# SACRAMENTO VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS



## **SUMMER 2014**

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Water Year Index/Drought

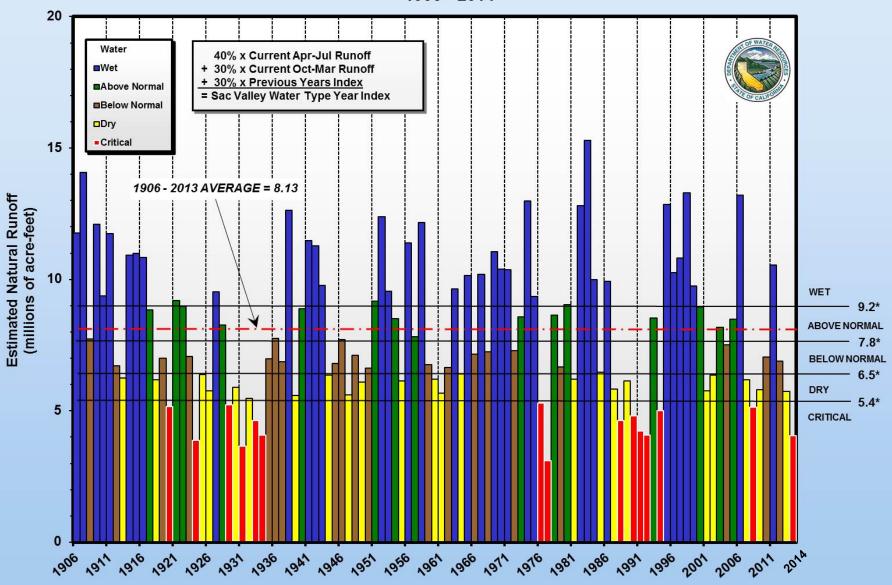
Summer Measurement Change

Maps

with Select Hydrographs

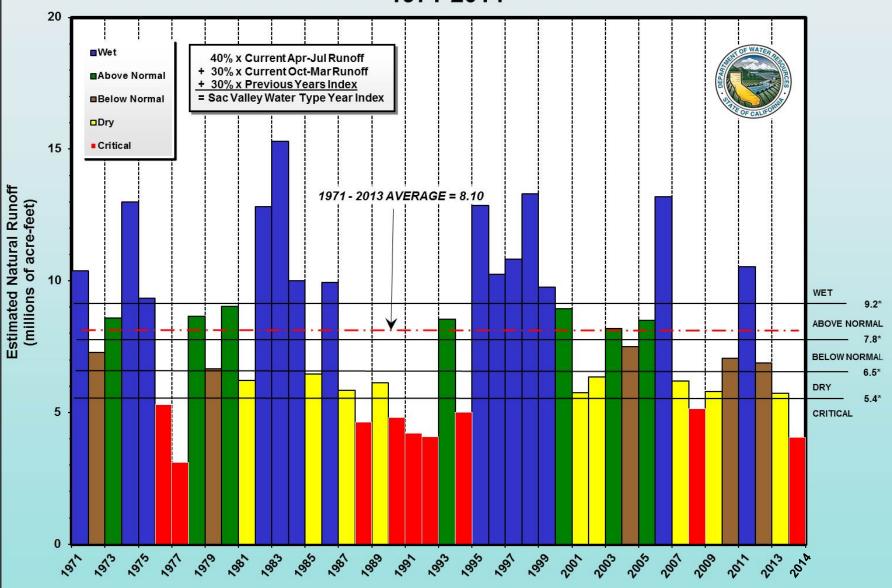
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#### SACRAMENTO VALLEY WATER YEAR TYPE INDEX 1906 - 2014

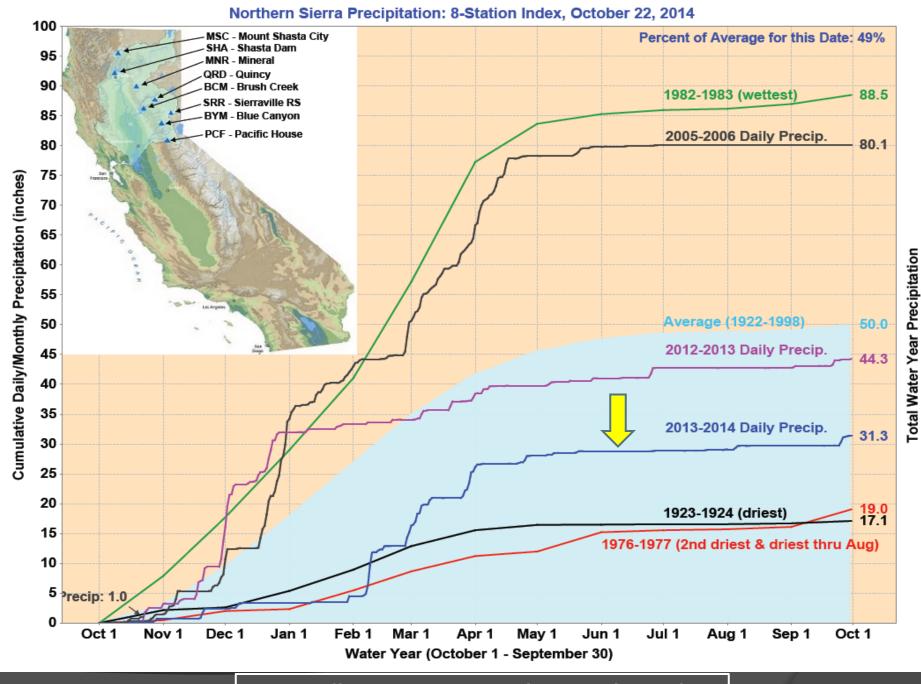


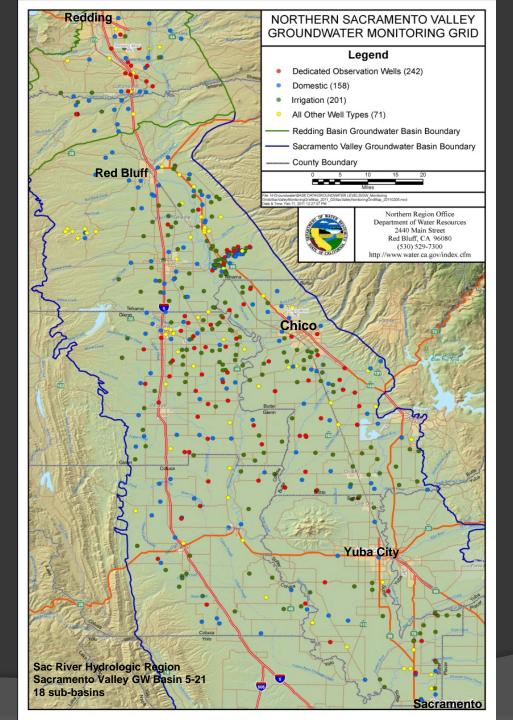
Water Years (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

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### **Northern Region Office**

