

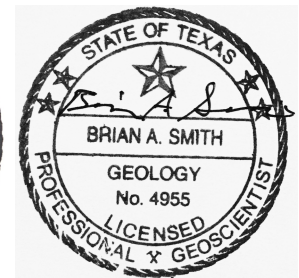
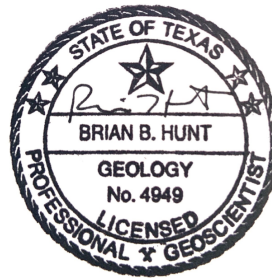


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Evaluating the Potential Groundwater Availability within a Lower Trinity Aquifer Well Field, Balcones Fault Zone, Hays County, Central Texas

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SUMMARY

Groundwater availability from the Edwards and Middle Trinity Aquifers in the study area is generally limited, however, the Lower Trinity Aquifer within the study area is untested because of the aquifer depths, assumed low yields, and poor water quality. This study provides an initial assessment of groundwater availability in a Lower Trinity well field based on aquifer tests, geochemistry, and limited analytical modeling.

The well field contains three wells spaced about 1/3 mile apart that range in total depths from 1,505 to 1,620 ft below ground surface. Depths to static water levels in the wells range from 140 to 150 ft below ground surface. Aquifer testing involved an initial single well test in 2018 followed by a test that pumped the two newer wells drilled in 2019 at 170 gallons per minute (gpm) independently for 96 hrs each, while monitoring the other wells. Maximum drawdown in the pumped wells ranged from 320 to 460 ft. Drawdown in the observation wells (0.2 to 0.4 miles distant) ranged from 8 to 34 ft. To estimate aquifer parameters, continuous water-level data were collected with transducers and fit to Theis and Cooper-Jacob analytical solutions using Aqtesolv software. Results of transmissivity from observation wells averaged about 401 ft²/day and a storativity of 5.57-E05. These parameters are higher than published median values of Lower Trinity wells in the Hill Country to the west of the study area.

Specific conductance of groundwater was monitored throughout the aquifer test and groundwater samples were analyzed for total dissolved solids (TDS) resulting in values of about 560 mg/L, indicating fresh water. Ion geochemistry indicates a calcium bicarbonate (Ca-HCO₃) water with a tritium value of -0.05 TU, and a carbon-14 value of 0.006 percent modern carbon, PMC, indicating very old water.

Using parameters from the aquifer test and analytical models we forecasted drawdown from the well field with a combined pumping rate of 380 gpm (200 MGY) over a 30-year period. Preliminary analytical model results indicate an estimated drawdown up to about 130 ft at a distance of 2.0 miles from the well field.

Because the results of the aquifer test indicate that the water quality and yield of these wells are high, the Lower Trinity Aquifer may be a direct alternative groundwater supply for the study area. More groundwater studies and modeling are needed to evaluate long-term drawdown effects for the study area. The nearby Lower Trinity Aquifer of western Travis County offers a cautionary example of groundwater mining. In addition, the aquifer may have potential for aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) activities.

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INTRODUCTION

Several potential groundwater resources occur within the jurisdiction of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District (BSEACD) and includes the Edwards and Trinity Aquifers. The Edwards Aquifer is well characterized but has very limited and conditional groundwater availability (Hunt et al., 2019). Recent studies have dramatically increased the information on the Middle Trinity Aquifer (Smith et al., 2018), but there is still uncertainty in the availability and an increasing demand on the Middle Trinity Aquifer. However, the Lower Trinity Aquifer has unknown groundwater availability potential as there are generally few wells completed within the Lower Trinity within BSEACD. The owner of the well field referred to as the “Gragg” tract (**Figure 1**) decided to test the groundwater availability potential of the Lower Trinity Aquifer. A single well was drilled (Gragg #1) and a pumping test was performed by Geos Consulting (2018) in early 2018. Results indicated fresh water (542 mg/L TDS) and relatively high well yields (115 gpm). Those results led to the completion of two additional test wells (Gragg #2 and #3) in September and October 2019.

Given the mutual interests of understanding the Lower Trinity Aquifer as a groundwater resource, BSEACD staff assisted in the additional aquifer testing of the Lower Trinity in 2019. An aquifer test was designed (**Appendix D**), and data collected, by BSEACD in cooperation with Bee Cave Drilling and the land owner Bill Walters. This report presents the aquifer test results of the Lower Trinity Aquifer in the Gragg wells 1, 2 and 3. The aquifer tests provide important information about the aquifer, well yields, and water quality and will be critical to inform any future production permit request for the Gragg well field (wells 1-3). The well owner indicated a potential future demand of up to 200,000,000 gallons per year (gpy) from the Gragg well field, which helped guide the design of the test.

Gragg Well Field

The Gragg well field is located on a 325-acre property of historically agricultural land along Old Bliss Spillar Road west of State Highway 45 (**Figure 1**). The well field consist of three Lower Trinity wells: Gragg #1 (SDR 473734; TWDB 58-50-755), Gragg #2 (SDR 527500) and Gragg #3 (SDR 527505) (**Appendix A**). Gragg #1 specific capacity testing was done in 2018. The Gragg #2 and Gragg #3 wells, the focus of this memo, were pumped in 2019 and utilized the adjacent wells as observation wells.

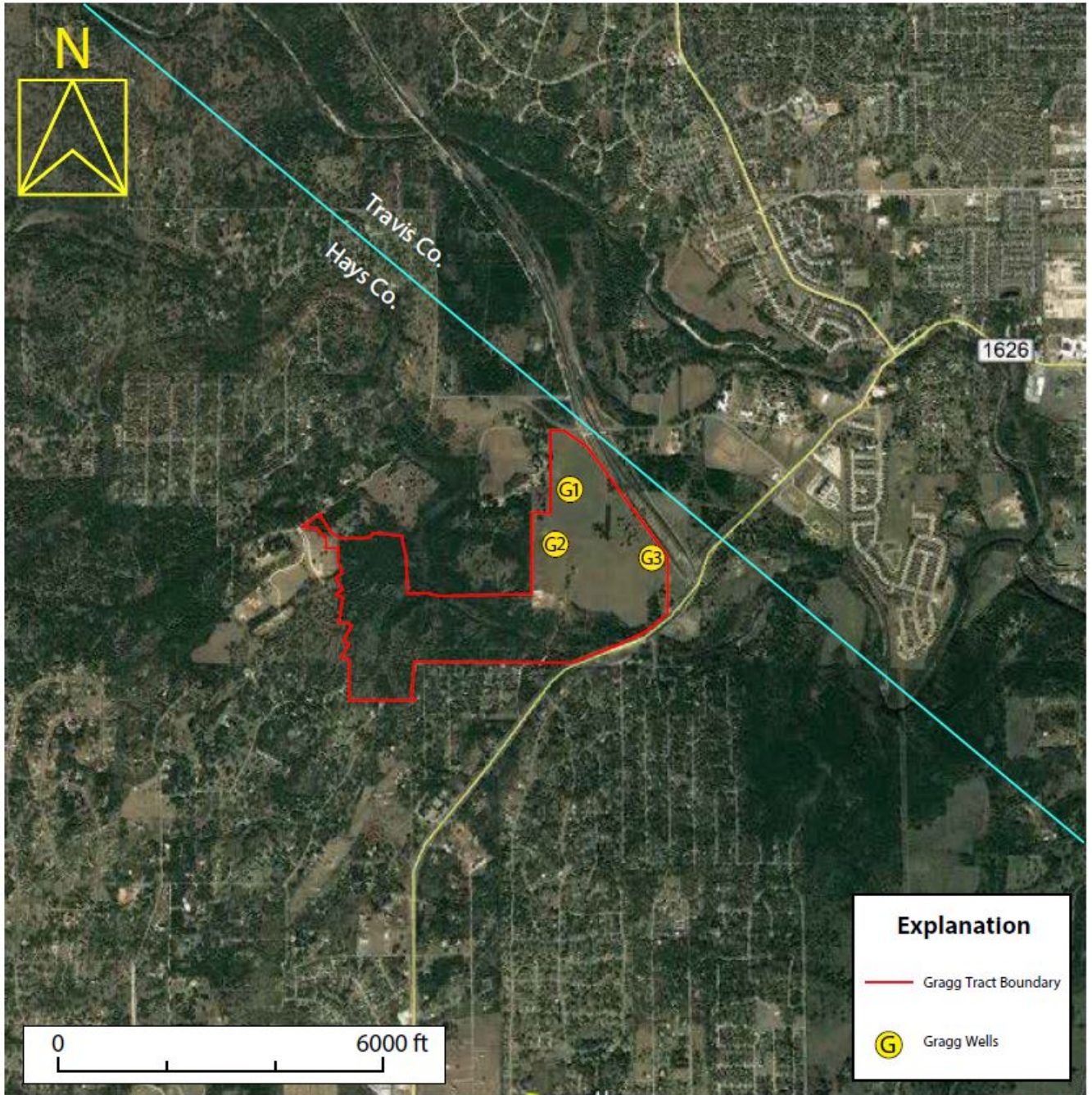


Figure 1. Site map of Gragg well field in Hays County located at Old Bliss Spillar Rd., Manchaca, TX. The wells are spaced ranging from 0.2 to 0.4 miles apart.

Hydrogeological setting

The Gragg tract and well field is located within the Balcones Fault Zone and bound by several mapped faults in the area. Bedrock consists of the Georgetown Fm and is overlain by a relatively thick soil (**Figure 2**). The well field area is underlain by the Edwards Aquifer and is considered part of the recharge zone of the Edwards Aquifer.

The target for the production and test wells is the Lower Trinity Aquifer, which is the deepest known aquifer in the area, occurring below the Edwards and Middle Trinity aquifers. The depth to the top of the Lower Trinity Aquifer is about 1,300 ft below surface at the wells (**Figures 3 and 4**). Stratigraphic picks were made from geophysical logs (**Appendix B**) collected at both Gragg #2 and #3 wells after their completion. Stratigraphic contacts are indicated on **Table 1**.

The Lower Trinity Aquifer is estimated to be about 450-500 ft thick in the area and is confined by the overlying Hammett Shale and other geologic units (Hunt et al, 2020). The Hammett is a ubiquitous shale that behaves as a regional aquitard between the overlying Middle Trinity and underlying Lower Trinity Aquifer units. The Lower Trinity Aquifer is composed of the Sligo and Hosston formations. The Hosston (Sycamore Sand equivalent) consists of terrigenous, clastic, fine- to coarse-grained feldspathic sandstone and cobble conglomerate and unconformably overlays the Paleozoic (Ouachita Facies) basement. The Hosston is exposed along the Pedernales and Colorado River valleys in western Travis County. The Sligo Formation is a shallow-water, high-energy carbonate that pinches out to the west prior to reaching the Pedernales River Valley.

Recharge to the Lower Trinity is generally thought to occur from leakage from overlying units through the Hammett Shale and along fractures and faults that breach the shale. Groundwater within the Lower Trinity Aquifer is thought to be within a deeply confined and compartmentalized aquifer system containing very old (1,000s of years) groundwater moving very slowly through a diffuse matrix.

The wells were drilled by Bee Caves Drilling Inc. using air rotary methods and were cemented from the top of the Sligo to the surface using the positive displacement method. Well construction is summarized in **Table 2** and driller's reports are in **Appendix A**. Well schematics for Gragg well #2 is shown in **Figure 4** and wells #1 and #3 are shown in **Appendix C**.

Table 1. Stratigraphic contacts of Gragg wells #2 and #3 determined by geophysical logs.

Geologic Formation	Gragg #2 depth (ft)	Gragg Well #3 depth from surface (ft)	Average Thickness (ft)	Comment
Soil	surface	surface		Soil
Georgetown (Kgt) fm	7	7		partial thickness, eroded (normally 50 ft thick)
Edwards Group (Ked)	20	20	445	
Walnut (Kwal) fm	412	435	41	
Upper Glen Rose (Kgru)	453	476	519	
Lower Glen Rose (Kgrl)	973	993	210	
Hensel (Khe) fm	1183	1202	27	
Cow Creek (Kcc) fm	1212	1226	82	
Hammet (Kha) fm	1291	1310	41	
Sligo (Ksl) fm	1332	1351	85	
Hosston (Kho) fm	1415	1437	274	Minimum thickness; not fully penetrated
Total borehole depth	1700	1700		

Table 2. Well information and construction summary. Detailed records within Appendix A.

Parameter	Gragg #1	Gragg #2	Gragg #3
Tracking number (SDR)	473734	527500	527505
State well number (TWDB)	58-50-755		
Latitude	30.134734°	30.131514°	30.130953°
Longitude	-97.866928°	-97.867811°	-97.861429°
Land surface elevation (ft-msl)	742	732	722
Date completed	1/26/2018	9/25/2019	10/10/2019
Total depth (ft)	1620	1700	1700
Depth of casing (ft)	1434	1350	1355
Diameter of casing (in)	8*	8.625	8.625
Open hole or slotted interval	Slotted 180 ft (1434-1614 ft-bgs)	Open 350 ft (1350-1700 ft-bgs)	Open 345 ft (1355-1700 ft-bgs)
Diameter of open or slotted interval	5.0	7.875	7.875
Water level (ft-bgs)	196 (1/8/2018)	136 (10/18/2019)	132 (10/18/2019)
Reported yield (gpm)	115	170	170
Aquifer test date	2/1/2018	October 18-22, 2019	October 24-28, 2019
Distance to Gragg #3 (ft)	2,215	2,028	0

*telescoping casing (8 in 0-1342 ft, 5 in 1334-1434 ft)

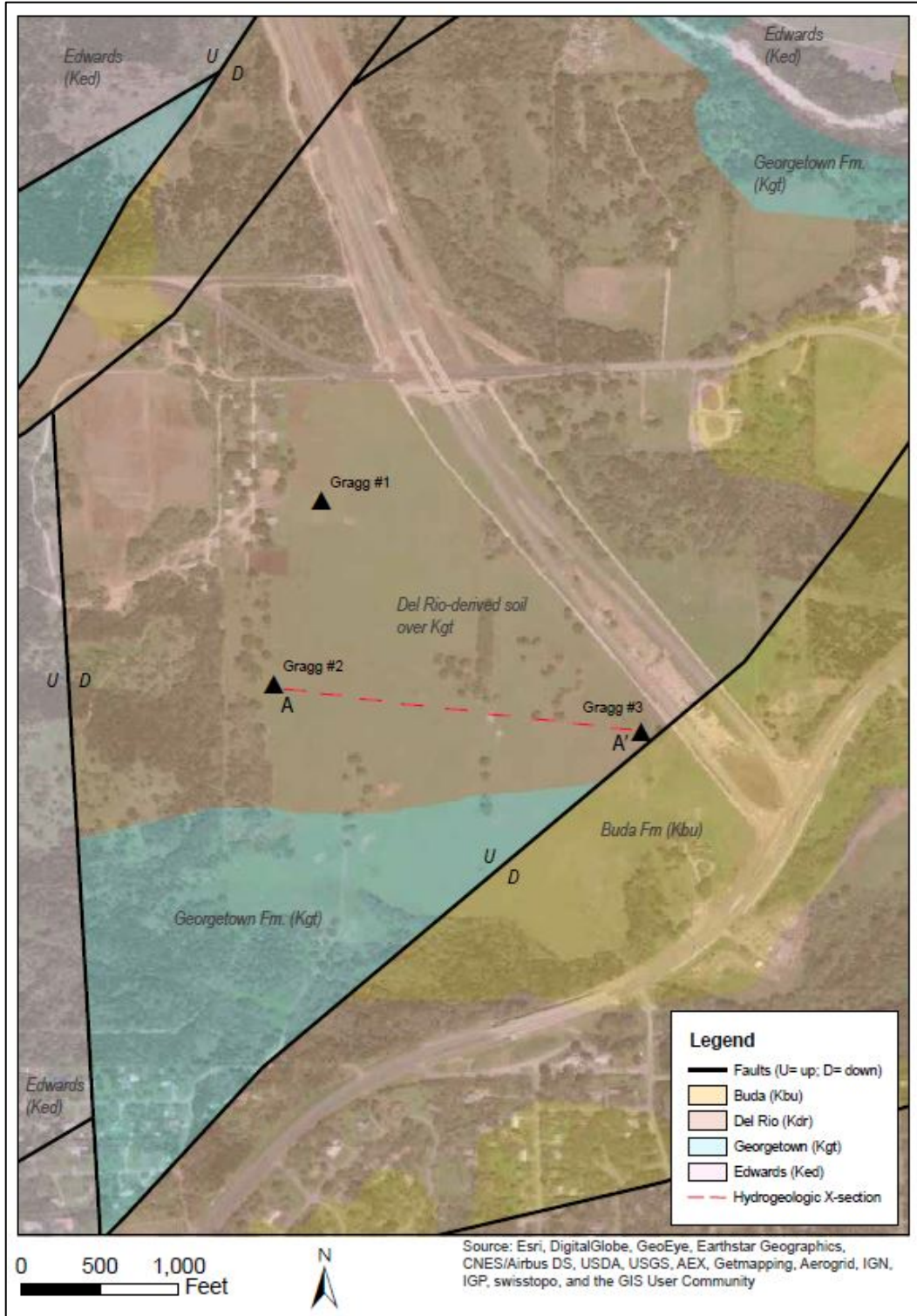


Figure 2. Geologic map of the well field area (Hauwert, 2008). The well field is on the eastern edge of the Edwards Recharge Zone. Numerous faults are mapped in the area.

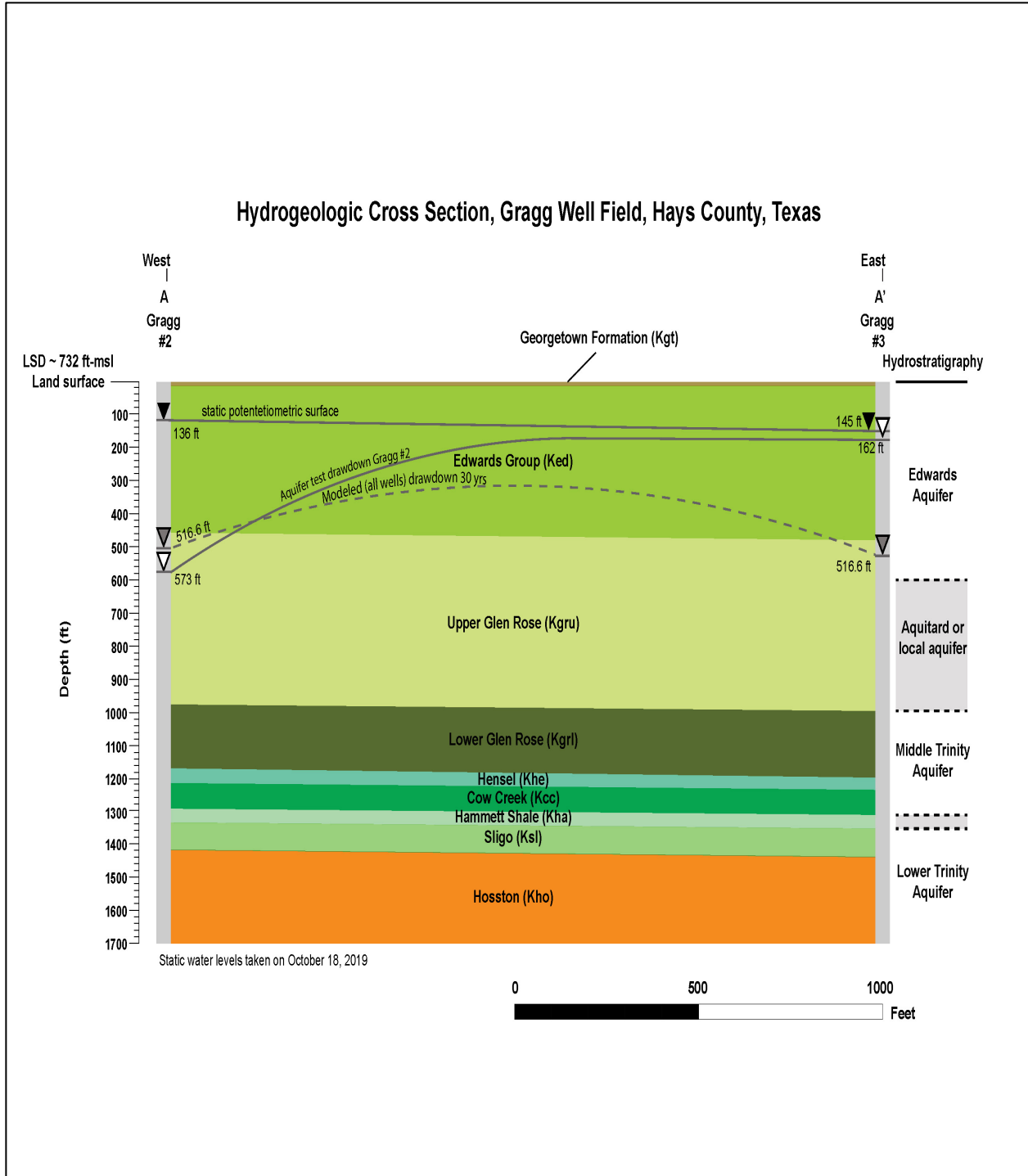


Figure 3. Geologic and hydrogeologic cross section through study area. Potentiometric surfaces are inferred based upon measured water levels in the wells. Values are shown as depth from surface. Modeled water level (dashed line) is based upon static levels and results from analytical models with parameters derived from the aquifer testing in this report.

