



# Illinois Groundwater Monitoring Network

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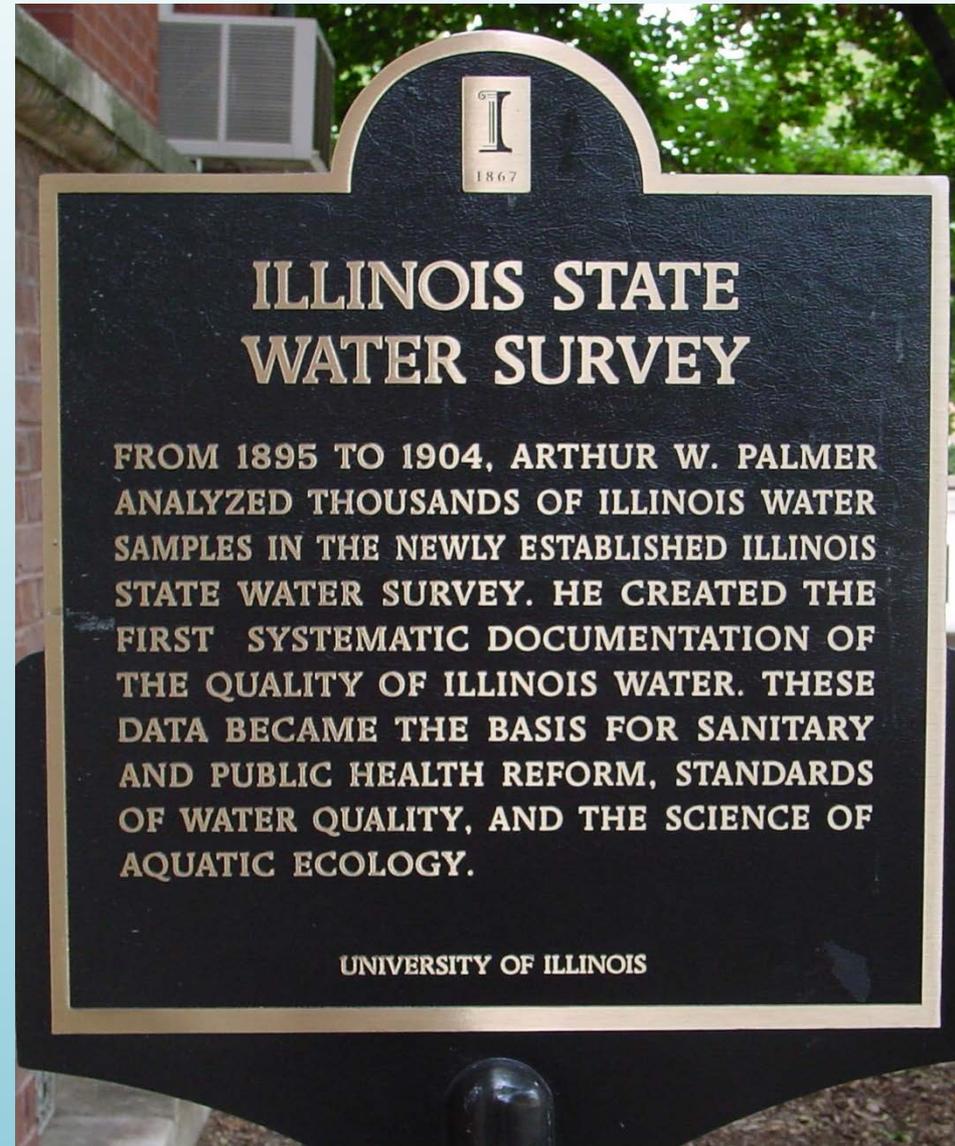
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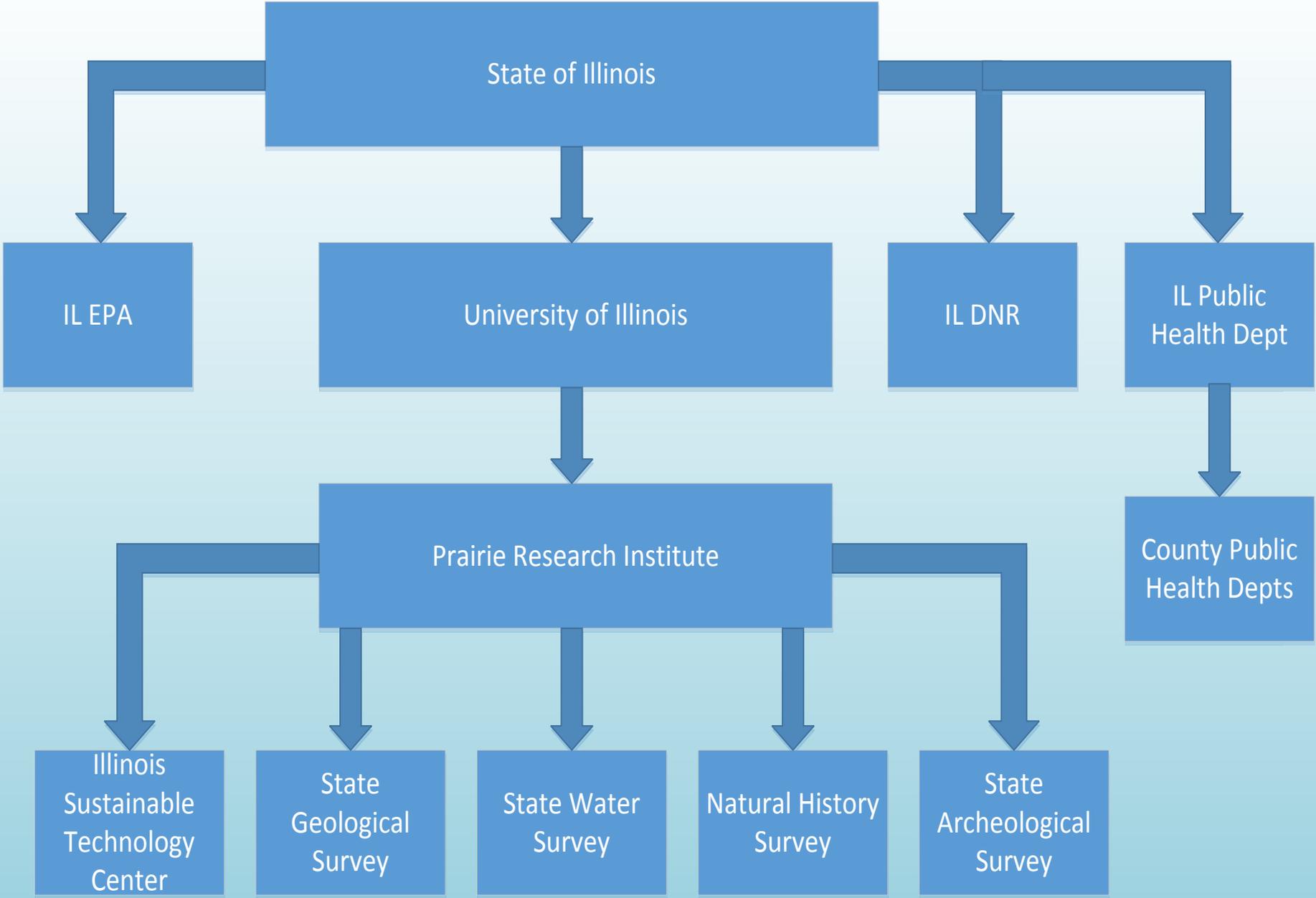
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# The IL State Water Survey

