

MAINTAINING SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER IN THE

Bear Valley Basin

Stakeholder Workshop #1: Groundwater Management Vision

September 23, 2020

Who's here



















MOONCAMP PRIVATE WELL OWNERS







Presenters



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Engagement Lead
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Workshop Goals

- Share what we've learned about the Basin
- Describe the role of the water budget
- Document stakeholder's vision of what a "sustainable Bear Valley Basin" means.

Your input will be used by the project team to inform the GSP's sustainability goals and projects and management actions.

Workshop Agenda

10 min Project Overview

5 min Groundwater 101

20 min Key Findings from the

Basin Setting

40 min **GROUP EXERCISE:** Building a

Vision for a Sustainable Bear

Valley Basin

5 min What's Next

15 min Audience Q&A



Audience Polls

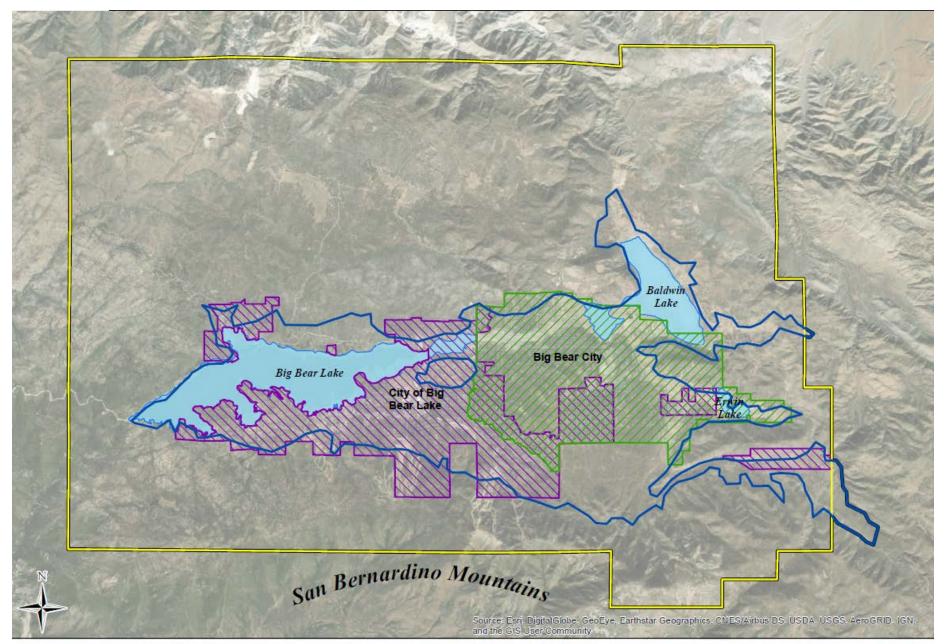
- 1. What brought you here today?
- 2. Rate your understanding of groundwater and its use in the Bear Valley Basin?

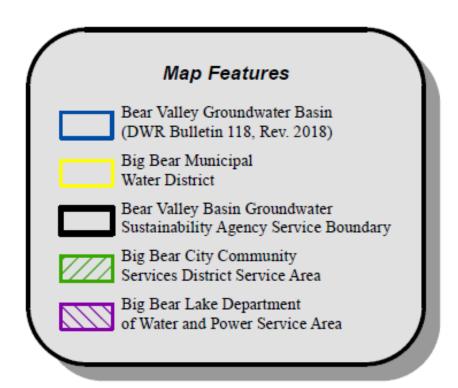


Bear Valley Basin Maintaining sustainable groundwater in the 18 HOLCOMB VALLEY LONE VALLEY DELAMAR Bear Valley Basin as Defined by MOUNTAIN CDWR Bulletin 118 Grout Creek Baldwin Lake BIG BEAR CITY Big Bear Lake Erwin Lake SUGARLOAF 18 38 SAN BERNARDINO



Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)

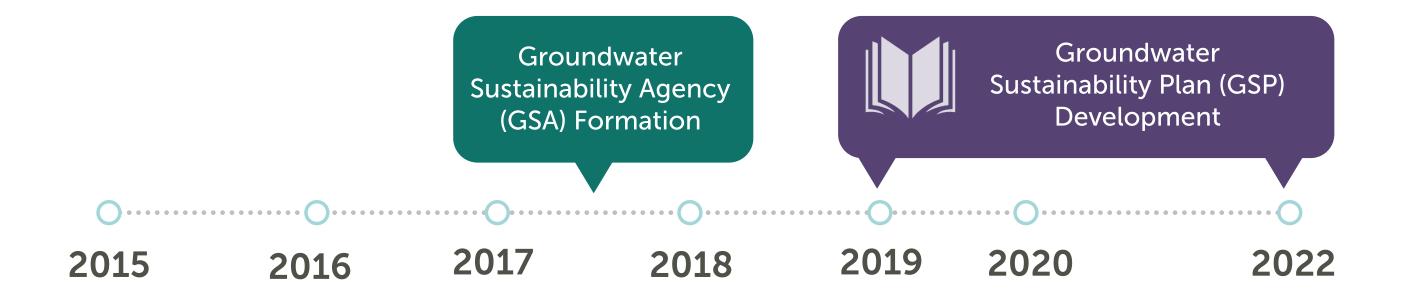




The Sustainable Groundwater
Management Act of 2014
(SGMA) Requires the Designation
of GSAs for all CDWR Bulletin 118
Basins



Bear Valley Basin Governance





Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Deadlines



Bear Valley Basin Maintains Sustainability

2022

2027

2032

2032

2037

2042

GSPs due per SGMA

Evaluate Progress Evaluate Progress

Evaluate Progress Evaluate Progress 20 years to achieve goals stated in plan

Opportunities for stakeholders to inform the GSP











Valley

Step 1. Establish Governance Structure

Step 2. Document **Basin Setting**

Step 3. **Set Sustainability** Goals

Step 4. Develop Plan to Sustainability

Step 5. Adopt the Plan

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Oct '19 - Sep '20

Sep '20 - Oct '20

Oct '20 - Dec '20

Dec '20 — Mar '21

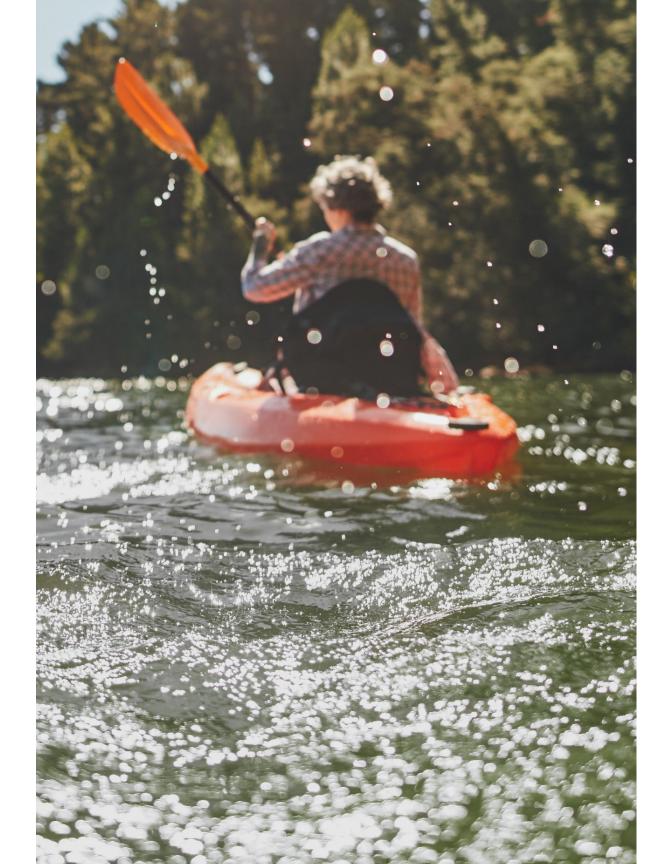
May 25, 2017 **PUBLIC MEETING** Sept. 23, 2020 STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP: **Groundwater Management** Vision

Oct. 28, 2020 STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP Sustainable Goal Setting

Dec. 2, 2020 STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP **Projects and Management Actions**

Feb. 2021 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** Full Draft of GSP





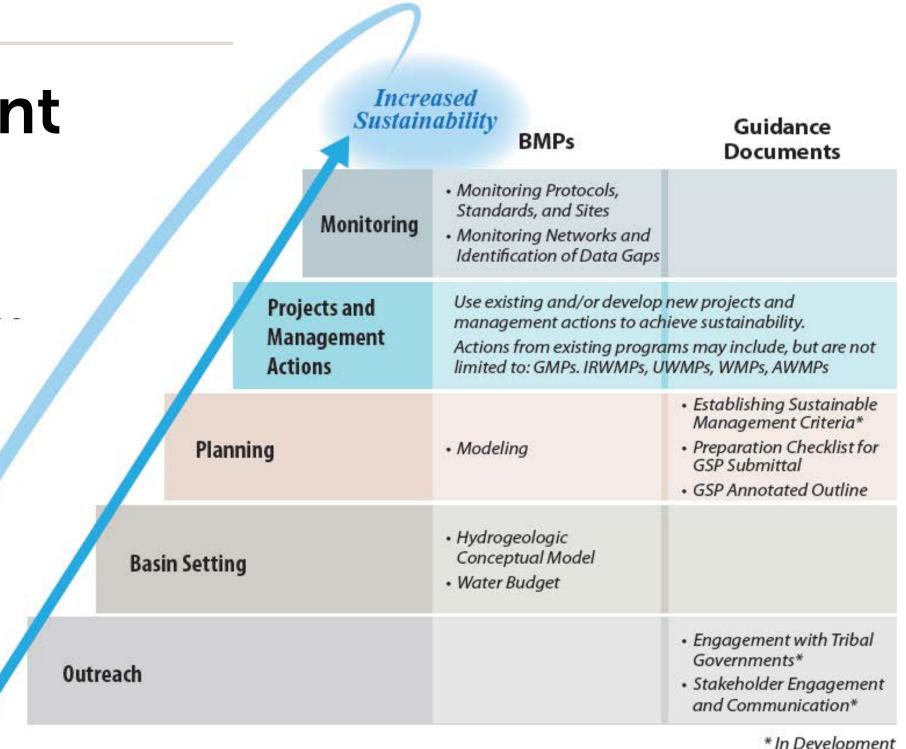
Required GSP Elements

- Introduction and Administrative Information
- Basin Setting
- Sustainable Management Criteria
- Monitoring Network
- Projects and Management Actions

