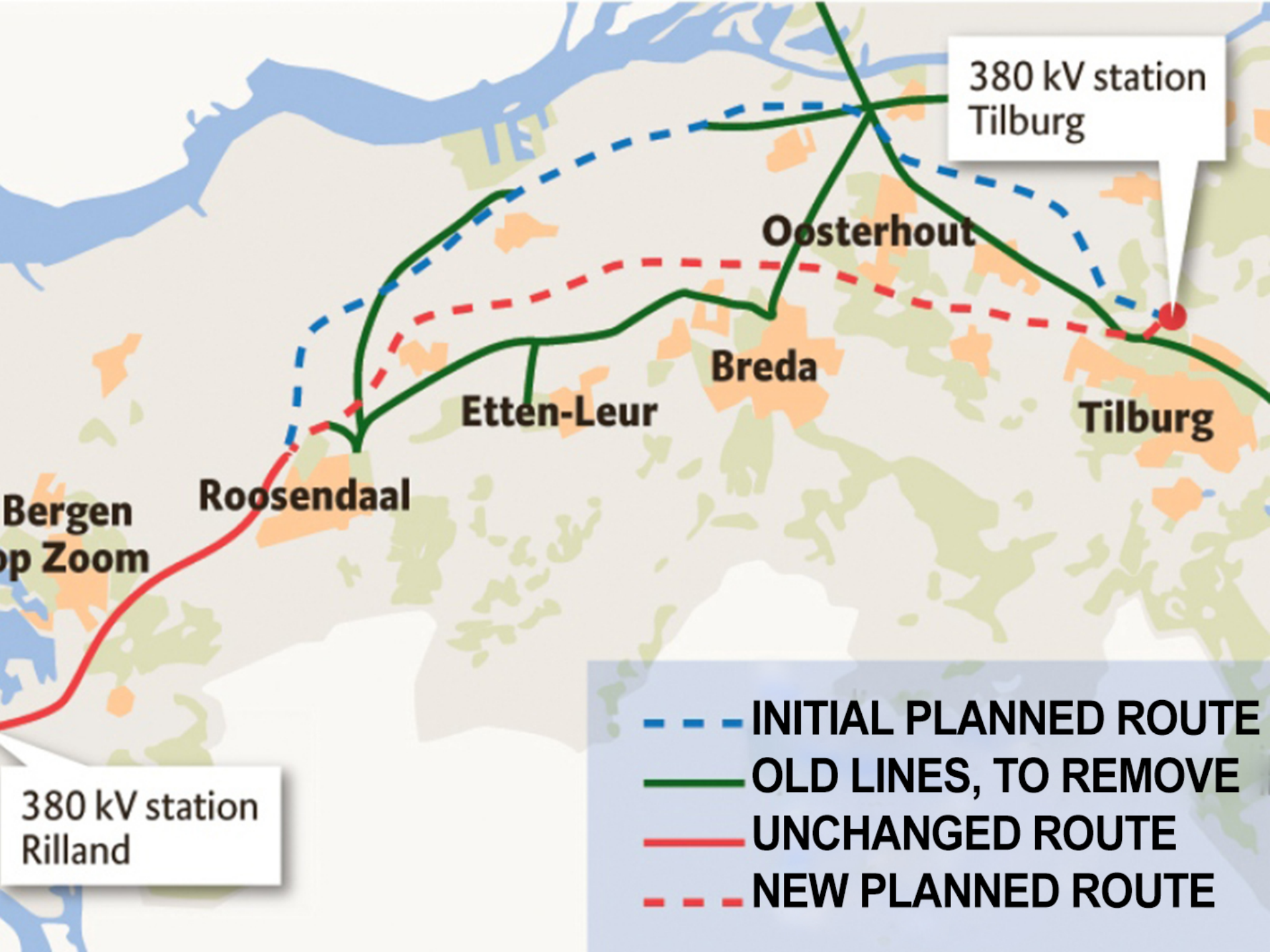
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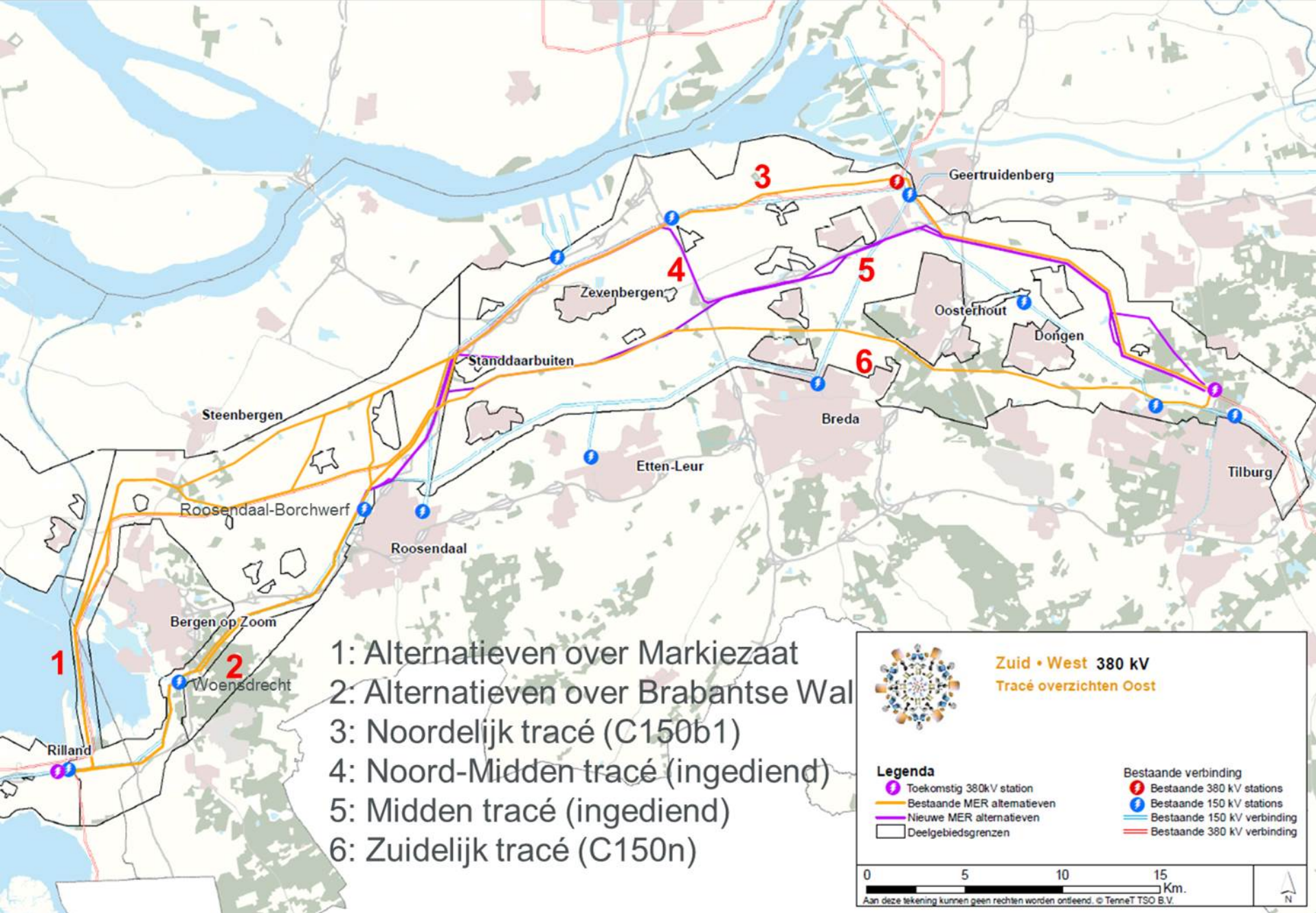
- 2009 start SEA/EIA-procedure
- Information, no public participation, 3 main alternatives
- 2012 preferential route decision: northern line
- 2014 change of route in eastern part for technical reasons: northern line shifts towards southern line, complete surprise to the public
- Draft EIA-report not published ('strategic information')
- 2015 massive protest public + local government in eastern area
- 2016 draft route decision for western part
- 2015-2017 'back to drawing table' for eastern part, 6 new alternatives
- 2020 realization of the new powerline















## Lessons learned

- Public was not involved, no complete share of information, no 'joint fact finding', resistance as a result
- Local government felt 'overruled' by national government, supported local protests
- Feasible alternatives were excluded too easily
- Working out alternatives is best done with local government / public
- The (semi-private) Electricity Transmission System Operator (TSO) can not be held entirely responsible for the initiative: government facilitates the legal procedure and therefore is responsible for stakeholder management and public participation