

Approved: 

# MEMO

**To:** Kristopher Byrd, Well Construction and Compliance Section Manager  
**From:** Travis Kelly, Well Construction Program Coordinator  
**Subject:** Review of Water Right Application G-18980  
**Date:** July 1, 2020

The attached application was forwarded to the Well Construction and Compliance Section by the Groundwater Section. Aurora Bouchier reviewed the application. Please see Aurora's Groundwater Review and the Well Report.

Applicant's Well #1 (Proposed) is a proposed well, therefore it cannot be reviewed for construction. Construction of the proposed well shall be completed in a manner that protects ground water resources as required under Oregon Administrative Rules 690-200 through 690-240. During construction of the well, specific attention should be paid to ensure sealing requirements are met and that the well does not commingle aquifers.

The proposed construction of Applicant's Well #1 may not satisfy hydraulic connection issues.

Applicant's Well #2 (DESC 61926): Based on a review of the Well Report, Applicant's Well #2 seems to protect the groundwater resource.

The construction of Applicant's Well #2 may not satisfy hydraulic connection issues.

STATE OF OREGON WATER SUPPLY WELL REPORT

DESC 61926

WELL I.D. LABEL# L 48750 START CARD # 1045085 ORIGINAL LOG #

(as required by ORS 537.765 & OAR 690-205-0210)

3/23/2020

(1) LAND OWNER

Owner Well I.D. First Name JARROD Last Name PENTTILA Company OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY Address 1500 SW CHANDLER AVE. City BEND State OR Zip 97702

(2) TYPE OF WORK

New Well Deepening Conversion Alteration (complete 2a & 10) Abandonment (complete 5a)

(2a) PRE-ALTERATION

Casing: Dia + From To Gauge Stl Plstc Wld Thrd Seal: Material From To Amt sacks/lbs

(3) DRILL METHOD

Rotary Air Rotary Mud Cable Auger Cable Mud Reverse Rotary Other

(4) PROPOSED USE

Domestic Irrigation Community Industrial/ Commercial Livestock Dewatering Thermal Injection Other TEST WELL

(5) BORE HOLE CONSTRUCTION

Depth of Completed Well 512.00 ft. Special Standard (Attach copy)

Table with columns: Dia, From, To, Material, SEAL, Amt, lbs. Rows include Bentonite Chips and Calculated values.

How was seal placed: Method X Other Poured in place Backfill placed from 0 ft. to 70 ft. Material Filter pack from 70 ft. to 512 ft. Material Size Explosives used: Yes Type Amount

(5a) ABANDONMENT USING UNHYDRATED BENTONITE

Proposed Amount Actual Amount

(6) CASING/LINER

Casing Liner Dia + From To Gauge Stl Plstc Wld Thrd Shoe Inside Outside Other Location of shoe(s) Temp casing Yes Dia From + To

(7) PERFORATIONS/SCREENS

Perforations Method

Screens Type Johns Material Stainless Steel

Table with columns: Perf/ Screen, Casing/ Liner, Dia, From, To, Scrn/slot width, Slot length, # of slots, Tel/ pipe size

(8) WELL TESTS: Minimum testing time is 1 hour

Pump Bailer Air Flowing Artesian Yield gal/min Drawdown Drill stem/Pump depth Duration (hr)

Temperature 50 F Lab analysis X Yes By Water Systems Engineering Water quality concerns? Yes (describe below) TDS amount 76 mg/L

(9) LOCATION OF WELL (legal description)

County DESCHUTES Twp 18.00 S N/S Range 12.00 E E/W WM Sec 6 NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 Tax Lot 100 Tax Map Number 181206C000100 Lot Lat Long Street address of well 1500 SW CHANDLER AVE., BEND OR 97702

(10) STATIC WATER LEVEL

Table with columns: Existing Well / Pre-Alteration, Date, SWL(psi), SWL(ft). Row for Completed Well 11/22/2019, 248.5

WATER BEARING ZONES

Table with columns: SWL Date, From, To, Est Flow, SWL(psi), SWL(ft). Row for 11/12/2019, 250, 512, 1200, 248.45

(11) WELL LOG

Ground Elevation 3676.00

Table with columns: Material, From, To. Rows include Brown Sand, Pumice, Tuff, Scoria with Basalt, Basalt, Basalt & Scoria, Sandy Basalt, Basalt & Scoria, Basalt, Scoria, Basalt, Basalt & Scoria

Date Started 10/28/2019 Completed 3/14/2020

(unbonded) Water Well Constructor Certification

I certify that the work I performed on the construction, deepening, alteration, or abandonment of this well is in compliance with Oregon water supply well construction standards.