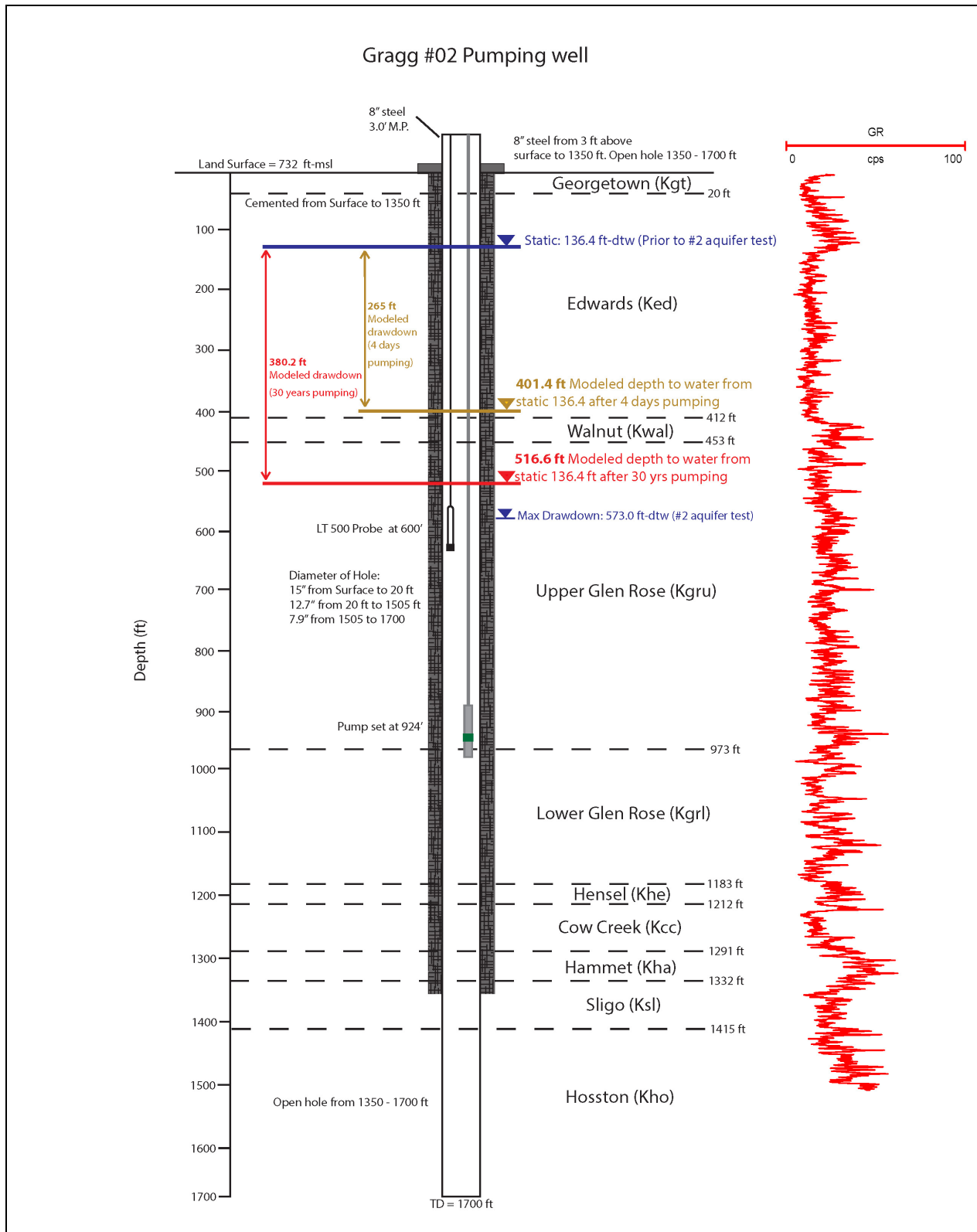


Figure 4. Schematic of Gragg #2 well construction and stratigraphy with modeled water levels for 4-day and 30-yr pumping scenarios. Stratigraphic picks made from the geophysical log. Actual measured drawdown in well during Gragg #2 aquifer test was 573.0 ft-dtw.

AQUIFER TEST

In order to achieve the mutual interests of an aquifer test, BSEACD staff helped design the 2019 aquifer test of the Gragg tract well field. A work plan was developed (**Appendix D**) and designed to satisfy the District's guidelines (BSEACD, 2016) for an aquifer test that could support a potential permit request of up to 200 MGY for this well field (Gragg Wells #1-3) in the future. The goal of the test was to produce three times the potential daily volume of about 1.6 million gallons per day, which was estimated to be 96 hrs of pumping at a rate of about 150 gpm for each well. Gragg #1 was not pumped as part of the 2019 aquifer testing but was used as an observation well during the testing and is therefore included as part of the well field.

An aquifer test was conducted for the Gragg #2 and #3 wells over two separate 4-day periods to allow for pumping and recovery. During Gragg #2 pumping, Gragg #1 and #3 were used as observation wells. During Gragg #3 pumping, Gragg #1 and #2 were used as observation wells. Gragg #1 was solely used as an observation well in the 2019 testing. However, information on the Gragg #1 yield, water quality, and drawdown was evaluated from a single-well testing in 2018 (Geos Consulting, 2018). Locations of the pumped and monitored wells are shown in **Figure. 1**. A summary of the aquifer testing information are provided in **Tables 3-5** and hydrographs provided in **Figures 6-8**.

Prior to the start of each 4-day testing period, BSEACD staff installed absolute (non-vented) pressure transducers on a stainless steel cable in each of the observation wells, and a gauged (vented) pressure transducer with vented cable in the pumping well. Water levels in the observation wells taken by the non-vented pressure transducers were confirmed by staff taking periodic manual measurements during the test using an electric measuring tape (E-line). Pumping rates were calculated by reading an inline flowmeter three times and taking the average.

Due to the deeply confined nature and distance from its recharge area, the Lower Trinity Aquifer is less susceptible to surface hydrologic processes during aquifer testing. As such, surface hydrologic conditions, such as rainfall, did not influence the results of any of the testing. Instead, an effort to monitor the static water level over a period of days prior to the testing was done to understand background trends.



Figure 5. Photographs of Gragg #2 Aquifer Test (taken on 10/18/2019).

Gragg #1 Test

A single well test was conducted in 2018 on Gragg #1. This was the initial test well of the Lower Trinity in the area. Information on the single-well testing was provided by Geos Consulting (2018) and summarized in **Table 3**.

Table 3. Aquifer test summary for Gragg #1 on February 2018. Gragg wells #2 and #3 were not yet drilled during the testing.

	Gragg #1	Comment
Pumping start	2/1/2018 10:40	
Pumping stop	2/1/2018 16:10	
Duration (hrs)	5.5	
Pumping rate (gpm)	115	Max 155
Static water level (ft-bgs)	138	
Maximum drawdown (ft)	431	
Specific capacity (gpm/ft)	0.27	
Recovery (hrs to 90%)	1	
Total volume pumped (gal)	~44,550	

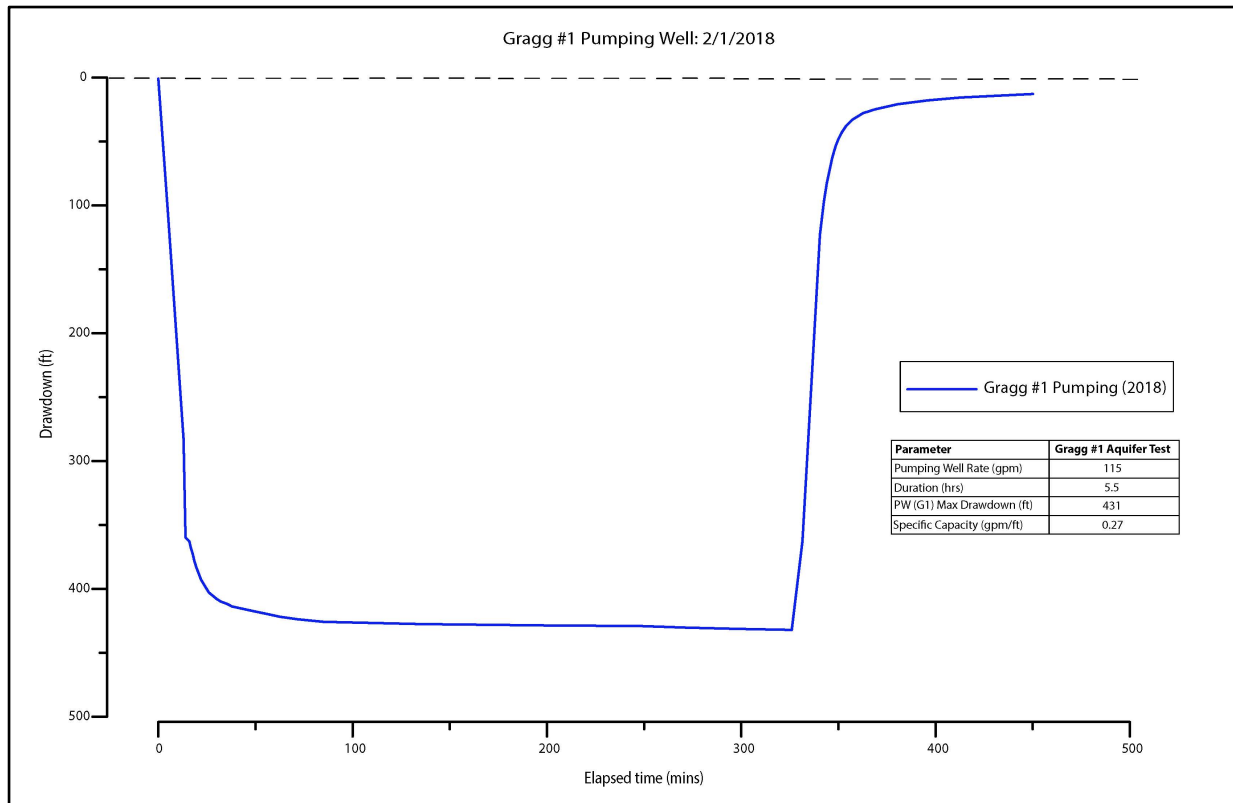


Figure 6. Hydrograph of the Gragg #1 single-well pumping test from 2018 (data from Geos Consulting, 2018).

Gragg #2 Test

The Gragg #2 aquifer test data are summarized in **Table 4**. Static background water levels were collected in Gragg wells #1 and #3 with non-vented pressure transducers for 7 days prior to initiating the Gragg #2 aquifer test. Background water-level data show a discernable downward trend prior to the start of Gragg #2 aquifer test. Non-vented pressure transducers in observation wells #1 and #3 were set at 320 ft bgs and 400 ft bgs, respectively, and set to take measurements at 15-minute intervals. In well #2 a 915-ft tremie pipe was installed with the test pump to allow the vented pressure transducer to take measurements at 600 ft bgs at 1-minute intervals. All pressure transducers remained in place throughout the test and until the water level in the pumping well had reached 90% recovery.

Static water level in the Gragg #2 pumping well was 136 ft bgs. Static water levels in Gragg #1 and #3 were 133 ft bgs and 145 ft bgs, respectively. Maximum measured drawdown in the pumping well over 96 hours (5,760 minutes) was a total of 437 ft, and in observation wells #1 and #3 was 34 ft and 17 ft, respectively. The average pumping rate was 168 gpm. Upon turning the well pump off, the water level recovered 418 ft (143.5 bgs) within 1 hour (~90%, **Figure 7**). A total of 915,400 gallons were pumped from Gragg #2.

Table 4. Aquifer Test Summary for Gragg #2 on October 18-22, 2019

	Gragg #1	Gragg #2	Gragg #3	Comment
Pumping start	N/A	10/18/2019 10:00	N/A	
Pumping stop	N/A	10/22/2019 10:00	N/A	
Duration (hrs)	N/A	96	N/A	
Pumping rate (gpm)	N/A	168	N/A	Max 178
Static water level (ft-bgs)	133	136	145	
Maximum drawdown (ft)	34	437	17	
Specific capacity (gpm/ft)	N/A	0.38	N/A	
Recovery (hrs to 90%)		1		
Total volume pumped (gal)	N/A	915,400	N/A	

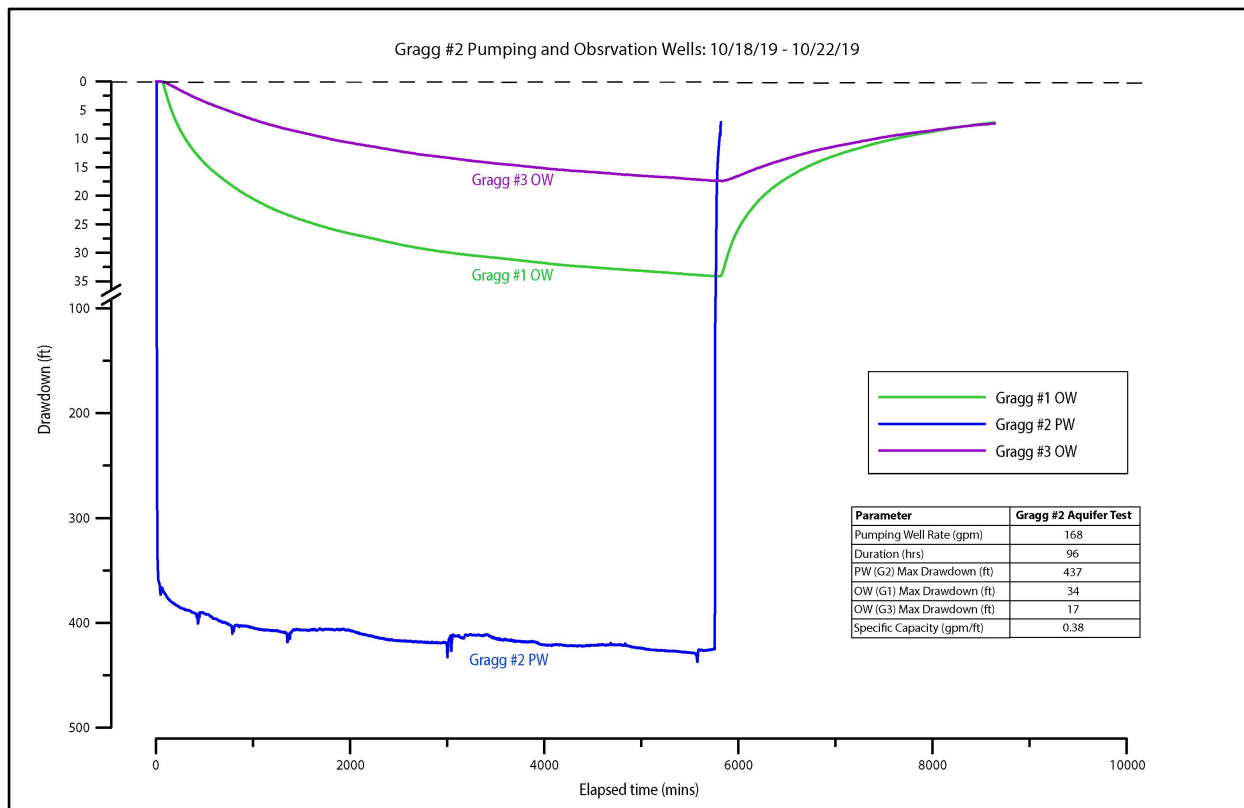


Figure 7. Hydrograph of Gragg #2 pumping well (blue) and Gragg #1 and #3 observation wells (green and purple, respectively) during pumping and recovery phases of the aquifer test. Note the vertical change in scale.

Gragg #3 Test

The Gragg #3 aquifer test data are summarized in **Table 5**. Prior to pumping Gragg #3, static background water levels were collected in Gragg wells #1 and #2 during well #3 pump installation. Procedures and setup for the pumping and observation wells in the Gragg #2 aquifer test were applied to Gragg #3.

The static water level in the Gragg #3 pumping well was 141 ft bgs while the static levels in Gragg #1 and #2 were 151 ft bgs and 141 ft bgs, respectively. The maximum measured drawdown in the pumping well

over 93 hours (5,580 minutes) of pumping was 320 ft and in observation wells Gragg #1 and #2 was 8 ft and 9 ft, respectively. The average pumping rate was 175 gpm. Upon turning the well pump off, the water level recovered 320 ft to 141 ft bgs in 1 hour. (~90 %, **Figure 8**). A total of 901,300 gallons were pumped from Gragg #3. Observation wells were still recovering 52 hours after the Gragg #2 test (**Figure 8**) because it represents the combined (slow) recovery from Gragg #2 and #3 pumping.

Table 5. Aquifer test summary for Gragg #3 on October 24-28, 2019

	Gragg #1	Gragg #2	Gragg #3	Comment
Test start	N/A	N/A	10/24/2019 16:00	
Test stop	N/A	N/A	10/28/2019 12:00	
Duration (hrs)			93	
Pumping rate (gpm)			175	Max 200
Static water level (ft-bgs)	151	141	141	
Maximum drawdown (ft)	8	9	320	
Specific capacity (gpm/ft)	N/A	N/A	0.54	
Recovery (hrs to 90%)			1	
Total volume pumped (gal)	N/A	N/A	901,300	

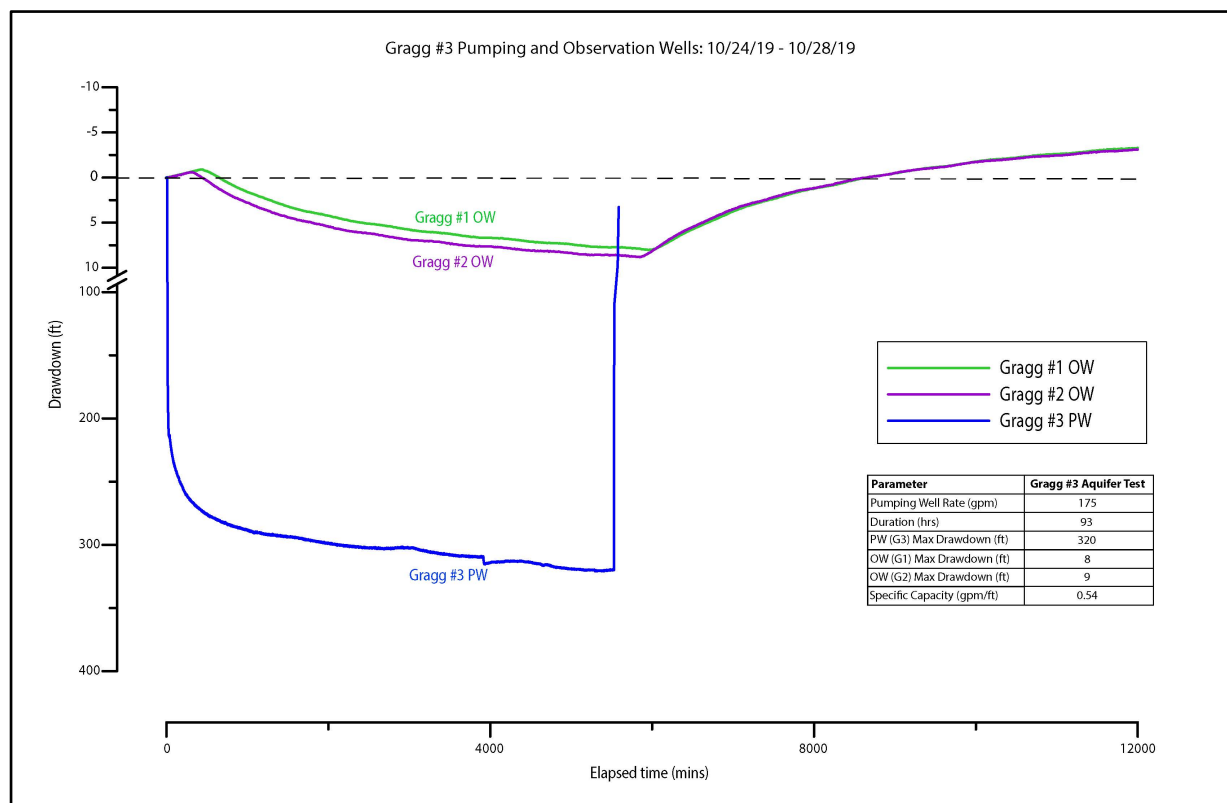


Figure 8. Hydrograph of Gragg #3 pumping well (blue) and Gragg #1 and #2 observation wells (green and purple, respectively) during pumping and recovery phases of the aquifer test. Note the vertical change in scale. After the test, the recovery of water levels in the observation wells are above the zero line because at the start of Gragg #3 test the water levels had not fully recovered from pumping of Gragg #2. Thus, the water-level recovery is combined from the Gragg #2 and #3 pumping.

PARAMETER ESTIMATION

Data from the pumping and recovery phases of each aquifer test were analyzed using Aqtesolv software to determine hydraulic properties of the Lower Trinity Aquifer (**Figure 9**). Aqtesolv (Duffield, 2007) is a commercial software package developed for the design and analysis of aquifer-test data. The software provides a model of the theoretical response to pumping for the given input parameters. Aqtesolv is an important tool used by the District to analyze aquifer-test data. The software provides a comprehensive suite of analytical solutions for confined aquifers such as Theis (1963) and Cooper-Jacob (1946).

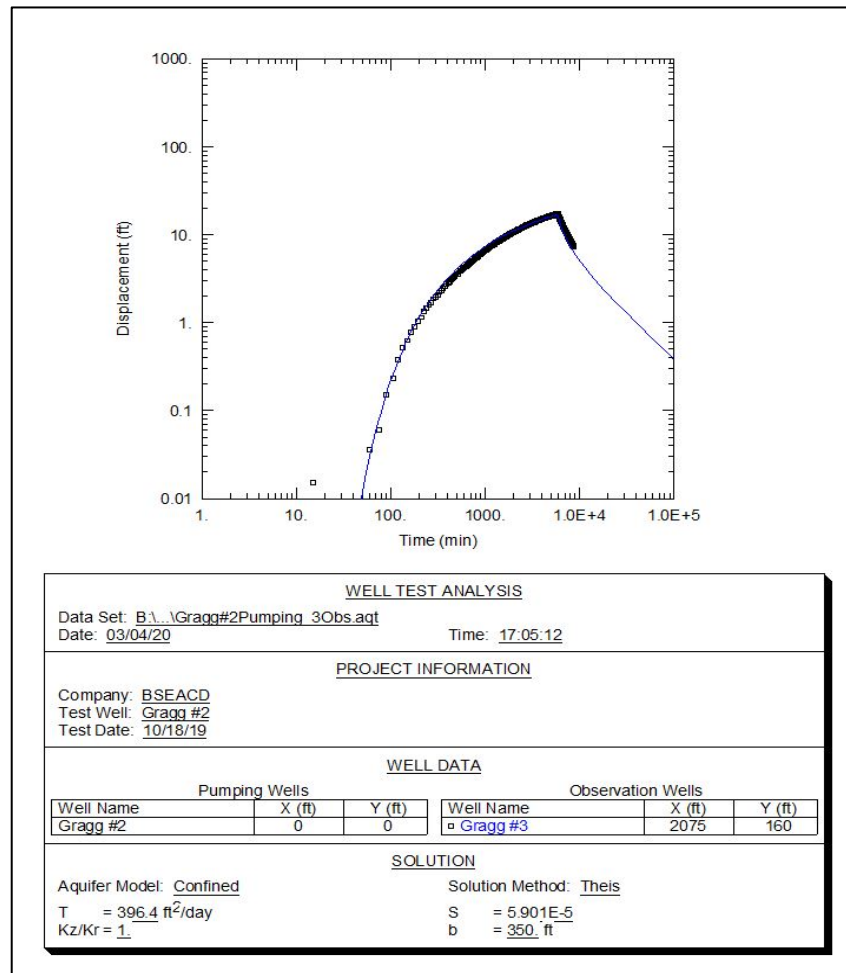


Figure 9. Example of results from Aqtesolv software analysis of Gragg #3 observation well during Gragg #2 pumping and recovery phases of the aquifer test. There is a very good match of the modeled (solid line) and observed (symbols) data.

Aqtesolv allows for assigning multiple wells to an X and Y coordinate system, pumping duration, and well construction information (**Table 2**). Detailed pumping times and rates were directly imported into the software. Aquifer-test data were formatted into elapsed time (minutes) and drawdown (ft). The thickness of the aquifer was determined to be about 350 ft from geophysical logs (**Table 1**). The ratio of vertical to horizontal permeability (Kv/Kh) was estimated to be about 0.1. Note that the resulting estimates of the aquifer parameters are generally insensitive to changes in these (thickness, Kv/Kh) parameters.