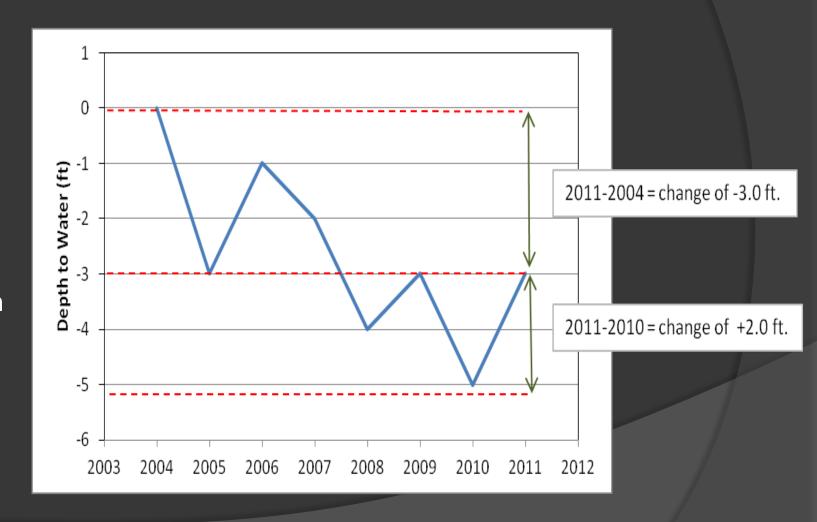
Groundwater Monitoring Grids, Frequency, and Analysis

- Sacramento Valley
   ~700 wells measured
   Spring, Summer, and Fall
- Wells at different depths are grouped for analysis:
  - 100-450 ft deep
  - Shallow, Intermediate, Deep
- Prepare groundwater change maps to compare to previous year and to 2004 (normal year)
- Prepare hydrographs for individual wells to see change in groundwater levels over time

## **Understanding Groundwater Level Changes**

2014 vs. 2013 -Annual

2014 vs. 2004 -Long term (10 yrs.)

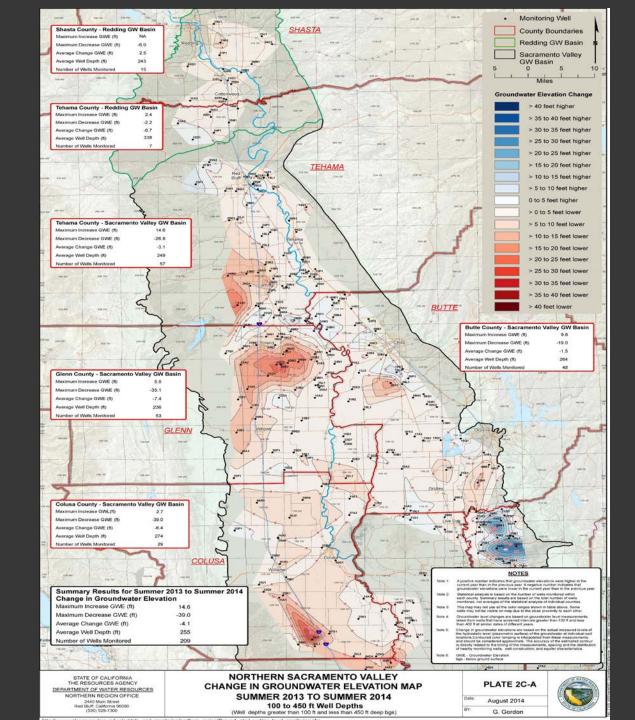


## Annual Change

2013 vs. 2014

Summer 100 ft

450 ft



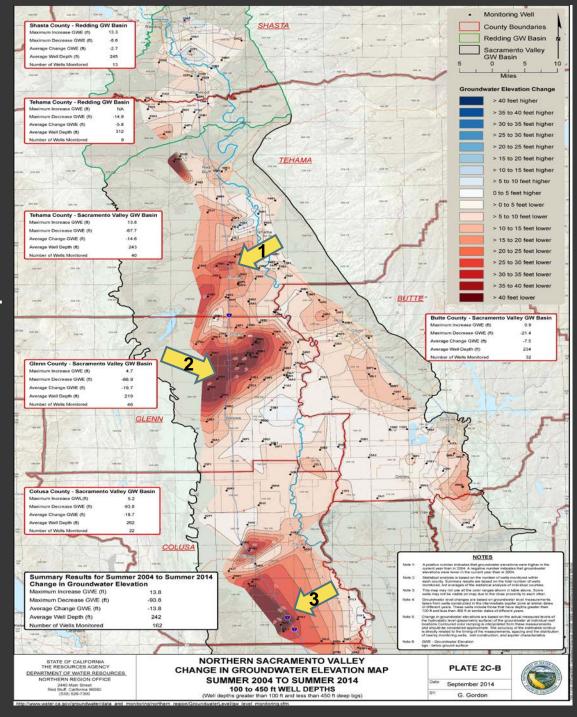
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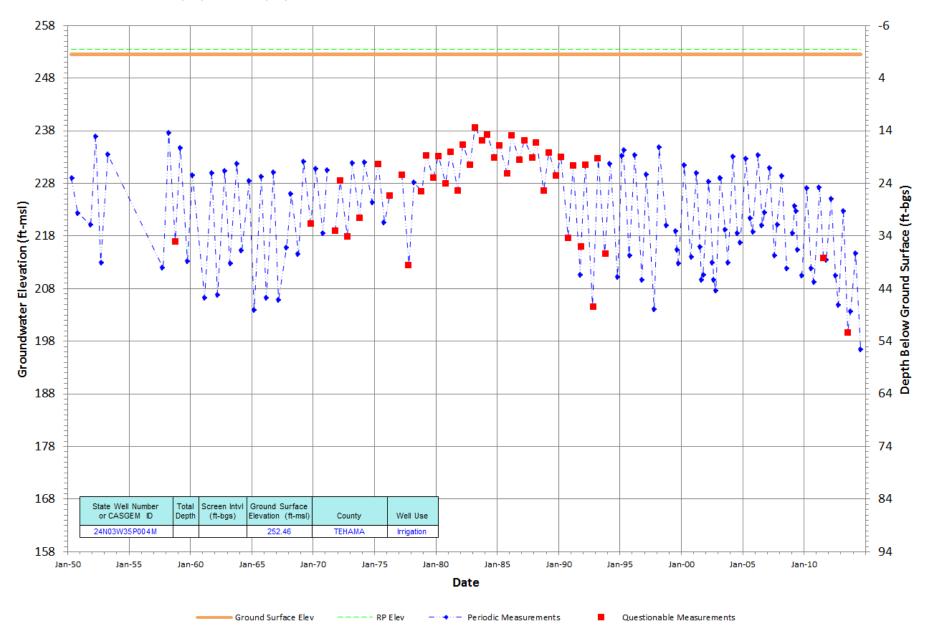
2004 to 2014