License Number Date Signed

(bonded) Water Well Constructor Certification

I accept responsibility for the construction, deepening, alteration, or abandonment work performed on this well during the construction dates reported above.

License Number 1796 Date 3/23/2020 Signed CHRIS HUMPHRIES (E-filed) Contact Info (optional) Chirs Humphries Jensen Drilling Company




WATER SUPPLY WELL REPORT - Map with location identified must be attached and shall include an approximate scale and north arrow

**DESC 61926**

**3/23/2020**

Map of Hole

<p><b>STATE OF OREGON WELL LOCATION MAP</b></p>	<p><b>Oregon Water Resources Department</b> 725 Summer St NE, Salem OR 97301 (503)986-0900</p>	
<p>This map is supplemental to the WATER SUPPLY WELL REPORT</p>		
<p><b>LOCATION OF WELL</b></p>	<p><b>Well Label: 48750</b></p>	
<p>Latitude: 44.044032 Datum: WGS84</p>	<p><b>Printed: March 23, 2020</b></p>	
<p>Longitude: -121.334282</p>	<p><small>DISCLAIMER: This map is intended to represent the approximate location the well. It is not intended to be construed as survey accurate in any manner.</small></p>	
<p>Township/Range/Section/Quarter-Quarter Section: WM18.00S12.00E6NESW</p>	<p><small>Provided by well constructor</small></p>	
<p>Address of Well: 1500 SW CHANDLER AVE., BEND OR 97702</p>		



# Groundwater Application Review Summary Form

Application # G- 18980

GW Reviewer Aurora C Bouchier Date Review Completed: 6/19/2020

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(Reviewer's Name)

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TO: Water Rights Section Date June 19, 2020
FROM: Groundwater Section Aurora C Bouchier
SUBJECT: Application G- 18980 Supersedes review of na

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A2. Proposed use Low Temp Geothermal Seasonality: Year Round

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

Table with 7 columns: 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

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Use data from application for proposed wells.

A4. Comments: This application is for non-consumptive, low-temperature, geothermal heat exchange. In addition to water quality sampling, a step test have been conducted on the production well. Results of these tests area attached to the well log.

Groundwater flow is towards the north, with the nearest likely discharge area (Deschutes River) approximately 20 miles away. The water level in the well, and other wells in the area, is below the nearest surface water source (Deschutes River).

A5. [X] Provisions of the Deschutes Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of groundwater hydraulically connected to surface water [X] are, or [ ] are not, activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.) Comments: Within the USGS Deschutes Groundwater Study Area Boundary and subject to Division 690-505-0500 to 0620.

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) 7N, Large Water Use Reporting;
  - 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): \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

B3. **Groundwater availability remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

The site is located within the Sisters Fault Zone, south of Awbrey Butte. As such, relevant observation wells should be similarly located within the fault zone. Unfortunately, it appears that there are no long-term observation wells within this portion of the fault zone. There is no apparent trend in nearby wells.

For comparison sake, wells located up-gradient of the fault zones (i.e. DESC 7620 located in La Pine) continue to show a strong response to climate cycles through present. However, wells located down-gradient of the fault zones (i.e. DESC 3581 located in Redmond and DESC 5045 located in Bend) show a persistent decline since the mid 1990’s through present.

It appears that the fault zone acts to retard the propagation of the groundwater decline. It is likely that addition groundwater production within the USGS Deschutes Ground Water Study Area (DGWSA) will act to further exacerbate the groundwater declines seen down-gradient of the fault zones (Sisters and Brothers fault zones). However, the cumulative 200 cfs cap on groundwater permits has not yet been reached (Division 690-505-0500).



**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
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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?			Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?	
						YES	NO	ASSUMED	YES	NO
						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within:** \_\_\_\_\_

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?
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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?
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**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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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.