- Started in 1890's as part of Chemistry Unit at the Univ. of Illinois
- Data Collection, Public Service, Research
- Public Service Lab analyses about 1000 samples/yr





# Data Collection

- 450,000+ well records
- Observation wells
- Water use
- Aquifer testing



# Public Service

- Groundwater availability & quality
- Well records
- Well design
- Public outreach
- Public service lab



# Research

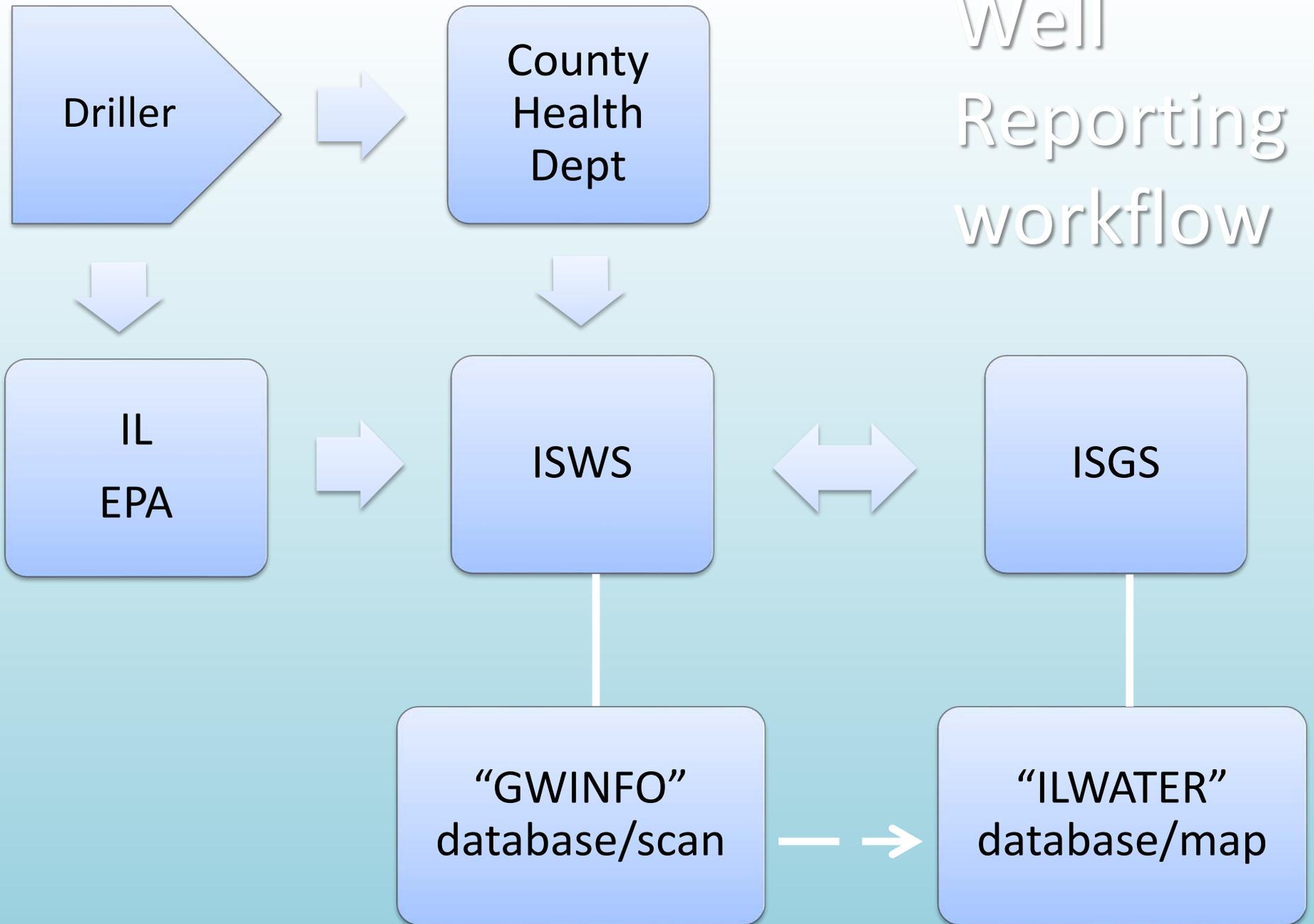
- Regional groundwater availability & quality
- Contamination
- Well interference
- Aquifer Mapping
- Groundwater modeling
- Contaminant studies



