



SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN FARMERS FOR RESPONSIBLE WATER USE

CASS COUNTY PILOT PROJECT SUMMARY

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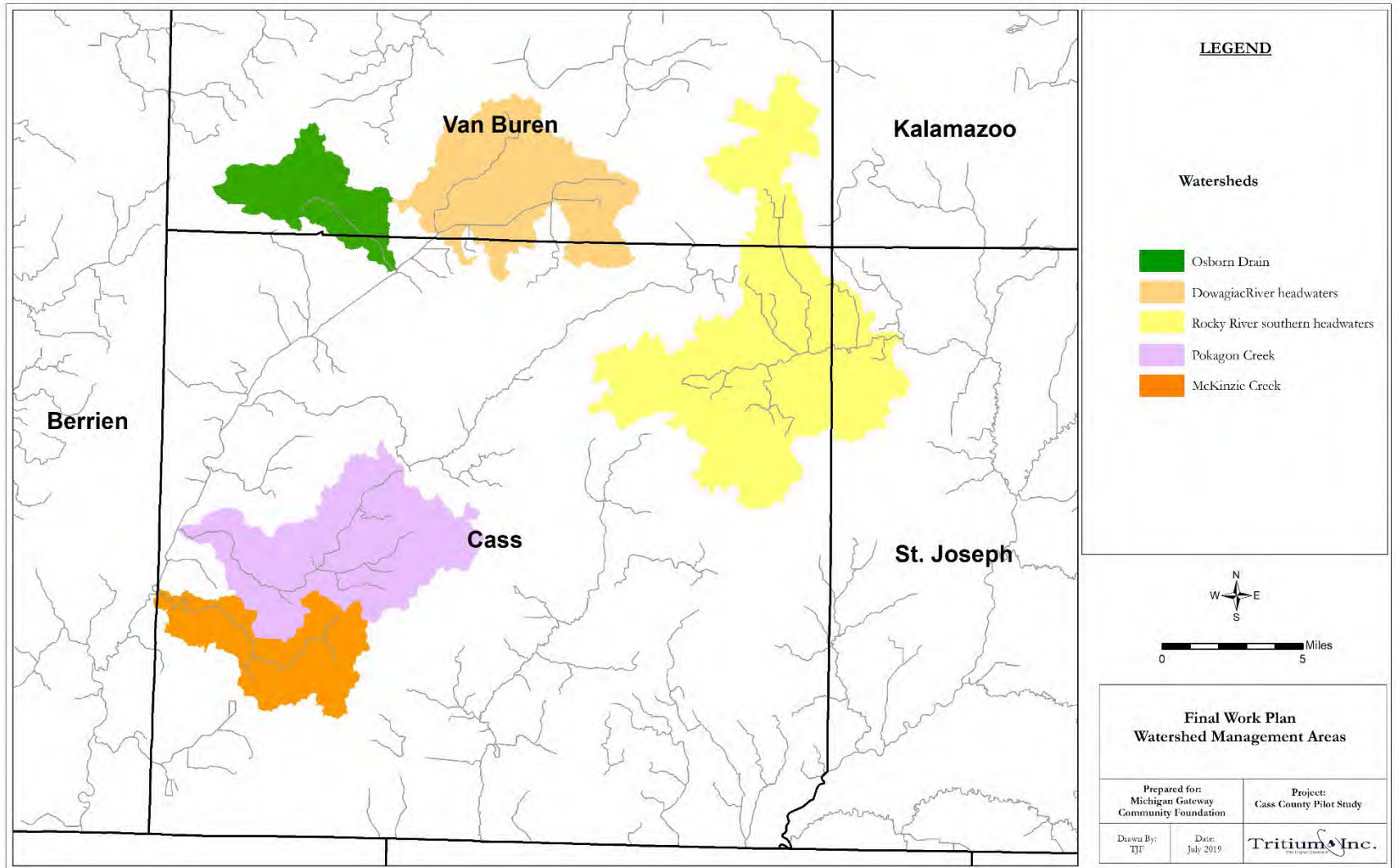
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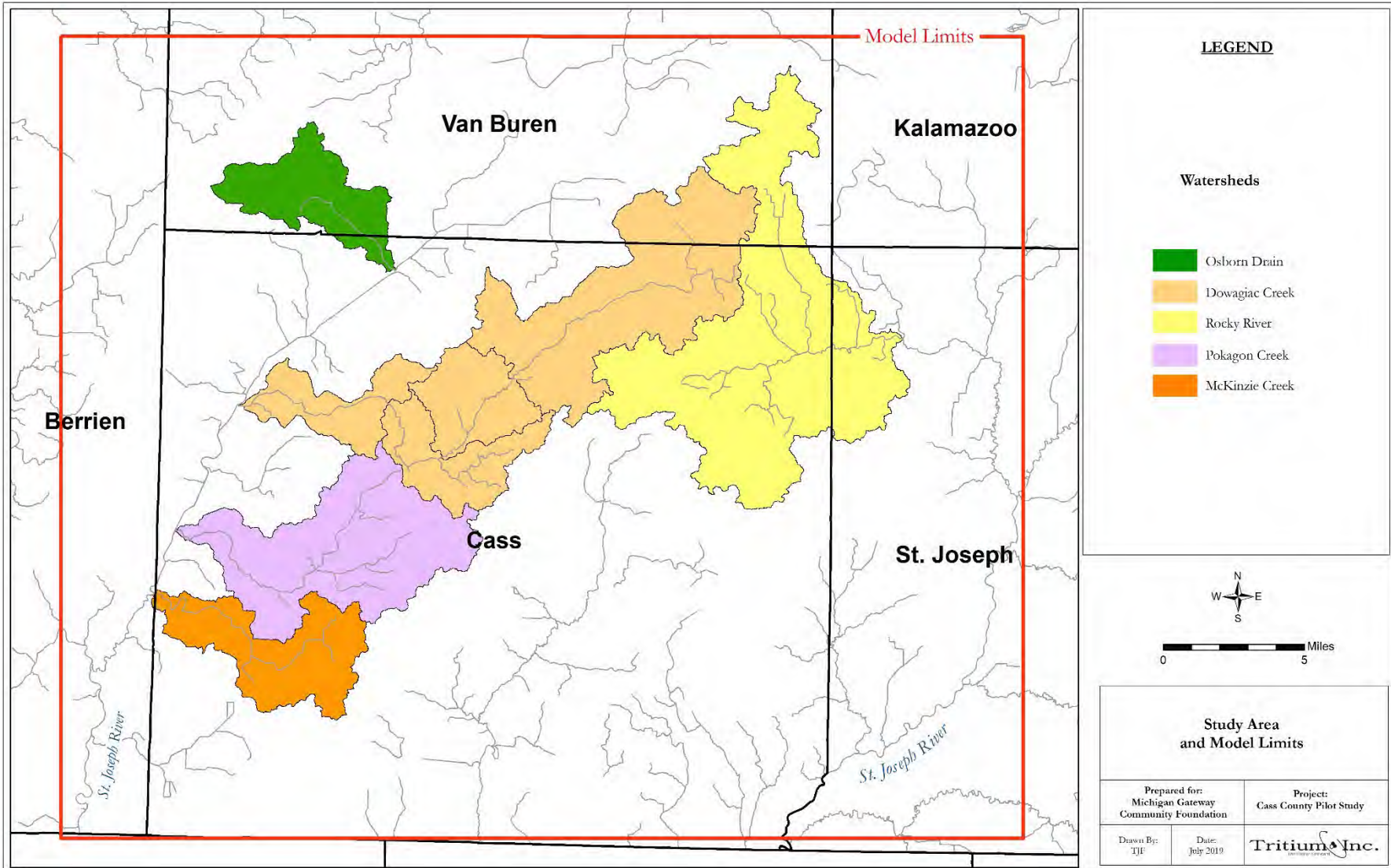
CASS COUNTY PILOT PROJECT

1. DATA COLLECTION
2. STREAMFLOW DEPLETION MODELING
3. TRANSFERABLE TECHNOLOGY



WORK PLAN VERSION 7

“The study area will be subdivided to facilitate the creation of four groundwater flow models and represent portions of five stressed watersheds in the county including: headwaters of the Dowagiac River, McKinzie Creek, Osborn Drain, Pokagon Creek, and southern headwaters of the Rocky River.”

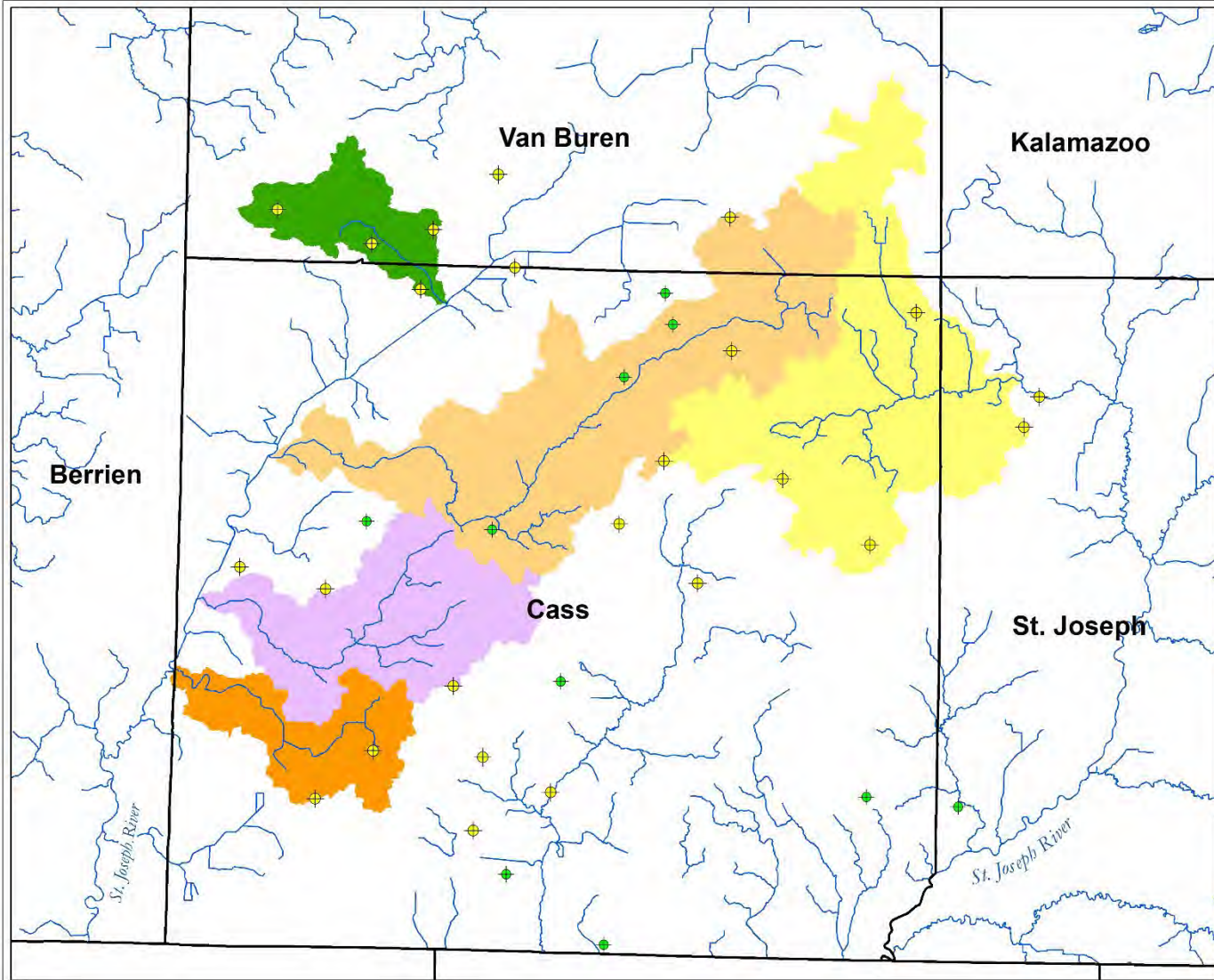


FINAL WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREAS OF INTEREST

A white truck with a drilling rig is parked in a cornfield. The rig is a tall, red metal structure with various pipes and components. The truck is a white cab with a flatbed trailer. The background shows a vast cornfield under a blue sky with some clouds. The text "MONITORING WELLS" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font in the upper right quadrant.

MONITORING WELLS

DRILLING
AQUIFER TESTS
WATER LEVEL DATA



LEGEND

Watersheds

- Osborn Drain
- Dowagiac Creek
- Rocky River
- Pokagon Creek
- McKinzie Creek

- Pilot Project Monitoring Well
- Private Monitoring Well



Monitoring Well Locations

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CONTINUOUS
WATER LEVEL
MEASUREMENTS

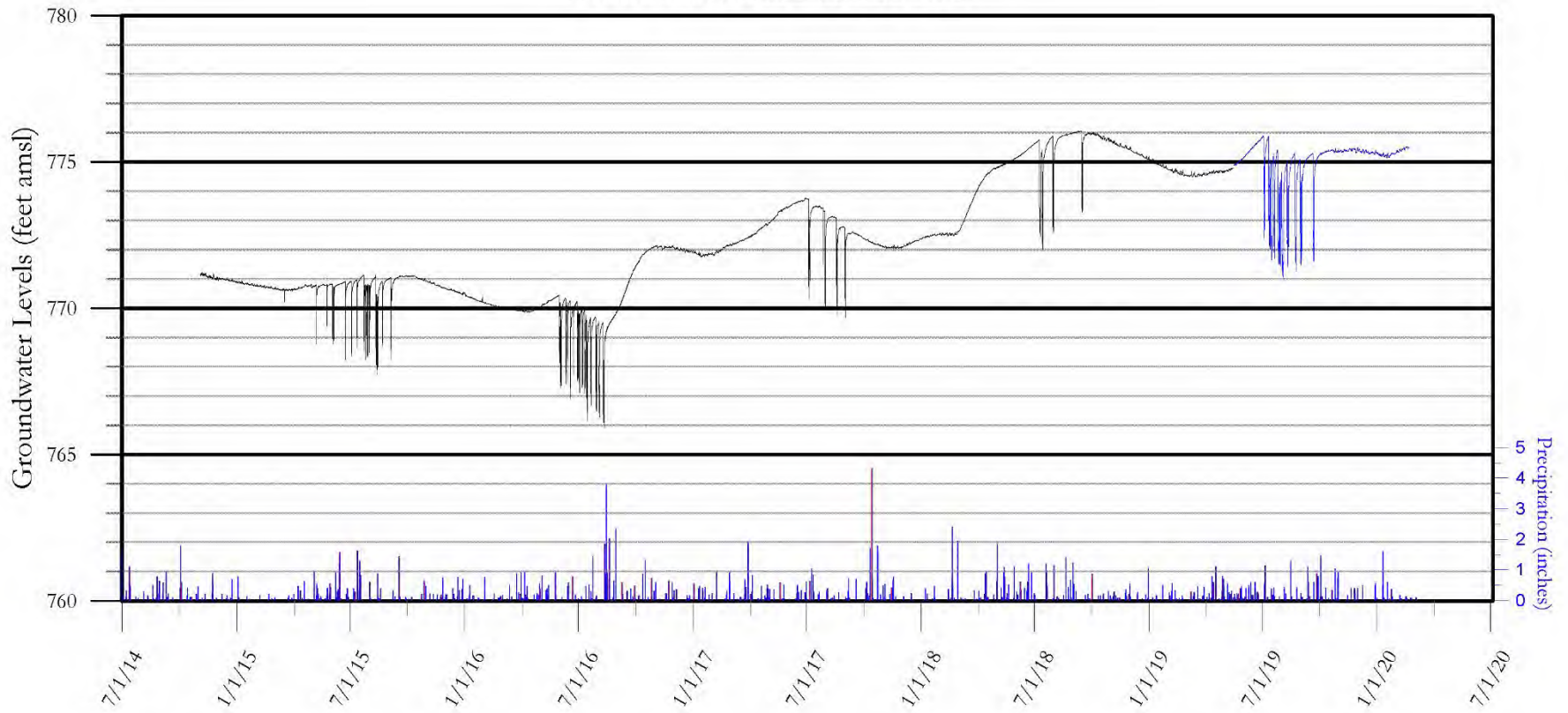


MANUAL
WATER LEVEL
MEASUREMENTS



ULTRA-SONIC
FLOW CHECK

Central Produce Supply Monitoring Well - Cherry Field Annual Groundwater Levels



WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT ACCURACY

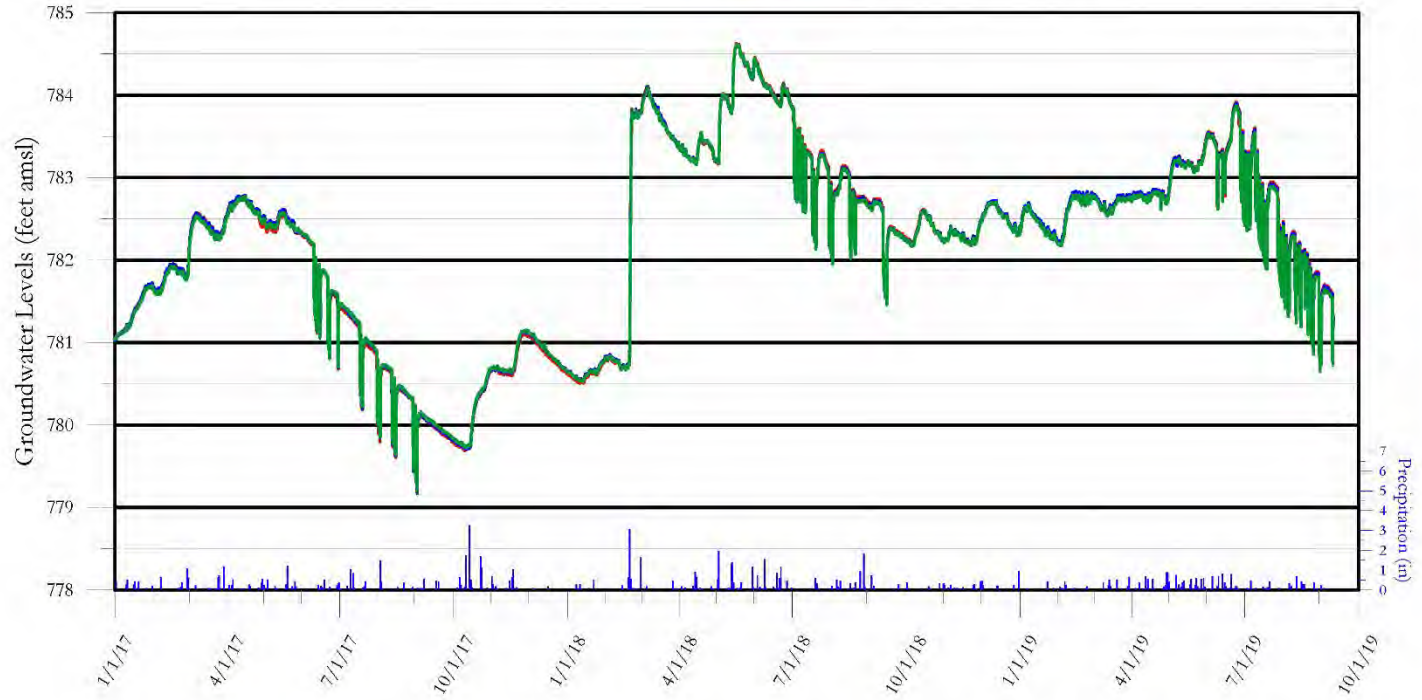
WHAT ACCURACY IS NEEDED?

WHAT IS A SIGNIFICANT WATER LEVEL CHANGE?

HOW ACCURATE CAN WE PREDICT?

Kirkdorfer - Golden Field Monitoring Well

Groundwater Levels as measured by Solinst, InSitu and Hobo Pressure Transducer Probes



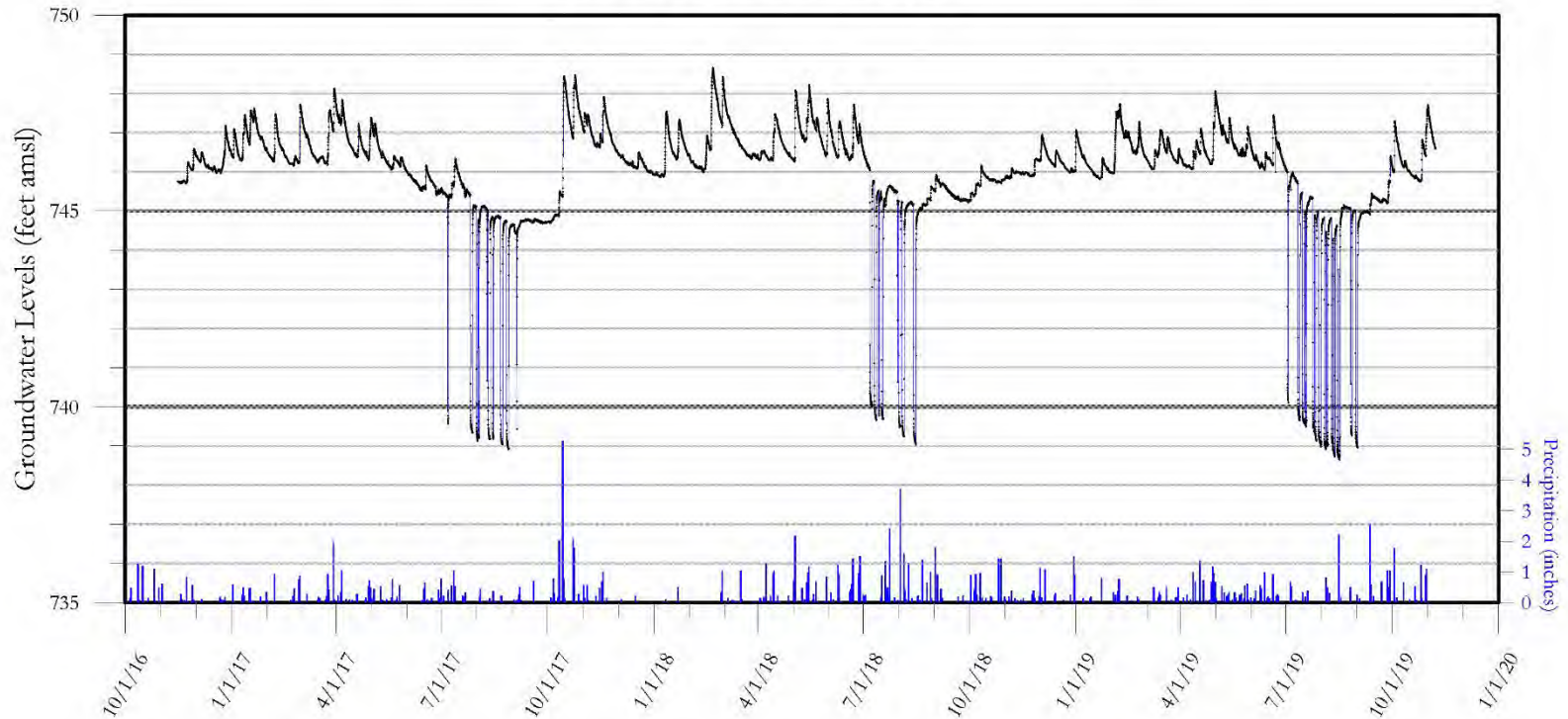
- Solinst Levellogger Junior (10m)
- InSitu Level Troll 500
- Onset Hobo (30-foot)

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The Higher Standard

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Three common brands of transducers in the same well
AVERAGE DIFFERENCE OF LESS THAN 1/4"

Berrybrook Farms Monitoring Well - Bainbridge East (Deep) Annual Groundwater Levels



Project: Cass County Assessment Pilot Project

Irrigation Well

Depth: 80 feet
Static: n/a
Screen: 60-80 feet

Measured Pumping Rates

Maximum: 950 gpm
Span only: n/a gpm
End Gun: n/a gpm

Monitoring Well

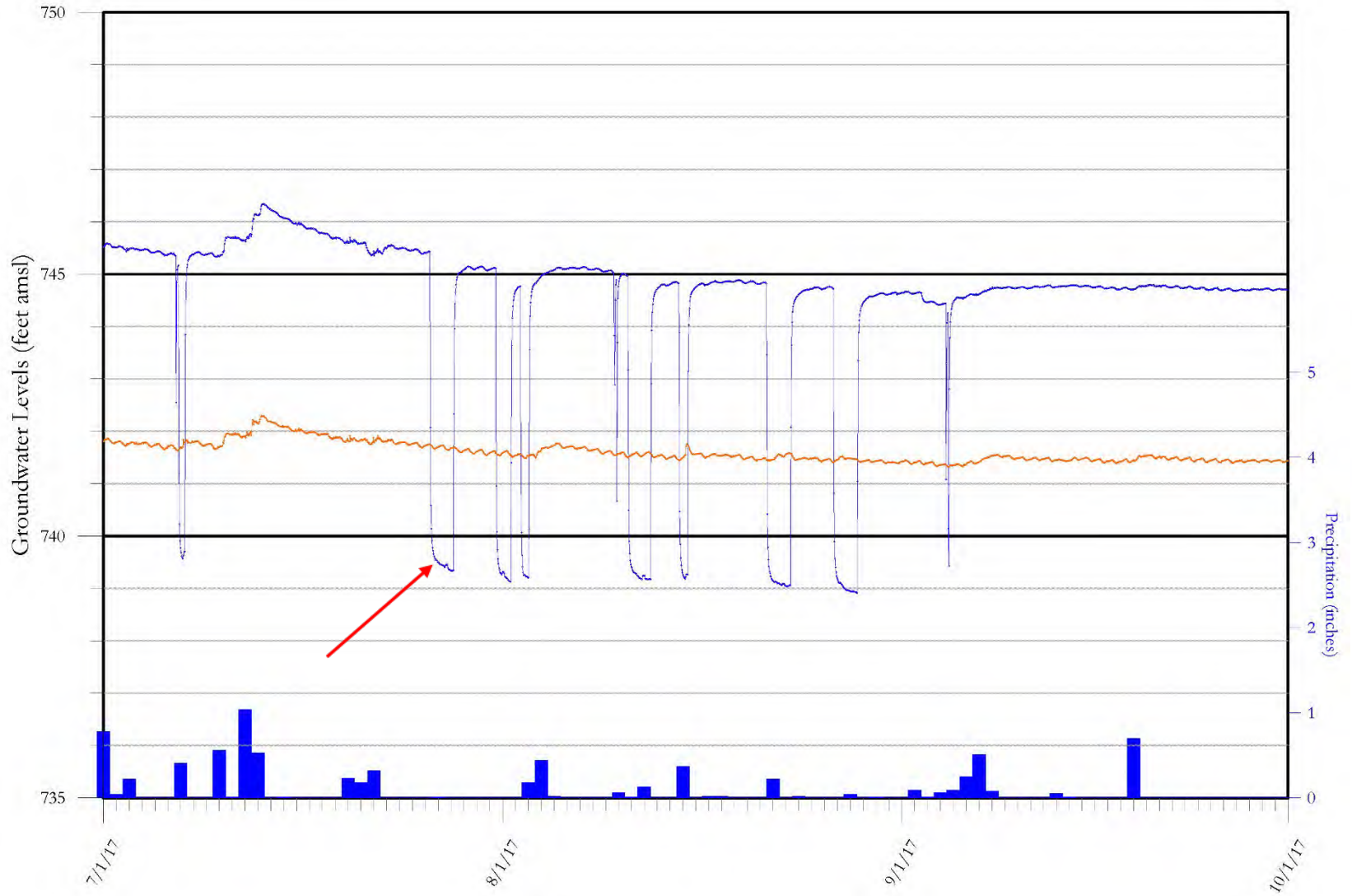
Depth: 75 feet
Static: 4 feet
Screen: 71-75 feet
Radial Distance: 90 feet

