

APPENDIX D

City of Fresno Metro Plan Update Phase 2 Modeling

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INTRODUCTION

This memorandum discusses the approach and assumptions used in the technical analysis to evaluate the impacts and benefits to the groundwater for the City of Fresno (City) Metropolitan Water Resources Management Plan update (Metro Plan) under “Baseline” and the “With Project” scenarios.

The Kings Basin Integrated Groundwater Surface Water Model (Kings IGSM) was used to evaluate the groundwater impacts of the land use changes that would occur under projected urban growth from 2005 to 2060. The Kings IGSM model analysis will help the City to:

1. Determine the effects of future growth;
2. Determine the effects of new water supply facilities; and
3. Provide a basis for comparing the impacts and benefits of the “With Project” alternative.

In this memorandum, information on the Kings IGSM model is provided, the assumptions for areas outside the City are documented, and the results of the modeling are described.

APPROACH AND METHOD OF ANALYSIS- KINGS IGSM

The City overlies only a portion of the Kings Groundwater Basin (Kings Basin). The geographic extent of the Kings IGSM is the entire Kings Basin. The groundwater basin is interconnected and activities within the Kings Basin can affect the City. The land use and growth within the City may also affect the surrounding area. It is thus important to define the assumptions for land use, water demand and water supplies for both the City and the areas surrounding the City.

The Kings IGSM model was developed to support both the City and the Upper Kings Basin Water Forum (Water Forum) with an integrated analytical tool to evaluate the hydrologic and hydrogeologic conditions within the Kings Groundwater Basin (Kings Basin). The Water Forum includes representatives from the overlying water districts, counties, incorporated cities, and environmental and other community interest groups. The Water Forum’s Technical Analysis and Data Work Group provided oversight and direction during the development and calibration of the Kings IGSM. The Kings IGSM Model Development and Calibration report (WRIME, 2007) is available online at http://project.wrime.com/krcd/krcd_igsm.htm.

The model was used to evaluate the effects on groundwater of future land uses for the City and surrounding area. This is important because under current water supply conditions in the City, when land is converted from agricultural uses to urban uses, the water supply generally shifts from agricultural irrigation with Kings River or Central Valley Project surface water, to

groundwater. This shift to exclusive use of groundwater occurs in all areas except developing urban areas that are to be provided treated surface water from the existing drinking water treatment plants located in the City and Clovis.

The Kings IGSM model represents the existing land use and water supply, the existing surface water treatment plants, the existing or approved groundwater recharge facilities (Leaky Acres, Waldron Pond, Fresno/Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District ponds); and the increased volumes of wastewater that are treated and percolated at the City's Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF).

MODELING ASSUMPTIONS AND INPUT SUMMARY

The Kings IGSM model was used to evaluate two conditions based on future growth without project condition (Baseline) and a projected growth with new water supply projects and water conservation efforts (With Project). The model input files for the two conditions were developed using projected data from the cities or water purveyors, and based on assumptions listed in Table 1. The model assumptions cover the City, the districts within City's Sphere of Influence (SOI), the immediate area outside the City which includes the 2060 Growth Fringe, and the City of Clovis. Figure 1 shows the City's sphere-of-influence, the Southeast Growth Area, and the 2060-Growth Fringe areas. Some of the pertinent data inputs to the model that may have an influence on the groundwater budget are: hydrology, surface water deliveries, land use, water use, groundwater pumping, and groundwater recharge.

In addition, assumptions on the initial conditions include values for groundwater levels, soil moisture, unsaturated soil moisture and small watershed soil moisture conditions and are set at the average groundwater levels in 2005 (Figure 2).

LAND USE

Growth in the City results in land use conversion from open space or agriculture to urban. The City land use information within the SOI and 2060 Growth Fringe was provided by West Yost Associates (West Yost) for the years 2005, 2010, 2025, and 2060 are shown in Figures 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d, respectively. The land use conditions were interpolated linearly for the other years to develop the model input files. For the Baseline conditions, it was assumed that there are no new water resources projects or supplies.

Three other water producing agencies exist within the SOI: Pinedale Water District (Pinedale), Bakman Water Company (Bakman) and California State University Fresno (CSUF). Little or no growth is expected within these areas. The City is assumed to develop outside of its current SOI into the Southeast Growth Area and the 2060 Growth Fringe. The 2060 Growth Fringe overlies portions of other subregions in the Kings IGSM model within the Fresno Irrigation District and Consolidated Irrigation District. Urban development is not solely due to

Table 1. Kings IGSM Dynamic Model Assumptions

	City of Fresno		City of Clovis / Non Fresno
	Baseline	With Project	
Land Use	Land use for 2005, 2010, 2025...2060 provided by West Yost;	Same	Land use linearly interpolated from 2005 to 2030 then held constant at 2030 conditions.
Agricultural Water Demand	Based on: - 2005-2060 Land Use and Crop Acreage - 1964-2004 Repeated Hydrology	Same	Based on: - 2005 & 2030 Land Use and Crop Acreage - 1964-2004 Hydrology
Crop Acreage	2005, 2010, ...2060 Crop Acreage; Inbetween years linearly interpolated	Same	2030 Crop Acreage (2004 crop acreage minus agricultural areas converted to urban)
Urban Water Demand	2005, 2010, ...,2060 Urban Demand Estimate by West Yost	2005, 2010, ...,2060 Urban Demand with conservation efforts provided by West Yost	2005 to 2030 Urban Demand based on UWMP or other public documents
Recharge @ Leaky Acres	- For 1973-2004 use historical recharge rates - For 1964-2004 use 1973-2004 recharge rates based on San Joaquin Hydrology Index	Same	N/A
Recharge @ Existing FMFCD Ponds	- For 1994-2004 use historical recharge rates - For 1964-1993 use 1994-2004 recharge rates based on San Joaquin Hydrology Index - Use ponds that are active in 2004 - Use 2000-2004 average recharge ratios for distribution of total recharge to individual ponds	Same	Same as Fresno (N/A for Non Fresno)
Recharge @ Future FMFCD Ponds	For 2025 to 2060 recharge estimates based on land use/area within 11 Divisions in the Growth Fringe	Same	N/A
Recharge @ other ponds	Use 2004 conditions	Same	Use Clovis Estimates (Non Fresno) 2004 Conditions plus Waldron Ponds (FID)& Harter Ponds (CID)
Recharge @ creeks and streams	Use 2004 conditions		
Surface Water Treatment Plant	Use Full Capacity Rates by 2010 (30 TAF)	Increase capacity for existing SWTP to (60 TAF) New SE SWTP (60 TAF)	Use 2005 Monthly Flow Ratios up to Use 2030 Rates (30 MGD) (N/A for Non Fresno)
Wastewater Treatment Plant Total Flows	RWRF effluent flows to: Percolation Ponds; FID Canals; On-site irrigation (See Table 3-13 of Metro Plan Update Phase 1) Linear Interpolation for values in between Use 2004 conditions x (95,400)/(78,400) for 2010 Use 2004 conditions x (127,700)/(78,400) for 2025	Decrease inflow and percolation due to water conservation	(Clovis Satellite Treatment Plant (tertiary treatment) - 2,900 AF/yr increased to - 7,600 AF/yr for 2010 and 2030, respectively - Plant outflow to be used for landscape irrigation in Clovis and CSUF (Non Fresno) Use 2004 conditions for: Selma-Kingsburg-Fowler (SKF) WWTP & Other non-Fresno WWTP
Municipal Wells Pumping	Well location and schedule provided by West Yost for Fresno SOI, SEGA and Growth Fringe	New Well location and schedule based on water conservation and decreased water pumping; provided by West Yost for Fresno SOI, SEGA and Growth Fringe	Use 2004 Pumping Rates minus Surface Water Plant's 2030 Flows - Proportionally reduce pumping rate of each well Flows remain constant from 2030 to 2060 (Non Fresno) Municipal pumping by element
Hydrology	Repeated 41-year hydrologic cycle\		
San Joaquin River Boundary Conditions	Seepage from the river: 50% into the basin Subsurface boundary flow along the SJ river: -No flow condition east of highway 99 -General head boundary conditions west of highway 99		
Surface Water Deliveries - Kings River	Historical deliveries and diversions revised for capture of flood flows at Waldron/Harter ponds - Adjust for SWTP flows	Historical deliveries and diversions revised for capture of flood flows at Waldron/Harter ponds - Adjust for increase capacity SWTP flows	(Non Fresno) Historical deliveries and diversions revised for capture of flood flows at Waldron/Harter ponds
Surface Water Deliveries - Friant-Kern & CVP to Non-Fresno/Clovis Areas	West Yost estimates of deliveries to FID & Fresno (60 TAF/yr, 17.9 TAF/yr for critically dry years) - Adjust for SWTP flows	West Yost estimates of deliveries to FID & Fresno (60 TAF/yr, 17.9 TAF/yr for critically dry years) - Adjust for SWTP flows	(Non Fresno) Historical deliveries and diversions
Land Use, Demand, Supply for Backman, Pinedale, and CSUF	2004 conditions	2004 conditions	N/A
Pine Flat Reservoir Operations	Historical releases and flows		
Initial Conditions	- Use End of Sep 2004 values for GW levels, soil moisture, unsaturated soil moisture, and small watershed soil moisture		

conversion of agricultural land, but may also be due to urbanization of native, or other vacant land.

The land use for the area beyond the SOI and 2060-Growth Fringe are assumed to expand or grow based on projected growth found within general plans or other public documents. The land use projections were for the years 2005 to 2030. The land use projection beyond 2030 for all non-Fresno areas are assumed to remain constant, with no change from 2030 to 2060.

HYDROLOGY

Since future rainfall and streamflow conditions are not known, a representative hydrologic period was selected using the historical conditions to represent likely future water supply conditions. The Kings IGSM model uses the hydrology and surface water deliveries that occurred during the calibration period, from 1964 to 2004, to represent future conditions for 2005 to 2060. It is assumed that the hydrologic conditions observed over the past 41-years for Kings River and San Joaquin streamflows and diversions would occur over the next 41 years. Since the 41-year calibration period does not cover the entire projection period, it was assumed that the 41-year hydrology would be repeated from the first year. In other words, years 2005 to 2045 would coincide with the 41-year hydrology period of 1964 to 2004, and then the same cycle would be repeated for the following 15 years, 2046 to 2060. The 1964 to 2004 calibration period contained both wet and dry periods and appropriate hydrologic variability to represent a range of conditions, shown in Figure 3e.

Streamflow and Boundary Condition

The northern boundary of the Kings IGSM model is the San Joaquin River which separates Fresno and Madera Counties. Groundwater subsurface flow across the northern boundary and seepage from the San Joaquin River is impacted by the conditions of groundwater hydraulic head and the level of future development. Development north of the City across the San Joaquin River within Madera County is unknown; it is assumed that efforts made by the City will also be made by others to maintain groundwater level north of the San Joaquin River as development progresses. This implies that groundwater extraction and recharge will be concurrent north and south of the San Joaquin River. This assumption applies to both the Baseline and With Project scenarios. This would result in similar groundwater level conditions north and south of the San Joaquin River. It is thus assumed that half of the seepage from the San Joaquin River will recharge the groundwater within Fresno County and the other half will recharge in Madera County. This assumption will be along the entire length of the northern boundary of the Kings IGSM model.

The boundary condition along the northern boundary of the model operates under a no-flow condition across the San Joaquin River. This means that groundwater will not migrate across the border between the City of Fresno and Madera County. This assumption helps reduce the

impacts for the unknown development in Madera County. The no-flow condition is applied along the San Joaquin River east of Highway 99 where development is predominantly occurring or is likely to occur near the northern boundary of the model within Fresno and Madera Counties. West of Highway 99, the boundary condition is set to a general hydraulic head boundary condition. The Kings IGSM model calibration applied the general head boundary condition to simulate historical groundwater levels. Under the general head boundary condition, groundwater flows along the hydraulic gradient from north to south providing groundwater recharge to the western Kings Basin. It is assumed that the western region of basin will not undergo a significant change in the land use and water use conditions.

WATER USE

The sources of water for the City are groundwater and surface water diverted from the Kings River and the San Joaquin River via Friant-Kern Canal. The groundwater is used to meet the agricultural and urban water demands that are not met by surface water. The assumptions for surface water use under Baseline conditions are that the existing 30 million gallon per day (MGD) Surface Water Treatment Facility (SWTF) produced 15.8 TAF per year in 2005 and will increase to its maximum rate of 32.5 TAF per year (30 MGD) by 2010. The increase in surface water uses reduces groundwater extraction within City of Fresno. The quantity of treated surface water produced is approximately 30.8 TAF instead of 32.5 TAF to allow for 1 month of downtime for maintenance each year. Under Baseline conditions, the additional water demand from 2010 to 2060 is met exclusively by groundwater. Groundwater pumping in 2005 is 141 TAF increasing to 349 TAF per year by 2060 under Baseline conditions.

The With Project conditions implement a change in groundwater demands with a 10% reduction in water consumption due to water conservation, increased treated surface water production, and utilizing recycled water in-lieu of groundwater pumping. The water conservation includes a 5% reduction by all customers by 2010 and an additional 5% reduction in 2020. Water conservation efforts will equate to a savings in water use by 38 TAF per year by 2060. The second strategy included in the model is to reduce groundwater extraction by increased use of treated surface water. The With Project condition includes development of a new 60 MGD SWTF in the southeast portion of Fresno and the expansion of 30 MGD to the northeast plant. A new 60 MGD SWTF will be set to begin production in 2015. The expansion of the existing 30 MGD SWTF in the northeast will increase capacity to 60 MGD by 2020. The increased capacity of treated surface water is a total of 123 TAF per year. The With Project conditions reduced groundwater pumping from 141 TAF per year in 2005 to 82 TAF per year in 2020 when the maximum water conservation efforts and the expansion of the SWTFs come online. Groundwater extraction is reduced in 2025 with the use of 25 TAF per year of recycled water in-lieu of pumping.

A summary of the projected water use is found in Figure 2-3 in the Metro Plan Update Phase 2 Report (West Yost, 2008). A map of the groundwater well locations and the pumping distribution pattern and capacity for the Baseline and With Project conditions are found in Figures 4a and 4b, respectively.

RECHARGE

FMFCD Existing and Future Ponds

The data available for recharge was limited to recent years when most of the ponds were in operation. Observed data was available from the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) only for the period from 1980 to 2004. To evaluate potential future conditions a synthetic recharge schedule was developed using the average monthly recharge distribution and the San Joaquin River hydrologic index. The synthetic schedule was used to approximate the total recharge within the cities of Fresno and Clovis that will occur in future scenarios. The average annual water recharged in the existing FMFCD ponds is 18 TAF per year.

An estimate for future ponding acreage in the areas to be developed was also needed to evaluate future conditions. Annual water recharged and monthly distribution assumptions for the 2060 Growth Fringe were provided by the FMFCD. The 2060 Growth Fringe was divided into 11 subgroups, Division 1 to 11 shown in Figure 4c. Each division assumed a percolation rate ranging from 0.2 to 0.5 feet per day and the ponding acreage required to support mixed urban development as provided by West Yost. Impacts on total recharge for low water years, maintenance, excavation and other unknowns were taken into account in the estimated and calculated average annual recharge. The future recharge schedule was used as part of the input files for 2025 and 2060 Baseline Conditions. The average annual water recharged in the existing FMFCD ponds is 10 TAF per year.

Project Recharge Ponds

Figure 4c shows the location of the three project pond locations (i.e., regional recharge basins). Deliveries of surface water to groundwater recharge ponds begin in 2025 with 26.1 TAF per year into Pond 1. An additional 48.8 TAF per year into Pond 2 by 2030 and 37.4 TAF per year by 2037 of groundwater recharge into Pond 2. A total of 112.3 TAF per year was added to the groundwater storage. The water supply will in part come from additional Kings River water deliveries and a new source of surface water of 35 TAF per year beginning in 2035 increasing to 55 TAF per year by 2050.

MODEL RESULTS

This section provides the summary of the Kings IGSM modeling results for the City of Fresno Baseline and With Project scenarios. The groundwater response is depicted by the groundwater

level contour maps, well hydrographs and changes in groundwater storage calculations for the Fresno area for the 2005 to 2060 period.

GROUNDWATER ELEVATION

The change in groundwater elevation associated with Baseline and With Project conditions is shown in a series of contour maps showing the groundwater elevation above mean sea level (MSL). The Baseline groundwater levels in Figures 5a through 5g, show the average annual groundwater elevation for the years 2010 through 2060, respectively. Figures 6a through 6g show the average annual groundwater levels for the With Project conditions for the years 2010 through 2060, respectively. The 2005 groundwater elevation map, Figure 2, is used as the same common starting point.

The initial groundwater elevations are set at the year 2005 levels. The groundwater surface elevation range from 270 to 300 feet MSL in the northern and eastern portions of the SOI to 180 to 190 feet MSL in the southwest. The existing groundwater gradient is from the northeast, with higher groundwater surface elevation, to the southwest. The gradient is relatively flat within the central portion of the SOI but begins to decline in the southwestern area outside of the SOI in the 2060 Growth Fringe section near the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF) where the groundwater levels continue to drop below 150 feet MSL. The groundwater level contours show some mounding effects of the percolation of wastewater near the RWRF. A 10-foot groundwater depression is estimated near the center of the SOI, north of downtown, with an elevation of 170 to 180 feet MSL. A second groundwater depression is estimated in the eastern section of the SOI in the Bakman Water District (Bakman), also at 170 to 180 feet MSL.

Groundwater Levels Under Baseline Conditions

The groundwater levels, under Baseline conditions, drop 10 feet from 2005 to 2010, increasing the depression throughout most of the western SOI. By 2025, the groundwater levels at the central portion of the City continue to decline to 140 to 150 feet MSL. The second depression at Bakman continues to spread to a larger region toward the west. By 2060, the groundwater levels dropped below 110 feet in most of the City and Bakman. The mound is evident at the RWRF.

Figure 7a shows the change in groundwater level that occurred from 2005 to 2060. A negative value represents a drop, or decrease, in groundwater level as compared to the level in 2005. By the end of the modeling simulation, the groundwater levels are simulated to drop 70 to 85 feet along Highway 99. The depression is projected to be relatively evenly spread along the highway with two valleys in the groundwater depression located in the northwest and southeast Fresno area. These valleys are most likely the result of pumping distribution patterns shown previously in Figure 4a. The groundwater levels throughout the area are projected to drop; there are some areas where mounding, relative to the surrounding groundwater levels,

are noticed. The mound in the southwest located beneath the RWRF is a result of the wastewater percolation. The groundwater levels drop by 70 to 75 feet in the surrounding area but only 65 feet at the RWRF. The groundwater mounding northeast of Highway 180, with a drop of only 40 feet, and in the northeast portion along Big Dry Creek, with a gain of 10 feet, is due to hydrology and soil conditions. The difference in hydrology between 2005 and 2060 is that more surface water is available to flow in the canals in 2060 as compared to 2005. The two areas of mounding are areas of high conductivity or infiltration rates, meaning the water within the canals recharge the groundwater faster in these areas.

Groundwater Levels Under With Project Conditions

Under With Project conditions the groundwater follows a similar trend from 2005 to 2010 with a drop in groundwater levels by 10 feet in the western SOI. From 2010 to 2020 the depression in the center of the City has been reduced and groundwater levels increased to 180 to 200 feet MSL. The increase in groundwater levels was the result of water conservation and increased treated surface water production. The groundwater levels in the eastern portion of the SOI increased with a depression present at Bakman 10 feet below the surrounding area. Since Bakman is supported exclusively by groundwater extraction, a depression is likely to continue in this area.

At the end of simulation, 2060, the groundwater in the center of the City is at 200 to 210 feet MSL, an increase of 25 to 30 feet from 2005, shown in Figure 7b. Along Highway 99, the groundwater levels range from 0 feet to 15 feet, indicating no change to an increase by 15 feet compared to 2005. There are areas of mounding in the northeast SOI and the City of Clovis. The mounding in the City of Clovis results from the benefits of groundwater recharge in the Marion basin near Dry Creek canal. This mounding effect is amplified by the gains in groundwater level within the SOI due to the increased capacity in the Northeast SWTF and reduction in groundwater pumpage. Other areas where beneficial groundwater mounding is evident is at the project ponds sites. The groundwater recharged in these areas shows an improvement to the surrounding groundwater by 5 to 10 feet compared to 2005.

Areas outside of the Fresno area that are affected by the project conditions are the groundwater depression southwest of the City and the eastern portion of the Fresno Irrigation District. The area southwest of Highway 99 continues to lose groundwater down gradient from the northeast to the southwest. The gradient is caused by a groundwater depression in the western portion of the Kings Basin located near Raisin City. The groundwater depression formed east of the City is a result of the increased groundwater pumping to meet agricultural demands. The surface water from the Kings River was diverted and reallocated to meet the City's water use requirements, either for the surface water treatment or recharge. The remaining water was used to support the crop water demand in the surrounding areas.