# ISWS well records database

- Well records inventory
  - “Private” wells database
  - IWIP (high-capacity) wells database
- IWIP usage data  
(partly confidential)
- Water quality records
  - IEPA
  - PSL
  - Public Health Dept
- Water levels
- Aquifer Properties

# Well Reporting workflow



# Illinois Monitoring Networks

Currently 111 water level sites in NGWMN

- Combination of ISWS wells, USGS wells, and ISWS wells measured by USGS staff
  - Additional 6 sites pending, will be added as data goes live



# Illinois Monitoring Networks (cont'd)

## Water table aquifers

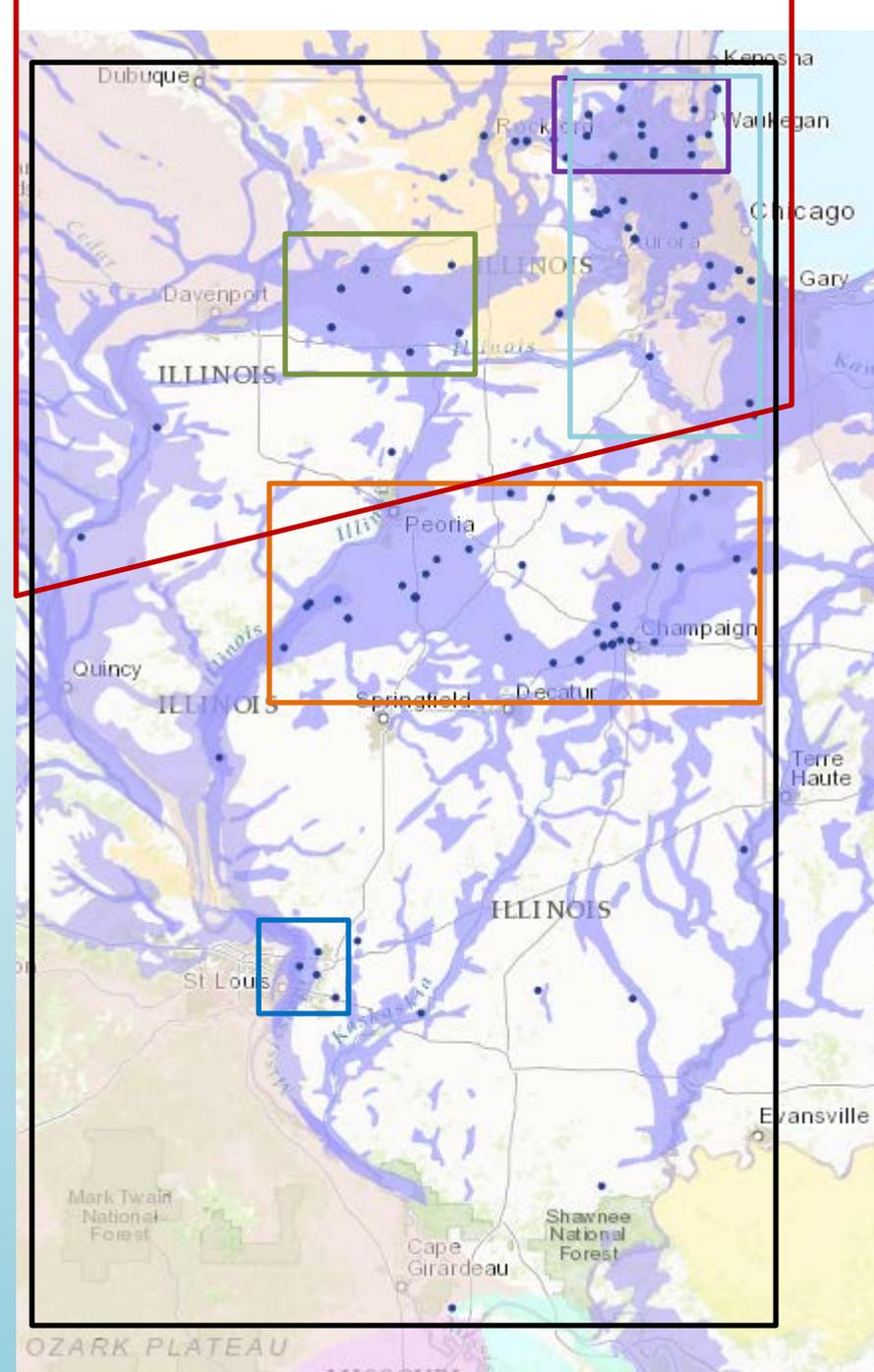
- WARM network

## Glacial aquifers

- Sankoty Aquifer
- Mahomet Aquifer
- East St. Louis
- McHenry/Lake County

## Bedrock

- Dolomites (Silurian, Galena-Platteville)
- Cambrian-Ordovician Sandstones



# ILWATER – Illinois State Geological Survey

## Geologic logs, well construction data



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**Illinois Water & Related Wells**