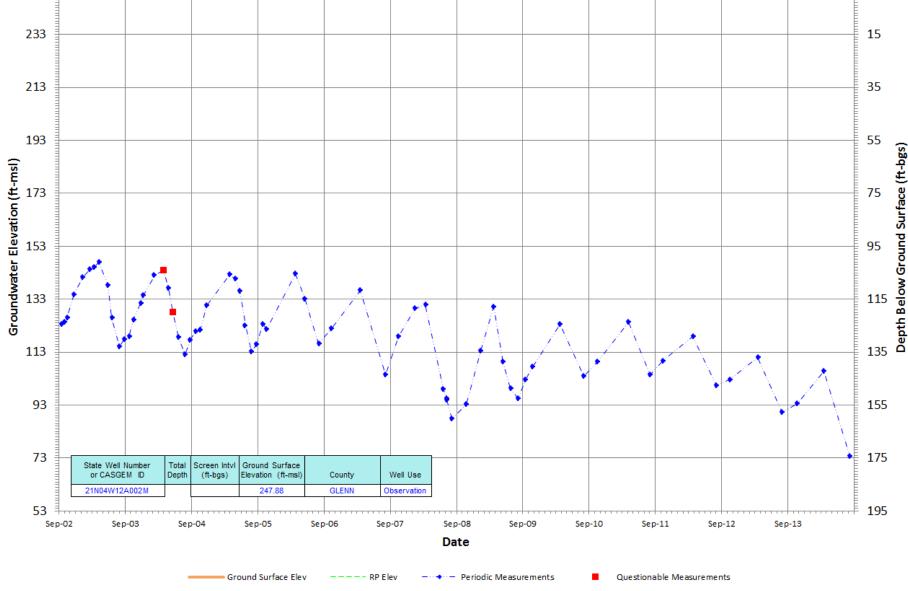
Spring

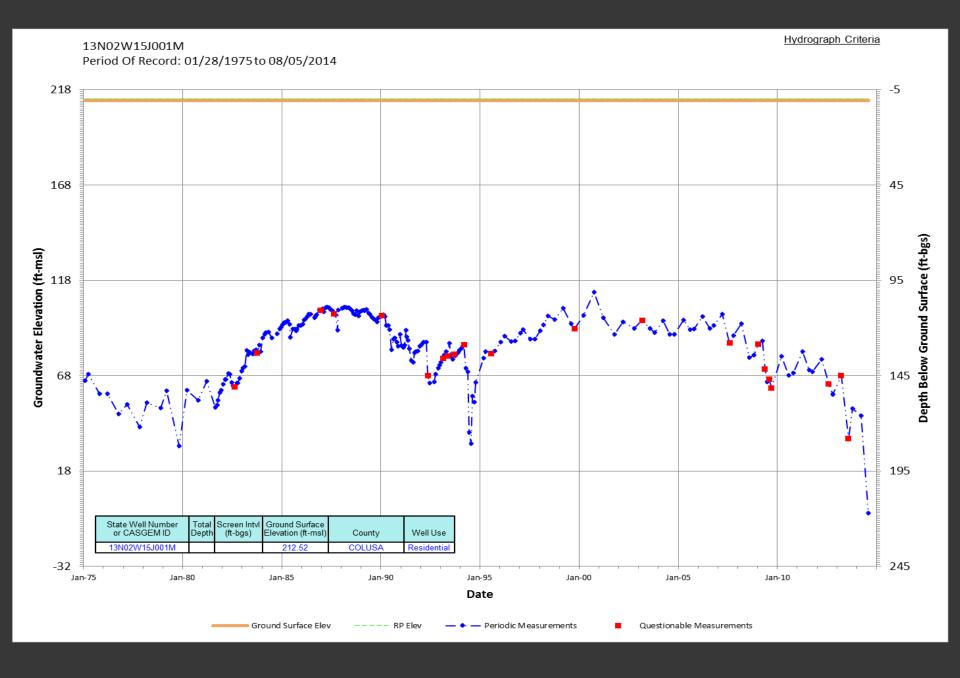
100 ft

4<u>50 ft</u>







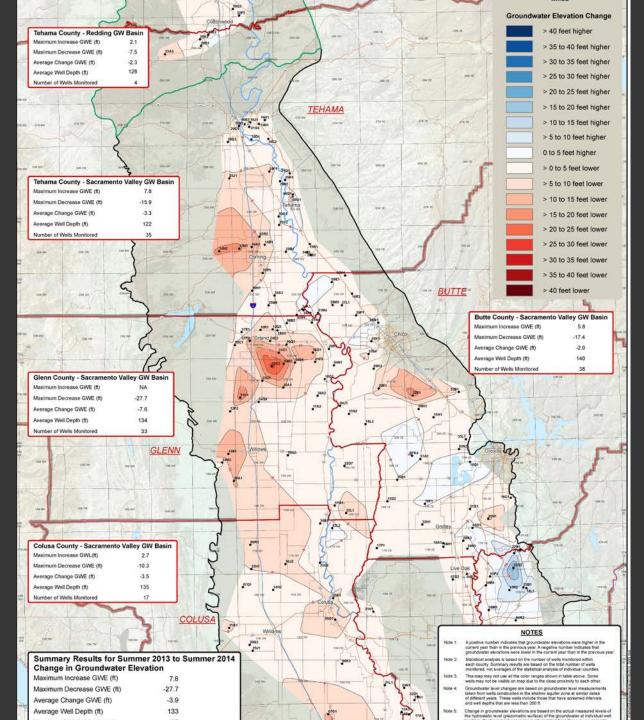


## Annual Change

2013-2014 Summer

**Shallow** 

< than 200 ft