Best Management Practices

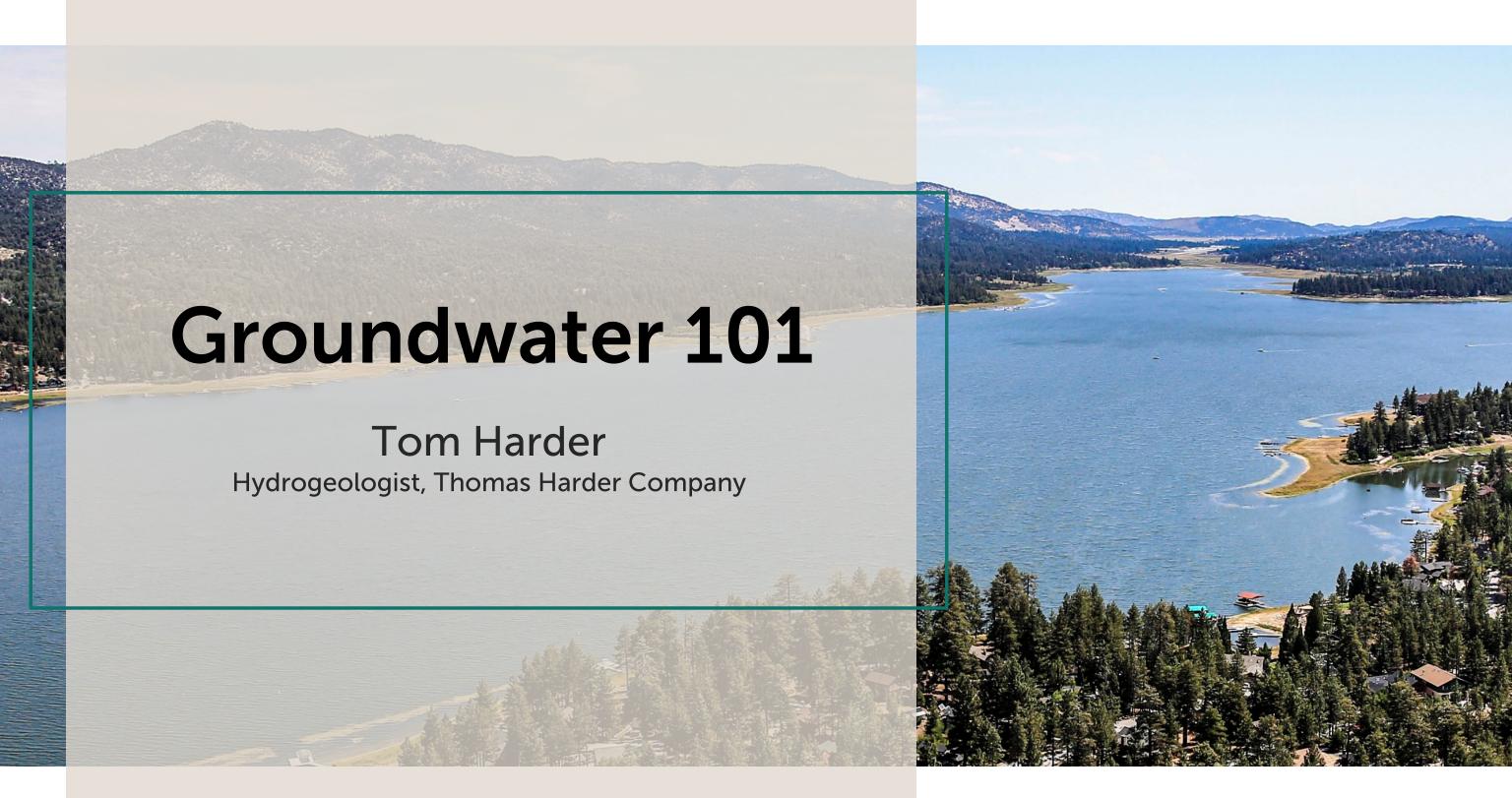
The Best Management **Practices and documents** inform various steps in the workflow toward increased sustainability. Steps may be repeated or re-ordered as a basin approaches its sustainability goals.

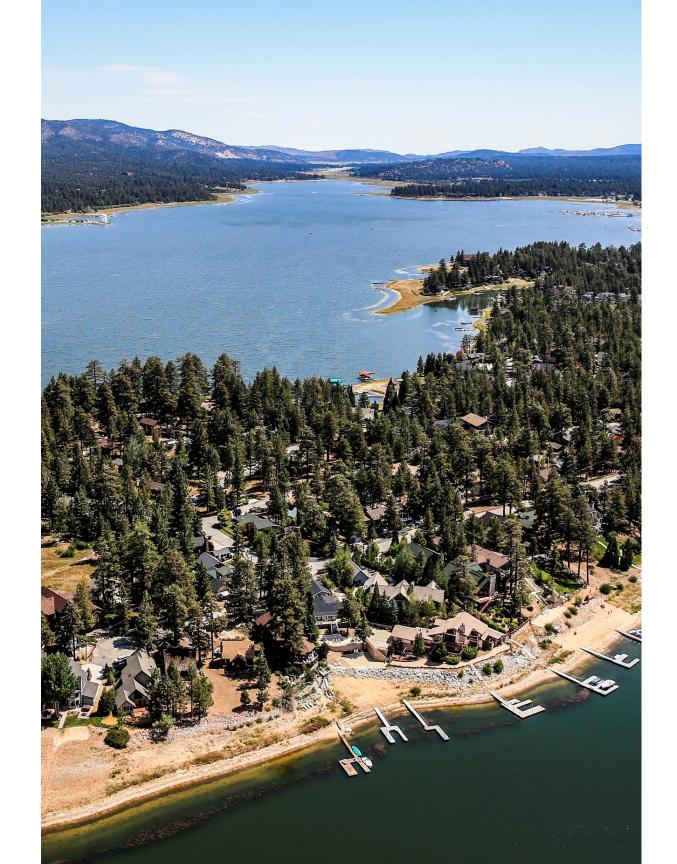
Source: California Department of Water Resources, Best Management Practice Framework, Dated December 2016



* In Development





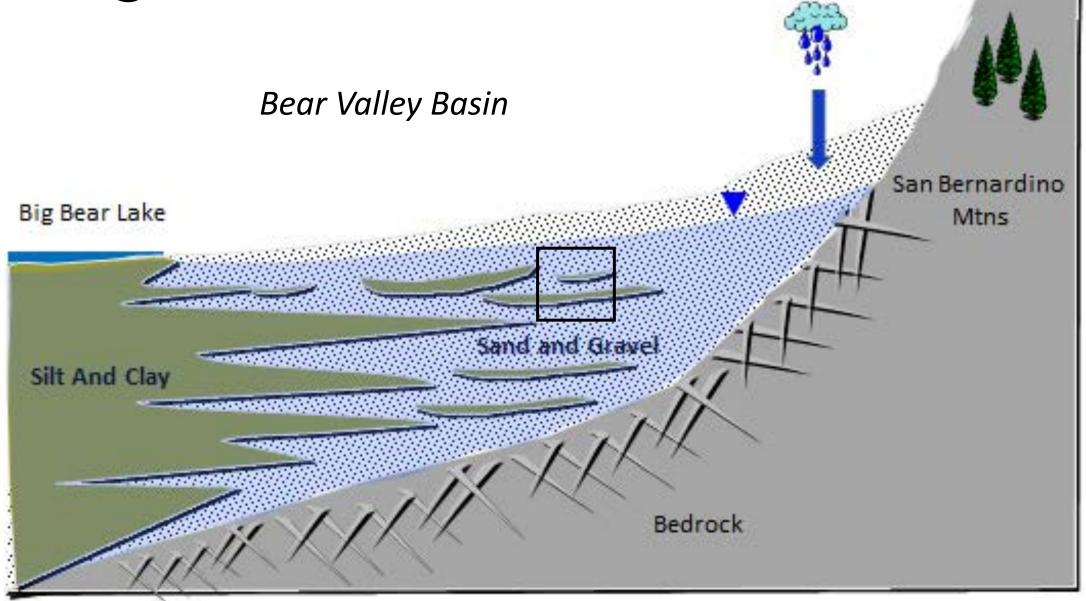


What is groundwater?

Groundwater is the water found underground in the cracks and spaces in soil, sand and rock. It is stored in and moves slowly through geologic formations of soil, sand and rocks called aquifers.

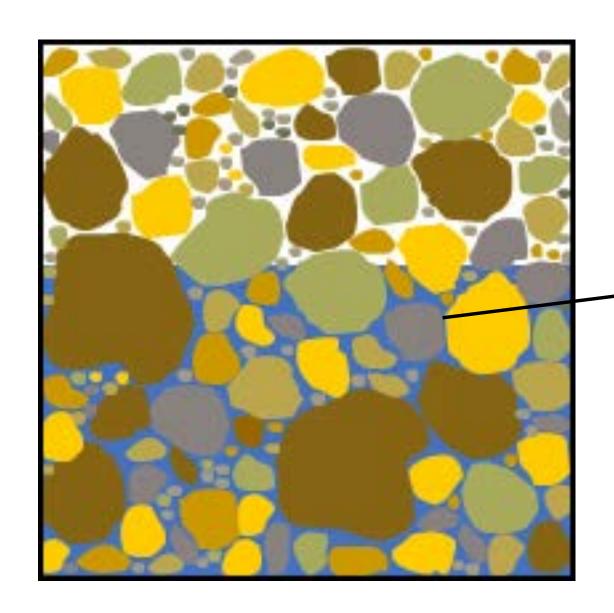


What is groundwater?





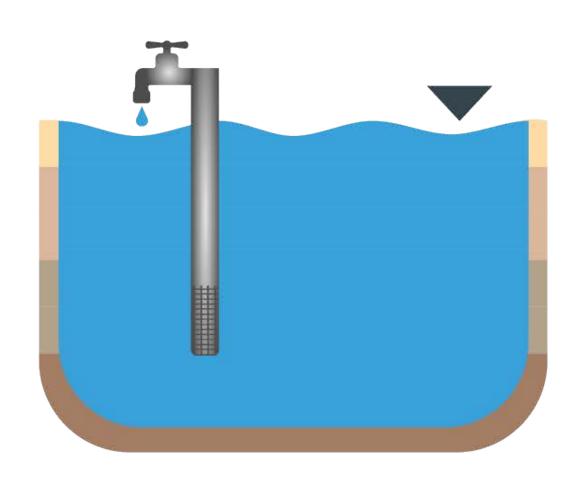
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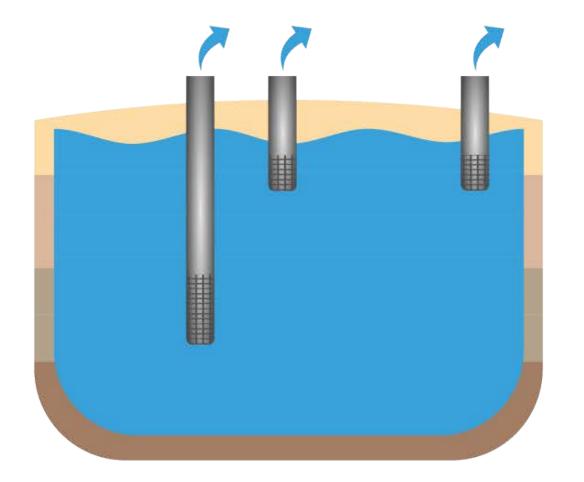


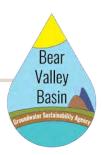
Groundwater in the alluvial aquifers of Big Bear Valley occurs under the ground in the spaces between the sand and gravel grains.