Analyses of the data included considerations such as: 1) late-time data for a given test are generally more representative; 2) distant observation wells generally provide a better estimate of storativity; 3) drawdown data from pumping wells generally show high levels of head loss; and 4) deviations of the observation data from theoretical (model) type curves can illuminate processes within the aquifer such as boundary conditions. Identification of boundary conditions is critical to the evaluation of the aquifer test (Duffield and Butler, 2015).

The Theis solution fits the observation data better than most other analytical solutions such as straight-line or recovery methods. The use of those straight-line and recovery solutions generally results in elevated aquifer parameters when compared to Theis (**Table 5**). In addition, we determined that the Theis solution fits the data better than other solutions that consider leaky or fractured aquifers. No boundary conditions were observed under the conditions of the test.

Results of transmissivity (T) from pumping and observation wells are summarized in **Table 5**. A summary of the average of the best-fit values using Theis solution is provided in **Table 6**. The average values include a transmissivity value of 401 ft²/day and a storativity of 5.57-E05. These parameters are higher than published median values of Lower Trinity wells in the Hill Country to the west of the study area (Hunt et al., 2010; Hunt et al., 2020).

Table 5. Results of parameter estimation of all wells.

Well Name	T (ft ² /day)	T (gpd/ft ²)	S	Analytical Solution
Gragg #2 Pumping Well				
Gragg # 2 Pumping	104.0	778.0	5.34E-05	Cooper-jacob
Gragg # 2 Pumping	100.5	751.8	9.11E-05	Theis
Gragg #1 Obs	266.2	1991.3	3.73E-05	Theis
Gragg #1 Obs	262.6	1964.4	3.84E-05	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #3 Obs	402.3*	3009.4*	5.97E-05*	Theis
Gragg #3 Obs	403.0*	3014.6*	4.83E-05*	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #1, 3 Obs	402.1	3007.9	6.07E-05	Theis
Gragg #1, 3 Obs	431.7	3229.3	4.27E-05	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg # 1, 2, 3	402.1	3007.9	6.18E-05	Theis
Gragg # 1, 2, 3	317.0	2371.3	2.34E-05	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #1, 2	262.6	1964.4	3.84E-05	Theis
Gragg #1, 2	319.7	2391.5	2.35E-05	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #2, 3	396.4*	2955.2*	5.90E-05*	Theis
Gragg #2, 3	426.7	3191.9	4.63E-05	Cooper-Jacob
Avg	354.3	2650.5	4.5E-05	
Gragg #3 Pumping Well				
Gragg #3 Pumping	100.3	750.3	8.18E-03	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #1 Obs	475.5	3557.0	6.80E-04	Theis
Gragg #1 Obs	485.6	3632.5	4.75E-04	Cooper- Jacob
Gragg #2 Obs	721.1	5394.2	1.10E-04	Theis
Gragg #2 Obs	487.3	3645.3	1.67E-04	Cooper- Jacob
Gragg # 1, 2, 3	153.3	1146.8	5.12E-05	Theis
Gragg # 1, 2, 3	129.2	966.5	4.59E-04	Cooper-Jacob

Well Name	T (ft ² /day)	T (gpd/ft ²)	S	Analytical Solution
Gragg #1, 2 Obs	441.6	3303.4	2.55E-04	Theis
Gragg #1, 2 Obs	705.9	5280.5	3.12E-04	Cooper-Jacob
Gragg #2, 3	691.0	5169.0	1.07E-04	Theis
Gragg #2, 3	583.2	4362.6	1.39E-04	Cooper-Jacob
Avg	487.4	3151.0	2.76E-04	
Gragg #1 Pumping (2018 Single Well Test)				
Gragg #1 Pumping	165.7	1239.5	2.99E-15	Theis

*best fit values

Table 6. Aquifer and Trinity well parameters calculated from data collected during the pumping and recovery phase of the aquifer test. These values were used in analytical modeling forecasts.

Specific Capacity (gpm ft ⁻¹)	Storativity (S)	Transmissivity (T) ft ² /day		
		Theis (1963)	Cooper-Jacob (1946)	Average
0.5	5.57-E05*	399*	403	401

*average of best fit values

DRAWDOWN FORECASTING

This memo documents an aquifer test that could be used as a component of the hydrogeologic report of an application for a pumping permit. District rules require any application for a pumping permit to have an evaluation (hydrogeologic report) of the potential for unreasonable impacts from the proposed pumping (BSEACD, 2016). An important part of that evaluation is using aquifer test data to estimate aquifer parameters to make forecasts of the potential range of drawdown into the future. This report uses those aquifer parameters and the assumed pumping rate to make some estimates of drawdown. For purposes of this evaluation we assume a potential request of about 200 million gallons per year, which is the equivalent to 380 gpm, or about 130 gpm for each of the three wells in the well field. This report does not constitute an evaluation of the potential for unreasonable impacts.

A simple estimate of drawdown from parameters in **Table 6** is presented in **Figure 10**. Results presented show an approximation of drawdown after 4 days of pumping from a hypothetical well in the well field at a rate of 380 gpm. Drawdown is estimated to be a total of 265 ft in the pumping well with drawdown decreasing to 0 ft at a distance of 8,930 ft from the well (**Figure 10**). Using the same parameters when time is increased to 30 years, a total estimated drawdown of 380 ft within the pumping well decreases to about 112 ft at a distance of 10,000 ft radial from the pumping well (**Figure 10**).

Aqtesolv allows a more sophisticated forward modeling and geographic drawdown estimation using all three wells and the parameters in **Table 6**. **Figure 11** presents a 30-year average drawdown. All three wells

collectively pumping at 380 gpm resulted in a combined drawdown of about 140 ft at a radial distance of about 10,000 ft from the well field.

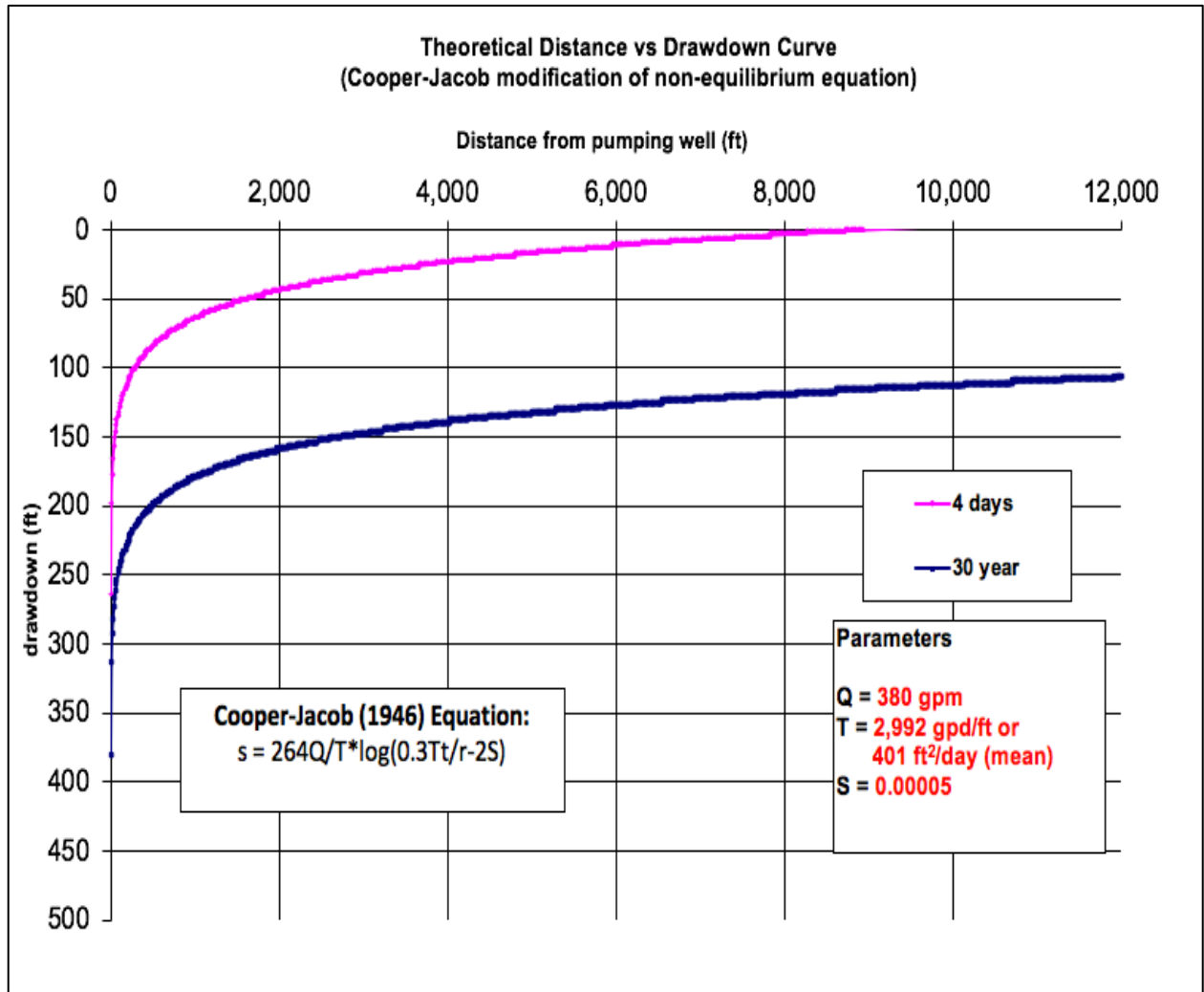


Figure 10. Four-day and thirty-year theoretical drawdown versus distance of the Lower Trinity well modeled using (Cooper and Jacob, 1946).

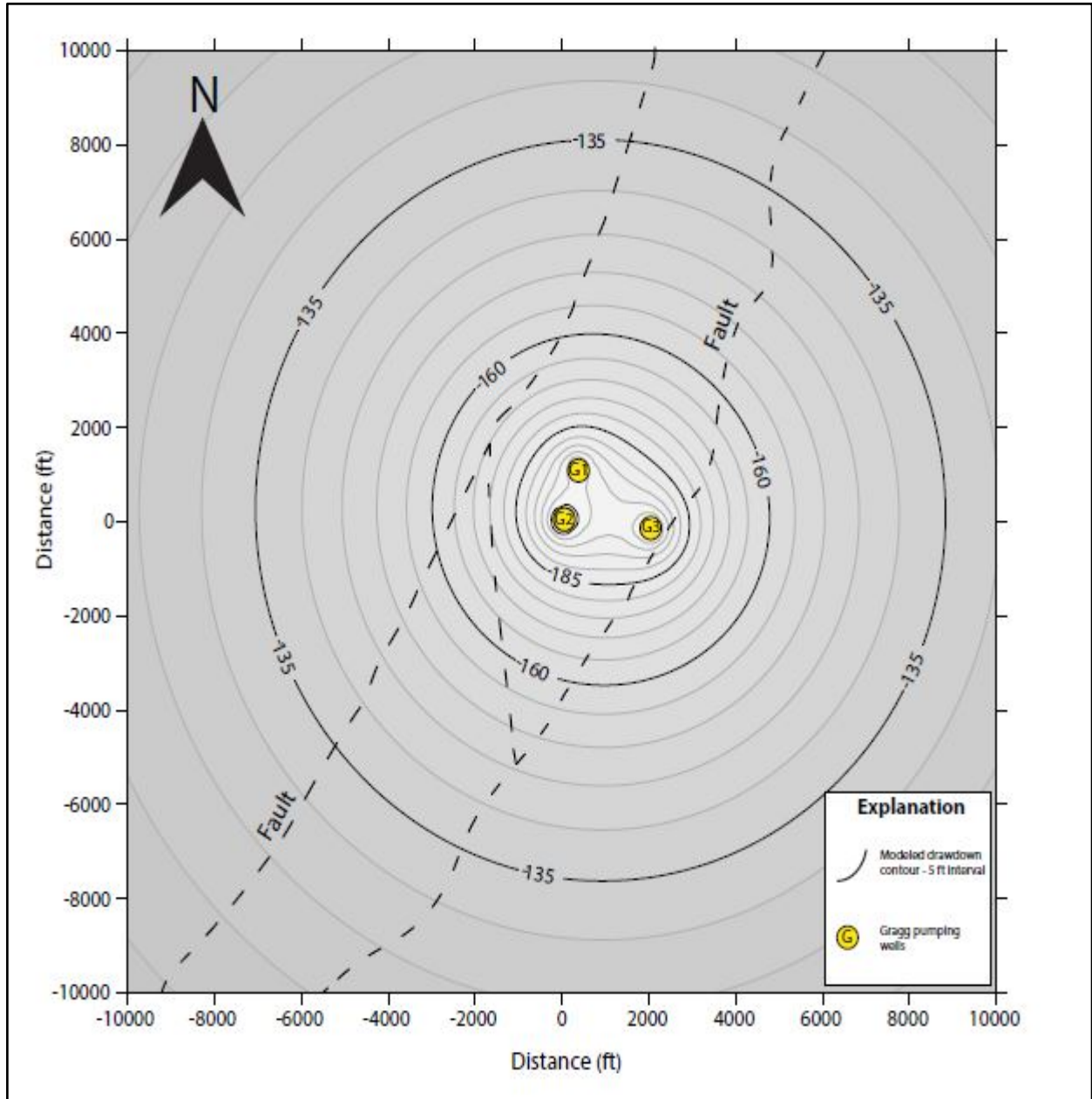


Figure 11. Map of combined drawdown from pumping 200 MGD (380 gpm) after 30 years using Aqtesolv and the Theis solution.

Water Quality

Physicochemical data of the groundwater produced from Gragg #2 and #3 was measured throughout both tests with a Horiba water-quality instrument. Temperature, pH, conductivity, and dissolved oxygen values did not vary greatly between probe readings (**Table 7**). Water samples were collected at the termination of pumping for Gragg #1 (8/28/2019), Gragg #2 (10/22/19), and Gragg #3 (10/28/19) and submitted for laboratory analyses at LCRA Environmental Laboratory Services (**Table 8**; **Appendix E**). Ion geochemistry indicates Ca-HCO₃ water with relatively low TDS (542-568 mg/L) and sulfate (161-169 mg/L). All other water-quality parameters analyzed were within ranges characteristic of the Lower Trinity Aquifer. These results indicate that the water in the Lower Trinity Aquifer likely meets the TCEQ’s primary and secondary public drinking water standards. Isotope data was collected from Gragg #1 at the end of its single pumping test. Isotope results indicate very low tritium (-0.05 TU) and carbon-14 (0.006 PMC), indicating very old (pre-modern) water (**Appendix F**).

Table 7. Physicochemical well-water data monitored during pumping of both Lower Trinity wells with a Horiba water-quality probe. Values did not vary greatly between readings and were found to be within ranges characteristic of the Lower Trinity Aquifer.

Event	Temp (°C)	pH	Conductivity (µs/cm)	DO (mg/L)
Gragg #2	29.61	7.49	908	5.38
Gragg #3	30.09	7.29	906	6.45

Table 8. Gragg #1-3 Lower Trinity groundwater sample results processed by LCRA Environmental Laboratory Services.

Parameter	Gragg #1	Gragg #2	Gragg #3
	Result	Result	Result
Hardness (mg/L)	196	184	162
Calcium Total (mg/L)	78.3	73.8	65.0
Iron Total (mg/L)	0.431	0.497	0.217
Sodium Total (mg/L)	32.5	43.5	76.0
Aluminum Total (mg/L)	0.0099	1.06	<0.0050
Arsenic Total (mg/L)	<0.0010	<0.0010	<0.0010
Copper Total (mg/L)	0.0017	<0.0010	0.0017
Lead Total (mg/L)	0.0007	0.0022	<0.0010
Manganese Total (mg/L)	0.0044	0.0066	0.00519
Zinc Total (mg/L)	0.327	0.352	0.399
Chloride (mg/L)	19	32.8	45.9
Fluoride (mg/L)	1.85	1.67	1.80
Alkalinity (mg/L)	254	259	249

	Gragg #1	Gragg #2	Gragg #3
Nitrate/Nitrite (mg/L)	<0.020	<0.010	<0.010
Sulfate (mg/L)	162	161	169
TDS (mg/L)	542	559	568
Total Coliform	N/A	Absent	Absent
Ecoli	N/A	Absent	Absent
Isotopes			
Sr 87/86 (Ratio)	0.708372	N/A	N/A
Deut./O18 (VSMOW)	-24.6	N/A	N/A
Tritium (TU)	-0.05	N/A	N/A
Carbon-14 (Y-BP)	41100	N/A	N/A

CONCLUSIONS

Because the results of the aquifer test indicate that the water quality and yield of these wells are high the Lower Trinity Aquifer may be a direct alternative groundwater supply for the study area. At this time there are no large permitted Lower Trinity wells in the BSEACD.

However, further evaluation of the Lower Trinity is needed to determine how long-term pumping from the Lower Trinity could affect water levels (storage) over time and space. The nearby Lower Trinity Aquifer of western Travis County offers a cautionary example of groundwater mining (Hunt et al., 2020).

In addition, the Lower Trinity Aquifer could be a good candidate for ASR. However, more study is needed to evaluate its ASR potential.

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APPENDIX A: State well reports

STATE OF TEXAS WELL REPORT for Tracking #473734			
Owner:	Gragg Tract, LP	Owner Well #:	1
Address:	1010 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Austin, TX 78701	Grid #:	58-50-7
Well Location:	Old Bliss Spillar Rd. Manchaca, TX 78652	Latitude:	30° 08' 05.03" N
Well County:	Hays	Longitude:	097° 52' 00.85" W
		Elevation:	742 ft. above sea level
Type of Work:	New Well	Proposed Use:	Public Supply

Drilling Start Date: 10/30/2017 Drilling End Date: 1/26/2018 Plans Approved by TCEQ - NO

	Diameter (In.)	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)
Borehole:	13.5	0	1400
	8	1400	1620

Drilling Method: **Air Rotary**
 Borehole Completion: **Perforated or Slotted**

	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)	Description (number of sacks & material)
Annular Seal Data:	0	1342	Cement 1175 Bags/Sacks

Seal Method: **Positive Displacement** Distance to Property Line (ft.): **No Data**
 Sealed By: **Driller** Distance to Septic Field or other concentrated contamination (ft.): **none**
 Distance to Septic Tank (ft.): **none**
 Method of Verification: **No Data**

Surface Completion: **Surface Slab Installed** **Surface Completion by Driller**

Water Level: **196 ft. below land surface on 2018-01-08**
 Packers: **No Data**
 Type of Pump: **No Data**
 Well Tests: **Pump** **Yield: 115 GPM with 427 ft. drawdown after 5.5 hours**

Water Quality:	Strata Depth (ft.)	Water Type
	1434 - 1620	Trinity

Chemical Analysis Made: **Yes**

Did the driller knowingly penetrate any strata which contained injurious constituents?: **No**

Certification Data: The driller certified that the driller drilled this well (or the well was drilled under the driller's direct supervision) and that each and all of the statements herein are true and correct. The driller understood that failure to complete the required items will result in the report(s) being returned for completion and resubmittal.

Company Information: **Bee Cave Drilling, Inc.**
185 Angel Fire Dr.
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Driller Name: **Jim Blair** License Number: **54416**

Comments: **From Geologging:**
Georgetown Edwards 50' - 100'
Edwards 100' - 430'
Walnut Edwards 430' - 460'
Upper Glenrose 460' - 480'
Middle Glenrose 480' - 1020'
Cow Creek/Hensel 1020' - 1315'
Hammett 1315' - 1360'
Lower Trinity 1360' - 1620'

Lithology:
DESCRIPTION & COLOR OF FORMATION MATERIAL

Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)	Description
0	2	topsoil
2	12	caliche
12	32	tan & white broken limestone
32	390	Edwards Limestone w/ voids (lost returns)
390	1085	no returns
1085	1090	gray limestone
1090	1130	gray sandstone
1130	1165	gray limestone
1165	1200	gray sandstone
1200	1270	brown & gray limestone
1270	1350	gray limestone
1350	1620	gray sandstone & limestone

Casing:
BLANK PIPE & WELL SCREEN DATA

Dia (in.)	Type	Material	Sch./Gage	Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)
8	Blank	New Steel	sch. 40	0	1342
5	Blank	New Plastic (PVC)	sch. 80	1334	1434
5	Perforated or Slotted	New Plastic (PVC)	sch. 80	1434	1614

STATE OF TEXAS WELL REPORT for Tracking #527500

Owner: Gragg Tract LP #2	Owner Well #: 2	
Address: 1010 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Austin, TX 78701	Grid #: 58-50-7	
Well Location: Old Bliss Spillar Rd. Manchaca, TX 78652	Latitude: 30° 07' 53.46" N	Longitude: 097° 52' 04.03" W
Well County: Hays	Elevation: 732 ft. above sea level	
Type of Work: New Well		Proposed Use: Public Supply

Drilling Start Date: **8/22/2019** Drilling End Date: **9/25/2019** Plans Approved by TCEQ - **NO**

	Diameter (in.)	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)
Borehole:	15	0	20
	12.75	20	1505
	7.875	1505	1700

Drilling Method: **Air Rotary**

Borehole Completion: **Open Hole**

	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)	Description (number of sacks & material)
Annular Seal Data:	0	1350	Cement 1148 Bags/Sacks

Seal Method: **Positive Displacement**

Sealed By: **Driller**

Distance to Property Line (ft.): **220**

Distance to Septic Field or other concentrated contamination (ft.): **none**

Distance to Septic Tank (ft.): **none**

Method of Verification: **No Data**

Surface Completion: **Surface Slab Installed**

Surface Completion by Driller

Water Level: **136 ft. below land surface on 2019-10-18**

Packers: **No Data**

Type of Pump: **No Data**

Well Tests: **Pump Yield: 170 GPM with 425 ft. drawdown after 96 hours**

Water Quality:	Strata Depth (ft.)	Water Type
	No Data	No Data

Chemical Analysis Made: **Yes**

Did the driller knowingly penetrate any strata which contained injurious constituents?: **No**

Certification Data: The driller certified that the driller drilled this well (or the well was drilled under the driller's direct supervision) and that each and all of the statements herein are true and correct. The driller understood that failure to complete the required items will result in the report(s) being returned for completion and resubmittal.

