

Interested in learning about DWR-Funded Projects in Borrego Springs?

Borrego Springs Watermaster **OPEN HOUSE**

March 19, 2025 - 1:00 - 3:45 pm | Held virtually via GoTo Meeting



About the Open House

Borrego Springs was awarded nearly \$3 million dollars in Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) grant funding by the DWR to perform work on the following projects from January 2022 through March 2025:

- Biological Restoration of Fallowed Lands
- Monitoring, Reporting, and Groundwater Management Plan Update

As the grant funding comes to a close, Watermaster Technical Staff will present on all the work completed in the Basin using SGM-grant funding, followed by Q&A sessions to answer questions from the public. Come and ask us questions about these SGM-grant funded projects!



Open House Schedule

Presentations on ongoing projects in the Basin, including:

1:00 - 2:15 PM

PRESENTATION AND Q&A – Biological Restoration of Fallowed Lands Project

2:30 - 3:45 PM

PRESENTATION AND Q&A – Groundwater Monitoring, Reporting, and Management Project

- Enhance Groundwater Monitoring Program
- Results from expanded Groundwater Monitoring Program
- Address Abandoned Wells



Join the Watermaster Board afterwards for their
March Board meeting at 4:00 pm

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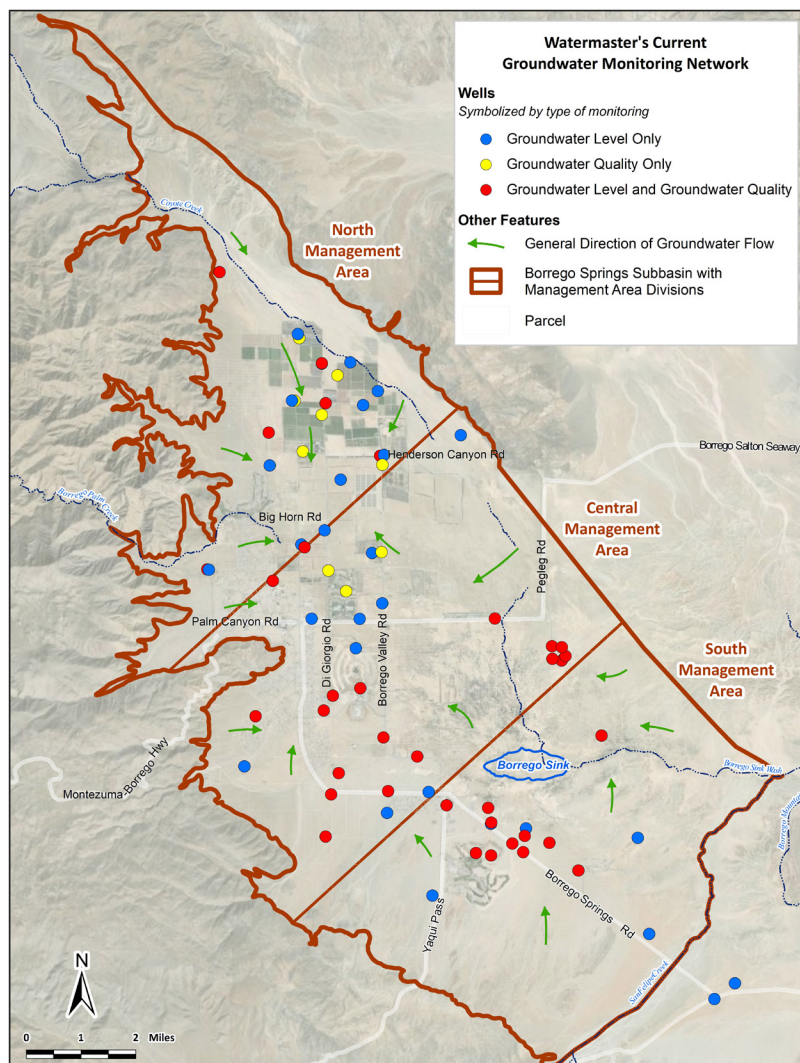
Borrego Spring Groundwater Subbasin

A groundwater basin is an area underlain by permeable, saturated sediments that can store a significant amount of water underground and furnish a significant supply of groundwater to wells. The Borrego Springs Groundwater Subbasin is bordered by consolidated bedrock formations in the surrounding mountains and hills and spans approximately 98 square miles across the Borrego Valley. This area is primarily under County of San Diego jurisdiction and enclosed by the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. The region is utilized for agricultural, residential, and recreational activities. Groundwater is the primary source of water that supports these land uses and water users, with some environmental users of shallow groundwater in the surrounding mountains. The Borrego Water District provides water and sewer services to much of the residential areas of the Borrego Valley.



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Over the last several decades, over-pumping of the Borrego Springs Groundwater Subbasin led to chronic lowering of groundwater levels and groundwater in storage. To address the over-pumping and sustainably manage the groundwater basin, the groundwater pumping rights in the Borrego Springs Subbasin were adjudicated in the Superior Court of California on April 8, 2021 (commonly referred to as the Judgment). A Watermaster was formed as part of the adjudication to enforce the Judgment which included a Groundwater Management Plan to sustainably manage the groundwater basin. The Borrego Springs Watermaster is a committee of representatives of the parties to the Judgment. The Watermaster convenes monthly to conduct its business and prepares an annual budget and assessment to fund its operations and activities. The Watermaster maintains a website for the purpose of disseminating important documents and data to the Parties, other stakeholders, and the interested public, such as meeting agendas and minutes, pumping, groundwater-level, and groundwater-quality data, guiding documents, and Watermaster forms.



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