Baseline and With Project Groundwater Level Comparison

A comparison of the changes in groundwater levels, under Baseline and With Project conditions, are shown using a contour map and well hydrographs. The contour map, Figure 8, shows difference in groundwater levels at 2060 (With Project minus Baseline). Near the center of the SOI, the simulated groundwater difference is 105 feet. This is an increase in groundwater level relative to 2060 Baseline condition. Alternatively, the increase in groundwater level in this figure represents the benefit of the projects implemented under the With Project condition when compared to the Baseline condition at the end of the model simulation.

The changes in groundwater levels from 2005 to 2060 are shown using eight representative well hydrographs and three simulated hydrographs at the project pond sites. The well hydrographs show historical observed groundwater levels, for comparative purposes, represented by red diamonds along with a red line for the simulated groundwater levels for the Baseline conditions and a black line for the With Project conditions. The peaks and valleys in the lines show the changes in groundwater level at different time periods of the year (e.g., spring and fall). The hydrographs that have an exaggerated variance indicate an area with higher areas of water permeability like agricultural areas. The hydrographs at the pond location do not include historical observed level since these are only simulated and wells do not existing at these locations. The well and pond locations are shown in Figure 9a and the simulated well hydrographs in Figure 9b and 8c.

Figure 9a shows Well 35, located in the southwest portion within the 2060 Growth Fringe, near the regional wastewater treatment plant. The historical data shows a decline in groundwater elevation of approximately 25 feet. The Baseline condition shows an additional 70 feet decline from 2005 to 2060. The With Project condition shows a decline of groundwater elevation of 25 feet by 2060. There are three notable inflections that occur in the With Project groundwater level line: 1. New/Expanded SWTF in 2015 to 2020 cause an upward trend; 2. Use of recycled water for irrigation reducing wastewater percolation produces a downward trend; and 3. Additional surface water supply (New) for recharge shown by an upward trend in 2030 and 2050.

A similar effect can be seen in the pond location hydrographs. In the Pond 2 hydrograph, the With Project groundwater levels begin to deviate from the Baseline beginning at 2010 which coincides with the 5% water conservation efforts. Most noticeably is the dramatic increase of 25 feet in groundwater in 2030 when the pond begins to receive water to recharge the groundwater. The groundwater simulation ends in 2060 with the With Project groundwater level at 195 feet and the Baseline at 110 feet. The difference of 85 feet in groundwater levels shows the benefits realized of the projects implemented versus doing nothing (Baseline condition).

Table 2. Well Hydrograph Summary

Location		2005 GWL (feet)	2060 GWL (feet)	2060 - 2005 Change in GWL (feet)	Project minus Baseline (feet)
Well 35	Project	185	160	-25	50
	Baseline		110	-75	
Well 45	Project	195	195	0	90
	Baseline		105	-90	
Well 47	Project	195	230	35	90
	Baseline		140	-55	
Well 58	Project	195	210	15	100
	Baseline		110	-85	
Well 60	Project	186	186	0	81
	Baseline		105	-81	
Well 70	Project	315	300	-15	30
	Baseline		270	-45	
Well 239	Project	190	217	27	94
	Baseline		123	-67	
Well 240	Project	205	240	35	70
	Baseline		170	-35	
Pond 1	Project	188	178	-10	68
	Baseline		110	-78	
Pond 2	Project	195	195	0	85
	Baseline		110	-85	
Pond 3	Project	245	257	12	92
	Baseline		165	-80	

Table 2 is a comparative summary of groundwater level at the well and pond locations between the Baseline and With Project conditions. The column for “With Project minus Baseline” shows the amount of groundwater stored from the projects implemented, under With Project conditions, versus no actions taken. The benefits range from 30 to 100 feet of potential gains in groundwater.

CHANGE IN GROUNDWATER STORAGE SUMMARY

The Baseline condition results in a decline in groundwater storage from 2005 to 2060 at a rate of 20 TAF per year within the SOI. The overdraft causes a drop of 80 feet in groundwater levels from 180 MSL to 100 MSL by 2060 in the approximate center of the City north of downtown. The decline under Baseline conditions in water level and depletion of groundwater storage are associated with the increased urban development and the increased urban reliance on groundwater.

Under With Project conditions there is an average annual surplus of groundwater of 4 TAF per year and an increase in groundwater level from 180 MSL to 200 MSL from 2005 to 2060. The projects implemented in this scenario allowed for increased use of surface and recycled water in-lieu of groundwater pumping and allow for greater opportunity to capture surface for storage in the project ponds. The difference in groundwater storage under various hydrologic conditions, Table 3, shows the benefit of the ability to recharge more groundwater, improve conservation efforts and reduce groundwater pumping. Detailed groundwater budgets for the Baseline and With Project conditions are included in Tables 4 and 5, respectively.

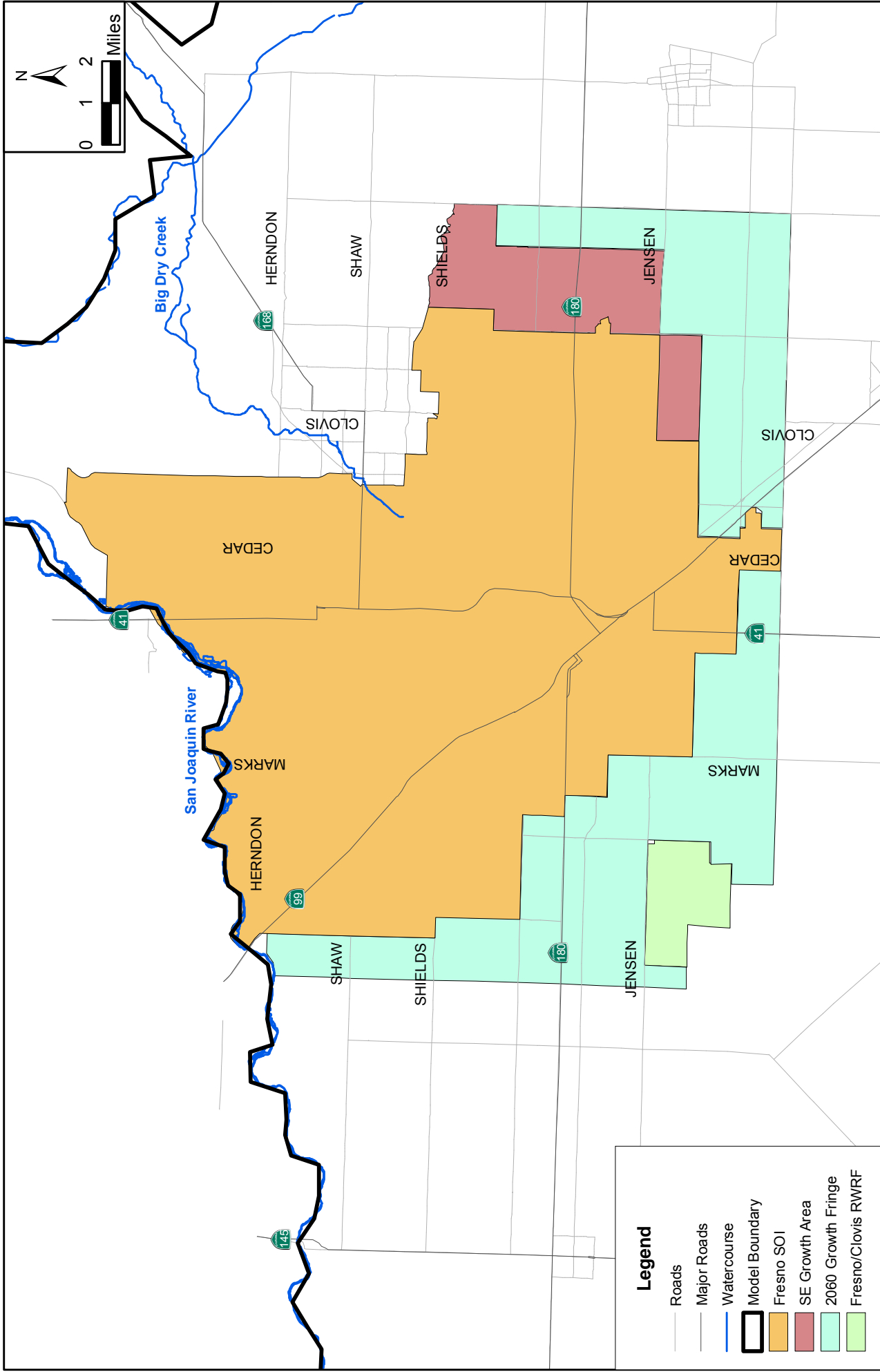
Table 3. Change in Groundwater Storage within SOI by Hydrologic Period

MODEL RUNS	2005-2060 Annual Average	2018 Dry Year	2024 Wet Year	2028-2033 Multiple Dry Years	2036-2039 Multiple Wet Years
Baseline Conditions (TAF)	-20	-76	50	-43	17
With Project Conditions (TAF)	4	-39	73	-3	38

In the dry hydrologic periods, the With Project scenario counters the dependence on groundwater by a reduction of pumping. During the dry year period in 2018, the groundwater storage will decline 76 TAF under Baseline conditions. In the With Project scenario, the groundwater storage will decline 39 TAF. The savings in groundwater, in this time period, is due to the new 60 MGD SWTF and 5% water conservation, and results in a savings of 37 TAF of groundwater. In the multiple dry years, 2028 to 2033, the 40 TAF reduction in groundwater loss is attributed to the 25 TAF of recycled water being used in-lieu of groundwater extraction.

The benefits of increased groundwater storage capacity with the project recharge ponds (i.e., regional recharge basins) and a reduction in groundwater pumping are seen during the wet hydrologic periods. In 2024, an additional 23 TAF of groundwater storage results from

increased capacity of 30 MGD in the northeast SWTF and 10% water conservation implementation. In the multiple wet years period increased groundwater recharge of new water supply of 35 TAF results in a 21 TAF of additional storage over baseline conditions. The projects implemented produced a sustainable balanced groundwater table under increasing urban water demands from 2005 to 2060.



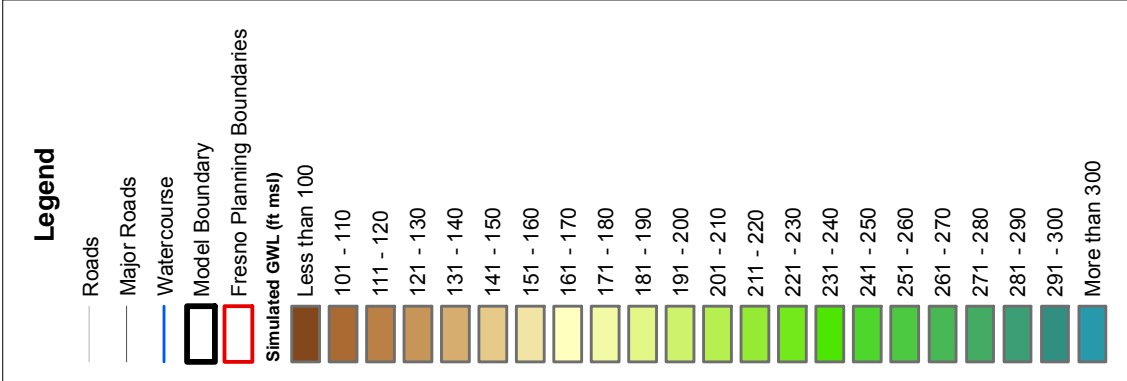
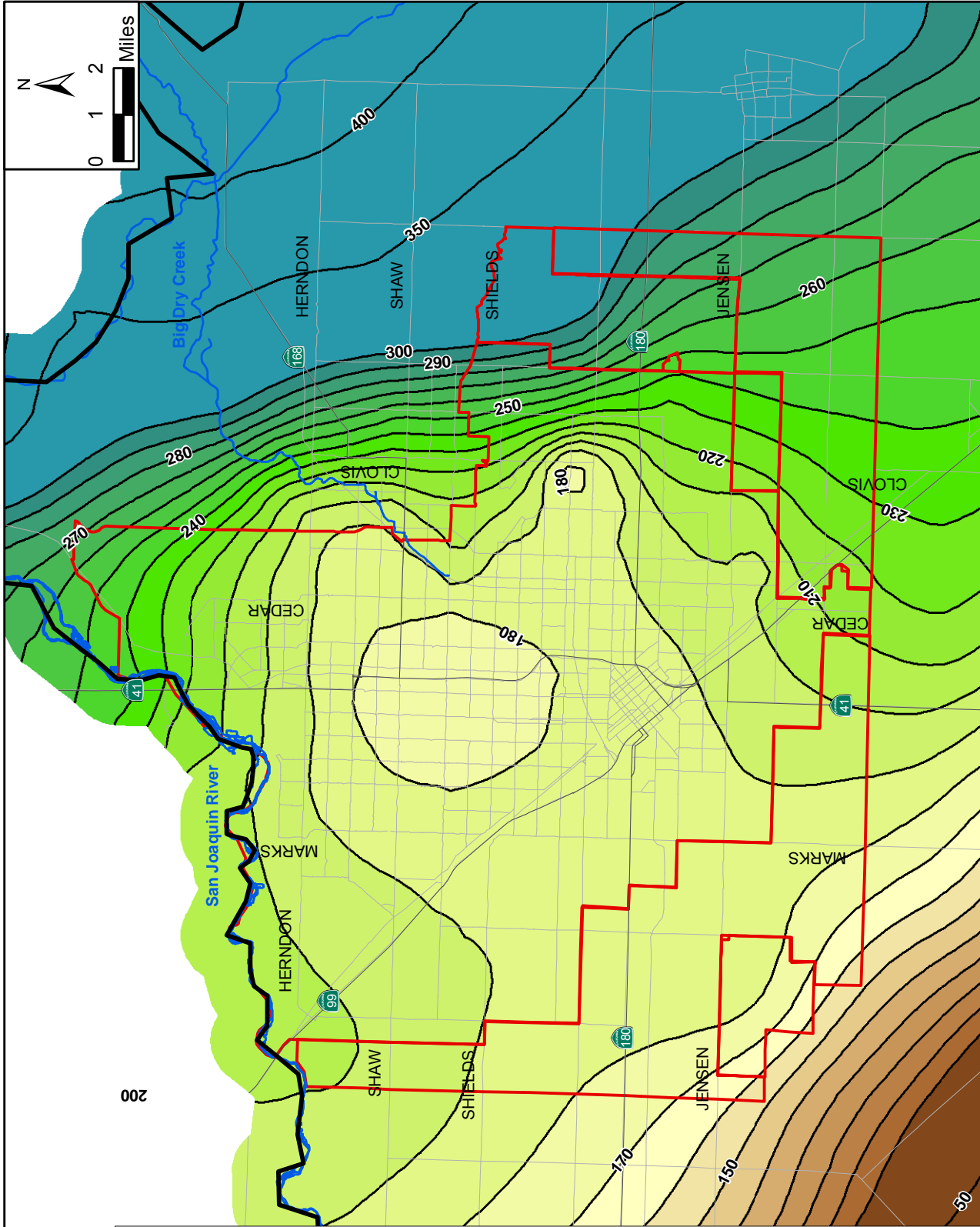
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Figure 1

Reference Map

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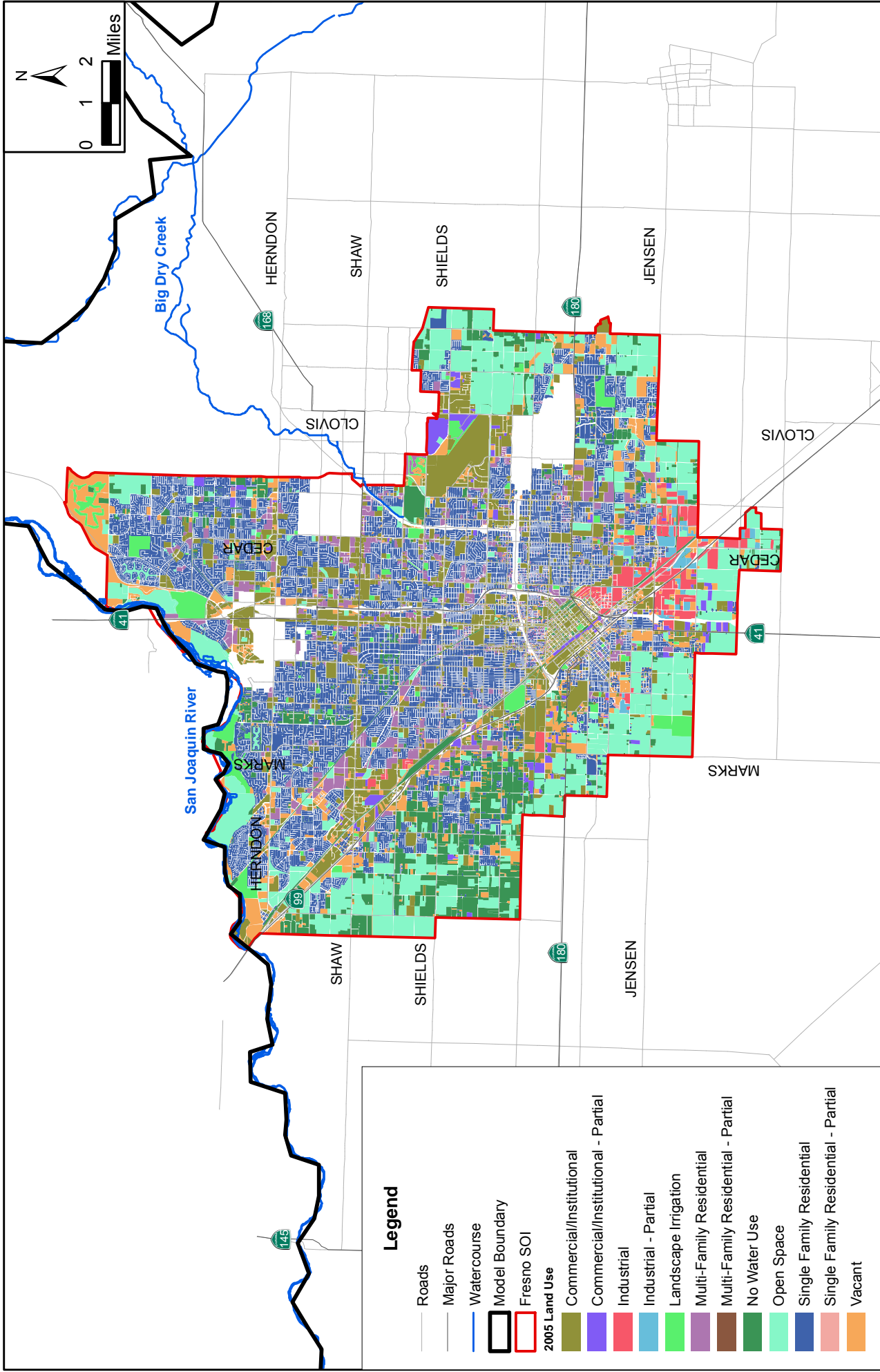


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Figure 2

Simulated Groundwater Levels (Initial Conditions - 2005)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year





Legend

- Roads
- Major Roads
- Watercourse
- Model Boundary
- Fresno SOI
- 2005 Land Use**
- Commercial/Institutional
- Commercial/Institutional - Partial
- Industrial
- Industrial - Partial
- Landscape Irrigation
- Multi-Family Residential
- Multi-Family Residential - Partial
- No Water Use
- Open Space
- Single Family Residential
- Single Family Residential - Partial
- Vacant