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

(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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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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:** \_\_\_\_\_

The USGS Deschutes groundwater study concludes that groundwater and surface water are directly linked within the DGWSA, with virtually the entire flow of the Deschutes River at Madras supplied by groundwater discharge during the summer and early fall (Gannett et al., 2001). Management rules within the DGWSA (OAR Division 690-505-0500 to 0620) were crafted to allow a limited number of additional groundwater permits to be granted while still maintaining the Deschutes River Oregon Scenic Waterway/Federal Wild and Scenic River.

**References Used:**

Application file G-18980.

Gannett, Marshall W., Lite, Kenneth E. Jr., Morgan, David S., and Collins, Charles A., 2001, Ground-Water Hydrology of the Upper Deschutes Basin, Oregon: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 00-4162.

Gannett, Marshall W., and Lite, Kenneth E. Jr., 2013, Analysis of 1997-2008 Groundwater Level Changes in the Upper Deschutes Basin, Central Oregon: U.S. Geological Survey Scientific Investigations Report 2013-5092.

Lite, Kenneth E. Jr., and Gannett, Marshall W., 2002, Geologic Framework of the Regional Ground-Water Flow System in the Upper Deschutes Basin, Oregon: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 02-4015.

OWRD water levels and well log database.

**D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200**

D1. Well #: 1 & 2 Logid: DESC 61926 & proposed

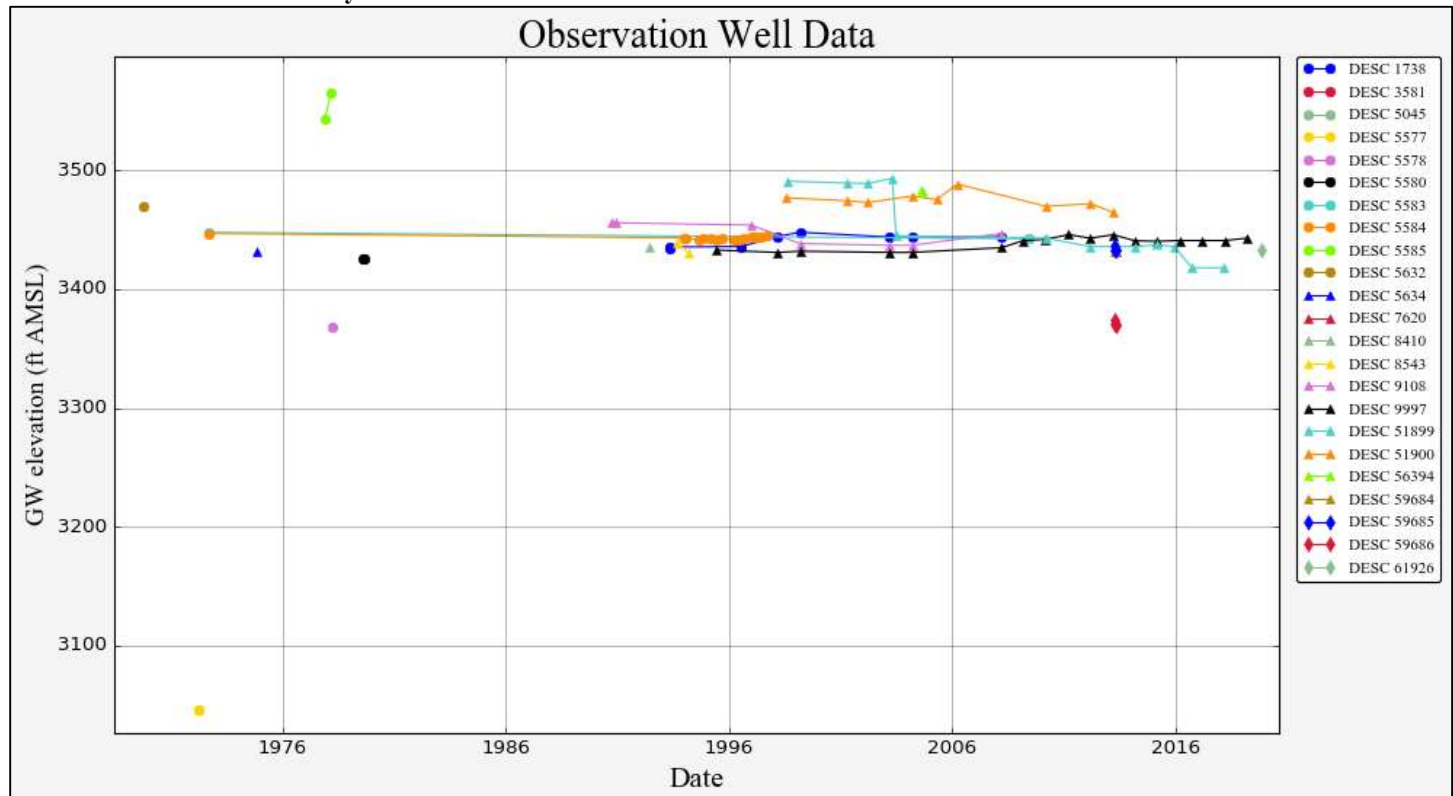
D2. THE WELL does not appear to meet current well construction standards based upon:

- a.  review of the well log;
- b.  field inspection by \_\_\_\_\_;
- c.  report of CWRE \_\_\_\_\_;
- d.  other: (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

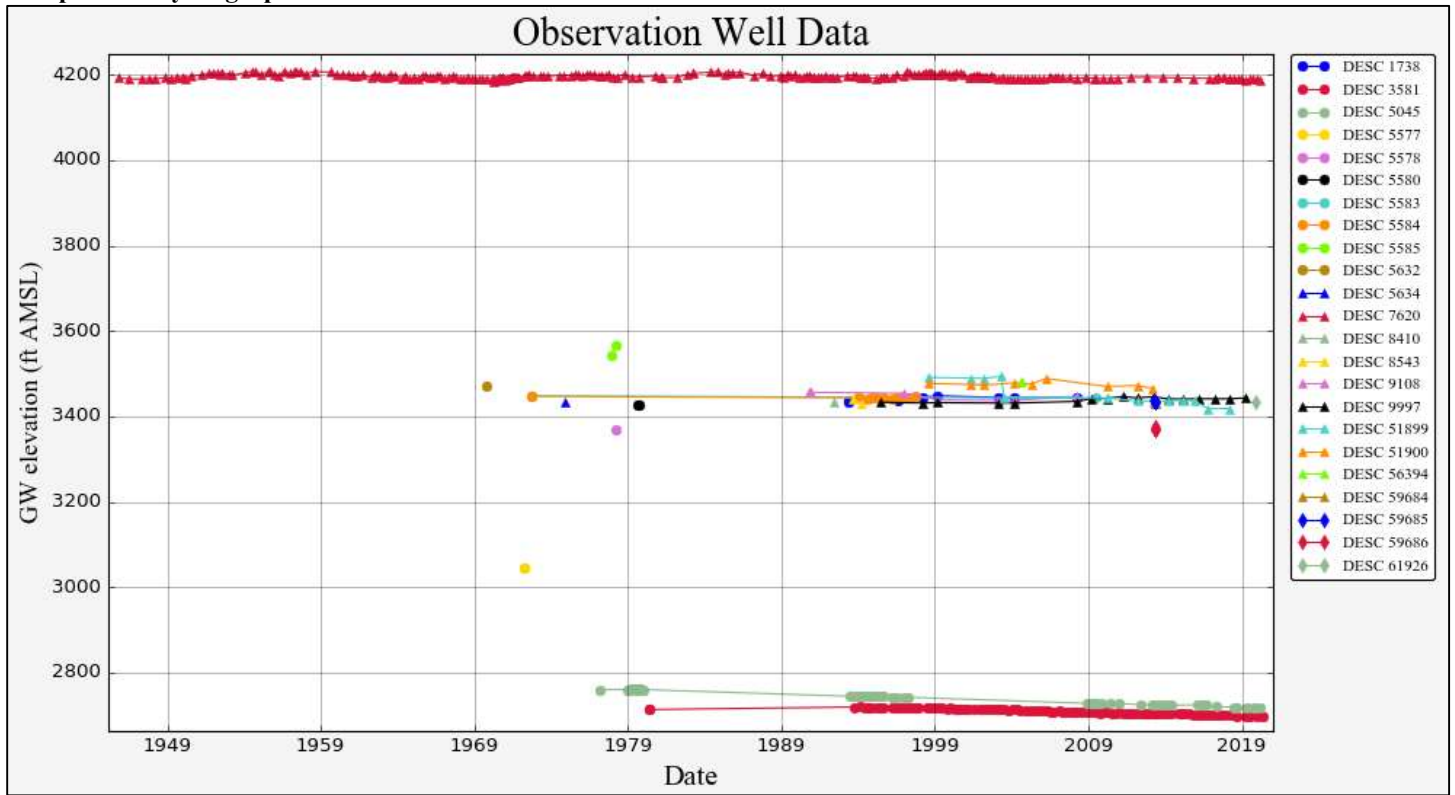
D3. THE WELL construction deficiency or other comment is described as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
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D4.  Route to the Well Construction and Compliance Section for a review of existing well construction.