Weather Station

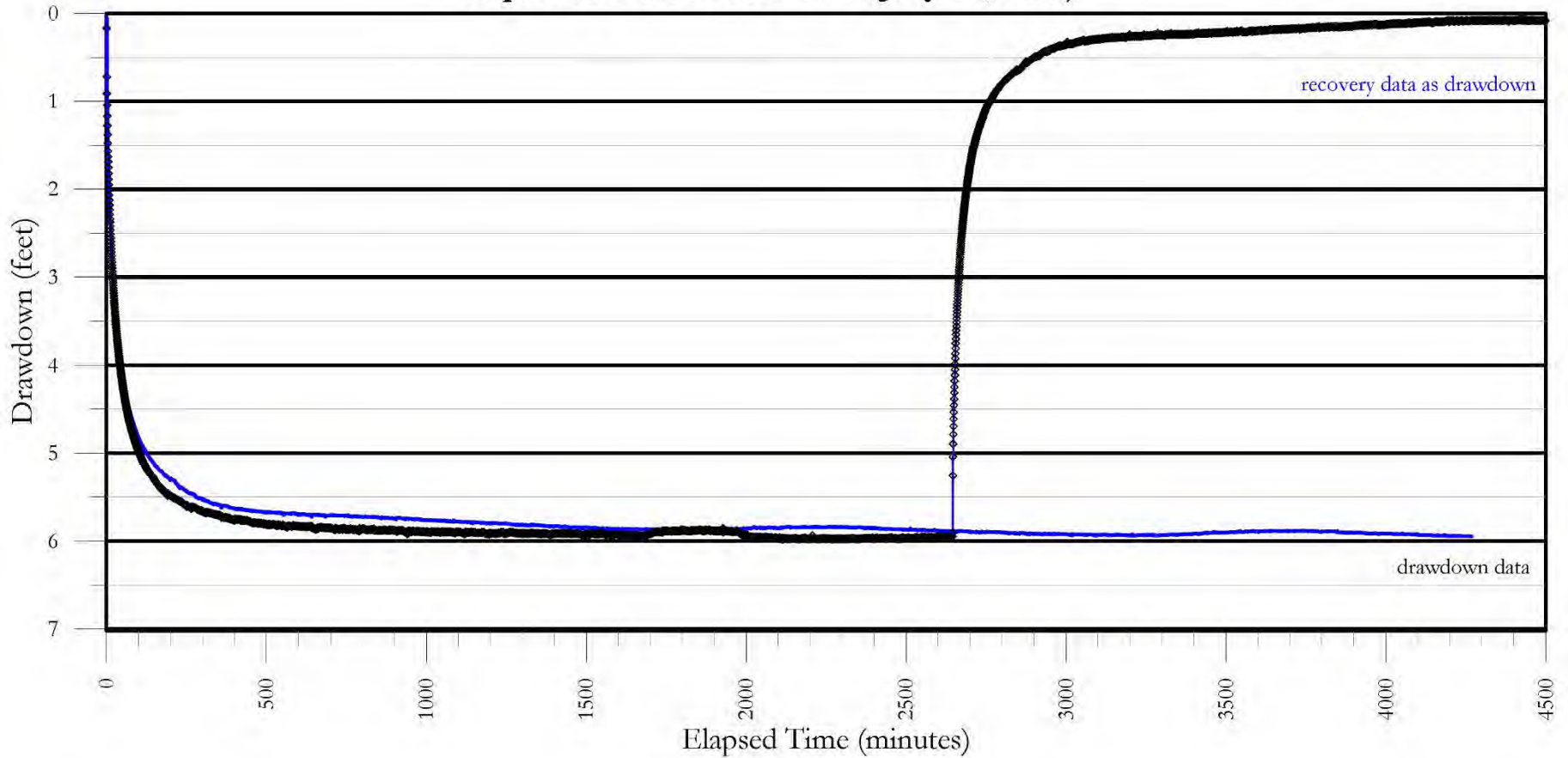
KMIDOWAG3



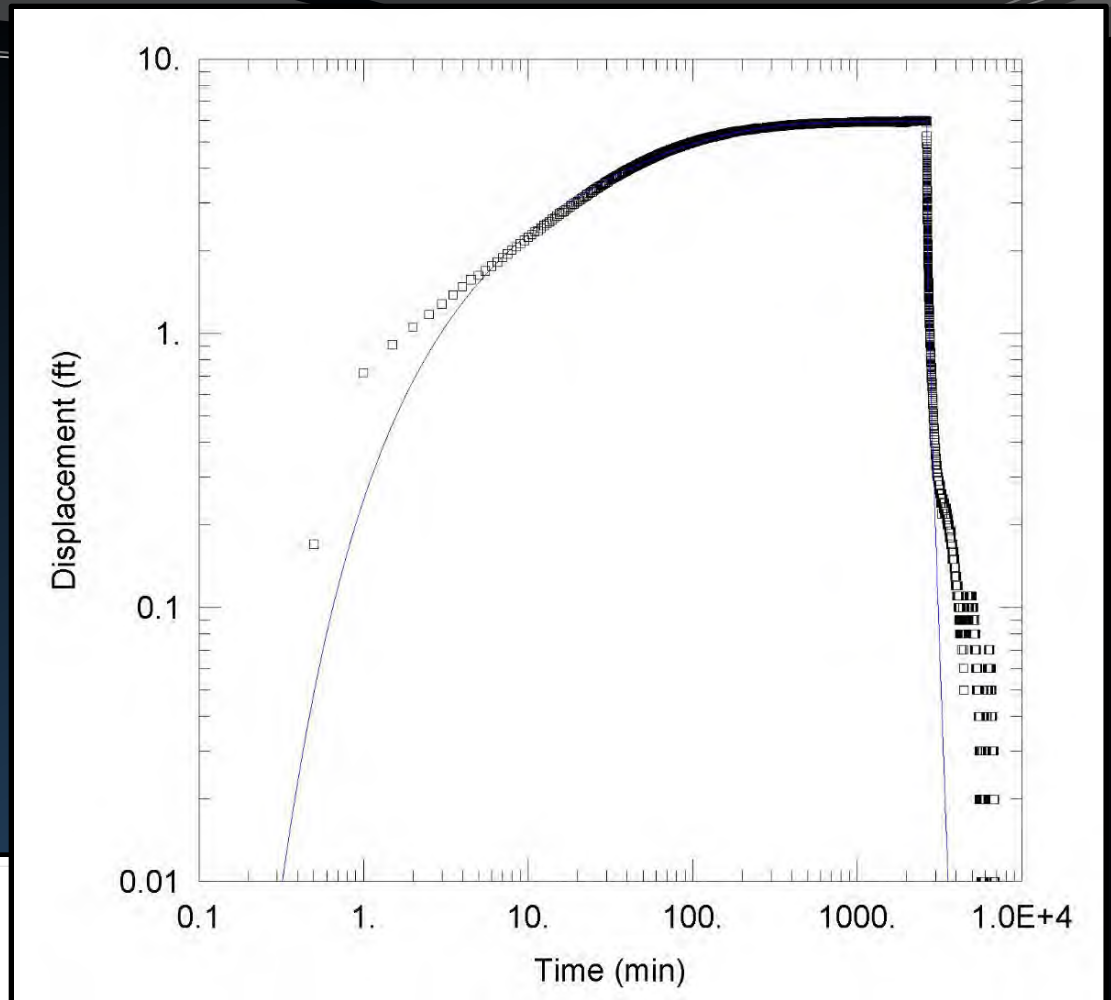
Berrybrook Farms Monitoring Well - Bainbridge East (Deep & Shallow) Annual Groundwater Levels



Berrybrook Farms
Monitoring Well - Bainbridge East Deep
Aquifer Performance Test (July 26, 2017)



AQUIFER TEST ANALYSES (AQTESOLV)



PROJECT INFORMATION

Company: Tritium, Inc.
 Client: Berrybrook Farms
 Project: 201701
 Location: Bainbridge East Deep
 Test Well: lw
 Test Date: 7/26/2017

WELL DATA

Pumping Wells

Well Name	X (ft)	Y (ft)
lw	12673940	212255

Observation Wells

Well Name	X (ft)	Y (ft)
o Mw	12673901	212174

SOLUTION

Aquifer Model: Leaky

T = 1.07E+4 ft²/day

r/B = 0.13

b = 22. ft

Solution Method: Hantush-Jacob

S = 0.004134

Kz/Kr = 0.1

2,646 minutes
 at 950 gpm



PREDICTED DRAWDOWN

Distance (feet)	Drawdown (feet)
500	3.88
1,000	2.28
2,000	1.00

MONITORING WELL AND AQUIFER TEST LESSONS

1. ONE MONITORING WELL IS SUFFICIENT
2. IRRIGATION PIVOTS ARE EFFECTIVE TOOLS
 - a. DISTRIBUTE THE PUMPED WATER
 - b. VARIABLE PUMPING RATES
 - c. REPEATABLE TESTS
3. 24 HOURS IS SUFFICIENT LENGTH TO DERIVE TRANSMISSIVITY AND STORAGE VALUES
4. NESTED MONITORING WELLS ARE EFFECTIVE IN MULTI-LAYER SYSTEMS
5. LONG-TERM WATER LEVEL DATA IS INVALUABLE

STREAM TESTING

STREAMBED CONDUCTIVITY
AND
STREAM DISCHARGE



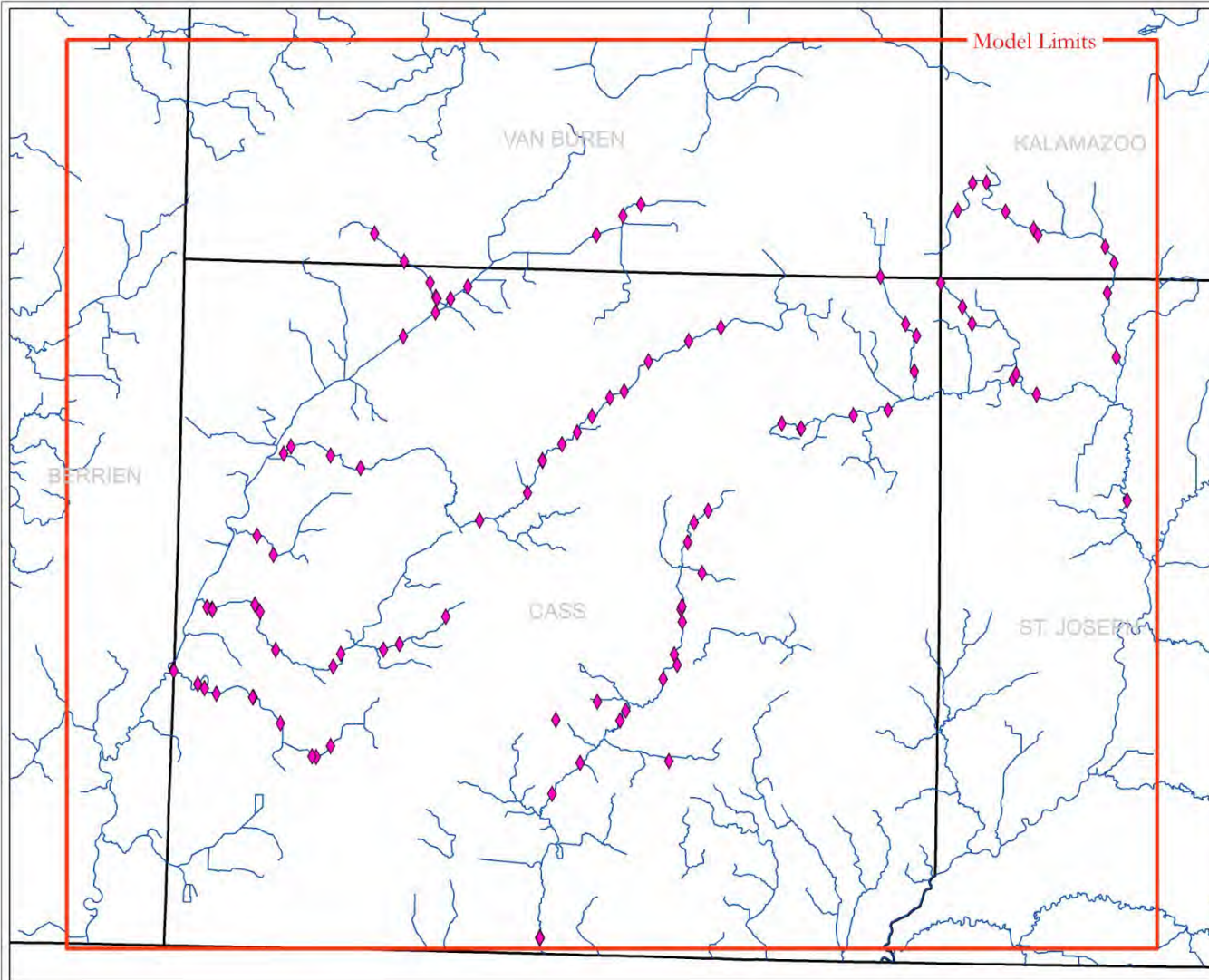


STREAMBED CONDUCTIVITY

VERTICAL-TUBE SEEPAGE METER

GRAIN SIZE ANALYSIS

SLUG TESTING



LEGEND

- ◆ Streambed Conductivity Test Site
- Mi-WWAT Streams (version 9)

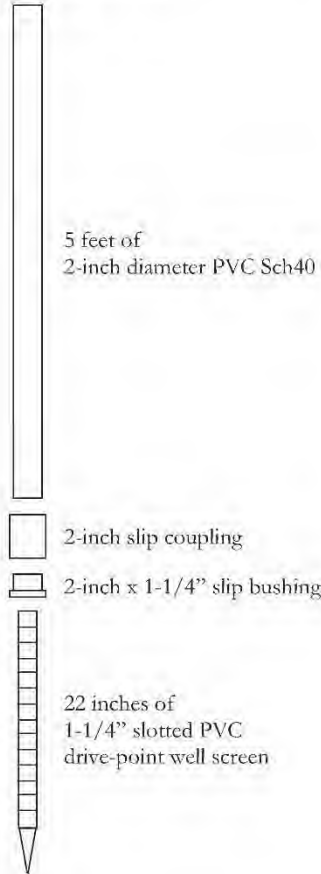


Figure 6
Streambed Conductivity
Test Locations

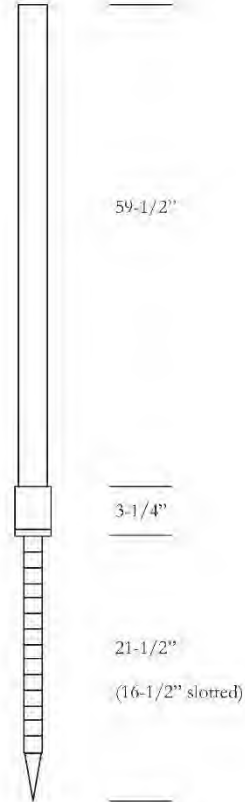
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SLUG TEST - WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

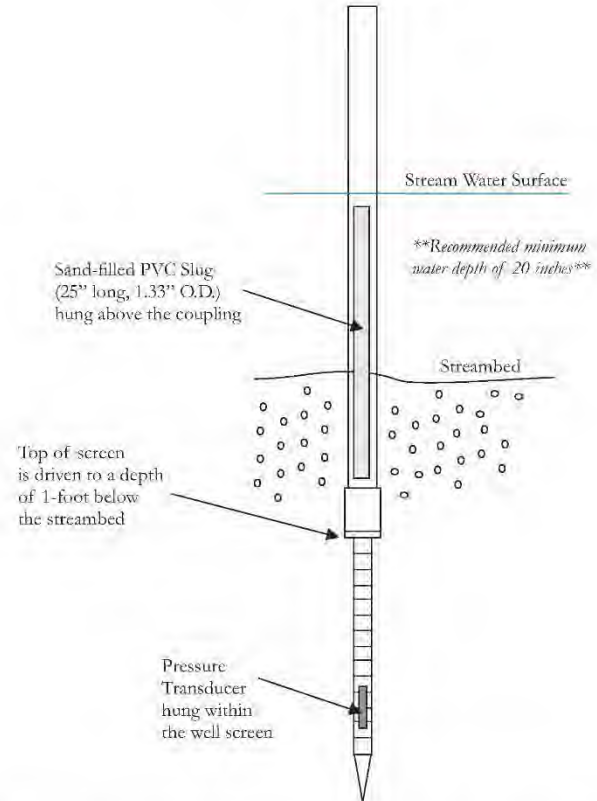
Well Construction Materials



Assembled Well Dimensions



Recommended Field Setup



$$H = \text{water column in the well} = (\text{total well length}) - (\text{tape-down}) = 7.02 \text{ ft} - (\text{tapedown})$$

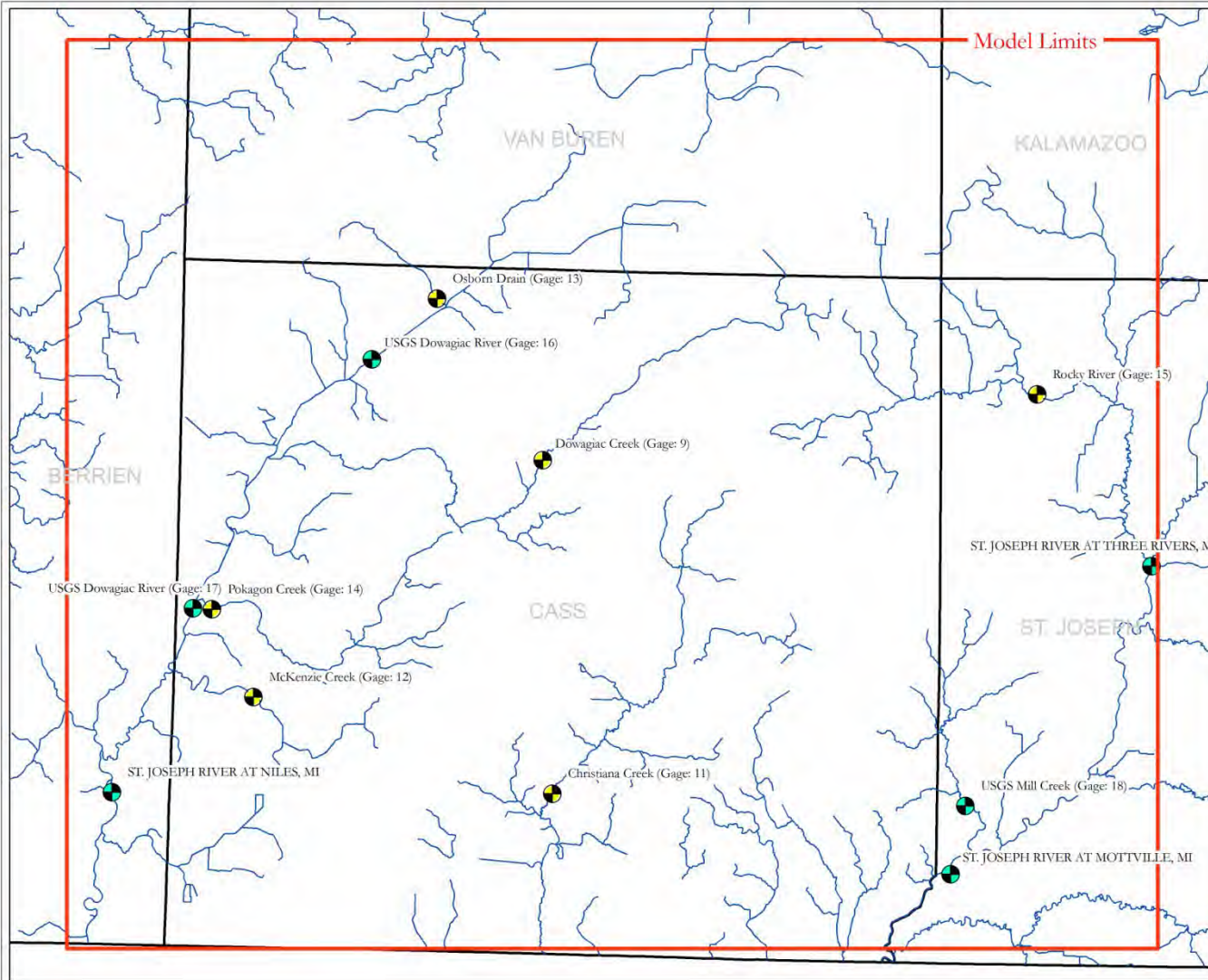
$$H_0 = \text{initial displacement from } 25'' \times 1.33'' \text{ slug} = 0.89 \text{ ft}$$

$$b = \text{aquifer thickness} = \text{total driven depth} = (\text{screen length of } 1.38 \text{ ft}) + (1 \text{ ft}) = 2.38 \text{ ft}$$




SLUG TESTING

SIGNIFICANT LESSONS

- There was no statistical correlation between the three types of tests.
- Grain size analysis and Slug testing are commonly used methods, but neither represents vertical conductivity.
- Gaining or losing conditions are important
- Rising head tests should be used due to layering, fine sediments, and organics
- Barrel-type seepage meters will not work in these conditions
- Vertical Tube Meters are highly recommended based on accuracy, representative of K_v , and efficiency of use



LEGEND

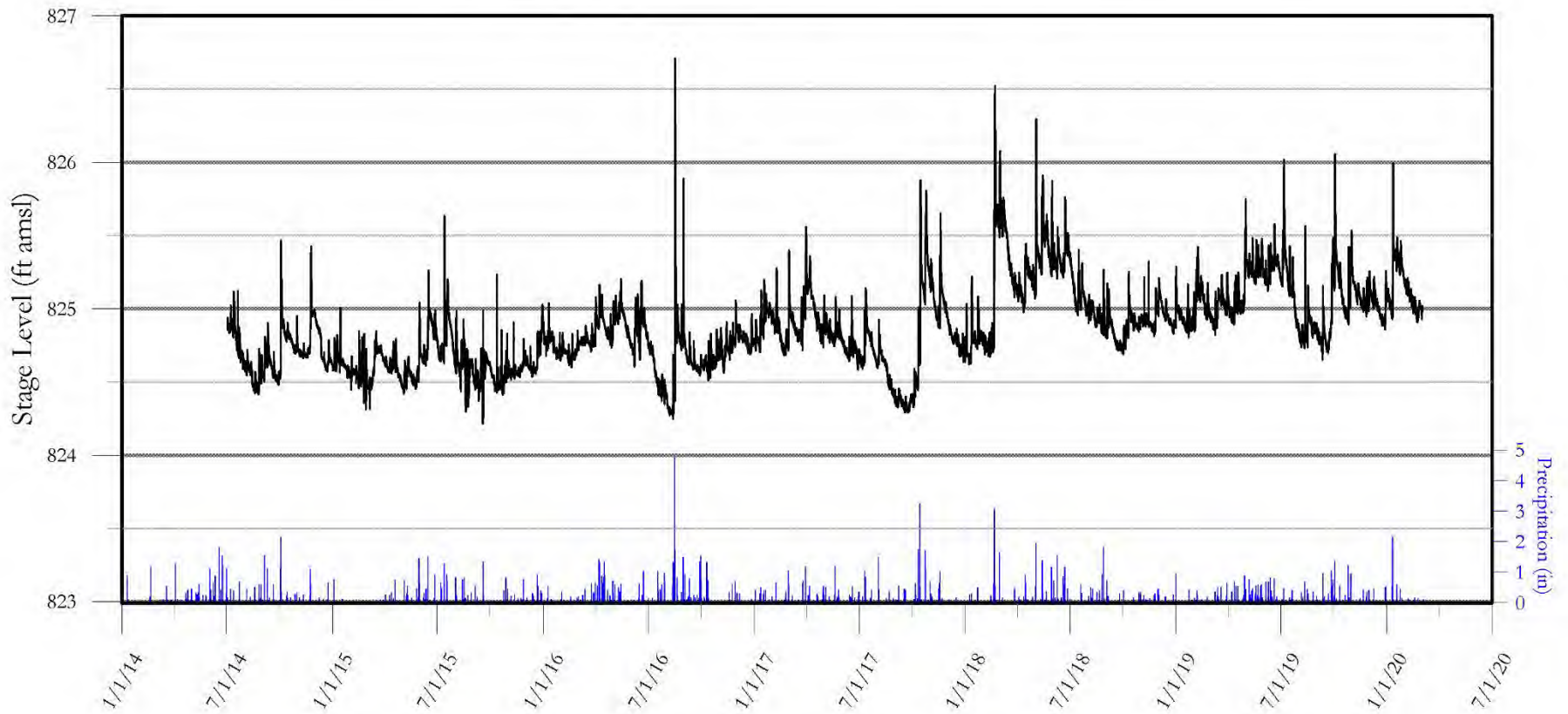
-  Pilot Project Temporary Stream Gages
-  USGS Permanent Stream Gages
-  Mi-WWAT Streams (version 9)



**Figure 5
Stream Gage Locations**

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Gage 9 Annual Water Levels Dowagiac Creek at Dutch Settlement Road