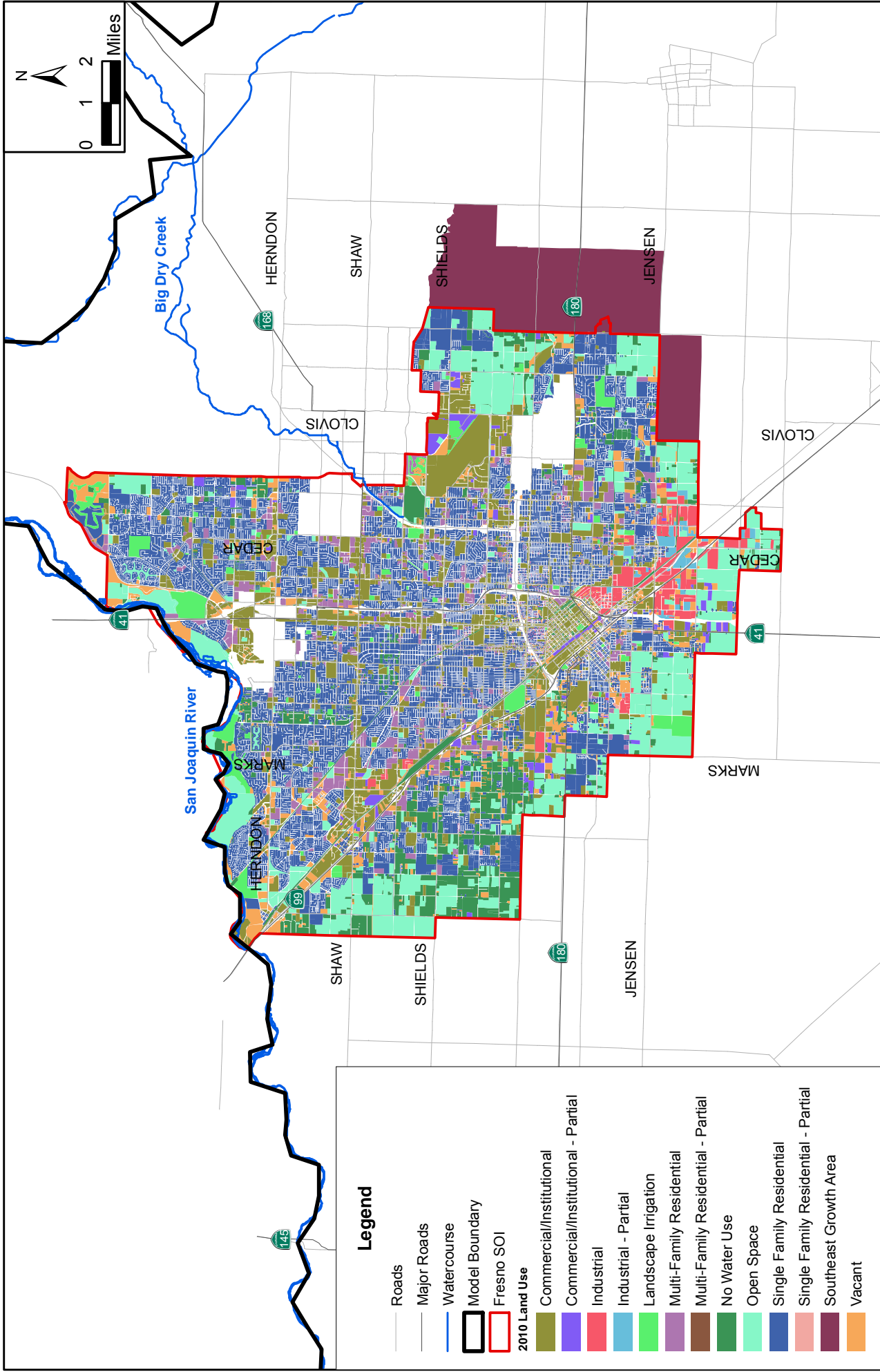


2005 Land Use

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Figure 3a



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- Roads
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- Fresno SOI
- 2010 Land Use
- Commercial/Institutional
- Commercial/Institutional - Partial
- Industrial
- Industrial - Partial
- Landscape Irrigation
- Multi-Family Residential
- Multi-Family Residential - Partial
- No Water Use
- Open Space
- Single Family Residential
- Single Family Residential - Partial
- Southeast Growth Area
- Vacant

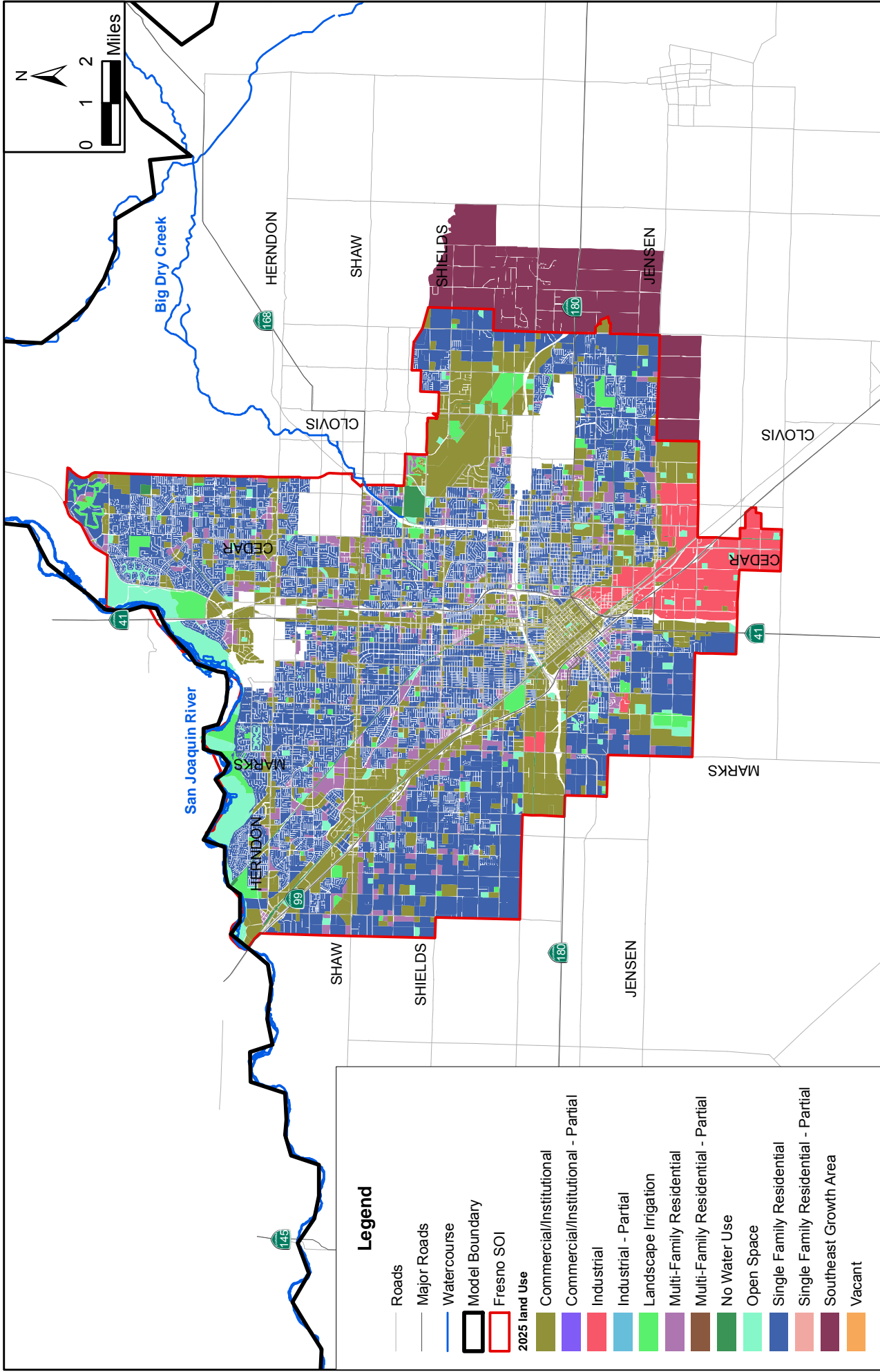
2010 Land Use

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Figure 3b





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- Roads
- Major Roads
- Watercourse
- Model Boundary
- Fresno SOI
- 2025 land Use
- Commercial/Institutional
- Commercial/Institutional - Partial
- Industrial
- Industrial - Partial
- Landscape Irrigation
- Multi-Family Residential
- Multi-Family Residential - Partial
- No Water Use
- Open Space
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- Single Family Residential - Partial
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- Vacant

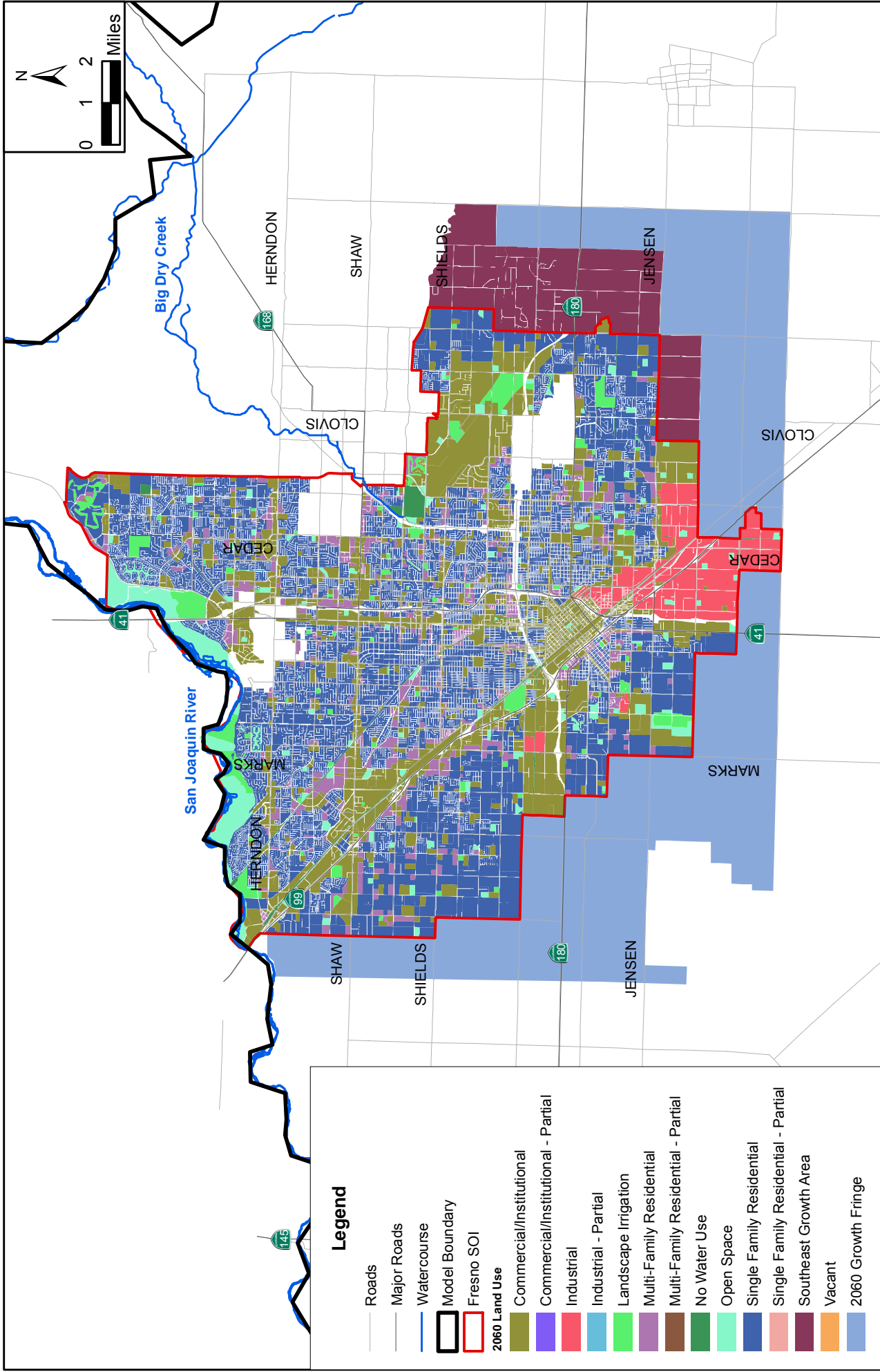
2025 Land Use

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Figure 3c





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- 2060 Land Use
 - Commercial/Institutional
 - Commercial/Institutional - Partial
 - Industrial
 - Industrial - Partial
 - Landscape Irrigation
 - Multi-Family Residential
 - Multi-Family Residential - Partial
 - No Water Use
 - Open Space
 - Single Family Residential
 - Single Family Residential - Partial
 - Southeast Growth Area
 - Vacant
 - 2060 Growth Fringe

2060 Land Use

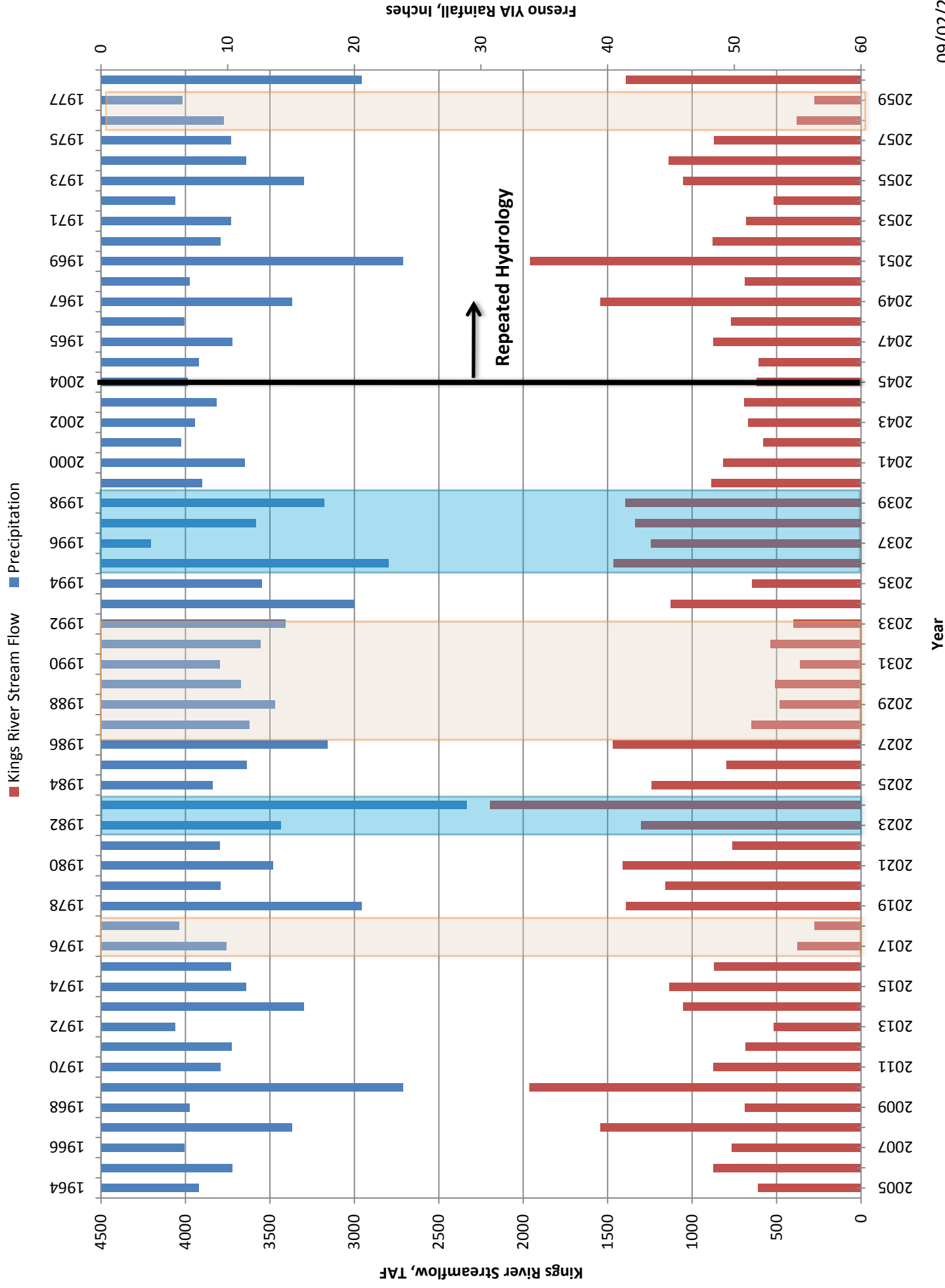
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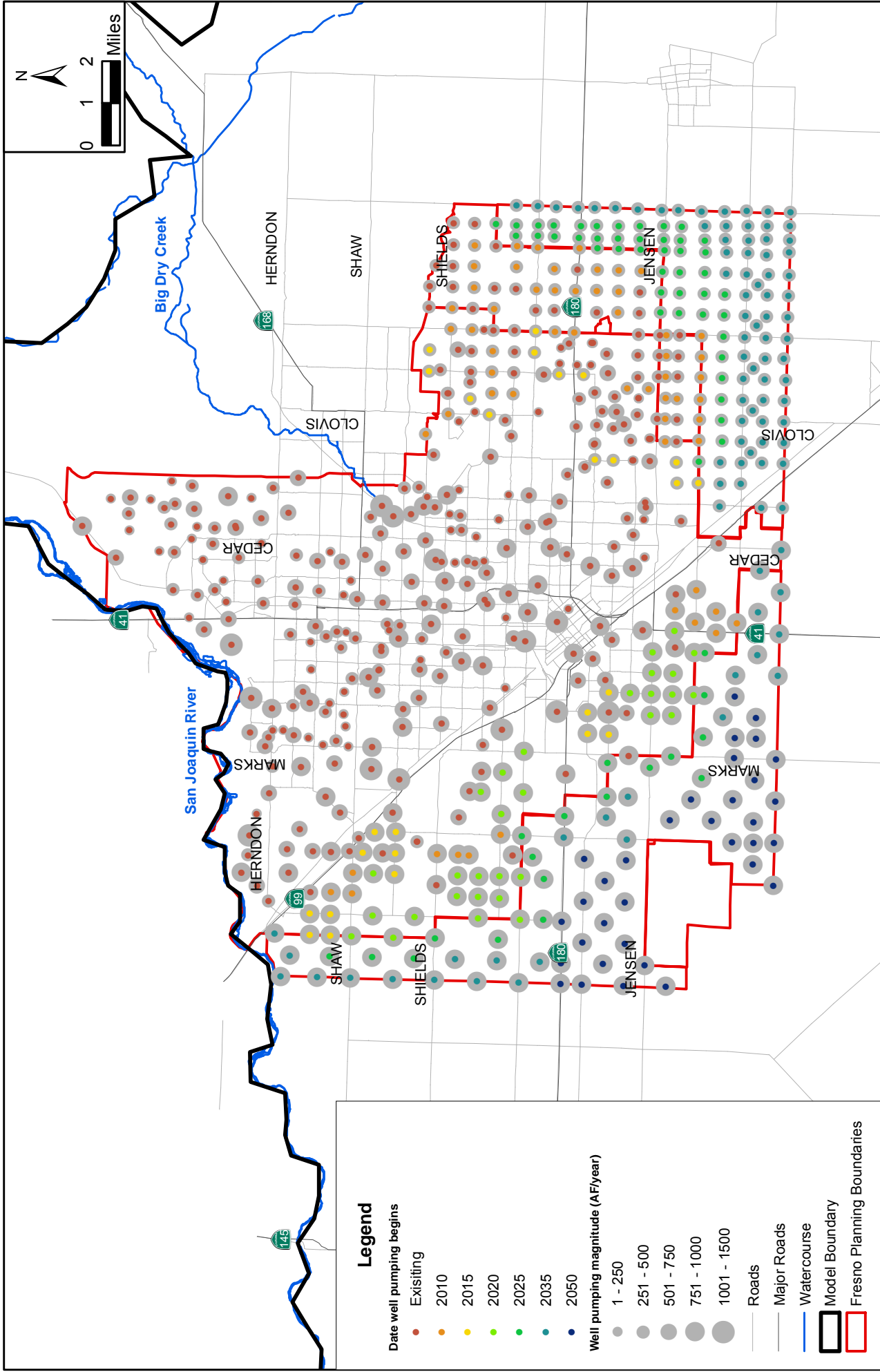
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Figure 3d



