South of Kern River Executive Committee
Regular Meeting

Thursday, November 12, 2026
9:00 a.m.to 10:30 a.m.
Meeting Information Posted:
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In Person: Arvin-Edison Water Storage District Headquarters
20401 E. Bear Mountain Blvd. Arvin, CA 93203

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639 Sanborn Pl. Salinas, CA 93901.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MAY 14, 2026 MEETING MINUTES
6. PUBLIC COMMENT
7. REPORT ITEMS
    a. Technical Consultant Report (*EKI*)
        i. Basin Coordination
        ii. SGMA Monitoring Network performance and sustainable management criteria (SMC) compliance

iii. Representative monitoring network changes
iv. Exceedance Policy and Action Plans Version 3.0
v. Well Mitigation Program Version 3.0

b. Finance Report *(Nicholas)*
c. California Aqueduct Subsidence Program (CASP) update (*Nicholas*)
d. Management Area updates *(Muhar, Nicholas, Martin, Barraza)*

8. ACTION ITEMS
   a. Discussion and potential action to ratify the SOKR GSAs' home boards' prior decisions to approve the (i): Exceedance Policy and Action Plans Version 3.0 and Degraded Water Quality Implementation Provisions Version 2.0, and (ii): Kern County Subbasin Well Mitigation Program Version 3.0
   b. Discuss and potential action to recommend that the SOKR GSAs' home boards approve, or ratify their prior decision to approve, the Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreements 27-01 and 27-02
   c. Discuss and potential action to recommend that the SOKR GSAs' home boards approve the EKI Task Order for SOKR GSP Implementation Support for 2027
   d. Discuss and potential action to adopt 2027 SOKR Executive Committee meeting schedule
9. CLOSED SESSION
   a. Potential Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(2), (e)(1); 1 item).
10. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE

SOUTH OF KERN RIVER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 14, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Director Yurosek called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m., and a determined a quorum was present with attendance by:

Executive Committee Directors
Derek Yurosek – Arvin-Edison Water Storage District (AEWSD; Arvin GSA) (present)
Mark Valpredo – Tejon-Castac Water District (TCWD; Tejon-Castac Water District GSA) (present)
Michael Blaine – Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District (WRMWSD; Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa GSA) (present)
Rafael Gallardo – Arvin Community Services District (ACSD) (present)

District Staff
Jeevan Muhar – AEWSD (present)
Sheridan Nicholas – WRMWSD (absent)
Angelica Martin – TCWD (remote)
Raul Barazza – ACSD (present)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Gallardo moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Blaine. The motion passed 4-0-0.

APPROVAL OF February 12, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

Director Gallardo moved to approve the February 12, 2026, SOKR Executive Committee meeting minutes. Director Blaine seconded. The motion passed 4-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

REPORT ITEMS

GSP Manager Report

Basin Coordination

Mr. Muhar reported that the Subbasin managers continue coordination on items including: (1) water level and water quality data gaps, and (2) quantifying benefits from Project/Management Actions (P/MAs).

EKI noted that the spring sampling event for the water quality sampling program was completed and samples were assessed. Notices of exceedances were issued in accordance with the GSP. This effort required coordination between the Subbasin, water quality subcommittee, technical consultants, program managers, and exceedance technical committee.

Technical Consultant Report

EKI reported on the Kern County Subbasin Water Year 2025 Annual Report was submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) on April 1st and is now publicly available. The report includes an update to P/MAs and associated benefits.

EKI reported on SGMA Monitoring Network performance and sustainable management criteria (SMC) compliance.

EKI reported that the Subbasin GSAs have participated in two meetings with CASP, including a regular quarterly meeting and a breakout session on shallow subsidence. EKI noted that, per the DWR guidelines, the Action Plan will be revised six months after the DWR Best Management Practices (BMP) document release.

Finally, EKI reported on updates for the Water Quality Program. The Subbasin GSAs hired two technical consulting groups, one for program administration and one to conduct the exceedance investigations. EKI shared a revised sampling workflow, highlighting two different notification paths for exceedances. Additionally, spring sampling has been completed, and unavailable wells will be resampled in the summer. EKI will present a map summarizing exceedances at the next SOKR Executive Committee meeting.

Finance Report

There was no financial report.

California Aqueduct Subsidence Program (CASP) update

The CASP update was included in EKI's Technical Consultant Report.

Management Area updates

No WRM GSA-specific updates to report.

No TCWD GSA-specific updates to report.

No ACSD specific updates to report.

Mr. Blue reported on water quality results for Arvin GSA.

Action Items

a. Cost Share Agreement 26-02 for subbasin-wide expenses for land subsidence subcommittee and Projects/Management Actions work efforts through 2026.

Director Blaine moved to recommend the SOKR GSAs' home boards' funding approvals of up to $14,018 per GSA under Cost Share Agreement 26-02 for subbasin-wide work efforts through 2026. Director Valpredo seconded. The motion passed 4-0-0.

CLOSED SESSION

Potential Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(2), (e)(1); 1 item).

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

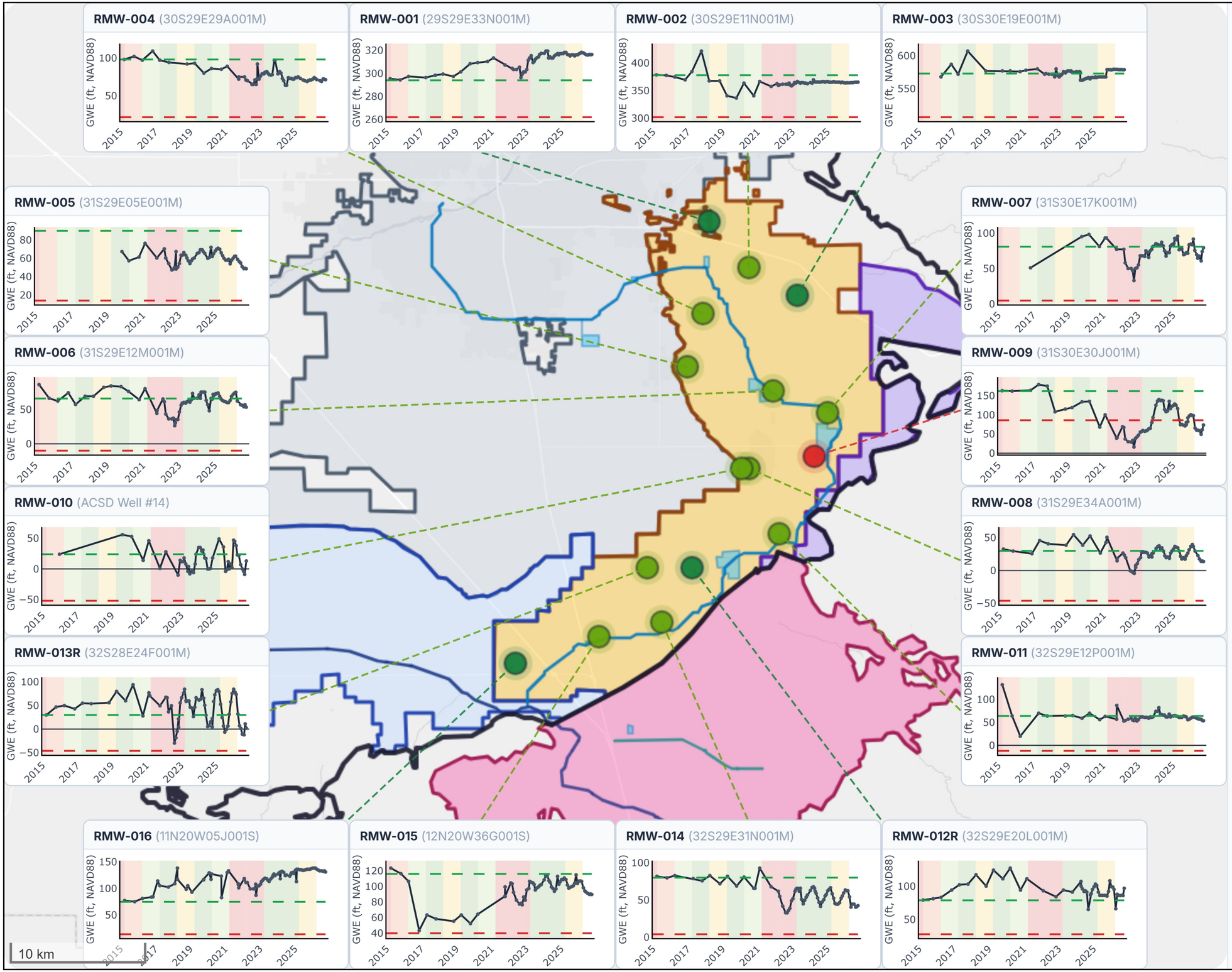
There was nothing to report out of the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Yurosek adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