FLOWTRACKER2
\$10,000

GLOBAL WATER
\$1,000

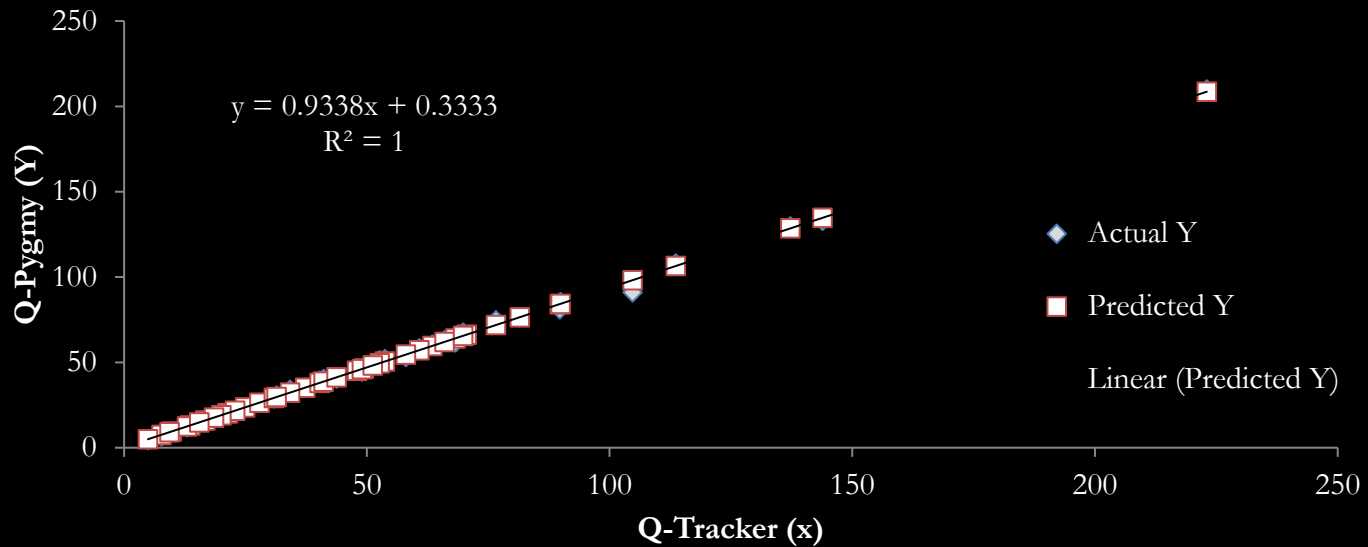


USGS PYGMY
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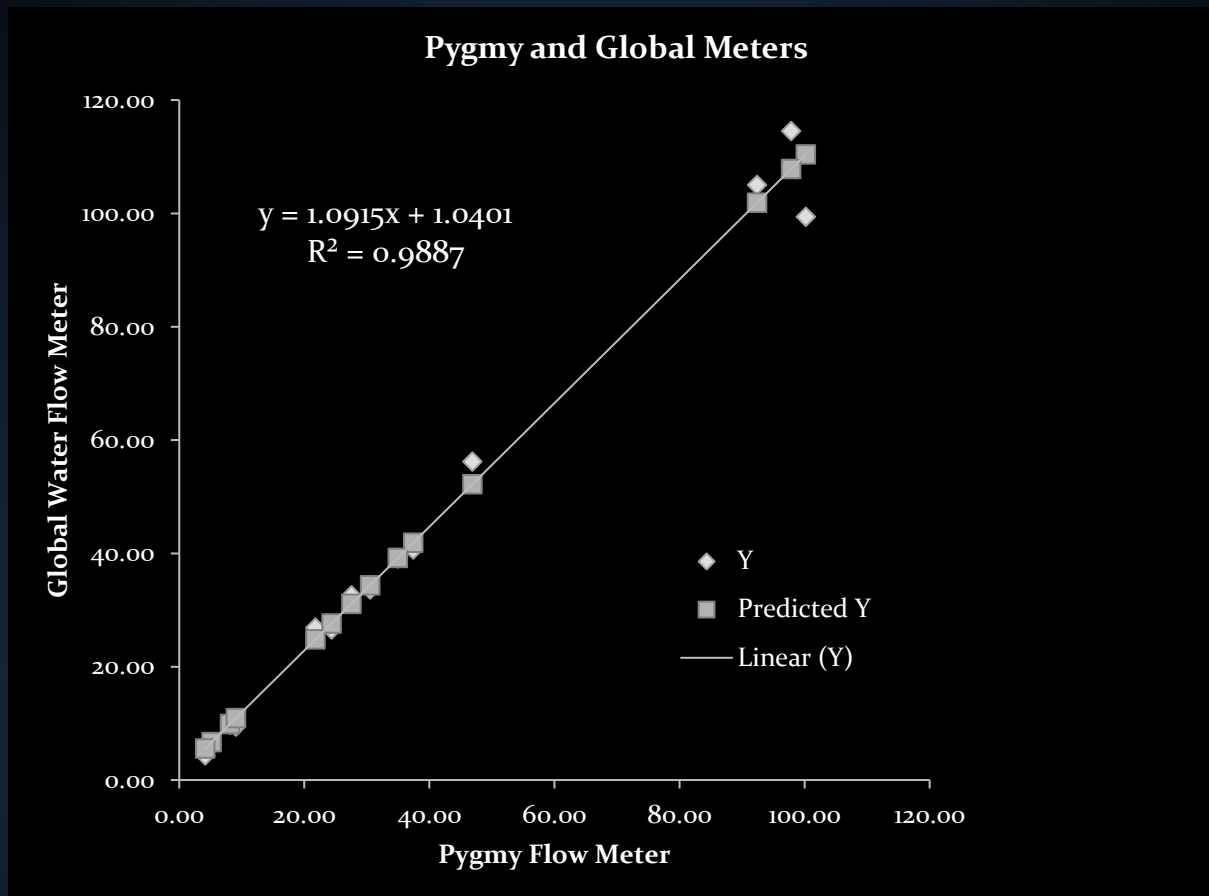


LINEAR REGRESSION

Pygmy and FlowTracker2 Meters



LINEAR REGRESSION



SIGNIFICANT LESSONS

1. GOOD REGRESSION EQUATIONS BETWEEN ALL METERS
2. GLOBAL WATER 17% HIGHER THAN PYGMY
3. PYGMY ABOUT 7% LOWER THAN FLOWTRACKER2
4. USGS STUDIES INDICATE DISCHARGE ACCURACY OF ABOUT 7% IS ACHIEVABLE BUT IS THE MINIMUM ERROR
5. PYGMY AND GLOBAL ARE WORSE IN COLD WEATHER
6. CAREFUL TO AVOID SURFACE WATER INTAKES, DAMS, BENDS, DEADFALLS, STREAMBED OBSTRUCTIONS
7. LONG-TERM STREAM STAGE DATA IS INVALUABLE
8. CRITICAL TO SUPERIMPOSE PRECIPITATION DATA

FIELD WORK SUMMARY

120 Streambed Conductivity Test Sites

135 Stream Discharge Measurements

30 new monitoring wells

50 aquifer performance tests

6 new stream gages

65 stream stage sites

51 active monitoring wells

25 million water level measurements

TRANSFERRABLE TECHNOLOGY

1. Streambed Conductivity Tests - Vertical Tube Seepage Meters
2. Stream Discharge - meter comparison
3. Pressure Transducers - three brands, two types
4. 1-minute and 15-minute measurement intervals
5. Water Level Accuracy of 1/2-inch (0.04 ft)
6. Single Monitoring Wells
7. 24-hour Aquifer Tests using Pivot Systems
8. Ultra-sonic flow meters for well pumping rates
9. Water level data QA/QC procedures and templates

QUARTERLY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Reviewed progress and products

Data transfer

Discussed methodologies and adjustments

FIELD DEMONSTRATION AND TRAINING DAYS

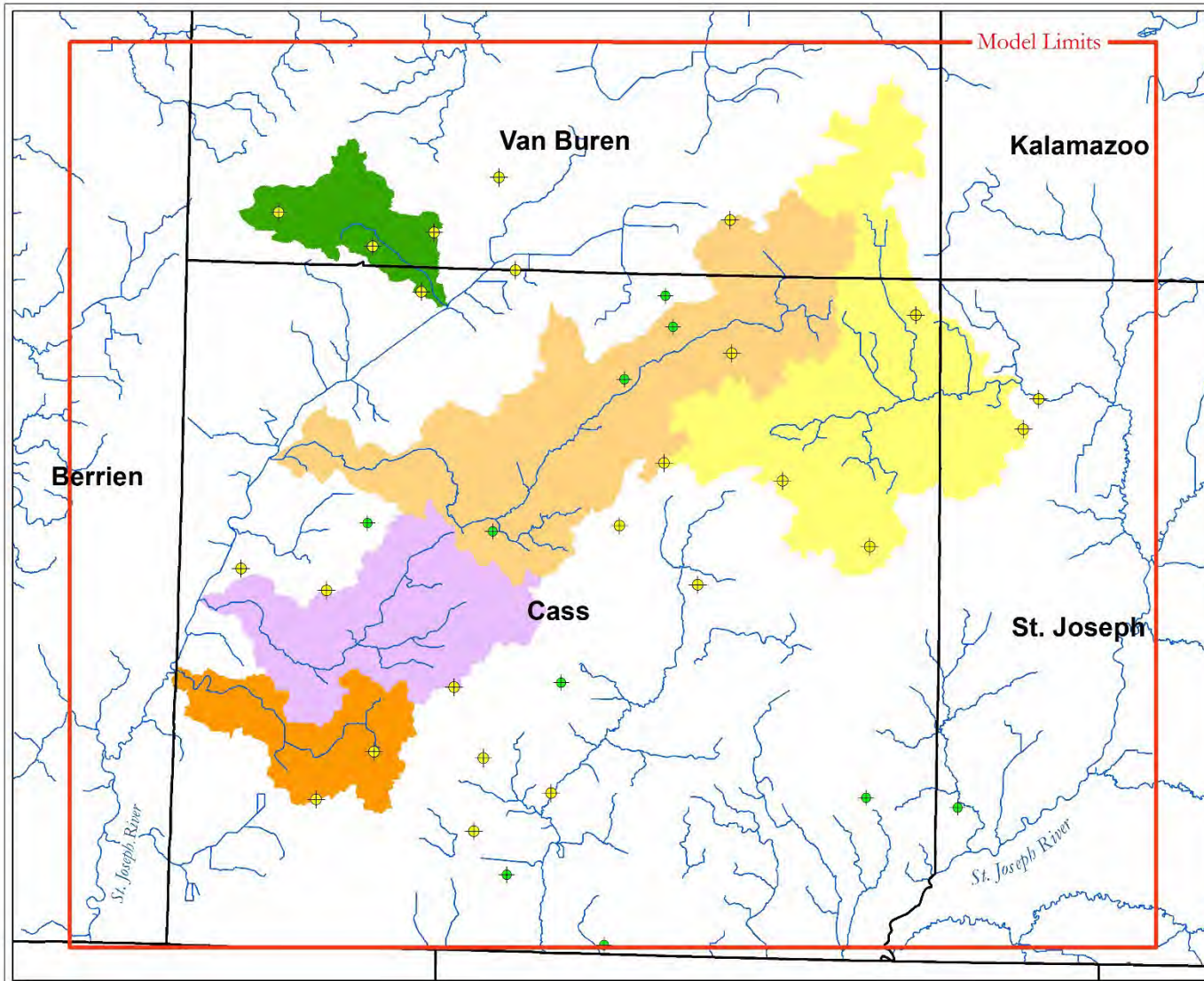
Mud-rotary Drilling (two days)

Stream discharge and streambed conductivity

Monitoring well data collection and processing

GROUNDWATER FLOW MODEL

- PURPOSE:** Estimate streamflow depletion from crop irrigation
- GOAL:** Reasonable and representative model
- MODEL TYPE:** Change model

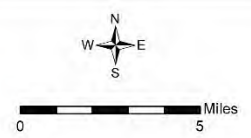


LEGEND

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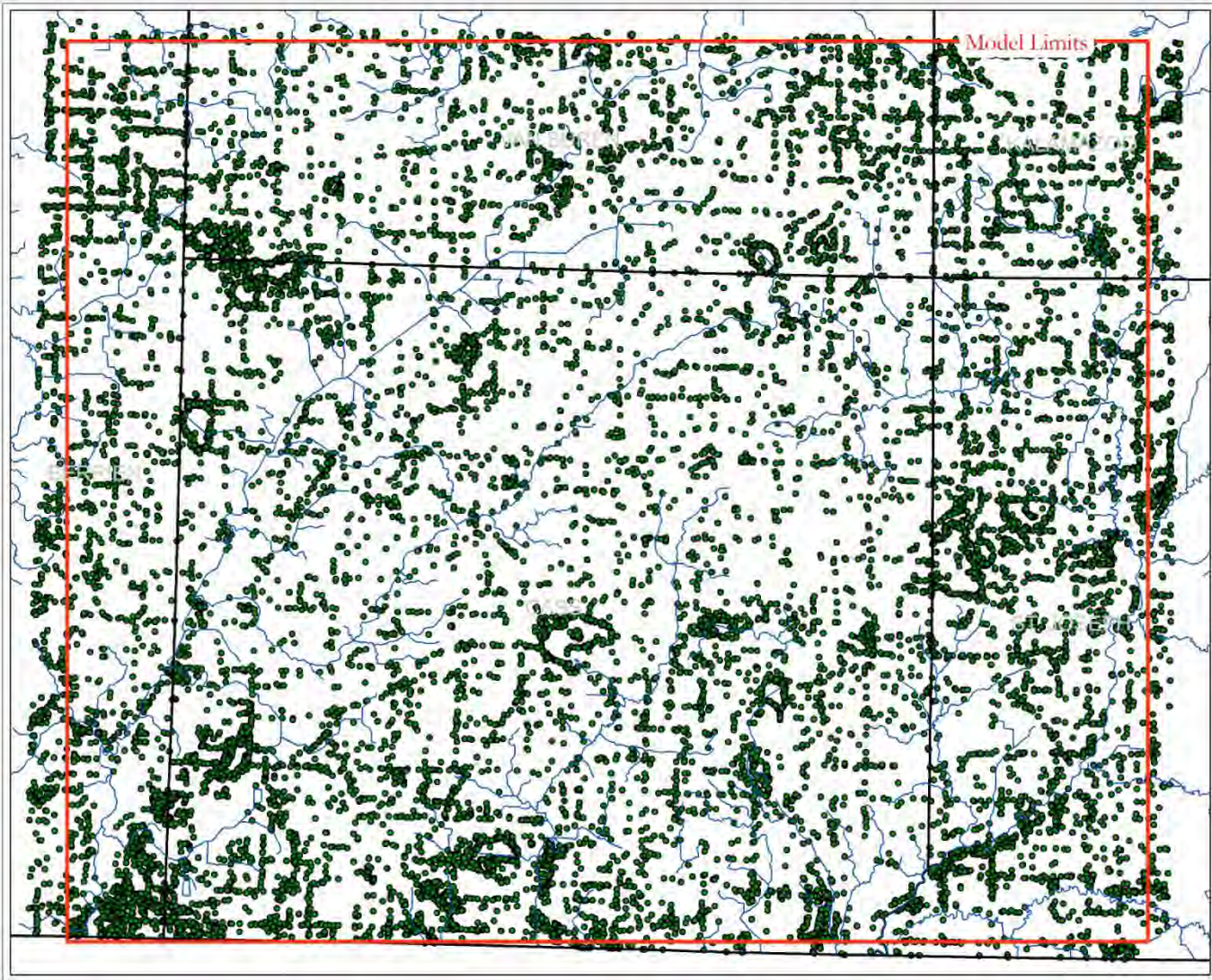
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Model Limits

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WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREAS OF INTEREST



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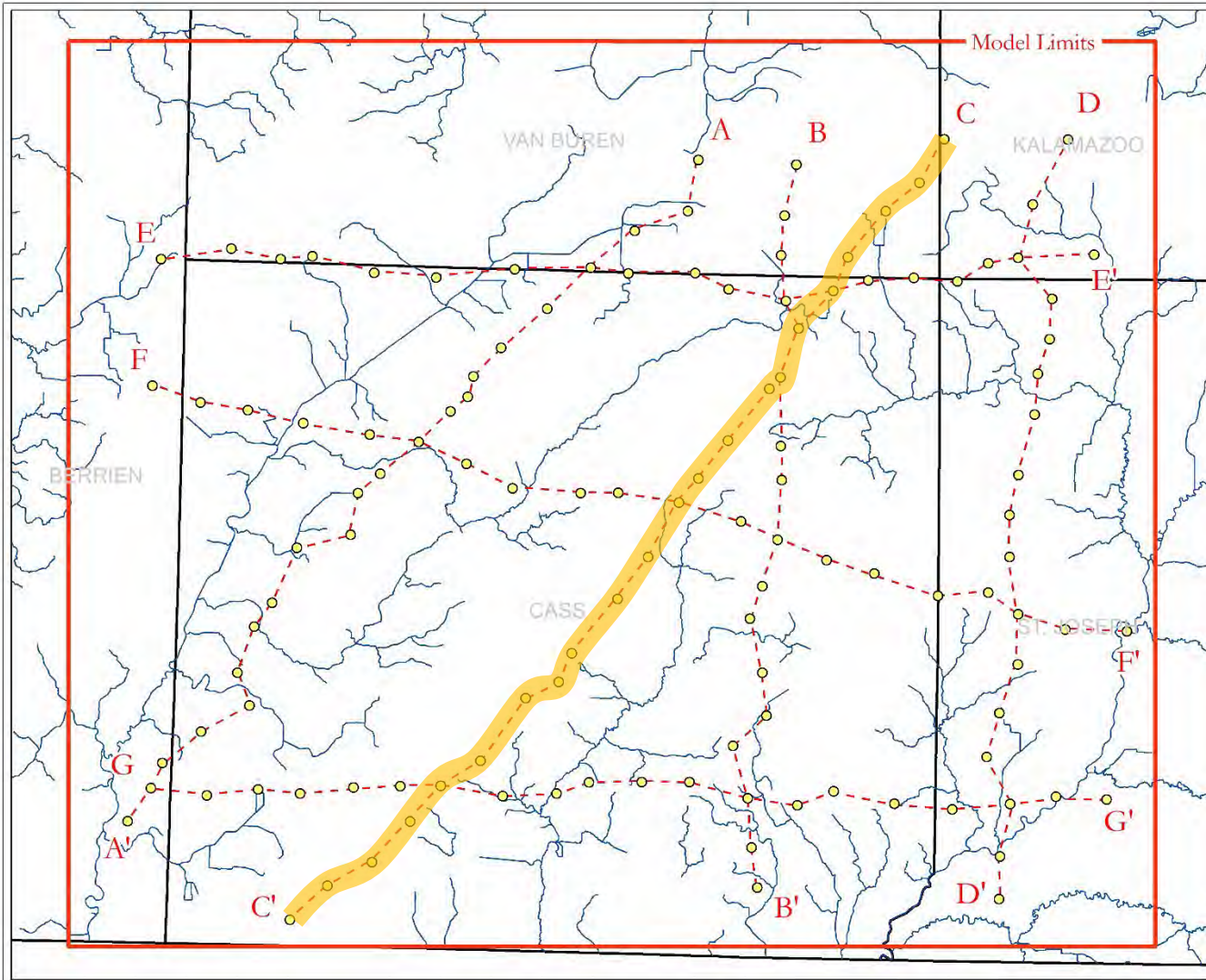
- Wellogic Well Log Locations
- Mi-WWAT Streams (version 9)



Figure 7
Wellogic Well Locations

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21,000 LOGS



LEGEND

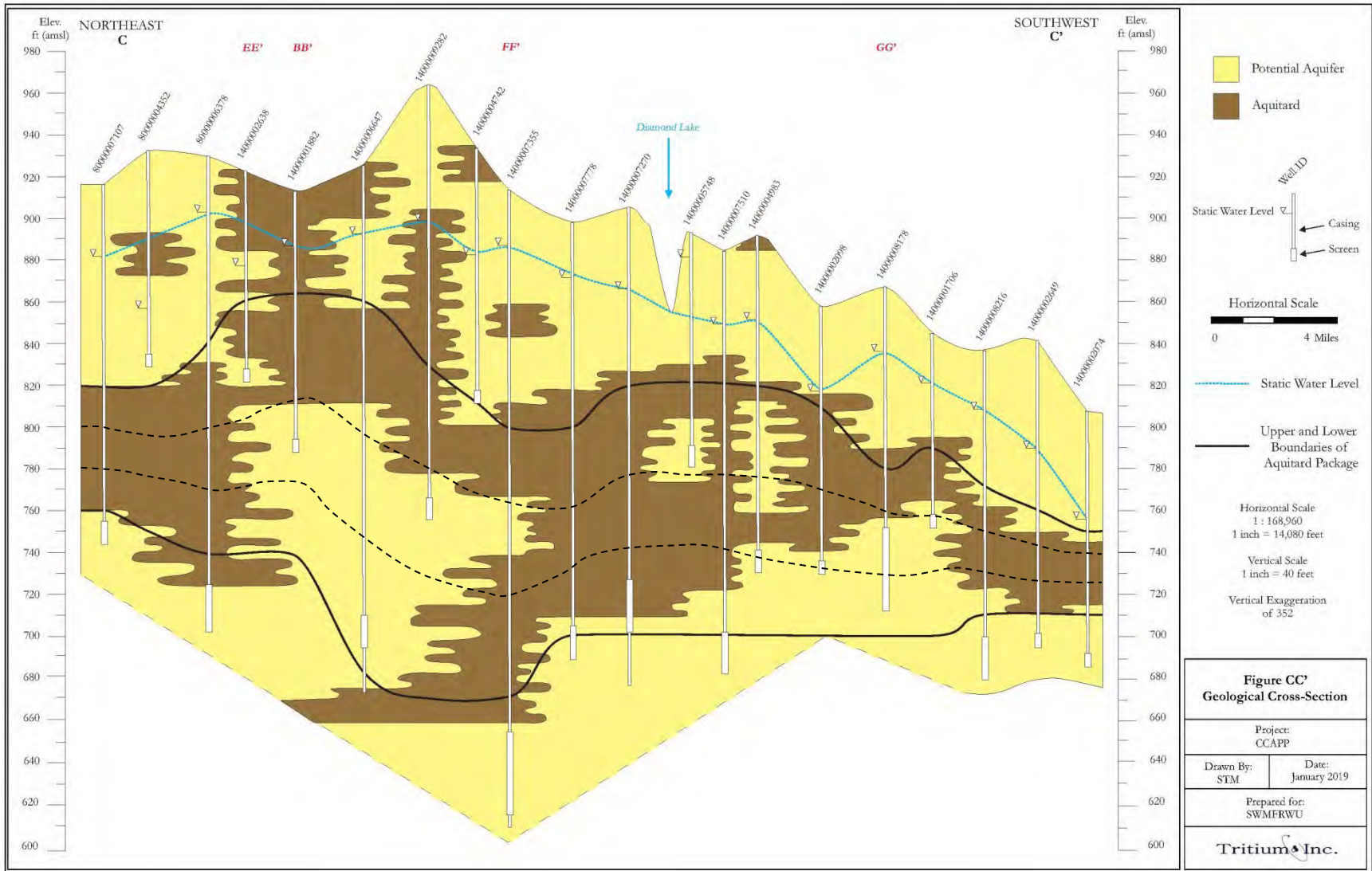
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- - - Regional Cross-section Line

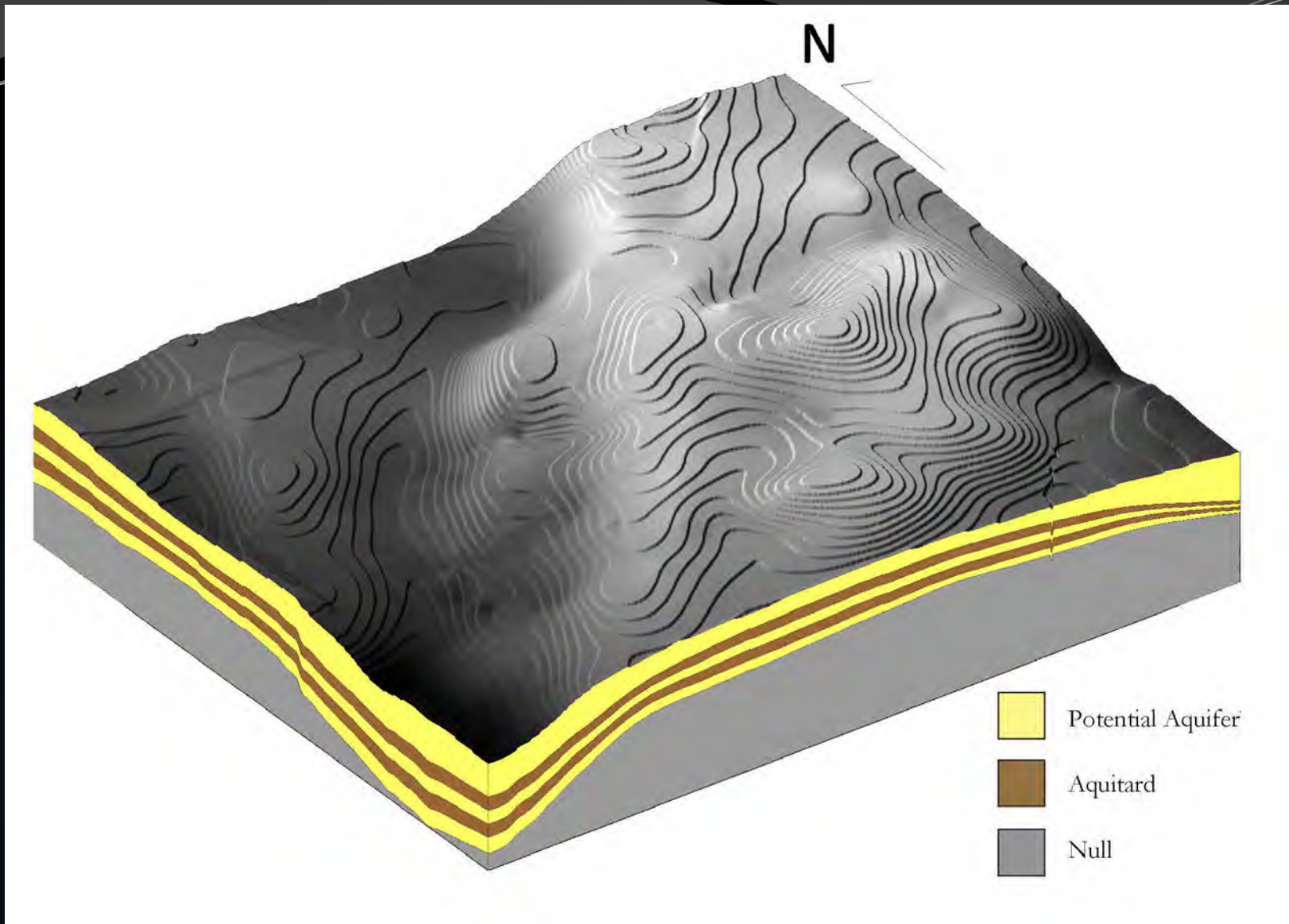
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Figure 8
Regional Geologic Cross-sections