Figure 3e. Average Annual Streamflow vs. Precipitation





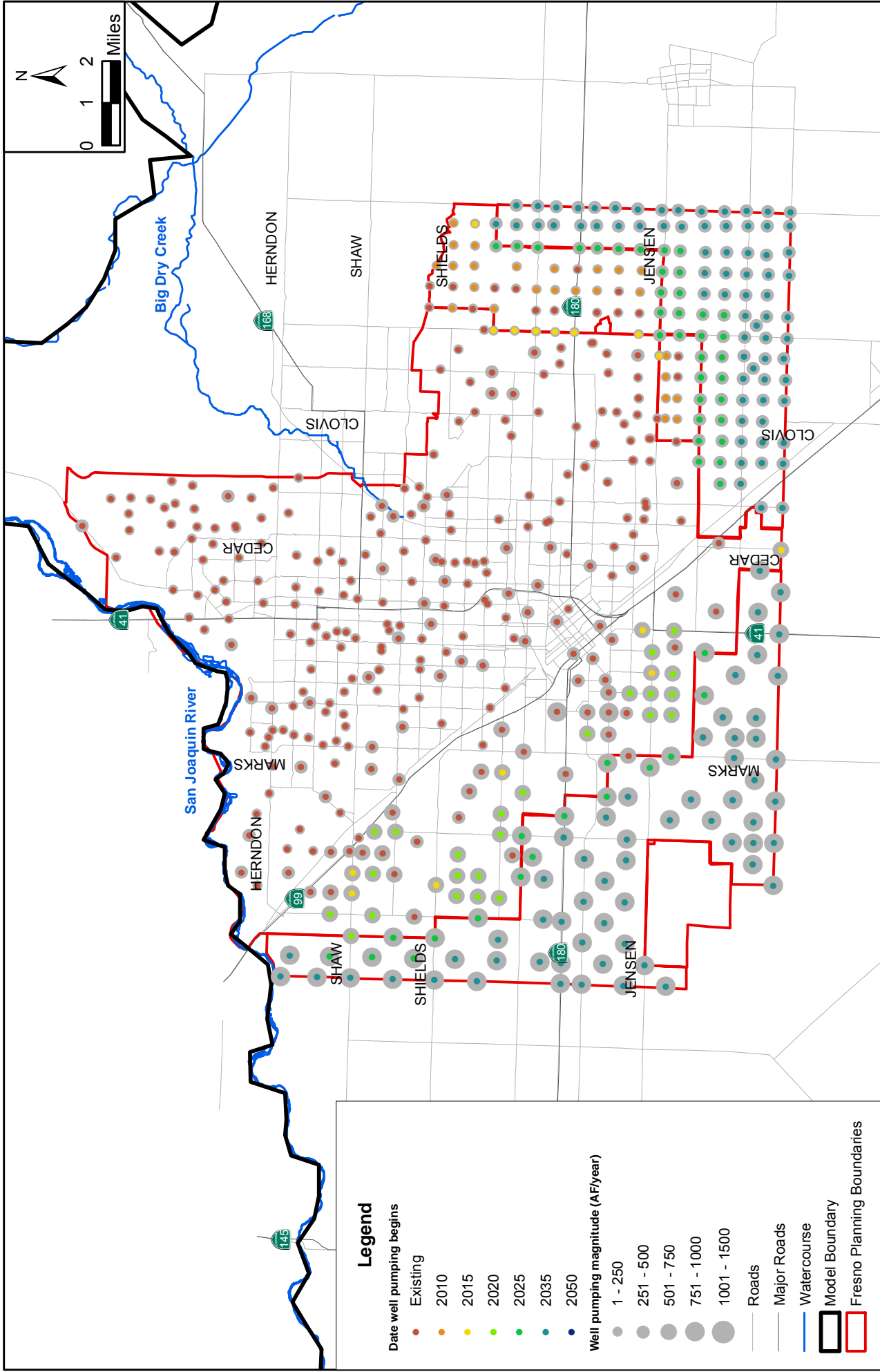
Fresno Municipal Groundwater Pumping Distribution Baseline - 2060

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Figure 4a





Legend

- Date well pumping begins
 - Existing
 - 2010
 - 2015
 - 2020
 - 2025
 - 2035
 - 2050
- Well pumping magnitude (AF/year)
 - 1 - 250
 - 251 - 500
 - 501 - 750
 - 751 - 1000
 - 1001 - 1500
- Roads
- Major Roads
- Watercourse
- Model Boundary
- Fresno Planning Boundaries

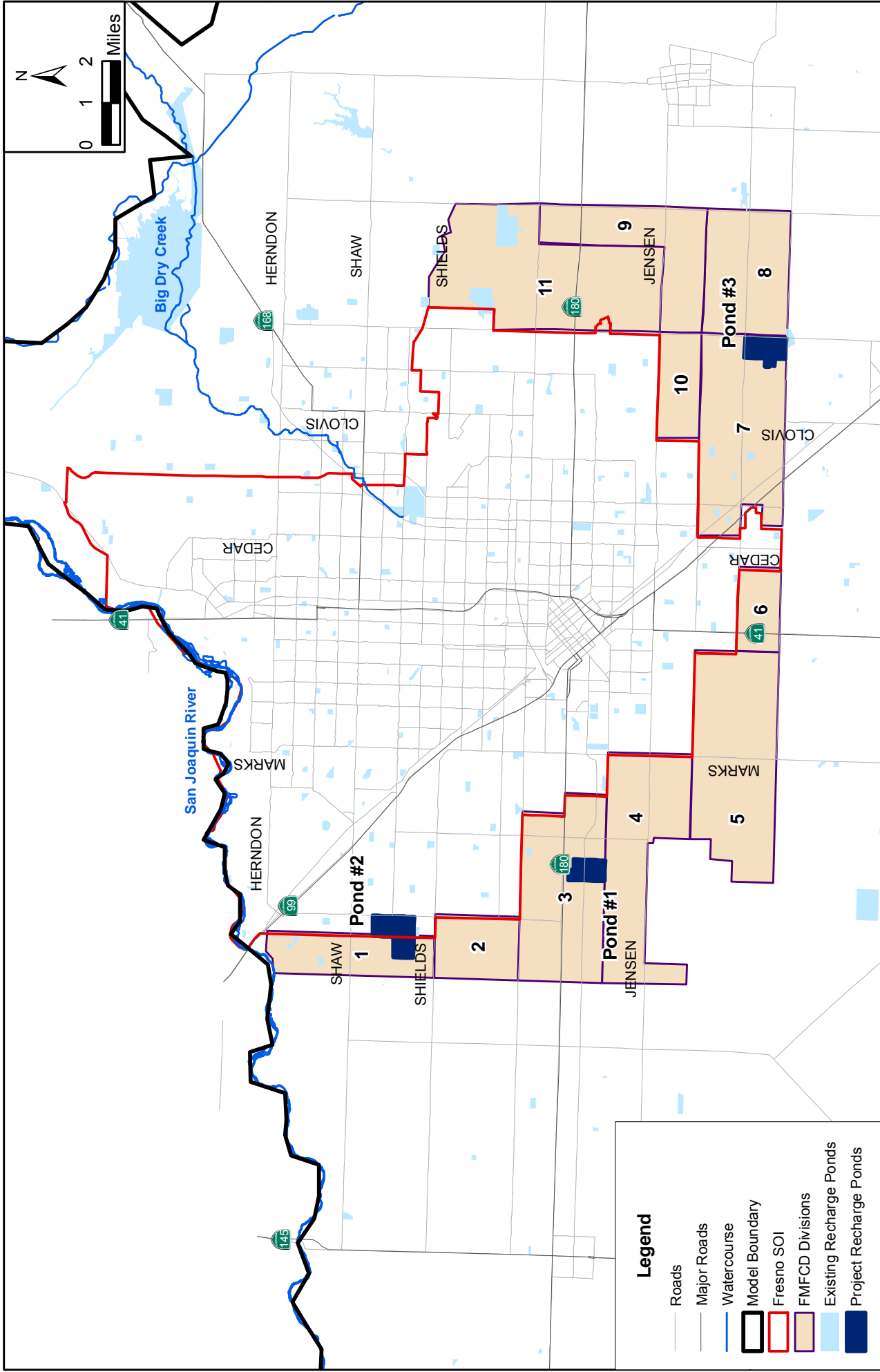
**Fresno Municipal Groundwater Pumping Distribution
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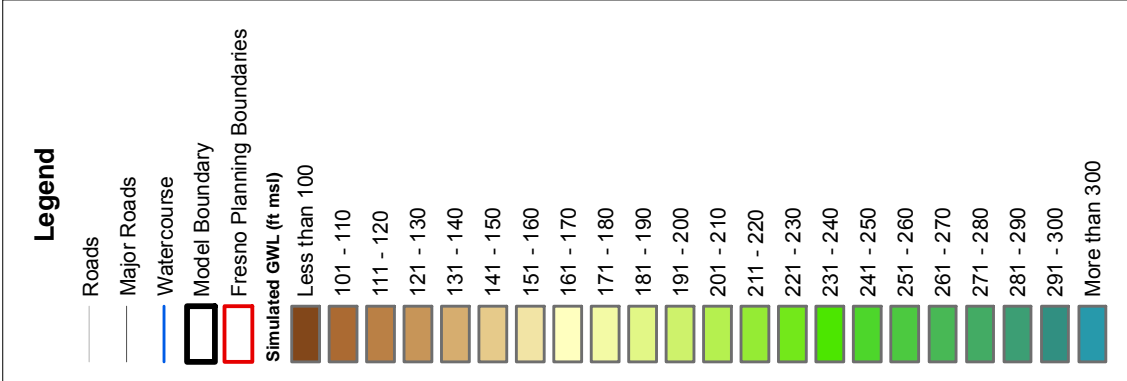
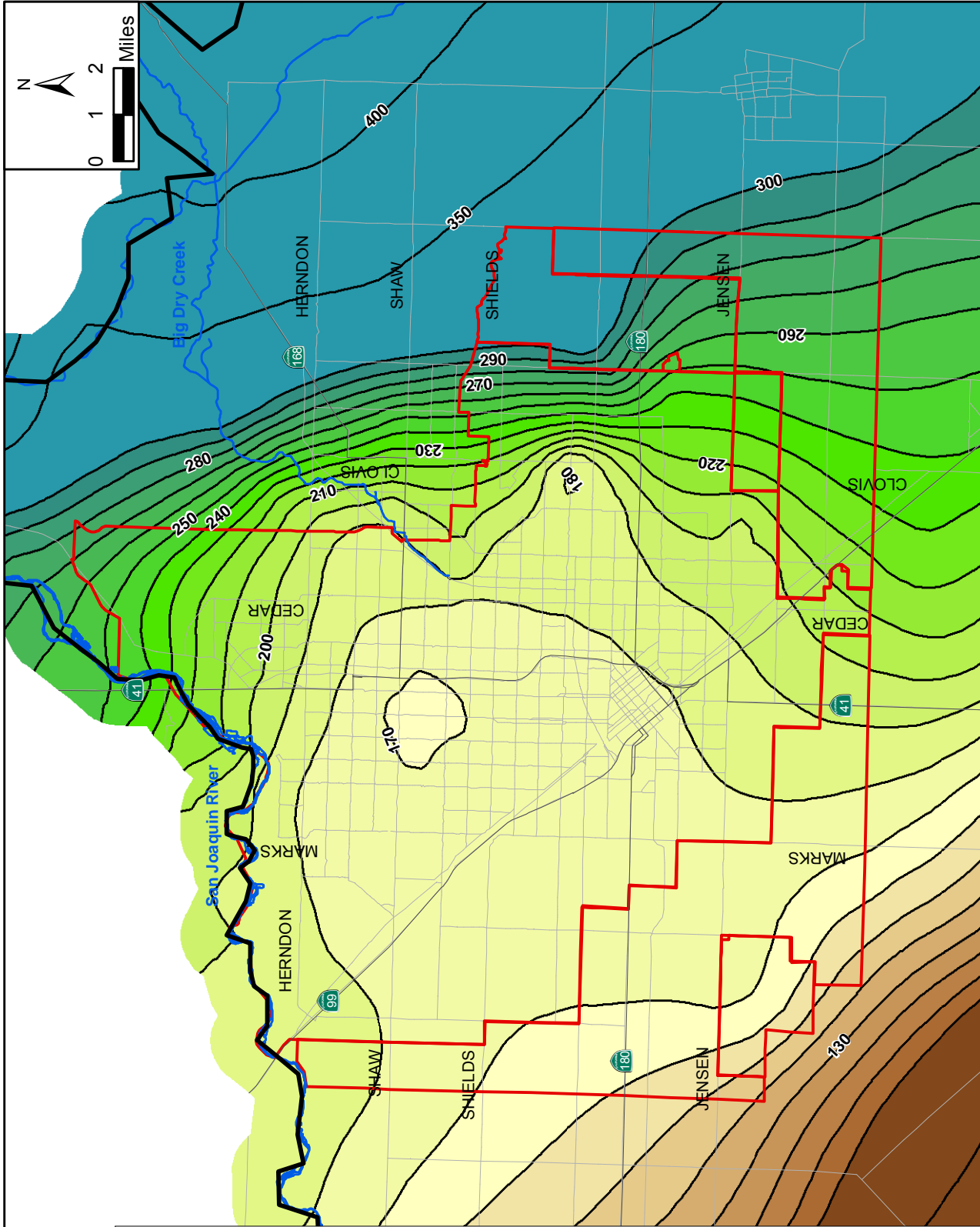
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Figure 4c

Regional Recharge Pond Locations and FMFCD Divisions

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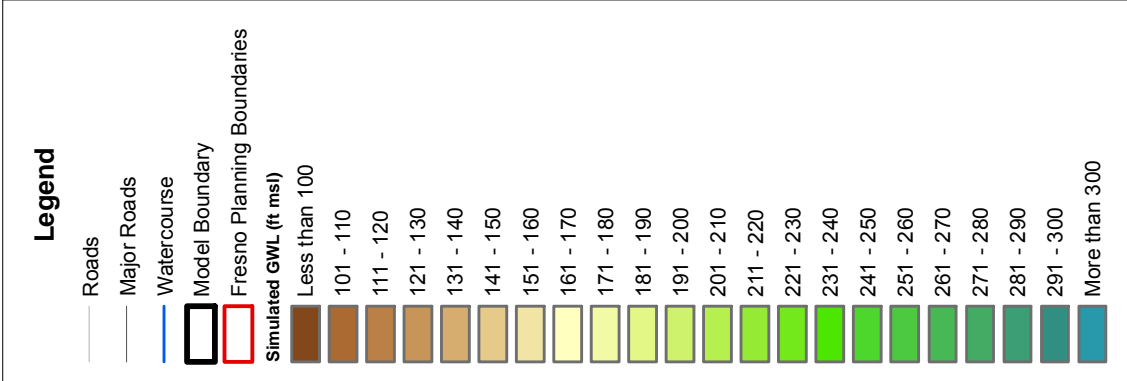
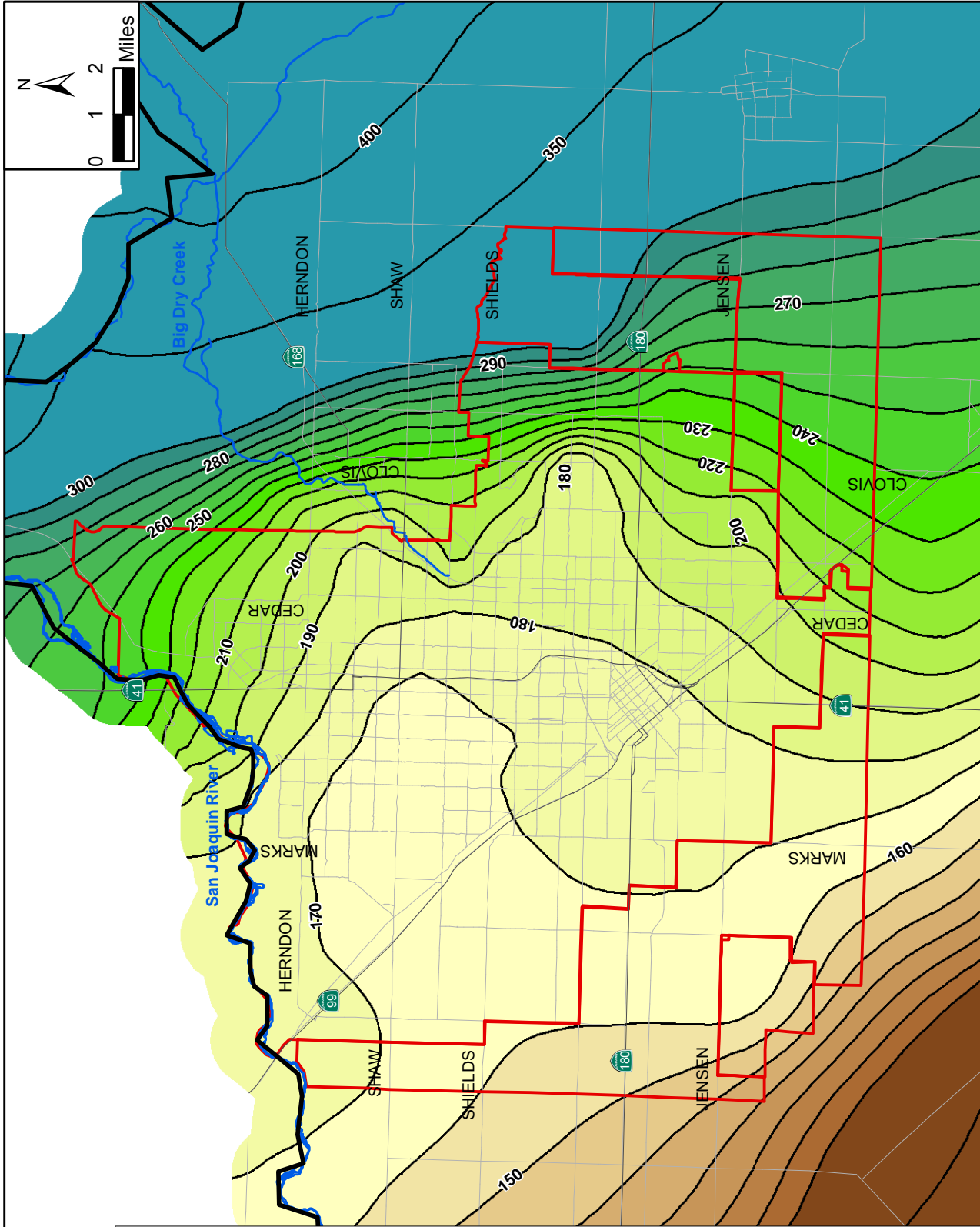
Figure 5a

Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2010)

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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year





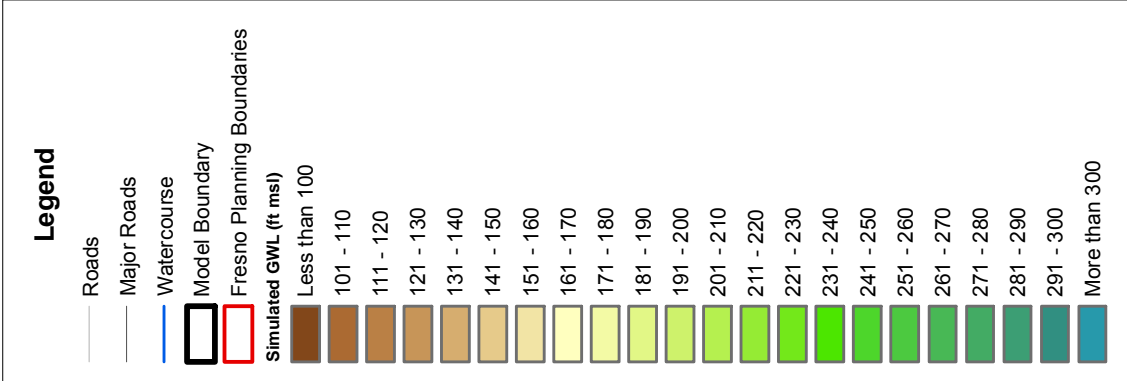
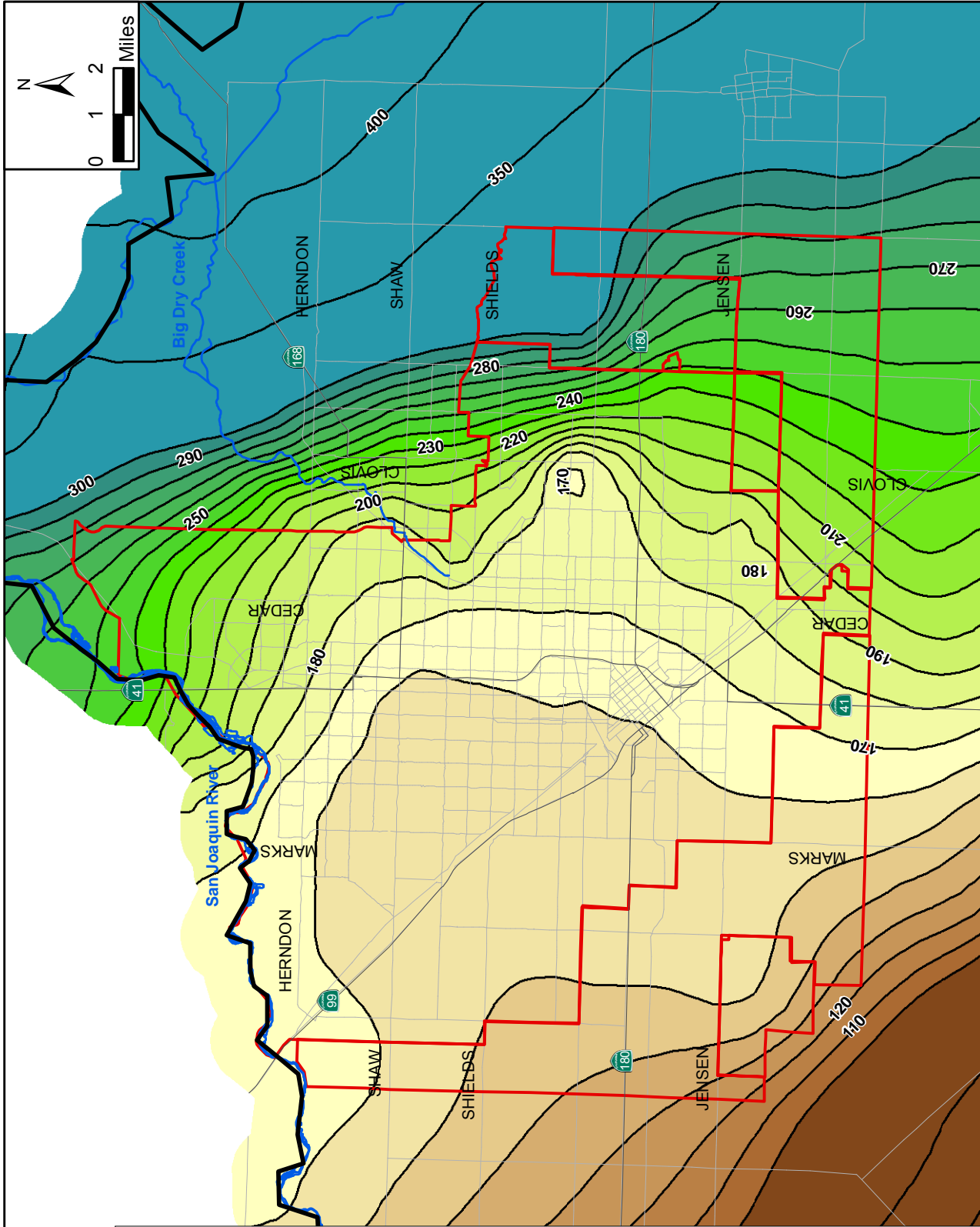
Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2015)