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Mark Valpredo, South of Kern River
Executive Committee Secretary



Groundwater Levels

October 2026

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WELL STATUS

- Above MO (4)
- Near MO (11)
- Below MT (1)

THRESHOLDS

- MO — Measurable Objective
- MT — Minimum Threshold

WATER YEAR TYPE

- Wet
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- Dry
- Critical

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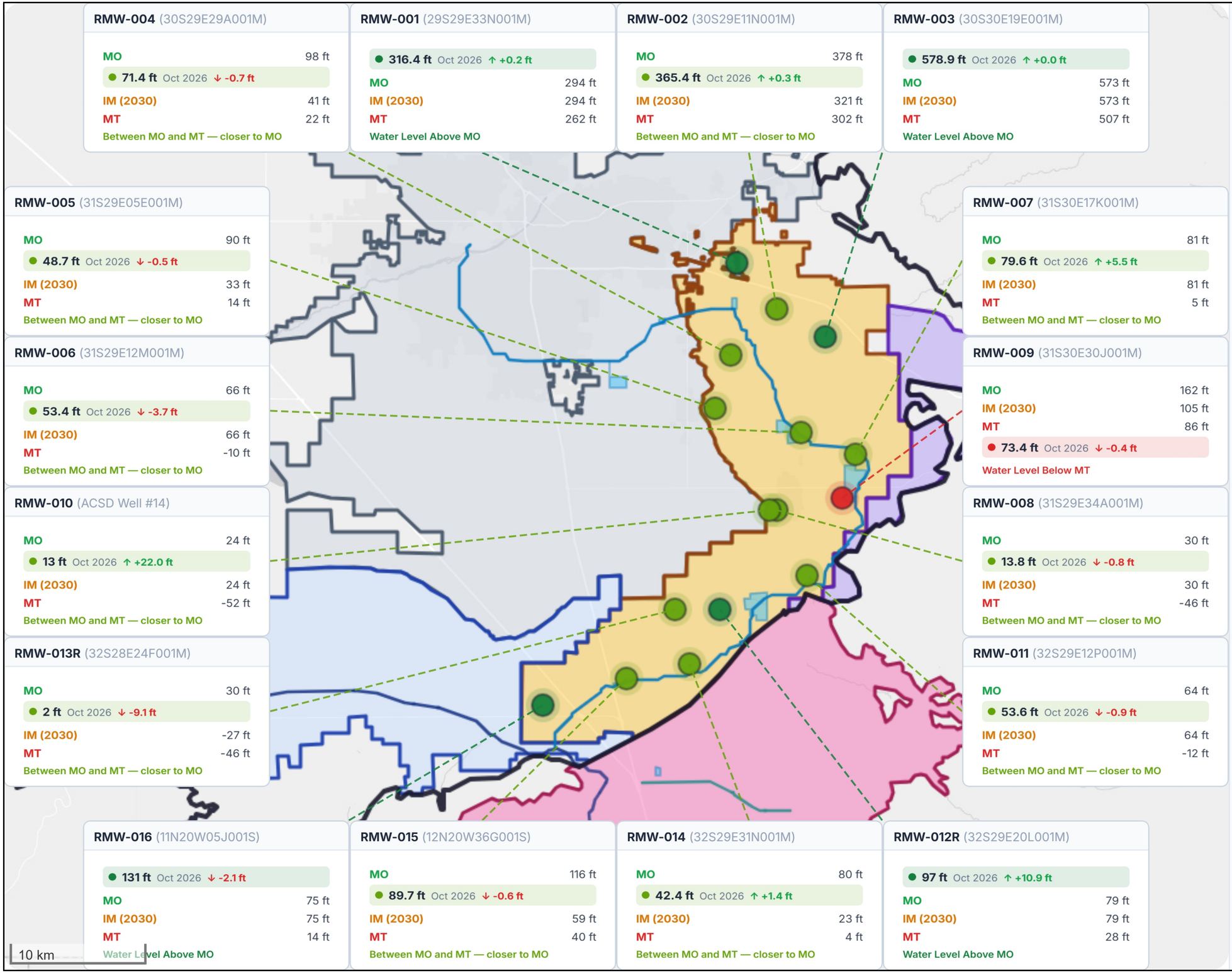