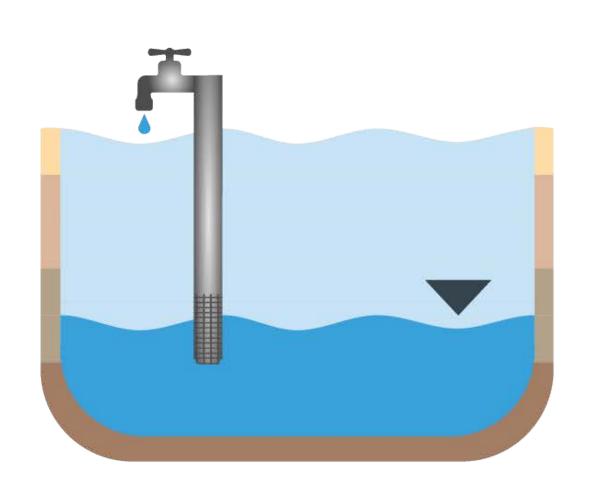
Surface water vs. groundwater

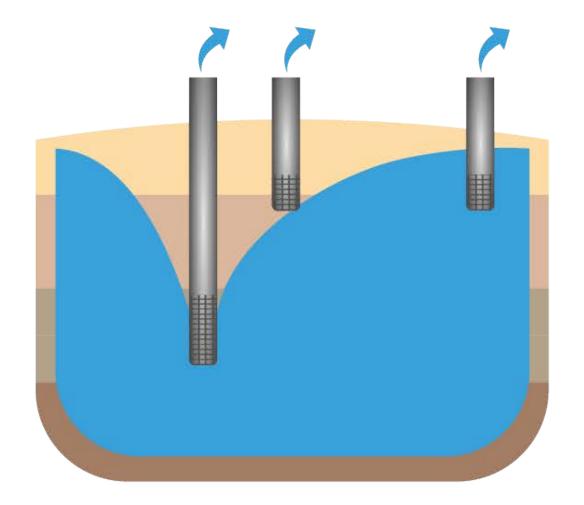






Surface water vs. groundwater







Key Findings from the Basin Setting

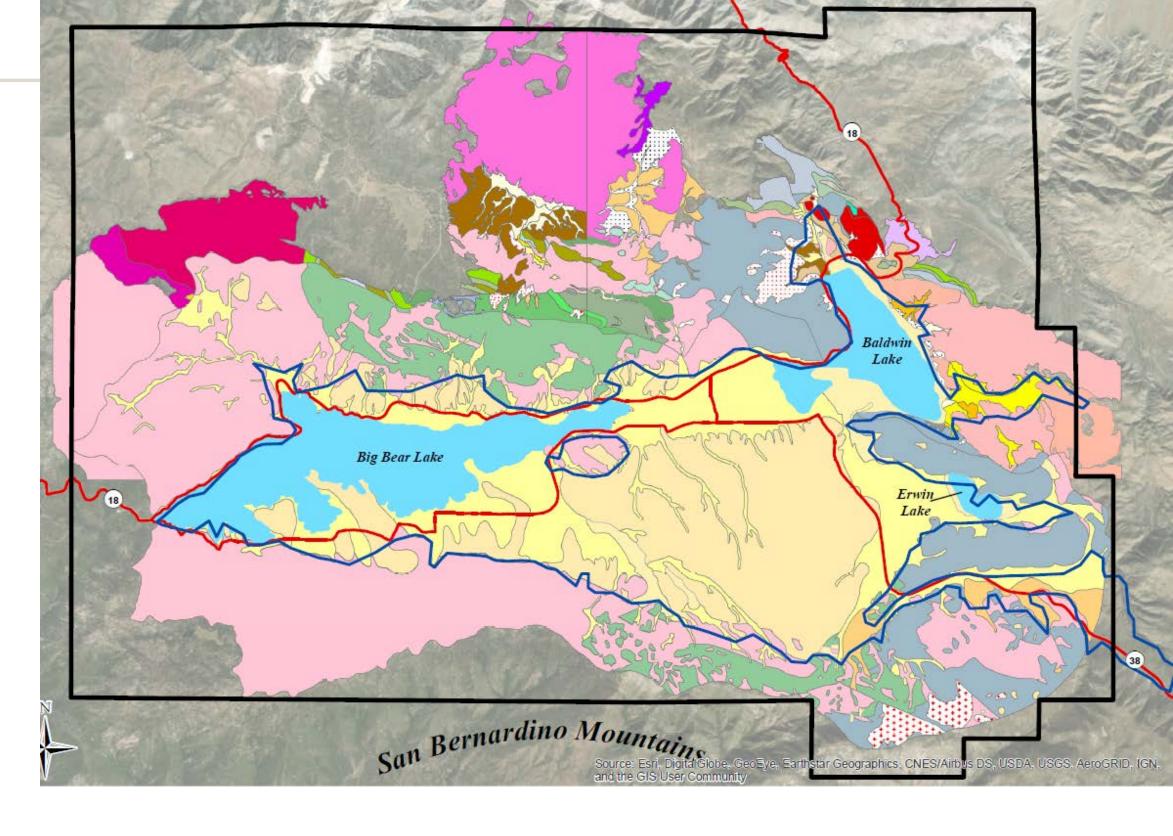
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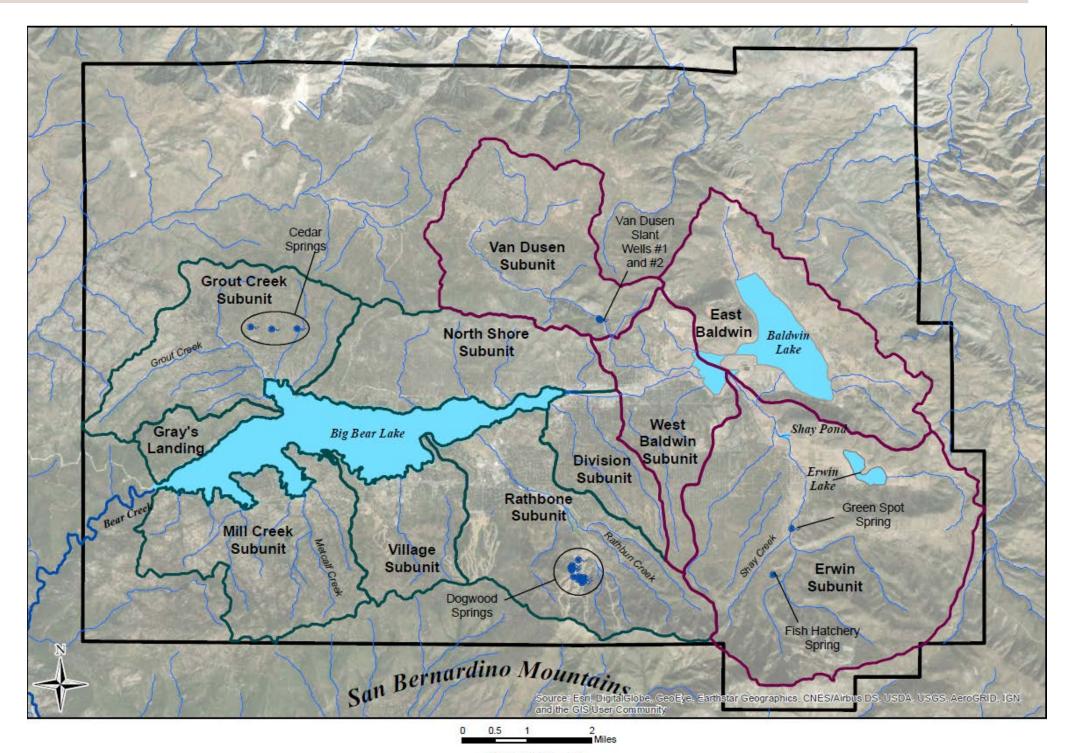
4 Elements of the Basin Setting

- Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model
- Groundwater Conditions
- Water Budget
- Management Areas

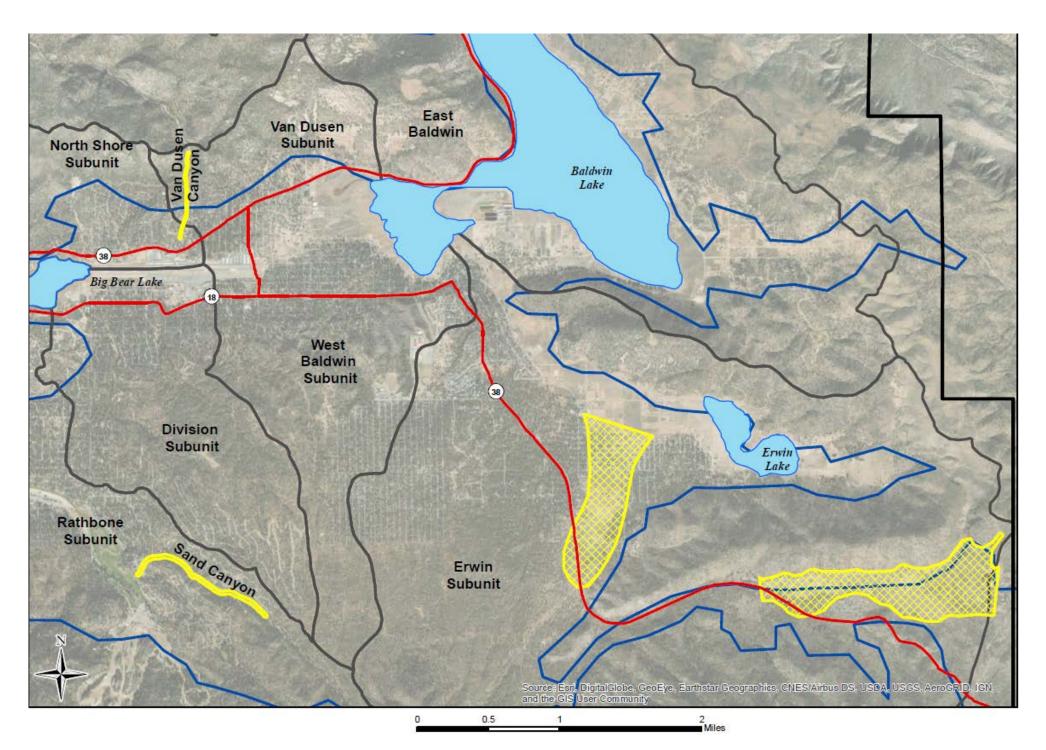
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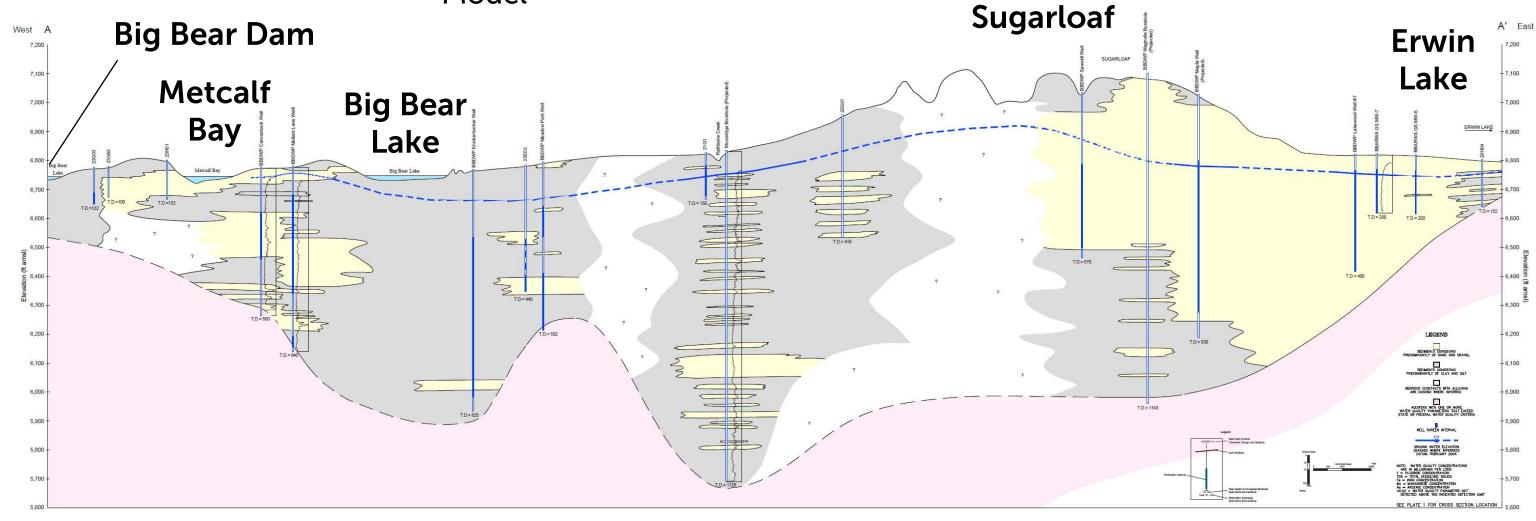
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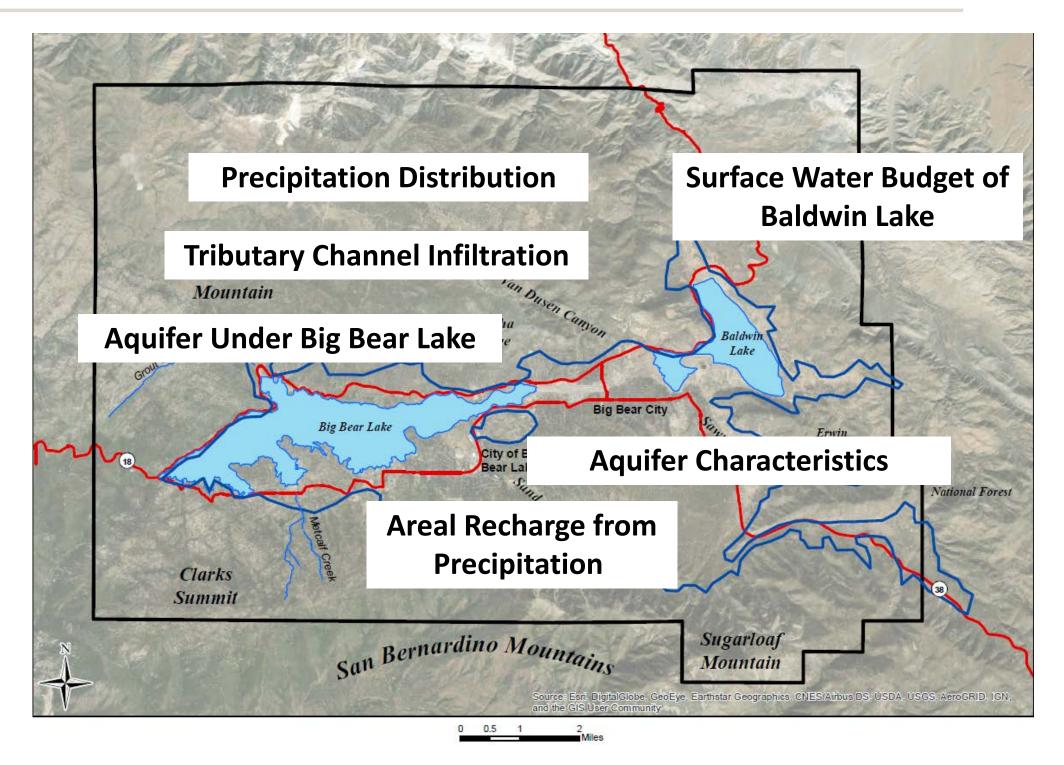
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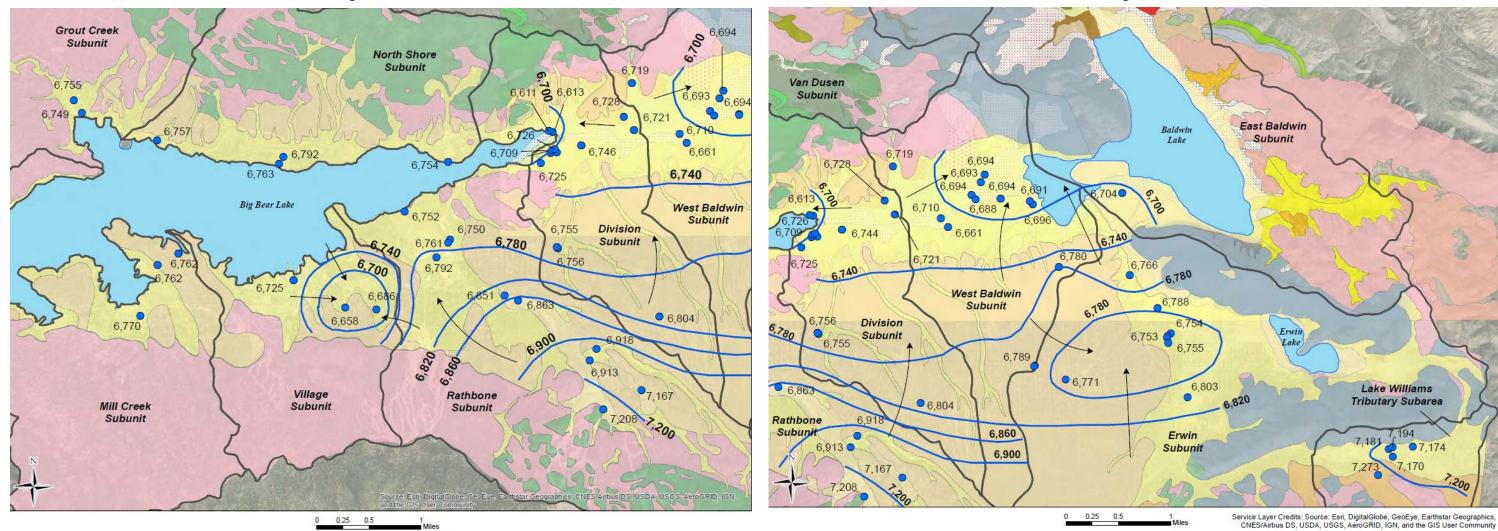
Groundwater Conditions