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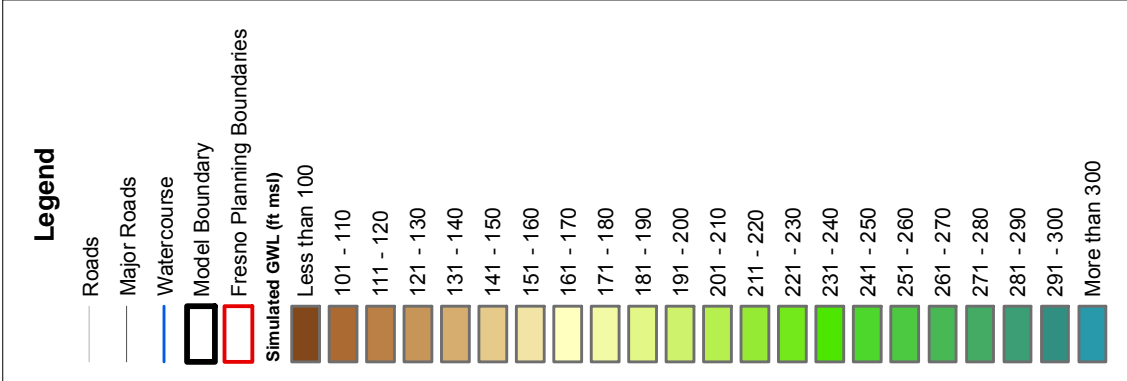
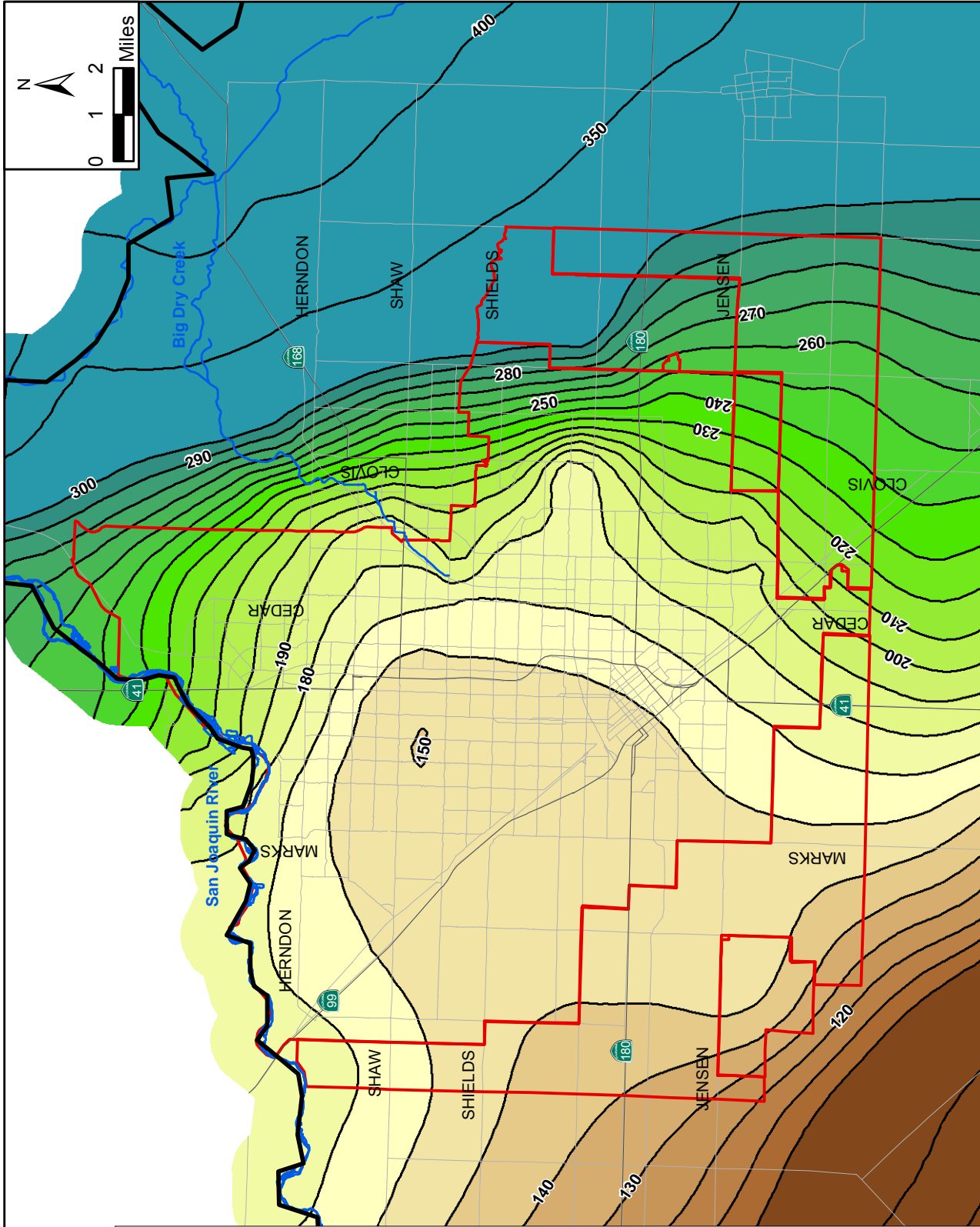


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Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2020)
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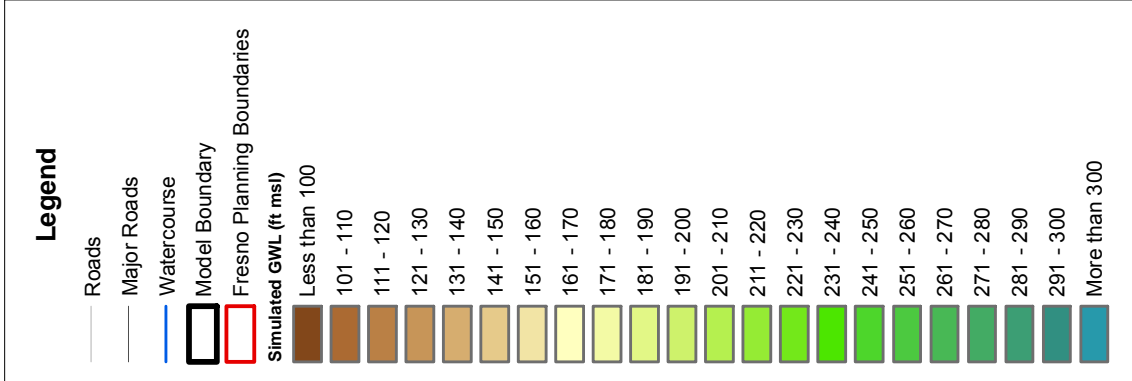
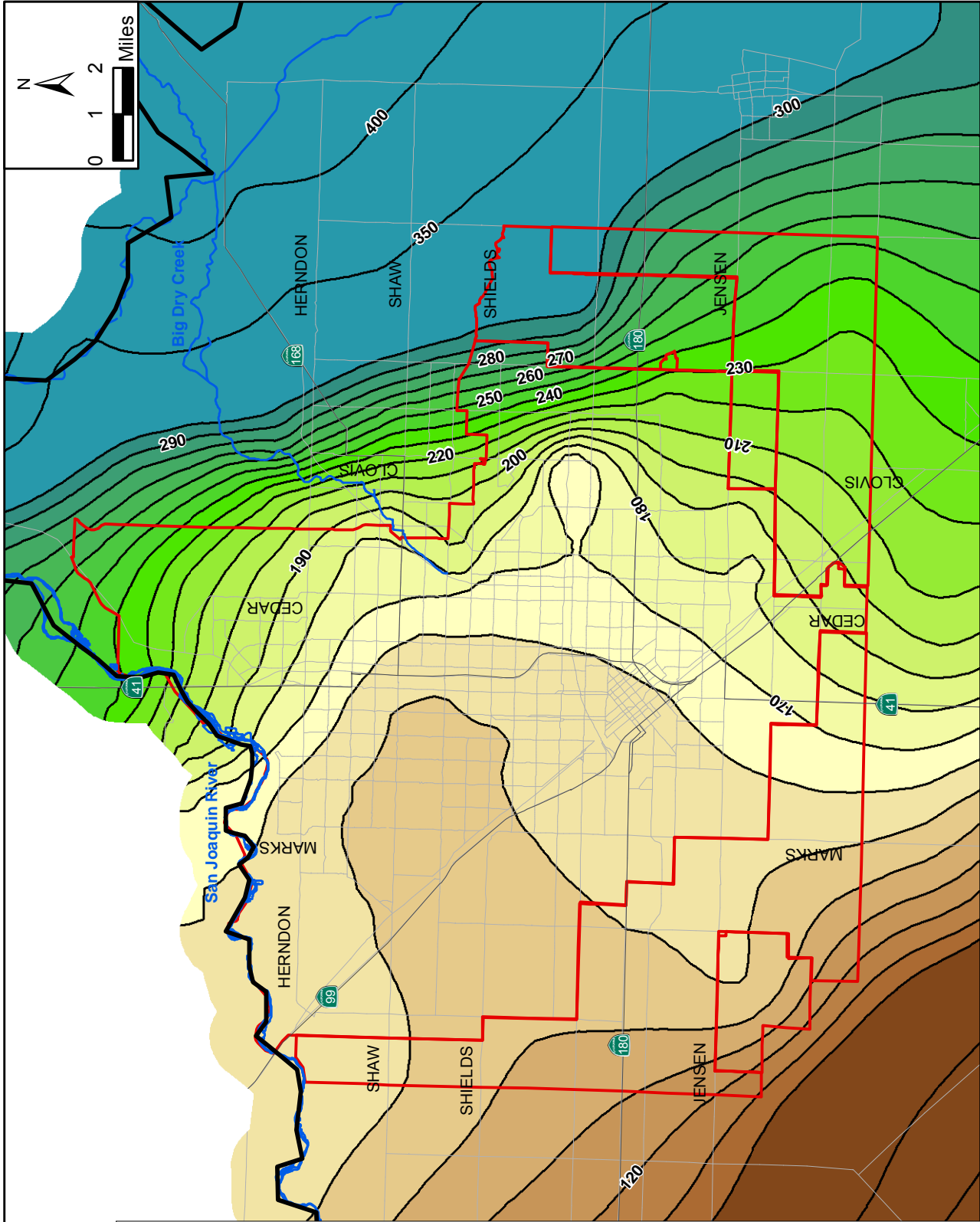


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Figure 5d

Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2025)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year



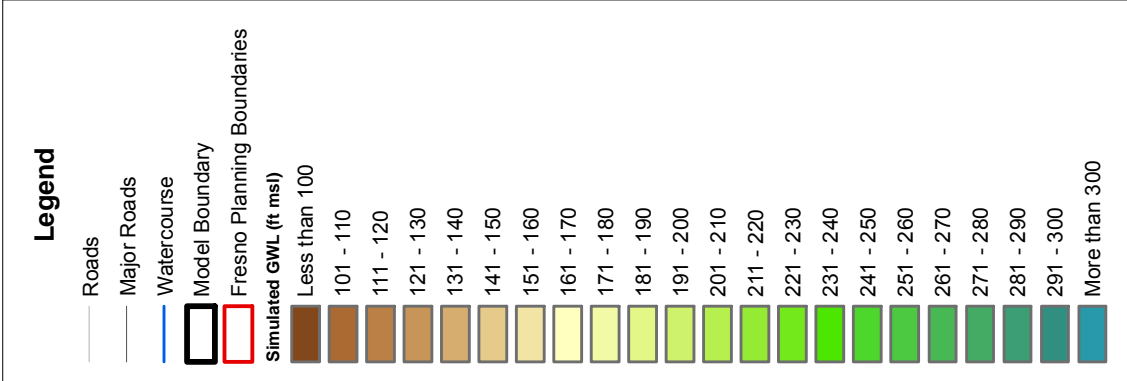
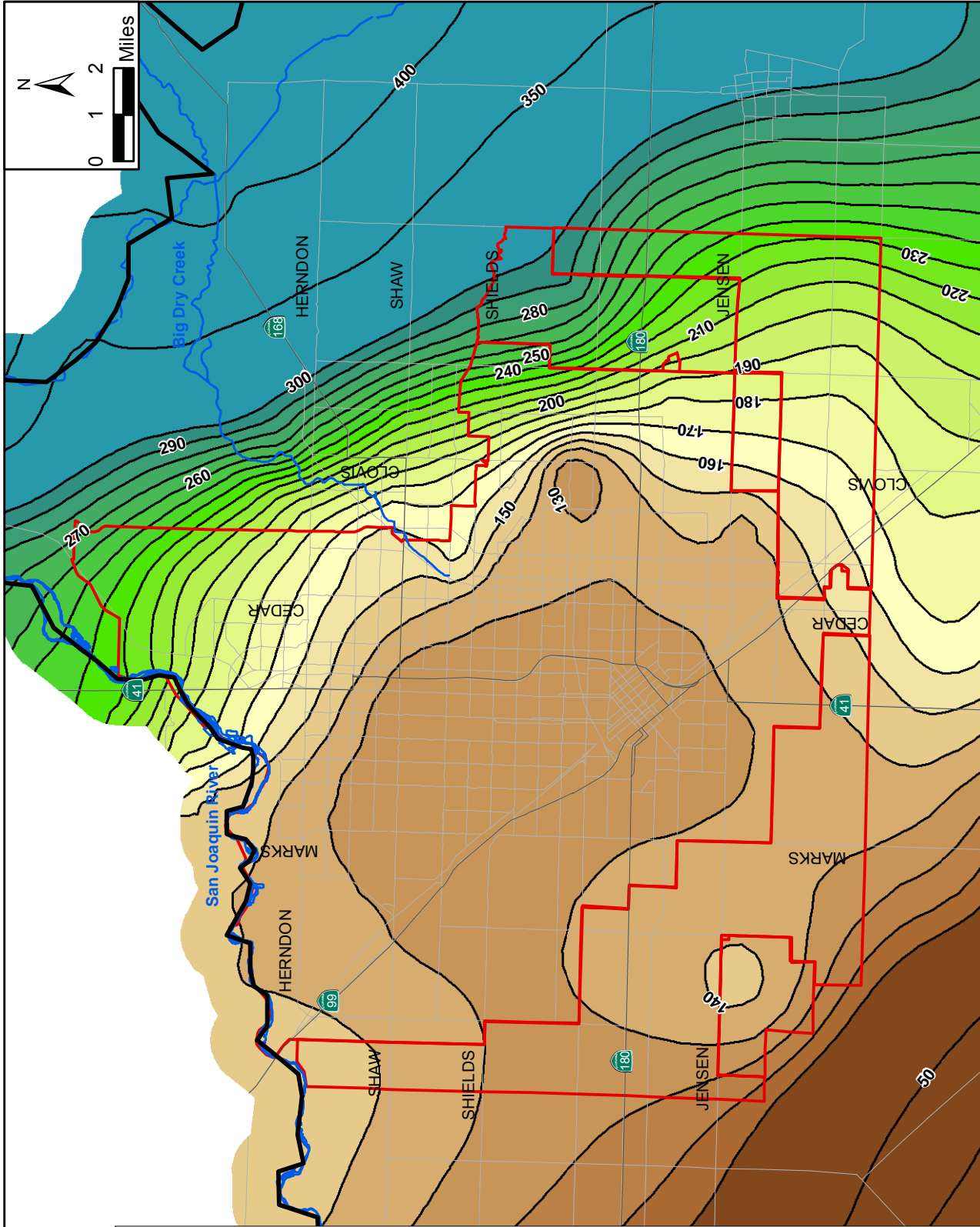


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Figure 5e

Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2030)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year



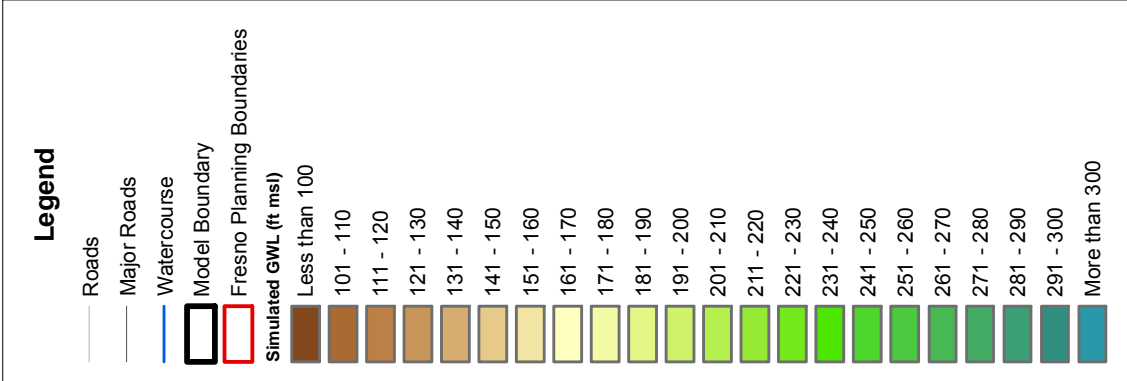
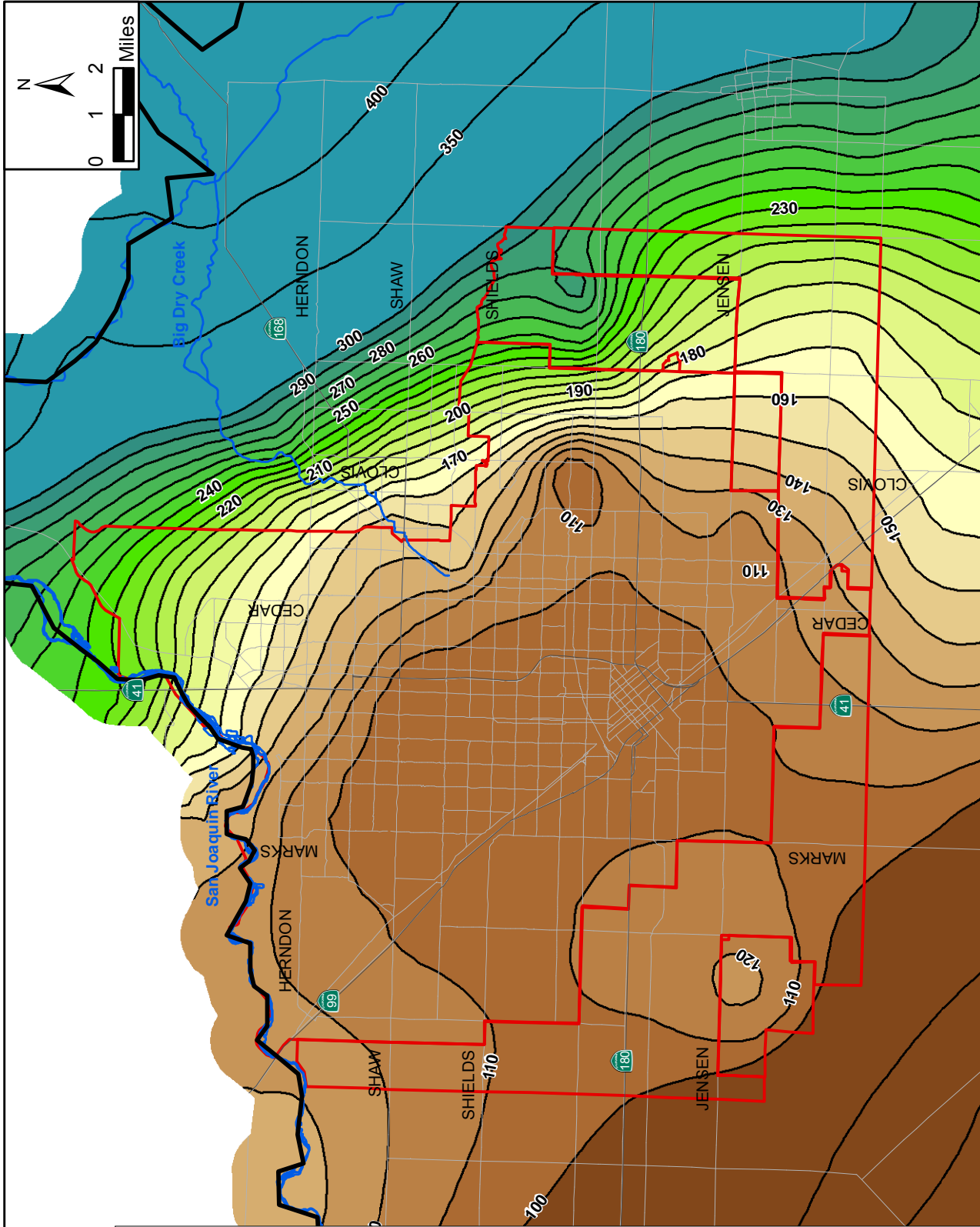