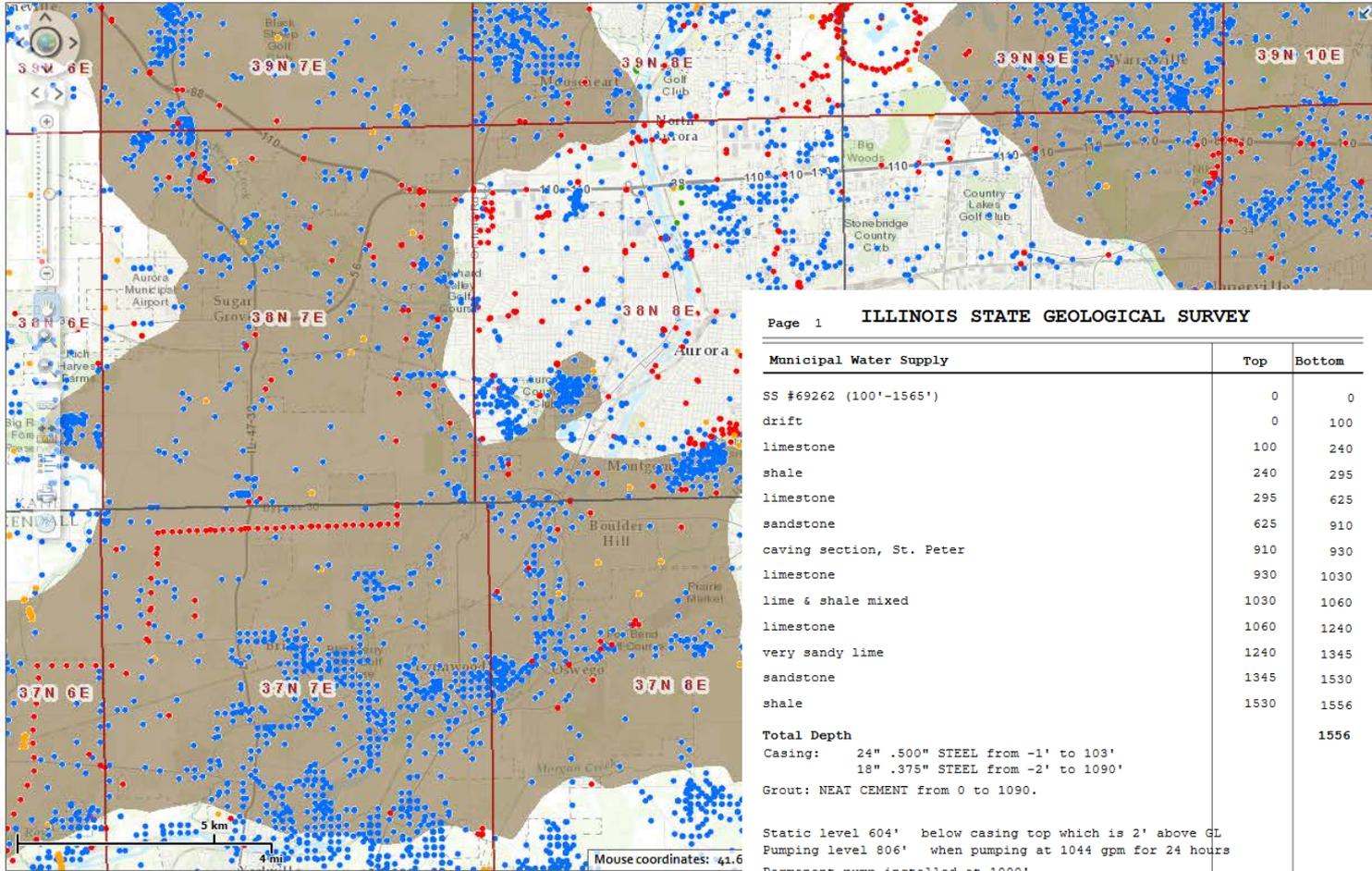
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**Map Layers**

- Reference Layers
- Water and Related Wells
- Karst Areas
- Bedrock Topography
- Aquifers
- Drift Thickness

**Basemaps**

World Topo Map



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Municipal Water Supply	Top	Bottom
SS #69262 (100'-1565')	0	0
drift	0	100
limestone	100	240
shale	240	295
limestone	295	625
sandstone	625	910
caving section, St. Peter	910	930
limestone	930	1030
lime & shale mixed	1030	1060
limestone	1060	1240
very sandy lime	1240	1345
sandstone	1345	1530
shale	1530	1556
<b>Total Depth</b>		<b>1556</b>
Casing: 24" .500" STEEL from -1' to 103'		
18" .375" STEEL from -2' to 1090'		
Grout: NEAT CEMENT from 0 to 1090.		
Static level 604' below casing top which is 2' above GL Pumping level 806' when pumping at 1044 gpm for 24 hours Permanent pump installed at 1000' on May 3, 2004, with a capacity of 1200 gpm Remarks: PICS 19790450 #20/well yield 1044 gpm Sample set # 69262 (100' - 1565') Received: May 1, 2004 Owner Address:		

<http://maps.isgs.illinois.edu/ILWATER/>

# Prairie Research Institute – IL Water Wells Databases

	ISWS	ISGS
<b>Well location records</b>	425,000 records ( 151,000 matched to ISGS DB -> )  Water well construction reports Some test boring records Standalone sealing records (incl MW) Standalone WQ samples (ISWS) Field inventories Special ISWS projects CWS wells from IEPA DB Surface water intakes	360,000 records ( <- 148,000 matched to ISWS DB )  Water well construction reports Any test boring record with stratigraphy  Standalone gas samples (ISGS)  Special ISGS projects Non-CWS PWS wells from IDPH DB
<b>Well construction report data (ongoing; historical is more limited)</b>	“Header” data (location, owner, date, etc.) Initial water levels, test gpm Basic construction detail Producing aquifer	“Header” data (location, owner, date, etc.) Initial water levels, test gpm All construction detail All geologic interval descriptions
<b>Well permit info</b>	1997-2013	(pre-) 1967-present
<b>Back-end database server</b>	MS SQL Server	Oracle
<b>Development platforms</b>	.NET, ASP, Crystal Reports	Java (browser-based), Oracle Reports, Flash, ArcGIS MapServer
<b>Web Services</b>	SOAP/XML	
<b>Scan formats</b>	tif, pdf	jpg, pdf