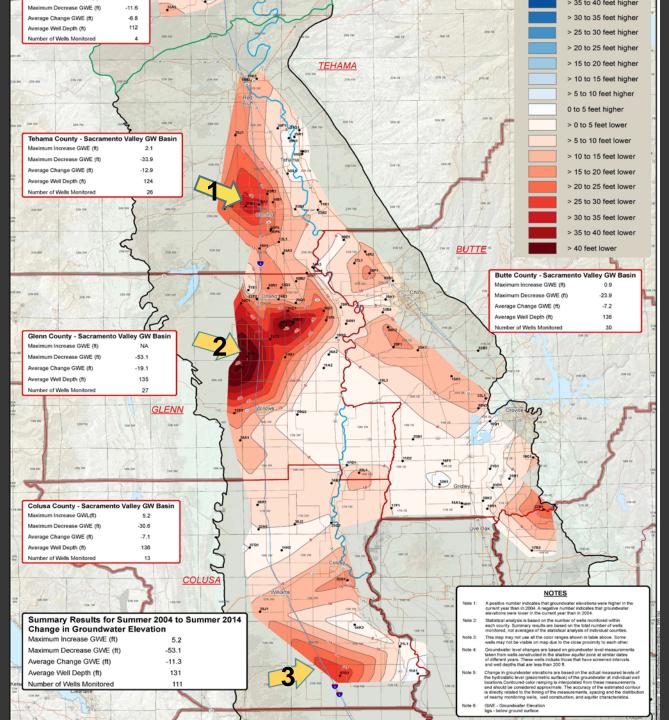
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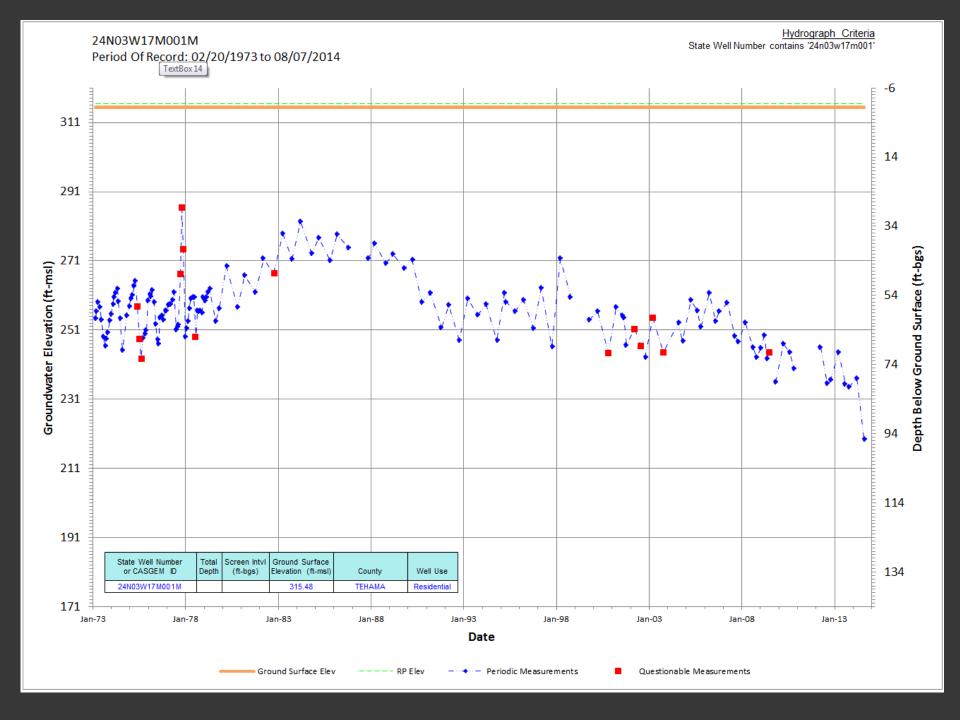
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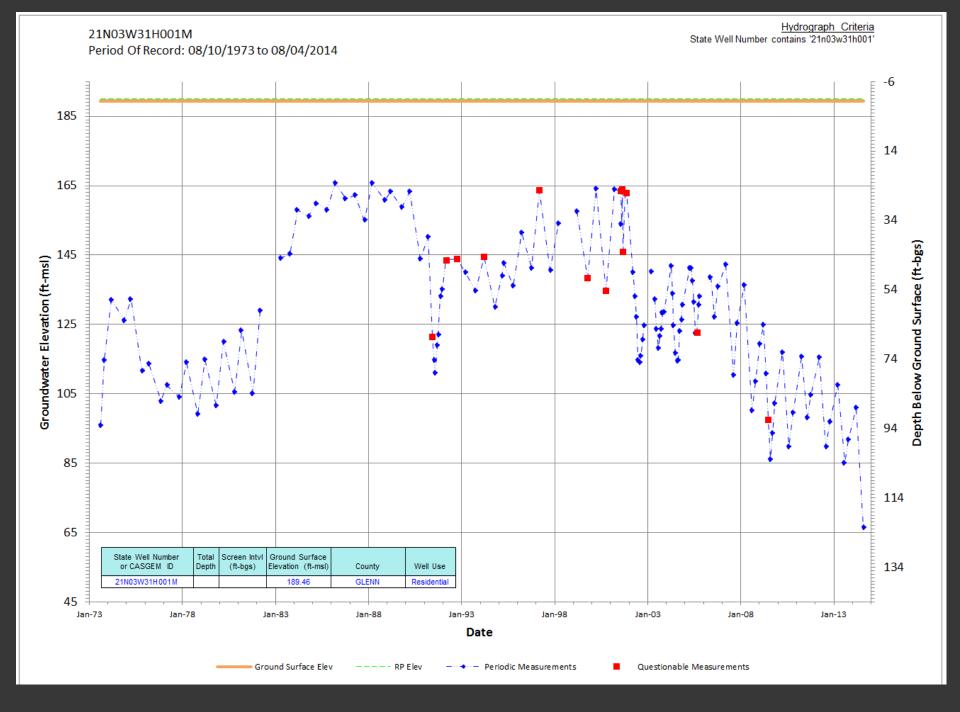
Summer