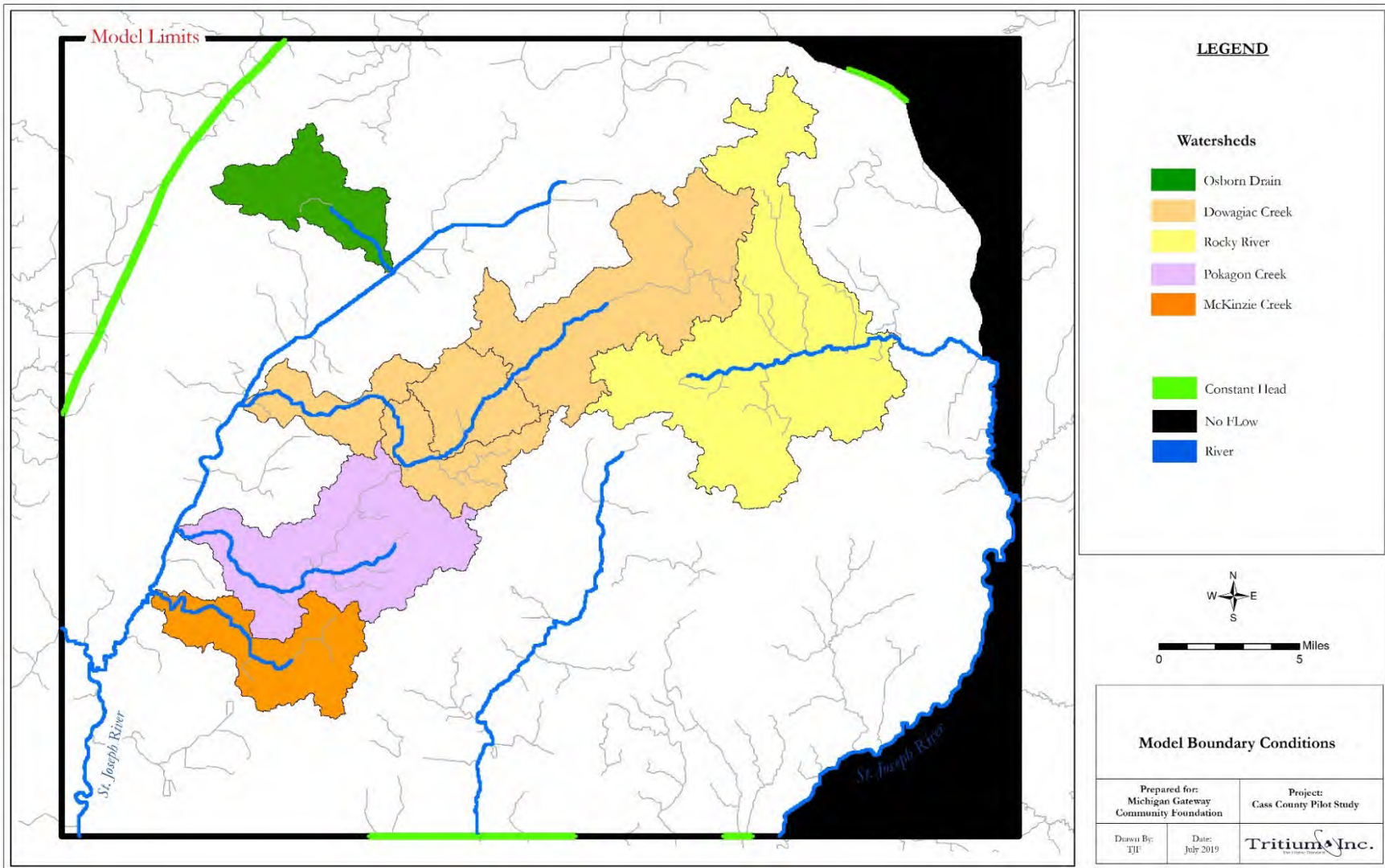
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7 REGIONAL
80 LOCAL



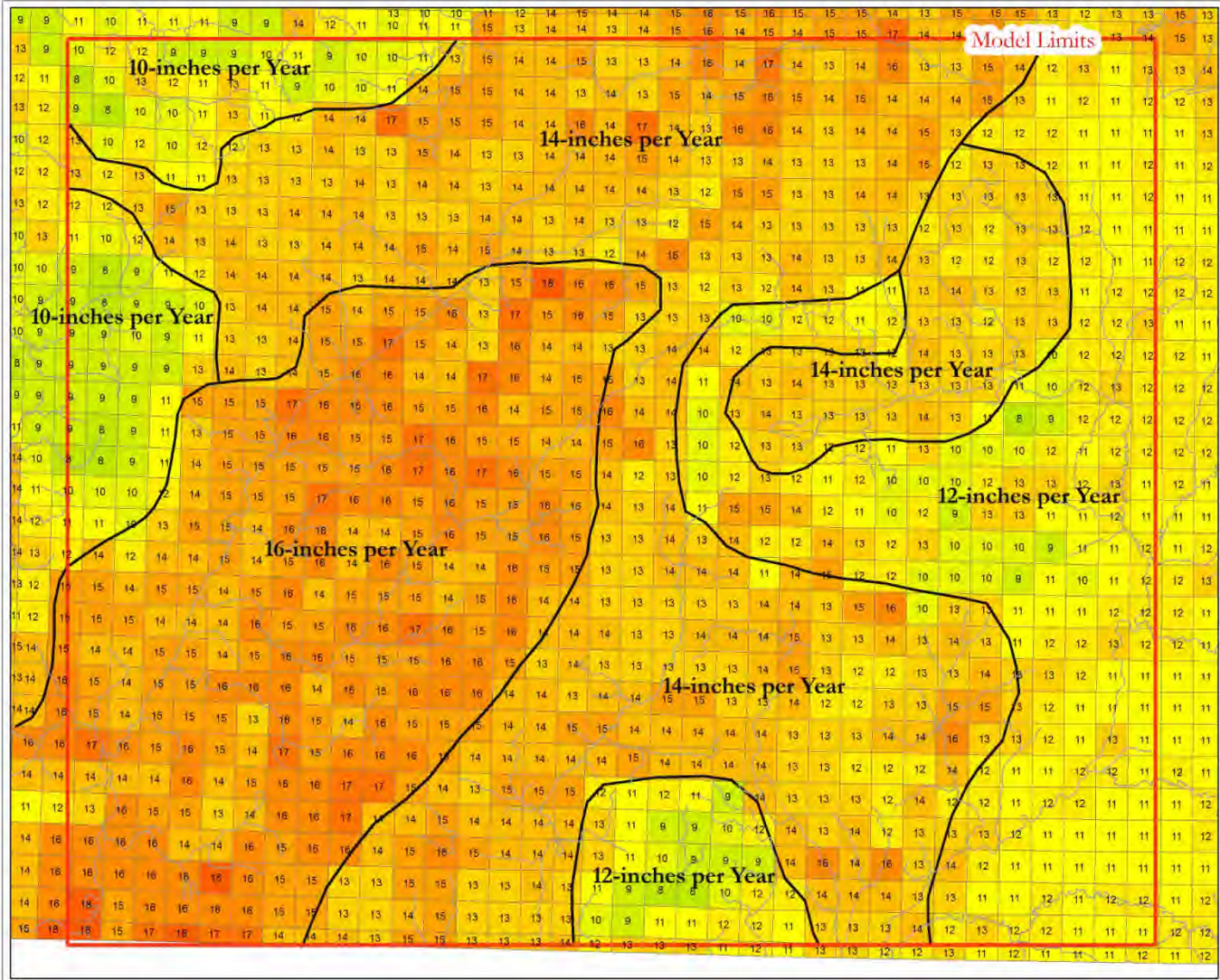


- 5 LAYERS
- 200-FT BY 200-FT CELL GRID
- 3.1 MILLION ACTIVE CELLS



Boundary
Constant Head
No-Flow
River

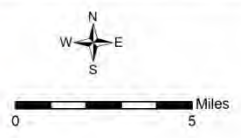
Basis
Groundwater Contour
Groundwater Flowline
Rivers and Streams



LEGEND

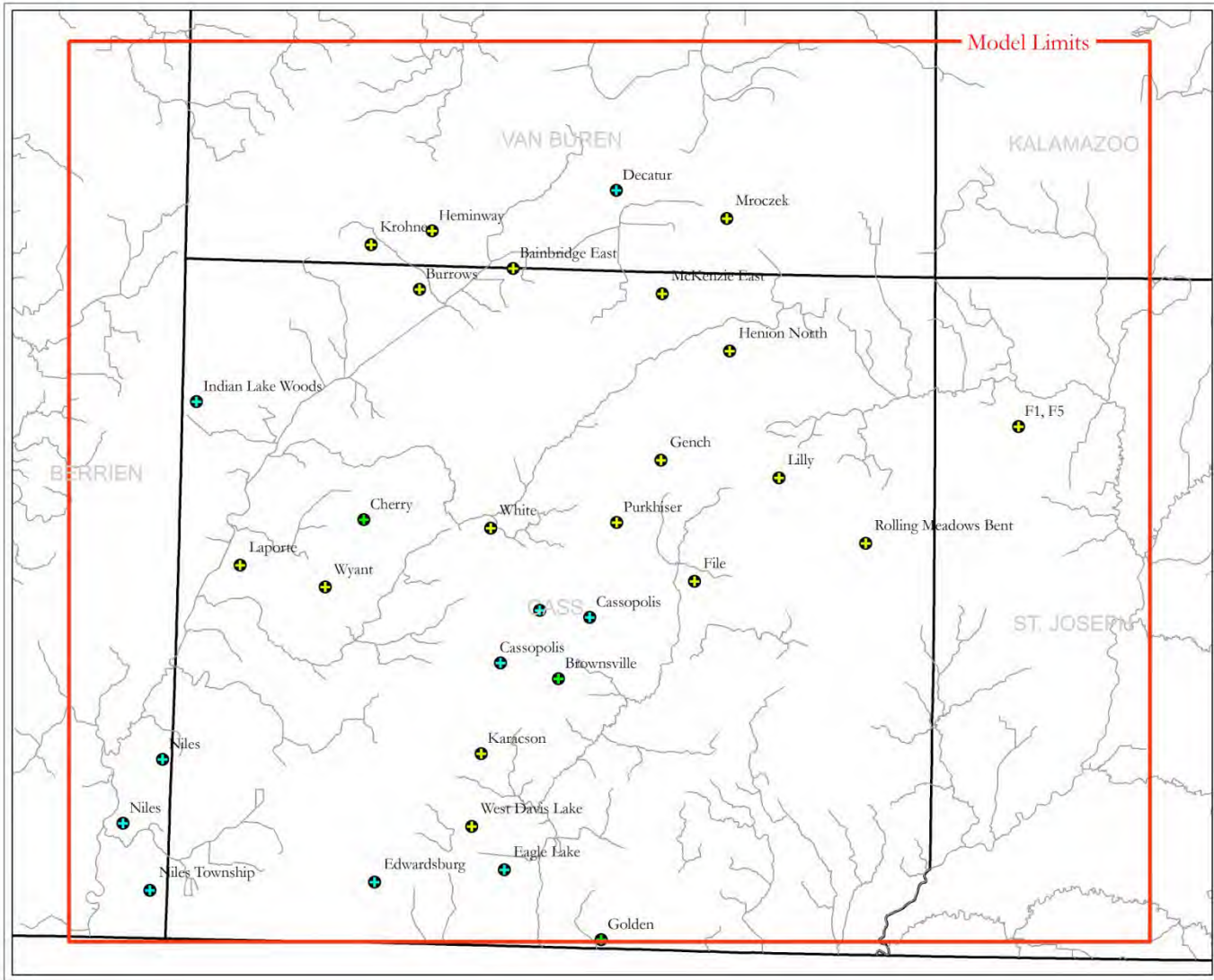
- 14 Estimated Groundwater Recharge* (inches per year)
- Mi-WWAT Streams (version 9)
- Groundwater Recharge Zone Boundary

*source: Michigan Geographic Data Library (MiGDL)



**Figure 13
Model Groundwater
Recharge Zones**

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LEGEND

- Pilot Project Wellfield
- Private Wellfield
- Stream Stage Measurement Location
- Mi-WWAT Streams (version 9)



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Figure 11
Aquifer Performance
Test Locations

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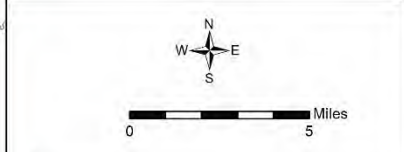
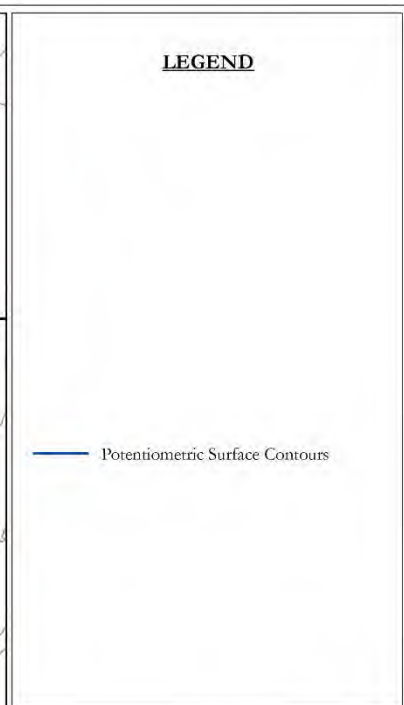
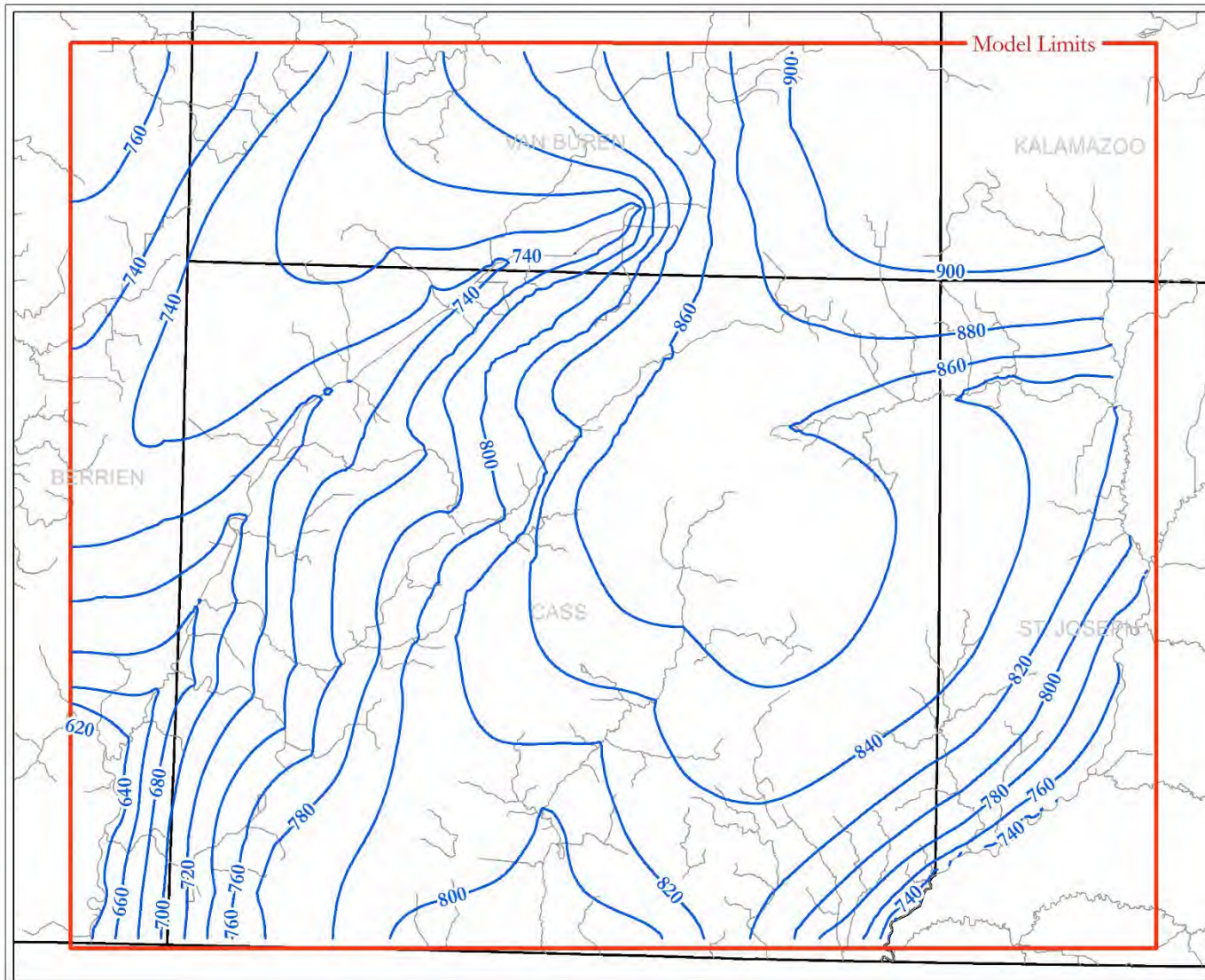


Figure 21
Model-generated
Potentiometric Surface

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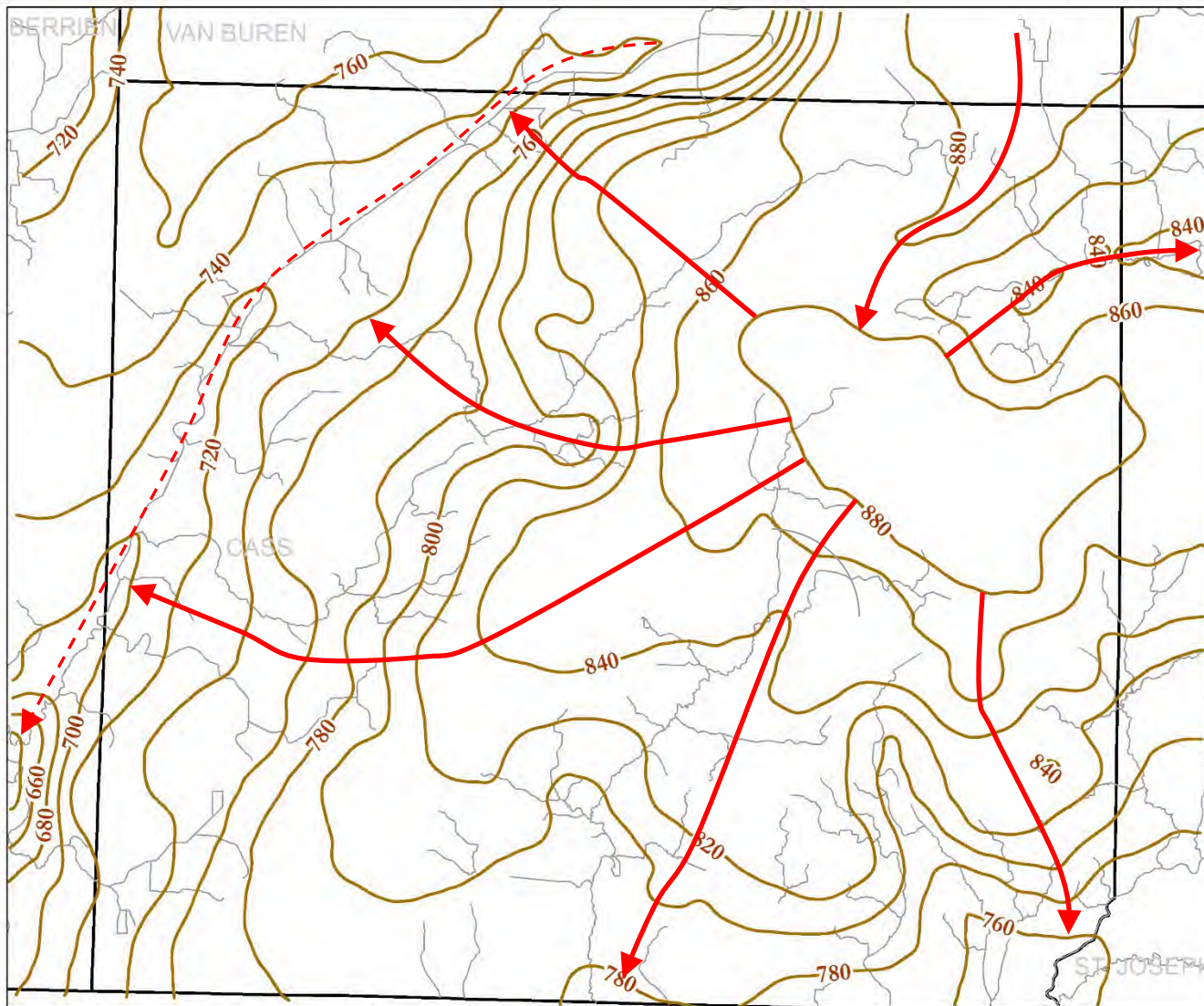
**MODEL-PREDICTED GROUNDWATER
 LEVELS IN LAYER 1**