# ISWS Water Levels fields

ID	Long Integer	
p_num	Text	The unique ISWS well_id
project_id	Long Integer	GW ProjectID
meas_date	Date/Time	Date of Measurement
meas_time	Date/Time	Time of Measurement
meas_depth	Decimal	Water Level Measurement (ft)
meas_point	Text	Point measurement taken from on well casing (default: top of casing)
mp_elevation	Decimal	Elevation of well casing above ground level (ft)
stick_up	Decimal	Height of top of well casing above ground (ft)
meas_method	Text	Type of Measurement (see defined options below)
1;"Airline - Standard Gauge";2;"Electric Dropline";3;"Airline - Direct Reading Gauge";4;"Steel Tape";5;"Transducer/Data Logger";6;"Visual Observation";7;"Plopper";8;"Other";0;"Unknown"		
meas_quality	Text	Quality of Water Level Measurement (see defined options below)
1;"Good";2;"Fair";3;"Poor";4;"Wrong";5;"Unknown; 6;"Provisional";		
meas_precision	Decimal	Precision of measurement method
meas_type	Text	Type of water level measurement
1;"Static (default);2;"Dynamic";3;"Other"		
meas_remarks	Text	Comments regarding measurement conditions
meas_quality_remarks	Text	Comments related to measurement quality designation
air_line_length	Decimal	Length of Airline in Feet (if used)
gauge_reading	Decimal	Pressure Reading (Ft – if used) Ft = PSI *2.31
pumping_rate	Decimal	Pumping Rate (GPM – if used)
hours_on_off	Decimal	Hours pump off (static measurement) or on (dynamic measurement); otherwise field unused
meas_precision	Decimal	Precision of the water level measurement based on the meas_method field (ft)
ent_by	Text	Autofill
ent_date	Date/Time	Autofill
last_user	Text	Autofill
last_user_date	Date/Time	Autofill

# ISWS Well Records main fileroom





- Records for 420,000+ water wells in Illinois (1860 – present)
  - Well construction, sealing forms
  - Water quality samples
  - Water levels, historical withdrawals, pump tests, service reports
  - Survey reports, studies, communications
- Some documents have been scanned, but majority are not available electronically, most data <1980 not in database

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Use this Certificate for water whose original source is Well, Spring or Cistern.

Sample of water from, Town Bloomington County McLean  
Report to be sent to J. K. Moore, 305 S. East St. Bloomington Ill.  
(Give Name and address)  
Collected and sealed by J. K. Moore  
Date, day and hour of collection \_\_\_\_\_  
Shipped by \_\_\_\_\_ Express Company. Date and hour of shipment \_\_\_\_\_  
Collected from Well  
(State whether it is from a Well, Spring or Cistern, or from a Reservoir or Tap, original source being Well or Spring)  
Location 305 S. East St.  
(Give Street and Number, or Section, Township, Range, etc.)  
State proximity of privy 34 Feet cesspool \_\_\_\_\_ stable 70 Feet  
Feed lot 35 Feet dumping grounds for slops, dish water, wash water, etc. 50 Feet  
Is the drainage from all these places toward or from the Well, Spring or Cistern? From the well  
If there is any other possible source of pollution, state it Might be from scrubbing porch  
Has the water ever been considered unsafe? No Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
If there have been any cases of typhoid fever among users of this water, state number of persons affected No  
Date of illness Not this well but one about 75 Ft away number of deaths None  
What other diseases have been attributed to use of this water? I have had bladder trouble  
State general condition of health of those using water Not as good as usual  
**Well.**—State depth 38 Feet Is it dug, bored, driven or drilled? Dug well  
State character and thickness of strata through which it is sunk Don't know  
State character of strata from which water is drawn Don't know Is it a flowing well? No  
State approximate capacity and effect of dry or wet weather Dry weather about 50 gal, Wet 100 gal. day  
With what is it walled or cased? Brick How is the well covered? 1 plank Is the cover water tight? No  
If cemented or cased with iron pipe, state depth to which cement or casing extends No cementing  
**Spring.**—What improvements has it? \_\_\_\_\_  
Character of stratum from which water issues \_\_\_\_\_  
Character of overlying strata \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximate capacity and effect of dry or wet weather \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cistern.**—What form of filter, if any, is used? \_\_\_\_\_  
Does the cistern leak? \_\_\_\_\_ How long since last cleaned? \_\_\_\_\_  
Can small animals get into it at top? \_\_\_\_\_ What care is taken in collecting and storing water? \_\_\_\_\_