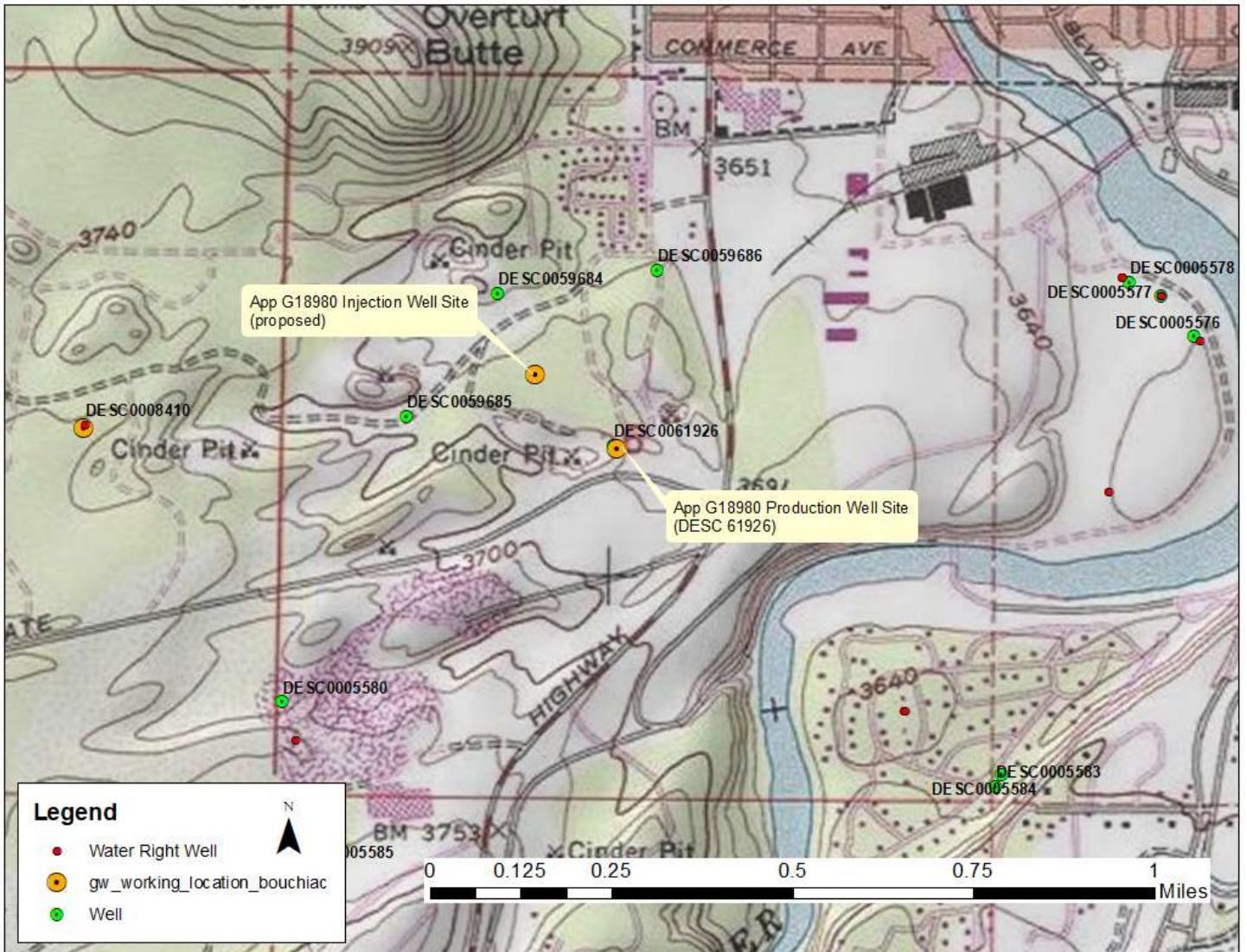
Water-Level Trends in Nearby Wells



Comparison Hydrograph



Well Location Map



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A4. Comments: This application is for non-consumptive, low-temperature, geothermal heat exchange. In addition to water quality sampling, a step test has been conducted on the production well. Results of this test is attached to the well log.

All water produced under this permit shall be injected into the authorized well. Prior to receiving a certificate of water right, the permit holder shall submit documentation affirming that any applicable additional requirements of Division 230 rules have been met.

Groundwater flow is towards the north, with the nearest likely discharge area (Deschutes River) approximately 20 miles away. The water level in the well, and other wells in the area, is below the nearest surface water source (Deschutes River).

A5. [X] Provisions of the Deschutes Basin rules relative to the development, classification and/or management of groundwater hydraulically connected to surface water [X] are, or [ ] are not, activated by this application. (Not all basin rules contain such provisions.)

Comments: Within the USGS Deschutes Groundwater Study Area Boundary and subject to Division 690-505-0500 to 0620.

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) 7A, 7I, 7P 7N, Large Water Use Reporting;
  - 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 site is located within the Sisters Fault Zone, south of Awbrey Butte. As such, relevant observation wells should be similarly located within the fault zone. Unfortunately, it appears that there are no long-term observation wells within this portion of the fault zone. There is no apparent trend in nearby wells.

For comparison sake, wells located up-gradient of the fault zones (i.e. DESC 7620 located in La Pine) continue to show a strong response to climate cycles through present. However, wells located down-gradient of the fault zones (i.e. DESC 3581 located in Redmond and DESC 5045 located in Bend) show a persistent decline since the mid 1990’s through present.

It appears that the fault zone acts to retard the propagation of the groundwater decline. It is likely that addition groundwater production within the USGS Deschutes Ground Water Study Area (DGWSA) will act to further exacerbate the groundwater declines seen down-gradient of the fault zones (Sisters and Brothers fault zones). However, the cumulative 200 cfs cap on groundwater permits has not yet been reached (Division 690-505-0500).