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Figure 5f

Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2050)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year





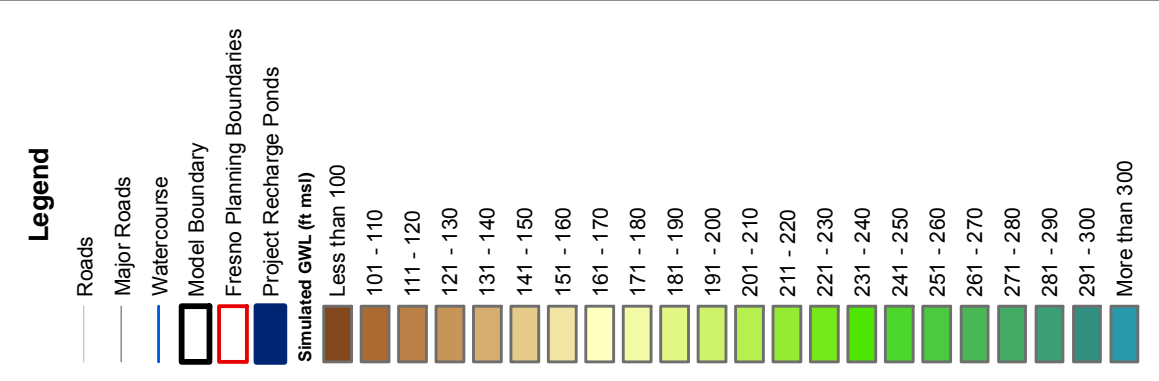
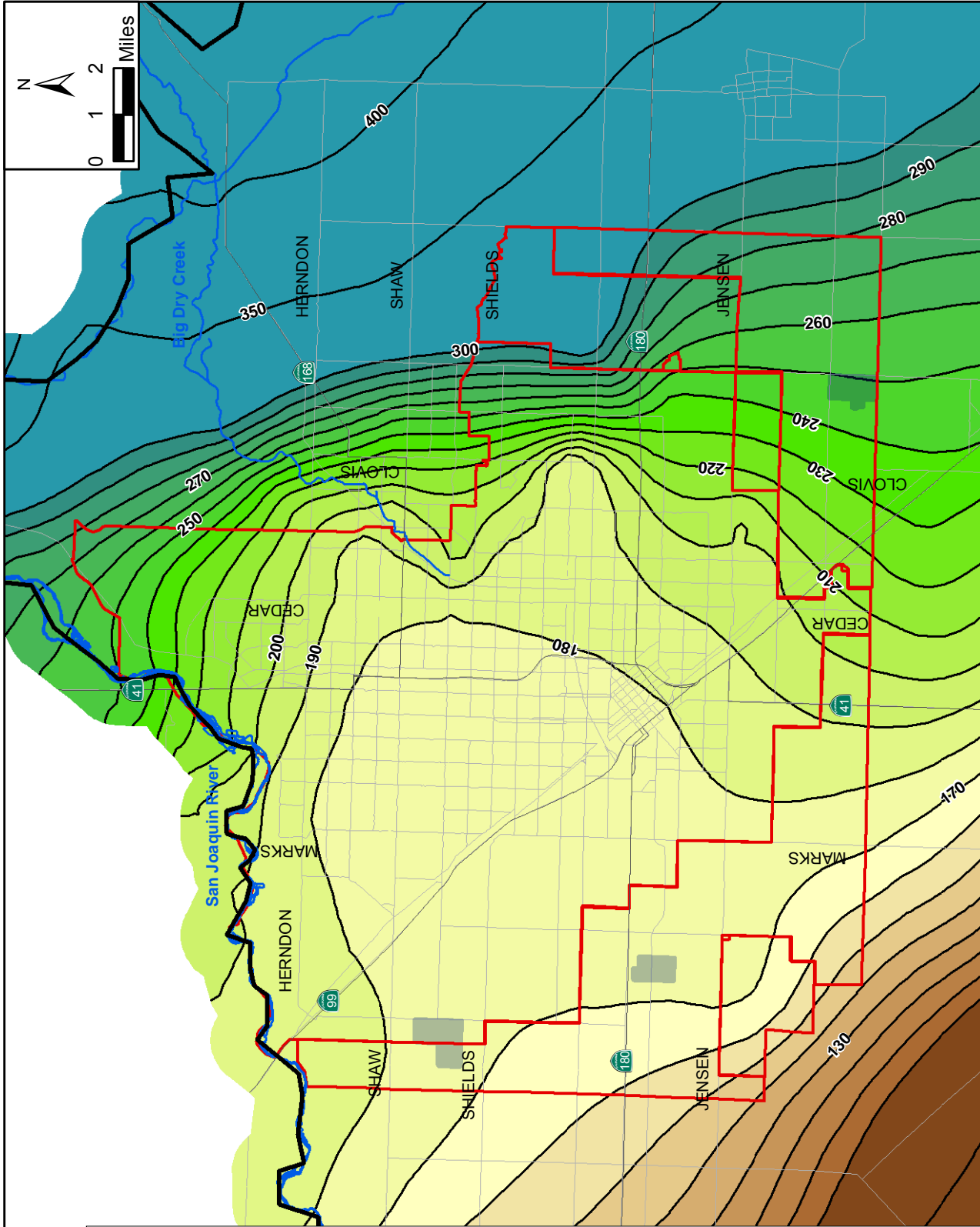
Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2060)

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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year

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Figure 5g



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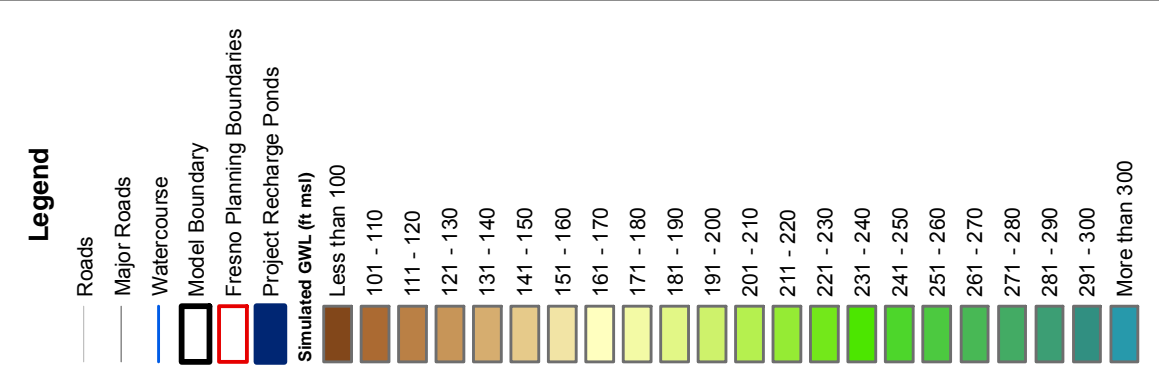
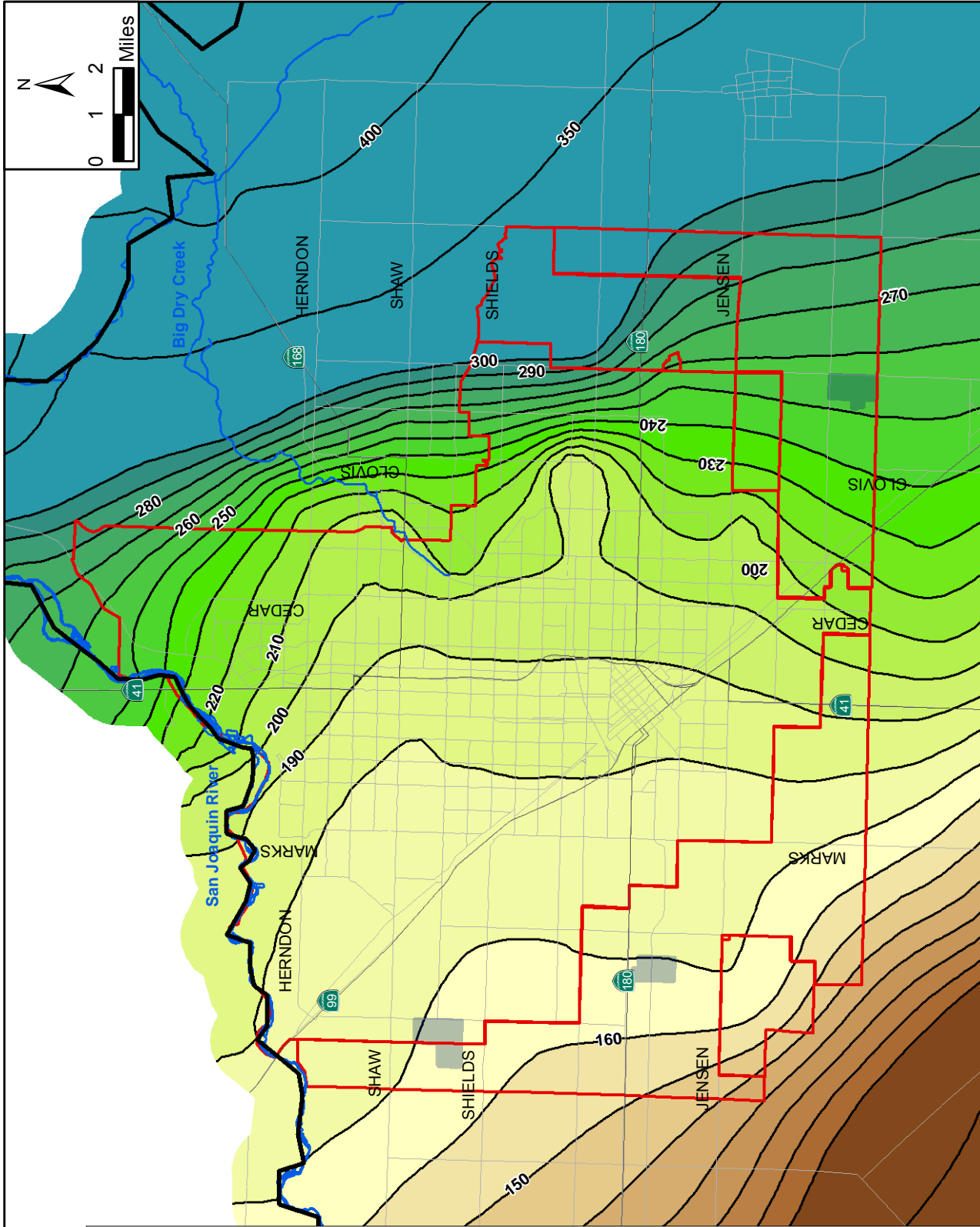
Figure 6a

Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2010)

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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year



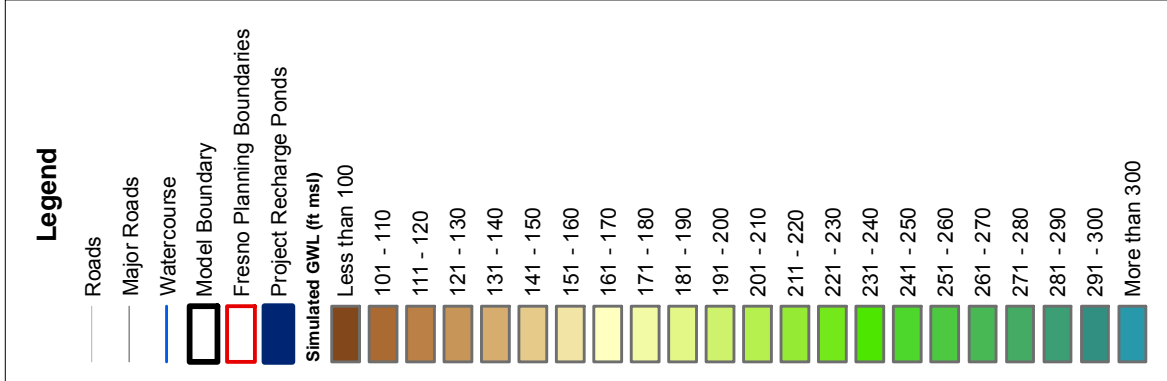
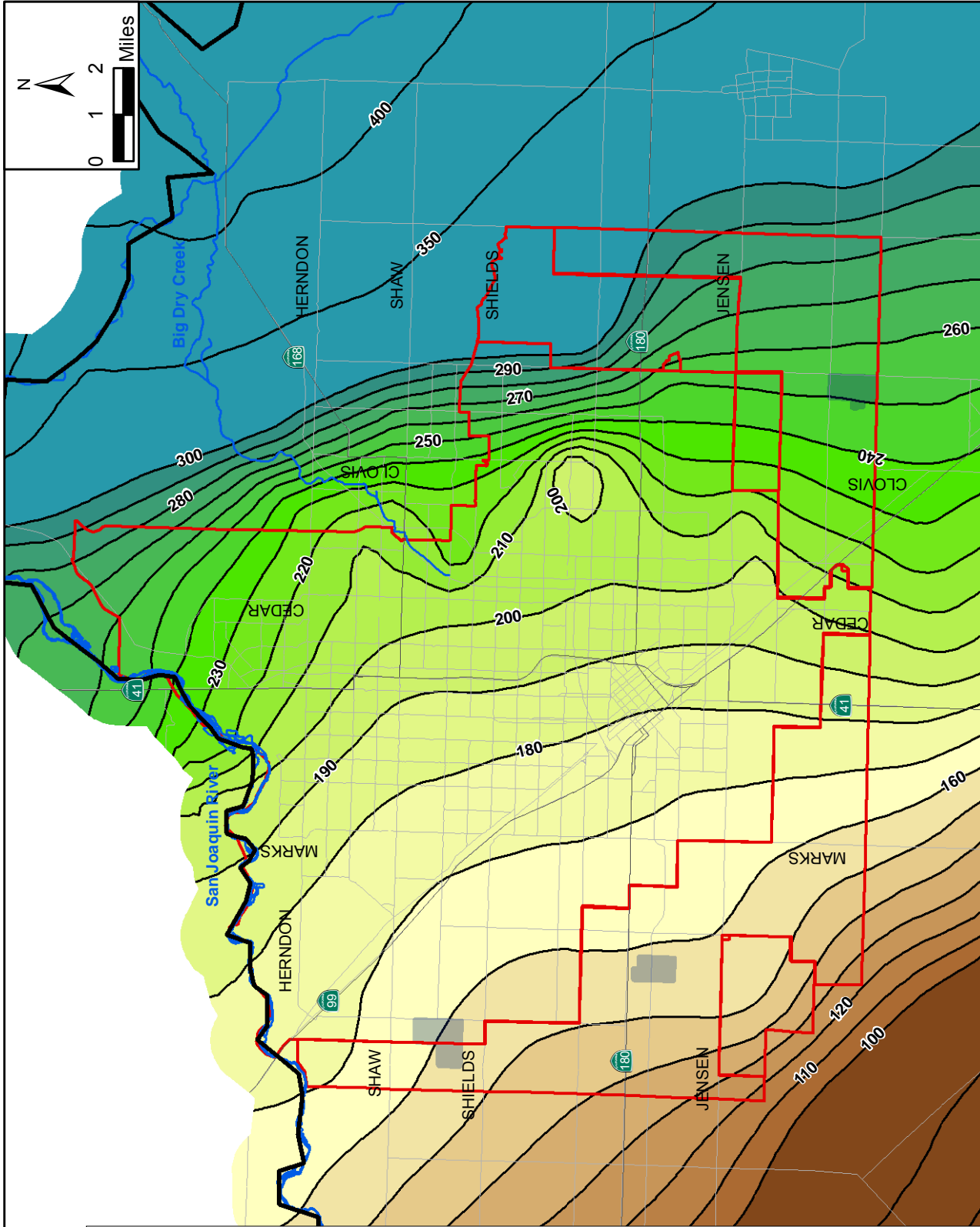


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Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2015)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year



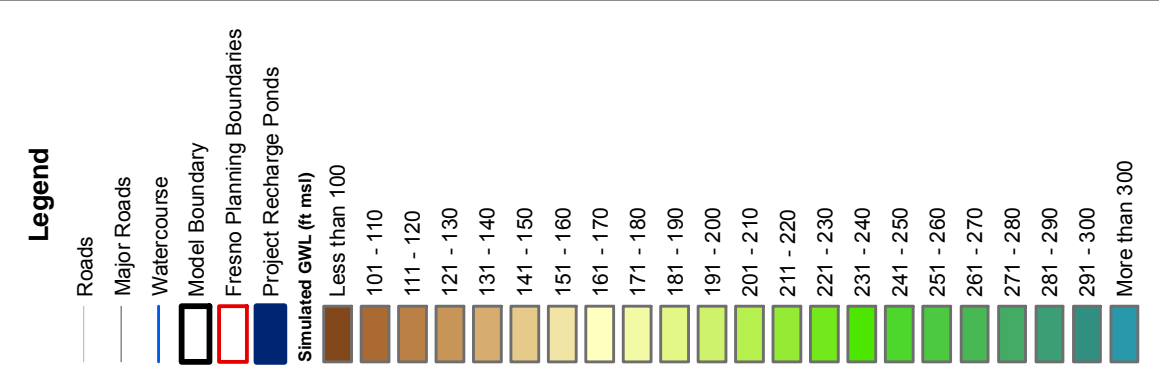
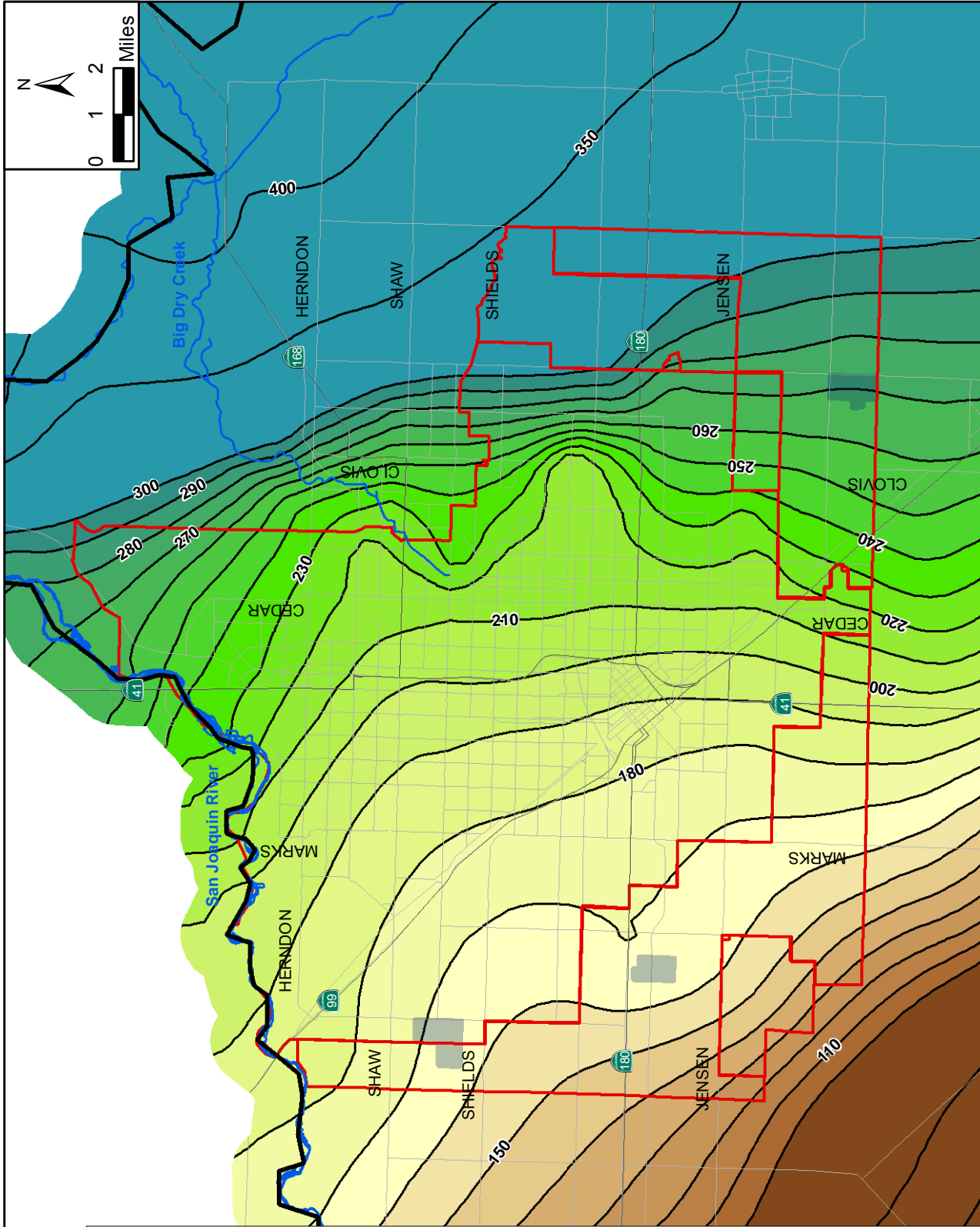