- Groundwater Occurrence and Flow
- Groundwater Storage
- Groundwater Quality
- Land Subsidence
- Interconnected Surface Water Systems
- Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems

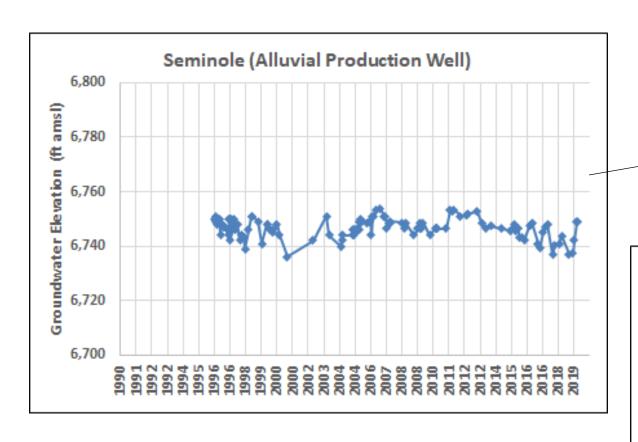
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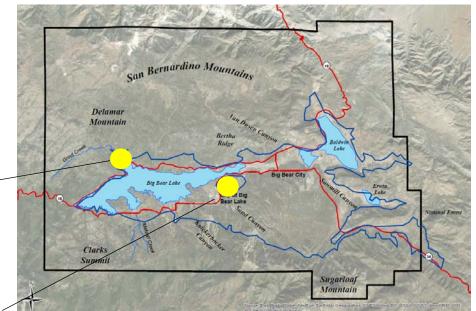
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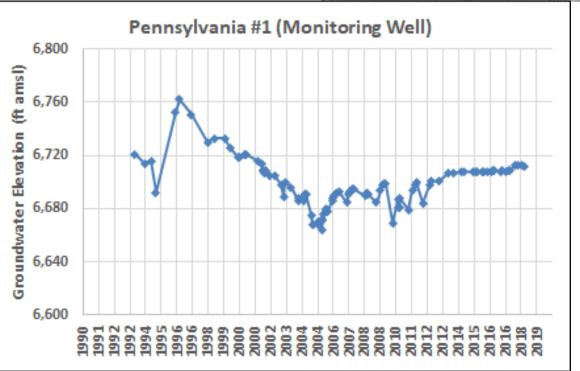
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Groundwater Conditions – Groundwater Storage







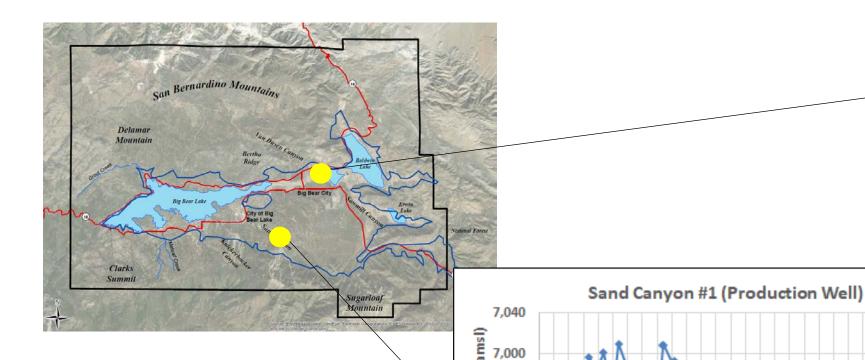
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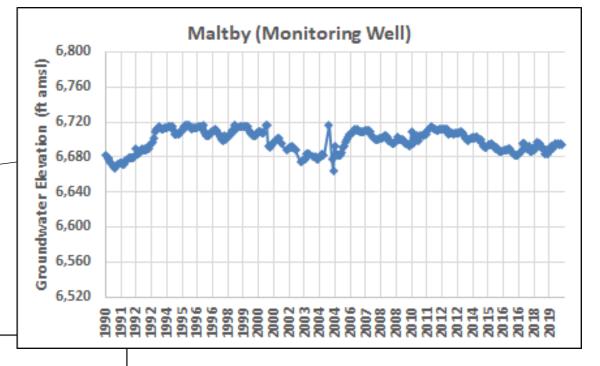
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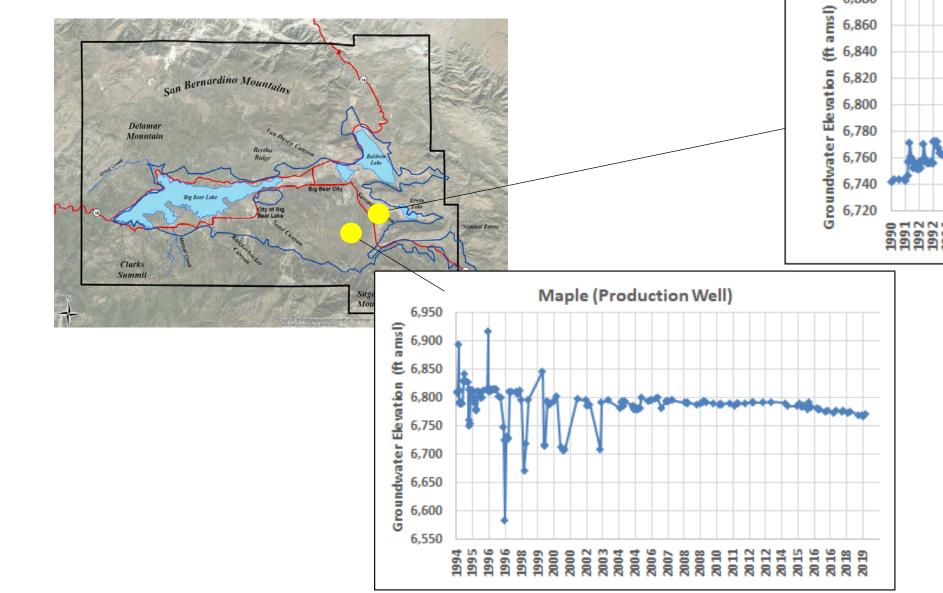
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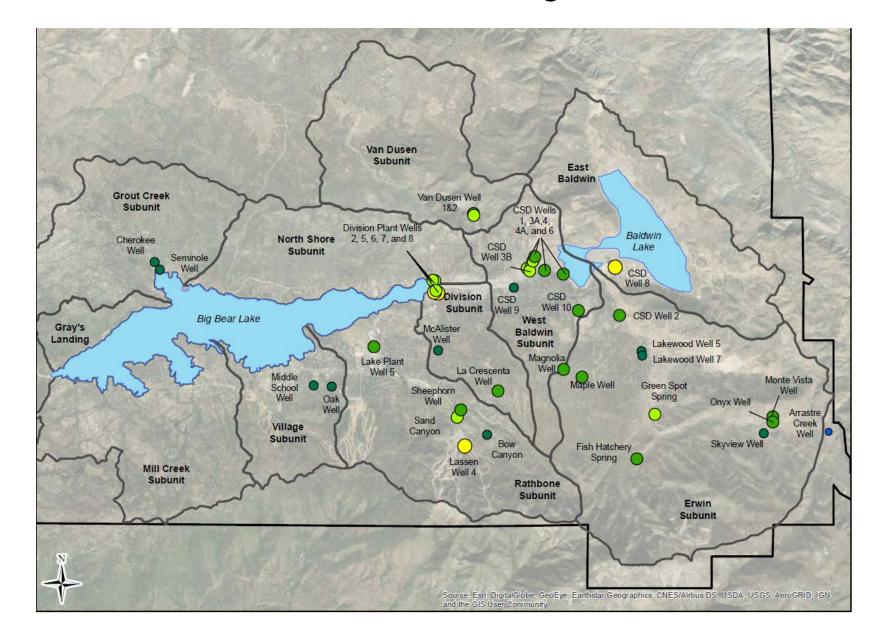


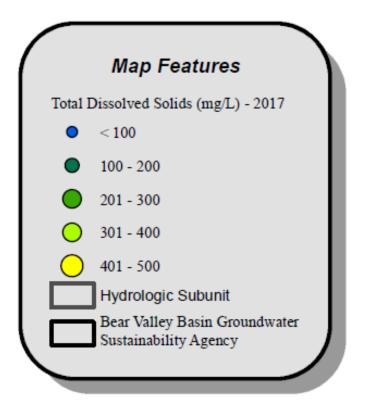
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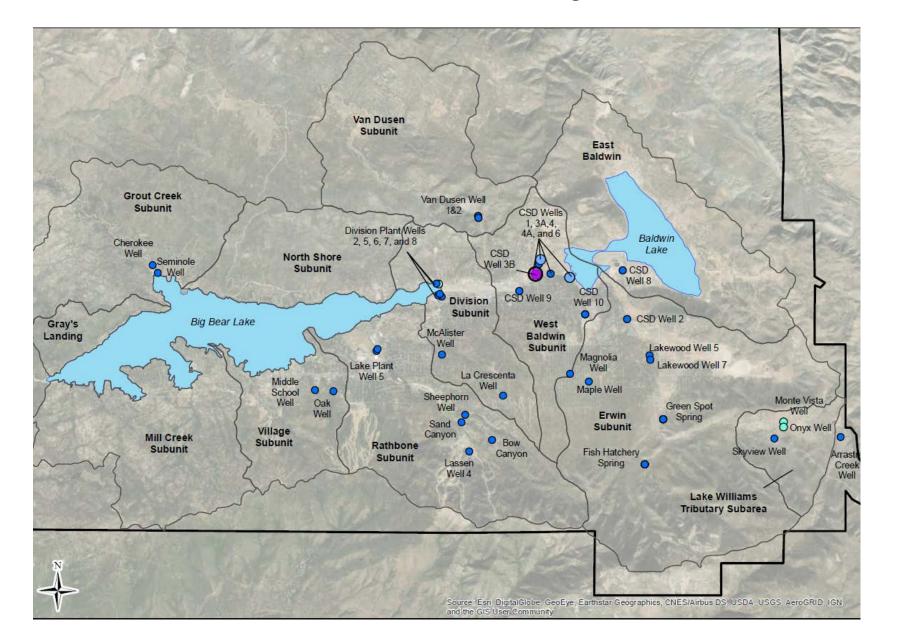
Vaqueros (Monitoring Well)