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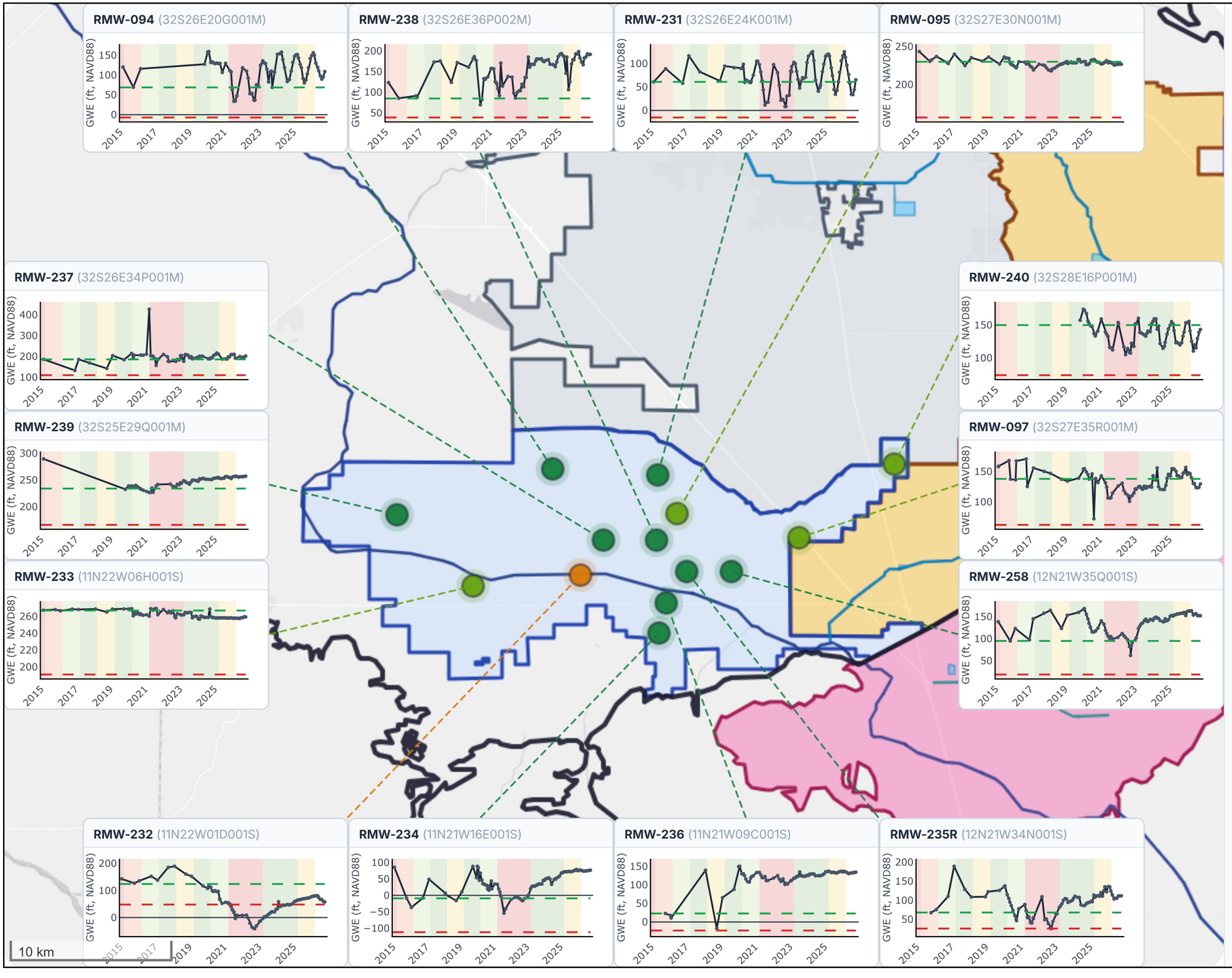
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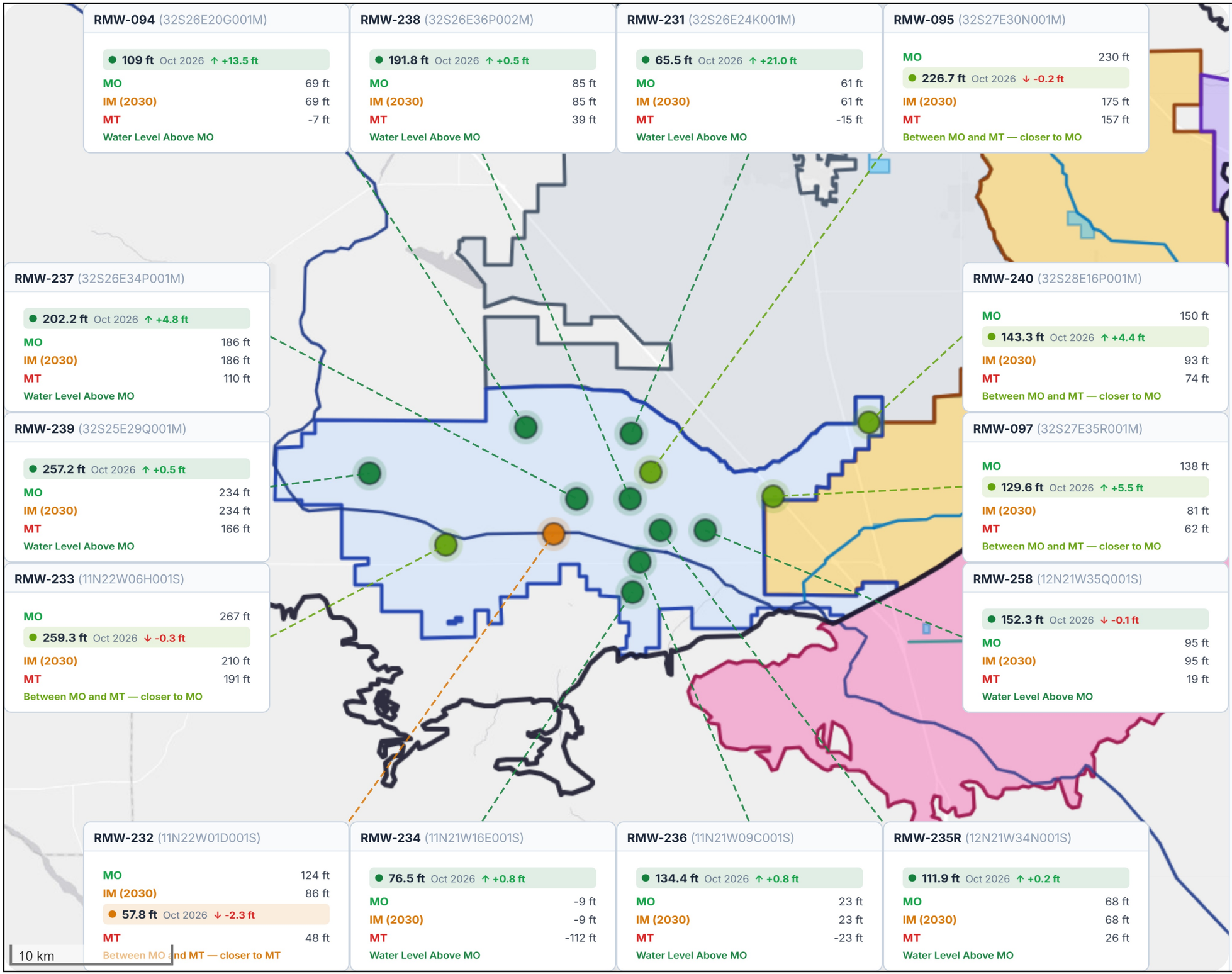
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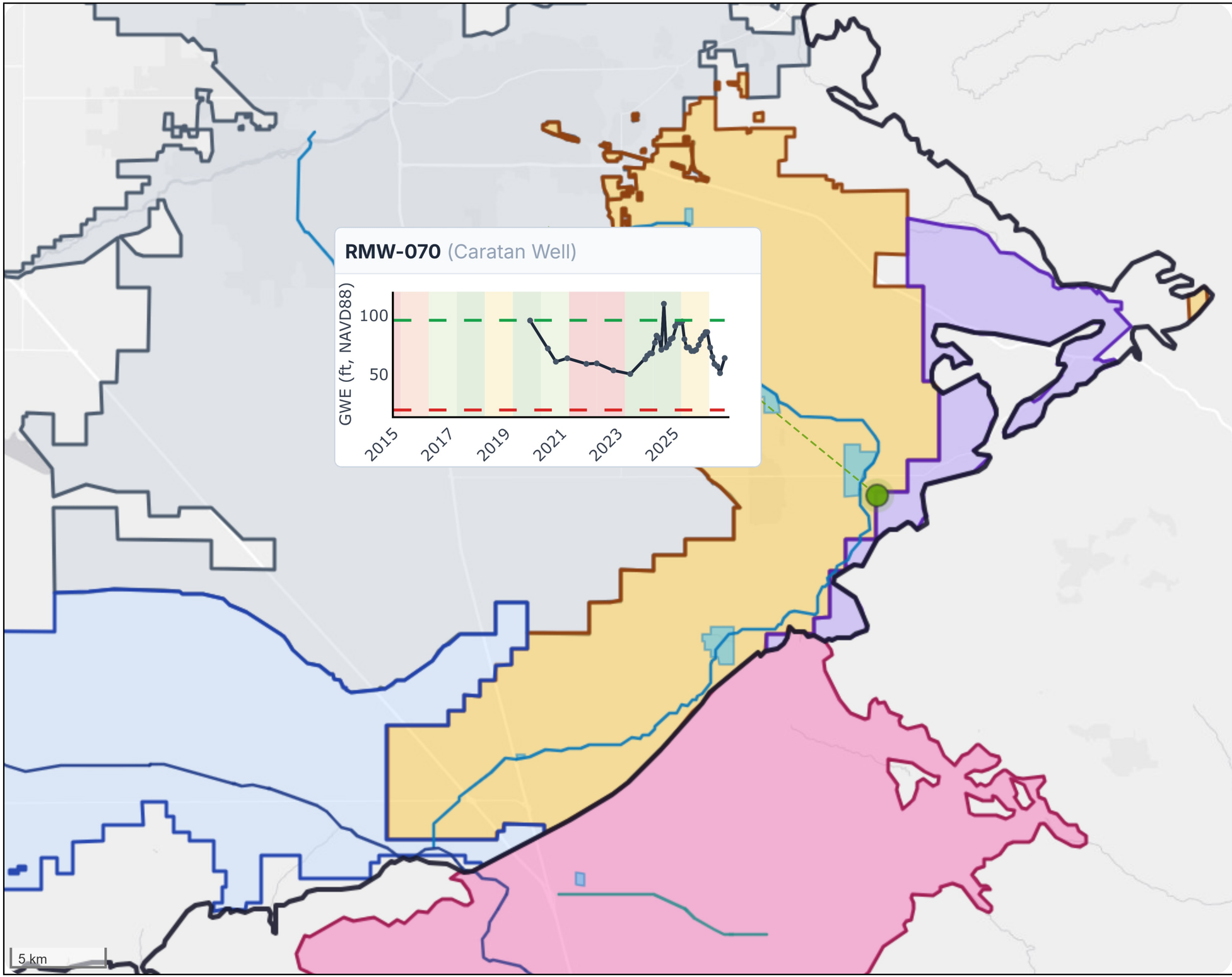
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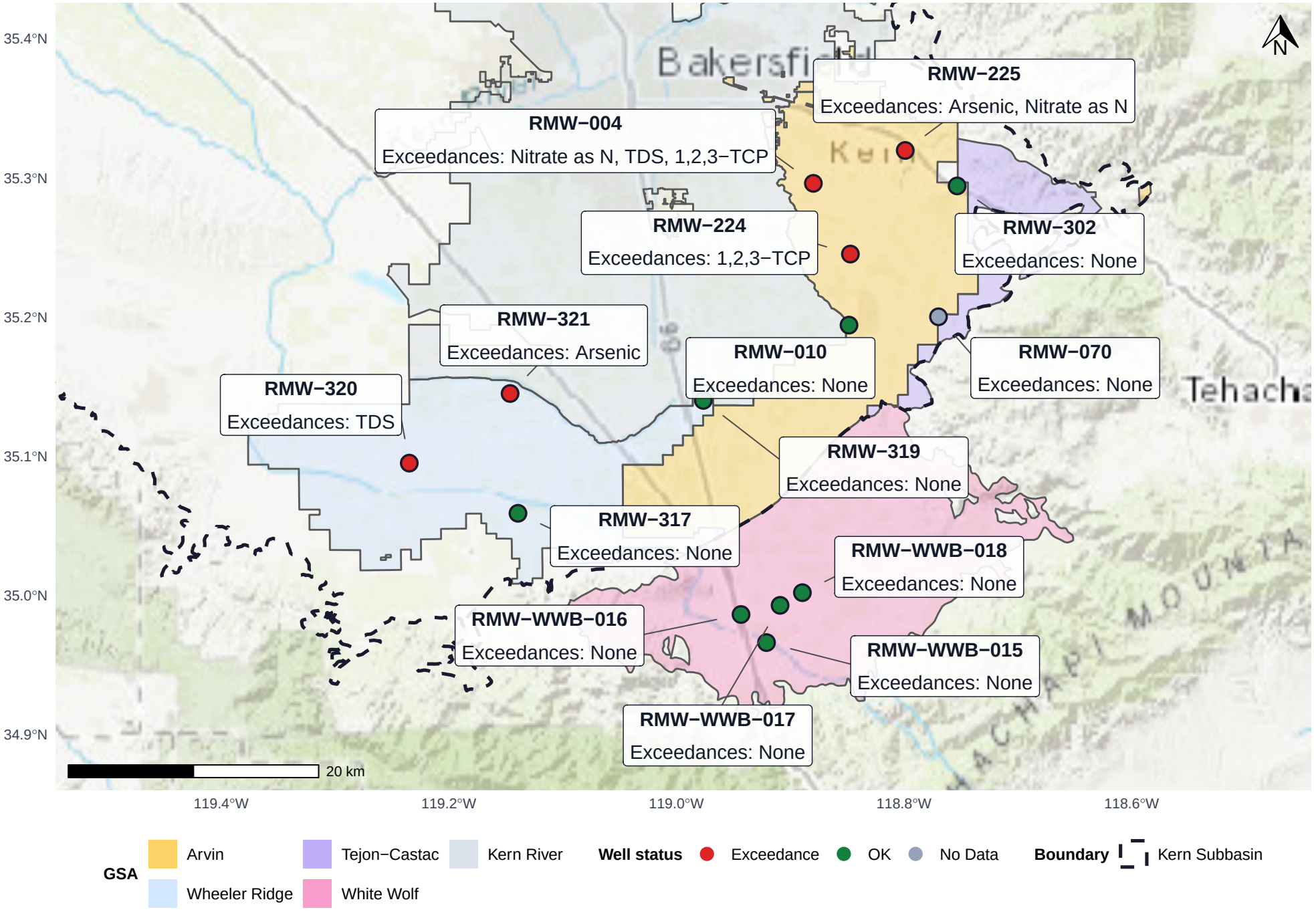
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Representative Monitoring Wells for Degraded Water Quality − All GSAs