STEADY-STATE CALIBRATION

1. GRAPHICAL COMPARISON

2. CALIBRATION TARGETS

- RESIDUAL DISTRIBUTION
- RESIDUAL PLOTS
- STATISTICAL ANALYSIS



LEGEND

— Esch-Mapped
Groundwater Levels



**Esch-Mapped
Groundwater Levels**

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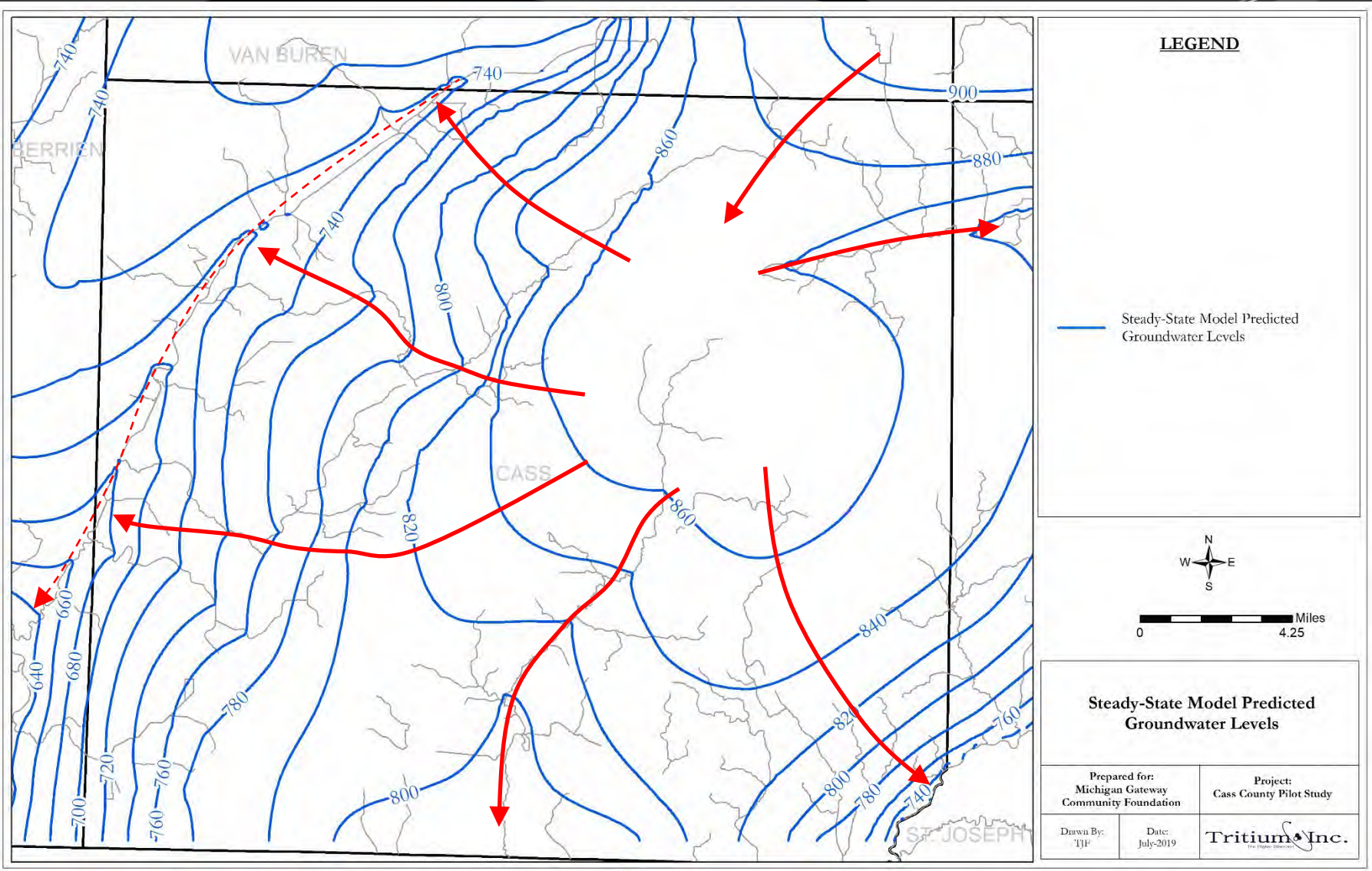
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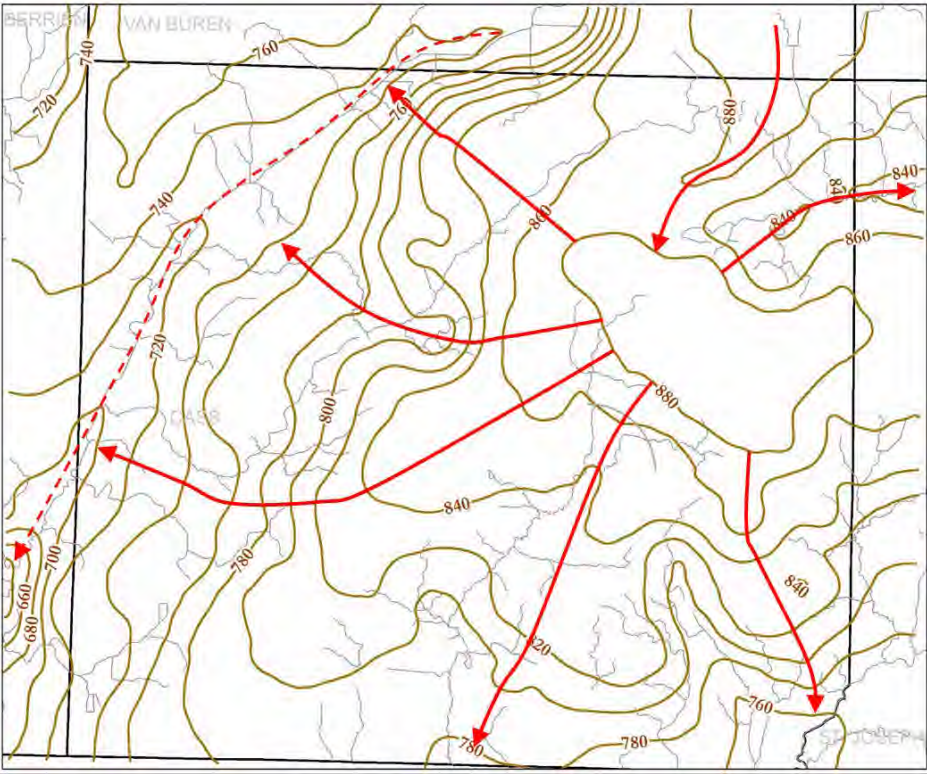
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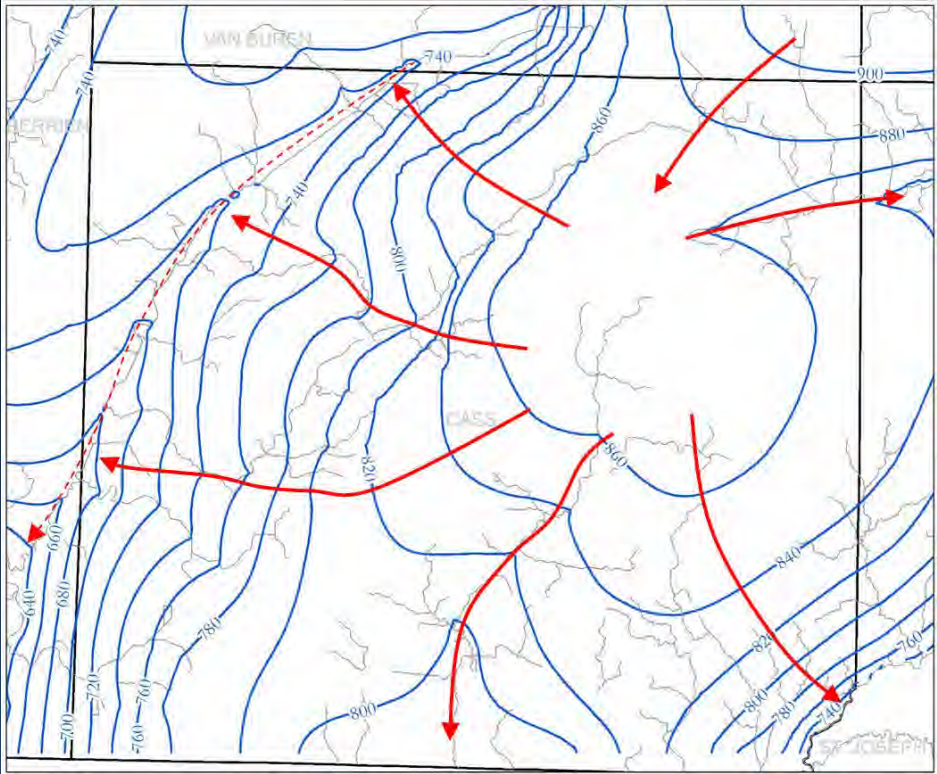
GROUNDWATER LEVELS GENERATED
FROM WELLOGIC DATABASE (ESCH)



MODEL - PREDICTED GROUNDWATER
LEVELS IN LAYER 1



ESCH WELLOGIC
WATER LEVELS



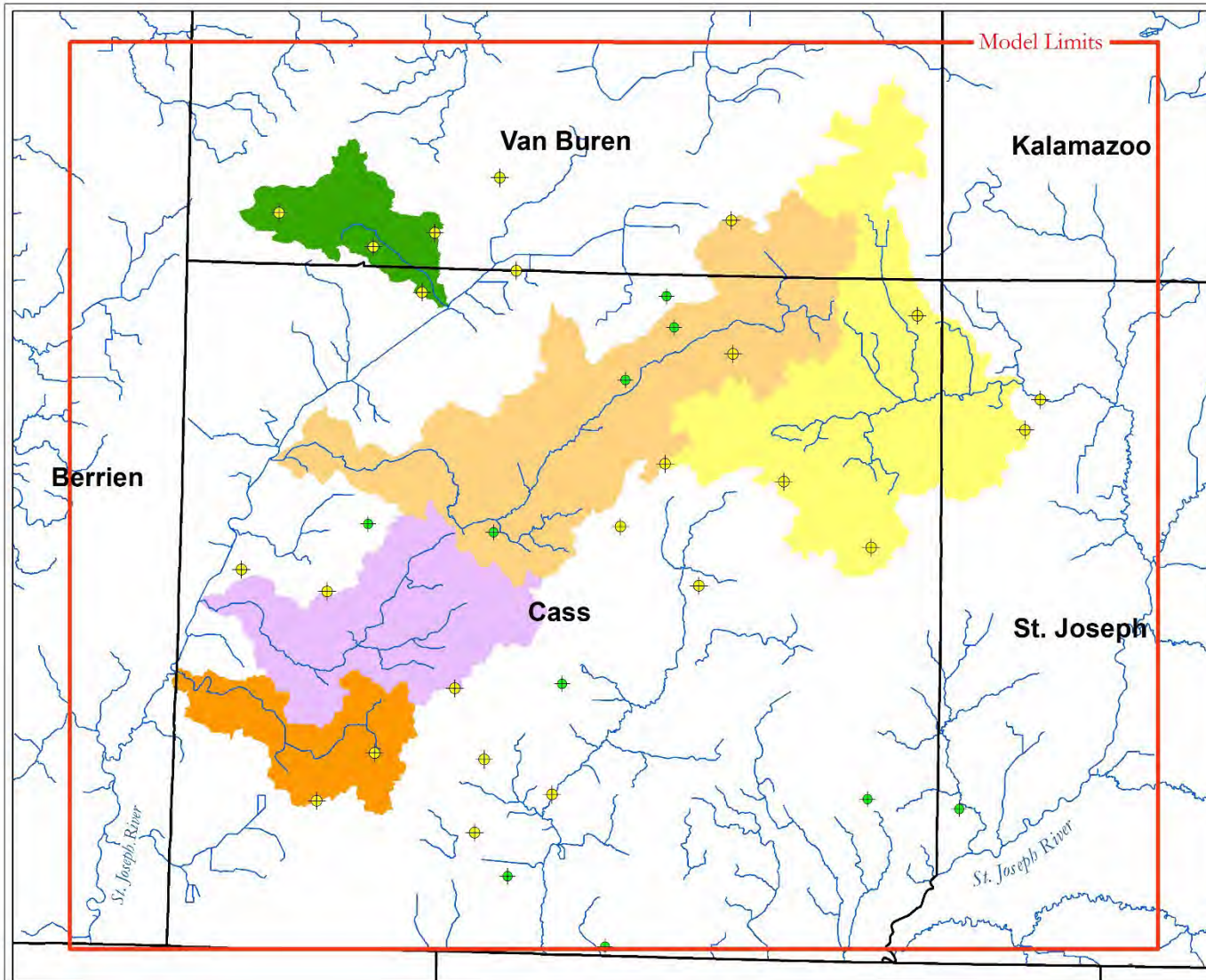
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WATER LEVELS

CALIBRATION TARGETS

THREE SETS OF DATA

CALIBRATION SET #1

MONITORING WELLS

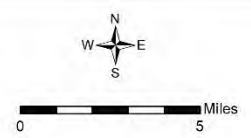


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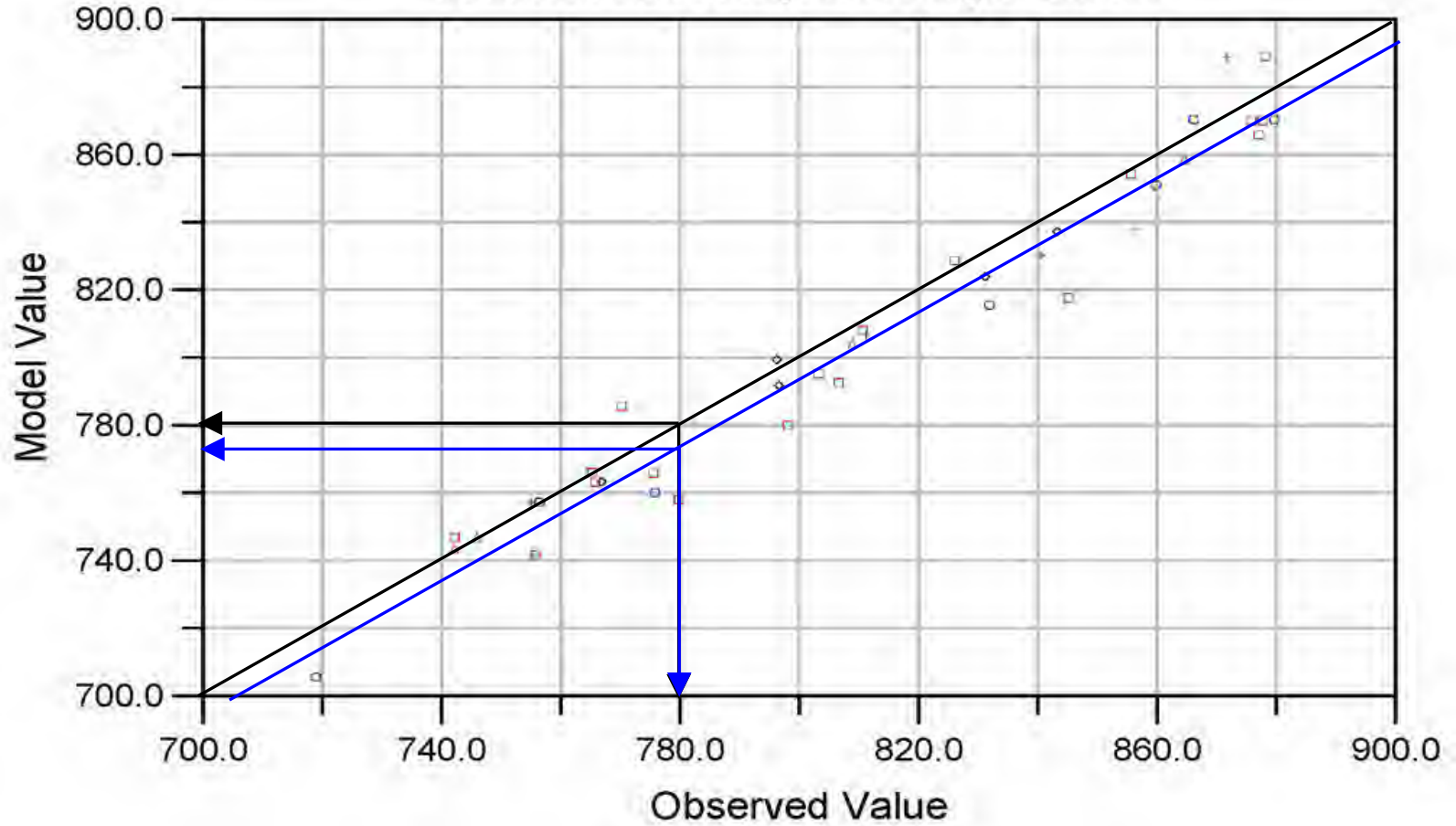


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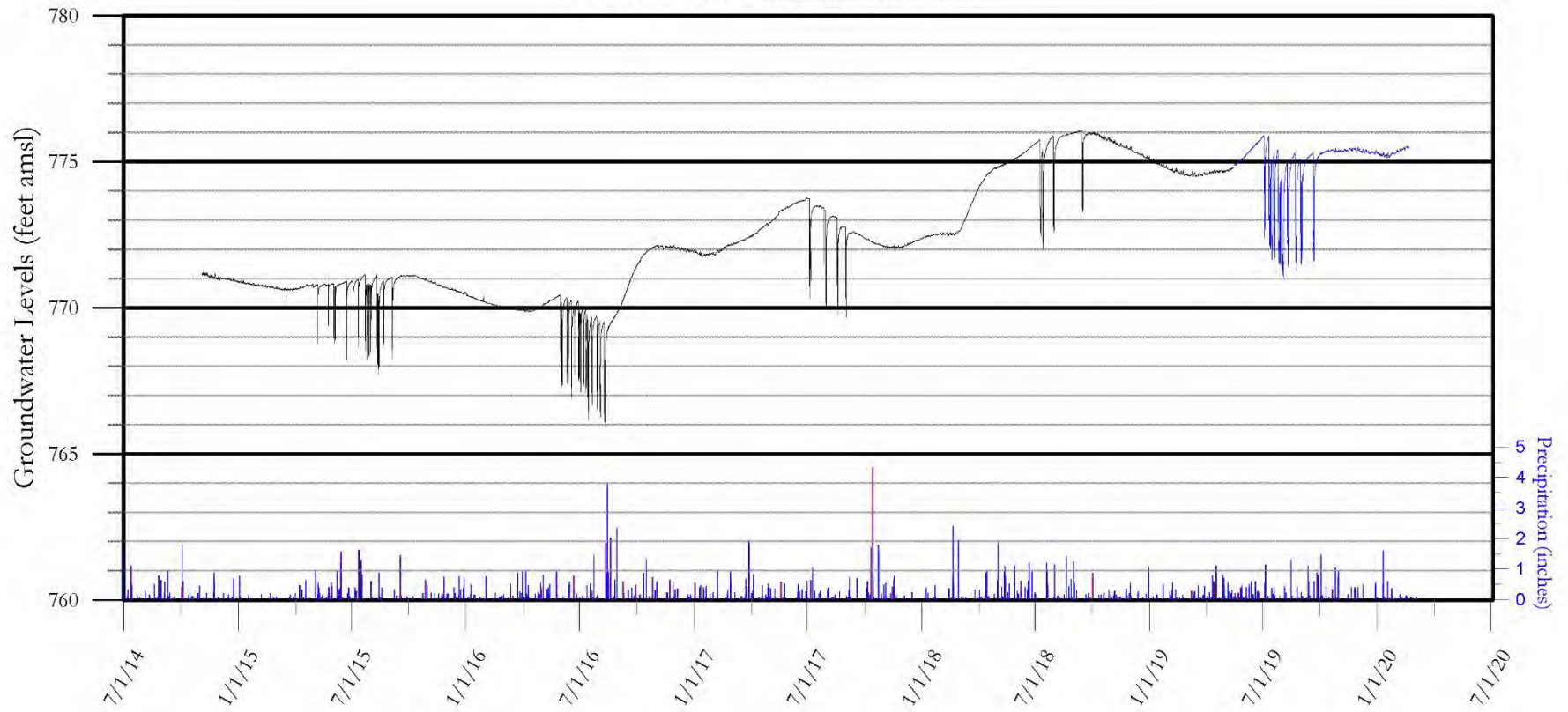
MONITORING WELL CALIBRATION TARGETS

Observed vs. Computed Target Values



STEADY-STATE HEAD CALIBRATION
MODEL VERSUS MONITORING WELLS

Central Produce Supply Monitoring Well - Cherry Field Annual Groundwater Levels

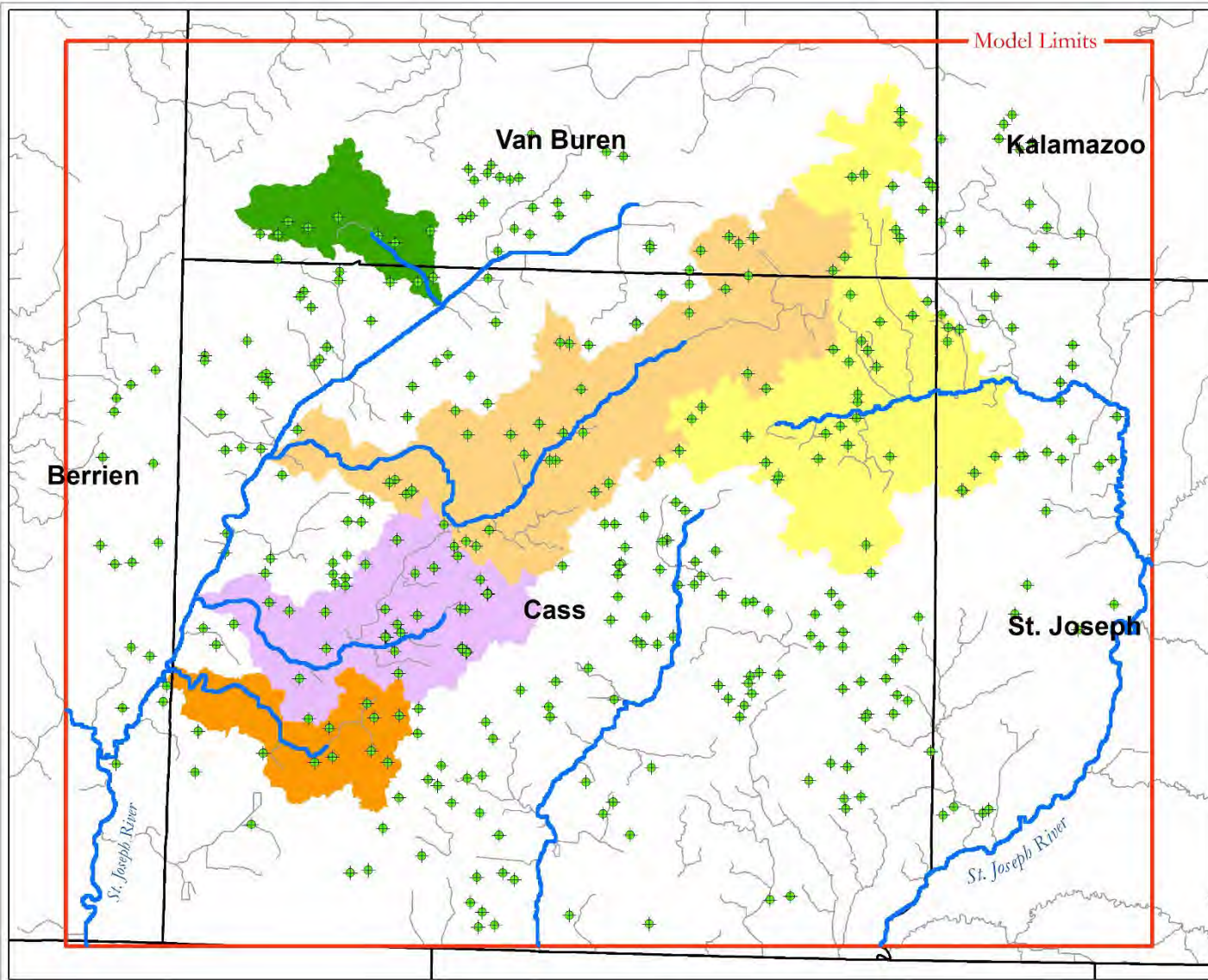


STATISTICAL EVALUATION MONITORING WELL MEASUREMENTS

Residual Mean	5.67	
Absolute Residual Mean	8.72	
Residual Std. Deviation	9.24	
Min. Residual	-17.09	
Max. Residual	27.38	
Number of Observations	42	
Range in Observations	161	← Target is <10% of this value
R-squared	0.961	
Percent Model Error	3.89%	
Global Mass Balance Error	-0.0046%	← Target is +/- 0.05%

CALIBRATION SET #2

WELLOGIC
HIGH-CAPACITY WELLS
LOG DATA



LEGEND

Watersheds

- Osborn Drain
- Dowagiac Creek
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Welogic High-capacity Wells

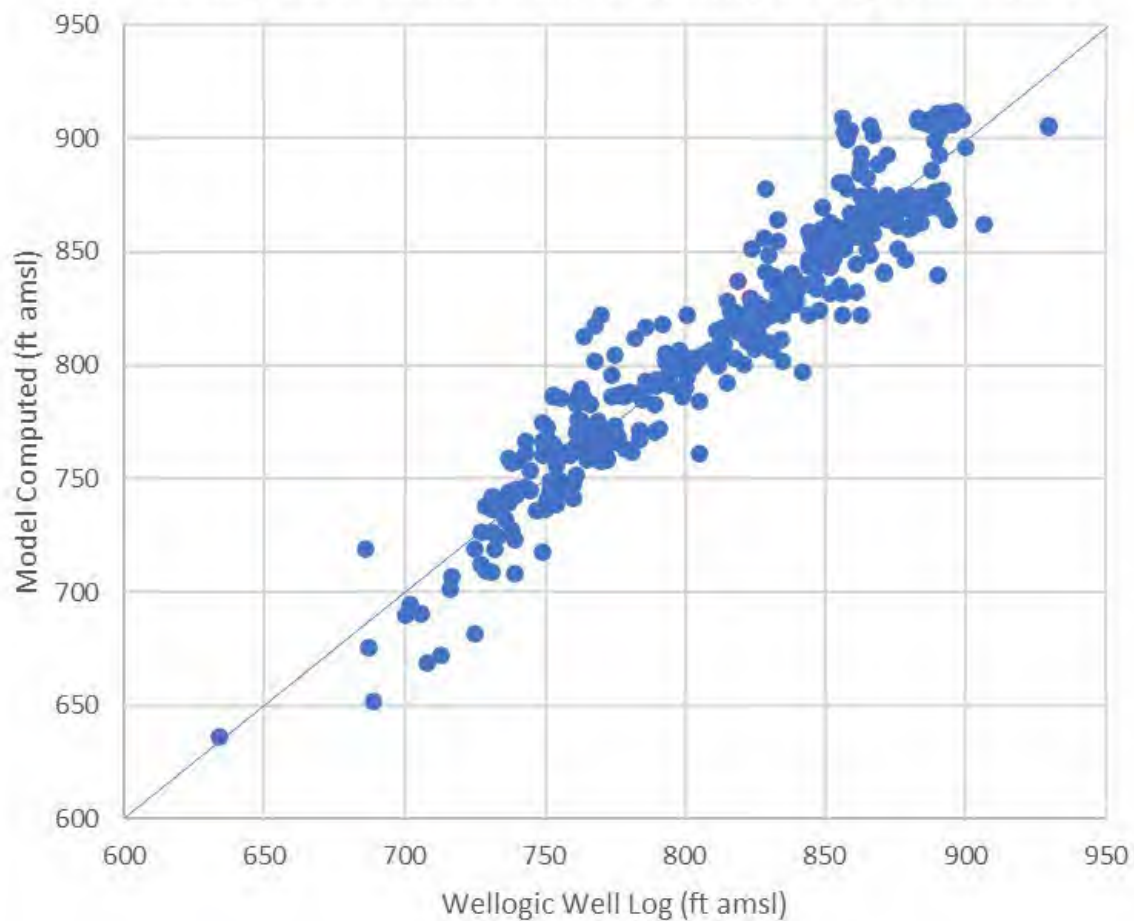
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Welogic High-Capacity Wells

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WELLOGIC
HIGH-CAPACITY WELL TARGETS

Steady-State Calibration to Wellogic Irrigation Wells



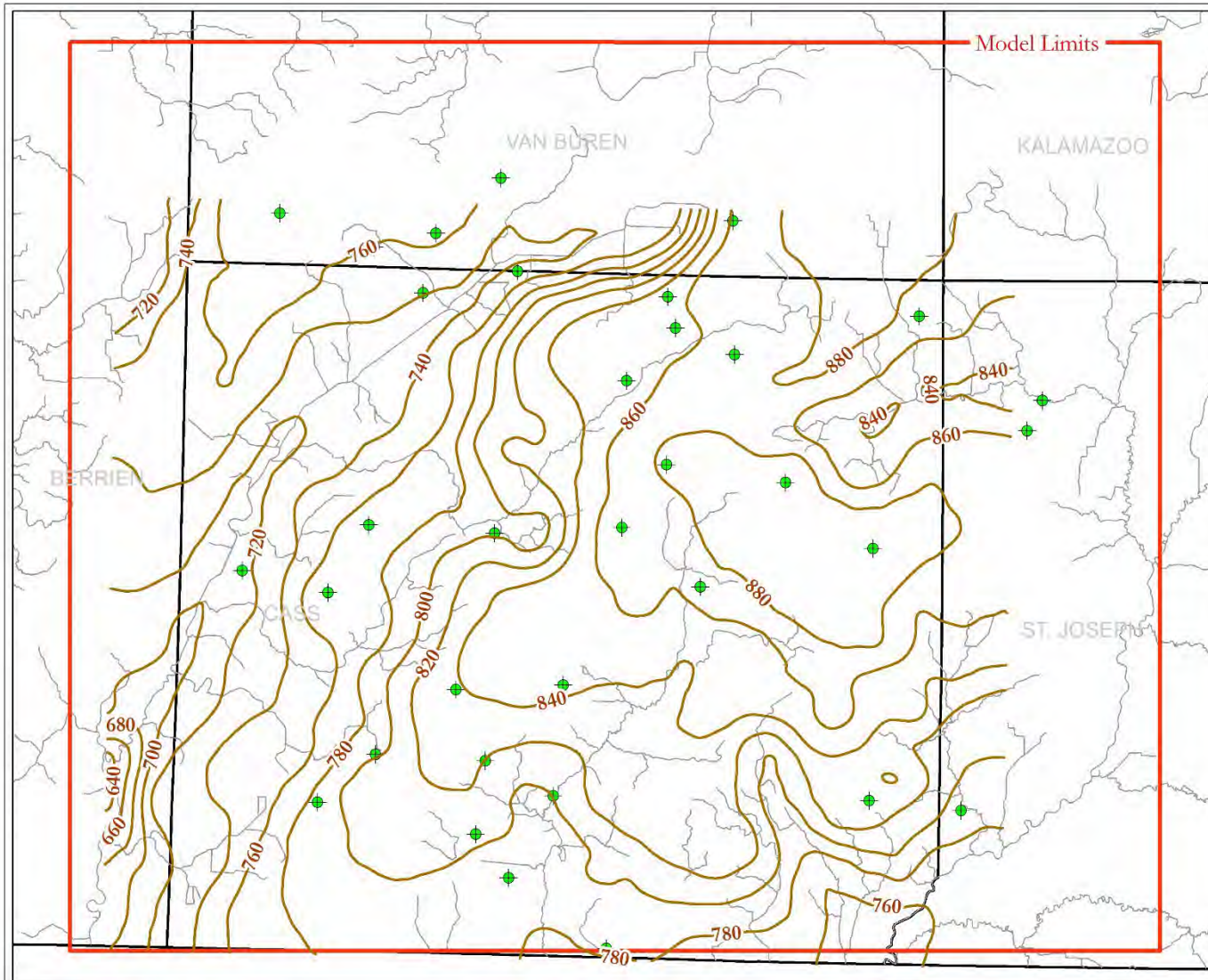
STEADY-STATE HEAD CALIBRATION
MODEL VERSUS WELLOGIC WELL LOG VALUES

STATISTICAL EVALUATION WELLOGIC WELL LOG VALUES

Residual Mean	0.13	
Absolute Residual Mean	13.01	
Residual Std. Deviation	17.05	
Min. Residual	-52.77	
Max. Residual	50.56	
Number of Observations	370	
Range in Observations	296	← Target is <10% of this value
R-squared	0.961	
Percent Model Error	3.89%	
Global Mass Balance Error	-0.0046%	← Target is +/- 0.05%