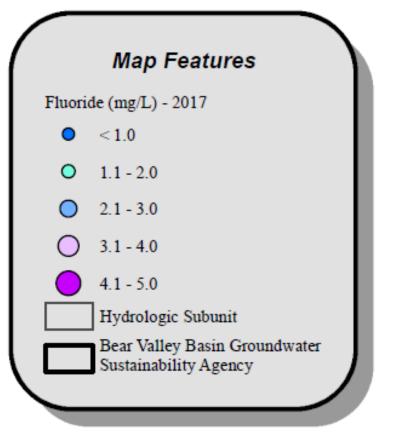
Groundwater Conditions — Groundwater Quality Total Dissolved Solids



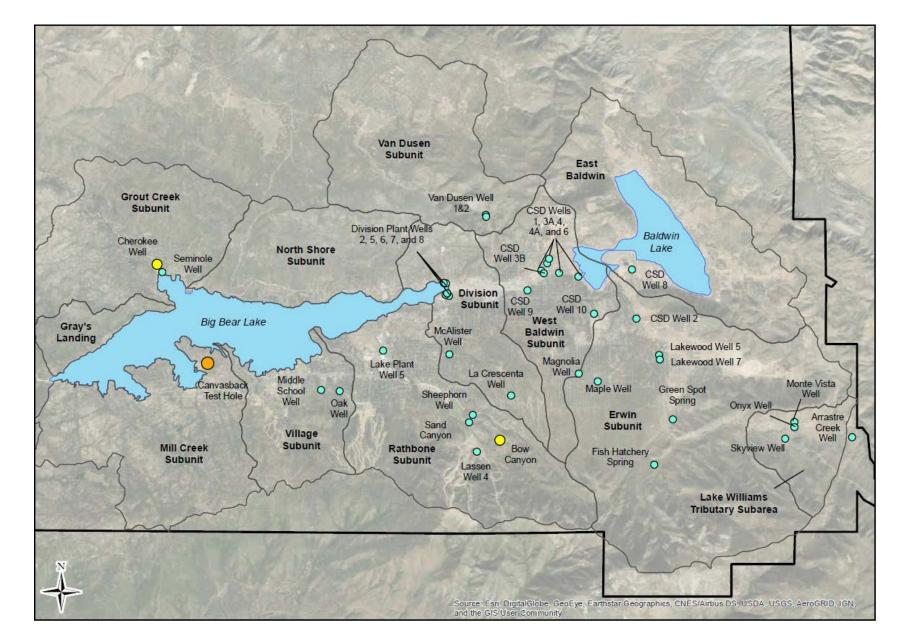


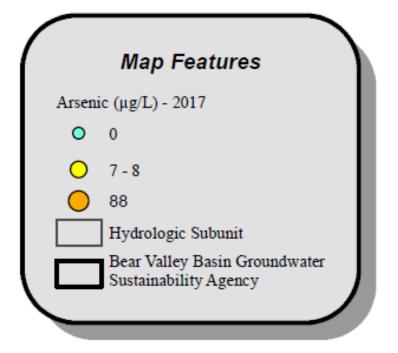
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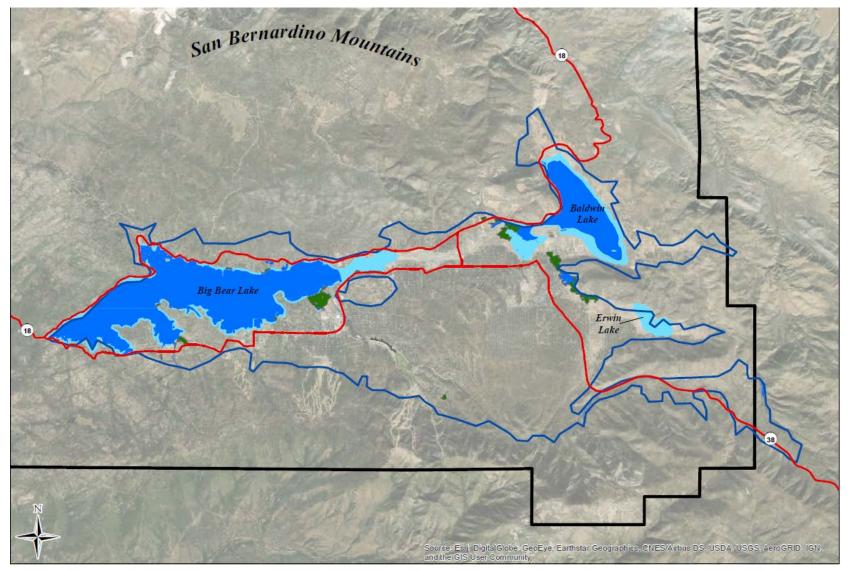


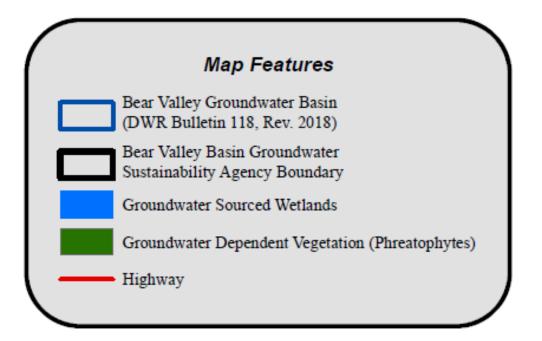
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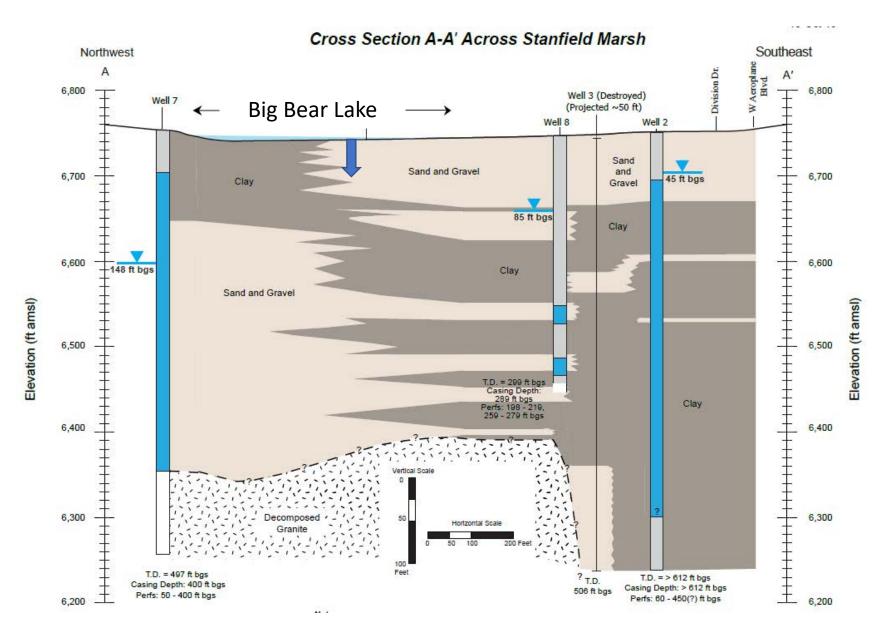
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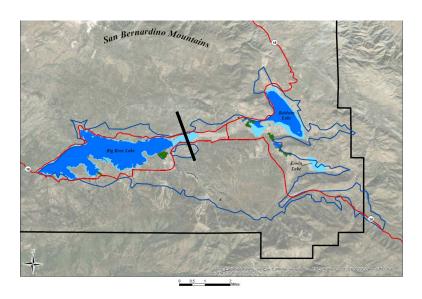