Well color = current status; labels list the constituents of concern with a current MT exceedance.

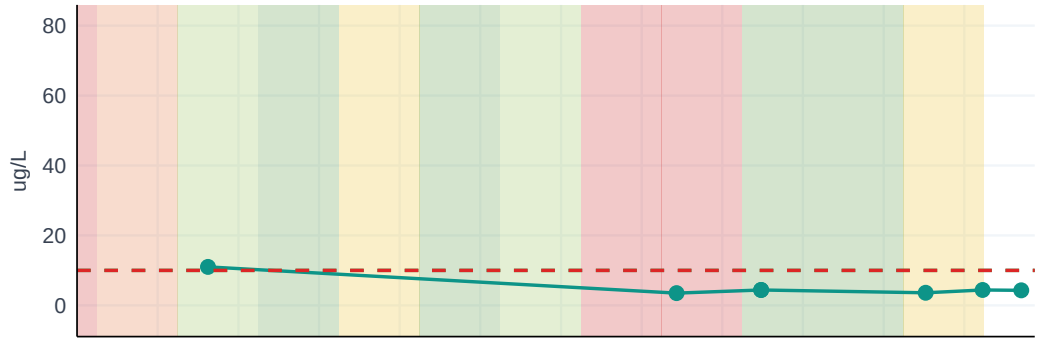


RMW−004

Arvin GSA · Site ID: 30S29E29A001M

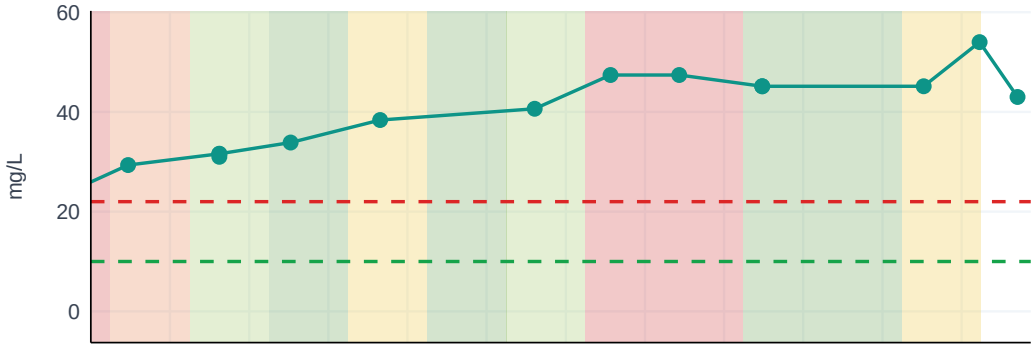
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MO 10 · MT 10



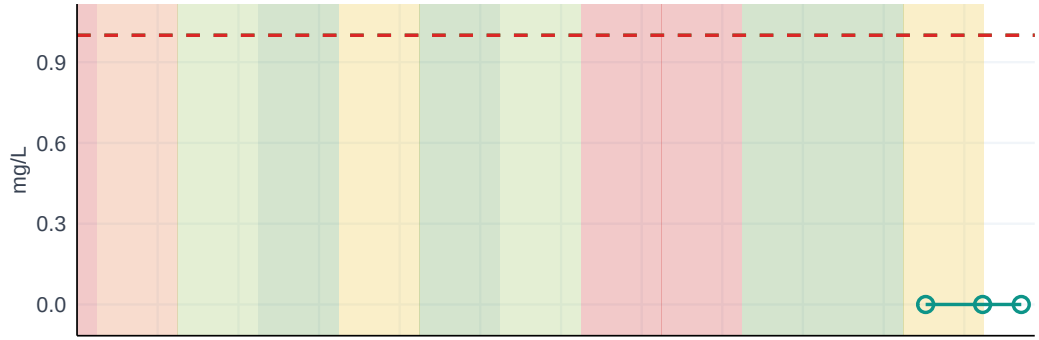
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MO 10 · MT 22