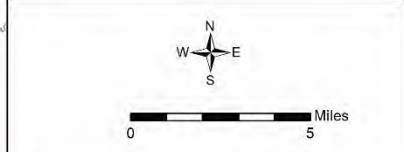
CALIBRATION SET #3

JOHN ESCH
REFINED WELLOGIC DATA



LEGEND

- ◆ Available Monitoring Wells
- Esch-Mapped Groundwater Levels

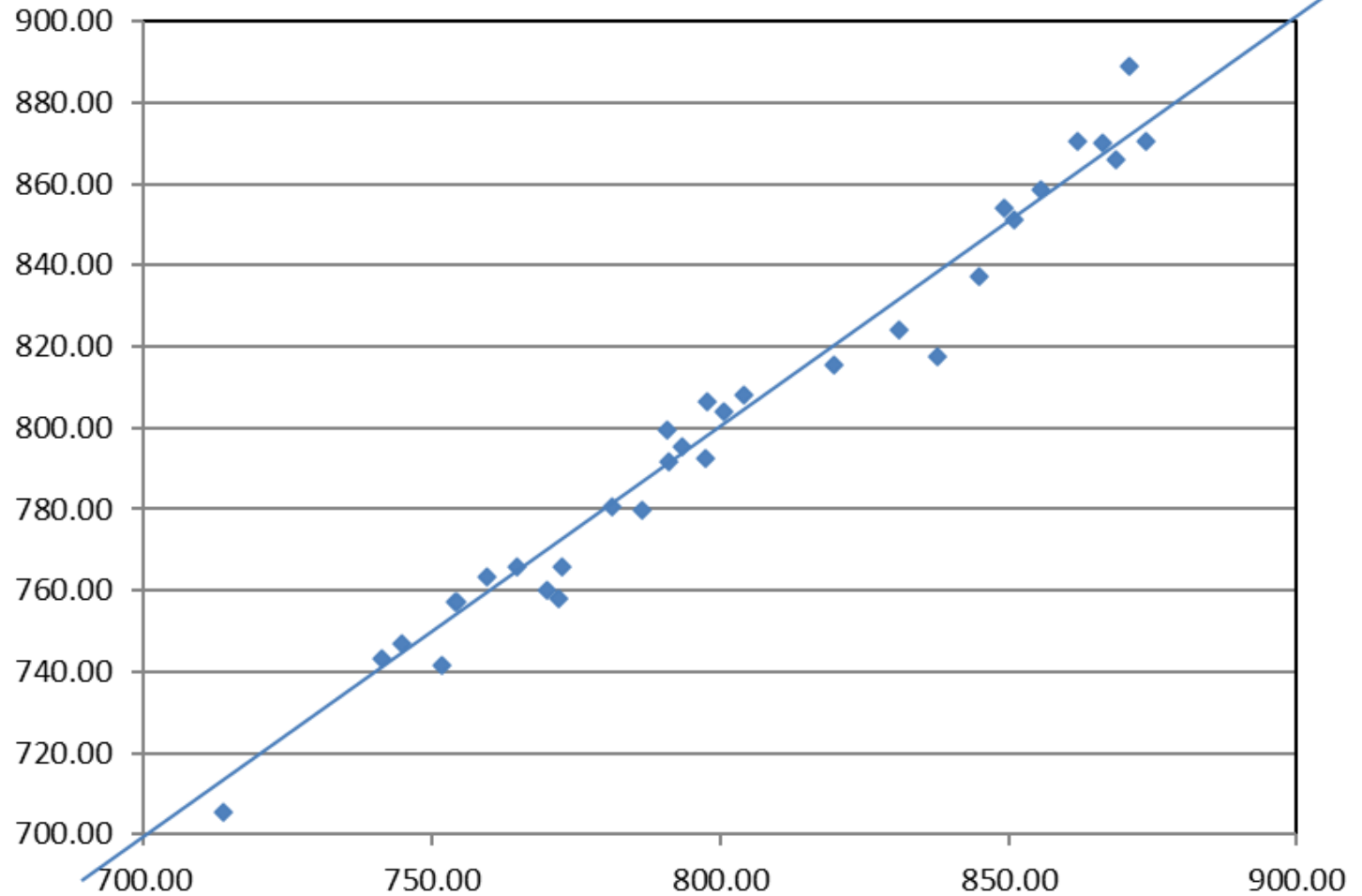


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JOHN ESCH REFINED WELLOGIC DATA

Cass County Model vs Esch Map Values



STEADY-STATE HEAD CALIBRATION
MODEL VERSUS ESCH MAP VALUES

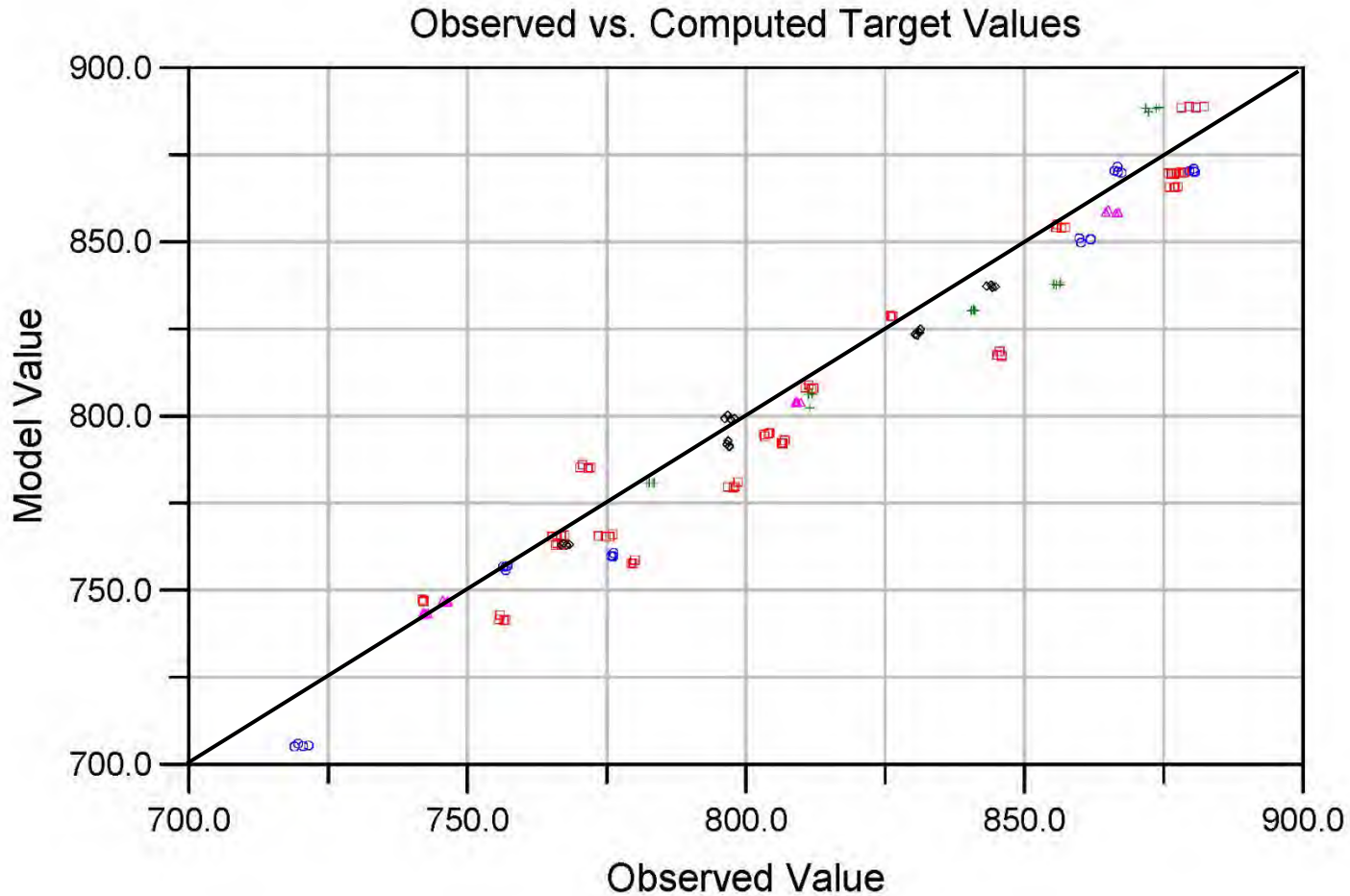
STATISTICAL EVALUATION ESCH MAP VALUES AT MONITORING WELL LOCATIONS

Residual Mean	0.84	
Absolute Residual Mean	5.81	
Residual Std. Deviation	7.54	
Min. Residual	-17.93	
Max. Residual	19.86	
Number of Observations	32	
Range in Observations	161	← Target is <10% of this value
R-squared	0.961	
Percent Model Error	3.89%	
Global Mass Balance Error	-0.0046%	← Target is +/- 0.05%

TRANSIENT CALIBRATION

1. CALIBRATION TARGETS
2. STREAM DISCHARGE
3. STREAMBED FLUX
4. VARIABLE RECHARGE

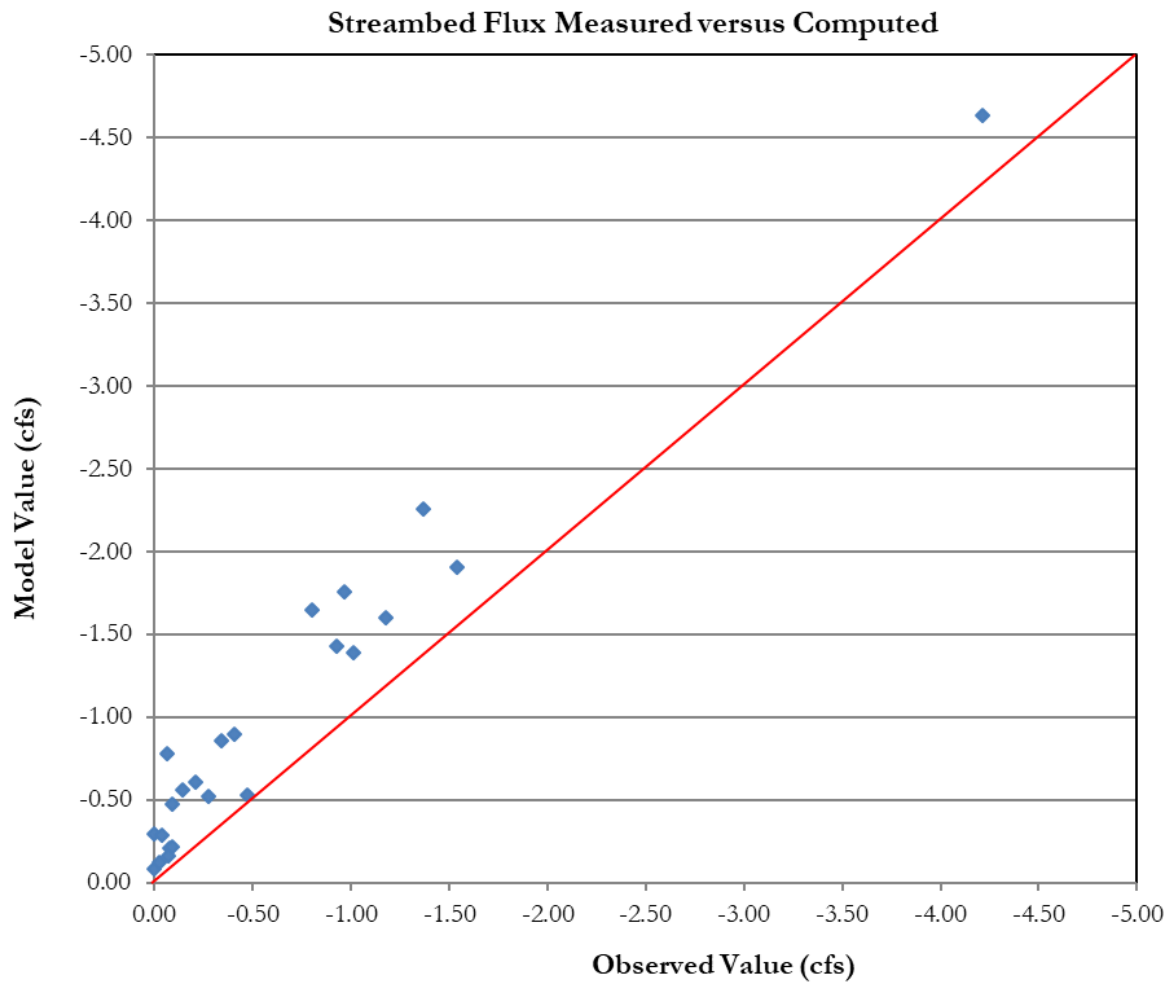
CASS PILOT MODEL TRANSIENT HEAD CALIBRATION



4 SURVEYS

MARCH
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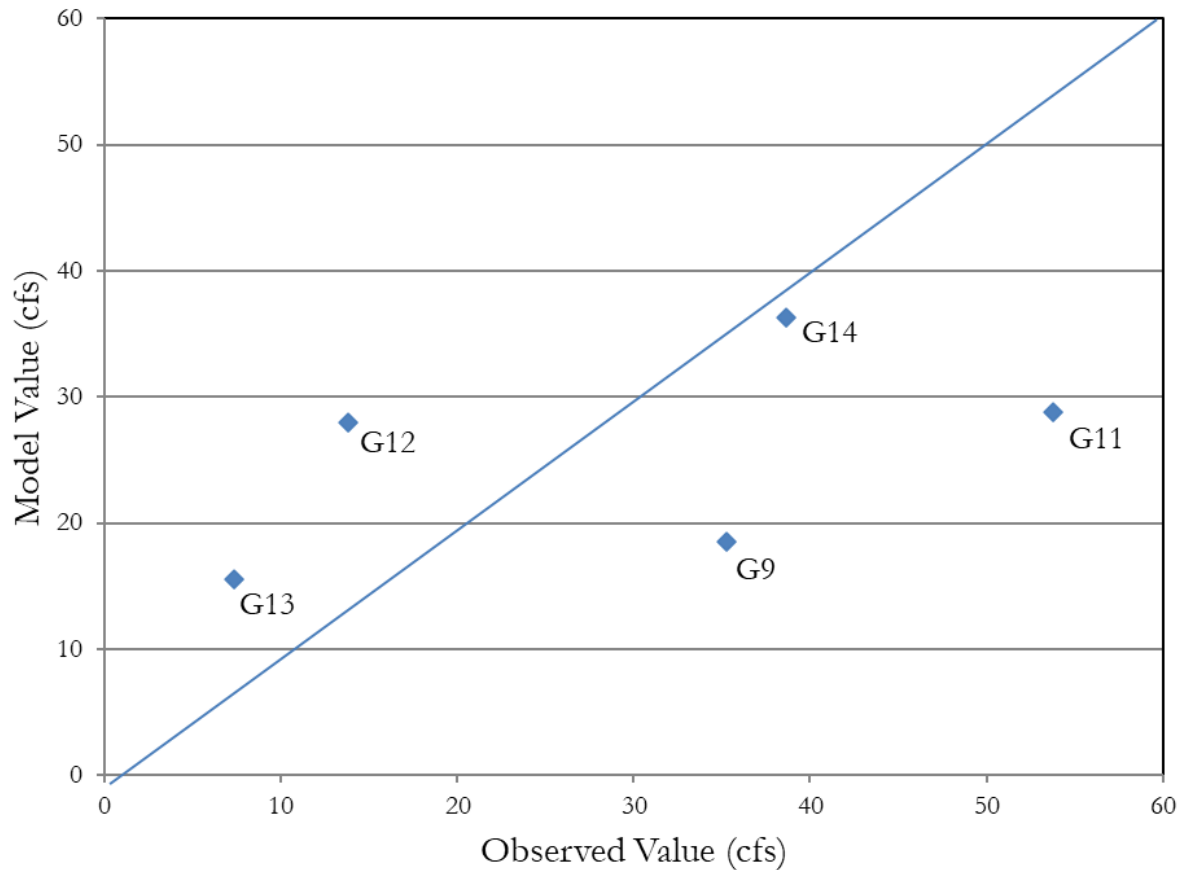
STREAMBED FLUX



**Computed flux
is 1.5x-2x the
measured flux**

STREAM DISCHARGE

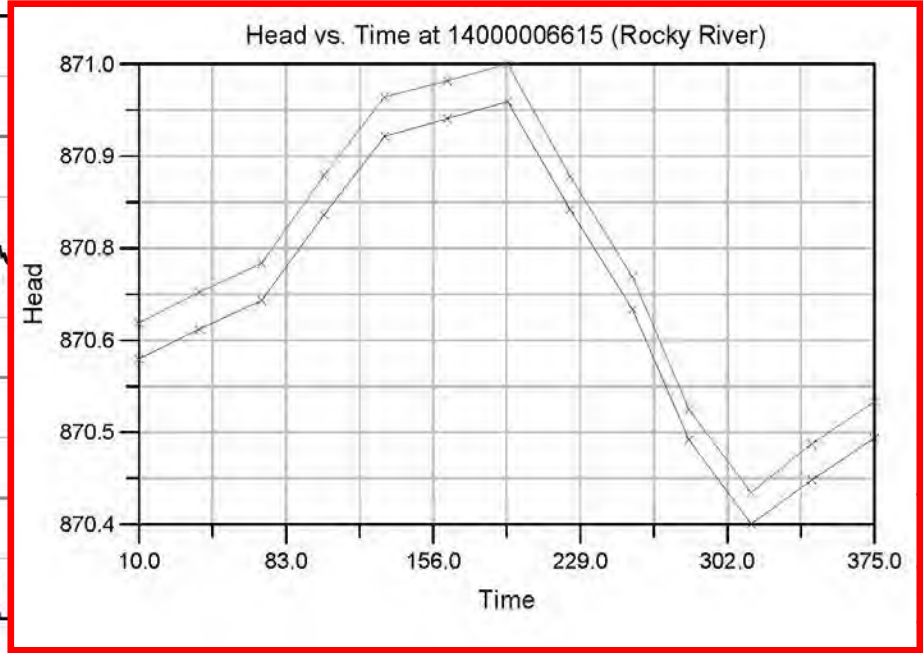
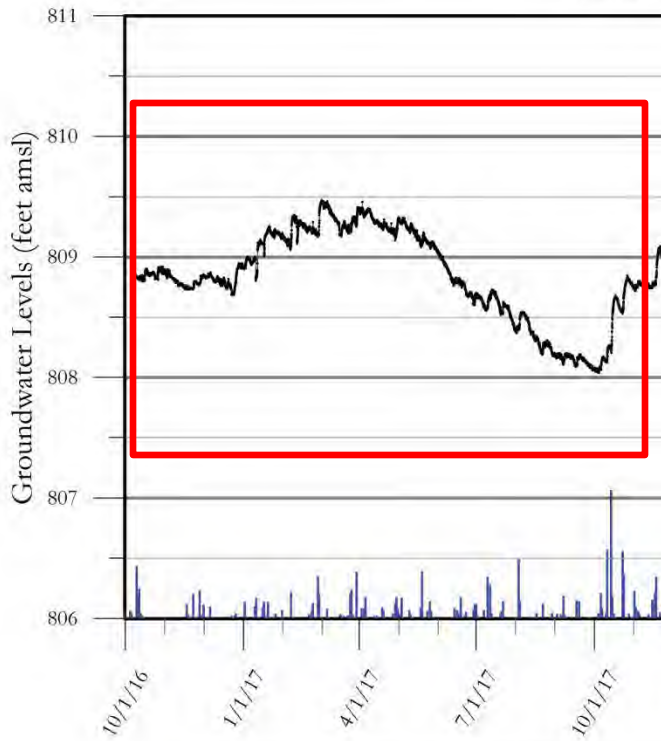
Stream Gage Discharge Observed versus Computed



GageNo	Ratio
9	0.52
11	0.54
12	2.03
13	2.13
14	0.94
15	1.53

**Minnesota WHP Guidance
states the ratio
should not exceed 10**

Kirkdorfer Farms Monitoring Well - Nelson Annual Groundwater Levels



Project: Cass County Assessment Pilot Project

Irrigation Well

Depth: 105 feet
 Static: n/a
 Screen: 85-105 feet

Monitoring Well

Depth: 90 feet
 Static: 1.7 feet
 Screen: 86-90 feet
 Radial Distance: 237 feet

Measured Pumping Rates

Maximum: n/a gpm
 Span only: n/a gpm
 End Gun: n/a gpm

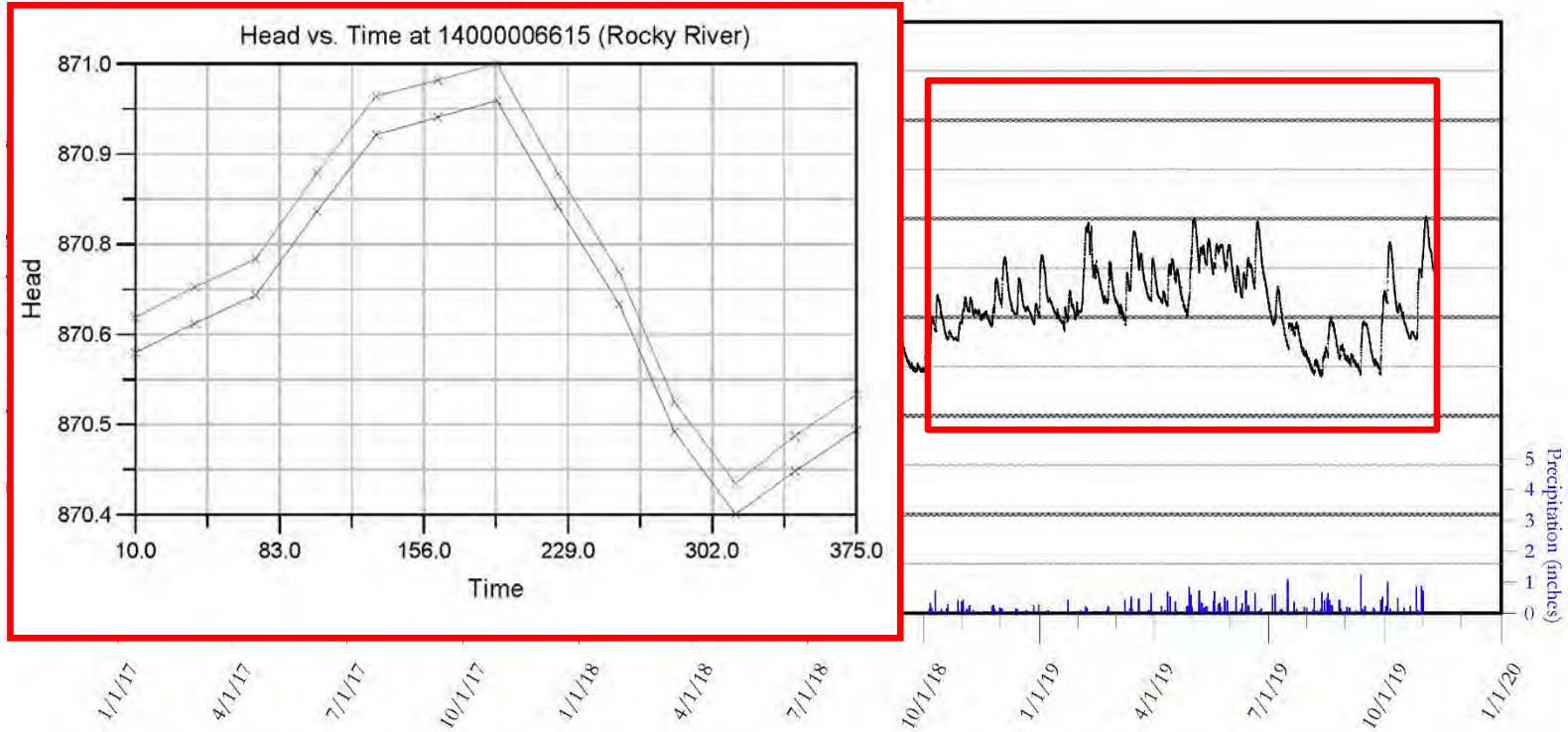
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Dale Bent Farm Monitoring Well - Farm 2 Field 3 (Shallow) Annual Groundwater Levels



Project: Cass County Assessment Pilot Project

Irrigation Well

Depth: n/a
 Static: n/a
 Screen: n/a

Measured Pumping Rates

Maximum: n/a gpm
 Span only: n/a gpm
 End Gun: n/a gpm

Monitoring Well

Depth: 14 feet
 Static: 9 feet
 Screen: 9-14 feet
 Radial Distance: n/a feet

Weather Station

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REGIONAL MODELS BY OTHERS

1. Kalamazoo, Michigan
2. LaGrange County, Indiana
3. Milford, Indiana
4. Elkhart, Indiana
5. Berrien County, Michigan
6. Monroe County, Michigan
7. Saginaw County, Michigan
8. Tri-County Area (Lansing), Michigan
9. Cadillac, Michigan