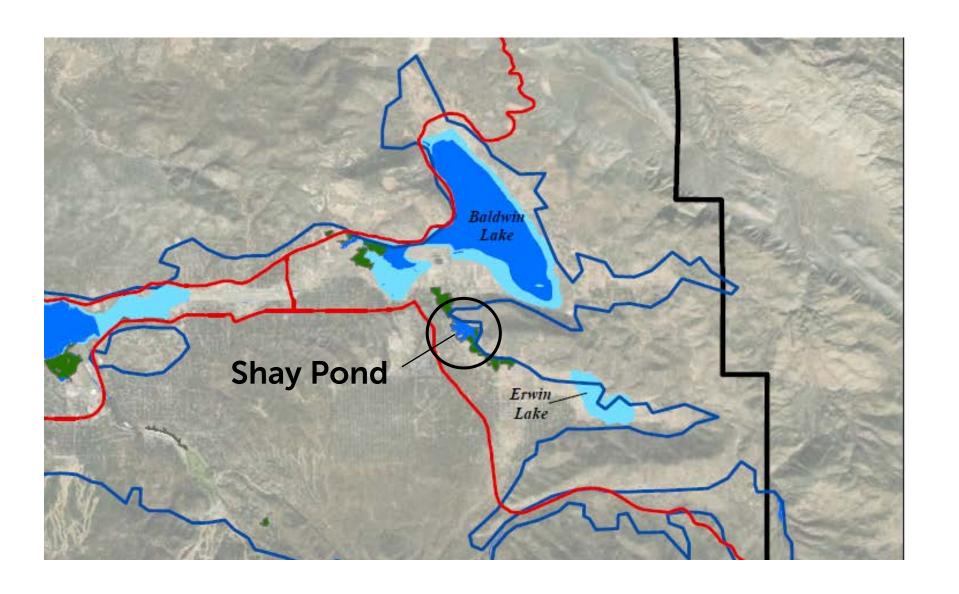
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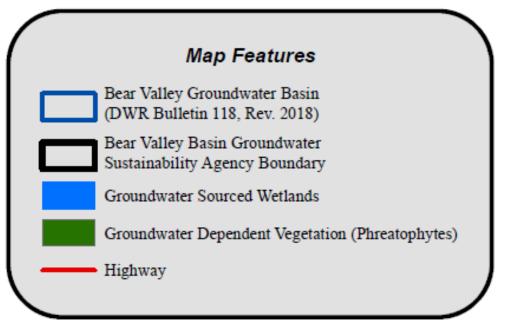
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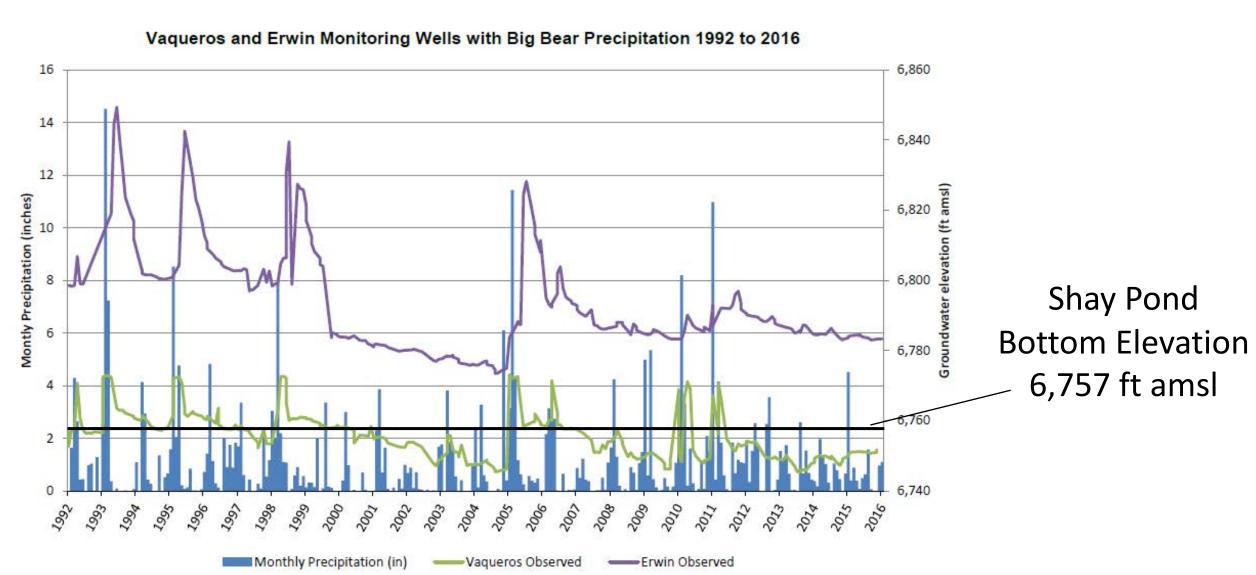
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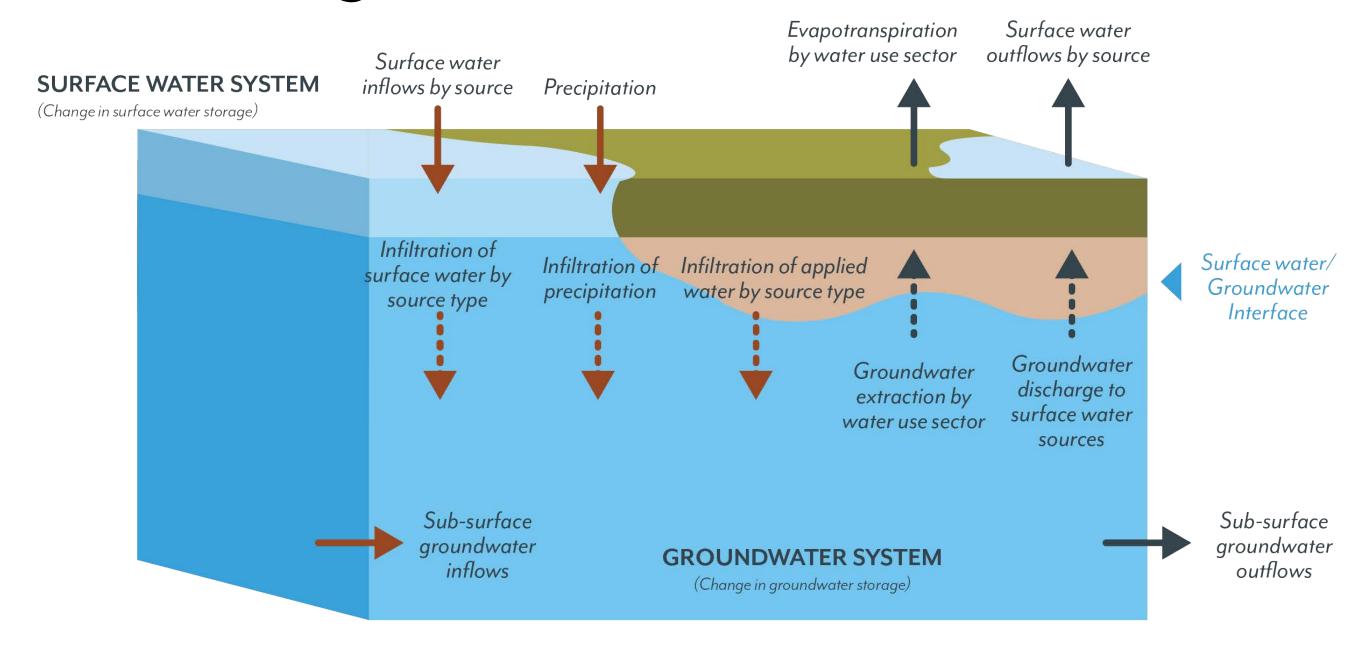


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Water Budgets



Bear Valley Basin Surface Water Budget - Inflows

						Inflows	(acre-ft)													
Pre	cipitation	Natural Lake Inflows			/S	Water Supply from Wells					Spring Flow (Van Dusen									
	on Land Surface ^A	Big Bear Lake ^B				BCCSD	BBLDWP		Private	and Greenspot)		Total								
									Bear Valley	Basin Surfa	ce Water Bu	dget								
,			Inflows (acre-ft)										Outflows (acre-ft)							
Date	Precipitation on Land	Natural La	ke Inflows	Rows Water Supp		Supply from Wells		Total	Areal Recharge from	Evaporation from Lake		Tributary Channel	Return Flow	System	Evapotrans	Big Bear Lake	Releases at Bear Valley	BBARWA Discharges	Total	Inflows -
	on Land Surface ^A	Big Bear Lake ^B		BBCCSD	BBLDWP	Private	and Greenspot)	lotal	Precipitation ^A	Big Bear Lake ^B	Baldwin Lake	Infiltration	Return Flow	Losses ^C	piration	Withdrawals ^B	Dam ^B	to Lucerne Valley	lotai	Oddiows
1990	39,822	4,855	1,190	798	2,738	230	164	49,797	2,987	9,542	3,342	462	219	433	63,398	391	0	2,237	83,012	-33,215
1991	87,093	11,658	2,857	604	2,997	230	289	105,728	6,532	9,235	3,342	1,011	234	414	63,398	514	79	2,551	87,309	18,419
1992 1993	90,305 147.647	15,543 48,613	3,810 11,915	459 133	3,326 2.817	230 230	503 922	114,175 212,277	6,773 11,074	10,714 11.716	3,342 3,342	1,048	255 210	399 367	63,398 63.398	404 318	0 11,823	2,237 3,953	88,571 107,915	25,604 104,362
1994	66,649	11,015	2,700	378	2,524	230	690	84,186	4,999	11,710	3,342	774	194	391	63,398	428	2,049	2,801	90,160	-5,974
1995	101,274	33,340	8,172	191	2,517	230	948	146,672	7,598	11,861	3,342	1,176	189	373	63,398	211	17,116	3,760	109,021	37,651
1996	88,731	13,119	3,215	464	2,639	230	644	109,043	6,655	12,262	3,342	1,030	204	400	63,398	452	315	2,660	90,718	18,325
1997	59,708	8,757	2,146	680	2,609	230	461	74,591	4,478	11,456	3,342	693	211	422	63,398	417	364	2,679	87,460	-12,869
1998 1999	102,236 30,403	34,629 3,774	8,488 925	189 474	2,611 2,787	230 230	890 685	149,273	7,668 2,280	11,464 12,473	3,342 3,342	1,187 353	196 217	354 392	63,398 63,398	318 547	11,625 271	2,698 2,643	102,250 85,916	47,024
2000	45,064	6,930	1,699	919	2,787	230	456	39,278 58,153	3,380	11,829	3,342	523	242	421	63,398	430	511	2,550	86,626	-46,638 -28,473
2001	44,791	6,915	1,695	921	2,933	230	313	57,797	3,359	11,299	3,342	520	244	443	63,398	411	562	2,298	85,877	-28,079
2002	21,971	1,717	421	1,018	3,014	230	206	28,577	1,648	10,375	3,342	255	249	324	63,398	391	649	2,530	83,161	-54,584
2003	47,453	8,295	2,033	914	2,684	230	189	61,798	3,559	9,382	3,342	551	223	290	63,398	472	601	2,373	84,190	-22,393
2004	57,780	8,404 39,600	2,060	1,006	2,688	230	156	72,324	4,334	9,025	3,342	671	221	365	63,398	439	715	3,292	85,801	-13,478
2005	80,073 55,527	17,564	9,706 4,305	247 312	2,500 2,484	230 230	854 814	133,210 81,236	6,005 4,165	11,525 12,421	3,342 3,342	929 645	196 193	233 306	63,398 63,398	305 460	420 901	4,008 2,933	90,361 88,764	42,849 -7,528
2007	28,284	2,841	696	737	2,587	230	501	35,876	2,121	11,921	3,342	328	218	366	63,398	557	888	2,315	85,454	-49,578
2008	80,751	14,182	3,476	833	2,482	230	330	102,283	6,056	11,460	3,342	937	206	301	63,398	289	576	2,690	89,255	13,028
2009	64,883	9,212	2,258	849	2,345	230	296	80,072	4,866	11,233	3,342	753	222	313	63,398	414	740	2,504	87,787	-7,714
2010	143,820	32,959	8,078	570 362	2,242	230 230	536 692	188,436	10,787	11,374 12,028	3,342 3,342	1,669 720	58 28	194	63,398	300 609	2,969 8,040	3,370	97,460	90,976
2011	61,997 58,784	16,908 8,175	4,144 2,004	537	2,076 2,242	230	519	86,409 72,491	4,650 4,409	12,028	3,342	682	28	176 255	63,398 63,398	755	1,116	3,357 2,390	96,347 89,072	-9,938 -16,581
2013	37,921	3,129	767	776	2,477	230	325	45,624	2,844	11,645	3,342	440	290	281	63,398	542	1,626	1,890	86,299	-40,675
2014	67,521	5,776	1,416	810	2,236	230	209	78,198	5,064	10,942	3,342	784	314	286	63,398	372	1,014	2,016	87,532	-9,334
2015	39,317	3,677	901	786	2,155	230	152	47,218	2,949	9,709	3,342	456	324	286	63,398	561	721	1,965	83,711	-36,492
2016	72,859	7,027	1,722	844	2,111	230	105	84,899	5,464	9,309	3,342	846	302	293	63,398	445	904	2,162	86,466	-1,567
2017	61,046 62,345	13,213 4,818	3,238 1,181	688 775	2,206 2,060	230 230	297 205	80,917 71,614	4,578 4,676	9,777 9,391	3,342 3,342	709 724	227 339	280 290	63,398 63,398	413 491	664 900	2,870 2,046	86,058 85,597	-5,141 -13,983
2019	121,565	13,000	3,186	481	1,615	230	356	140,434	9,117	11,000	3,342	1,411	223	263	63,398	440	2,350	2,672	94,216	46,219
erage	68,921	13,655	3,347	625	2,519	230	457	89,753	# 5,169	11,022	3,342	800	222	330	63,398	437	2,350	2,675	89,746	7
Total	2,067,620	409,645	100,403	18,753	75,558	6,903	13,705	2,692,587	0 155,072	330,655	100,263	24,000	6,669	9,912	1,901,940	13,096	70,509	80,250	2,692,366	221

Bear Valley Basin Surface Water Budget - Outflows

		Outlows (acre-it)																		
		Areal			aporatio	n from L		Tributary			System	Evapo	trans	Big Bear L	ake	Releases at	BBAF Discha			
			harge fro	n ^A Bi	g Bear .ake ^B	Baldv Lak		Channel Infiltration	Return	Flow	Losses			Withdraw		Bear Valley Dam ^B	to Luc Vall	erne	Total	
									Bear Valley	Basin Sur	face Water Bud	dget								
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92	90,305	15,543	3,810	459	3,326	230	503	114,175	6,773	10,714	3,342	1,048	255	399	63,398	404	0	2,237	88,571	25
3 4	147,647 66,649	48,613 11,015	11,915 2,700	133 378	2,817 2,524	230 230	922 690	212,277 84,186	11,074 4,999	11,716 11,784	3,342 3,342	1,714 774	210 194	367 391	63,398 63,398	318 428	11,823 2,049	3,953 2,801	107,915 90,160	. 10
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96	88,731	13,119	3,215	464	2,639	230	644	109,043	6,655	12,262	3,342	1,030	204	400	63,398	452	315	2,660	90,718	1
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11	44,791	6,915	1,695	921	2,933	230	313	57,797	3,359	11,299	3,342	520	244	443	63,398	411	562	2,298	85,877	2
2	21,971	1,717	421	1,018	3,014	230	206	28,577	1,648	10,375	3,342	255	249	324	63,398	391	649	2,530	83,161	
3	47,453	8,295	2,033	914	2,684	230	189	61,798	3,559	9,382	3,342	551	223	290	63,398	472	601	2,373	84,190	-2
4	57,780	8,404	2,060	1,006	2,688	230	156	72,324	4,334	9,025	3,342	671	221	365	63,398	439	715	3,292	85,801	
5 3	80,073 55,527	39,600 17,564	9,706 4,305	247 312	2,500 2,484	230 230	854 814	133,210	6,005 4,165	11,525 12,421	3,342 3,342	929 645	196 193	233 306	63,398 63,398	305 460	420 901	4,008	90,361	- 4
7	28,284	2,841	696	737	2,484	230	501	81,236 35,876	2,121	11,921	3,342	328	218	366	63,398	557	888	2,933 2,315	88,764 85,454	. :
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)	64,883	9,212	2,258	849	2,345	230	296	80,072	4,866	11,233	3,342	753	222	313	63,398	414	740	2,504	87,787	
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5	39,317	3,677	901	786	2,155	230	152	47,218	2,949	9,709	3,342	456	324	286	63,398	561	721	1,965	83,711	- 4
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Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Budget