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Figure 6c

Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2020)
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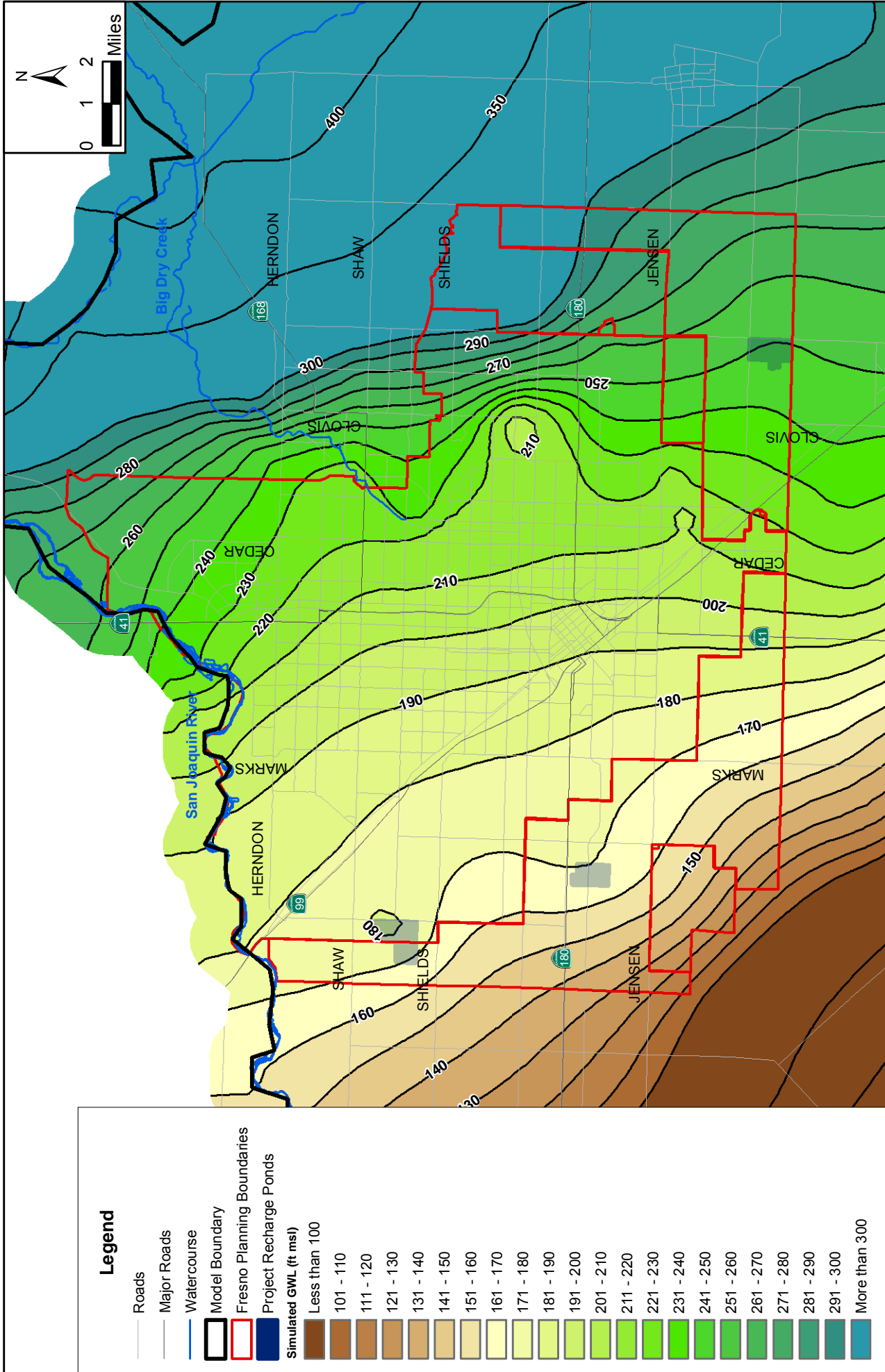
Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2025)

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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year

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Figure 6d



Legend

- Roads
- Major Roads
- Watercourse
- Model Boundary
- Fresno Planning Boundaries
- Project Recharge Ponds
- Simulated GWL (ft msl)
- Less than 100
- 101 - 110
- 111 - 120
- 121 - 130
- 131 - 140
- 141 - 150
- 151 - 160
- 161 - 170
- 171 - 180
- 181 - 190
- 191 - 200
- 201 - 210
- 211 - 220
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- 231 - 240
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- 251 - 260
- 261 - 270
- 271 - 280
- 281 - 290
- 291 - 300
- More than 300



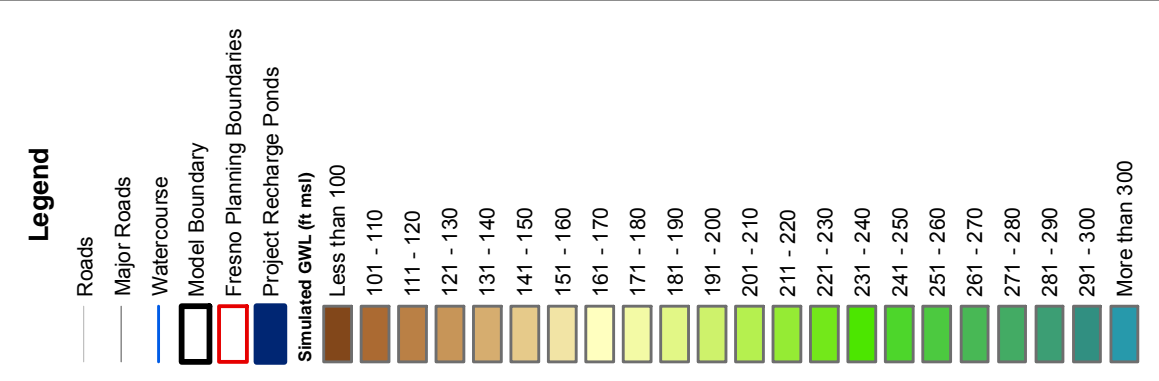
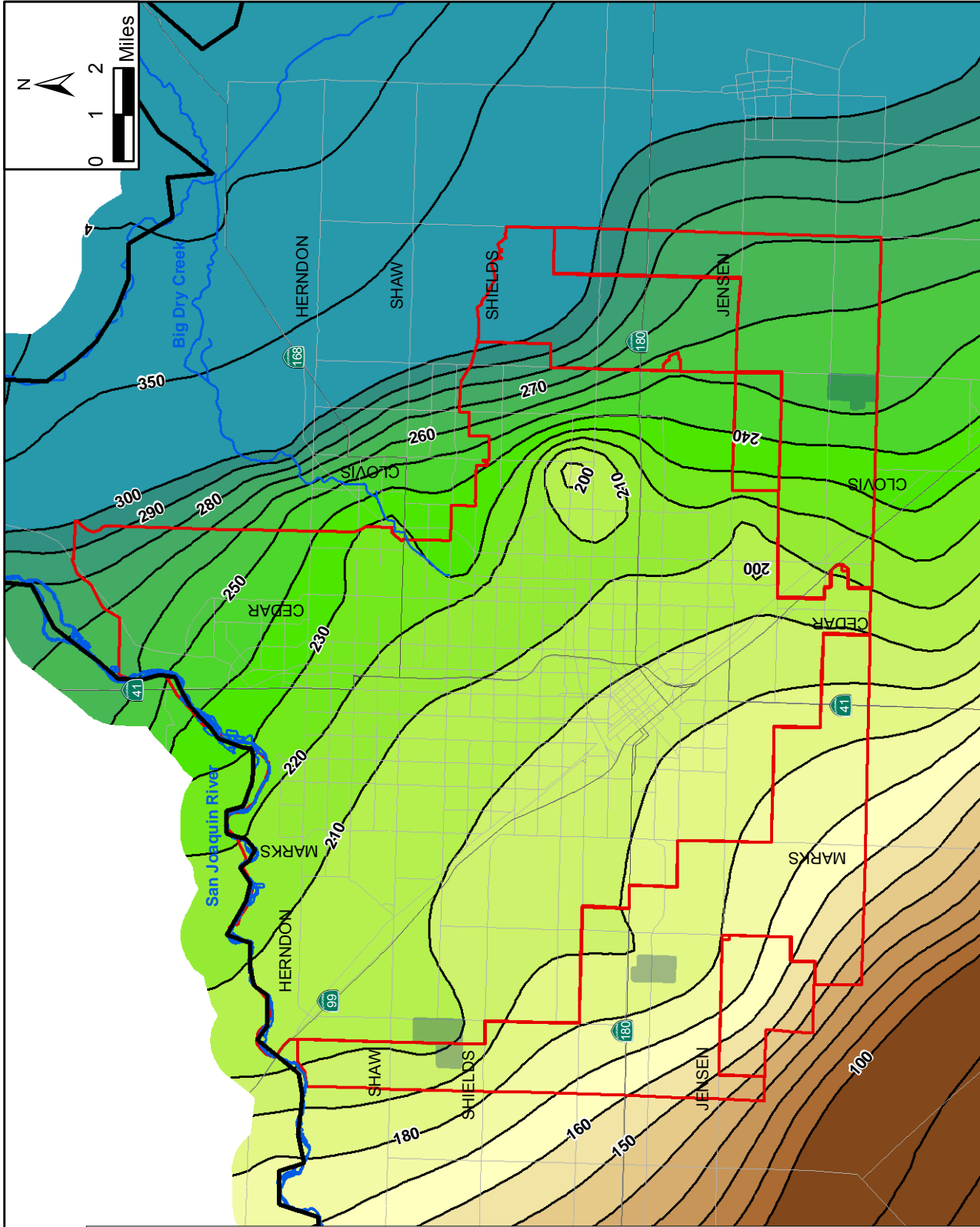
**Simulated Groundwater Levels
(With Project - 2030)**

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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year

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Figure 6e

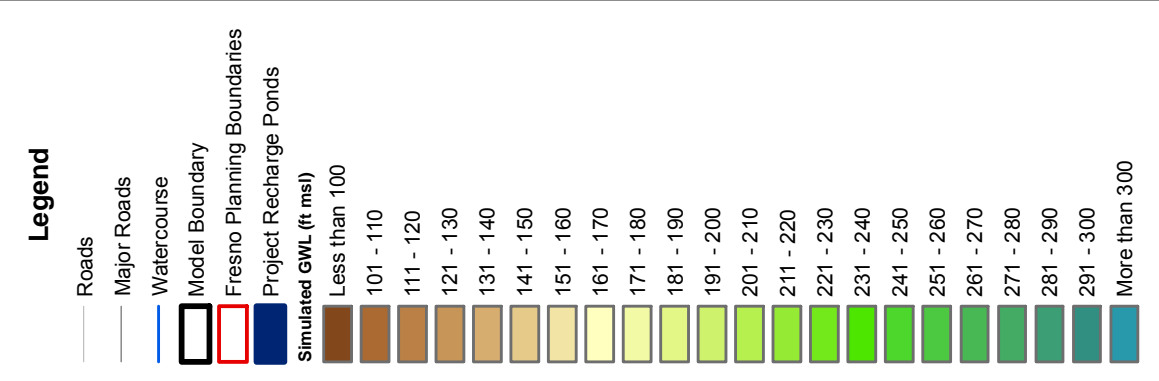
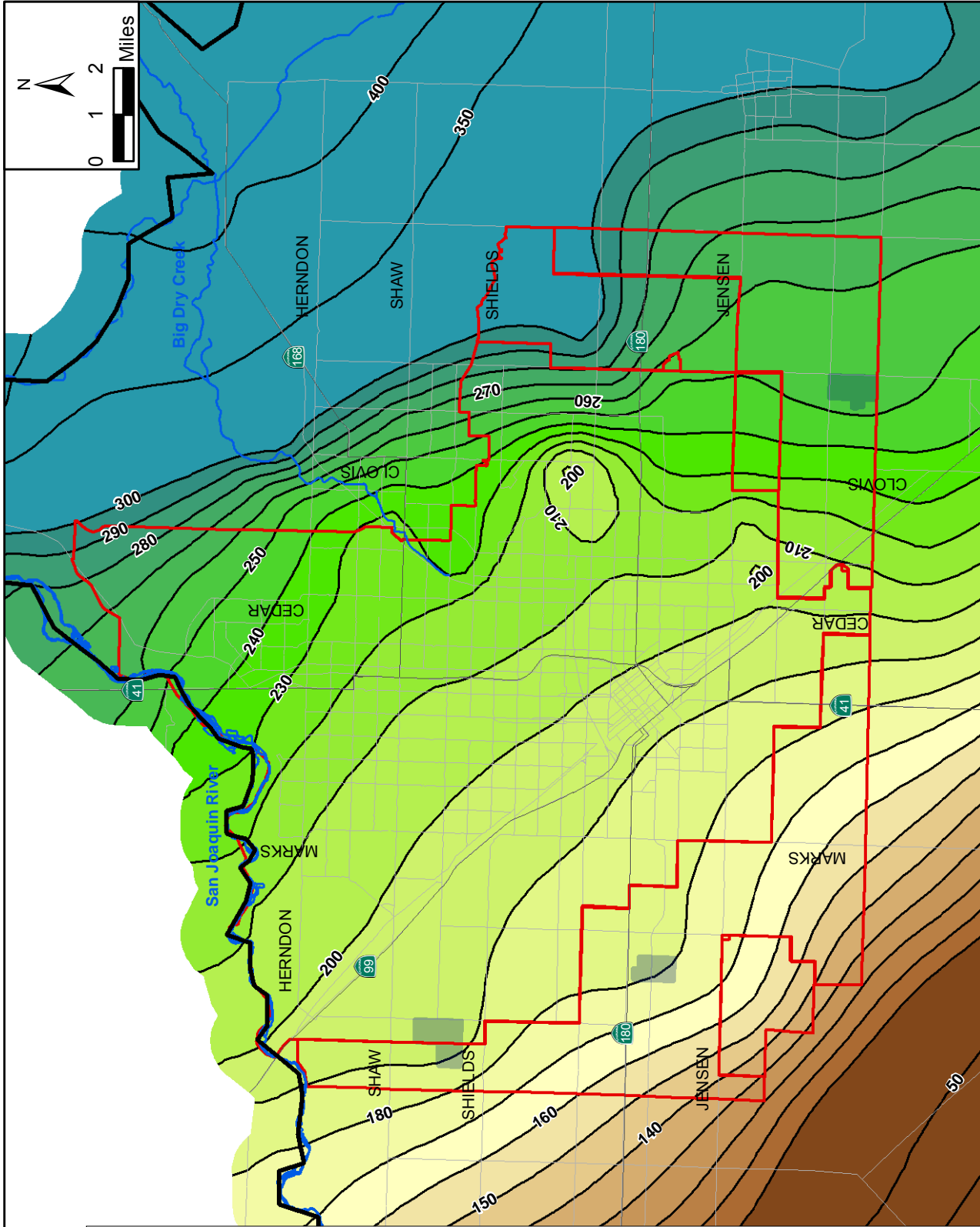


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Figure 6f

Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2050)
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 Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year





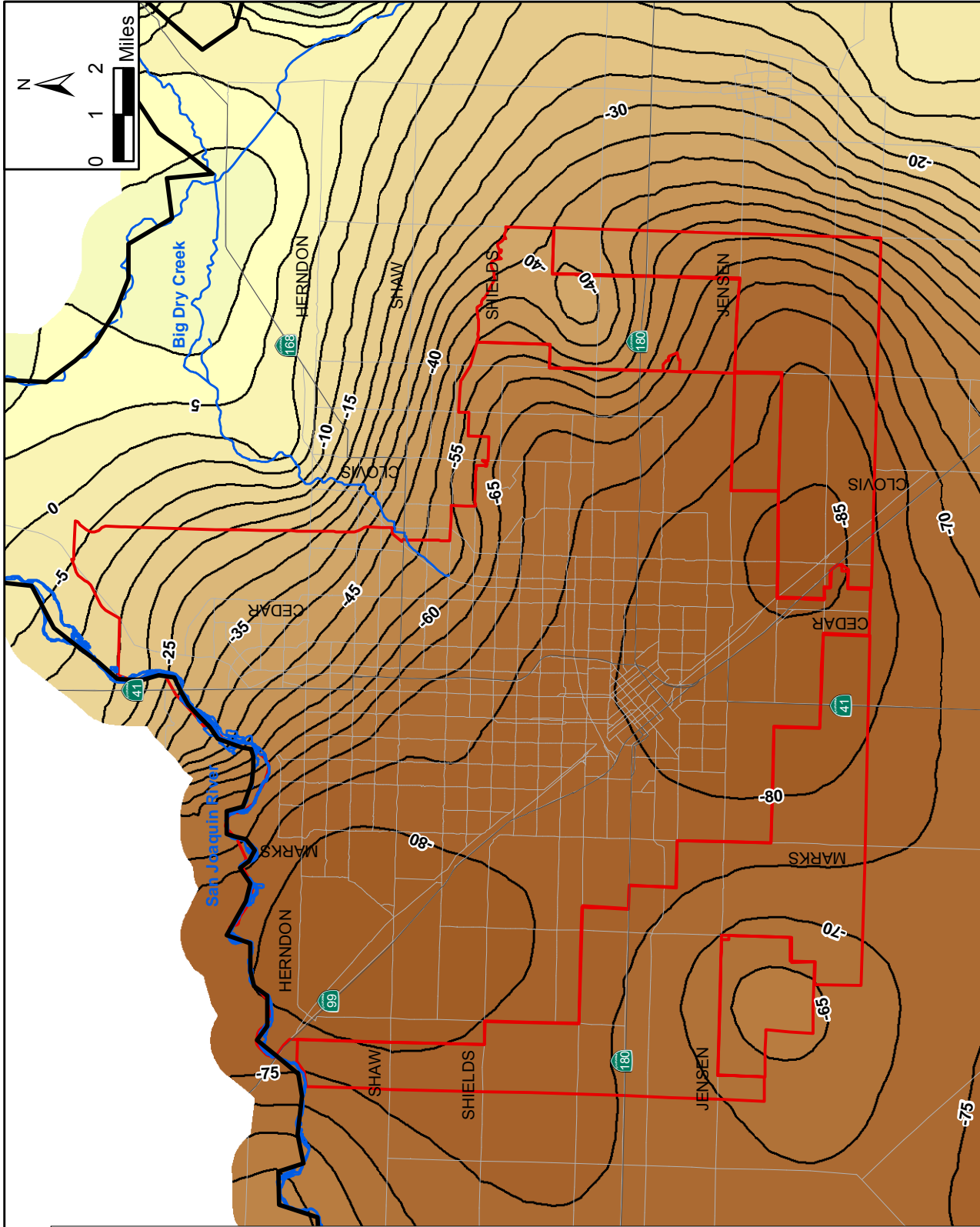
Simulated Groundwater Levels (With Project - 2060)

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Figure 6g



Change in Simulated Groundwater Levels (Baseline - 2060 minus 2005)