COMPARISON
TO
KALAMAZOO MODEL



In Cooperation with the City of Kalamazoo, City of Portage, Kalamazoo County Human Services Department, and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

Simulation of the Ground-Water-Flow System in the Kalamazoo County Area, Michigan

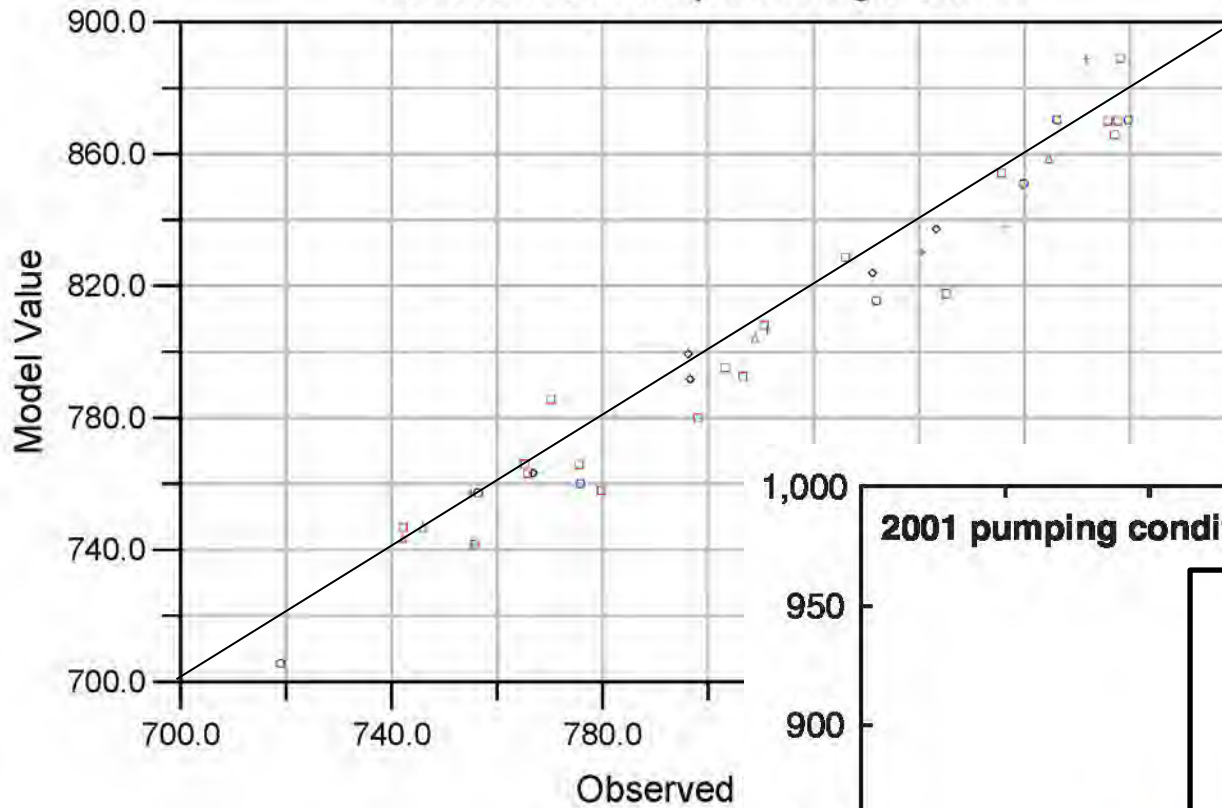


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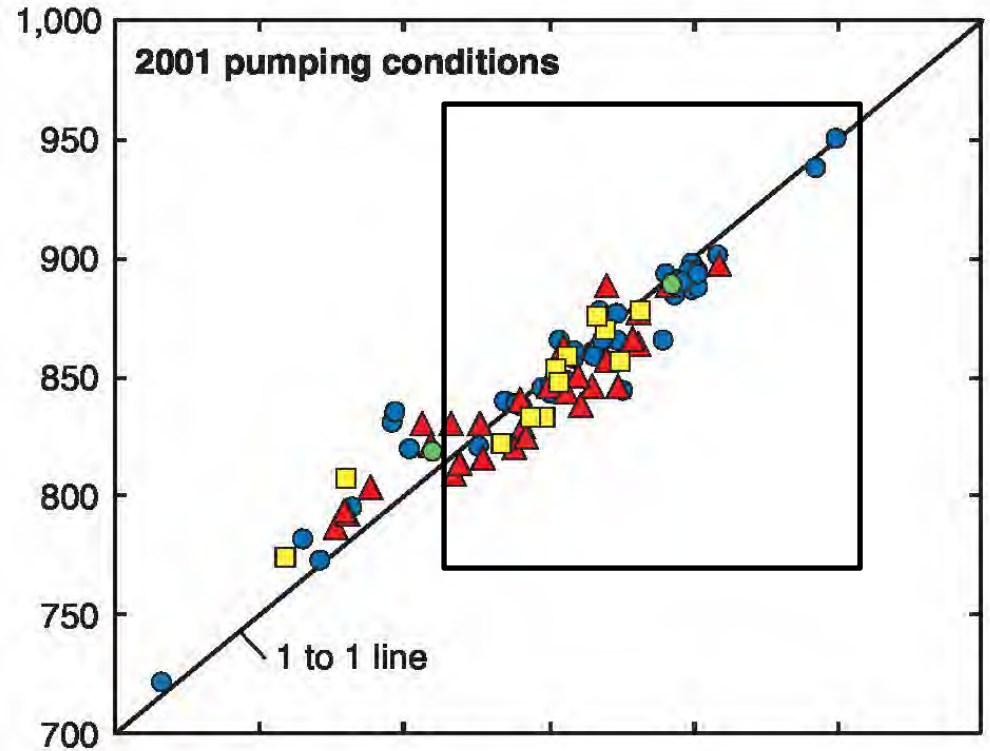
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U.S. Geological Survey

The Kalamazoo County Area model was used to validate the streamflow depletion predictions calculated by the screening tool embedded in the Mi-WWAT

Observed vs. Computed Target Values



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Kalamazoo County Area



STEADY-STATE
HEAD CALIBRATION
COMPARISON

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Cass County Pilot

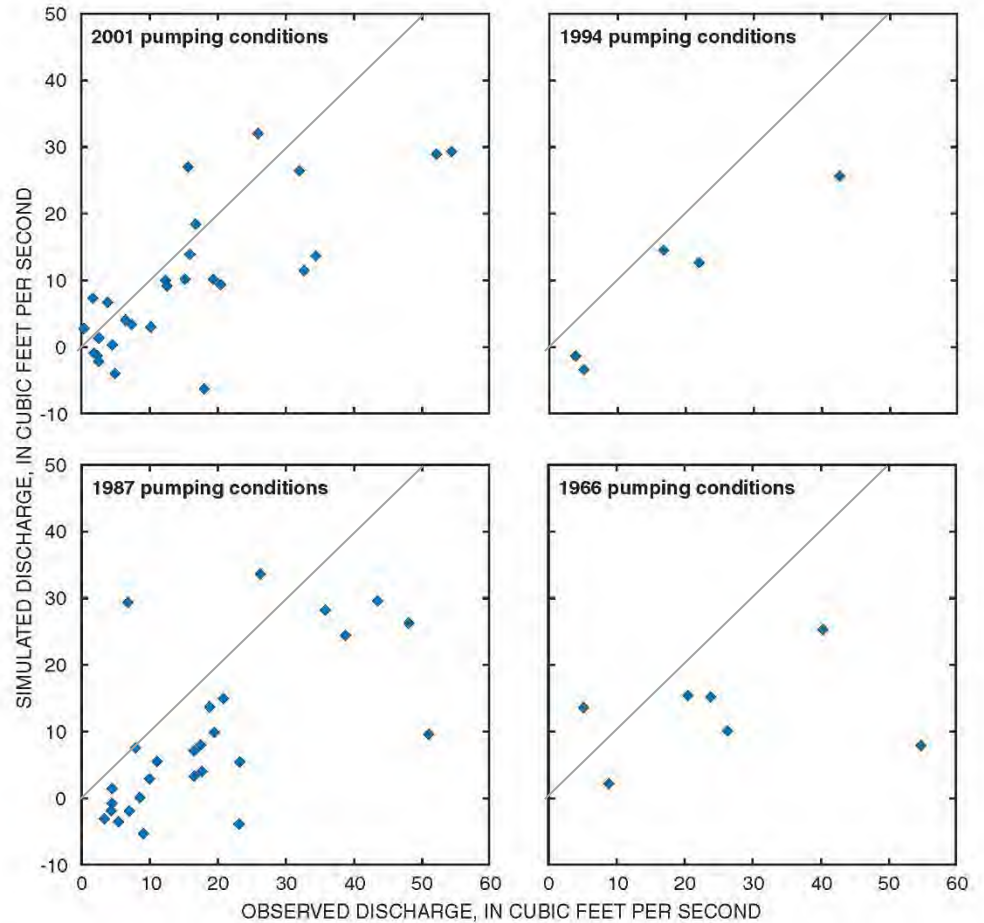
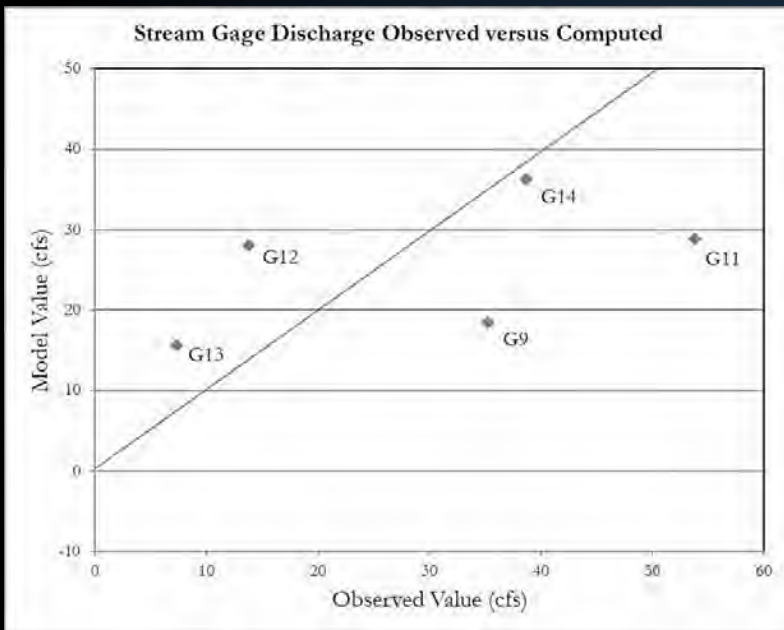


Figure 23. Observed and simulated streamflow for 2001, 1994, 1987, and 1966 pumping conditions, Kalamazoo County area, Michigan.

STREAM DISCHARGE
TRANSIENT CALIBRATION COMPARISON

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Kalamazoo County Area

Cass County Pilot

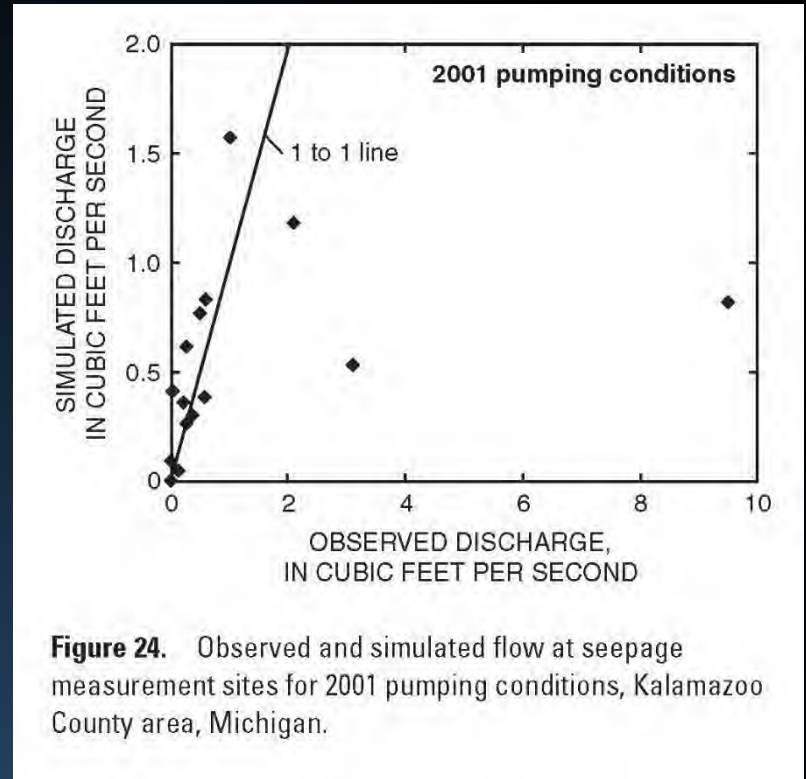
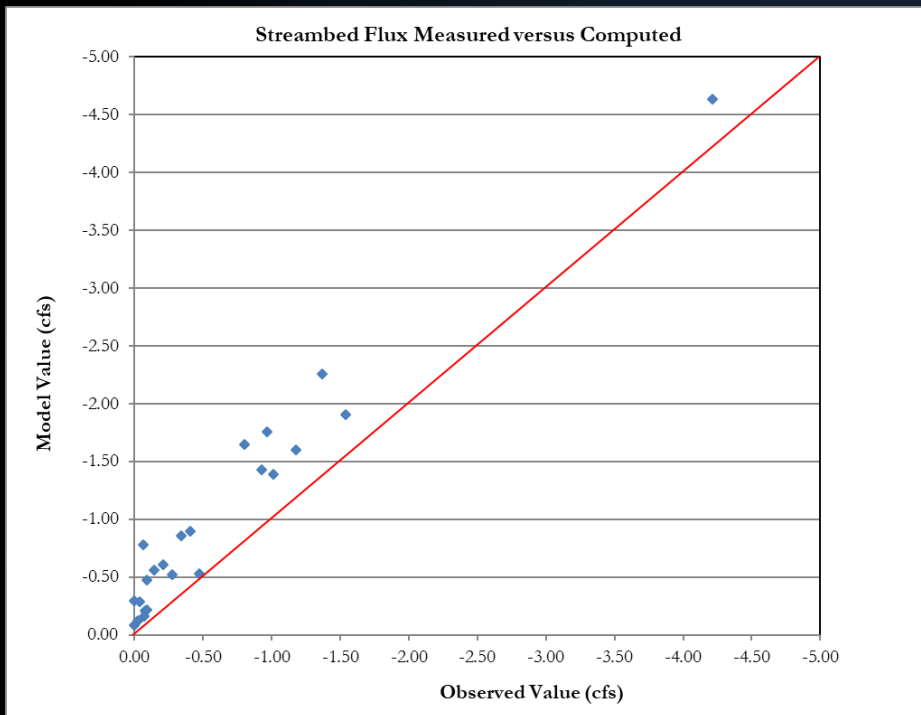


Figure 24. Observed and simulated flow at seepage measurement sites for 2001 pumping conditions, Kalamazoo County area, Michigan.

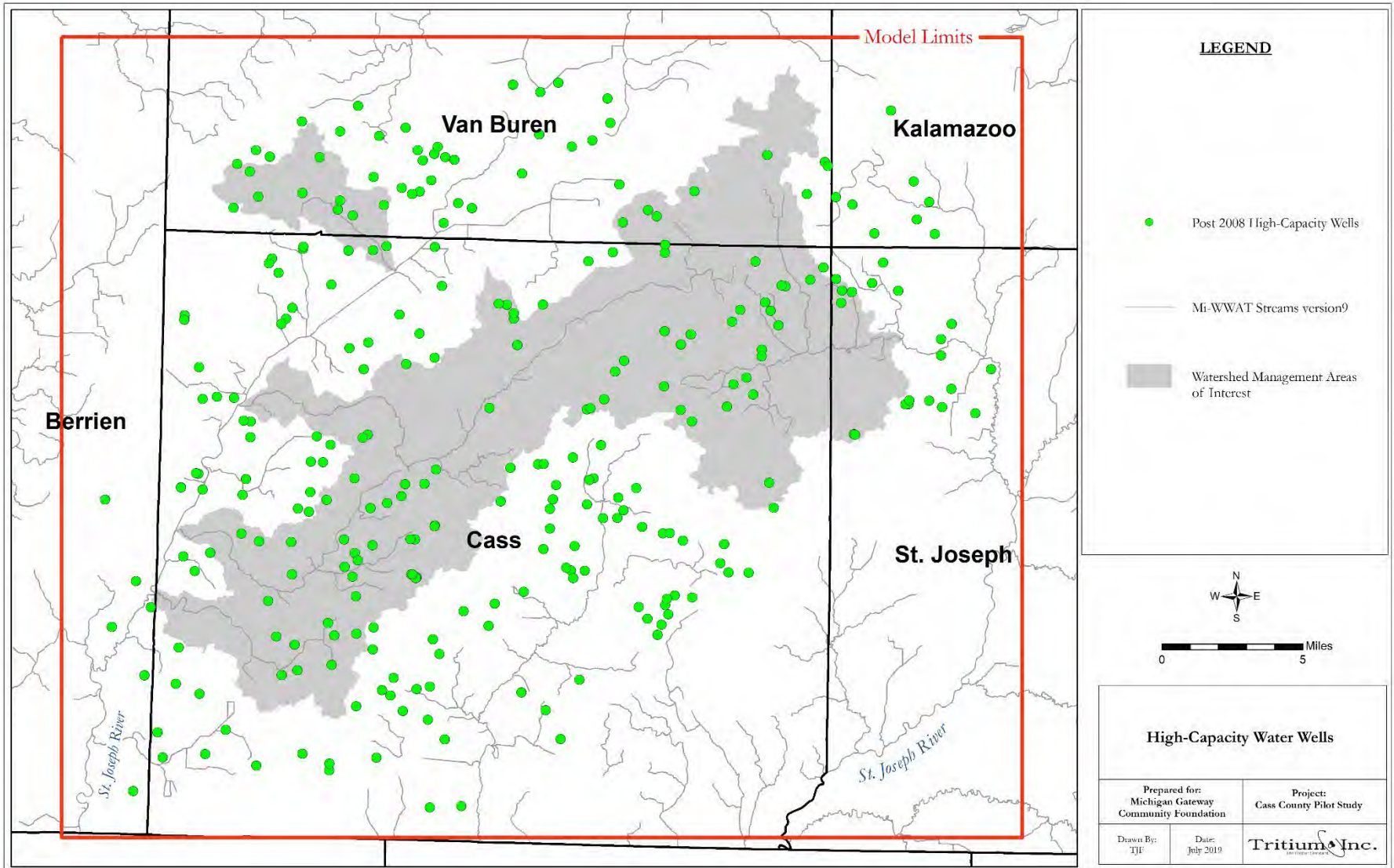
STREAMBED FLUX
TRANSIENT CALIBRATION COMPARISON

MODEL CALIBRATION AND VERIFICATION

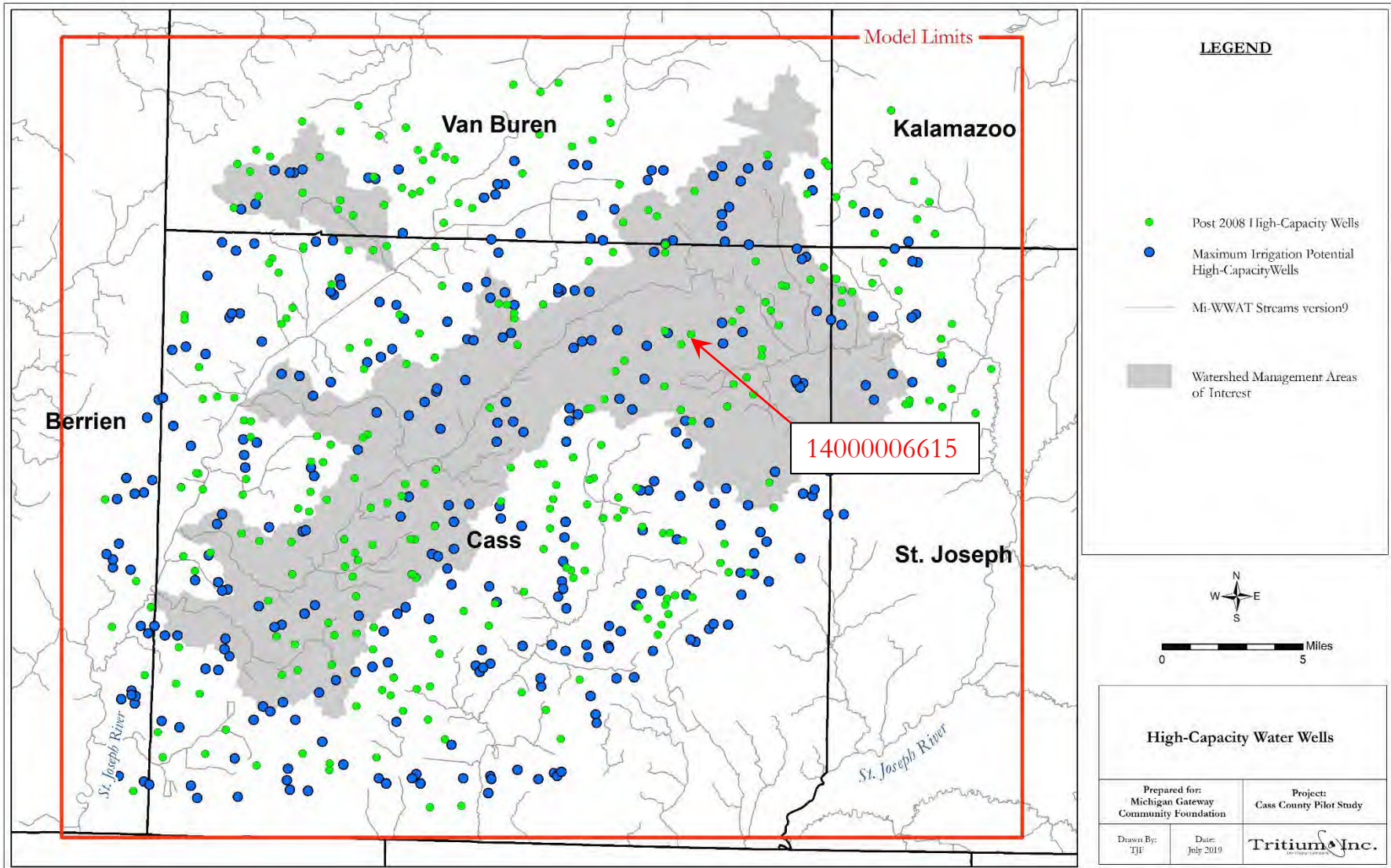
1. Groundwater Contour Comparison
2. Residual Analyses
3. Statistical Analyses
4. Steady-State Calibration
 - Pilot Project Monitoring Wells
 - Esch Water Levels
 - Wellogic Wells
5. Transient Calibration
 - Streambed flux
 - Stream discharge
 - Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter water levels
6. Comparison to other Regional Models
7. Independent Peer Review

MODEL SIMULATIONS

- **Steady-State**
- **Current Irrigation**
- **Maximum Irrigation**
- **Cyclical Pumping versus Constant Rate**
- **Variable Monthly Recharge with No Pumping**
- **Increased Recharge for Long-term Precipitation**
- **Return Flow of 15%**
- **Added Minor Tributaries**

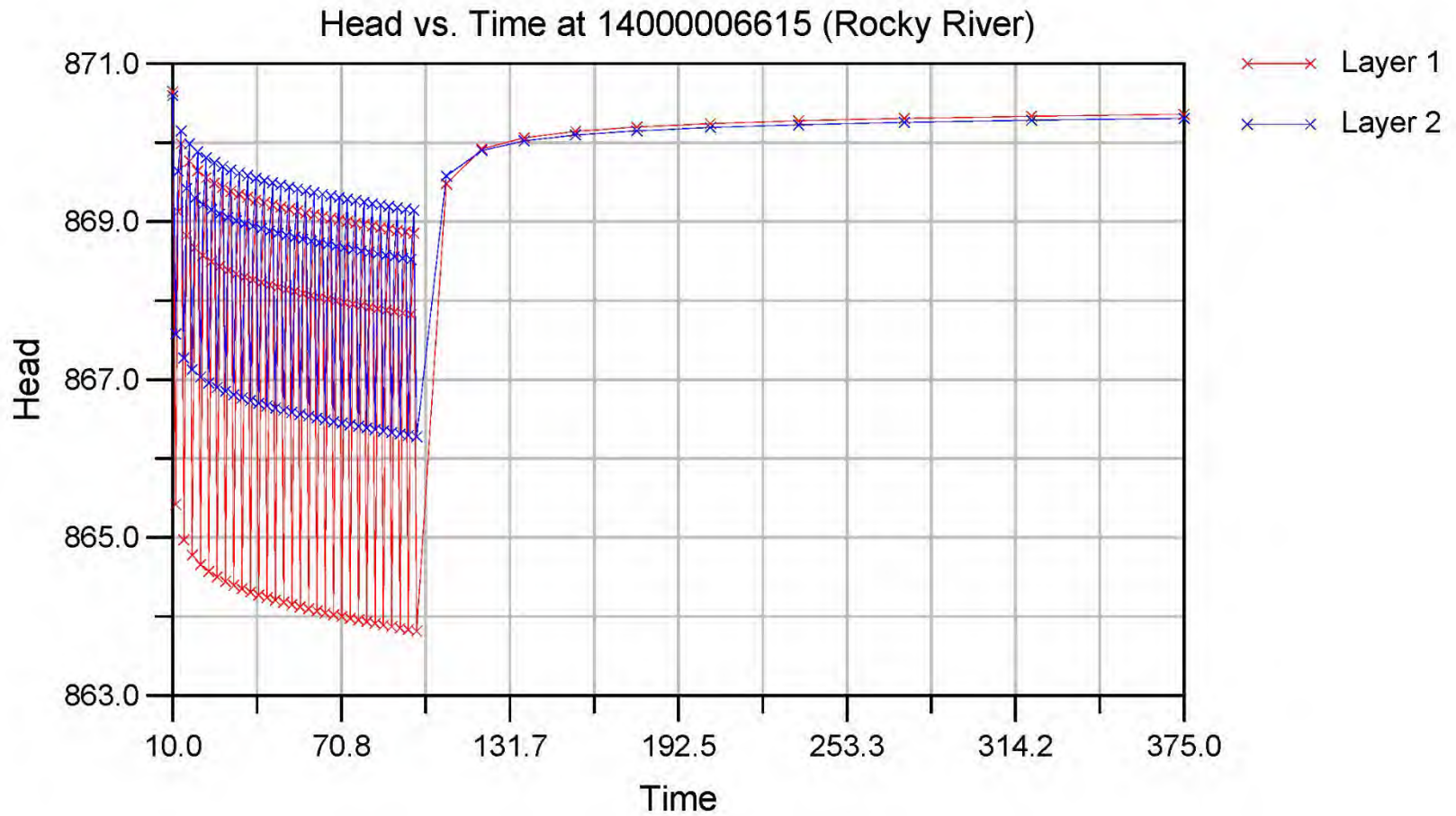


EXISTING CROP IRRIGATION (AS OF SEPTEMBER, 2019)