Company Information: **Bee Cave Drilling, Inc.**
185 Angel Fire Dr.
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Driller Name: **Jim Blair** License Number: **54416**

Comments: **Cementing by CUDD Pumping Services using Type H Cement per BSEACD**

Lithology:
DESCRIPTION & COLOR OF FORMATION MATERIAL

Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)	Description
0	2	topsoil
2	20	tan limestone
20	45	white limestone
45	80	tan limestone
80	140	lost returns
140	280	tan sandstone
280	300	gravel
300	340	tan sandstone & gravel
340	1700	lost returns

Casing:
BLANK PIPE & WELL SCREEN DATA

Dia (in.)	Type	Material	Sch./Gage	Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)
8.625	Blank	New Steel	sch. 40	0	1350

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STATE OF TEXAS WELL REPORT for Tracking #527505

Owner: Gragg Tract LP #3	Owner Well #: 3	
Address: 1010 W. MLK Jr. Blvd. Austin, TX 78701	Grid #: 58-50-7	
Well Location: Old Bliss Spillar Rd. Manchaca, TX 78652	Latitude: 30° 07' 51.92" N	
Well County: Hays	Longitude: 097° 51' 41.78" W	
	Elevation: 722 ft. above sea level	
Type of Work: New Well		Proposed Use: Public Supply

Drilling Start Date: 9/5/2019

Drilling End Date: 10/10/2019

Plans Approved by TCEQ - NO

	Diameter (in.)	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)
Borehole:	15	0	19
	12.75	19	1385
	7.875	1385	1700

Drilling Method: **Air Rotary**

Borehole Completion: **Open Hole**

	Top Depth (ft.)	Bottom Depth (ft.)	Description (number of sacks & material)
Annular Seal Data:	0	1355	Cement 1195 Bags/Sacks

Seal Method: **Positive Displacement**

Sealed By: **Driller**

Distance to Property Line (ft.): **150**

Distance to Septic Field or other concentrated contamination (ft.): **none**

Distance to Septic Tank (ft.): **none**

Method of Verification: **No Data**

Surface Completion: **Surface Slab Installed**

Surface Completion by Driller

Water Level: **132 ft. below land surface on 2019-10-18**

Packers: **No Data**

Type of Pump: **No Data**

Well Tests: **Pump** **Yield: 170 GPM with 450 ft. drawdown after 96 hours**

Water Quality:	Strata Depth (ft.)	Water Type
	No Data	No Data

Chemical Analysis Made: **Yes**

Did the driller knowingly penetrate any strata which contained injurious constituents?: **No**

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Driller Name: **Jim Blair** License Number: **54416**

Comments: **Cementing by CUDD Pumping Services using Type H Cement per BSEACD**

Lithology:
DESCRIPTION & COLOR OF FORMATION MATERIAL

Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)	Description
0	5	topsoil
5	140	tan limestone
140	290	tan limestone & gravel
290	1700	lost returns
1300	1350	Hammett
1350	1425	Sligo
1425	1700	Hosston

Casing:
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Dia (in.)	Type	Material	Sch./Gage	Top (ft.)	Bottom (ft.)
8.625	Blank	New Steel	sch. 40	0	1355


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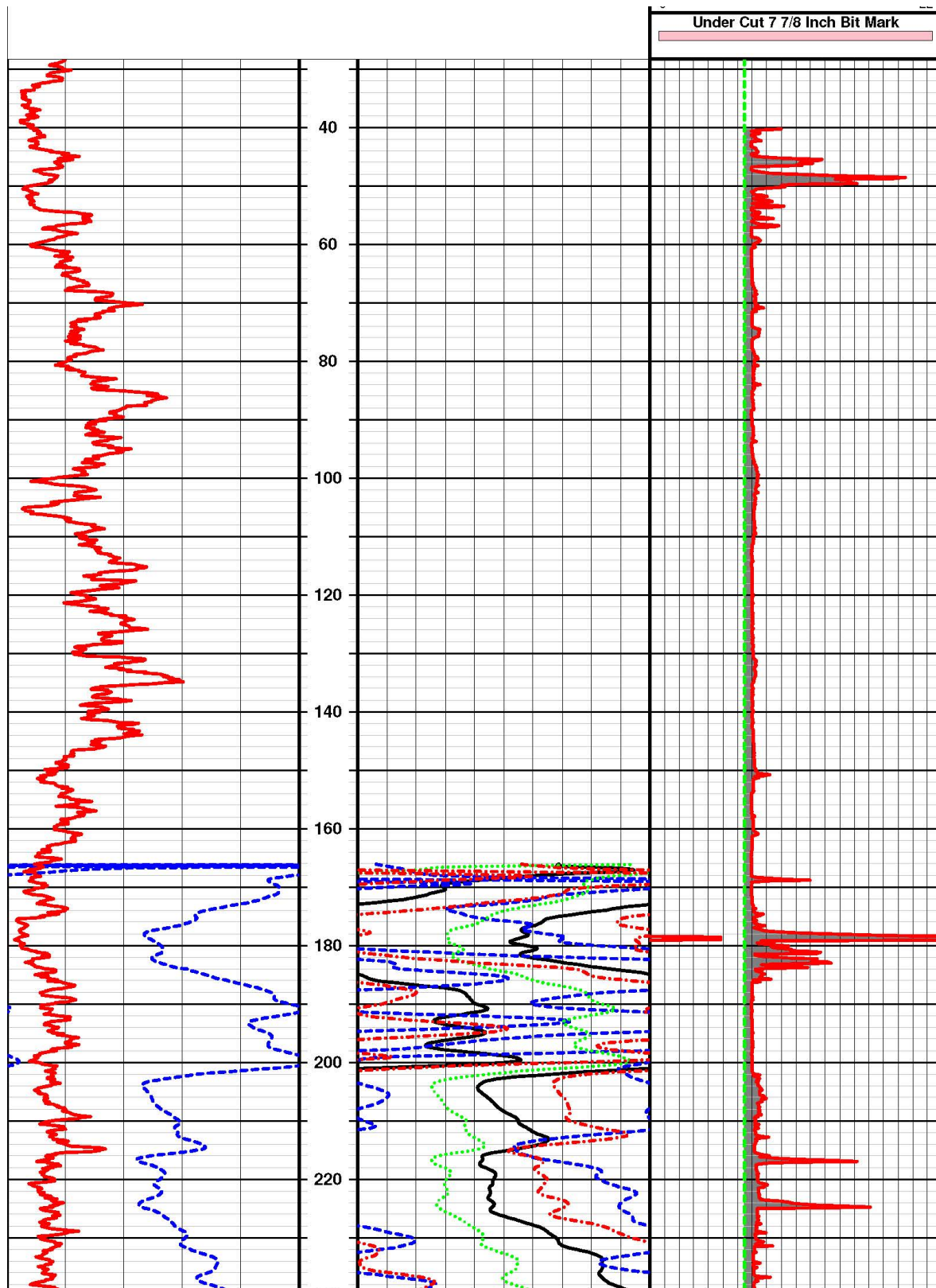
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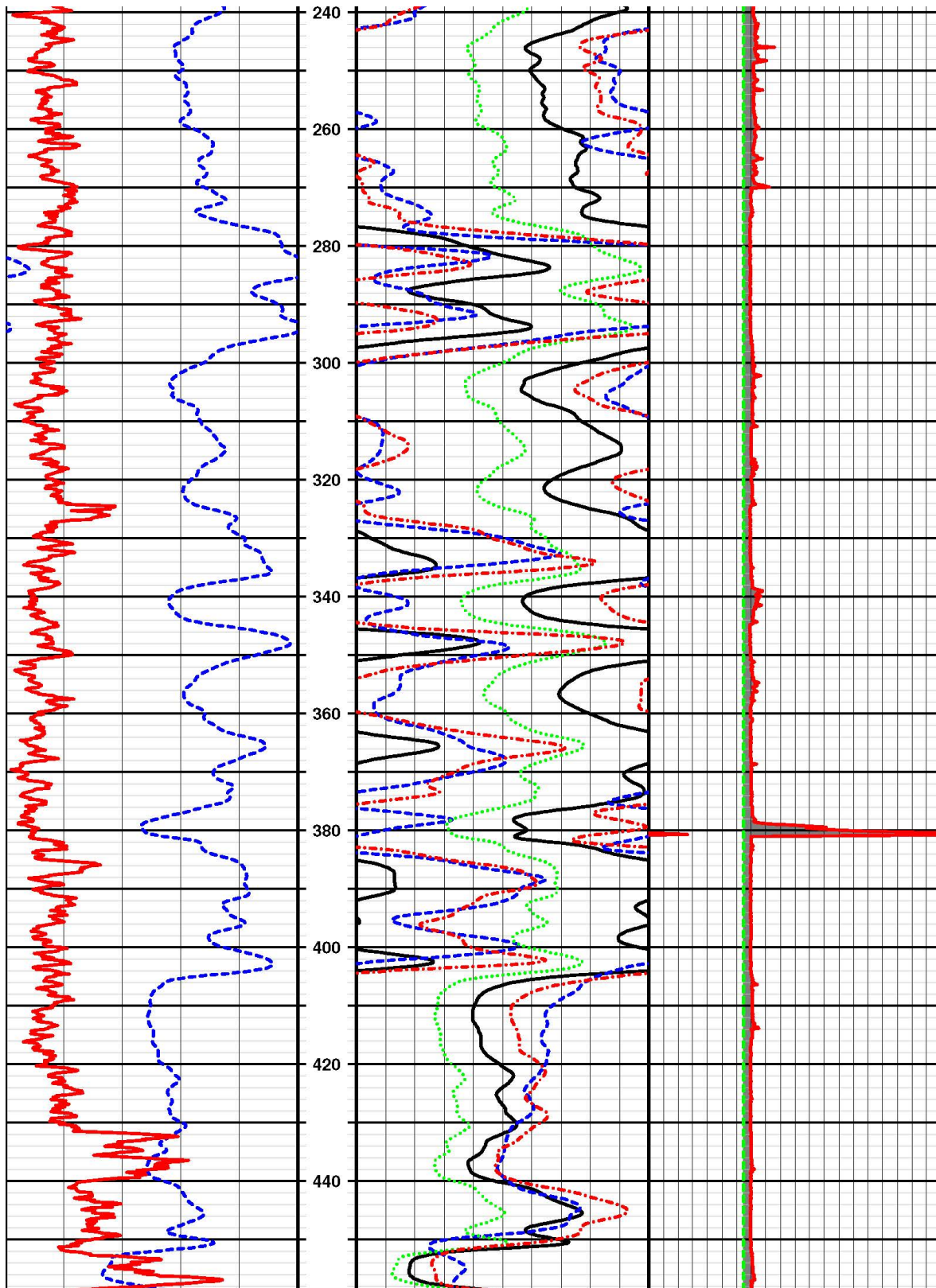
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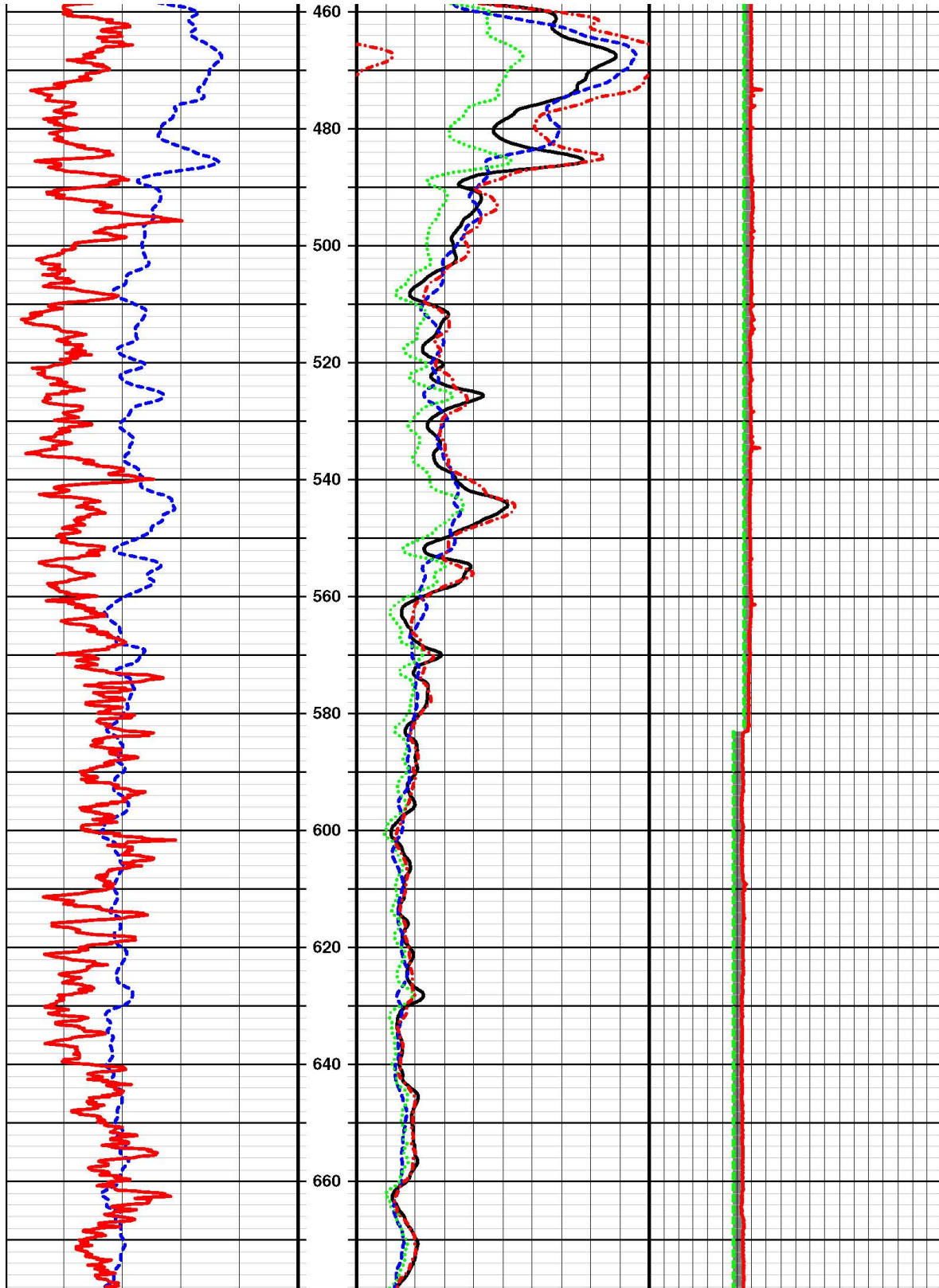
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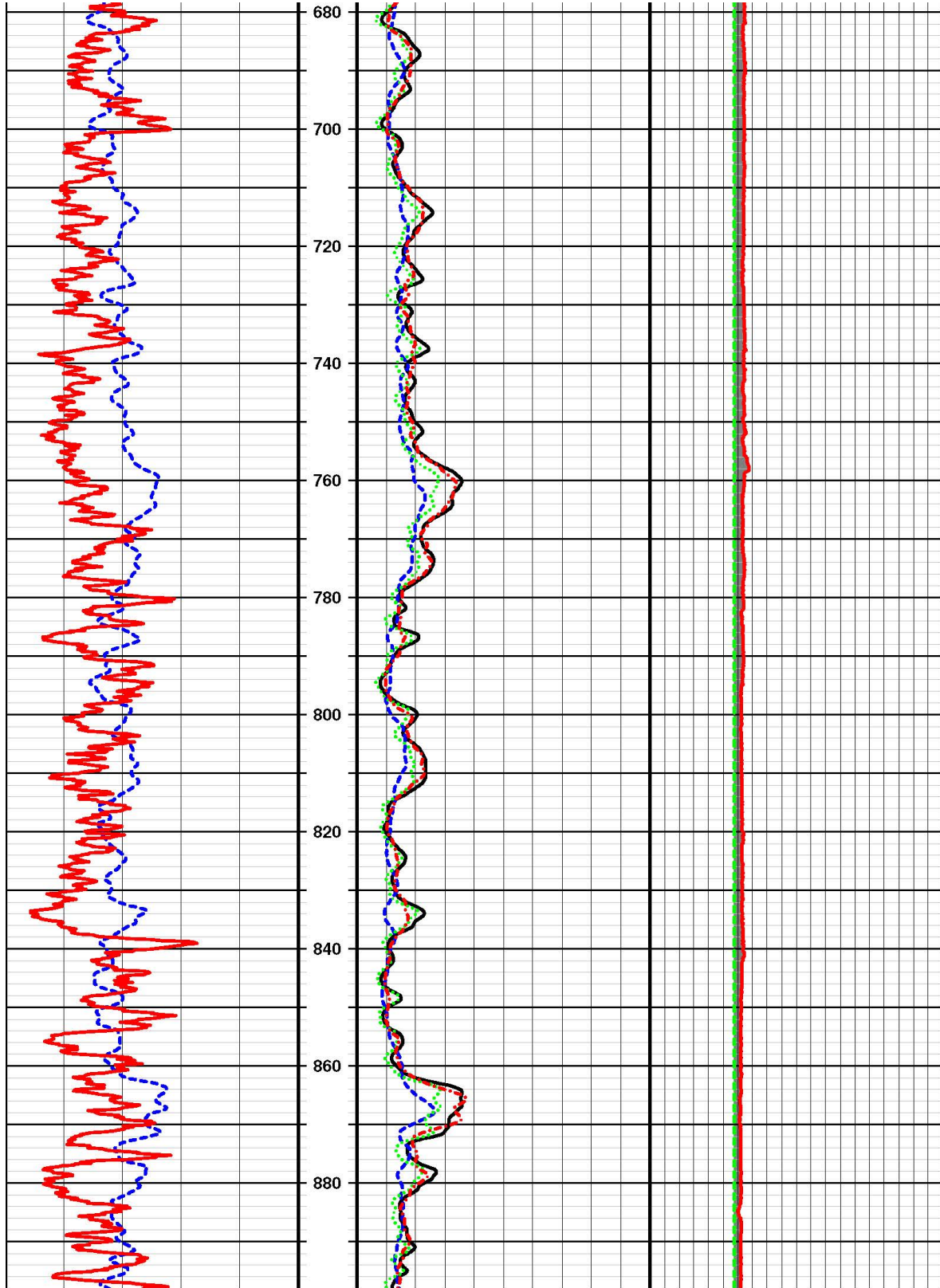
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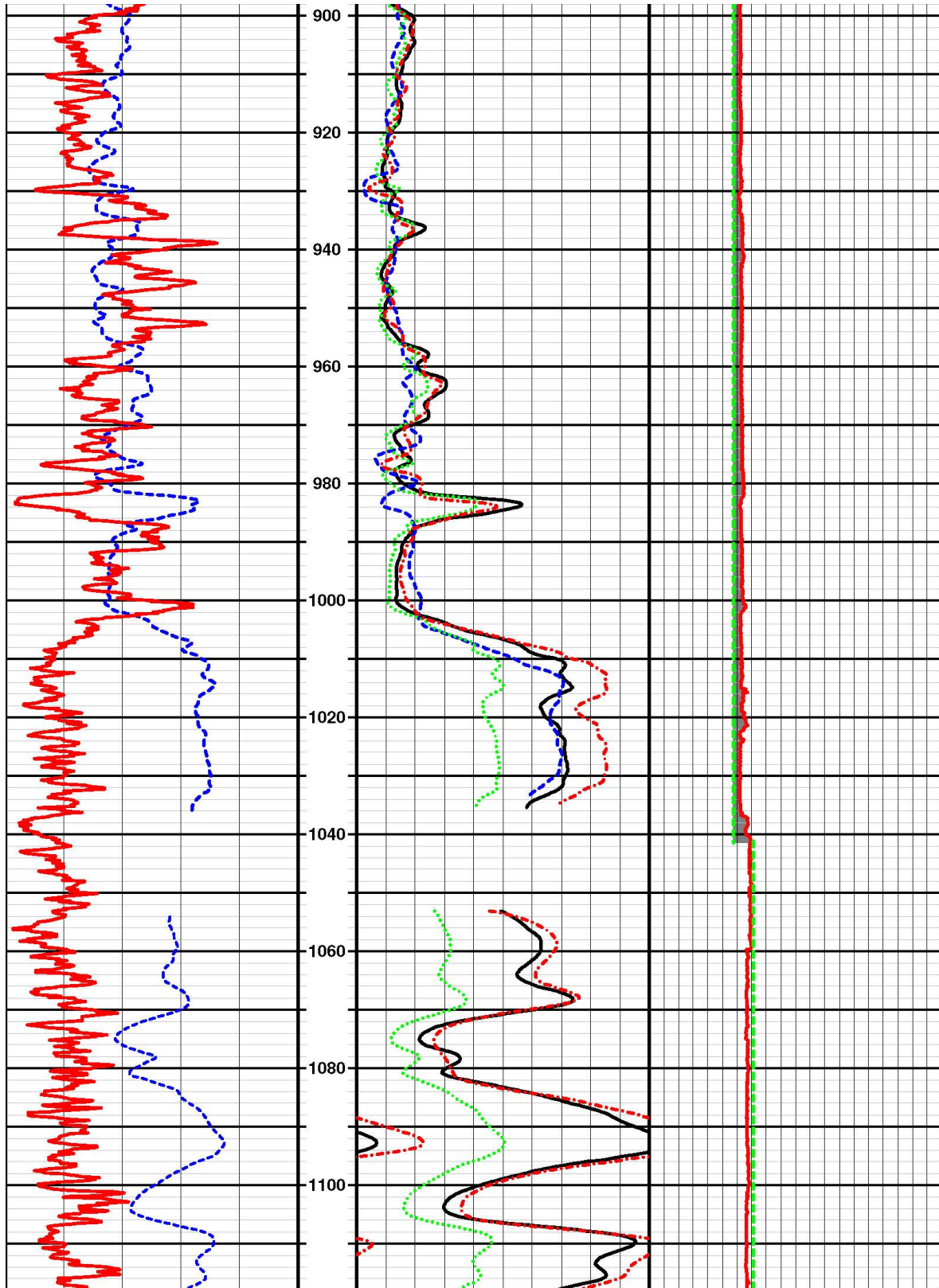
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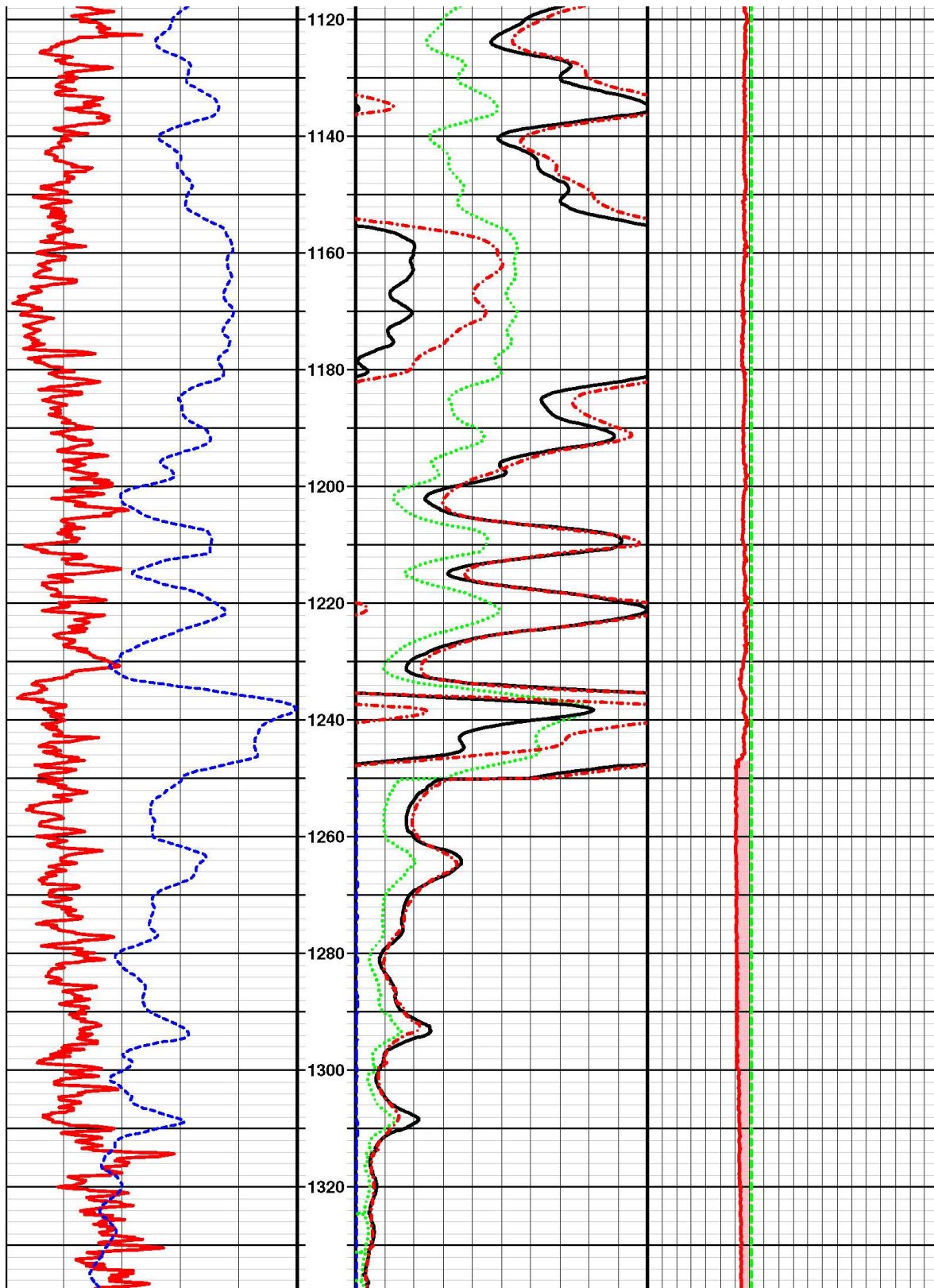