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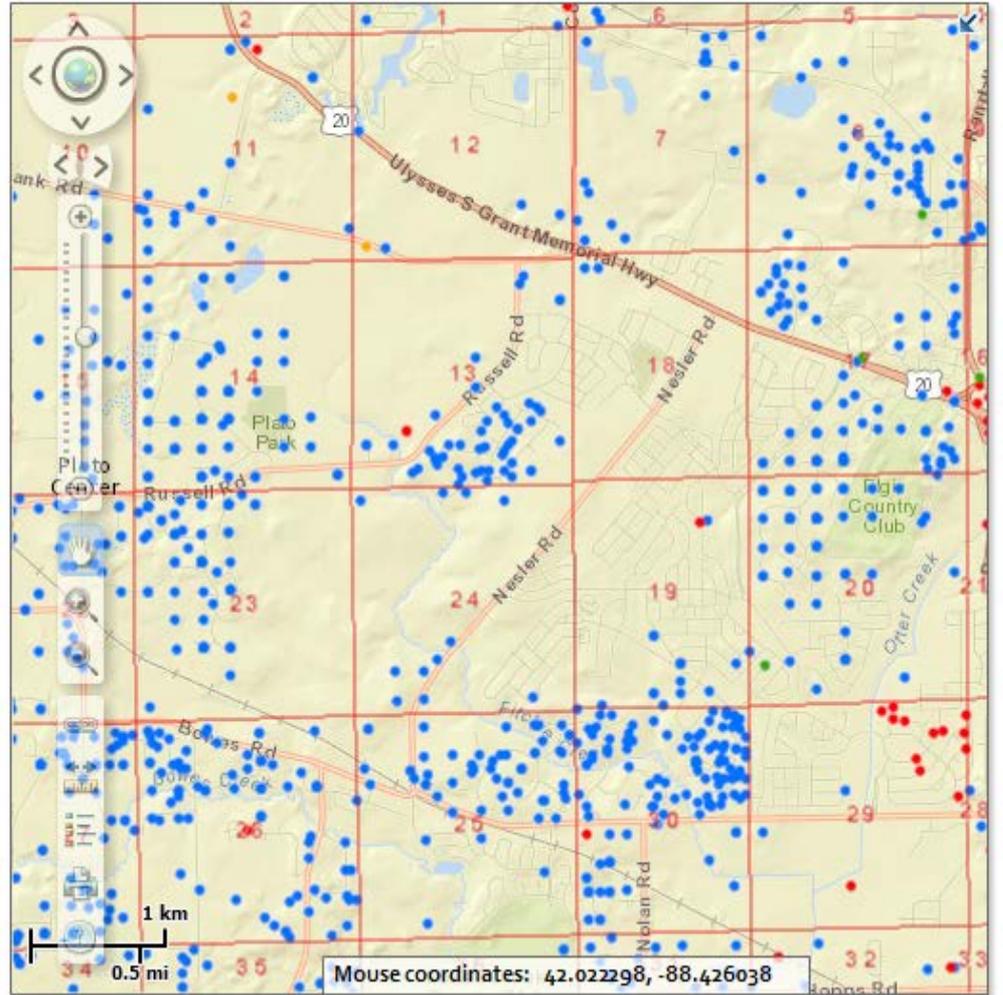
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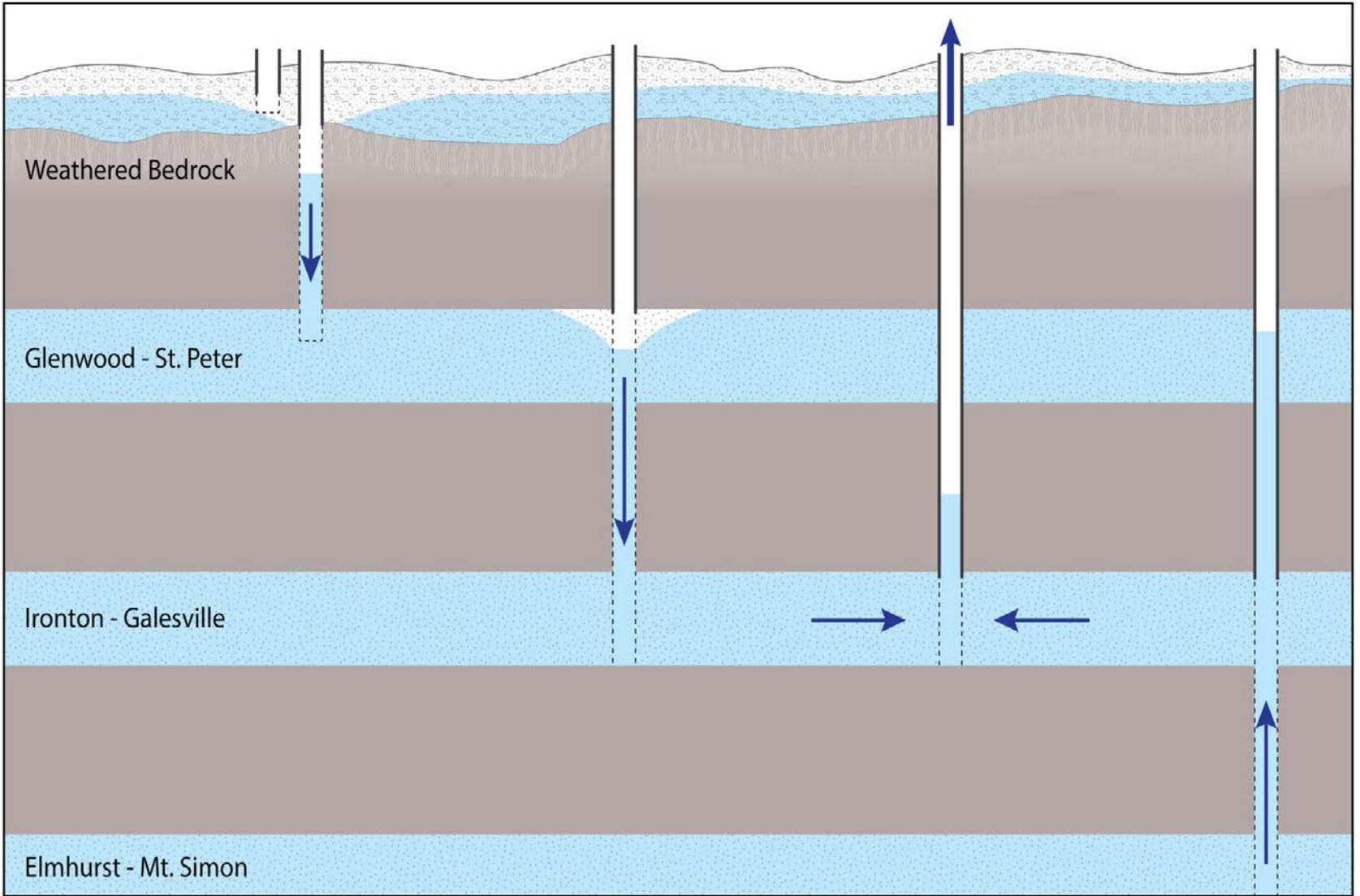
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### Basemaps