Shallow

< than 200 ft







Hydrograph Criteria

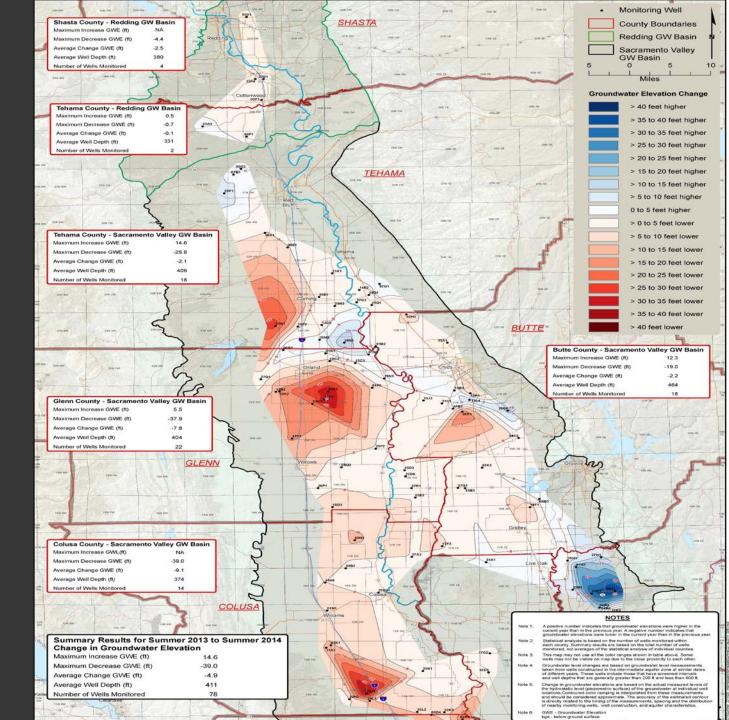
## Annual Change

2013-2014

Summer

Intermediate

200 ft 600 ft



## Long Term Change

2004-2014

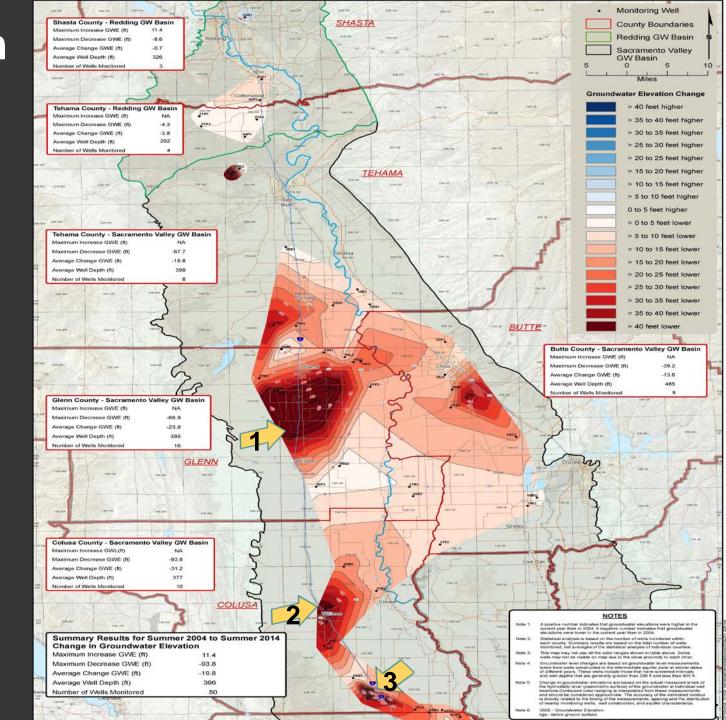
Summer

Intermediate

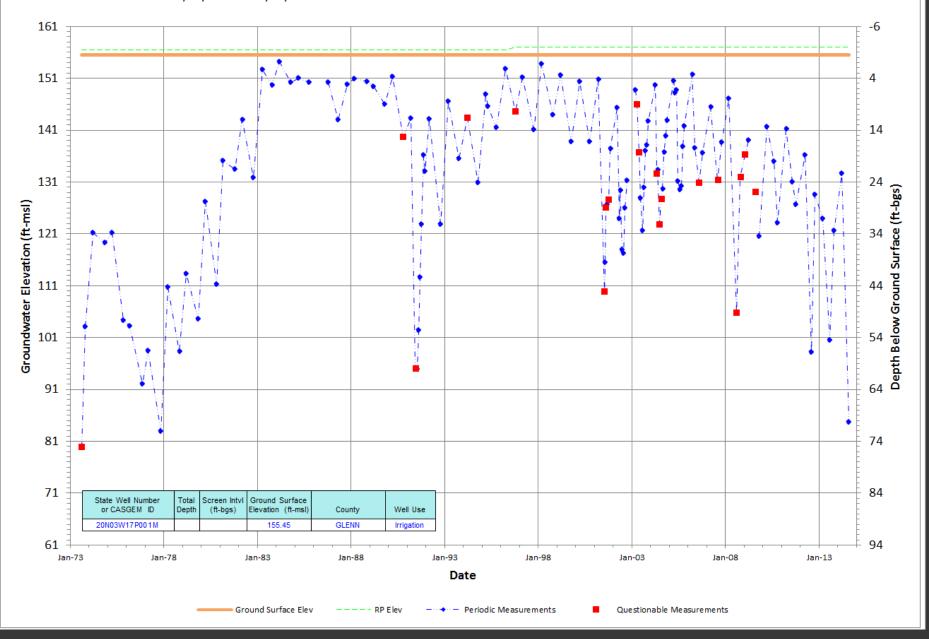
200 ft



600 ft

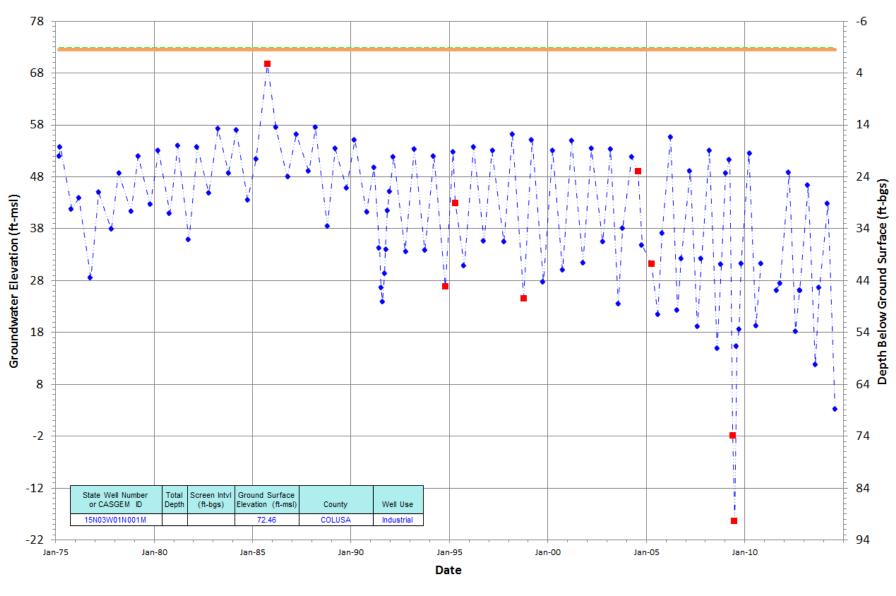


20N03W17P001M Period Of Record: 08/10/1973 to 08/04/2014



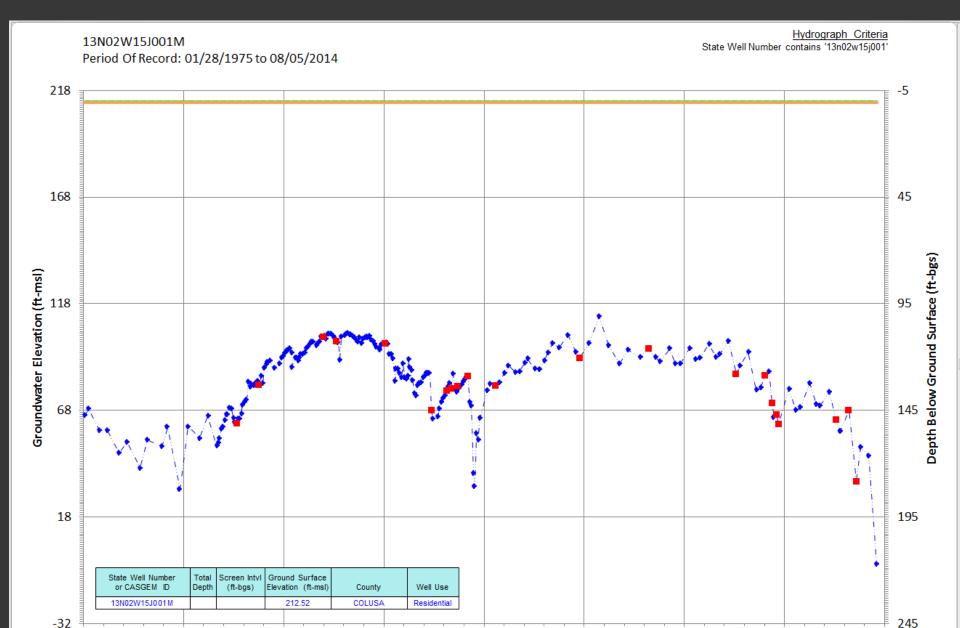
Ground Surface Elev

- RP Elev



- · · - Periodic Measurements

Questionable Measurements



Jan-95

Date

Jan-00

Jan-05

Jan-10

Jan-90

Jan-75

Jan-80

Jan-85

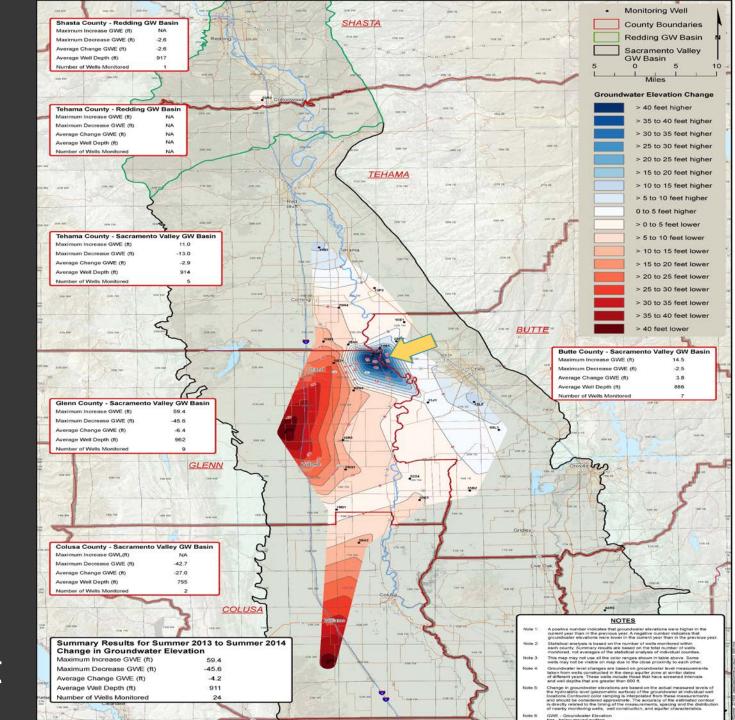
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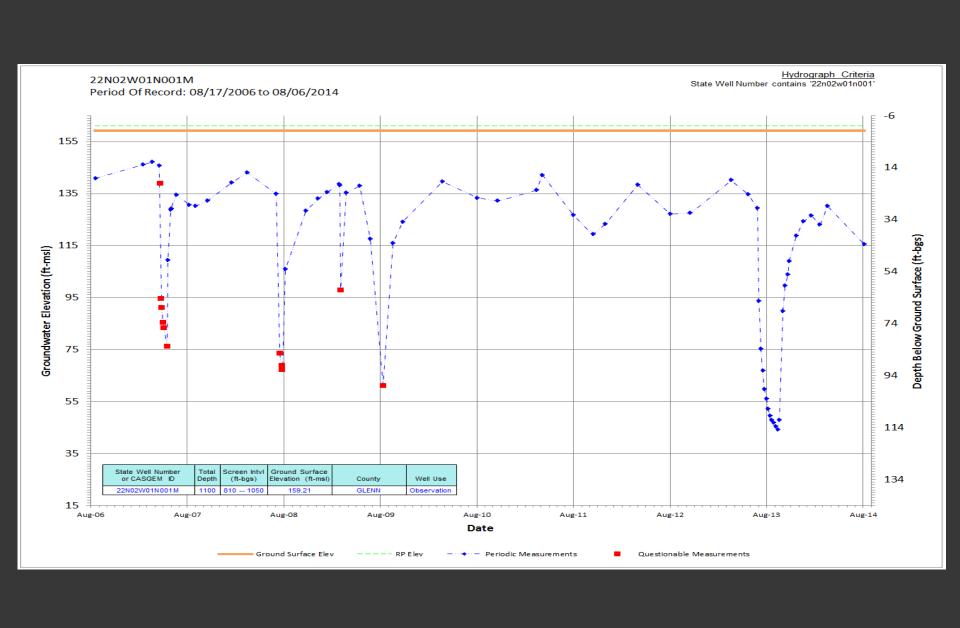
2013-2014

Summer

Deep

Greater
Than
600 ft





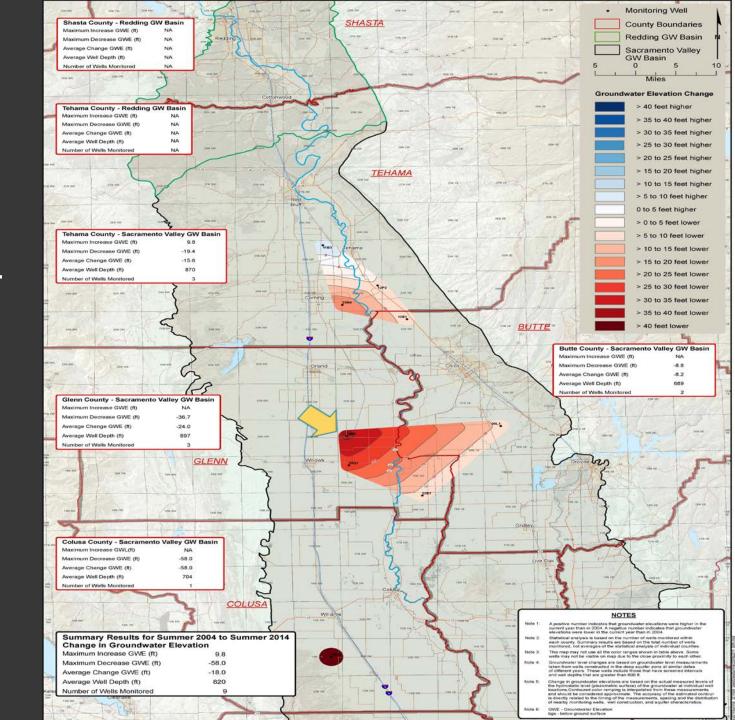
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2004-2014

Summer

Deep

Greater Than 600ft



Hydrograph Criteria

Date

Feb-09

Feb-10

Feb-11

Feb-12

Feb-13

Feb-14

Feb-08

GLENN

Feb-06

Observation

Feb-07

20N02W18R005M

Feb-03

37 🕂 Feb-02 920 -- 980

Feb-04

131.35

Feb-05

## DWR Groundwater Information Center



http://water.ca.gov/groundwater/

## New GW Information Center

#### Groundwater Information Center

#### Introduction

The Groundwater Information Center is DWR's portal for groundwater information, groundwater management plans, water well basics, and statewide and regional reports, maps and figures. California's groundwater provides approximately 30 to 46 percent of the State's total water supply, depending on wet or dry years, and serves as a critical buffer against drought and climate change. Some communities in California are 100 percent reliant upon groundwater for urban and agricultural use.

DWR has a long-standing history of collecting and analyzing groundwater data, investigating and reporting groundwater conditions, implementing local groundwater assistance grants, encouraging integrated water management, and providing the technical expertise needed to improve groundwater management practices. DWR will continue to work with local agencies and regional organizations to provide data that enables sustainable groundwater management. The Groundwater Information Center website will be updated as new information becomes available.

#### Interactive Map of Groundwater Information and Data

In July 2014, DWR released its experimental version of a **new interactive map application** to view and download selected groundwater information and data. The Department intends to test this **interactive map application** internally while also providing a beta version to the public.

#### Groundwater Conditions

On April 30th, 2014, a Drought Response report was completed by DWR and delivered to the Governor's office as required by the Governor's Drought Declaration (January, 2014). High-resolution figures from this report are available in the Groundwater Data Reports section of the Groundwater Information Center.

