Groundwater Application Review Summary Form

Application # G- _19367_

GW Reviewer _Phillip I. Marcy_ Date Review Completed: _12/20/2023_

Summary of GW Availability and Injury Review:

☐ Groundwater for the proposed use is either over appropriated, will not likely be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights, OR will not likely be available within the capacity of the groundwater resource per Section B of the attached review form.

Summary of Potential for Substantial Interference Review:

☐ There is the potential for substantial interference per Section C of the attached review form.

Summary of Well Construction Assessment:

☐ The well does not appear to meet current well construction standards per Section D of the attached review form. Route through Well Construction and Compliance Section.

This is only a summary. Documentation is attached and should be read thoroughly to understand the basis for determinations and for conditions that may be necessary for a permit (if one is issued).

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

MEMO **_December 20, 2023_**

TO: **Application** G-**_19367_**

FROM: **GW:** **_Phillip I. Marcy_**
(Reviewer's Name)

SUBJECT: Scenic Waterway Interference Evaluation

☐ **YES**
☒ **NO** The source of appropriation is hydraulically connected to a State Scenic Waterway or its tributaries

☐ **YES**
☒ **NO** Use the Scenic Waterway Condition (Condition 7J)

☐ Per ORS 390.835, the Groundwater Section is **able** to calculate ground water interference with surface water that contributes to a Scenic Waterway. The calculated interference is distributed below

☐ Per ORS 390.835, the Groundwater Section is **unable** to calculate ground water interference with surface water that contributes to a scenic waterway; **therefore, the Department is unable to find that there is a preponderance of evidence that the proposed use will measurably reduce the surface water flows necessary to maintain the free-flowing character of a scenic waterway**

DISTRIBUTION OF INTERFERENCE

Calculate the percentage of consumptive use by month and fill in the table below. If interference cannot be calculated, per criteria in 390.835, do not fill in the table but check the "unable" option above, thus informing Water Rights that the Department is *unable to make a Preponderance of Evidence finding.*

Exercise of this permit is calculated to reduce monthly flows in _[Enter]_ Scenic Waterway by the following amounts expressed as a proportion of the consumptive use by which surface water flow is reduced.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW FOR GROUNDWATER APPLICATIONS

TO: Water Rights Section Date 12/20/2023
FROM: Groundwater Section Phillip I. Marcy
Reviewer's Name
SUBJECT: Application G- **19367** Supersedes review of
Date of Review(s)

PUBLIC INTEREST PRESUMPTION; GROUNDWATER

OAR 690-310-130 (1) *The Department shall presume that a proposed groundwater use will ensure the preservation of the public welfare, safety and health as described in ORS 537.525.* Department staff review groundwater applications under OAR 690-310-140 to determine whether the presumption is established. OAR 690-310-140 allows the proposed use be modified or conditioned to meet the presumption criteria. **This review is based upon available information and agency policies in place at the time of evaluation**.

A. GENERAL INFORMATION: Applicant's Name: **Northwood Christian Church** County: **Lane**

A1. Applicant(s) seek(s) 0.156 cfs from 1 well(s) in the Willamette Basin, subbasin

A2. Proposed use Irrigation (3.14 acres) Seasonality: April 1st – September 30th (213 days)

A3. Well and aquifer data **(attach and number logs for existing wells; mark proposed wells as such under logid)**:

POA Well	Logid	Applicant's Well #	Proposed Aquifer*	Proposed Rate(cfs)	Location (T/R-S QQ-Q)	Location, metes and bounds, e.g. 2250' N, 1200' E fr NW cor S 36
1	Proposed	1	Alluvium	0.156	17S/3W-25 NE-NE	160'N, 20'E fr NE 1/16 cor S 25
2						
3						
4						

* Alluvium, CRB, Bedrock

POA Well	Well Depth (ft)	Seal Interval (ft)	Casing Intervals (ft)	Liner Intervals (ft)	Perforations Or Screens (ft)	Well Yield (gpm)	Drawdown (ft)	Test Type
1	110	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	NA	NA	NA
2								
3								
4								

POA Well	Land Surface Elevation at Well (ft amsl)	Depth of First Water (ft bls)	SWL (ft bls)	SWL Date	Reference Level (ft bls)	Reference Level Date
1	468	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2						
3						
4						

Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. **Comments:** The applicant proposes to construct a POA well to produce groundwater for primary irrigation of 3.14 acres. Few details are provided about the proposed well, besides a total depth and casing diameter. There are no wells in the area with sufficient data from which to derive a reference water level at this time.