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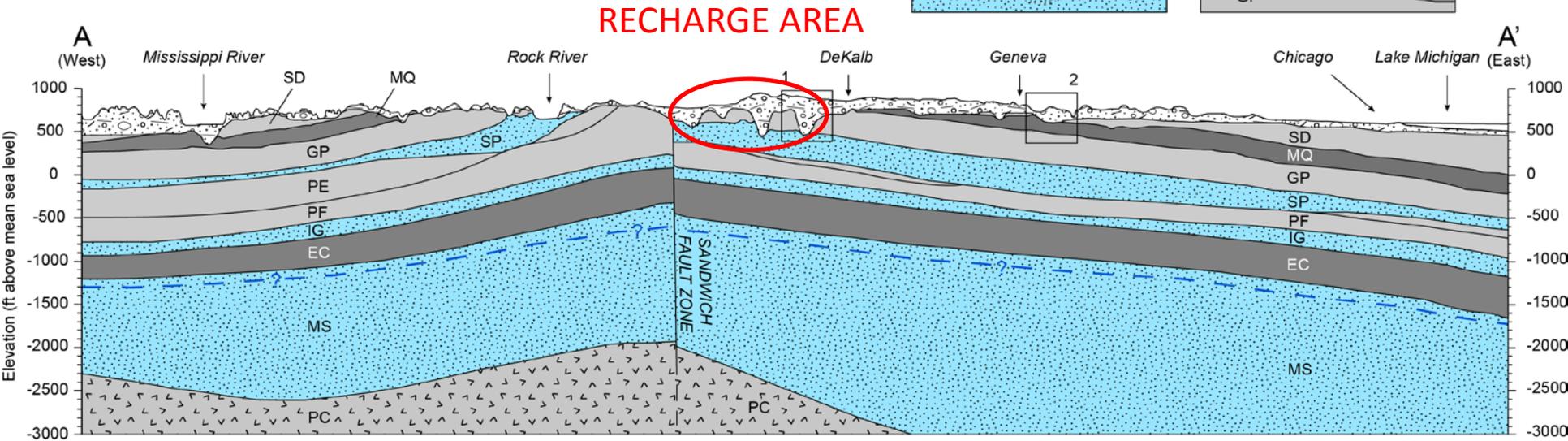
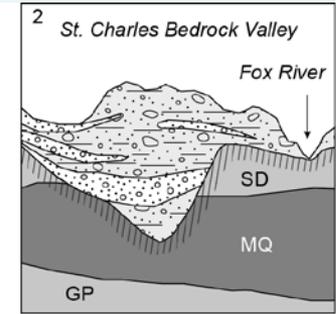
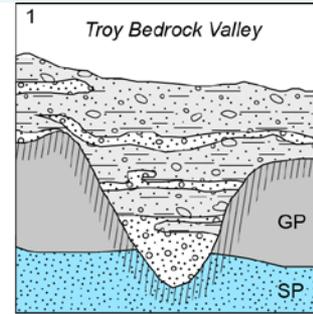




# Cambrian-Ordovician Sandstones

## Hydrostratigraphic Cross Section (West to East)

- St. Peter Sandstone
- Ironton-Galesville Sandstone
- Both Confined in NE Illinois



### Geologic Material

	Weathered Bedrock		Shale
	Glacial Deposits		Carbonate
	Till/Diamicton		Sandstone
	Sand and Gravel		Crystalline Bedrock

### Hydrostratigraphic Units

SD	Silurian-Devonian	PF	Potosi-Franconia
MQ	Maquoketa	IG	Ironton-Galesville
GP	Galena-Platteville	EC	Eau Claire
SP	St. Peter	MS	Mt. Simon
PE	Prairie du Chien-Eminence	PC	Precambrian

— — — fresh/saline groundwater contact

50X vertical exaggeration

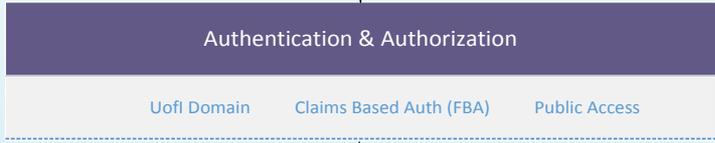
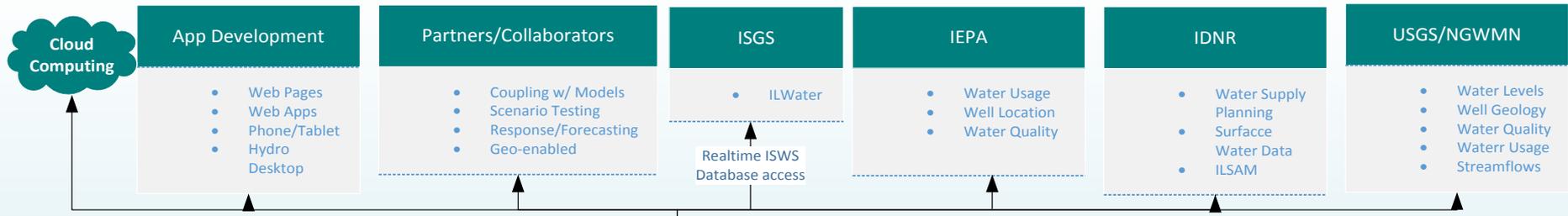


# Managing Continuous Data

- Telemetry data has been previously captured through regular updates (cellular network) and dumped into CSVs
  - Requires staff to manually adjust for drift, currently stored in Excel spreadsheets
- Rolling out infrastructure to accommodate existing and new continuous sites
  - Trend sites may need to be classified as Surveillance for the interim
- Exploring options for data management (scaling issues for time series data)
  - Aquarius?
  - Custom (MATLAB)?
- <http://aqueduct.isws.illinois.edu/NGWMNService.aspx>
- [http://iwip.isws.illinois.edu/ngwmn\\_consumer.aspx](http://iwip.isws.illinois.edu/ngwmn_consumer.aspx)
- <http://maps.isgs.illinois.edu/ILWATER/>
- <http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/index.jsp>

# Current Work

- ISWS observation well network is slowly moving into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, but there are certainly growing pains
- Telemetry stations and sensory data becoming more predominant and affordable
- Linking/merging ISWS and ISGS wells database (detailed geologic logs)
- Sorting out data sharing with the IEPA, eventually adding water quality sites to NGWMN and supplementing with ISWS samples in historical records
- Electronic Reporting
- Establish SOA Architecture – web enable data
  - Decouple data layer from presentation layer
  - Allow others to implement their own front-end that consumes data over standard internet protocols
  - Independent of platform or programming language
  - Examples: NGWMN Portal, Hydro-Desktop