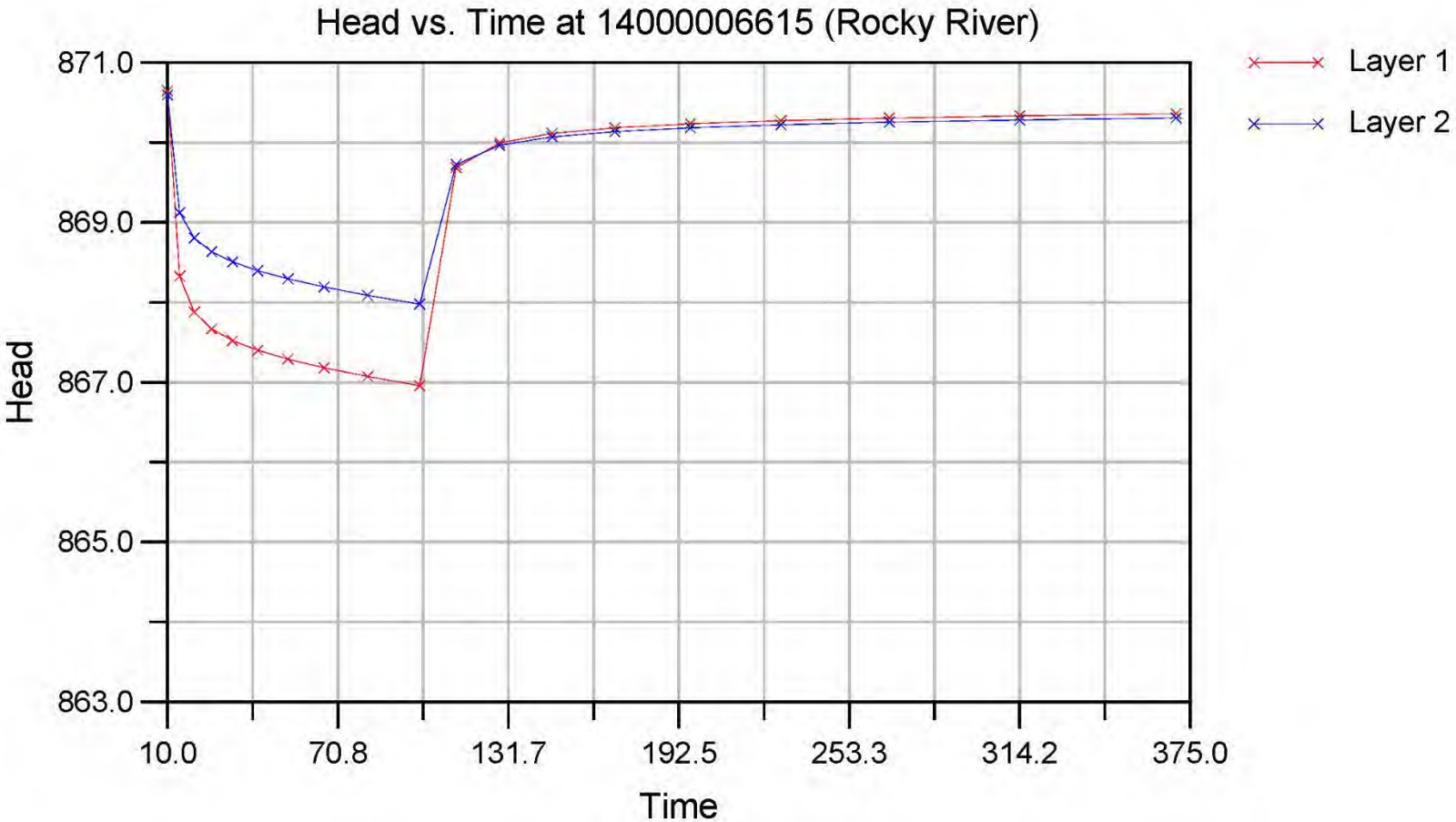


MAXIMUM POTENTIAL CROP IRRIGATION

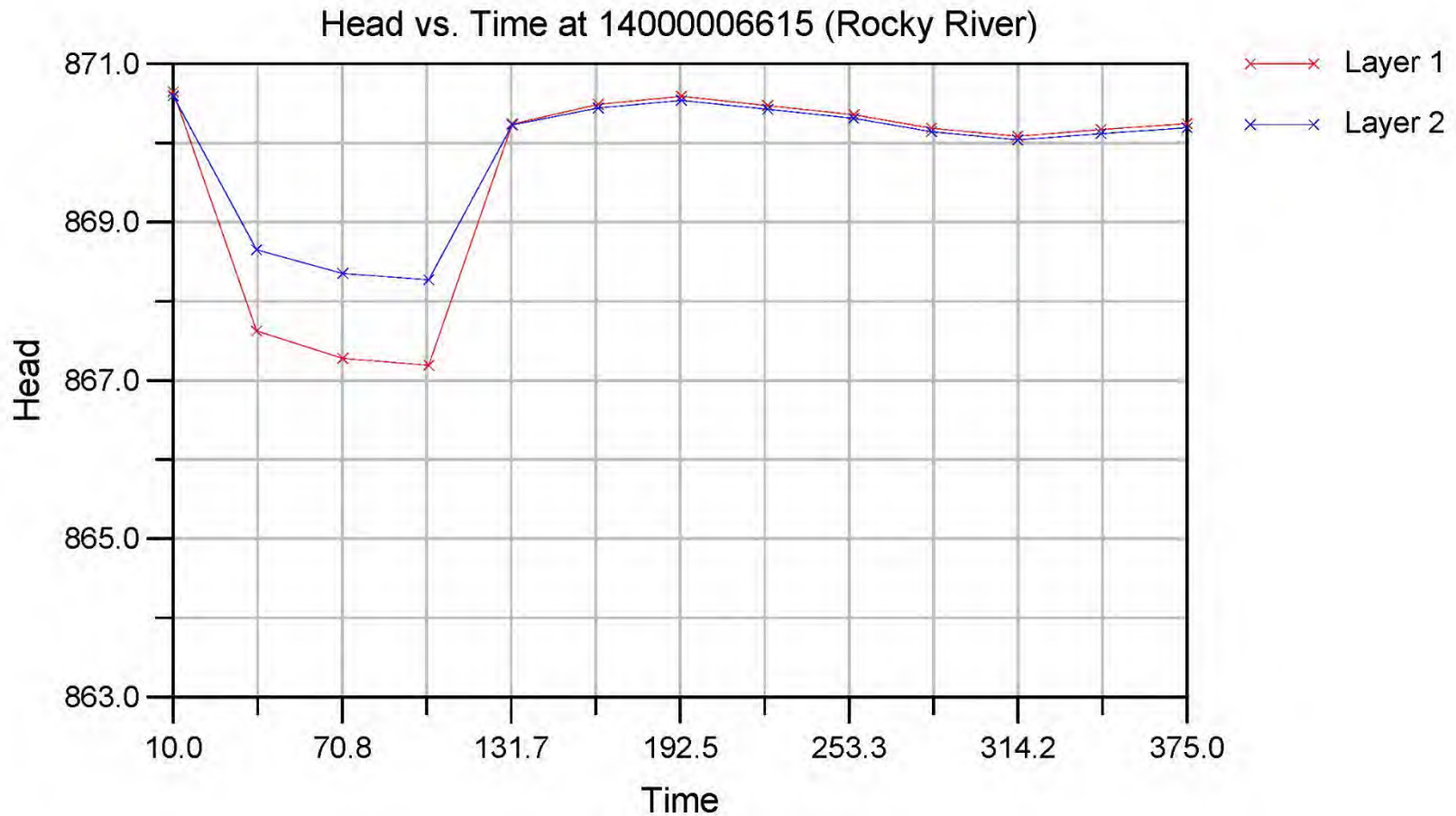
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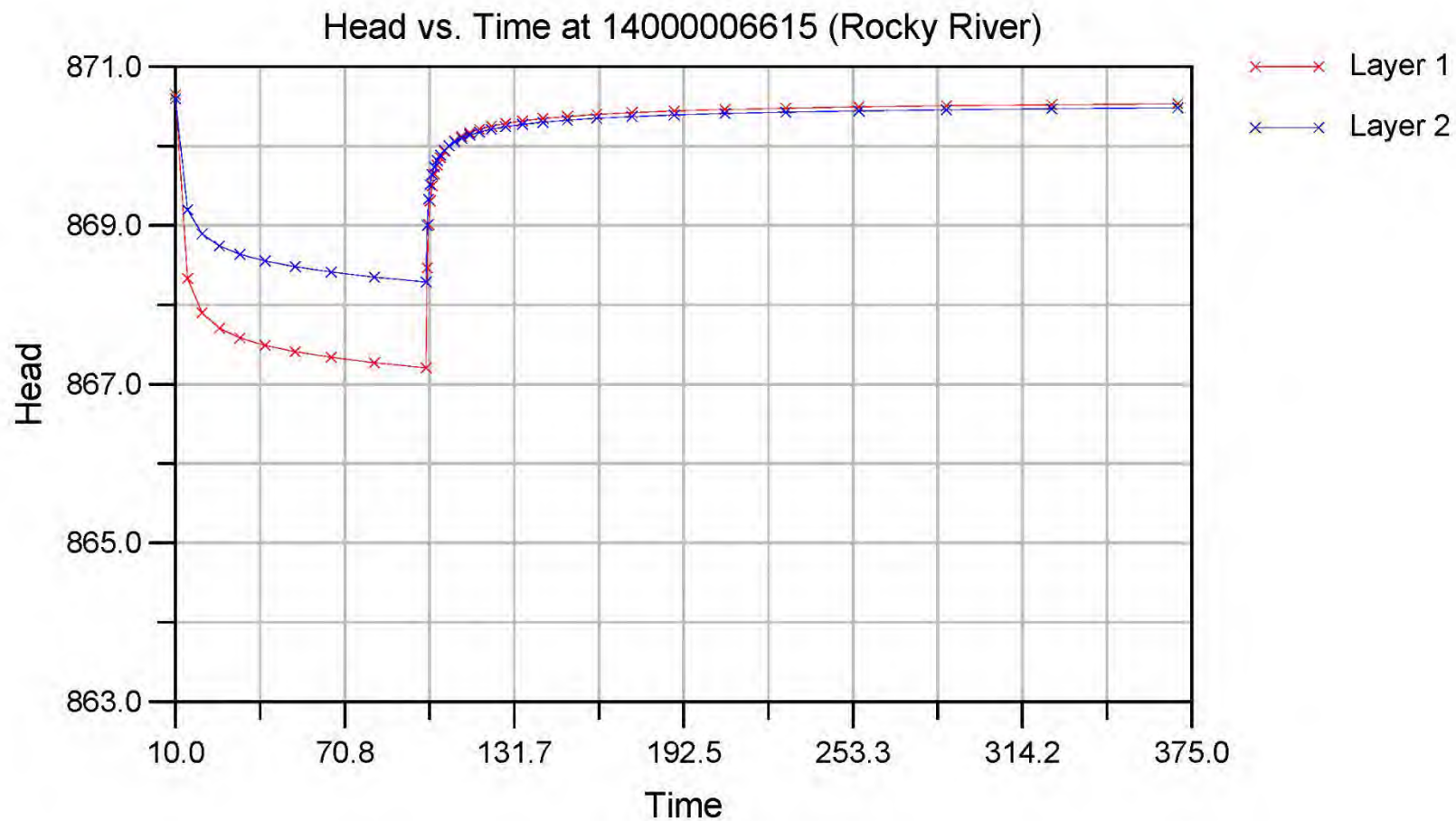
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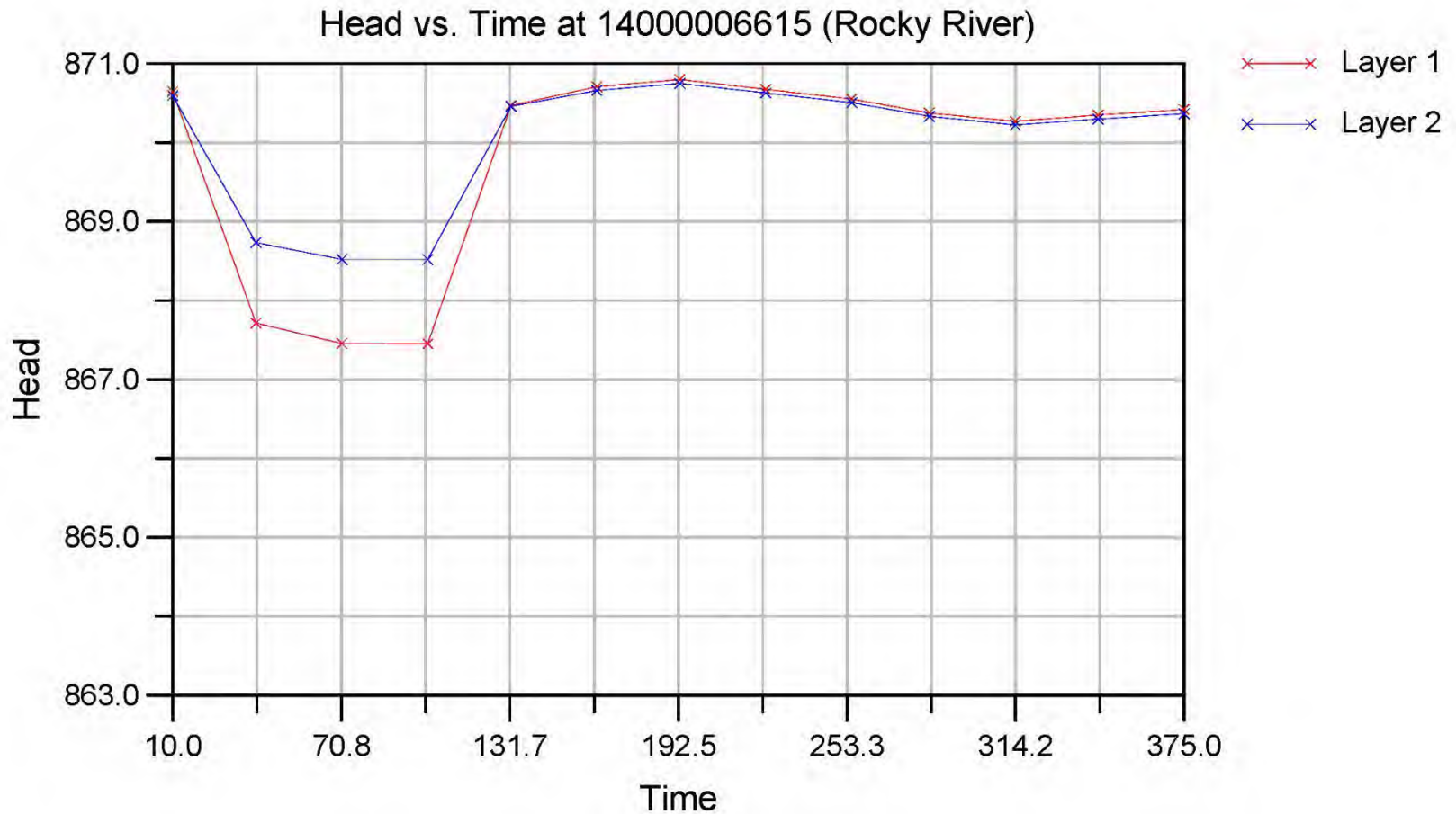
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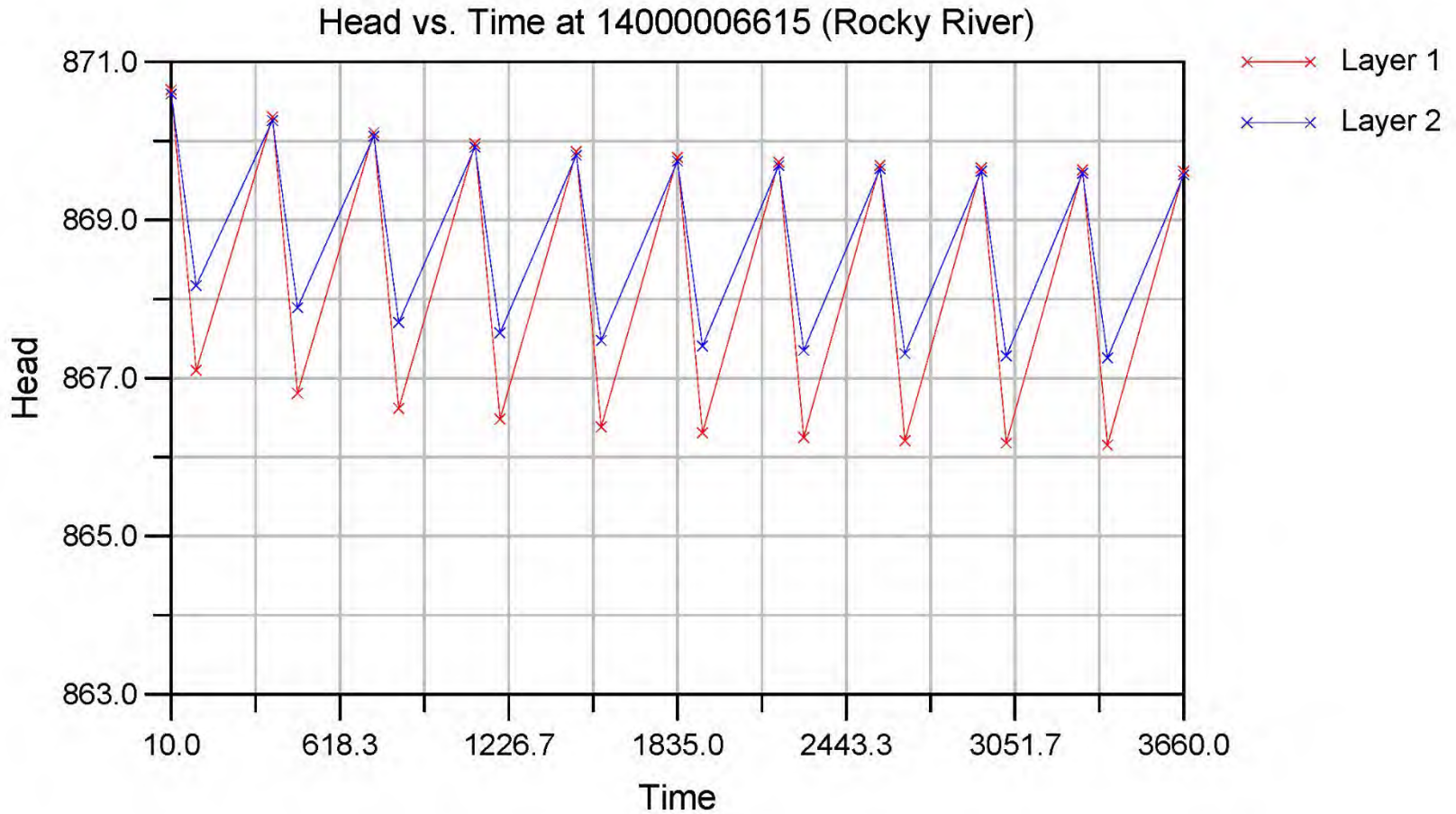
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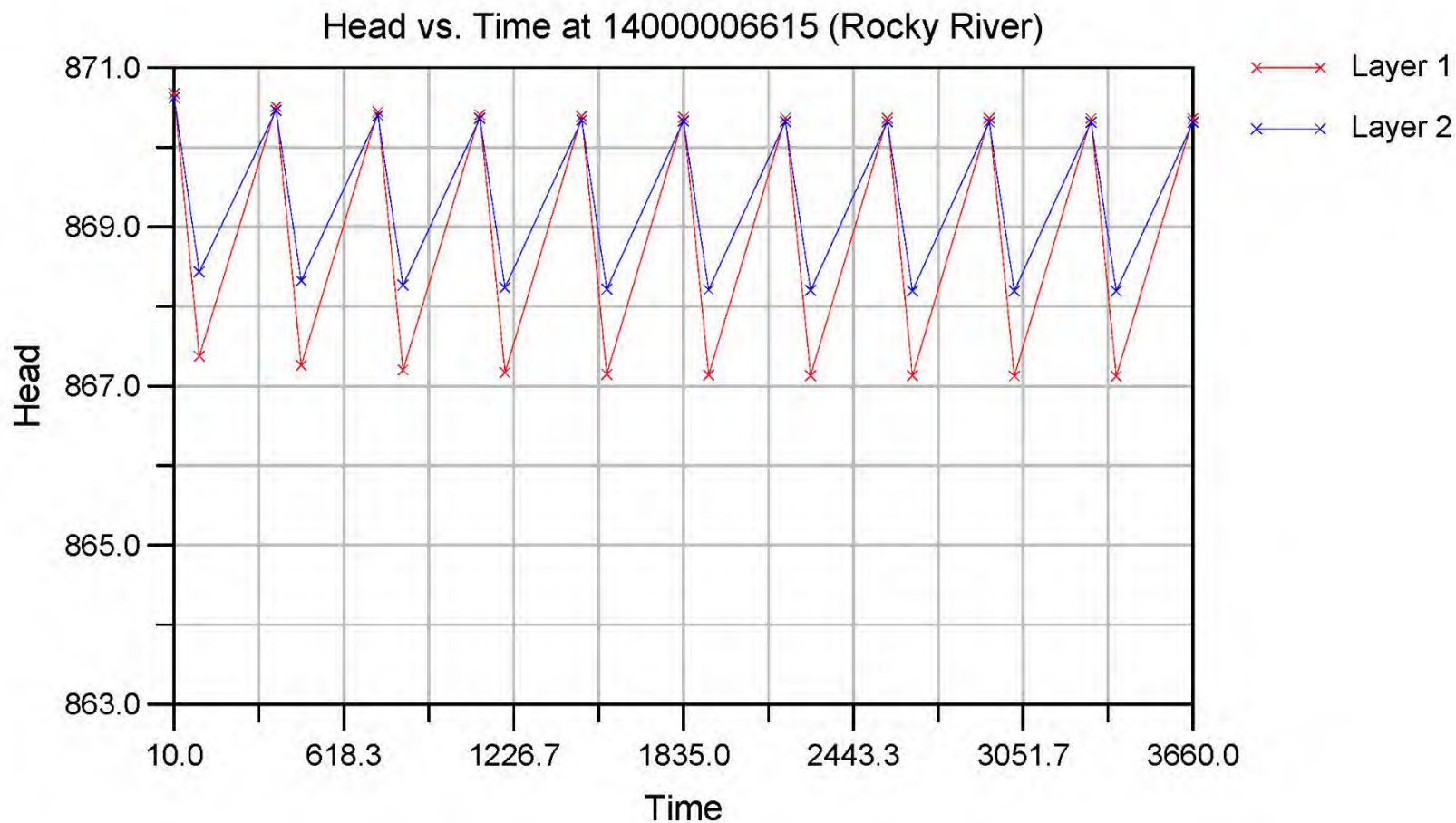
CONSTANT RATE PUMPING WITH SEASONAL RECHARGE AND RETURN FLOW - 1 YEAR



CURRENT IRRIGATION - 10 YEARS



CURRENT IRRIGATION WITH RETURN FLOW - 10 YEARS



END OF IRRIGATION SEASON

CURRENT IRRIGATION

Reach	River	Zone D Cutoff	Post-2008 Streamflow Depletion	Add Return Flow And Seasonal Recharge Streamflow Depletion
9	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-2.50%	5.0%
10	Dowagiac Creek	4%	-3.10%	6.0%
11	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-2.50%	2.9%
12	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-3.10%	4.6%
13	Mckenzie Creek	20%	-3.70%	5.1%
14	Osborn Drain	4%	-13.70%	-2.4%
15	Pokagon Creek	20%	-10.00%	2.2%
16	Rocky River	25%	-3.90%	1.7%
17	Rocky River	17%	-5.20%	1.6%

END OF YEAR

CURRENT IRRIGATION

Reach	River	Zone D Cutoff	Post-2008 Streamflow Depletion	Add Return Flow And Seasonal Recharge Streamflow Depletion
9	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-3.1%	-2.6%
10	Dowagiac Creek	4%	-1.5%	-2.0%
11	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-1.3%	-1.8%
12	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-1.5%	-2.3%
13	Mckenzie Creek	20%	-1.1%	-1.6%
14	Osborn Drain	4%	-3.9%	-3.7%
15	Pokagon Creek	20%	-2.5%	-3.2%
16	Rocky River	25%	-1.8%	-1.5%
17	Rocky River	17%	-1.9%	-2.0%

END OF 5 YEARS

CURRENT IRRIGATION

Reach	River	Zone D Cutoff	Post-2008 Streamflow Depletion	Add Return Flow And Seasonal Recharge Streamflow Depletion
9	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-8.2%	-1.9%
10	Dowagiac Creek	4%	-3.7%	-0.8%
11	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-3.0%	-1.3%
12	Dowagiac Creek	25%	-3.0%	-1.2%
13	Mckenzie Creek	20%	-2.8%	-0.5%
14	Osborn Drain	4%	-9.0%	-0.9%
15	Pokagon Creek	20%	-6.0%	-3.1%
16	Rocky River	25%	-4.2%	-0.9%
17	Rocky River	17%	-3.4%	-0.6%

MAJOR MODELING CONCLUSIONS

1. 80% aquifer storage and 20% streamflow depletion
2. Total rainfall differences in consecutive years is critical
3. Annual timing and magnitude of rainfall events is important
4. Return flow significantly effects storage and depletion
5. Groundwater monitoring is essential

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