**If this permit is approved the following conditions are recommended:**

**7A: Injection Plan:** the water user shall develop a plan to monitor and report the impact of water use under this permit. The plan shall be submitted to the Department before water use begins under this permit and shall be subject to the approval of the Department (OAR 690-230-0115).

**7I: Injection Well Condition:** Prior to use of water under this permit, the permit holder must register the injection activity with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality’s Underground Injection Control Program, which can be contacted at 2020 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Ste 400, Portland OR 97201, or 503-229-5263.

**Special condition for no net groundwater use under this permit:** This permit is valid if and only if 100 percent of the groundwater extracted from the production wells for use under this permit is reinjected back into the authorized injection well in a manner that can be confirmed by the reported flow meter data. Any volume of groundwater diverted from these wells for use under any other water rights must be measured with a dedicated flowmeter at the point where diversion takes place. If this condition is not met the use is invalid and subject to regulation, including possible immediate cancellation of the permit.

**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
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Basis for aquifer confinement evaluation:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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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?			Potential for Subst. Interfer. Assumed?	
						YES	NO	ASSUMED	YES	NO
						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Basis for aquifer hydraulic connection evaluation:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Water Availability Basin the well(s) are located within:** \_\_\_\_\_

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?
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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?
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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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													
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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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:** \_\_\_\_\_

The USGS Deschutes groundwater study concludes that groundwater and surface water are directly linked within the DGWSA, with virtually the entire flow of the Deschutes River at Madras supplied by groundwater discharge during the summer and early fall (Gannett et al., 2001). Management rules within the DGWSA (OAR Division 690-505-0500 to 0620) were crafted to allow a limited number of additional groundwater permits to be granted while still maintaining the Deschutes River Oregon Scenic Waterway/Federal Wild and Scenic River.