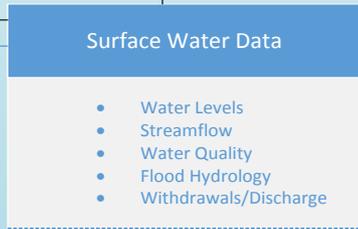
Users, Groups, Profiles, Permissions

Data Exchange Protocol  
.NET/Java  
SOAP/WCF/  
WebAPI

Data Model Standards  
XML/JSON  
(ODM Mapping)

Native ISWS/  
ISGS DB Format  
MS SQL Server/  
Oracle

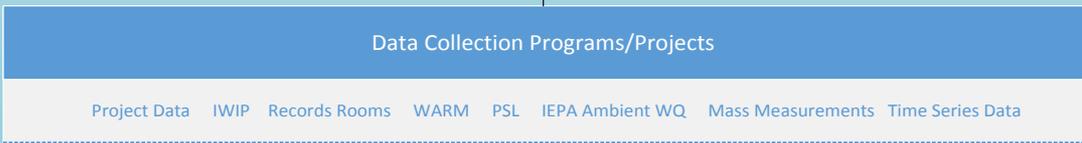
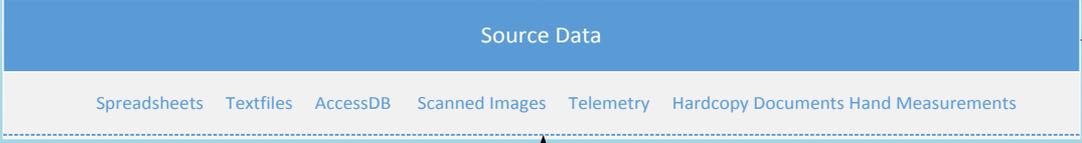
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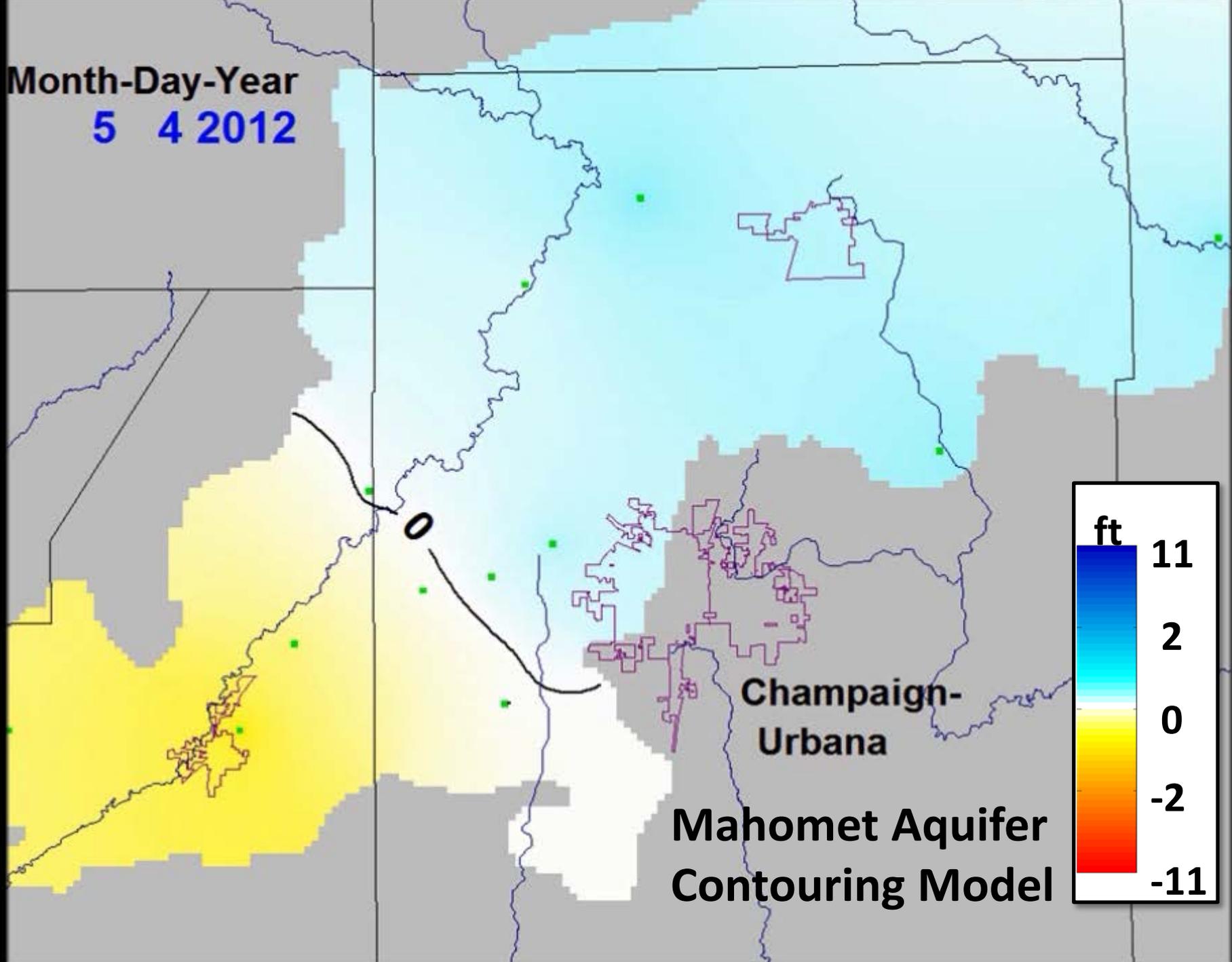
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**Mahomet Aquifer  
Contouring Model**