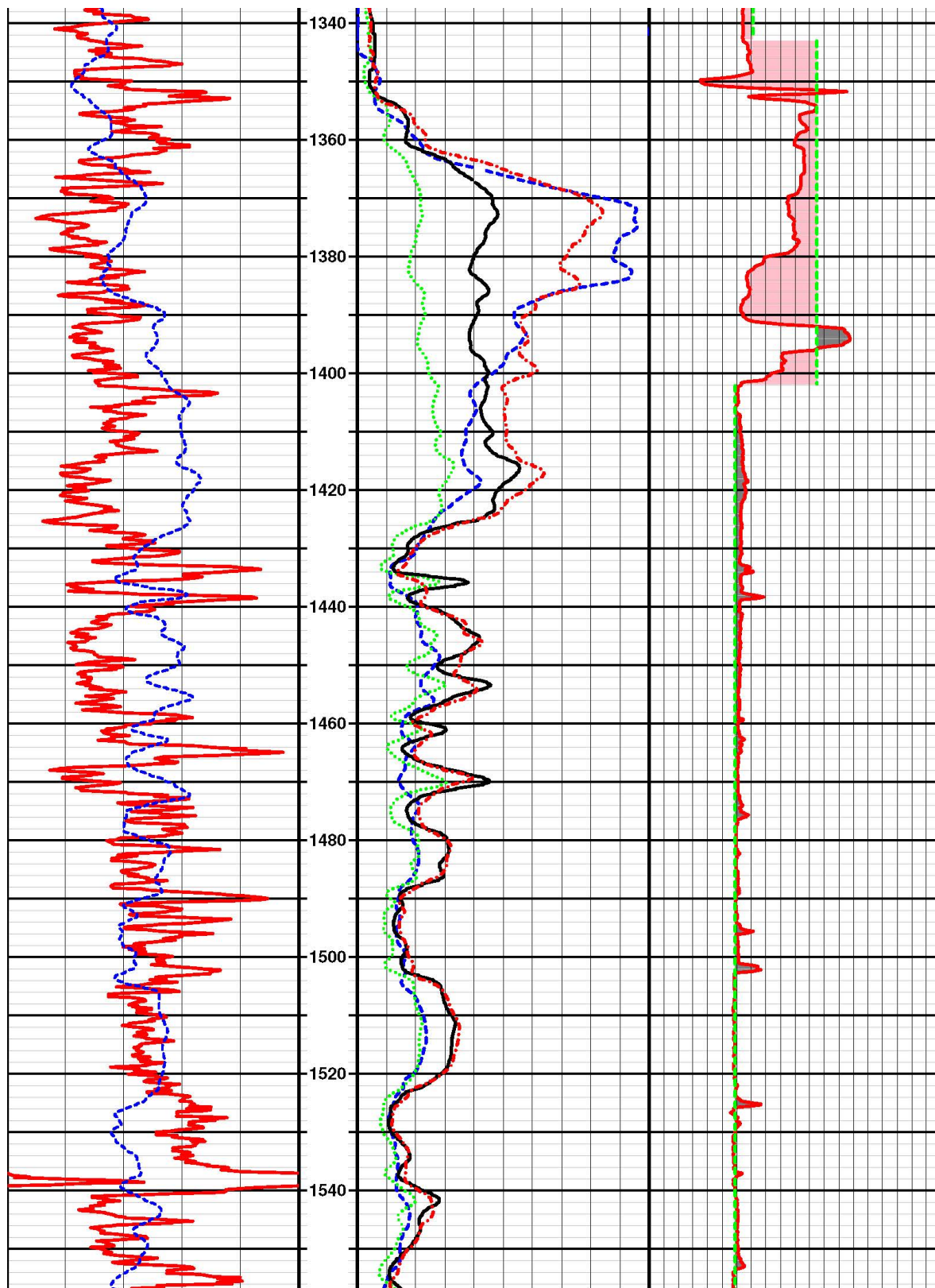


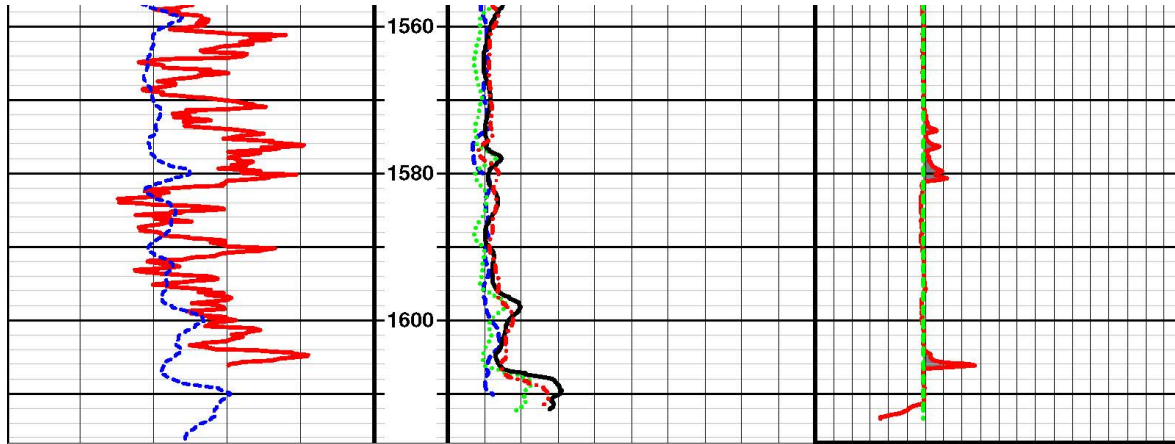












Under Cut 7 7/8 Inch Bit Mark		

7 7/8 Inch Bit Mark#1		
0		22
Under Cut 13 1/2 Inch Bit Mark		

Wash Out 13 1/2 Inch Bit Mark		

Wash Out 7 7/8 Inch Bit Mark		

13.5 Inch Bit Mark		
0		22
7 7/8 Inch Bit Mark		
0		22
Caliper#1		
2	in	22

N32#2		
0	Ohm.m	200
N16#2		
0	Ohm.m	200
N8#1		
0	Ohm.m	250
N64#1		
0	Ohm.m	250

WALTERS - GRAGG TRACK WELL

SPR#2		
0		125
Gamma		
0	CPS	100
SPR		
0	Ohm	125

Depth
1in:20ft

N32		
0	Ohm.m	250
N8		
0	Ohm.m	250
N64		
0	Ohm.m	250
N16		
0	Ohm.m	250

Wash Out 8 1/2 Inch Bit Mark		

Wash Out 7 3/4 Inch Bit Mark		

7 3/4 Inch Bit Mark		
2		22
8 1/2 Inch Bit Mark		
2		22
Caliper		
2	IN	22



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Borehole: Bliss Spillar #2

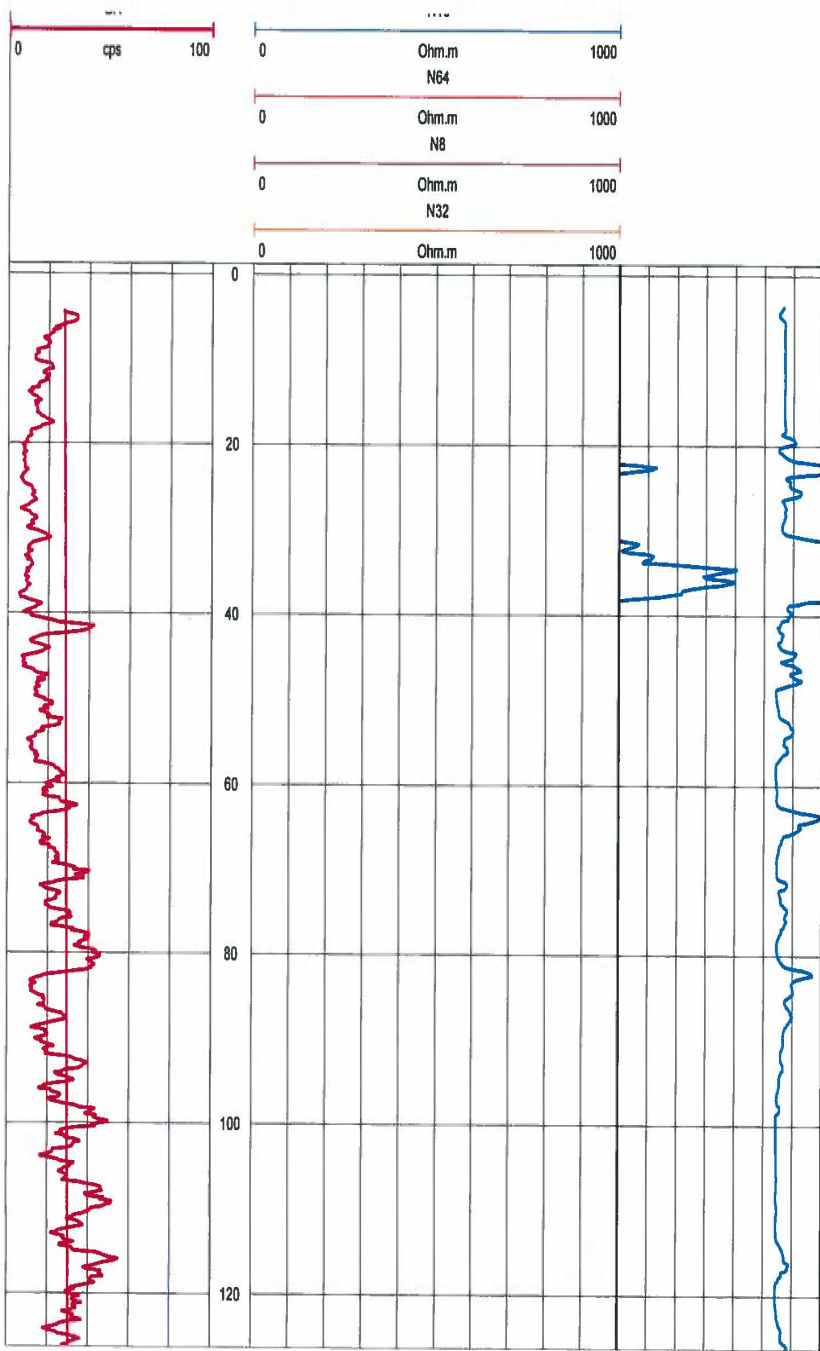
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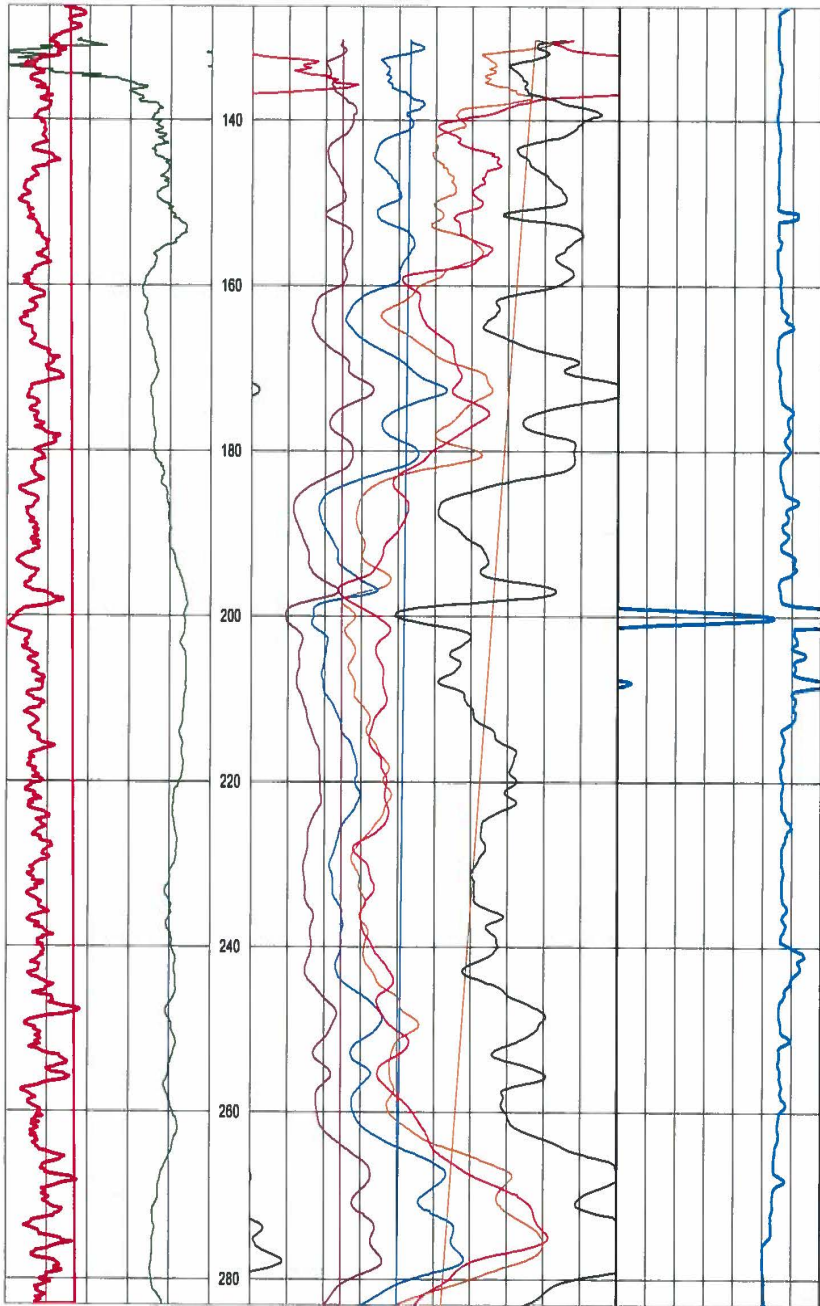
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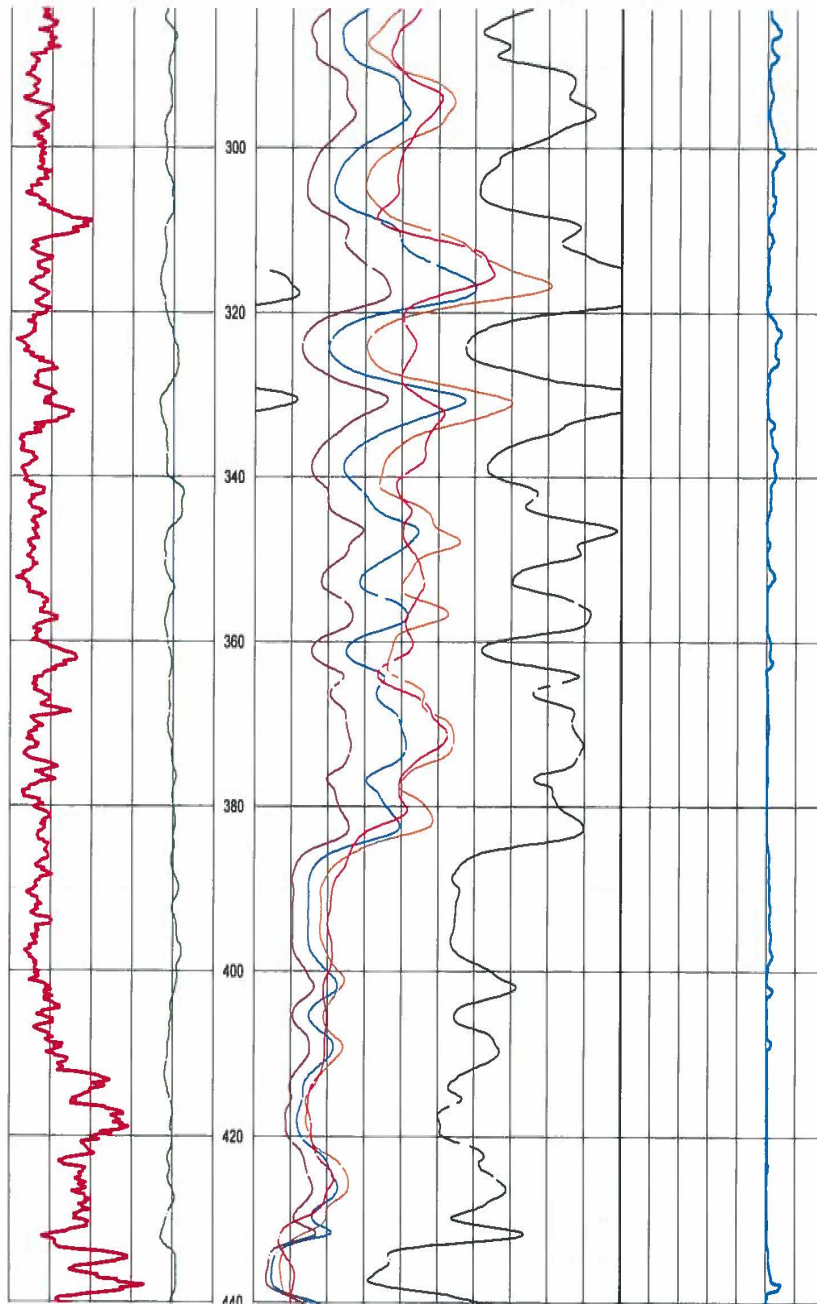
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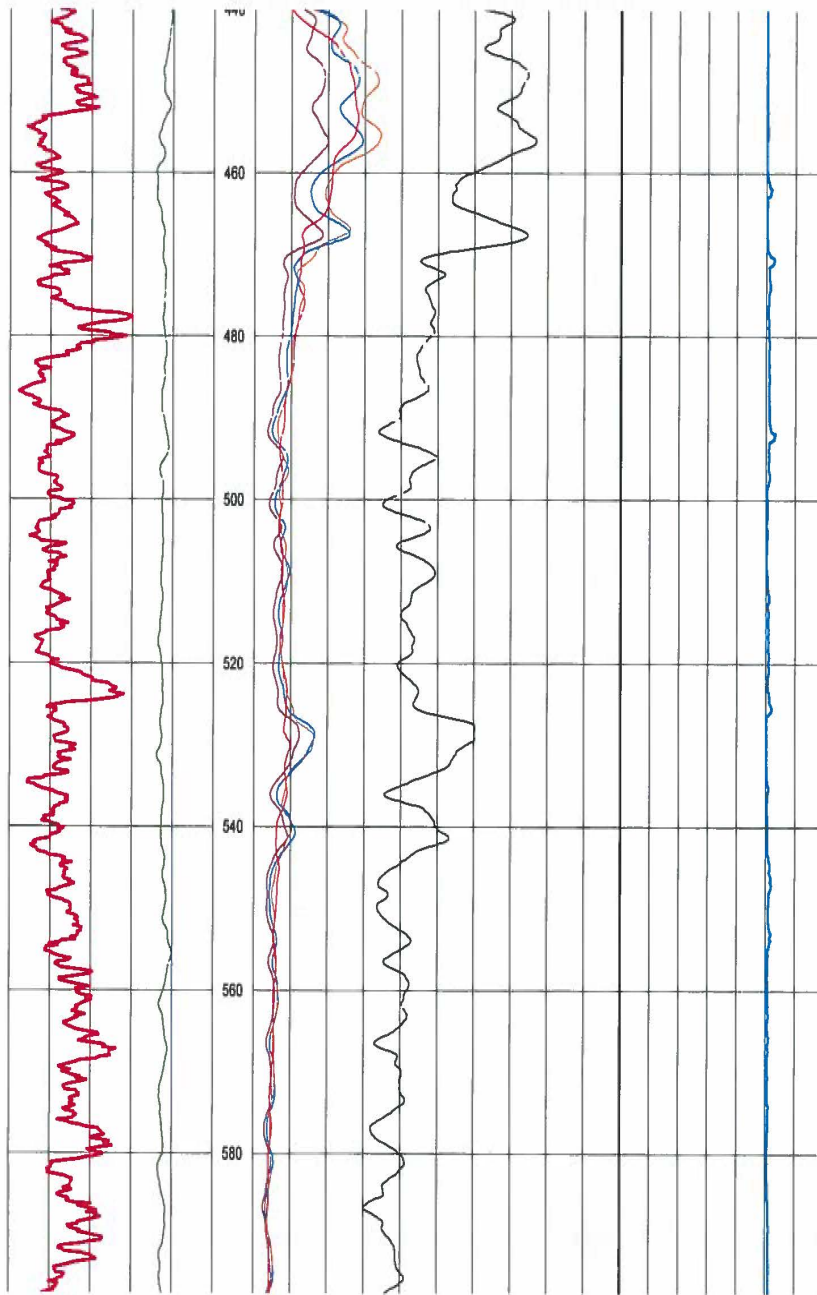
Contractor:	Bee Cave Drilling	Drilled TD (ft):	1505'
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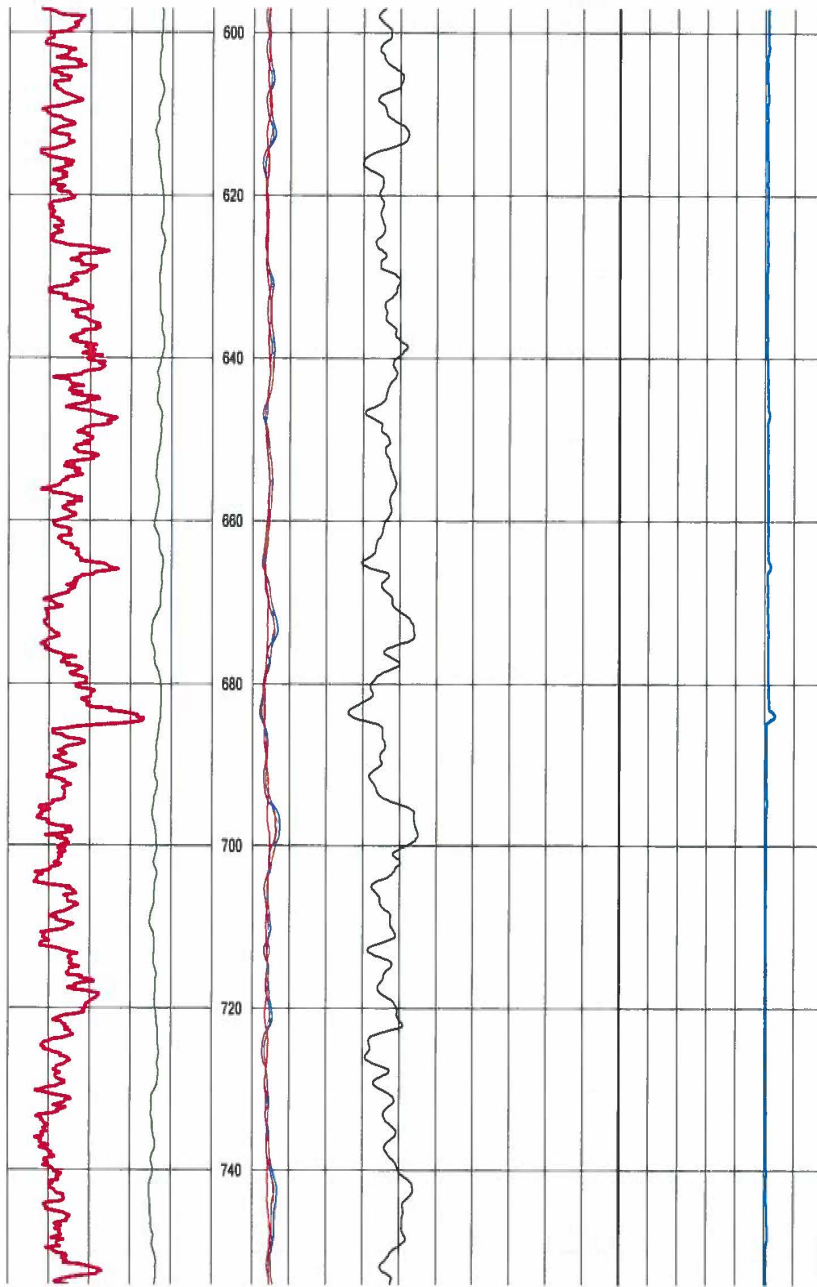
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Depth Ref: Ground Level				Date Drilled: 08/30/2019																		
BIT RECORD				CASING RECORD																		
RUN	BIT SIZE (in)	FROM (ft)	TO (ft)	SIZE/WGT/THK	FROM (ft)	TO (ft)																
1	15"	0	20	14" steel	+1	19'																
2	12 5/8"	20	1505'																			
Drill Method: Air Rotary		Weight:		Fluid Lvl (ft): 130'																		
Hole Medium: Rock/clay		Mud Type: foam		Circ Time: 1hr																		
Viscosity:		Rm:		at (Deg F):																		
<u>General Data</u>																						
Logged By: Chase Crane				Unit/Truck: 1																		
Witness: Mike Scott																						
LOG TYPE	RUN	SPEED (ft/min)	FROM (ft)	TO (ft)	FT/IN																	
CALIPER	2	20	1500'	5	ft																	
GAMMA	1	30	1505'	3'	ft																	
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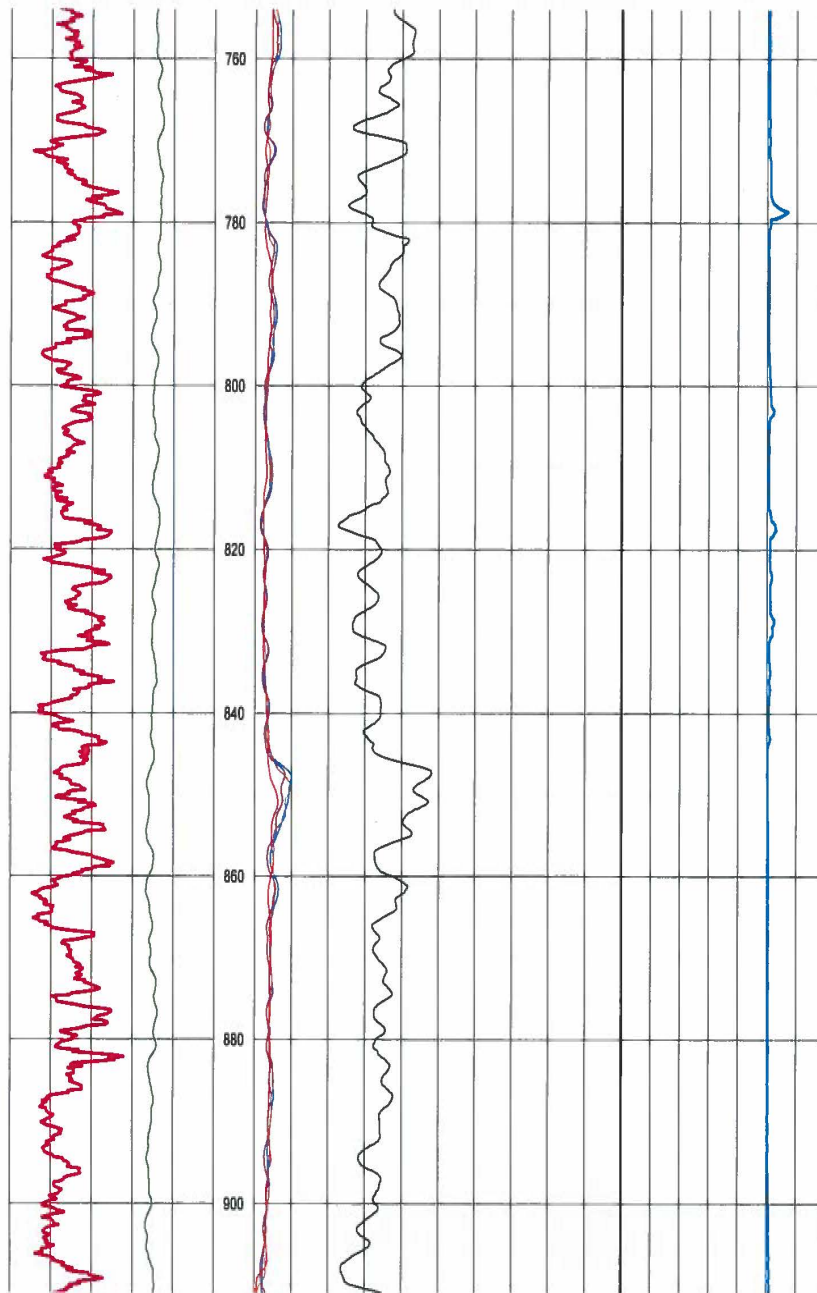