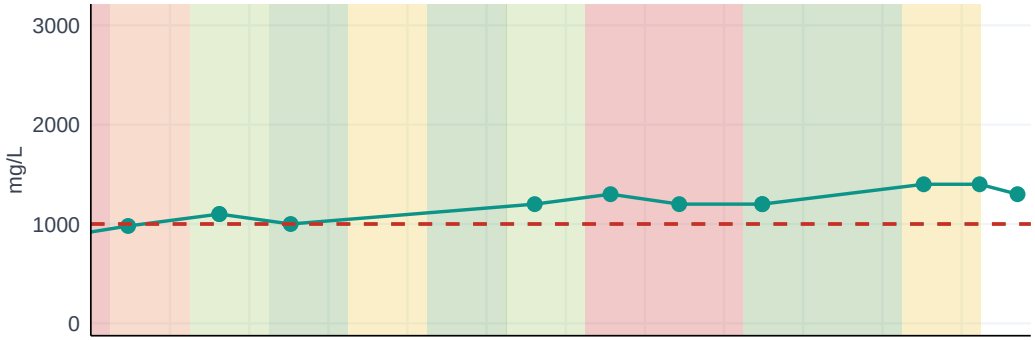
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MO 1 · MT 1



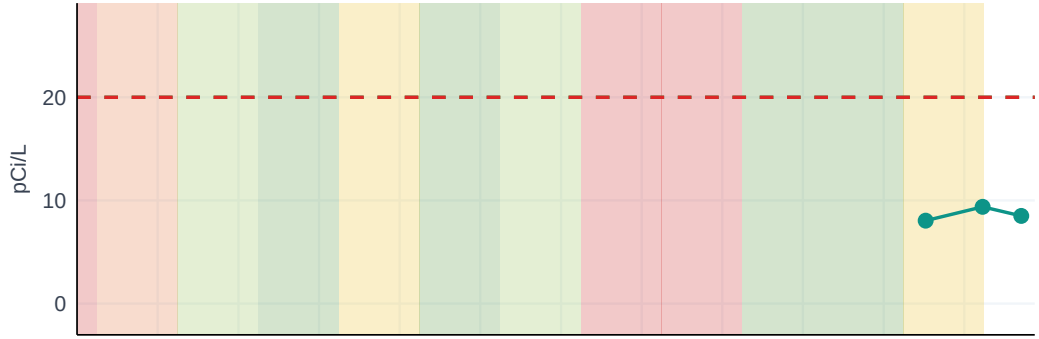
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MO 1000 · MT 1000



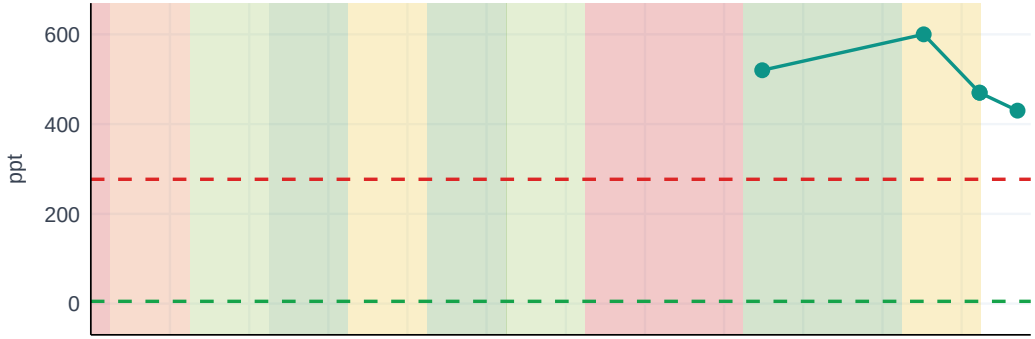
Uranium (8.5 pCi/L as of 16 Sep 2026, Status = OK)

MO 20 · MT 20



1,2,3−TCP (430 ppt as of 16 Sep 2026, Status = Exceedance)

MO 5 · MT 277





Thresholds MO (Measurable Objective) MT (Minimum Threshold)

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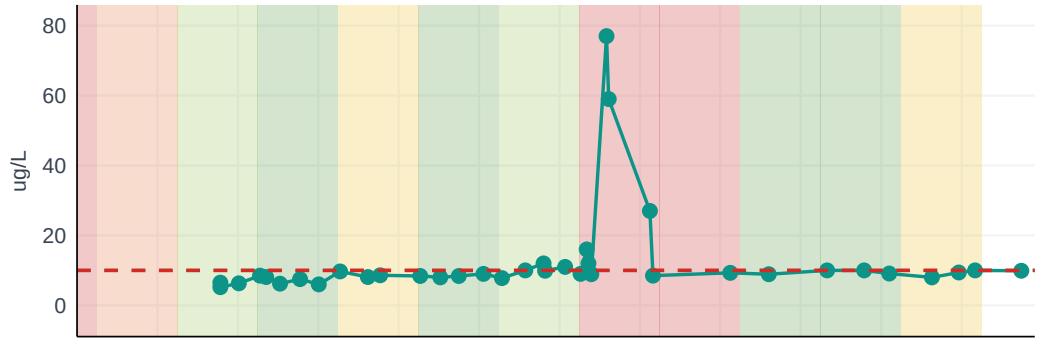
Water Year Wet Above Normal Below Normal Dry Critical

RMW−010

Arvin GSA · Site ID: ACSD #14

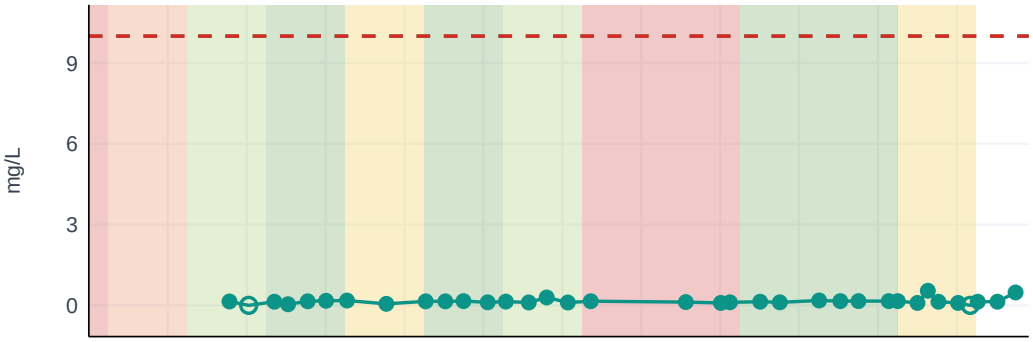
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MO 10 · MT 10



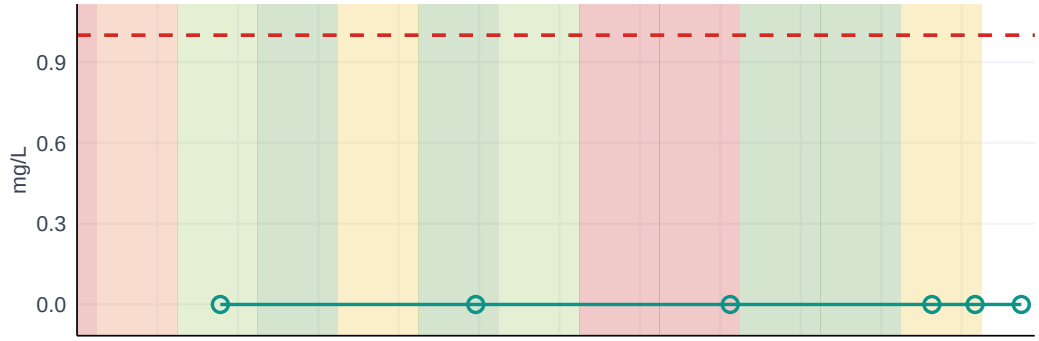
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MO 10 · MT 10