		Inf	flows (acre-ft)								
Date	Areal Recharge	Tributary	D	System	Total	Gro	undwater Pum	ping			Change in
	from Precipitation ^A	Channel Infiltration	Return Flow	Losses ^B	Total	BBCCSD	BBLDWP	Other ^C	ET	Total	Storage
1990	2,987	462	219	433	3,668	798	2,738	230	737	4,503	-835
1991	6,532	1,011	234	414	7,777	604	2,997	230	737	4,568	3,208
1992	6,773	1,048	255	399	8,076	459	3,326	230	737	4,753	3,323
1993	11,074	1,714	210	367	12,997	133	2,817	230	737	3,918	9,079
1994	4,999	774	194	391	5,966	378	2,524	230	737	3,870	2,097
1995	7,596	1,176	189	373	8,960	191	2,517	230	737	3,676	5,284
1996	6,655	1,030	204	400	7,889	464	2,639	230	737	4,070	3,819
1997	4,478	693	211	422	5,382	680	2,609	230	737	4,256	1,126
1998	7,668	1,187	196	354	9,050	189	2,611	230	737	3,768	5,282
1999	2,280	353	217	392	2,850	474	2,787	230	737	4,229	-1,379
2000	3,380	523	242	421	4,145	919	2,856	230	737	4,742	-597
2001	3,359	520	244	443	4,123	921	2,933	230	737	4,821	-698
2002	1,648	255	249	324	2,152	1018	3,014	230	737	4,999	-2,848
2003	3,559	551	223	290	4,333	914	2,684	230	737	4,565	-232
2004	4,334	671	221	365	5,225	1006	2,688	230	737	4,662	563
2005	6,005	929	196	233	7,130	247	2,500	230	737	3,714	3,416
2006	4,165	645	193	306	5,002	312	2,484	230	737	3,763	1,239
2007	2,121	328	218	366	2,668	737	2,587	230	737	4,292	-1,624
2008	6,056	937	206	301	7,199	833	2,482	230	737	4,282	2,917
2009	4,866	753	222	313	5,842	849	2,345	230	737	4,161	1,680
2010	10,787	1,669	58	194	12,514	570	2,242	230	737	3,780	8,734
2011	4,650	720	28	176	5,397	362	2,076	230	737	3,406	1,991
2012	4,409	682	221	255	5,312	537	2,242	230	737	3,747	1,565
2013	2,844	440	290	281	3,575	776	2,477	230	737	4,220	-645
2014	5,064	784	314	286	6,162	810	2,236	230	737	4,013	2,149
2015	2,949	456	324	286	3,729	786	2,155	230	737	3,909	-179
2016	5,464	846	302	293	6,612	844	2,111	230	737	3,923	2,689
2017	4,578	709	227	280	5,515	688	2,206	230	737	3,861	1,654
2018	4,676	724	339	290	5,739	775	2,060	230	737	3,802	1,937
2019	9,117	1,411	223	263	10,751	481	1,615	230	737	3,064	7,687
Average	5,169	800	222	330	6,191	625	2,519	230	737	4,111	
Totals	155,072	24,000	6,669	9,912	185,741	18,753	75,558	6,903	22,123	123,338	

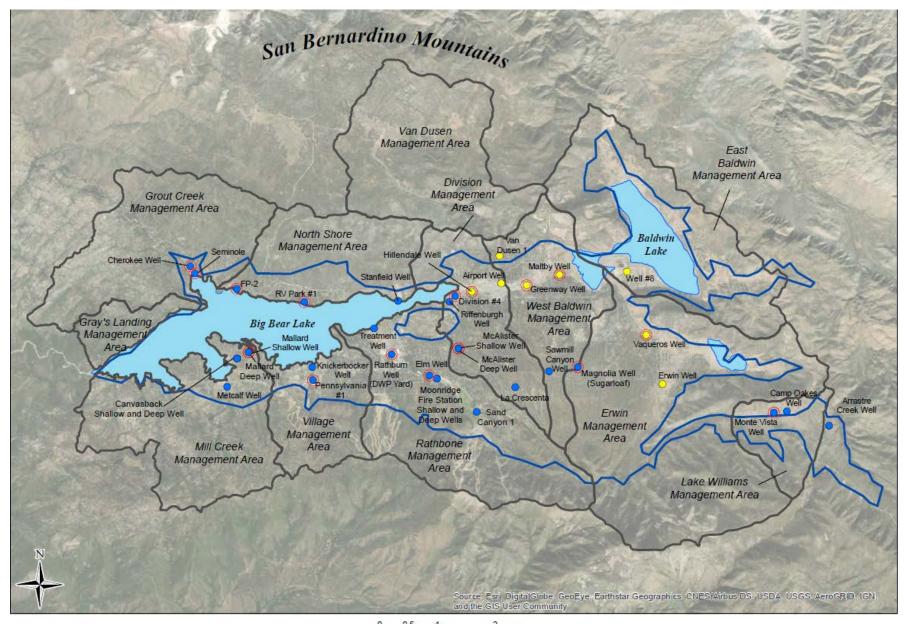
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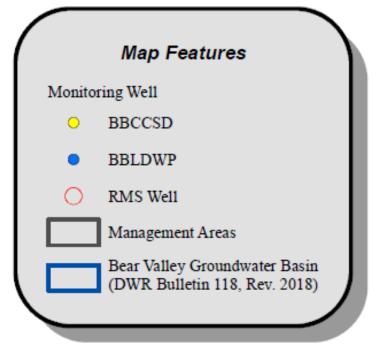
LONE VALLEY

MANAGEMENT AREA. An area within a basin for which the Plan may identify different minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, monitoring, or projects and management actions based on differences in water use sector, water source type, geology, aquifer characteristics, or other factors.

- Criteria for Management Areas
- Minimum Thresholds and Measurable Objectives
- Monitoring Plan

Management Areas



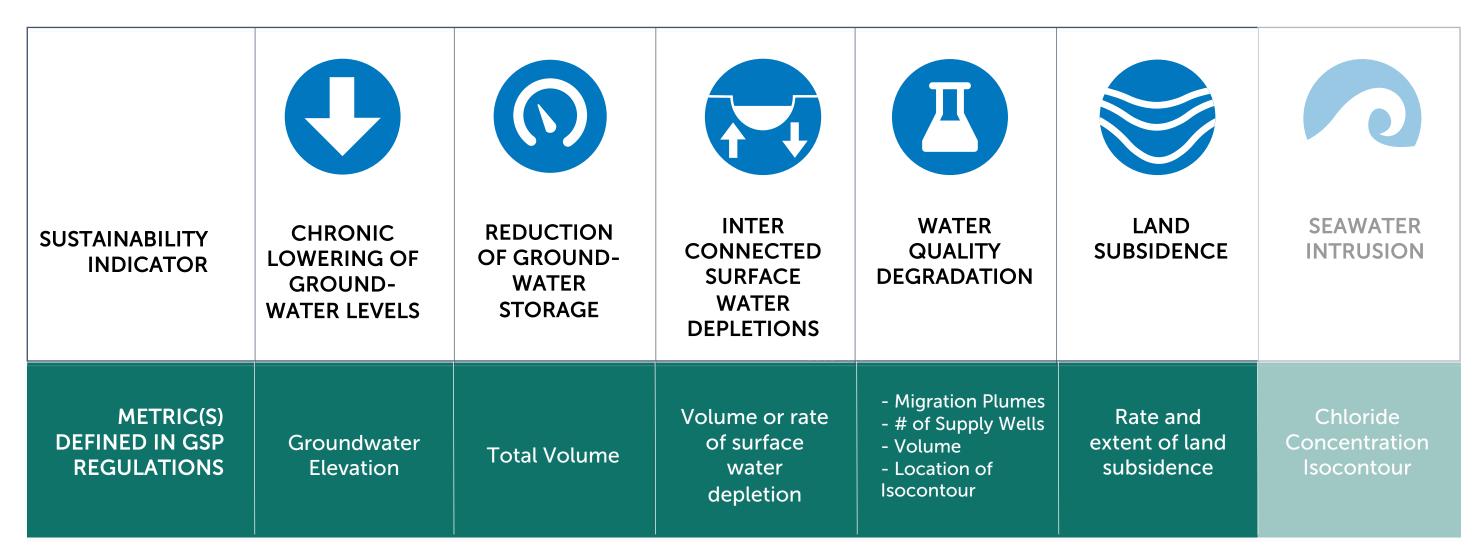


Sustainable Management Criteria

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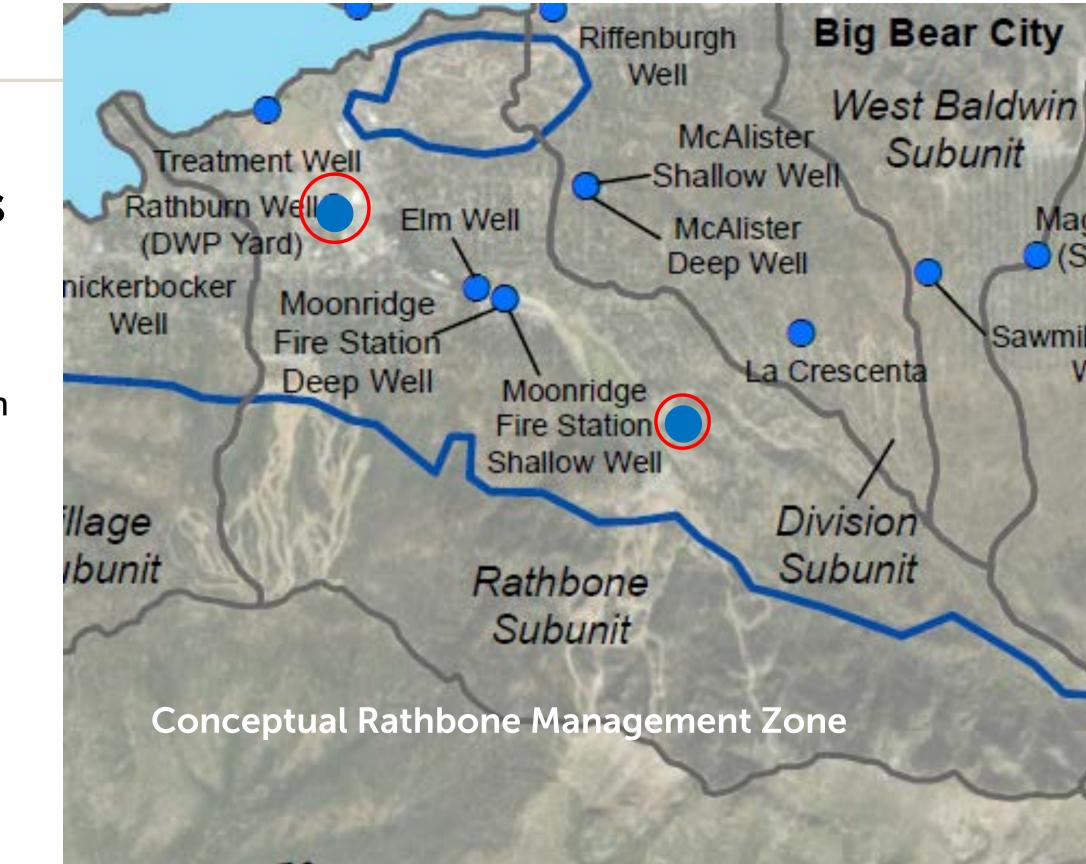


SGMA allows all indicators but water quality to be assessed using water levels as a proxy metric for direct measurement.