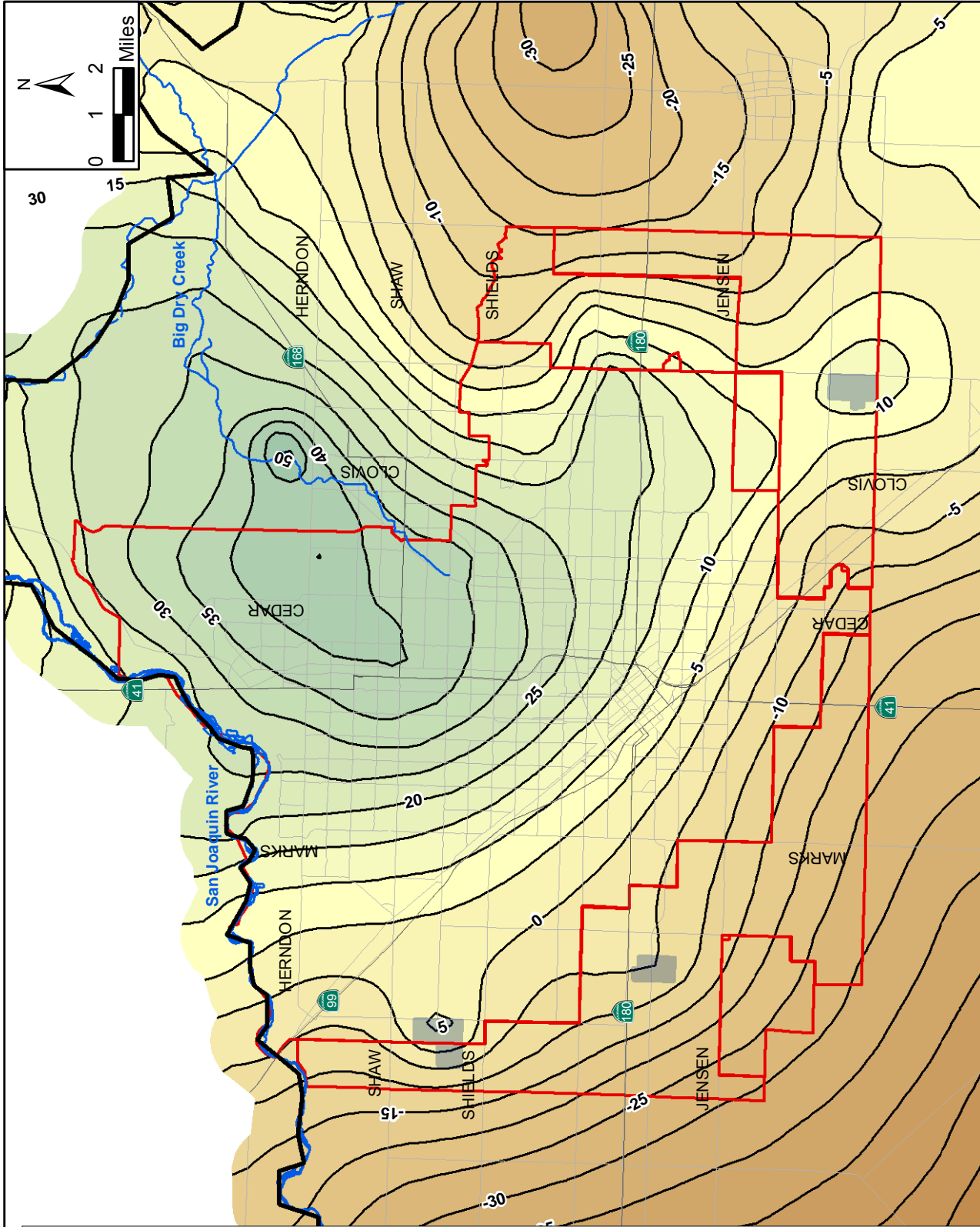
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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year

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Figure 7a

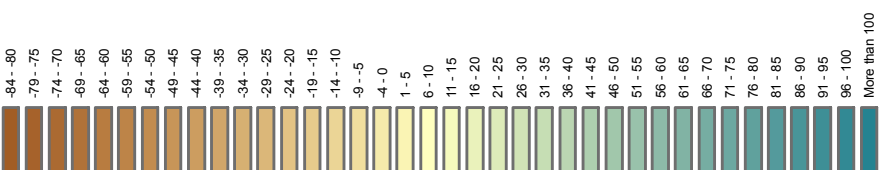




Legend

- Roads
- Major Roads
- Watercourse
- Model Boundary
- Fresno Planning Boundaries
- Project Recharge Ponds

Simulated GWL Difference (ft)



**Change in Simulated Groundwater Levels
(With Project - 2060 minus 2005)**

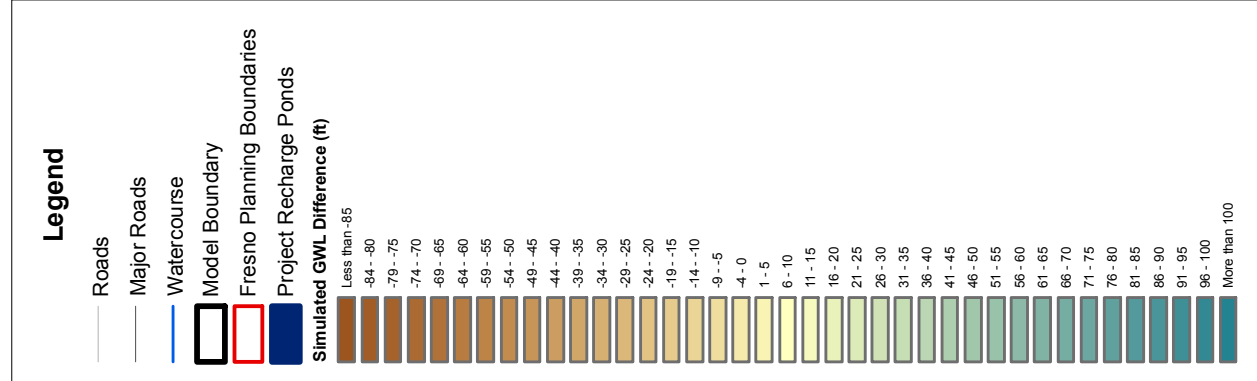
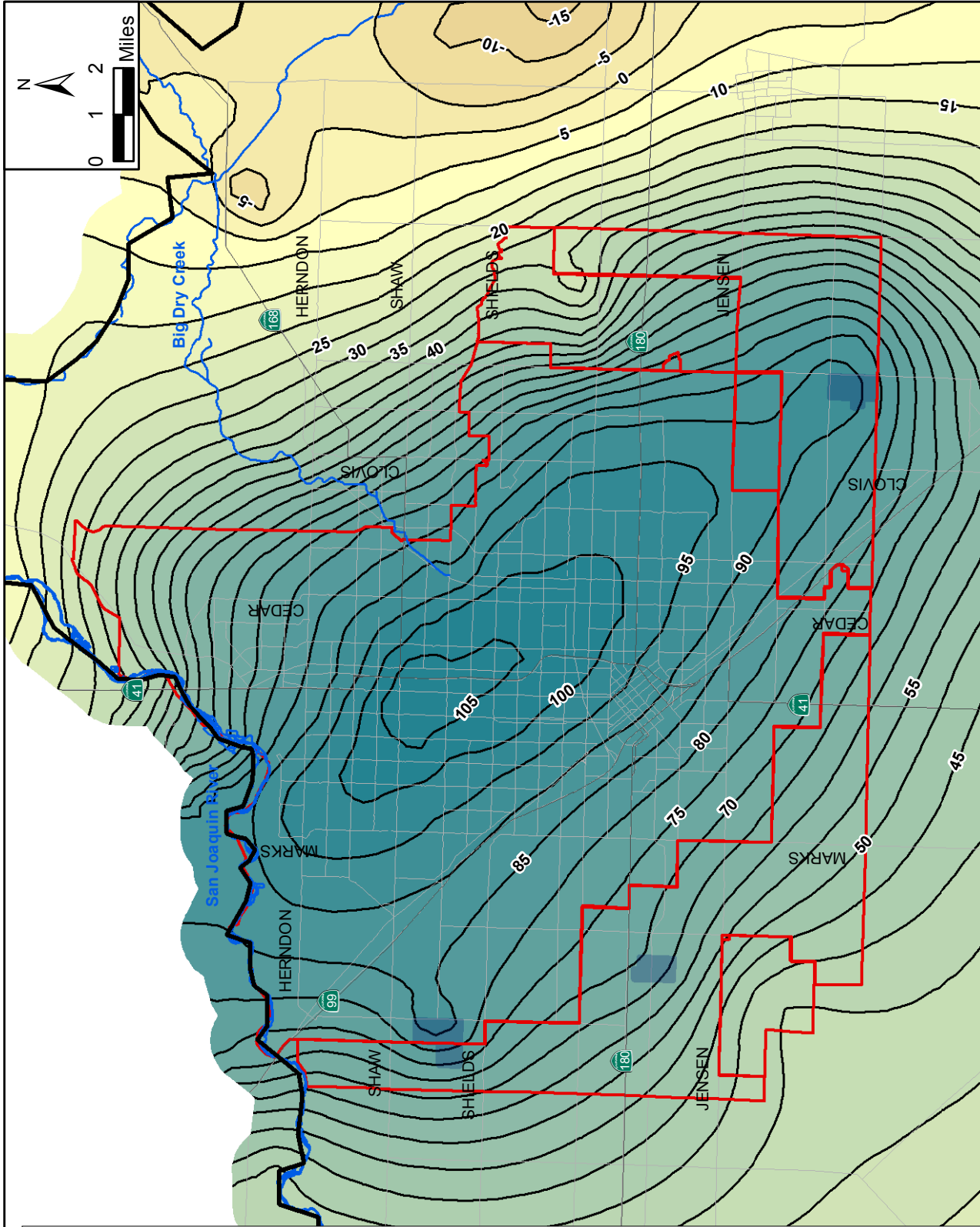
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Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year

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Figure 7b





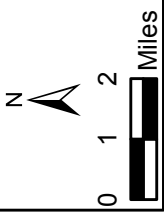
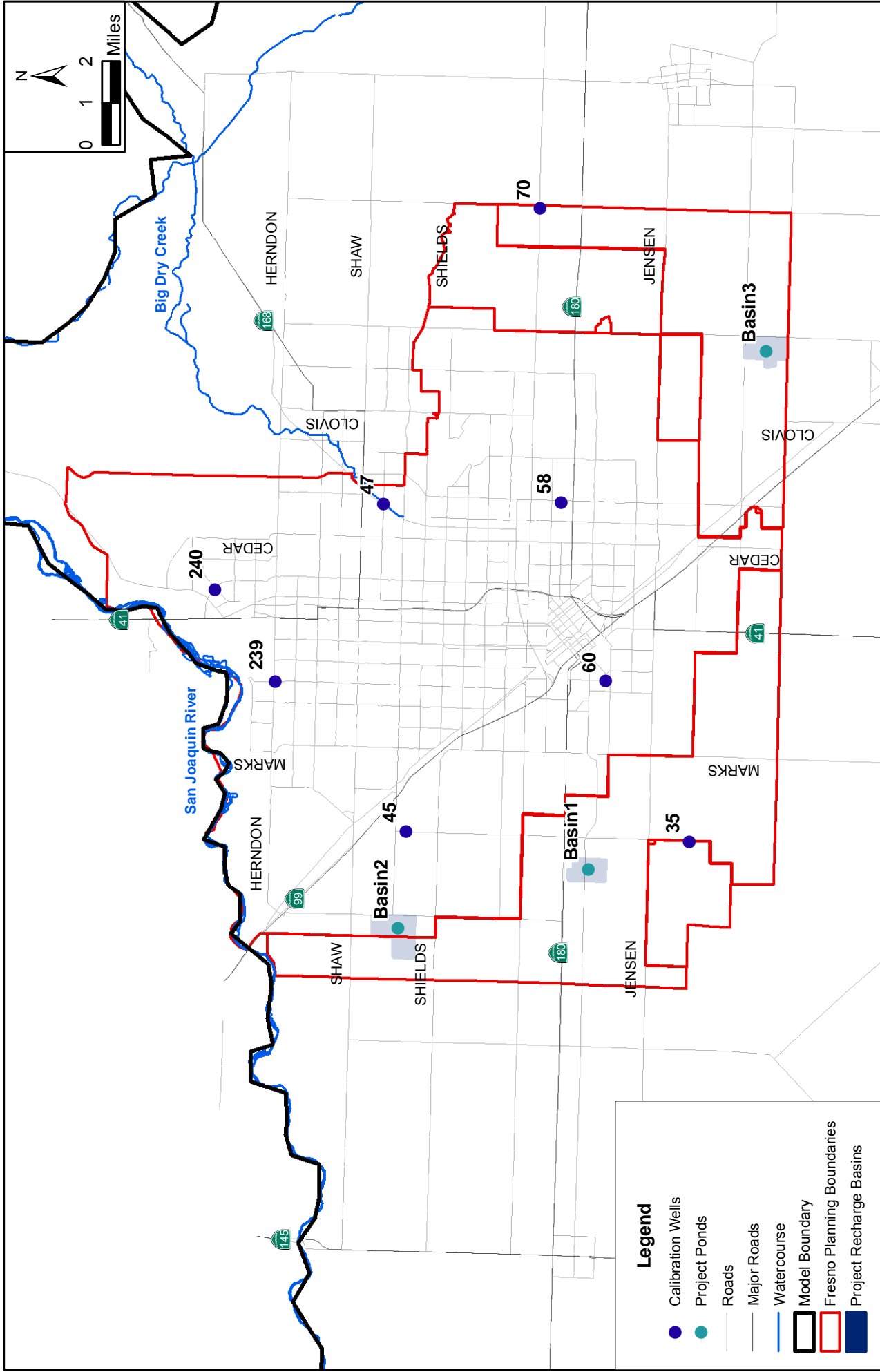
**Change in Simulated Groundwater Levels
(With Project minus Baseline - 2060)**
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Figure 8

Simulated groundwater levels are an average of model layers 1 and 2 and an average of each of the 12 months for the water year





- Legend**
- Calibration Wells
 - Project Ponds
 - Roads
 - Major Roads
 - Watercourse
 - ▭ Model Boundary
 - ▭ Fresno Planning Boundaries
 - ▭ Project Recharge Basins

Hydrograph Locations

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Figure 9a



Figure 9b. Simulated Well Hydrographs

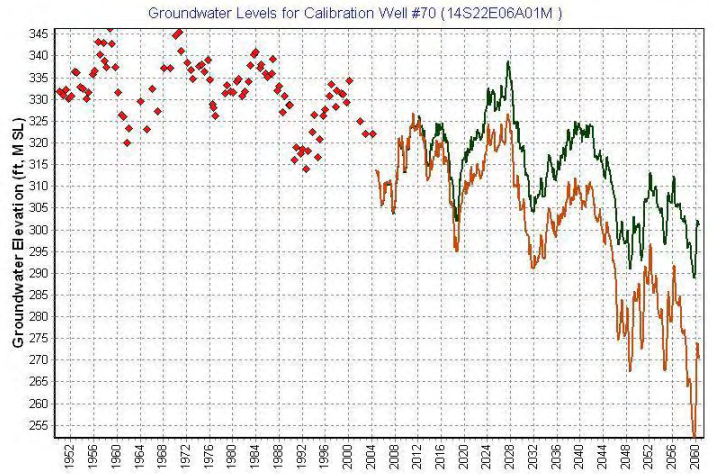
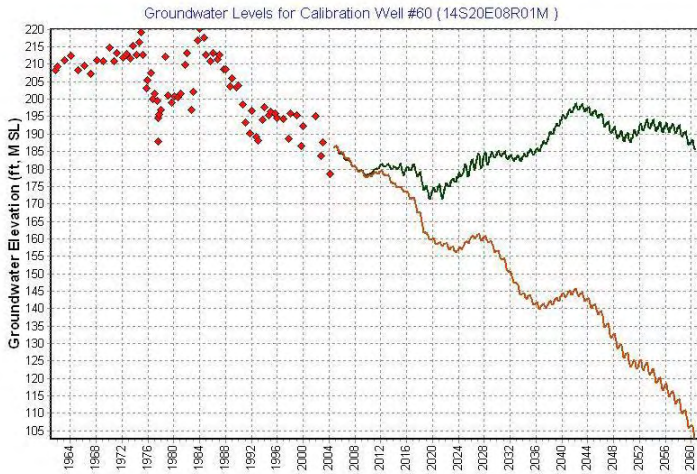
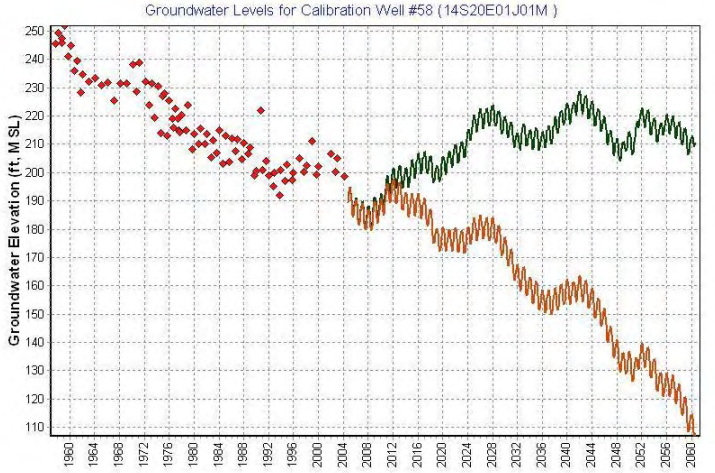
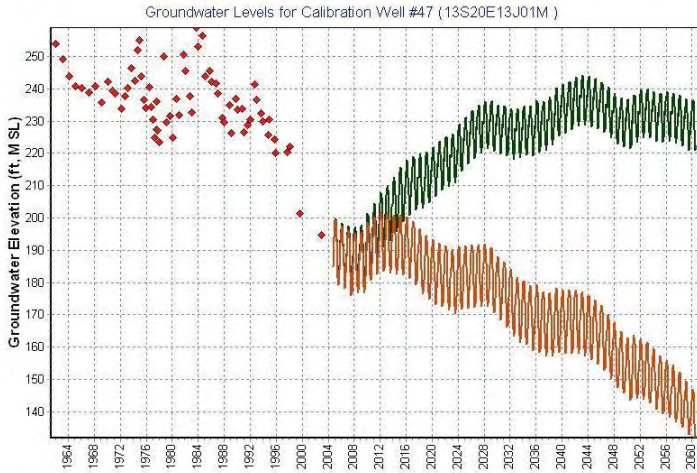
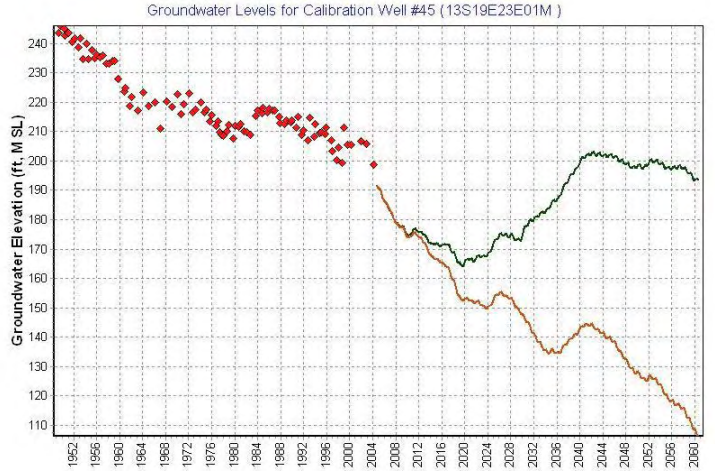
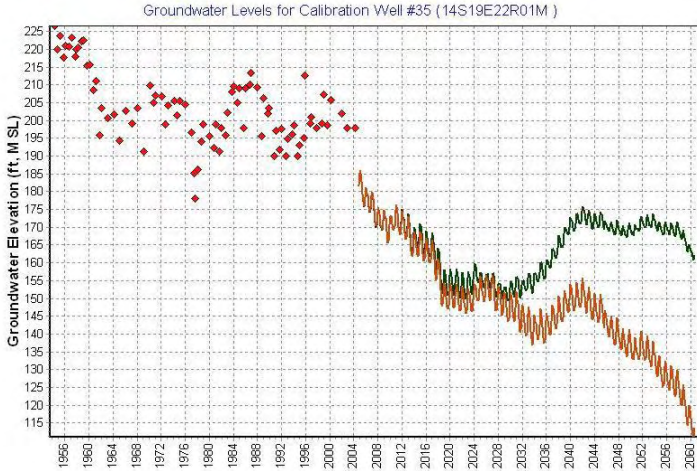
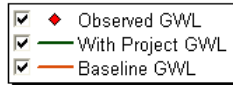


Figure 9c. Simulated Well Hydrographs