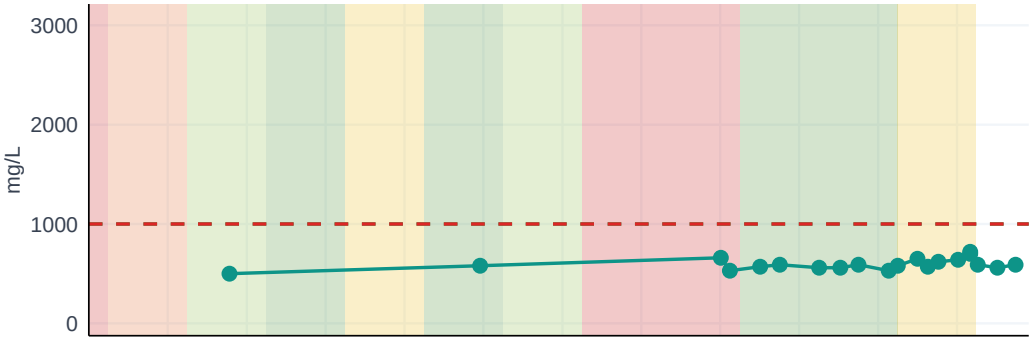
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MO 1 · MT 1



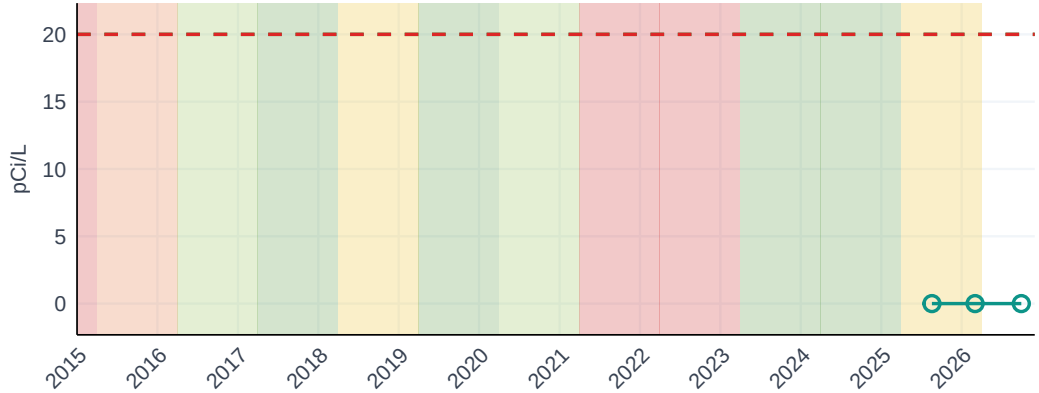
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MO 1000 · MT 1000



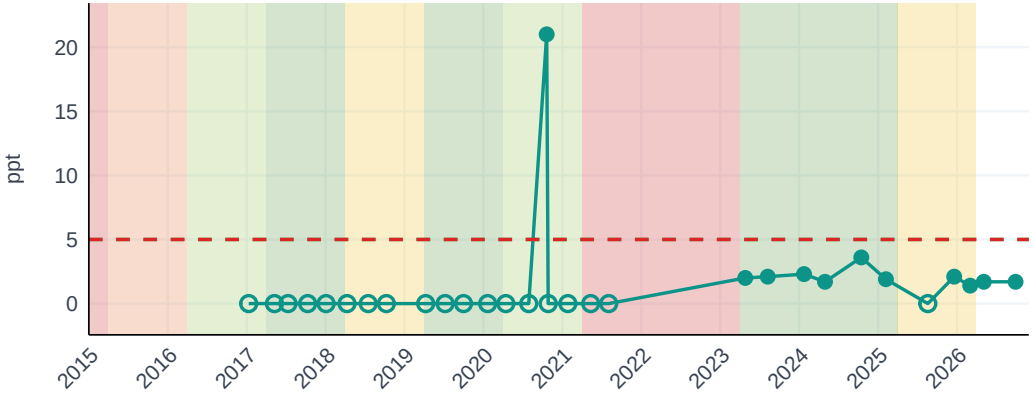
Uranium (ND as of 29 Sep 2026, Status = **OK**)

MO 20 · MT 20



1,2,3−TCP (1.7 ppt as of 29 Sep 2026, Status = **OK**)

MO 5 · MT 5



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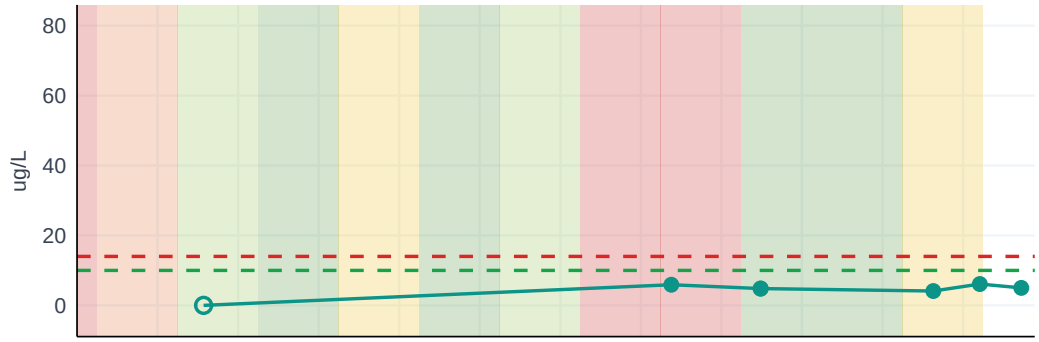
Water Year Wet Above Normal Below Normal Dry Critical

RMW−224

Arvin GSA · Site ID: 31S29E10K001M

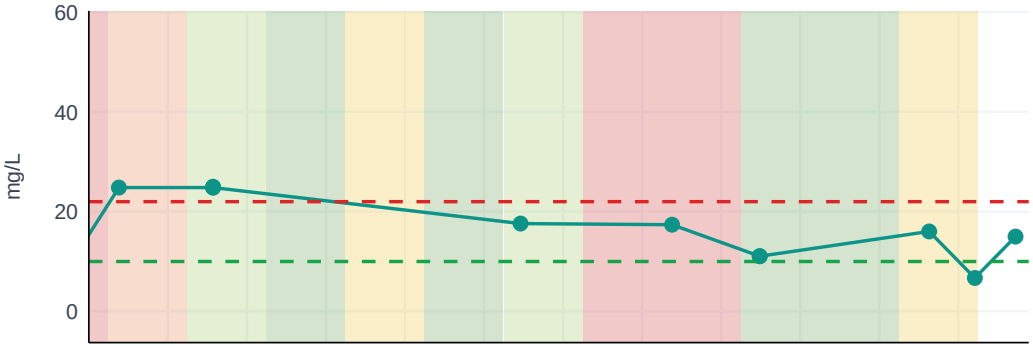
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MO 10 · MT 14



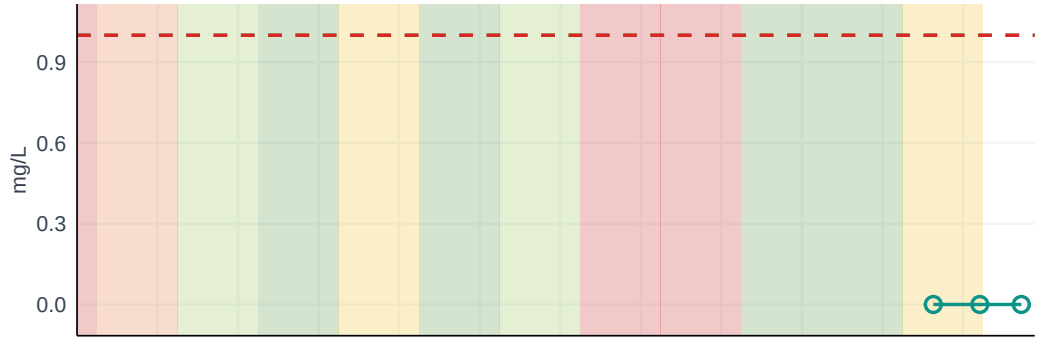
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MO 10 · MT 22