Representative Monitoring Sites

A subset of a basin's complete monitoring network, where minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, and interim milestones are set.

Conceptual
Representative
Monitoring Site



Minimum Threshold

The quantitative value that represents the groundwater conditions at a representative monitoring site that, when exceeded individually or in combination with minimum thresholds at other monitoring sites, may cause an undesirable result(s) in the basin.

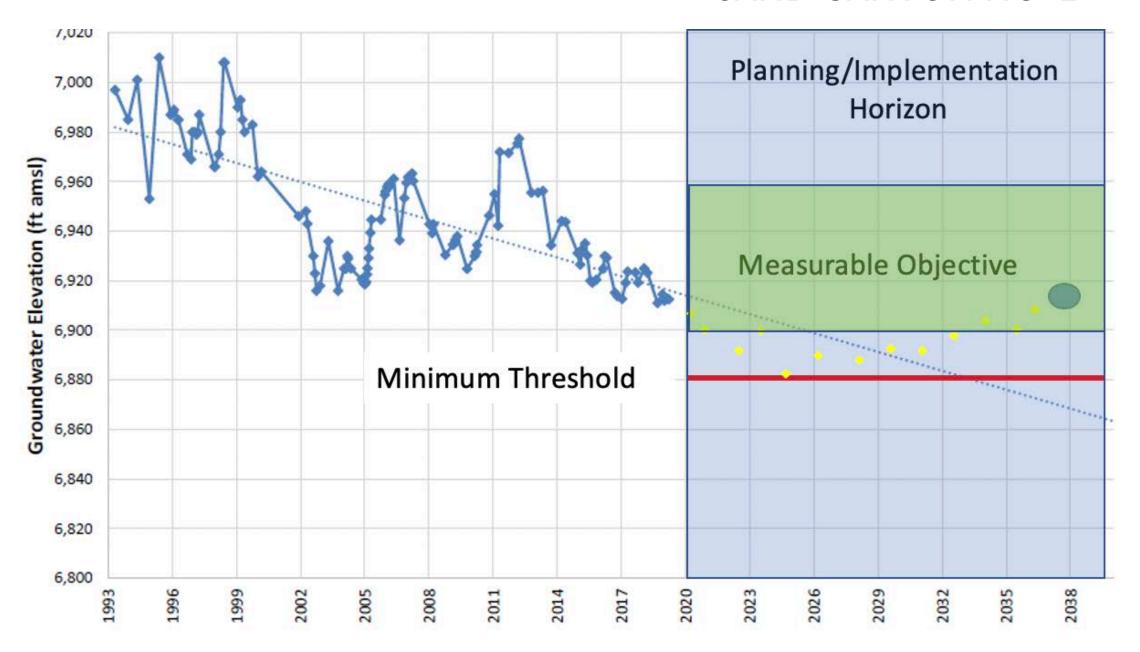
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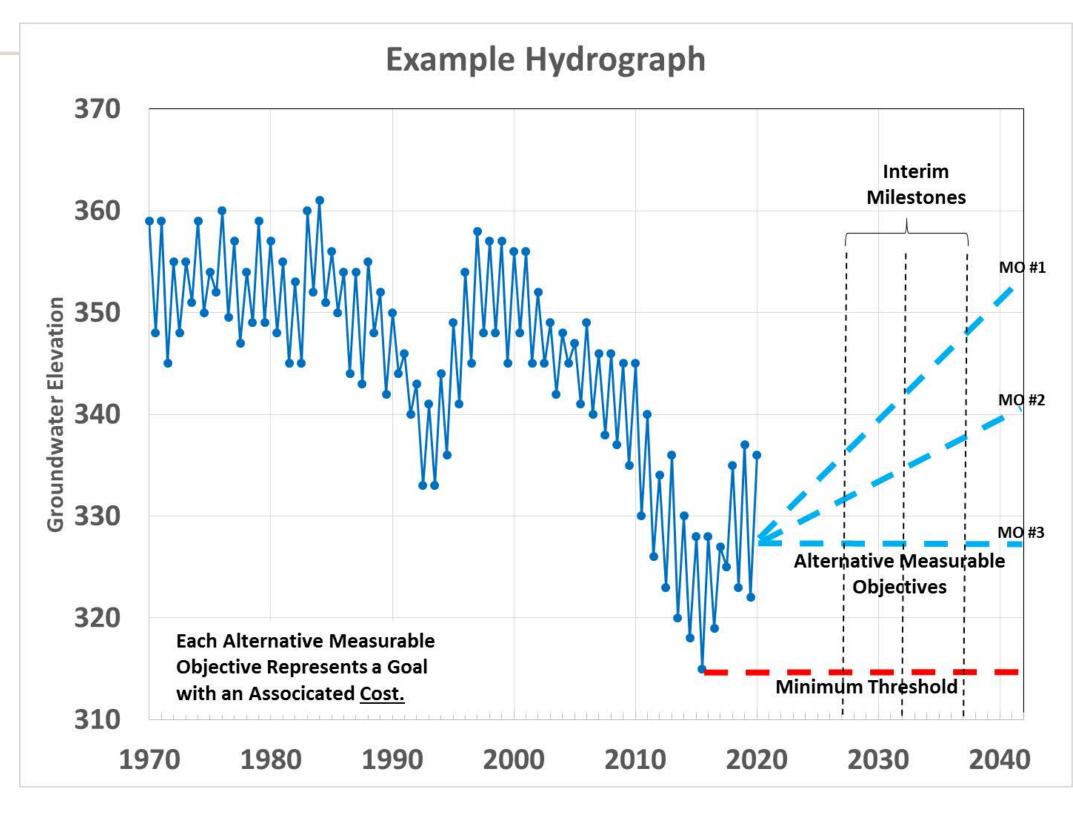
Measurable Objective

Measurable objectives are quantitative goals that reflect the basin's desired groundwater conditions and allow the GSA to achieve the sustainability goal within 20 years.

SAND CANYON NO. 1



Example: Sustainable Management Criteria (SMCs)



Interim **Milestones**

A target value representing measurable groundwater conditions, in increments of five years, set by an Agency as part of a plan.

6,880

6,860

6,840

6,820

6,800

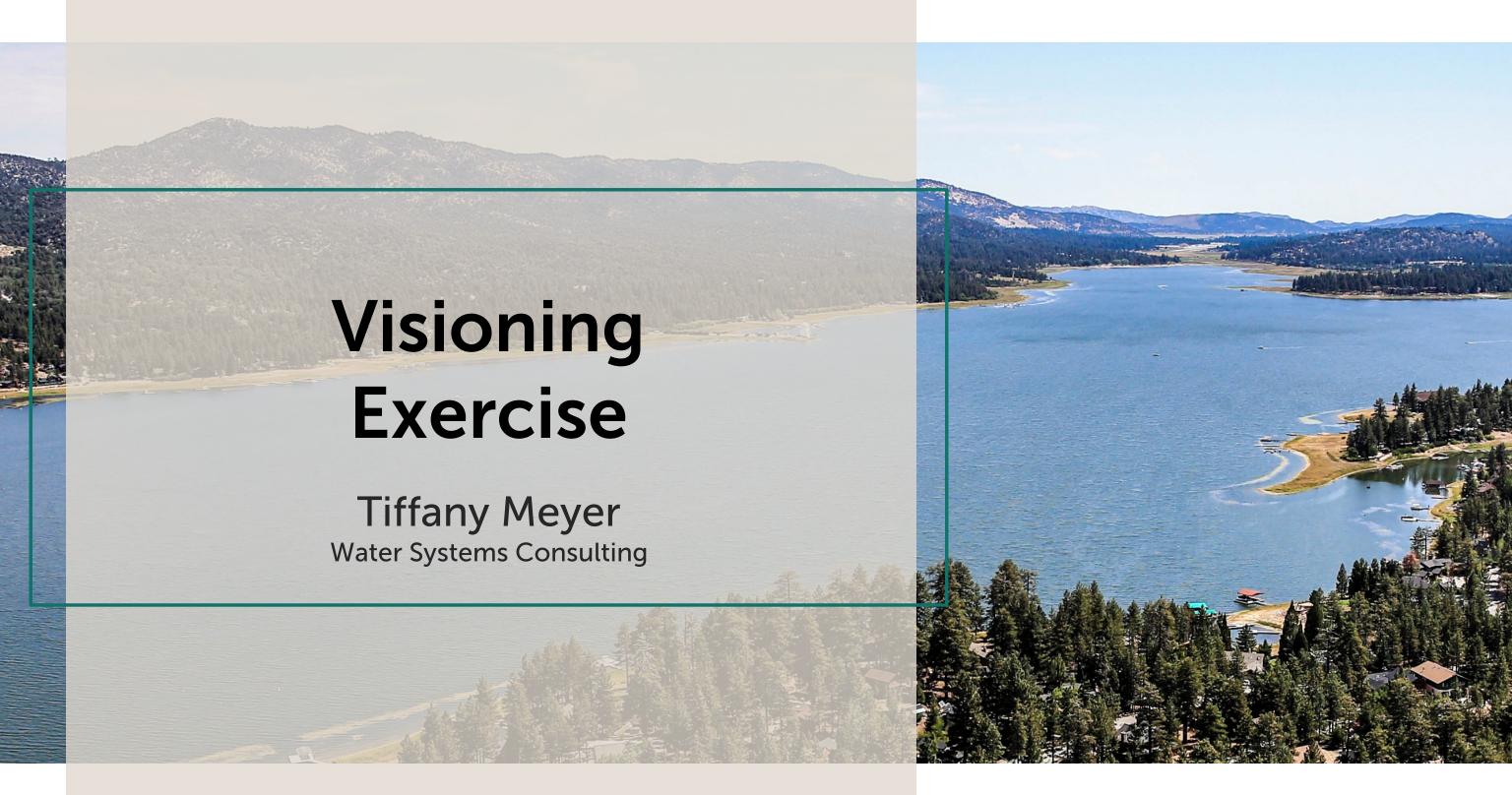


Conceptual Rathbone

Management Zone

Interim Milestones

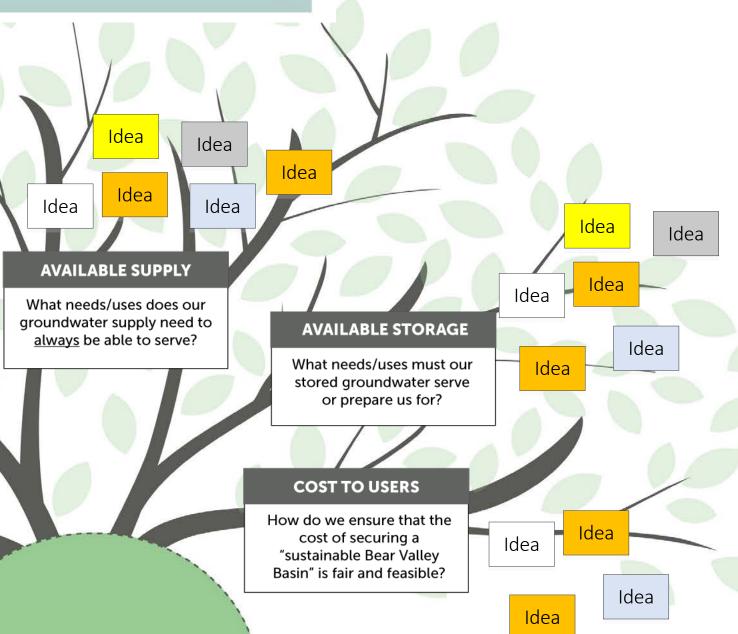




Stakeholder Visioning Exercise What does a "Sustainable Bear Valley Basin" mean to you?

Idea

Future State of the Basin: Groundwater Sustainability



GROUNDWATER DEPENDENT ECOSYSTEMS

GROUNDWATER QUALITY

What is the quality of

groundwater we aim

to sustain?

If we achieve a "sustainable Bear Valley Basin" how does it look to groundwater-dependent ecosystems?

Current state of the Basin





Workshop #1 Summary

Comment period opens within 2 weeks

Comment at BVBGSA.org



Workshop #2: Sustainable Goal Setting

Wednesday, October 28, 2020 • 3:00pm-5:00pm • Zoom Meetings

Register at **BVBGSA.org**