A5. ☒ **Provisions of the** Willamette Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of groundwater hydraulically connected to surface water ☐ **are**, *or* ☒ **are not**, activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.)
Comments: The proposed POA well does not lie within ¼ mile of a surface water source, therefore the pertinent basin rles do not apply.

A6. ☐ **Well(s) #** _____ , _____ , _____ , _____ , _____ , tap(s) an aquifer limited by an administrative restriction.
Name of administrative area:
Comments:

B. GROUNDWATER AVAILABILITY CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-310-130, 400-010, 410-0070

B1. **Based upon available data**, I have determined that groundwater* for the proposed use:

a. ☐ **is** over appropriated, ☒ **is not** over appropriated, *or* ☐ **cannot be determined to be** over appropriated during any period of the proposed use. * This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the over-appropriation determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;

b. ☐ **will not** *or* ☒ **will** likely be available in the amounts requested without injury to prior water rights. * This finding is limited to the groundwater portion of the injury determination as prescribed in OAR 690-310-130;

c. ☐ **will not** *or* ☒ **will** likely to be available within the capacity of the groundwater resource; or

d. ☐ **will, if properly conditioned**, avoid injury to existing groundwater rights or to the groundwater resource:

i. ☐ The permit should contain condition #(s) _____;

ii. ☐ The permit should be conditioned as indicated in item 2 below.

iii. ☐ The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in item 3 below;

B2. a. ☐ **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no deeper than _____ ft. below land surface;

b. ☐ **Condition** to allow groundwater production from no shallower than _____ ft. below land surface;

c. ☐ **Condition** to allow groundwater production only from the _____ groundwater reservoir between approximately _____ ft. and _____ ft. below land surface;

d. ☐ **Well reconstruction** is necessary to accomplish one or more of the above conditions. The problems that are likely to occur with this use and without reconstructing are cited below. Without reconstruction, I recommend withholding issuance of the permit until evidence of well reconstruction is filed with the Department and approved by the Groundwater Section.

Describe injury –as related to water availability– that is likely to occur without well reconstruction (interference w/ senior water rights, not within the capacity of the resource, etc): _____

B3. **Groundwater availability remarks:** The applicant's well is completed into alluvial sediments within the McKenzie River Valley. These sediments generally consist of mixed sand and gravel deposits with some clay and were deposited by the McKenzie and Willamette Rivers and form the proximal portions of the Springfield Fan (Woodward et el., 1998). The total thickness of the alluvial sediments is > 300 ft in the vicinity of the well and likely underlain by less-permeable marine deposits of the Eugene Formation (Madin and Murray, 2006). Most other wells in the area are shallow (< 100 ft deep) and produce from the alluvial sediments with yields generally between 20 and 100 gpm but some wells (mostly deeper wells) produce several-hundred gpm.

There is little groundwater use in the area of the proposed development, and correspondingly little groundwater data available here. The behavior of local groundwater, especially at fairly shallow depths, is likely controlled by the proximity to the McKenzie River and associated deposits of high-transmissivity materials such as ands and gravels. The little groundwater data available nearby do not exhibit significant or long-term decline trends over their period of record. Generally, groundwater elevations suggest movement from east to west, following the gradient of the McKenzie River Valley.

C. GROUNDWATER/SURFACE WATER CONSIDERATIONS, OAR 690-09-040

C1. **690-09-040 (1):** Evaluation of aquifer confinement:

Well	Aquifer or Proposed Aquifer	Confined	Unconfined
1	**Sands & Gravels**	☐	☒
		☐	☐
		☐	☐
		☐	☐

Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation: Local well logs do not report any significant confining beds above the likely production zone within the proposed POA well. Final static water levels reported on driller's logs are similar to depths where groundwater was first encountered.

C2. **690-09-040 (2) (3):** Evaluation of distance to, and hydraulic connection with, surface water sources. All wells located a horizontal distance less than ¼ mile from a surface water source that produce water from an unconfined aquifer shall be assumed to be hydraulically connected to the surface water source. Include in this table any streams located beyond one mile that are evaluated for PSI.

Well	SW #	Surface Water Name	GW Elev ft msl	SW Elev ft msl	Distance (ft)	Hydraulically Connected? YES	NO	ASSUMED	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed? YES	NO
1	**1**	**McKenzie River**	**~450**	**430-460**	**4700**	☒	☐	☐	☐	☒
						☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
						☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
						☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation: Sands and Gravels deposited during the evolution of the McKenzie River Valley are interspersed with finer-grained sediments that occur sporadically throughout the sedimentary sequence and do not constitute a significant barrier to groundwater flow to and from the McKenzie River.

Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within: WILLAMETTE R > COLUMBIA R - AB MCKENZIE R

C3a. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts for each well that has been determined or assumed to be **hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile** from a surface water (SW) source. Limit evaluation to instream rights and minimum stream flows that are pertinent to that SW source, not lower SW sources to which the stream under evaluation is tributary. Compare the requested rate against the 1% of 80% *natural* flow for the pertinent Water Availability Basin (WAB). If Q is not distributed by well, use full rate for each well. Any checked ☒ box indicates the well is assumed to have the potential to cause PSI.

Well	SW #	Well < ¼ mile?	Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
1	**1**	☐	☐	**MF185A**	**2000**	☐	**788**	☐	**<25%**	☐
		☐	☐			☐		☐		☐
		☐	☐			☐		☐		☐
		☐	☐			☐		☐		☐

C3b. **690-09-040 (4):** Evaluation of stream impacts by total appropriation for all wells determined or assumed to be **hydraulically connected and less than 1 mile** from a surface water source. **Complete only if Q is distributed among wells**. Otherwise same evaluation and limitations apply as in C3a above.

	SW #		Qw > 5 cfs?	Instream Water Right ID	Instream Water Right Q (cfs)	Qw > 1% ISWR?	80% Natural Flow (cfs)	Qw > 1% of 80% Natural Flow?	Interference @ 30 days (%)	Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?
			☐			☐		☐		☐
			☐			☐		☐		☐

Comments: Due to anticipated fine-grained sediments in the McKenzie River channel and above the target water-bearing zone, it is likely that impacts from pumping at the proposed location will be minor at the onset of pumping and increase over time as the cone of depression widens.

C4a. **690-09-040 (5):** Estimated impacts on **hydraulically connected surface water sources greater than one mile** as a percentage of the proposed pumping rate. Limit evaluation to the effects that will occur up to one year after pumping begins. This table encompasses the considerations required by 09-040 (5)(a), (b), (c) and (d), which are not included on this form. Use additional sheets if calculated flows from more than one WAB are required.

Non-Distributed Wells

Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													

Distributed Wells

Well	SW#	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Well Q as CFS													
Interference CFS													
(A) = Total Interf.													
(B) = 80 % Nat. Q													
(C) = 1 % Nat. Q													
(D) = (A) > (C)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
(E) = (A / B) x 100		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

(A) = total interference as CFS; (B) = WAB calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (C) = 1% of calculated natural flow at 80% exceed. as CFS; (D) = highlight the checkmark for each month where (A) is greater than (C); (E) = total interference divided by 80% flow as percentage.

Basis for impact evaluation:

C4b. **690-09-040 (5) (b) The potential to impair or detrimentally affect the public interest is to be determined by the Water Rights Section.**

C5. ☐ **If properly conditioned**, the surface water source(s) can be adequately protected from interference, and/or groundwater use under this permit can be regulated if it is found to substantially interfere with surface water:

i. ☐ The permit should contain condition #(s)_____;

ii. ☐ The permit should contain special condition(s) as indicated in "Remarks" below;

C6. **SW / GW Remarks and Conditions:**

References Used: Local well logs, GWIS water level database

Woodward, Dennis J., Gannett, Marshall W., and Vaccaro, John J., 1998, Hydrogeologic Framework of the Willamette Lowland Aquifer System, Oregon and Washington: U. S. Geological Survey Professional Paper 1424-B, 82p.

Madin, I. P. and R. B. Murray. 2006. Preliminary Geologic Map of the Eugene East and Eugene West 7.5' Quadrangles, Lane County, Oregon. DOGMI Open-File-Report O-06-17.