#### Groundwater Information Center

- · Groundwater Basics
- x Groundwater Management
- Key Legislation
- Groundwater Management Plans
- Developing a Groundwater Management Plan
- Groundwater Well Information
- \* Well Completion Reports
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- .. Groundwater Data Reports
- : Groundwater Data and Monitoring
  - CASGEM
- Water Data Library

#### Highlights

Interactive Map Application (New)

- Drought Response −
   Groundwater, April 2014
- » Groundwater Management

http://water.ca.gov/groundwater/

B118 - "California": Groundwater"

Contacts



#### Groundwater Information Center

### **Groundwater Data Reports**

Groundwater data and related information can be reported in a variety of formats, including maps, figures, and written reports

This page provides access to PDF documents which report groundwater conditions in a variety of formats. Documents are organized by report type (for example, "Groundwater Level Change Maps") and by region. Statewide reports, or reports that cover large regions of the state are found on this page, whereas local reports are available at Region Office Reports and Data below. Please note that data reports and other information is being added to this page regularly.

#### Figures from "Public Update for Drought Response - April 30, 2014"

- + Figures 1 through 9
- + Figures 10 through 18
- + Figures 19 through 27

#### Statewide Reports

Maps

and

More

Maps

+ Groundwater Level Change Maps

#### Reports and Data Organized by Regional Office

Groundwater data collection, management, and reporting typically occurs at a regional level, and is conducted by staff at one of the four Department Region Offices.

- + Northern Region
- + North Central Region
- + South Central Region
- + Southern Region

#### Download Geospatial Data

Use the NEW Groundwater Information Center Interactive Map to view and download selected groudwater related GIS data.

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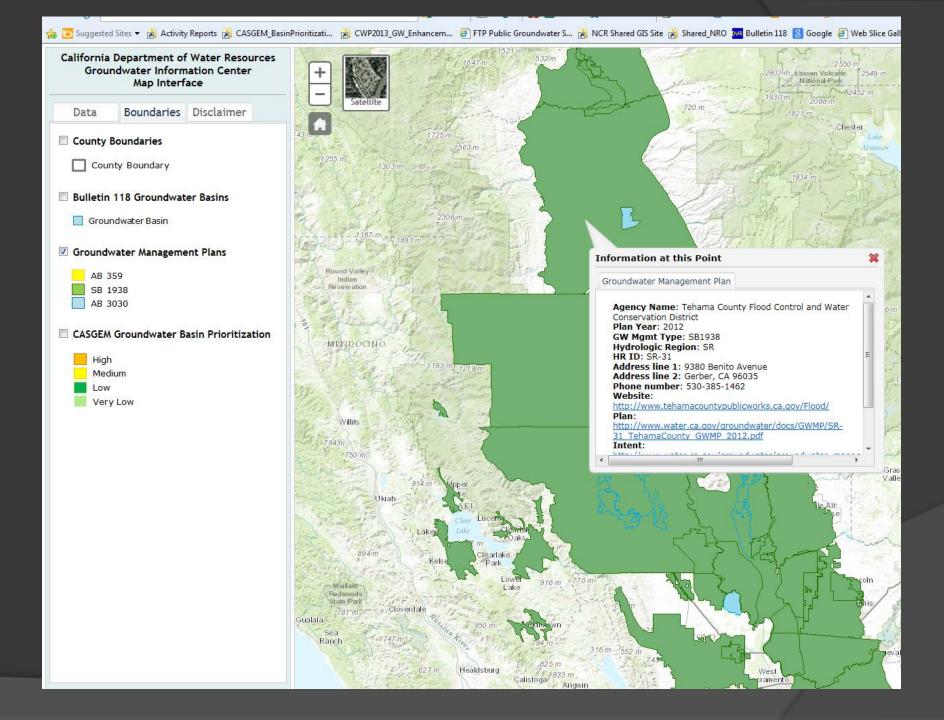