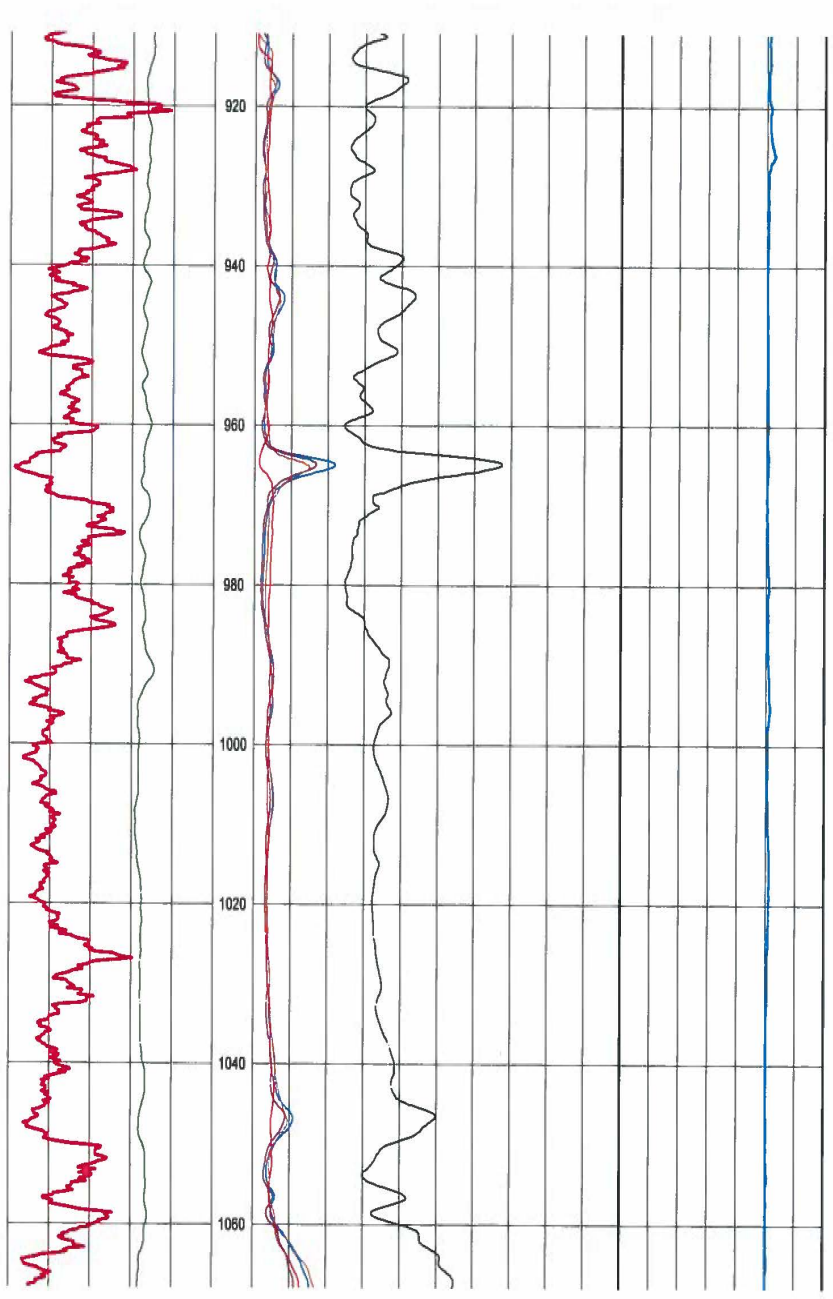


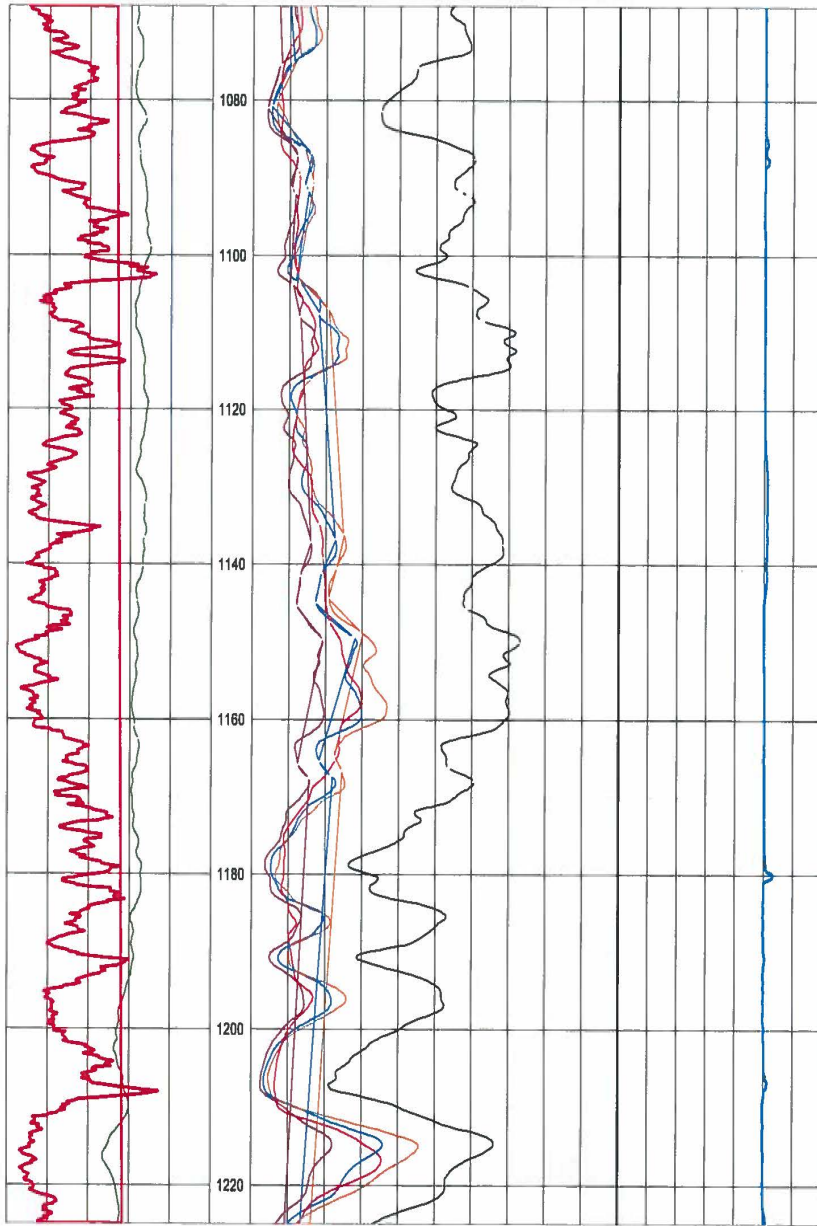


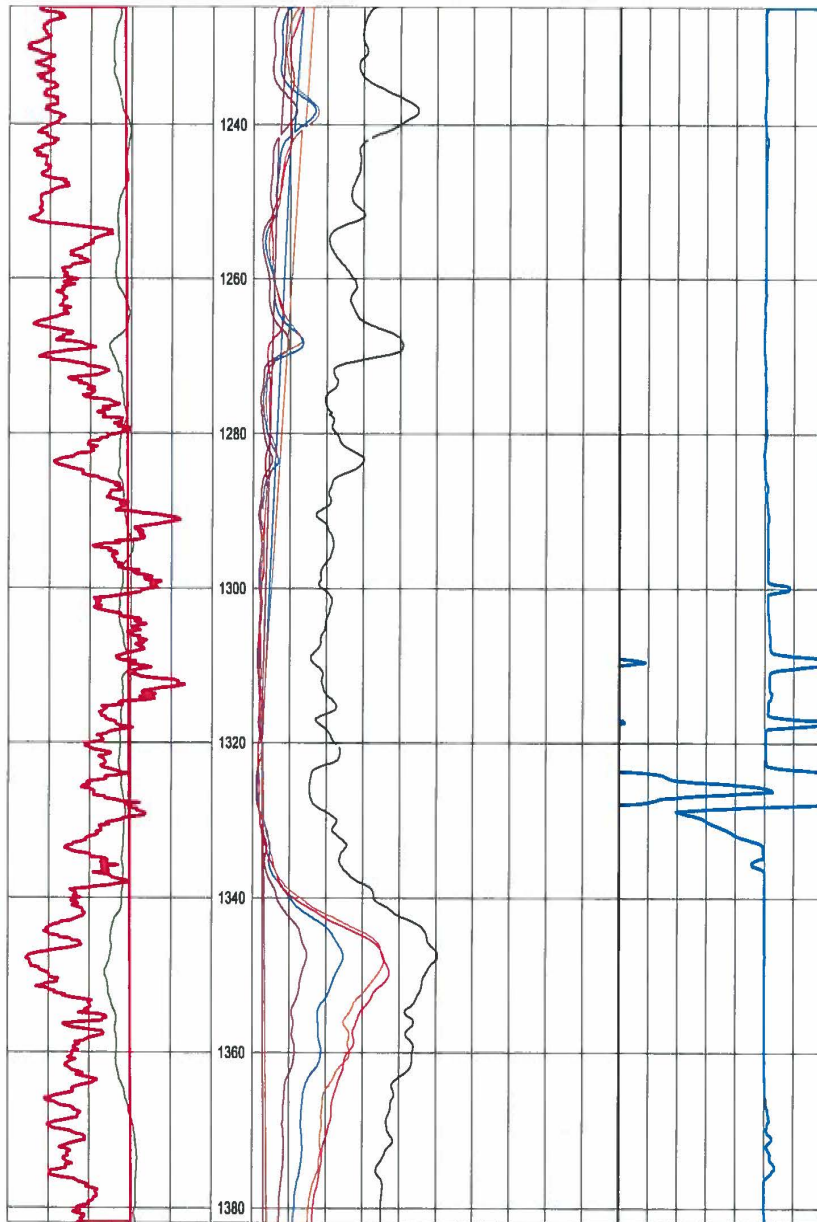


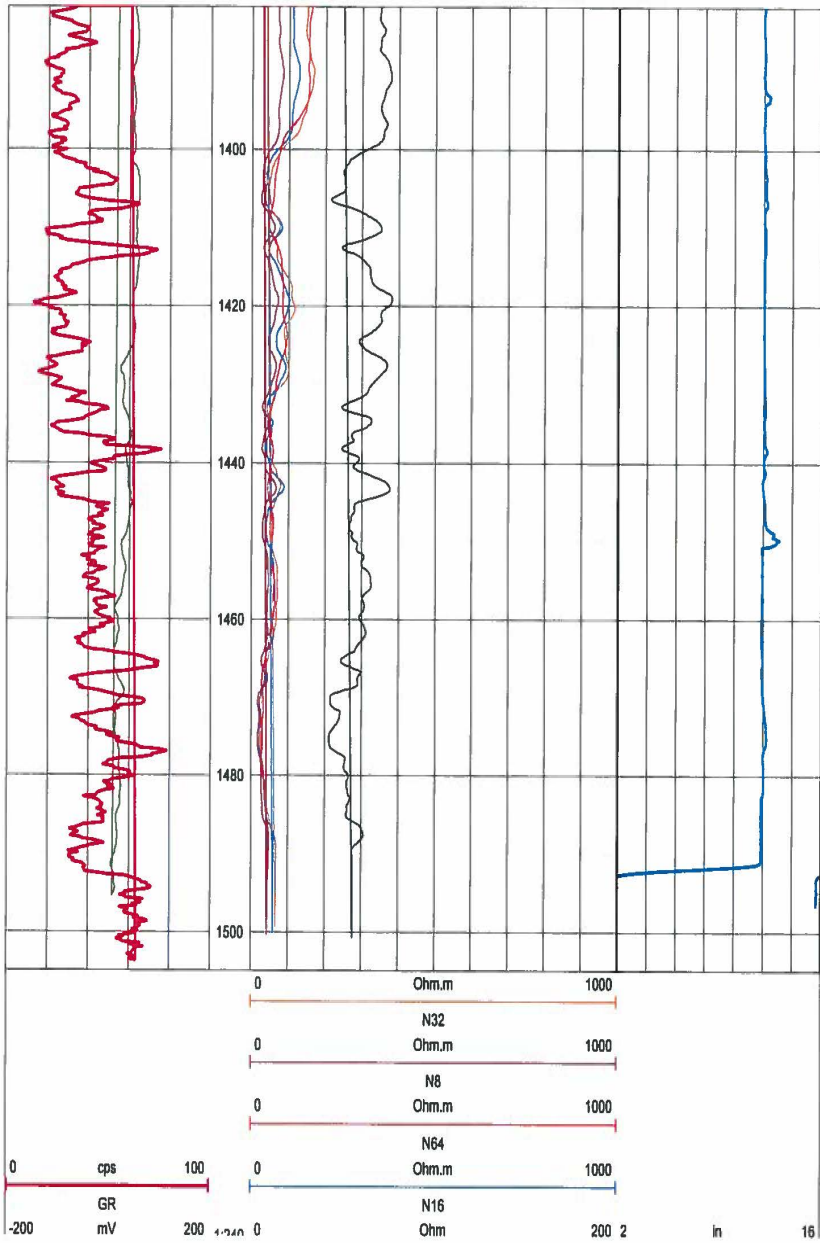














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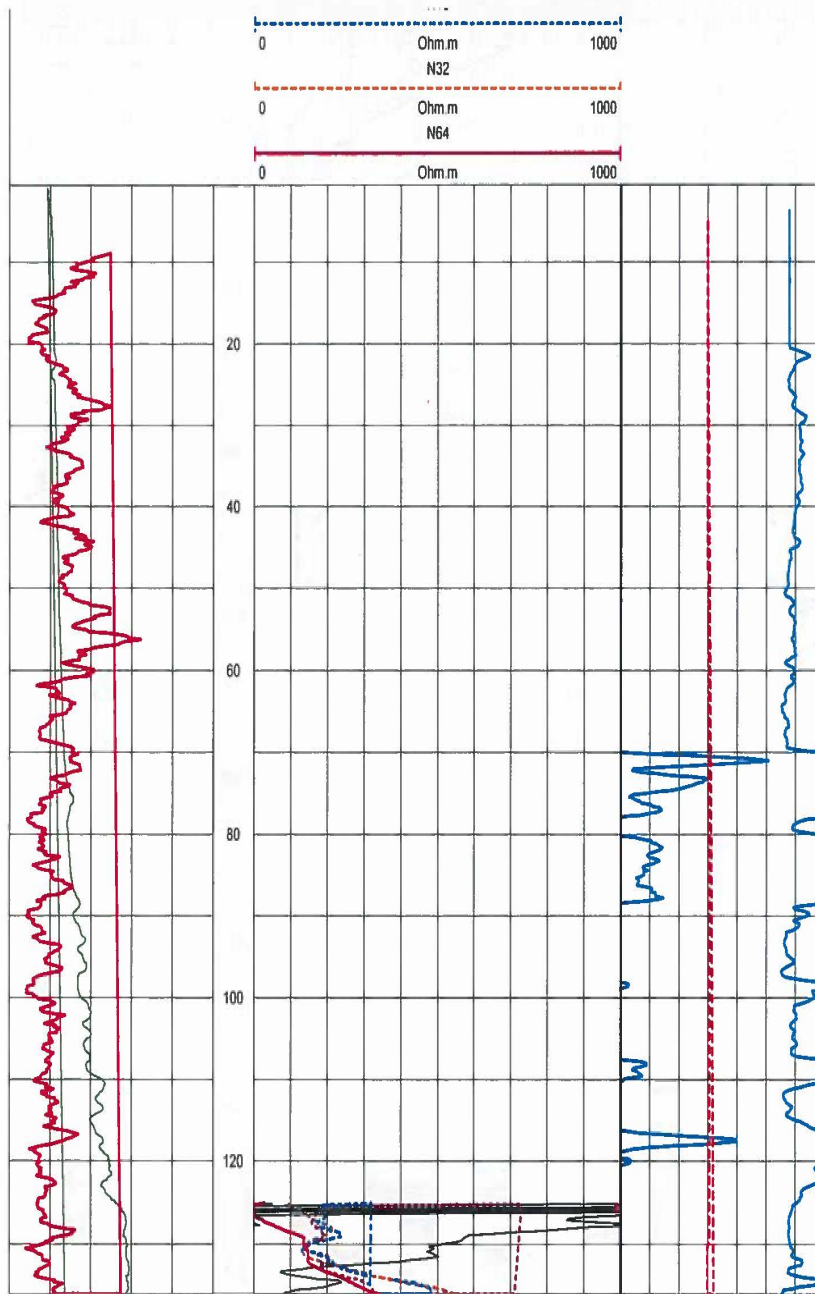
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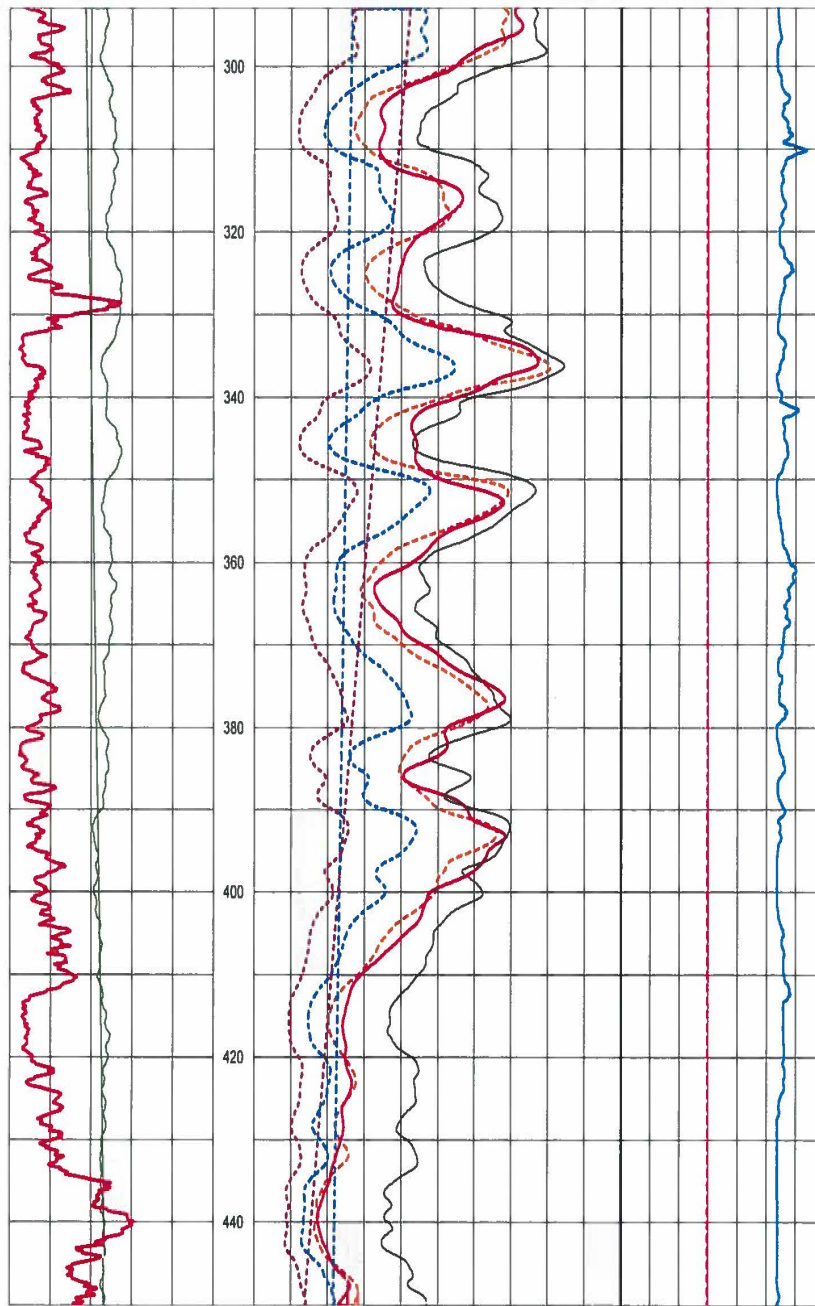
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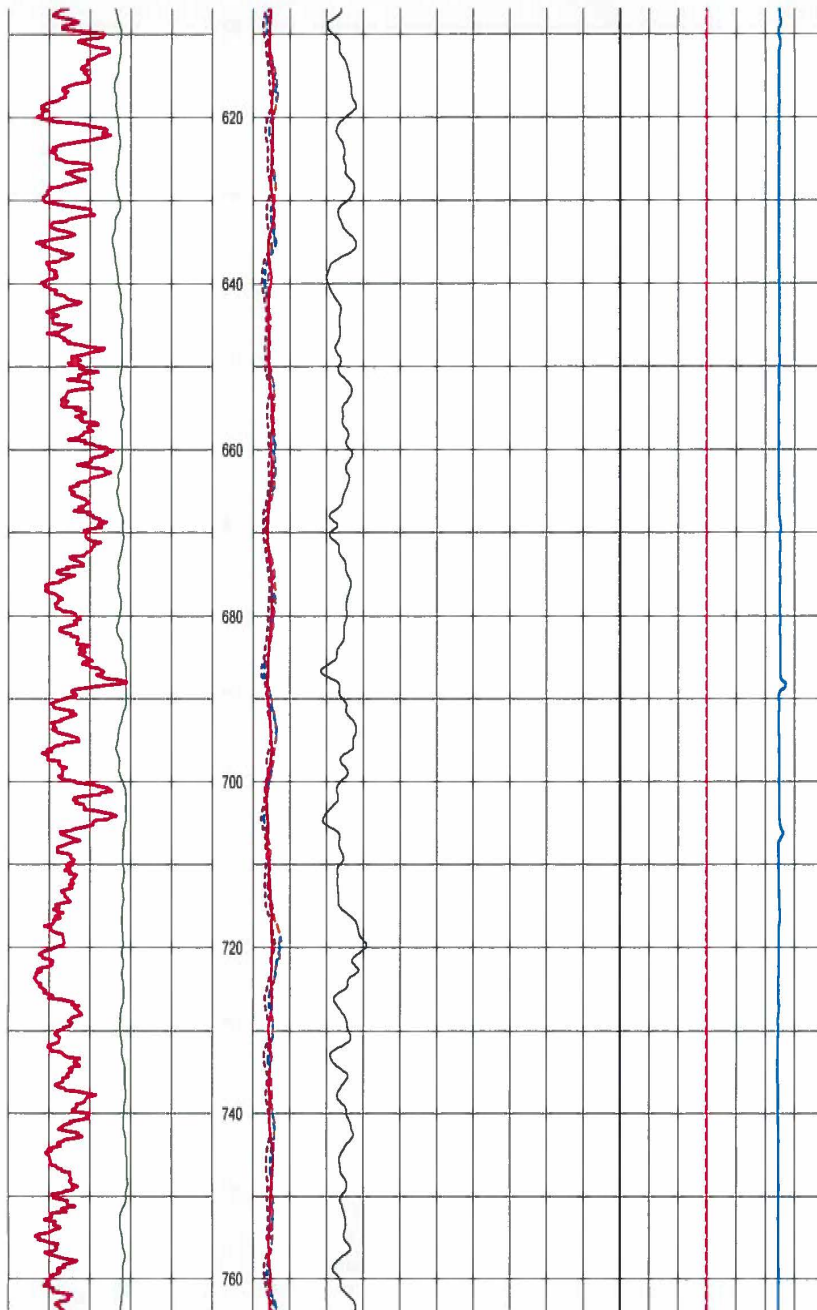
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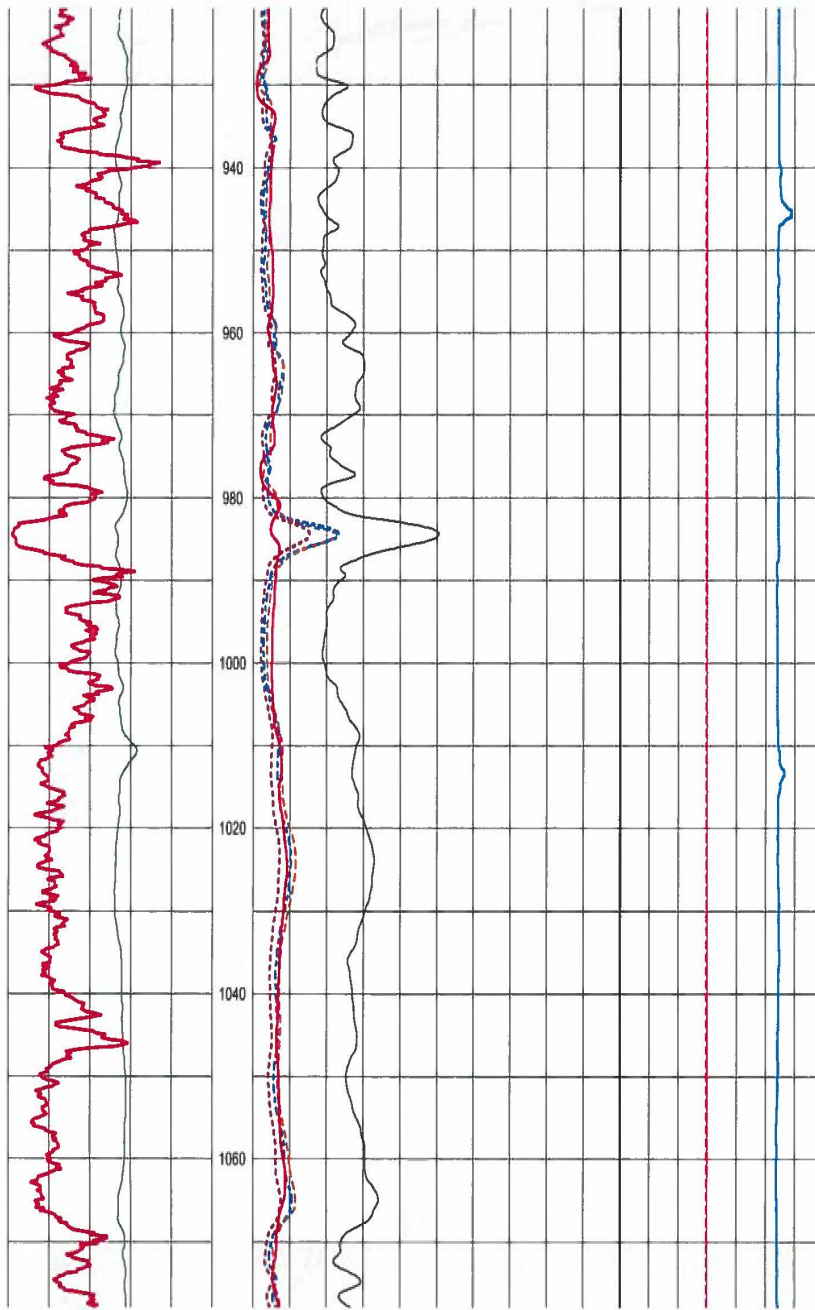
