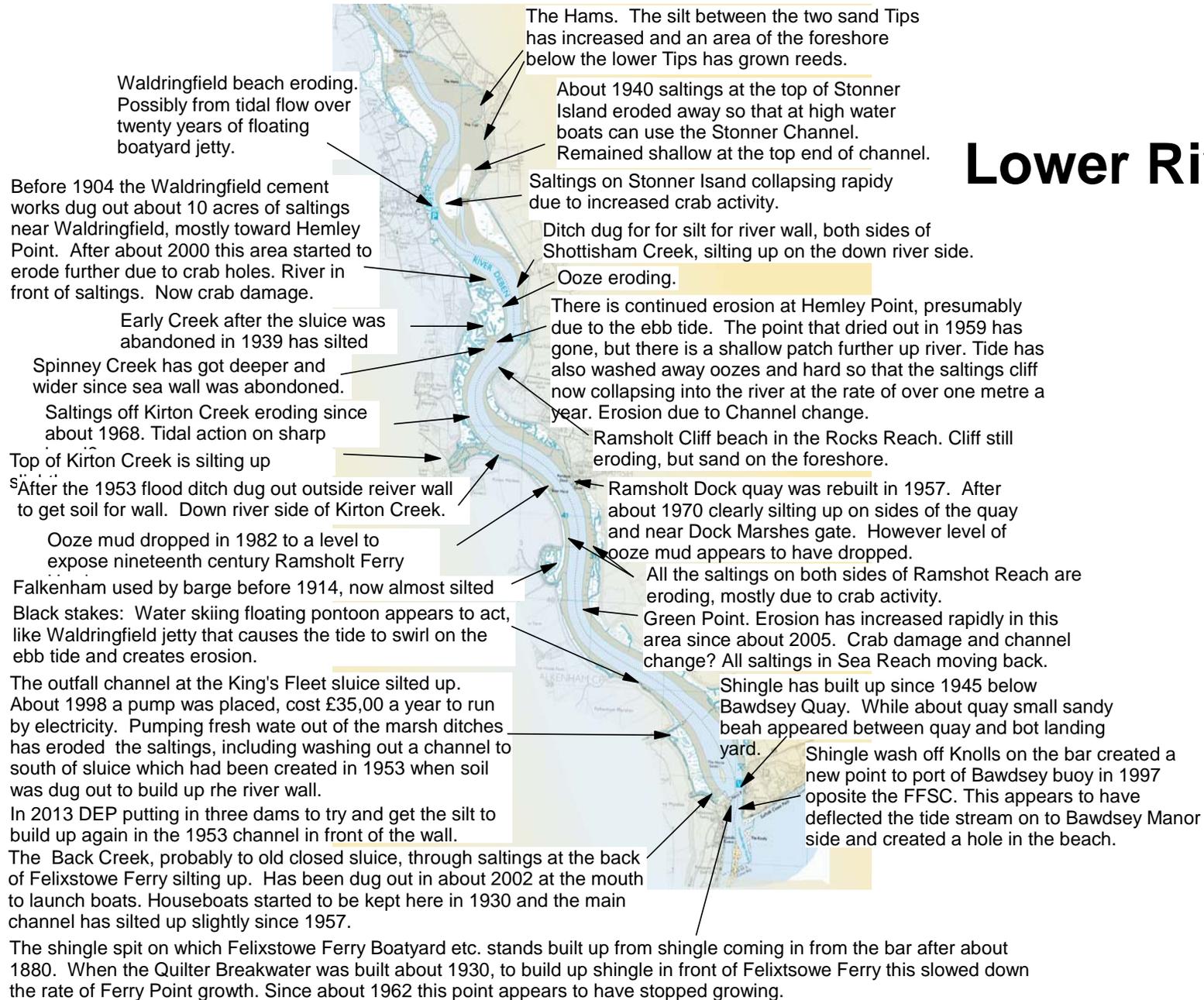


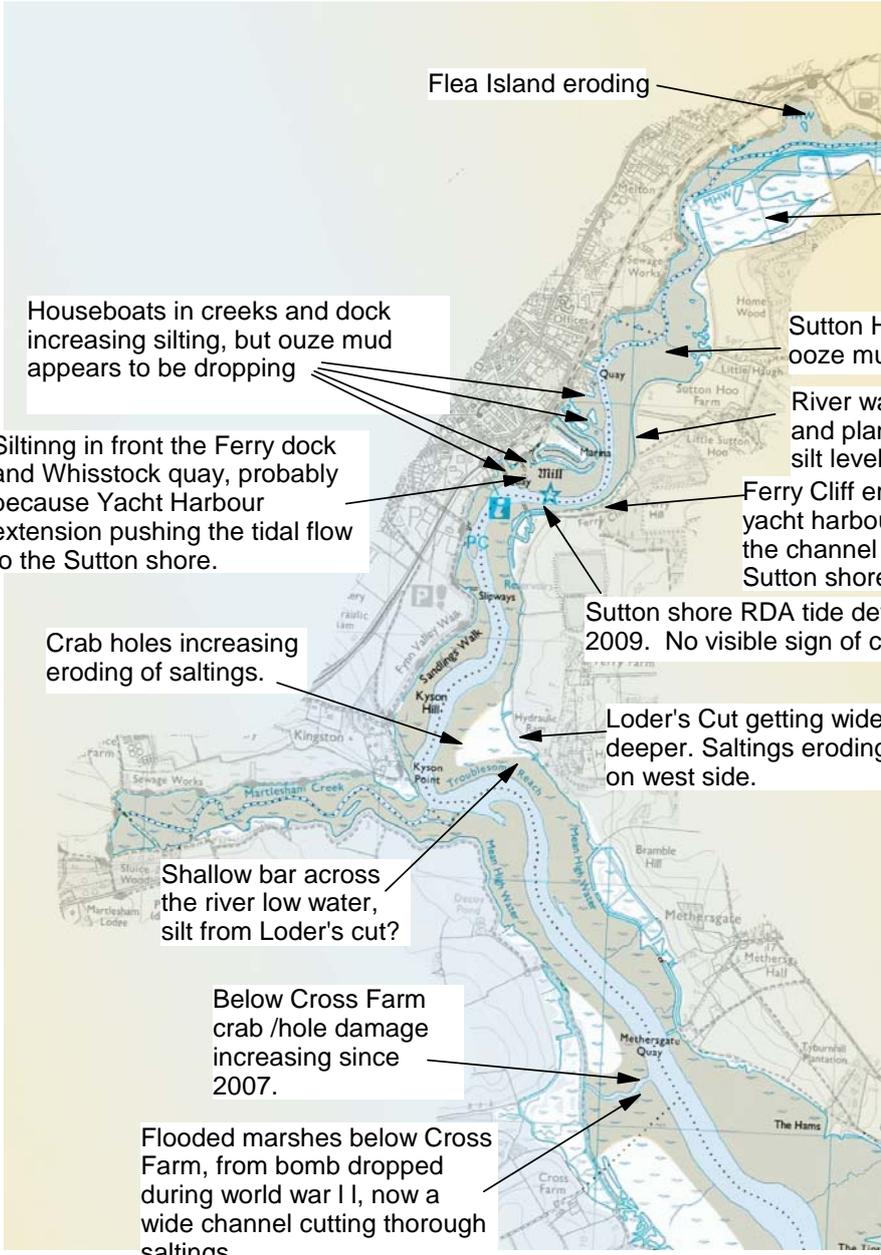
**Recent history of the
changes to the
Saltmarshes of the River
Deben – 2014
(a personal view)**

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Lower River





Flea Island eroding

Spinney marshes left flooded after 1938. Water escaped out under DEP 2010 barrier, but increased silting due to dredged mud being pumped on the ooze.

Houseboats in creeks and dock increasing silting, but ouze mud appears to be dropping

Sutton Hoo Farm bay ooze mud level dropping.

Silting in front the Ferry dock and Whisstock quay, probably because Yacht Harbour extension pushing the tidal flow to the Sutton shore.

River wall repaired by landowners and planted grass slightly increased silt levels.

Ferry Cliff eroding due to Tide Mill yacht harbour extension causing the channel to shift over towards the Sutton shore.

Crab holes increasing eroding of saltings.

Sutton shore RDA tide deflector 2009. No visible sign of change.

Loder's Cut getting wider and deeper. Saltings eroding rapidly on west side.

Shallow bar across the river low water, silt from Loder's cut?

Below Cross Farm crab /hole damage increasing since 2007.

Flooded marshes below Cross Farm, from bomb dropped during world war I I, now a wide channel cutting thorough saltings.

Upper River