Mapping and Monitoring Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems in Napa County

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DEFINITIONS:

Groundwater-Dependent Ecosystems:

Ecological communities or species that depend on groundwater emerging from aquifers or on groundwater occurring near the ground surface

Interconnected Surface Water:

Surface water that is hydraulically connected at any point by a continuous saturated zone to the underlying aquifer and the overlying surface water is not completely depleted

Source: California Department of Water Resources Groundwater Sustainability Plan Regulations § 351(m, o)



GROUNDWATER DEPENDENT ECOSYSTEMS (GDEs)



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Select Average Baseline Water Budget Components (AFY)



Source: Northeast Napa Area: Special Groundwater Study Presentation by Vicki Kretsinger Grabert, October 10, 2017 https://www.napawatersheds.org/managed_files/Docume nt/9690/2017PresentationNortheastNapaSpecialStudy.pdf Riparian Vegetation Trancas Crossing Park Chinook Salmon Napa River

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THREATS TO GDES



Density of Groundwater Wells in Napa County

To provide groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs), agencies, and conservation organizations trends of proxies for groundwater dependent ecosystem (GDE) health to identify possible connections to groundwater levels and encourage sustainable groundwater management.







VEGETATION INDICES





NDVI: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index

0 = Bare soil

0.5 = Moderate canopy, moderate vegetation vigor 1 = Full canopy, high vegetation vigor

NDMI: Normalized Difference Moisture Index

- -1 = Bare soil
- 0 = Moderate canopy, high water stress
- 1 = Full canopy, low water stress

GROUNDWATER WELLS



- 1) Top of the perforation <=100 ft deep OR
- 2) Total depth <=100 ft deep

- 1) Top of the perforation >200 ft deep OR
- 2) Total depth >500 ft deep

- 1) Top of the perforation >100 and <=200 ft deep OR
- 2) Total depth >100 and <=500 ft deep OR
- 3) Well perforation and depth data missing

RELATIONSHIPS



- Highly correlated
- Declining trend
- Minimize pumping near GDE

- Poorly correlated
- Stable trend
- Continue to monitor
- Watch for thresholds





- Poorly correlated
- Declining trend
- Install shallow wells