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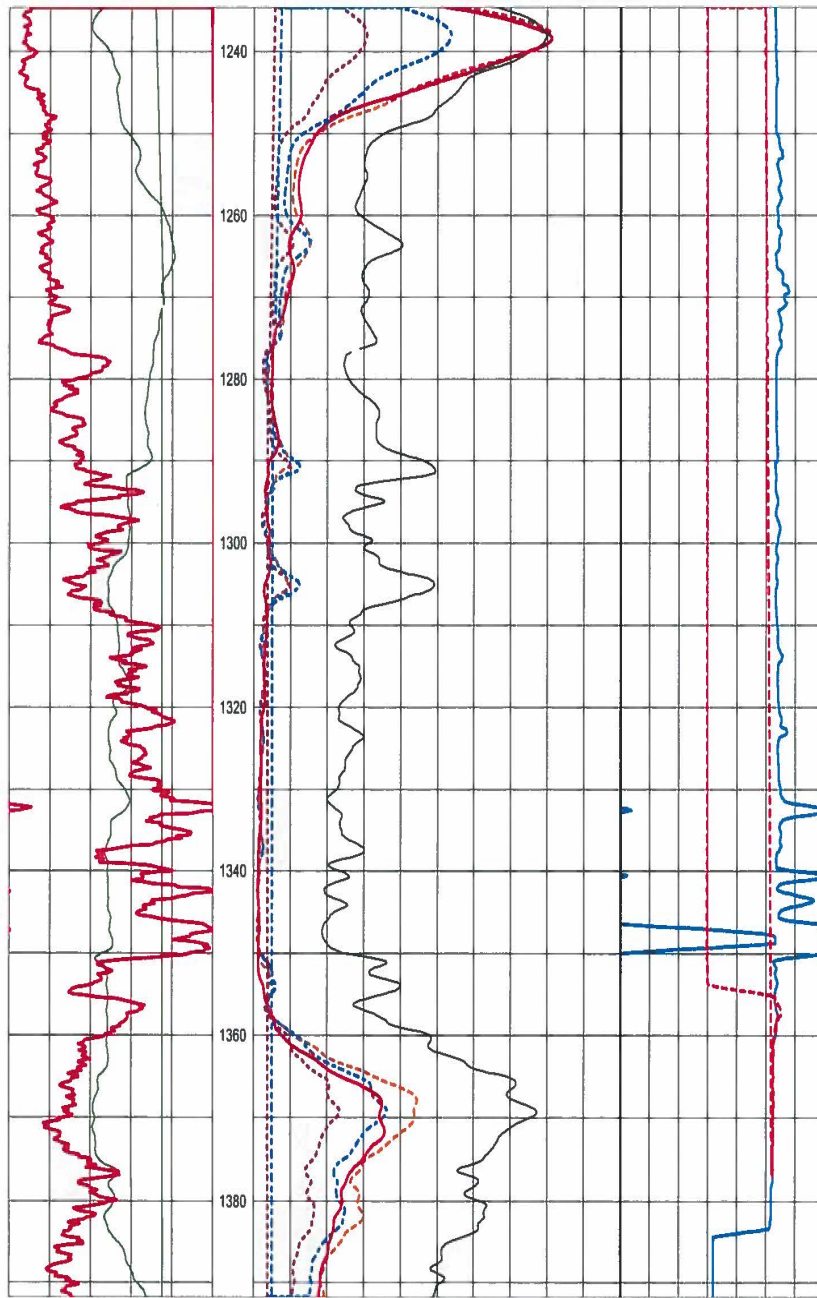
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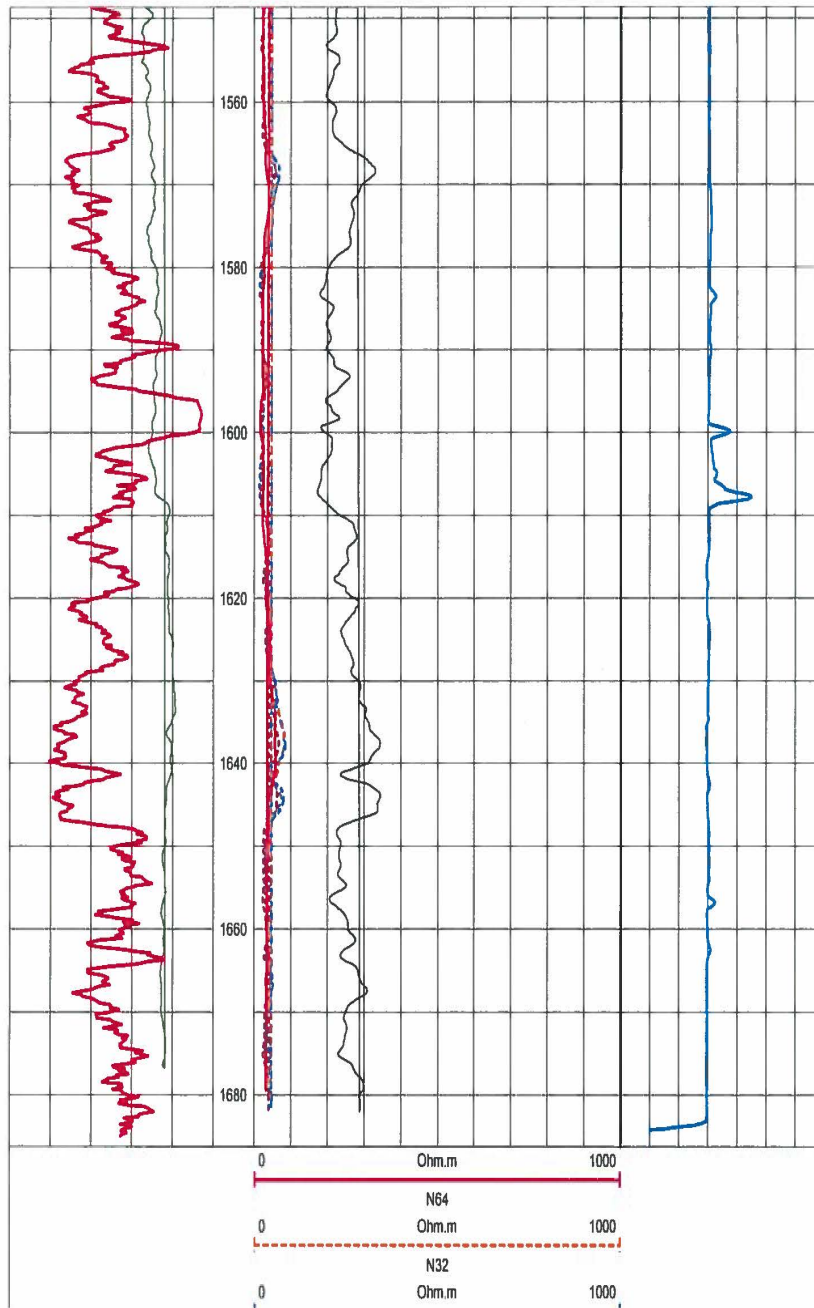




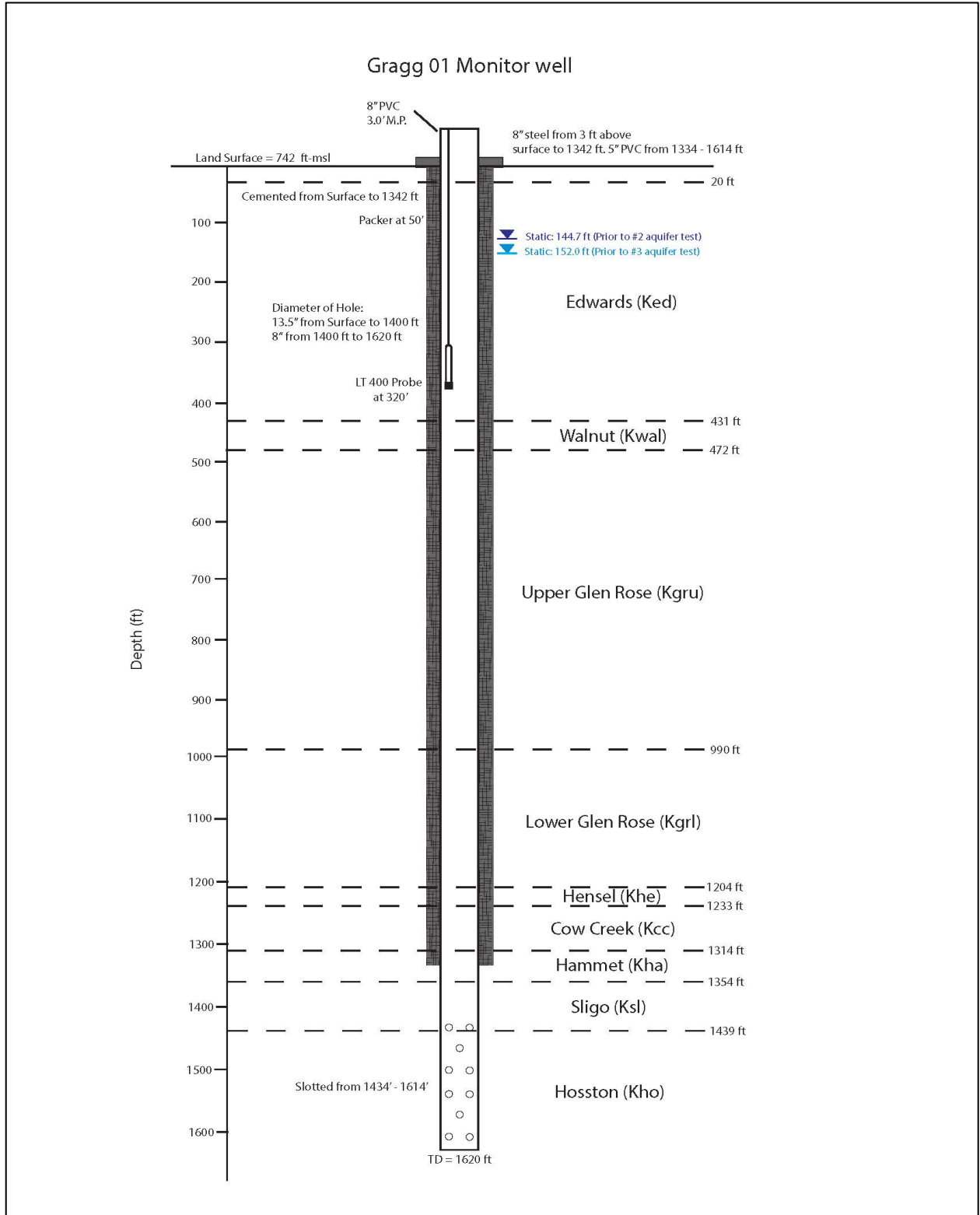




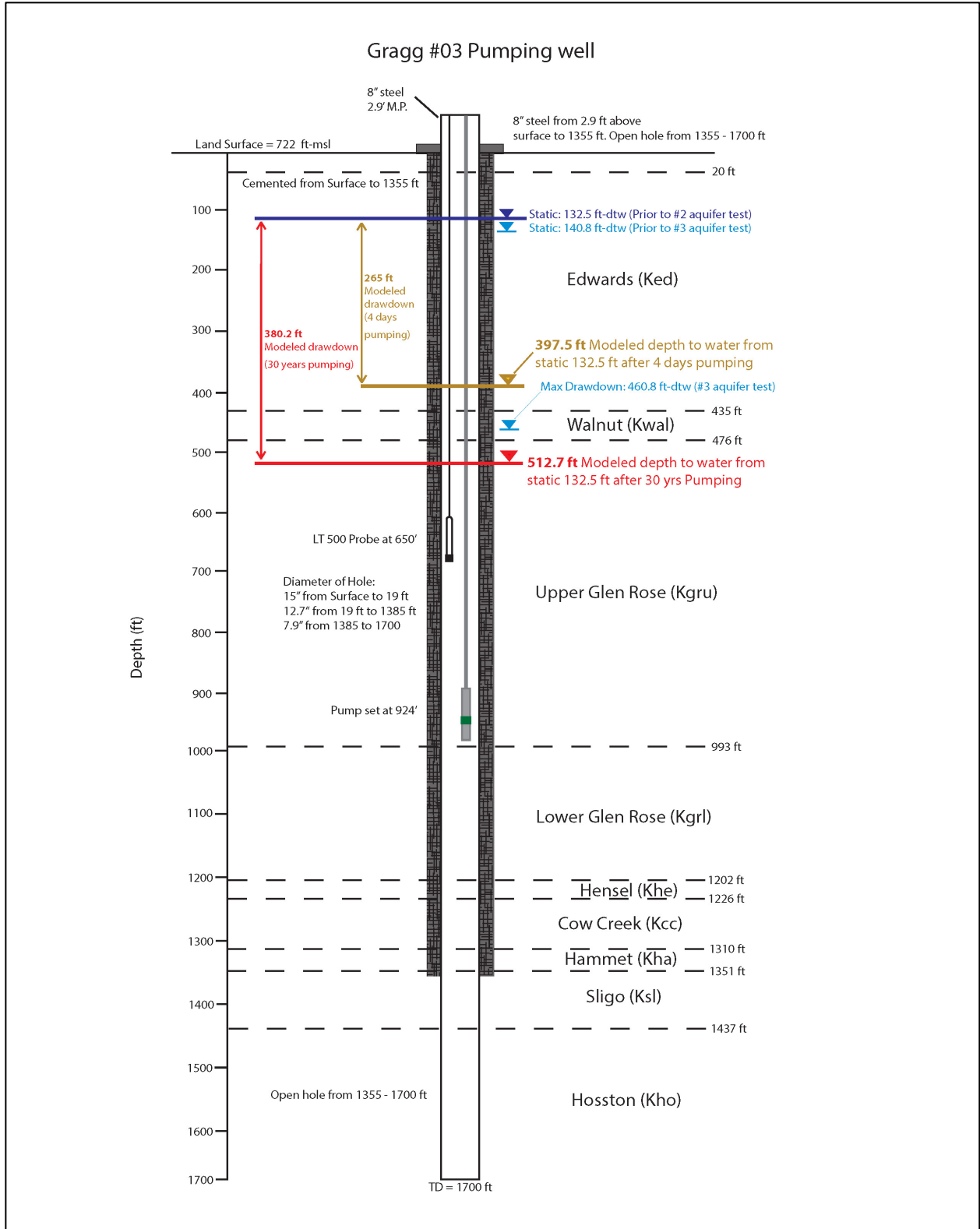




APPENDIX C: Well Schematics (Wells #1 and #3)



Schematic of Gragg #1 Lower Trinity Well construction and stratigraphy. Stratigraphic picks made from a geophysical log. Gragg #1 was used only as an observation well. Static water level is shown in ft-dtw.