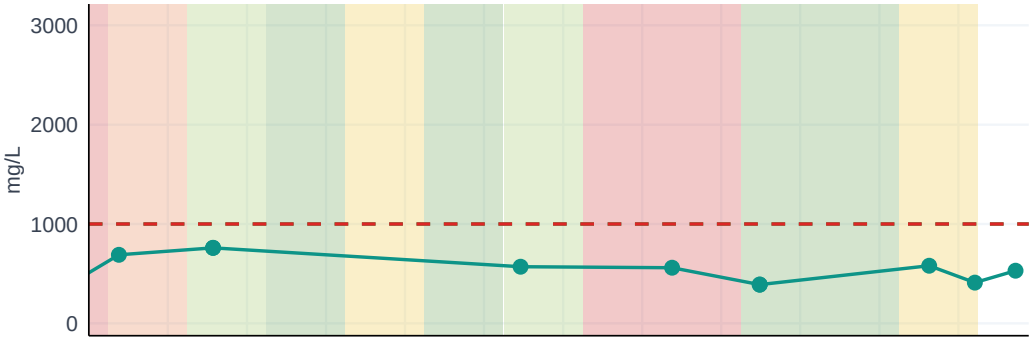
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MO 1 · MT 1



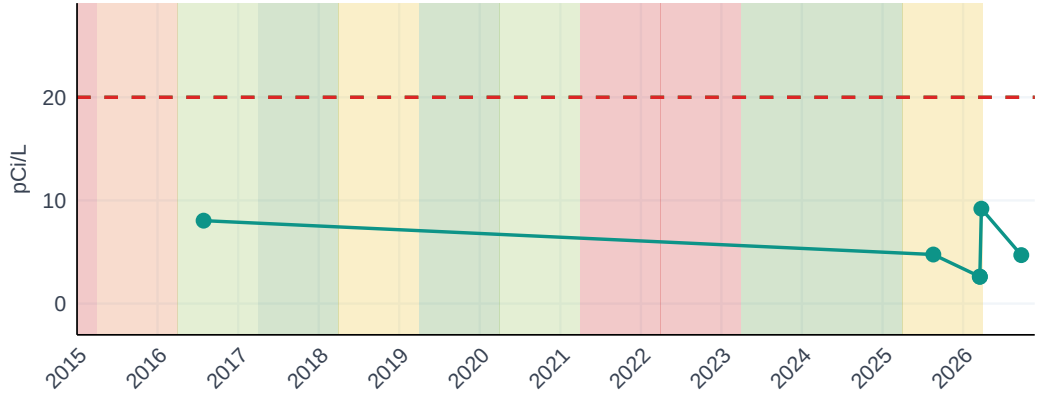
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MO 1000 · MT 1000



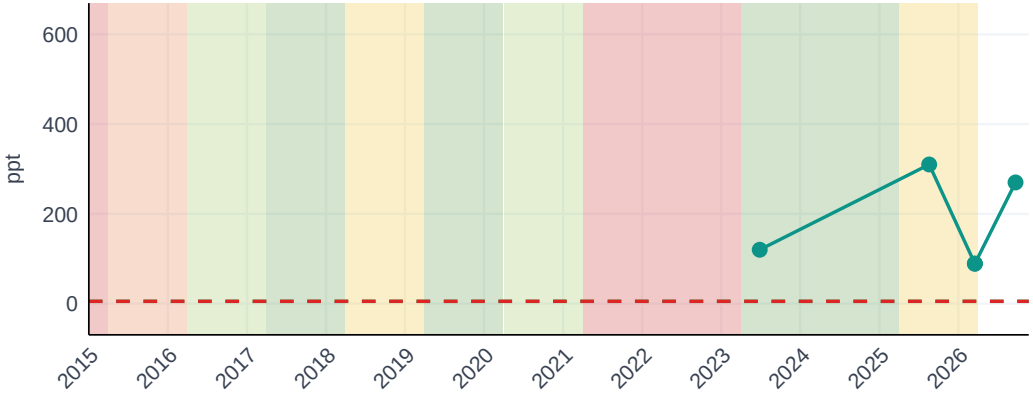
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MO 20 · MT 20



1,2,3−TCP (270 ppt as of 22 Sep 2026, Status = Exceedance)

MO 5 · MT 5



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Sample Detected Non−detect (plotted at 0)

Water Year Wet Above Normal Below Normal Dry Critical

RMW−225

Arvin GSA · Site ID: 30S30E18G001M



RMW−302

Arvin GSA · Site ID: Murray Family Farms



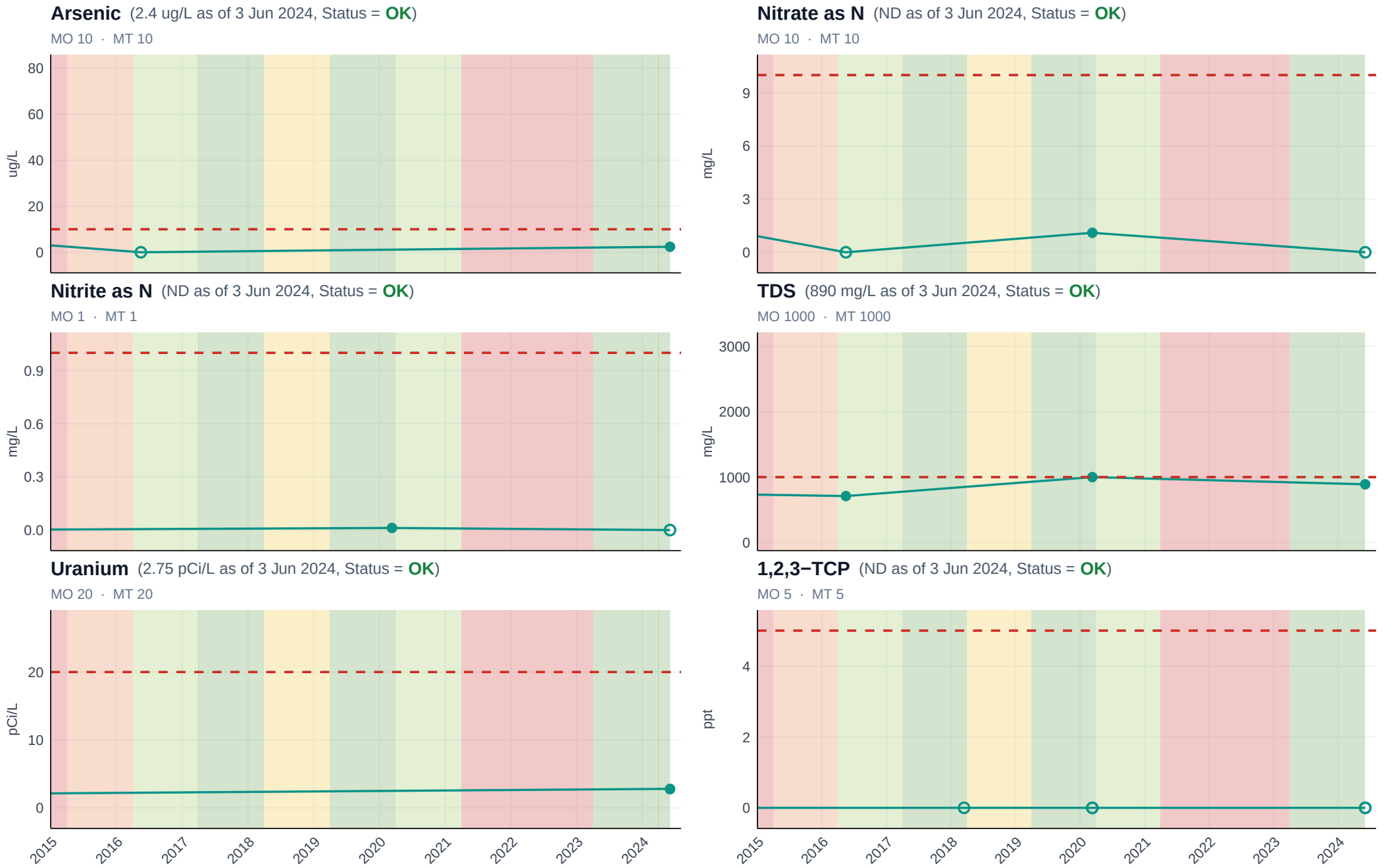
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RMW−317

Wheeler Ridge−Maricopa GSA · Site ID: 11N/21W−08A01



Thresholds MO (Measurable Objective) MT (Minimum Threshold)