D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200

D1. **Well #:** _____ **Logid:** _____

D2. **THE WELL does not appear to meet current well construction standards based upon:**

a. ☐ review of the well log;

b. ☐ field inspection by _____;

c. ☐ report of CWRE _____;

d. ☐ other: (specify) _____

D3. **THE WELL construction deficiency or other comment is described as follows:** _____

D4. ☐ **Route to the Well Construction and Compliance Section for a review of existing well construction.**

Water Availability Tables

WILLAMETTE R > COLUMBIA R - AB MCKENZIE R

Watershed ID #: 185 Basin: WILLAMETTE Exceedance Level: 80

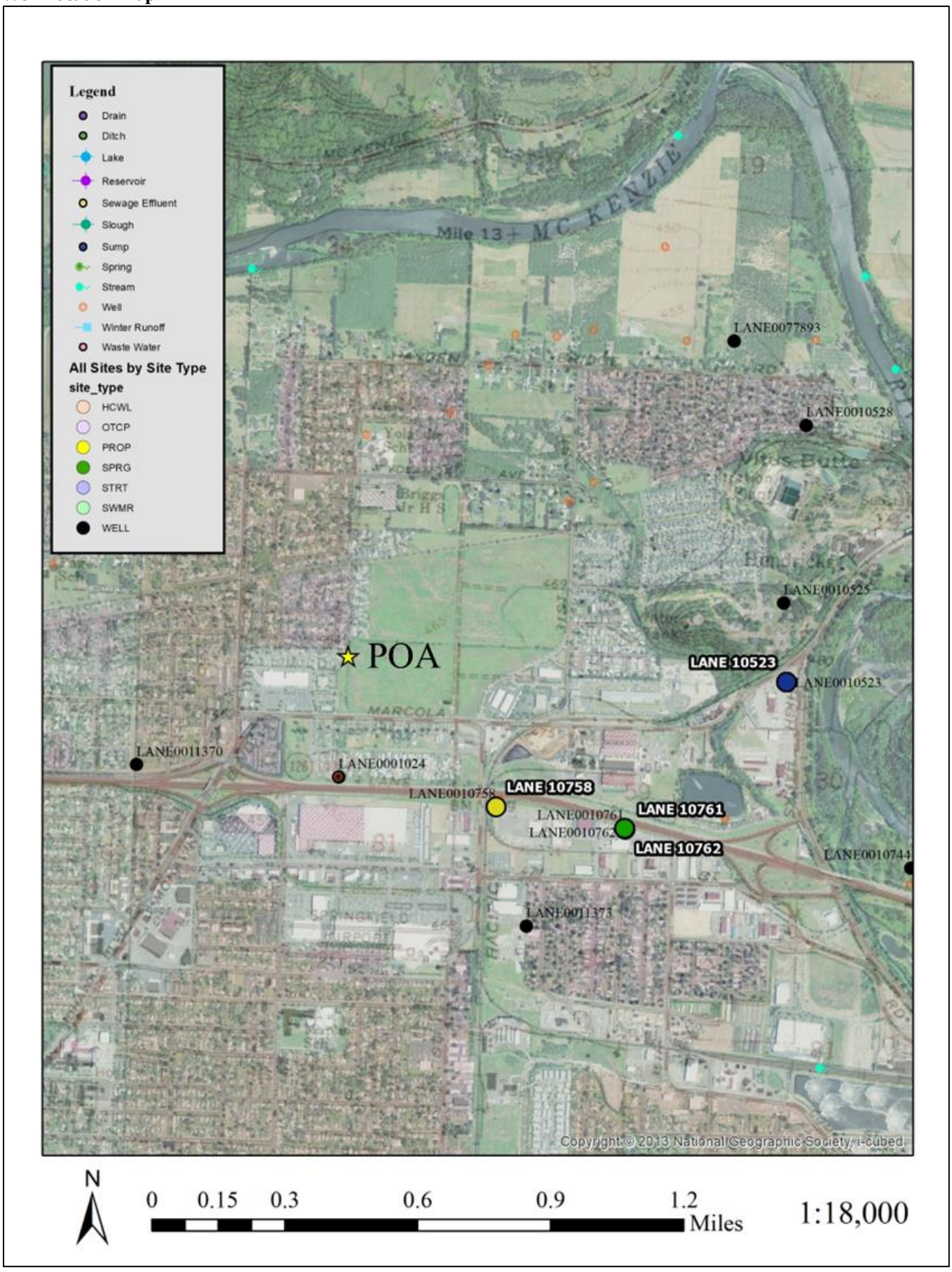
Time: 11:30 AM Date: 12/20/2023

Monthly values are in cfs.