Schematic of Gragg #3 well construction and stratigraphy with modeled water levels for 4-day and 30-yr pumping scenarios. Stratigraphic picks made from a geophysical log. Actual measured drawdown in well during #3 aquifer test was 460.8 ft-dtw.

APPENDIX D: Aquifer Test Work Plan



**Barton Springs
Edwards Aquifer**
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Proposed Work Plan for the Lower Trinity Aquifer Gragg Well Field, Hays County, Texas

October 8, 2019

The District proposes to support the collection of data from an aquifer test for the Lower Trinity Aquifer. The Lower Trinity Aquifer is presently an underutilized groundwater resource and may be an alternative water supply for the area. In addition, the Lower Trinity may be a good candidate for future Aquifer Storage and Recovery projects. The Aquifer Science Team views this testing as an important evaluation and characterization study. Few Lower Trinity Aquifer wells exist within the BSEACD and very little is known about the hydraulic properties of the aquifer. Leveraging the “well testing” that was planned as part of the drilling of the test wells, we suggest that the well owner (Bill Walters) and the District would both gain valuable information from a prolonged aquifer test following the District’s Aquifer Test guidelines.

Aquifer Science staff propose to collect aquifer test data (continuous water levels), periodic water quality samples, and periodic pumping rate measurements during testing. This workplan would satisfy the District’s Aquifer Test guidelines for a given volume tested.



Figure 1. Location of wells. Gragg #1 has a state well number 58-50-755.

Pumping Duration and Pumping Rate

This testing assumes that two wells, Gragg #2 and Gragg #3, will be pumped sequentially (not simultaneously). This test could be conducted to inform or support future production permit requests for this well field. The District issues permits for an annual volume that is based on nonspeculative demand estimates and aquifer testing evaluations. The well owner has indicated a potential future demand of 200 MGY from the Gragg well field, which is the assumed testing target for this test.

If this were a pumping permit request, the aquifer test would be designed to pump a minimum of three times the daily equivalent of the requested annual permitted volume. Given the target volume of 200 MGY and an assumed pumping rate of 150 gpm, each pumping well would need to be pumped for 96 hours (4 days) (**Table 1**).

Table 1. Illustration showing how the duration of an aquifer test is determined from the requested permit amount and the pumping rate capacity of the pump.

	Annual volume (gal)	Gal/d	Target Test Volume (3x Gal/d)
Target volume	200,000,000	547,945	1,643,836

Aquifer Test

well	Estimated GPM	Pumping Time (hrs)	Test Volume/well (gallons)
Gragg 1			-
Gragg 2	150	96	864,000
Gragg 3	150	96	864,000

Test target

volume 1,728,000 gallons

*Assume 2 wells to be tested.

**estimated pumping rate of 150 gpm

The test will be a constant-rate test, which we assume to be pumped at a rate of about 150 gallons per minute based on communications with Kevin Langford of Bee Caves Drilling. Staff from the driller or Walters will be responsible for maintaining the pumping rate and duration within each well. In addition, recovery of the pumping well should reach 90% prior to removing the pump and starting the next testing phase (this is likely to be 4 to 6 hours based on Gragg #1).

The pumping rate will need to be measured periodically throughout the test, especially if a change in pumping rate is noted or the pump is adjusted. Measurements need to be made with a calibrated meter provided by the driller. The District may also make periodic flow measurements at the outflow to verify pumping rates.

The driller or Walters staff will also be responsible for containing or redirecting produced waters towards a beneficial purpose where possible (i.e. irrigating pastures, trees, landscapes).

Water-Level Data

Prior to the start of the test, District staff will install absolute (non-vented) pressure transducers in each of the two observation wells. A gauged (vented) pressure transducer with vented cable will be used in the pumping well. We assume a 1 inch tremie pipe will be installed in the pumping well to an adequate depth. District staff will collect data from the transducers periodically. The sample rate will be set at 1 minute for the pumping well, with observation wells set at a sample rate of a maximum of 15 minutes. Periodic manual measurements will be made throughout the testing.

After the aquifer testing, we would like to leave a pressure transducer within the Gragg #1 well to continue collecting water-level data. District staff would download the data quarterly.

Collecting the long-term data would not change the use or limit the well owner’s future options for the well.

Water Quality

District staff will make periodic field measurements of temperature, conductivity, and pH during the test. At the start and end of pumping for each pumped well a sample will be collected and submitted to the lab for analysis of TDS. Other samples may be collected at differing time periods.

Communication and Access

District staff will need access to the site during normal working hours; overnight measurements will not be needed. District and driller or Walters staff will need to communicate actions and different activities such as start and stop of pumping, or other changes.

Data Delivery and Analyses

The data collected by the District will be in electronic form and will be provided to the well owner. The District will also analyze the data to calculate aquifer parameters and will document the results in a technical memorandum, which will also be made available to the well owner.

This aquifer-test data collection is a significant portion of the effort and expense required to perform an aquifer test that supports a production permit application. If this proposed test is conducted at a high rate of pumping for a sufficient period of time (**Table 1**), a later aquifer test will not be required for the permit application for this well field. If a permit application is made later, these data and results could be submitted as part of an overall hydrogeologic report submitted by a qualified geoscientist or engineer. The hydrogeologic report would need to follow the guidelines described in the District's Aquifer Test Guidelines.

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APPENDIX E: Water quality lab results (Wells #2 and #3)



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Analytical Results

Lab ID: Q1973176001	Date Received: 10/22/2019 16:09	Matrix: Drinking Water
Sample ID: GRAGG 2	Date Collected: 10/22/2019 09:57	Sample Type: SAMPLE
Project ID: NEW WELL BSEACD		

Parameter	Results	Units	MRL	LOD	DF	Prepared	By	Analyzed	By	Qual
ALKALINITY (SM2320B, Alkalinity)										
Phenolphthalein Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			10/25/19 00:00	ML	*
Hydroxide Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			10/25/19 00:00	ML	*
Bicarbonate Alkalinity	259	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			10/25/19 00:00	ML	*
Carbonate Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			10/25/19 00:00	ML	*
Total Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	259	mg/L	20.0	20.0	1			10/25/19 00:00	ML	*
INORGANICS (E200.7 Prep/E200.7 Metals, Trace Elements)										
Calcium Total	73.8	mg/L	0.200	0.0700	1	10/24/19 11:08	ME	10/28/19 14:09	FM	*
Iron Total	0.497	mg/L	0.0500	0.0200	1	10/24/19 11:08	ME	10/28/19 14:09	FM	
Sodium Total	43.5	mg/L	0.200	0.0700	1	10/24/19 11:08	ME	10/28/19 14:09	FM	
INORGANICS (E200.8, ICP-MS Prep/E200.8, ICP-MS)										
Aluminum Total	1.06	mg/L	0.0500	0.0200	10	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 10:12	FO	
Arsenic Total	<0.00100	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	0.01	1	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 09:27	FO
Copper Total	<0.00100	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	1	1	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 09:27	FO
Lead Total	0.00216	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	0.015	1	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 09:27	FO
Manganese Total	0.00657	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	1	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 09:27	FO	
Zinc Total	0.352	mg/L	0.00500	0.0020	1	10/24/19 11:17	ME	10/25/19 09:27	FO	
INORGANICS (E2340B, Hardness Calc.)										
Hardness, Calcium	184	mg/L			1			10/28/19 15:26	CW	
INORGANICS (E300.0, Anions)										
Chloride	32.8	mg/L	1.00	0.500	1			10/23/19 09:51	ML	
Fluoride	1.67	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	4	1		10/23/19 09:51	ML	
Nitrite (as N)	<0.0100	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	1	1		10/23/19 09:51	ML	
Nitrate (as N)	<0.0100	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	10	1		10/23/19 09:51	ML	
Sulfate	161	mg/L	5.00	2.50	5			10/23/19 11:11	ML	
TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (SM2540C, TDS)										
Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)	559	mg/L	25.0	10.0	10			10/25/19 11:01	ERR	
Total Coliform by Colilert (SM9223, IDEXX)										
Residual Chlorine	<0.5	mg/L			1			10/22/19 16:29	PJO	*
Total Coliform	Absent	P/A	1.00	1.00	1			10/22/19 16:29	PJO	
Ecoli	Absent	P/A	1.00	1.00	1			10/22/19 16:29	PJO	
pH (SM4500-H+B, pH @ 25&ordm;C)										
pH	7.90	pH	0.00	0.00	1			10/25/19 08:04	ML	*
Temperature	20.8	C			1			10/25/19 08:04	ML	*



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Analytical Results

Lab ID: Q1974421001	Date Received: 10/30/2019 12:15	Matrix: Drinking Water
Sample ID: Gragg 3	Date Collected: 10/28/2019 11:55	Sample Type: SAMPLE
Project ID: NEW WELL BSEACD		

Parameter	Results	Units	MRL	LOD	DF	Prepared	By	Analyzed	By	Qual
ALKALINITY (SM2320B, Alkalinity)										
Phenolphthalein Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			11/01/19 00:00	ME	*
Hydroxide Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			11/01/19 00:00	ME	*
Bicarbonate Alkalinity	249	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			11/01/19 00:00	ME	*
Carbonate Alkalinity	0.00	mg/L	0.00	0.00	1			11/01/19 00:00	ME	*
Total Alkalinity (CaCO3)	249	mg/L	20.0	20.0	1			11/01/19 00:00	ME	*
INORGANICS (E200.7 Prep/E200.7 Metals, Trace Elements)										
Calcium Total	65.0	mg/L	0.200	0.0700	1	11/04/19 14:48	ME	11/05/19 15:12	FM	*
Iron Total	0.217	mg/L	0.0500	0.0200	1	11/04/19 14:48	ME	11/05/19 15:12	FM	
Sodium Total	76.0	mg/L	0.200	0.0700	1	11/04/19 14:48	ME	11/05/19 15:12	FM	
INORGANICS (E200.8, ICP-MS Prep/E200.8, ICP-MS)										
Aluminum Total	<0.00500	mg/L	0.00500	0.0020	1	11/04/19 14:44	ME	11/07/19 11:13	FO	
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Copper Total	0.00169	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	1	11/04/19 14:44	ME	11/07/19 11:13	FO	
Lead Total	<0.00100	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	0.015	1	11/04/19 14:44	ME	11/07/19 11:13	FO
Manganese Total	0.00519	mg/L	0.00100	0.0004	1	11/04/19 14:44	ME	11/07/19 11:13	FO	
Zinc Total	0.399	mg/L	0.00500	0.0020	1	11/04/19 14:44	ME	11/07/19 11:13	FO	
INORGANICS (E2340B, Hardness Calc.)										
Hardness, Calcium	162	mg/L			1			11/06/19 09:09	CW	
INORGANICS (E300.0, Anions)										
Chloride	45.9	mg/L	1.00	0.500	1			10/31/19 06:43	ML	*
Fluoride	1.80	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	4	1		10/31/19 06:43	ML	*
Nitrite (as N)	<0.0100	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	1	1		10/31/19 06:43	ML	*
Nitrate (as N)	<0.0100	mg/L	0.0100	0.0050	10	1		10/31/19 06:43	ML	*
Sulfate	169	mg/L	5.00	2.50	5			10/31/19 16:27	FO	
TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (SM2540C, TDS)										
Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)	568	mg/L	25.0	10.0	10			11/04/19 13:57	ERR	
pH (SM4500-H+B, pH @ 25&ordm;C)										
pH	7.99	pH	0.00	0.00	1			11/07/19 08:32	ME	*
Temperature	21.0	C			1			11/07/19 08:32	ME	*

Sample Comments

Sample Type: SAMPLE

- General Comments for METHOD SM4500-H+B, pH - Defined as a field parameter, measurement must be taken within 15 minutes of collection. Results are provided for information purposes only.

APPENDIX F: Water quality lab results & Isotope Geochemistry Results (Well #1)

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Bee Cave Drilling

Attn: Bee Cave Drilling

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- NEL TNI accredited parameter.
- ANR Accreditation not required by the State of Texas.
- DWP Accreditation through the TCEQ Drinking Water Commercial Laboratory Approval Program.
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General Definitions:

- NR Not Reported.
- RPD Relative Percent Difference.
- % R Percent Recovery.
- dry Results with the "dry" unit designation are reported on a "dry weight" basis.
- SQL The Sample Quantitation Limit is the value below which the parameter cannot reliably be detected. The SQL includes all sample preparations, dilutions and / or concentrations.
- Adj MDL The Adjusted Method Detection Limit is the MDL value adjusted for any sample dilutions or concentrations.
- MDL The Method Detection Limit is the lowest theoretical value that is statistically different from zero for a specific method, taking into account all preparation steps and instrument settings.

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TCEQ DW Lab ID TX 239

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June M. Brien, Technical Director

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Analytical Report

Bee Cave Drilling

Report Printed: 2/28/18 17:11
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Gragg Tract Pump Test 1													
Collected: 02/01/18 12:30 by CLIENT Received: 02/01/18 13:11 by Suzanne Rudd													
Type Grab													
Matrix Drinking Water													
C-O-C # 294494													
Lab ID#	B003298-01	Result	Units	Notes	MDL	Adj MDL	SQL	Lab	Analyzed	Method	Batch		
General Chemistry													
Total Dissolved Solids	542	mg/L			25.0	50.00	50.0	Bryan	02/07/18 16:32 BLR	SM2540 C 2011	M084200	NEL	
Nitrate as N (NO3N)	<0.0500	mg/L				0.02	0.0500	Austin	02/09/18 13:10 MSA	SM4500-NO3-F 2011	[CALC]	NEL	
Nitrite as N	<0.01	mg/L		J (0.001)	0.001	0.00	0.01	Austin	02/02/18 07:55 MSA	SM4500 NO2- B 2000	M084064	NEL	
Nitrate/Nitrite as N	<0.05	mg/L			0.02	0.02	0.05	Bryan	02/09/18 13:10 MRB	SM4500-NO3-F 2011	M084124	NEL	
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3 (pH4.5)	254	mg/L			4.00	16.00	16.0	Bryan	02/09/18 14:34 MCP	SM2320 B 2011	M084154	DNP	
Fluoride	1.85	mg/L			0.02	0.02	0.10	Bryan	02/09/18 12:18 MCP	SM4500-F C 2011	M084282	NEL	
pH, Lab	7.3	S.U.		Hold-03				N/A	Austin	02/05/18 12:04 KT	SM4500-H+ B 2000	M084102	DNP
Temperature @ pH Analysis	16.6	Deg. C						N/A	Austin	02/05/18 12:04 KT	SM2550 B 2000	M084102	AWR
Metals (Total)													
Aluminum	9.86	ug/L			0.290	0.31	1.03	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Arsenic	0.714	ug/L			0.032	0.03	0.515	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Calcium	78.3	mg/L			0.023	0.23	1.02	Bryan	02/14/18 17:12 PNB	EPA 200.7 R4.4	M084229	DNP	
Copper	1.87	ug/L			0.029	0.03	0.515	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Iron	0.431	mg/L			0.002	0.00	0.102	Bryan	02/13/18 17:19 PNB	EPA 200.7 R4.4	M084121	NEL	
Lead	0.786	ug/L			0.005	0.01	0.515	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Manganese	4.38	ug/L			0.108	0.11	0.515	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Sodium	32.6	mg/L			0.011	0.11	1.02	Bryan	02/09/18 21:19 PNB	EPA 200.7 R4.4	M084229	NEL	
Zinc	327	ug/L		M8-01	0.379	0.39	4.12	Bryan	02/09/18 15:52 PNB	EPA 200.8 R5.4	M084118	NEL	
Drinking Water Metals (Total)													
Calcium Hardness as CaCO3	196	mg/L				0.59	2.55	Bryan	02/14/18 17:12 PNB	EPA 200.7 R4.4	[CALC]	AWR	
General Chemistry													
Sulfate as SO4	182	mg/L			0.01		3	Sub	02/02/18 14:41 ANA	EPA 300.0	SUB	NEL	
Chloride	18	mg/L			0.02		3	Sub	02/02/18 14:41 ANA	EPA 300.0	SUB	NEL	

Explanation of Notes

- A-01 Optional LCS/D was outside expected range, causing RPD to be greater than expected. Results accepted on one required passing LCS and sample matrix RPD.
- A-01a Optional LCS/D was outside expected range. Results accepted on one required passing LCS.
- Hold-03 This parameter was outside of EPA holding at the time the sample was received in the laboratory.
- J Analyte detected below the SQL but above the MDL.
- M8-01 The spike recovery was outside acceptance limits for the M8 and/or M8D. The batch was accepted based on acceptable LCS and/or LCS/D recovery.



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Date Jurecka: Report Date: 9/23/2019
 LCRA-Environmental Laboratory Services (EL-101) Material Received: 9/9/2019

Sample Data	pMC	F ¹⁴ C	d13C o/oo	d18O o/oo	dD o/oo
Beta - 536533 Q1960710001	< 0.44 pMC	< 0.0044	-0.50	-4.64	-24.46

68-08-206

AMS-Standard delivery

MATERIAL/PRETREATMENT: (water DIC) acidify-gas strip

COMMENTS: The equivalent "Apparent" radiocarbon age to the reported pMC/MDN values is ~ > 43500 BP BP (not adjusted for any hydro-geochemical effects on meteoric water 14CO2). Given the complex nature of groundwater DIC14 chemistry, duplicate measurements within 1-2 pMC are reasonable for a single water sample. For very low DIC concentration waters (< 20 mg/L HCO3) DIC14 and waters with complex organic chemistry, results can vary significantly outside of this expectation.

Beta - 536534 Q1960710002	0.80 +/- 0.04 pMC	0.0060 +/- 0.0004	-4.80	-4.58	-24.36
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58-50-755

AMS-Standard delivery

MATERIAL/PRETREATMENT: (water DIC) acidify-gas strip

COMMENTS: The equivalent "Apparent" radiocarbon age to the reported pMC/MDN values is ~ 41100 BP (not adjusted for any hydro-geochemical effects on meteoric water 14CO2). Given the complex nature of groundwater DIC14 chemistry, duplicate measurements within 1-2 pMC are reasonable for a single water sample. For very low DIC concentration waters (< 20 mg/L HCO3) DIC14 and waters with complex organic chemistry, results can vary significantly outside of this expectation.

Client: LCRA ENVIRONMENTAL LAB SERVICES Purchase Order: Q1960711
 Recvd : 19/09/05 Contact: Dale Jurecka, 512/356-6022
 Job# : 3839 3505 Montopolis Dr (f)-6021
 Final : 19/11/20 envlab@lcra.org Austin, TX 78744

Cust LABEL INFO	JOB.SX	REFDATE	QUANT	ELYS	TU	eTU
Q1960711001	3839.01	190828	1000	275	0.03	0.09 68-08-206
Q1960711002	3839.02	190828	1000	275	-0.05	0.09 58-50-755
Q1960711003	3839.03	190828	1000	275	-0.05	0.09 68-08-205
Q1960711004	3839.04	190829	1000	275	1.46	0.09 57-40-304

Lab #: 732787 Job #: 42898 IS-84056 Co. Job#: _____
 Sample Name: Q1980713002 Co. Lab#: _____
 Company: LCRA Environmental Lab Services
 API/Well: _____
 Container: Plastic Bottle
 Field/Site Name: 45324066 **58-50-755**
 Location: _____
 Formation/Depth: _____
 Sampling Point: _____
 Date Sampled: 8/28/2019 14:10 Date Received: 9/04/2019 Date Reported: 9/13/2019

δD of water	_____	-24.6 ‰ relative to VSMOW
δ ¹⁸ O of water	_____	-4.44 ‰ relative to VSMOW
Tritium content of water	_____	na
δ ¹³ C of DIC	_____	na
¹⁴ C content of DIC	_____	na
δ ¹⁵ N of nitrate	_____	na
δ ¹⁸ O of nitrate	_____	na
δ ³⁴ S of sulfate	_____	na
δ ¹⁸ O of sulfate	_____	na
Vacuum Distilled? *	_____	No

Remarks:

nd = not detected. na = not analyzed.
 *Indicates if vacuum distillation was utilized for hydrogen and oxygen isotopic analysis of water



Date: 10/14/2019

Analysts: Ryan Frazer and Jahan Ramezani

Sample #	Sample Type	$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ (1)	% std err (2)	2σ std err	
Q1960712001	water	0.707606	0.00074	1.05E-05	68-08-206
Q1960712002	water	0.708372	0.00088	1.25E-05	58-50-755
Q1960712003	water	0.707904	0.00071	1.01E-05	68-08-205
Q1960712004	water	0.709376	0.00092	1.30E-05	57-40-304

(1) Corrected for mass-dependant fractionation.

(2) Within-run internal precision of measured ratio.

Long term reproducibility of NBS-987 Sr standard at MIT: 0.7102379 ± 0.0000109 (2σ s.e.).