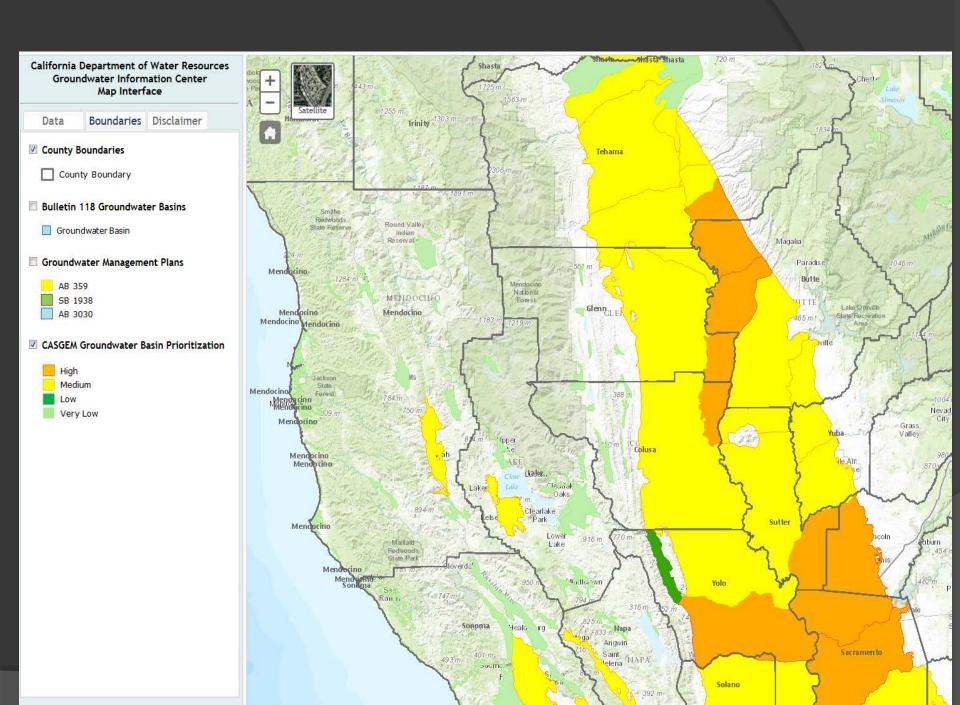




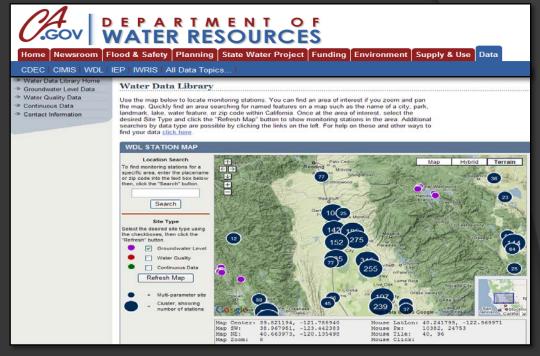


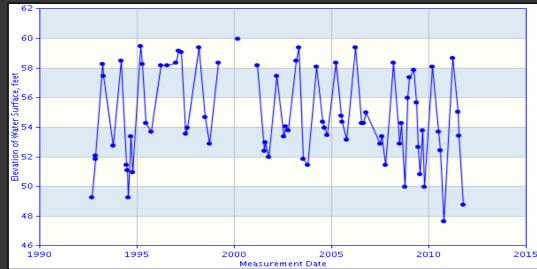




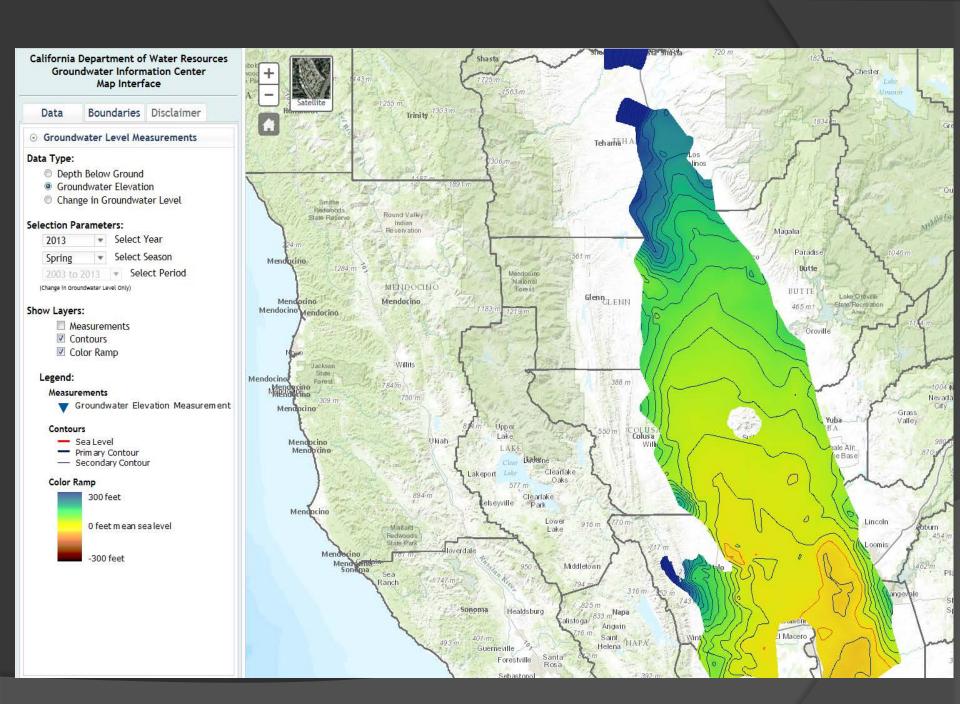


## Water Data Library









## **CASGEM**



Welcome: Deborah Spangler for Department of Water Resources as Reviewer

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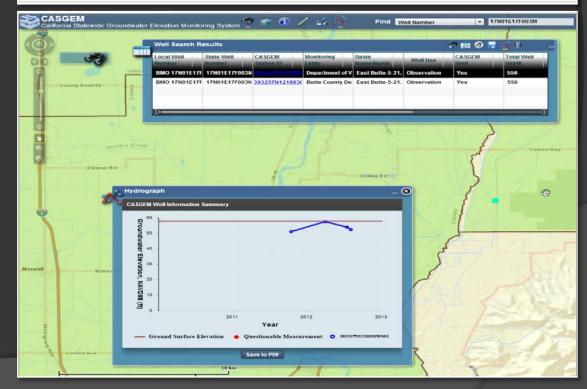
#### Home

#### Welcome to the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM) Online System

#### The CASGEM Online System now allows you to:

- Register as an "Administrator" for a Monitoring Entity to maintain the Monitoring Entity's profile and create and maintain user
  accounts for yourself and collaborating agencies.
- Submit a Notification that your organization intends to assume the role of Monitoring Entity for a California groundwater basin, sub-basin, or portion of a sub-basin, including:
  - o Organization details and contact information
  - o The monitoring entity authority that best describes you (Water Code Section 10927)
  - o GIS shapefiles that define the boundary of the area you intend to monitor
  - o A groundwater management plan and/or monitoring plan
  - o CASGEM well construction details and location information
- Submit groundwater elevation data (including batch uploads)
- View lists of local agencies, counties and associations who have volunteered to serve as CASGEM Monitoring Entities providing groundwater data statewide
- View CASGEM Monitoring Plans and Groundwater Management Plans (via hyperlink)
- Search and view groundwater elevation data in tabular format
- · View hydrographs for single wells and compare hydrographs for multiple wells
- Search and view groundwater monitoring well information
- View mapped locations of CASGEM wells, monitoring area boundaries, and other geographic information
- Measure distances between wells and size of monitoring areas and basins
- Download well information, groundwater data, hydrographs and maps
- · Download summary reports on wells, groundwater elevations, Monitoring Entities and basin information

Please click on one of the above tabs to begin. Please look at this <u>help</u> file for answers to common questions.



### 2014 Sustainable GW Management Legislation

Bills: AB 1739; SB 1168, & SB 1319

Bill Info: <a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.html">http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.html</a>

- Establishes a definition of "sustainable groundwater management"

  "The management and use of groundwater in a manner that can be
  maintained during the planning and implementation horizon without causing undesirable results."
- Requires that a groundwater sustainability plan be adopted for the most important groundwater basins in California
  - Limited to "high & medium priority basins" 127 out of 515 basins in the state
  - Adjudicated basins are exempt (except for minimal reporting), bringing the number to fewer than 100 affected basins.
  - "Low & very low priority" basins are exempt, though they are encouraged to adopt plans.



### 2014 Sustainable GW Management Legislation

- Establishes a timetable for adoption of groundwater sustainability plans
  - By 2017, local groundwater sustainability agencies must be identified.
  - By 2020, overdrafted basins must be covered by a groundwater sustainability plan. Other high & medium priority basins not in overdraft must have plans by 2022.
  - By 2040, each high & medium priority basin must achieve sustainability, though this can be extended by 10 years for good cause.
- Empowers local agencies to manage their basins sustainably
  - Gives local agencies new authority to adopt and enforce rules, require reporting, raise funds and build new water projects
  - Department of Water Resources will provide technical assistance to local agencies
- Establishes basic requirements for groundwater sustainability plans
  - Long-term planning and implementation horizon
  - Measurable objectives and interim milestones to achieve sustainability in
     20 years
  - Most requirements similar to the current, voluntary groundwater plan requirements adopted 22 years ago.



### 2014 Sustainable GW Management Legislation

- Provides for a limited state role
  - DWR will evaluate groundwater sustainability plans within two years of submission.
  - State Water Board may temporarily intervene in four limited circumstance.
    - No governance structure for a basin after 2 ½ years
    - No plan after five years (overdrafted basins) or ten years (other basins)
    - Plan is inadequate and the basin has serious groundwater problems
    - Local agency has not adequately implemented the plan and the basin has serious groundwater problems
- State Board must return control to local agencies as soon as they adopt an adequate plan.
- State Board may limit its temporary control to the portion of the basin not being managed.

### Key Milestones for Sustainable Groundwater Management Legislation