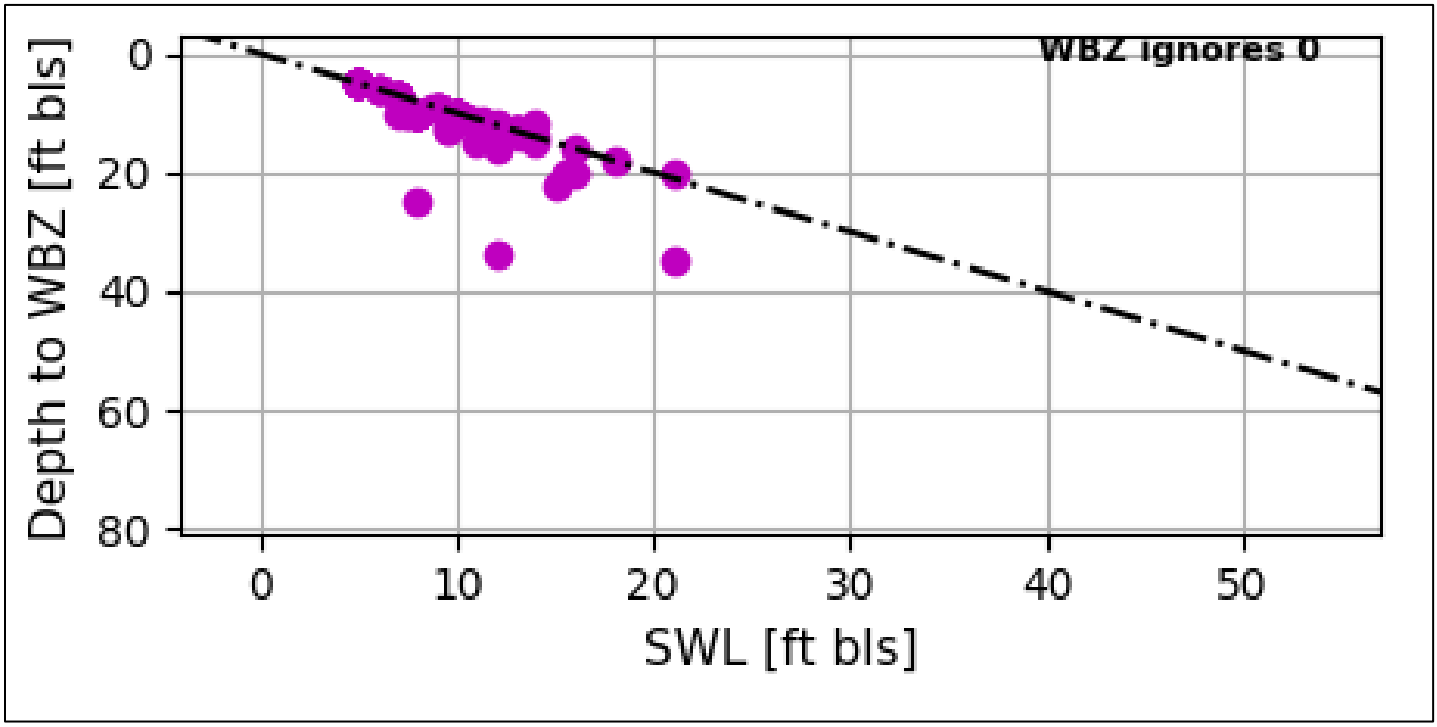
Storage is the annual amount at 50% exceedance in ac-ft.

Month	Natural Stream Flow	Consumptive Use and Storage	Expected Stream Flow	Reserved Stream Flow	Instream Requirements	Net Water Available
JAN	3,490.00	784.00	2,710.00	0.00	2,500.00	206.00
FEB	4,210.00	2,760.00	1,450.00	0.00	2,500.00	-1,050.00
MAR	4,360.00	2,880.00	1,480.00	0.00	2,500.00	-1,020.00
APR	4,340.00	2,820.00	1,520.00	0.00	2,500.00	-983.00
MAY	3,720.00	1,750.00	1,970.00	0.00	2,500.00	-532.00
JUN	1,910.00	336.00	1,570.00	0.00	2,000.00	-426.00
JUL	1,040.00	109.00	931.00	0.00	2,000.00	-1,070.00
AUG	788.00	102.00	686.00	0.00	2,000.00	-1,310.00
SEP	789.00	88.00	701.00	0.00	2,000.00	-1,300.00
OCT	938.00	57.10	881.00	0.00	2,000.00	-1,120.00
NOV	1,510.00	143.00	1,370.00	0.00	2,500.00	-1,130.00
DEC	3,310.00	58.90	3,250.00	0.00	2,500.00	751.00
ANN	3,000,000	710,000	2,290,000	0	1,660,000	861,000

Well Location Map



Well Statistics



Local well logs typically report static water levels similar to the depth where groundwater was first encountered, suggesting unconfined conditions.

Water-Level Measurements in Nearby Wells