# Status of steady-state CL in Norway

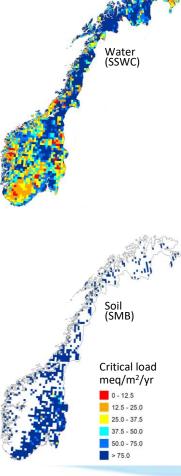
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# Steady-state CLs in Norway

- Main focus on CLs for acidification of surface waters
  - Most sensitive systems
  - SMB CLs calculated for forest soils (assuming all N is taken up) always low exceedance and not exceeded since the 1990s
- CLs for water calculated for the entire area of Norway
  - The whole catchment affects lake/river acidification





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#### Critical loads for water

- Calculated with SSWC and FAB
  - Only FAB submitted to CCE (worst case)
  - Generally according to the mapping manual
  - Original base cation concentration (BC\*<sub>0</sub>) calculated from a regression model of «present» BC\* and BC\*<sub>0</sub> for a set of acidified lakes modelled with MAGIC
- Calculated for grid cells, not individual water bodies
  - Each grid cell assigned a water chemistry from monitoring data



### 2019 national lake survey

- 1000 statistically selected lakes across the country
- Starting point for a potential revision of the critical loads





## 2020 project to evaluate the methodology

- Should we change to lake specific calculations?
  - Can estimate BC\*<sub>0</sub> for each lake by MAGIC
  - Requires an update of other input data required for FAB
- Evaluation of the current approach and consequences of changes
  - Effect of changing BC\*<sub>0</sub> approach using existing MAGIC calibration for the 1000 lakes (based on the 1995 survey)
  - Evaluation of the FAB constants (N immobilisation, denitrification, mass transfer coefficients): Sensitivity analysis, is there new information available, is it possible to assign different values to different lakes/regions?
  - Should we update the N uptake? Are better data available?
  - What would be the best approach to extrapolate CLs from the lakes to the entire country?
- Is an update worthwhile from a management/policy point of view
  - If the area exceeded for Norway changes by e.g. two percentage points, will it affect policies?



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