**References Used:**

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OWRD water levels and well log database.

**D. WELL CONSTRUCTION, OAR 690-200**

D1. Well #: 1 & 2 Logid: DESC 61926 & proposed

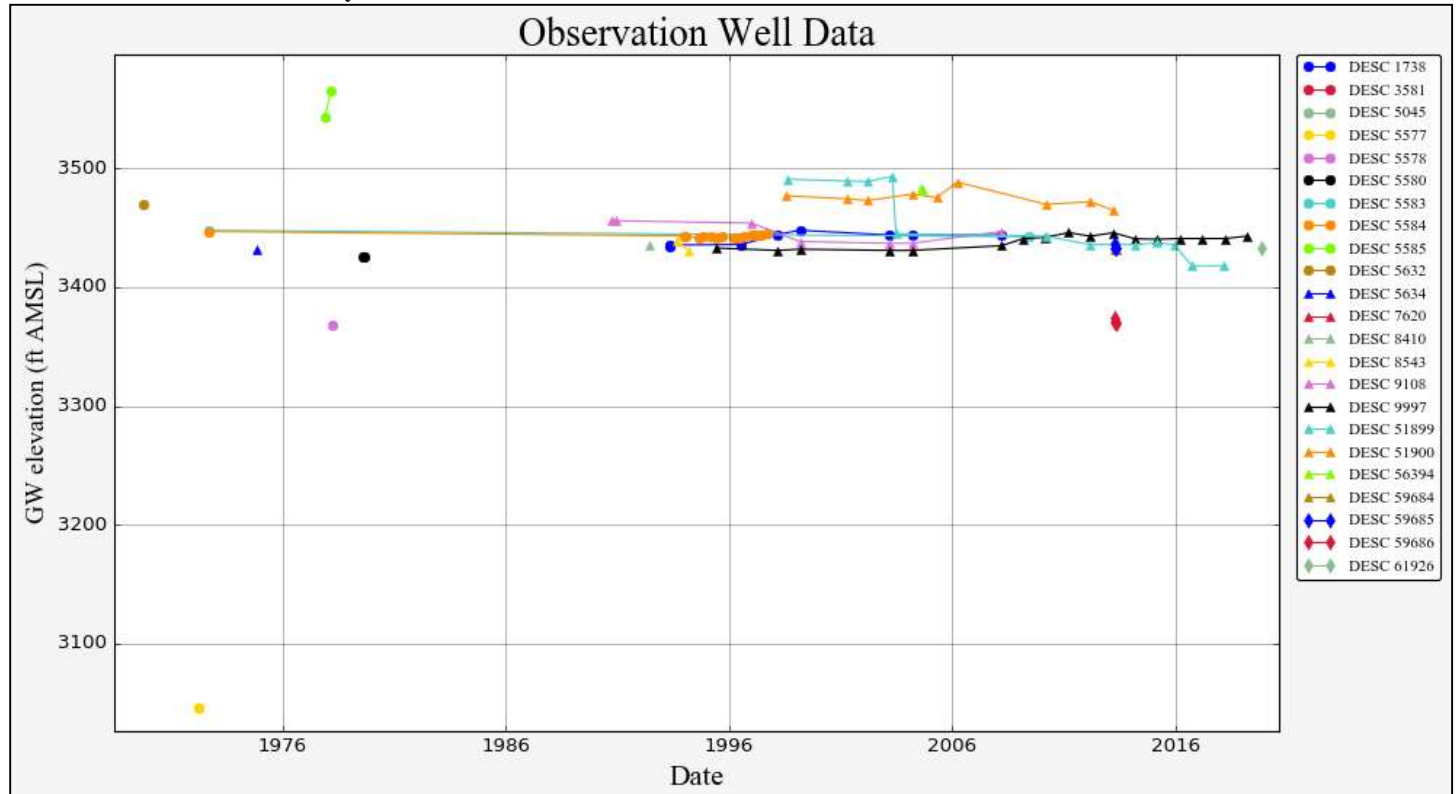
D2. THE WELL does not appear to meet current well construction standards based upon:

- a.  review of the well log;
- b.  field inspection by \_\_\_\_\_;
- c.  report of CWRE \_\_\_\_\_;
- d.  other: (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

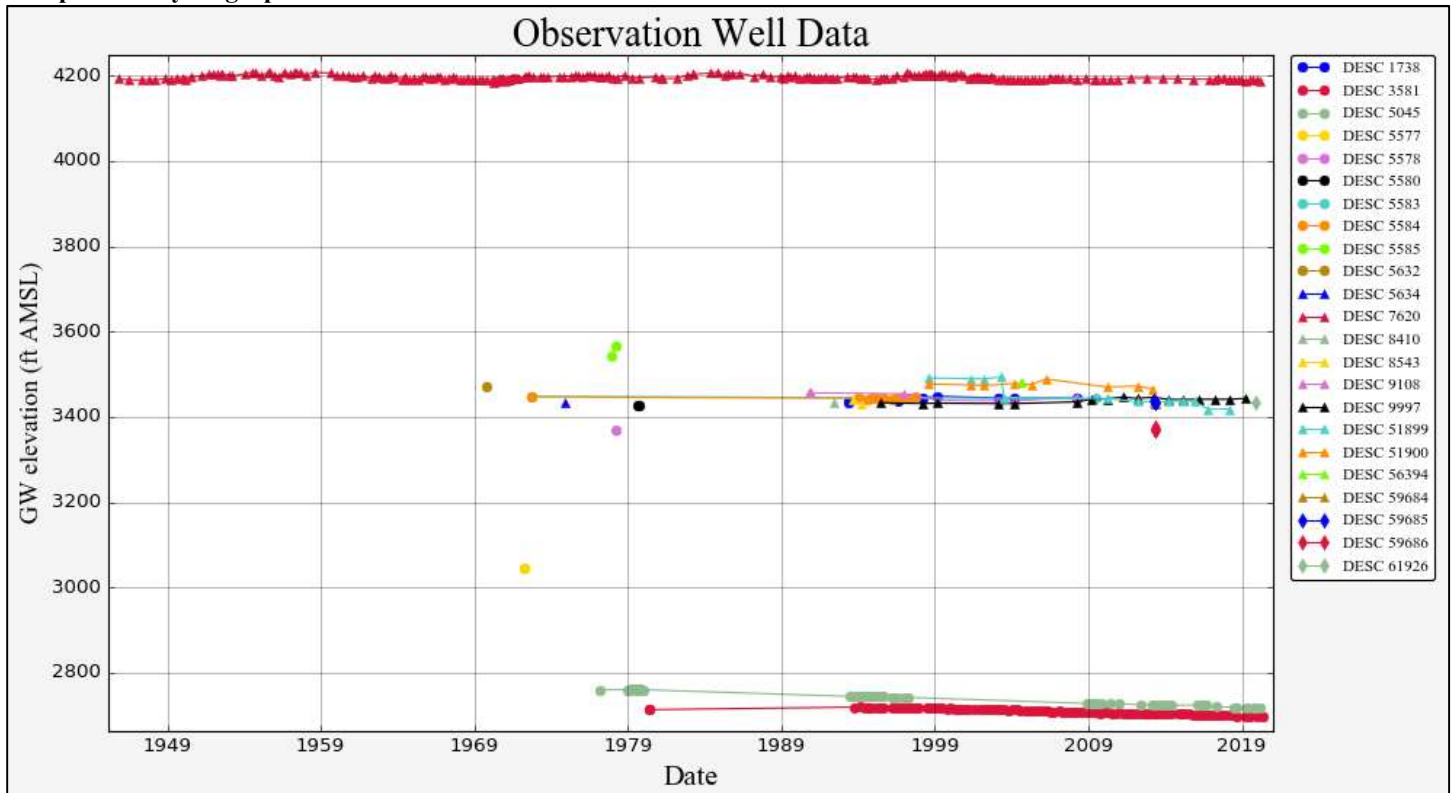
D3. THE WELL construction deficiency or other comment is described as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

Water-Level Trends in Nearby Wells



Comparison Hydrograph





Well Location Map