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Water Year Wet Above Normal Below Normal Dry Critical

RMW−319

Wheeler Ridge−Maricopa GSA · Site ID: 32S/28E−16P02



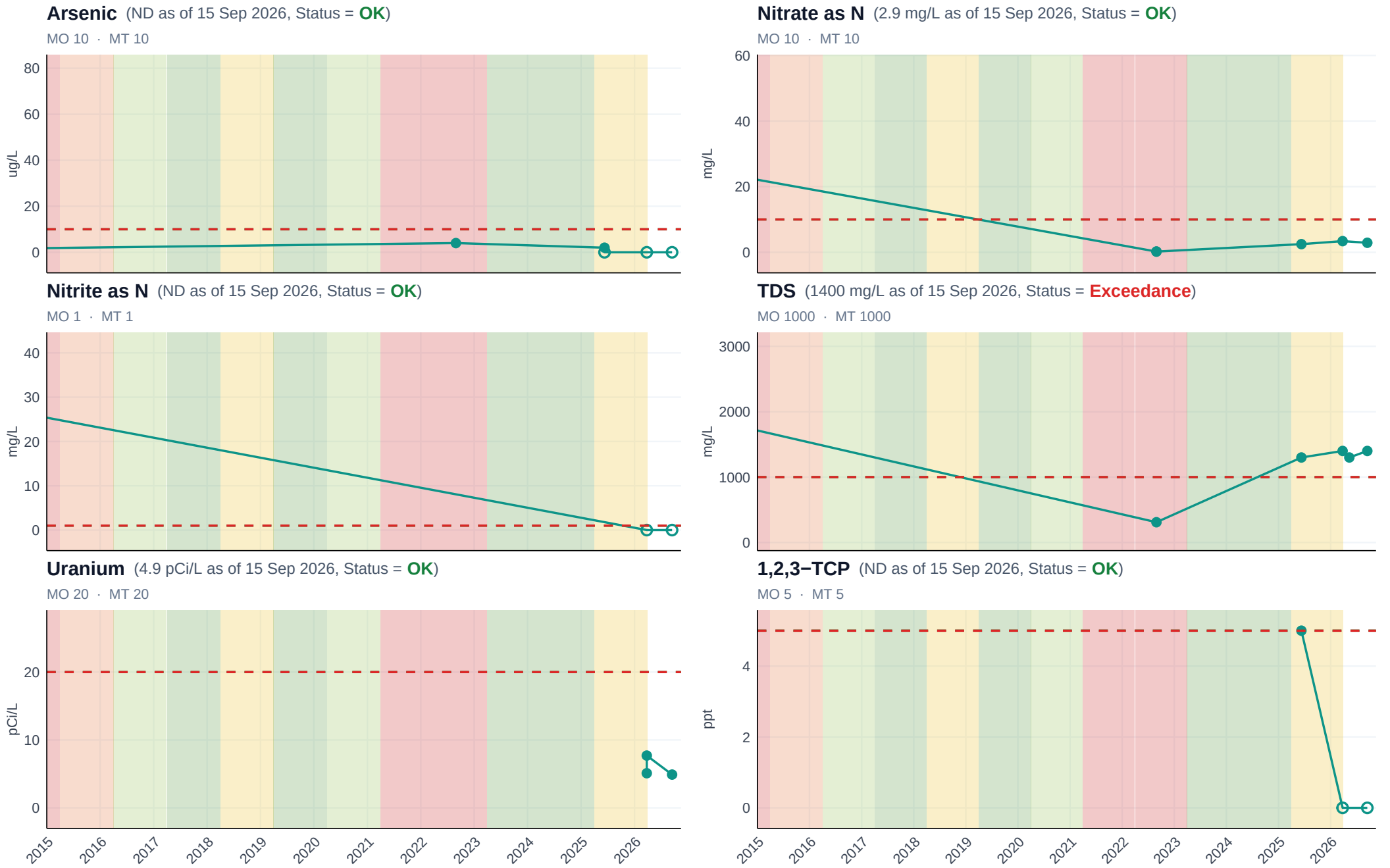
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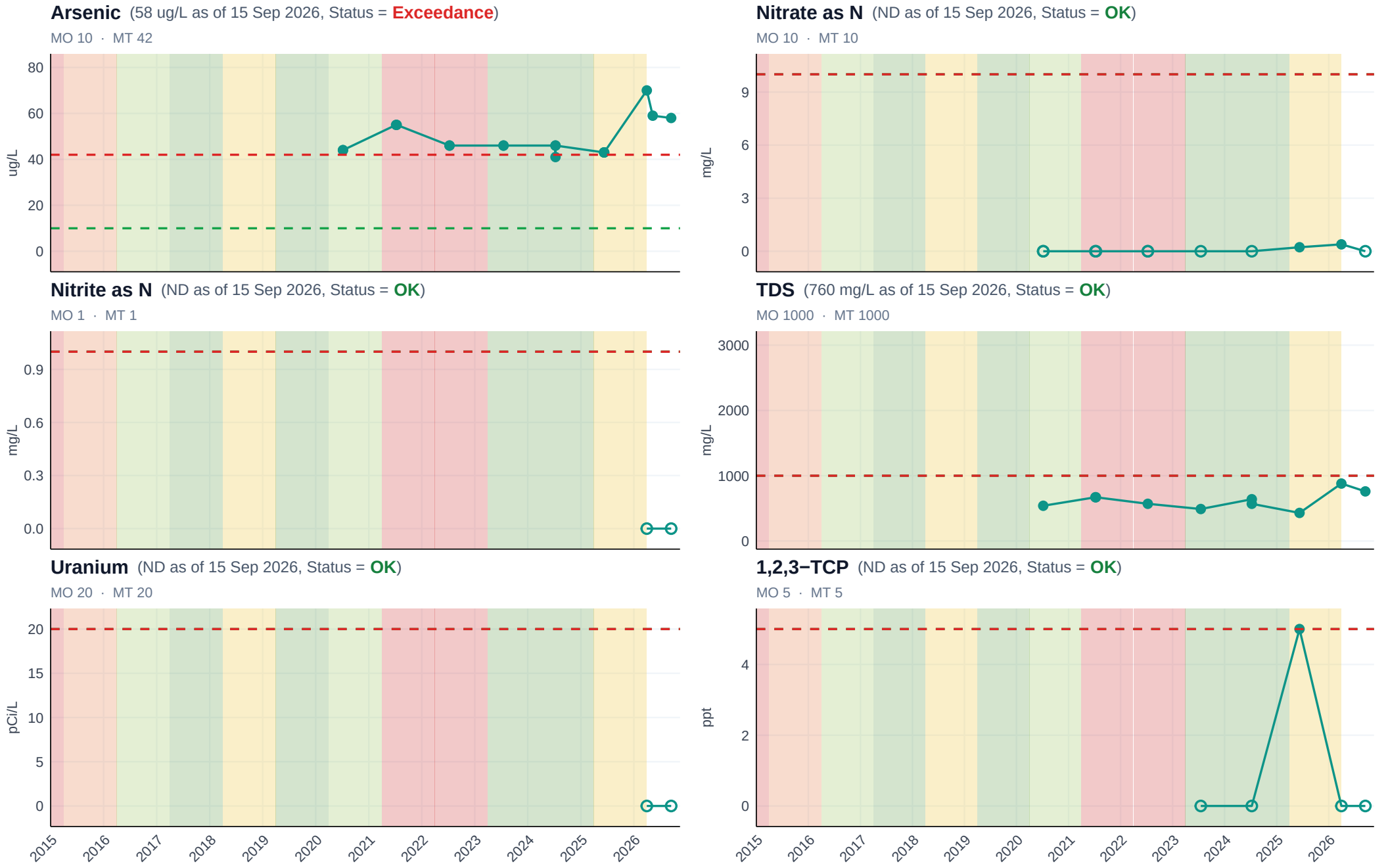
RMW−320

Wheeler Ridge−Maricopa GSA · Site ID: 32S/25E−36R01



RMW−321

Wheeler Ridge−Maricopa GSA · Site ID: 32S/26E−14J02



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