

# Equus Beds Groundwater Management District #2

Board of Directors  
 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
 March 12, 2025



**PROPOSED AGENDA**

**EQUUS BEDS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS 50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

**Wednesday, March 12, 2025**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Halstead High School Auditorium**

**520 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street • Halstead, KS 67056**

- INTRODUCTION AND OPENING REMARKS ..... Dale Schmidt  
President
- APPROVAL OF 2024 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES ..... David Bogner  
Secretary
- ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE AFFIDAVITS ..... David Bogner  
Secretary
- REVIEW OF PREVIOUS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES ..... Tim Boese  
Manager
- REVIEW OF PLANNED ACTIVITIES ..... Tim Boese  
Manager
- LEGISLATIVE UPDATE ..... Tim Boese  
Manager
- REVIEW OF DISTRICT BOARD REPRESENTATION STANDARD & POLICY ..... Tom Adrian  
Legal Counsel
- ELECTION OF DIRECTORS ..... Tom Adrian  
Legal Counsel
- FINANCIAL REPORT ..... Mike McGinn  
Treasurer
- PROPOSED FY 2026 BUDGET ..... Tim Boese  
Manager
- PUBLIC FORUM ..... Audience
- REVIEW OF AQUIFER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ..... Dale Schmidt  
President
- ADJOURN ..... Dale Schmidt  
President

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**ANNUAL MEETING  
EQUUS BEDS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2  
MARCH 27, 2024**

The Board of Directors for the Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 held their 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on March 27, 2024, at Halstead High School, 521 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Halstead, Kansas.

President Dale Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Directors and staff present:

Dale Schmidt, President	Vin Kissick, Vice President
David Bogner, Secretary	Mike McGinn, Treasurer
Michael Baalman, Member	Alan Burghart, Member
Rodney Eggleston, Member	Jake Martin, Member
David Stroberg, Member	Reece Hiebert, Attorney
Tim Boese, Manager	Brad Barton, Hydrogeologist
David Randolph, Hydrologic Technician	Rebecca Wilson, Administrative Assistant

Directors absent: Joe Bergkamp, Member; Ethan Reimer, Member

Dale Schmidt, President, gave the opening comments, welcomed those attending the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, and introduced the Board and District staff.

David Bogner, Secretary, advised those in attendance that the minutes of the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held March 21, 2023, were available for review in the meeting handout. Moved by Michael Baalman and seconded by Jake Martin to approve the minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

David Bogner, Secretary, presented the Affidavits of Publication of the 2024 Annual Meeting published in four newspapers for general circulation within the District. The meeting notice was published in The Wichita Eagle on February 21, 2024, The Hutchinson News on February 23, 2024, and The McPherson Sentinel and Harvey County Now on February 28, 2024.

Tim Boese, District Manager, reviewed the District's activities for 2023. Included in the report was information on the Equus Beds Aquifer and the District, map of Special Management Areas and Oil Field Brine Contamination sites, the Kansas Corporation Commission Burrton Monitoring Well Replacement Project, water levels and water level changes, water usage, precipitation, customer service requests, and District programs.

Tim Boese, District Manager, presented information about the District's planned activities for 2024. Planned activities include Management Program revisions, District requirements for House Bill 2279, and Burrton Intensive Groundwater Use Control Area cooperative efforts regarding possible remediation options.

Tim Boese, District Manager, provided a 2024 Kansas Legislative update, including a review of water-related bills. Additionally, Tim also reviewed a draft state-wide change in point of diversion regulation being considered by the Division of Water Resources.

Reece Hiebert, District Legal Counsel, reviewed the Board of Directors election process and announced that Mike McGinn, Ethan Reimer, Gary Janzen, Vin Kissick, and David Bogner were eligible candidates and were listed on the 2024 ballot. Mr. Hiebert called for nominations for Board of Directors candidates from the floor. No floor nominations were made. Mr. Hiebert closed the floor to nominations. Each candidate that was present provided a brief presentation to those in attendance. Mr. Hiebert and the election committee members, Alvin Neville and Bob Seiler, collected the ballots and left the room to count the ballots.

Mike McGinn, Treasurer, reviewed the financial report. The audited 2023 revenues were \$649,331.00 and expenditures were \$580,927.00. The 2023 budget was \$817,279.00. The December 31, 2023, unencumbered cash balance was \$915,363.00.

Tim Boese, District Manager, presented the proposed FY 2025 budget. The proposed FY 2025 budget is a very slight increase from the 2024 budget. Mr. Boese advised that the proposed assessment rates will continue at \$0.05 per acre for land and will continue at \$1.60 per acre foot for water. Moved by David Bogner and seconded by David Stroberg to adopt the proposed FY 2025 budget. Motion carried.

Connie Owen, Director of the Kansas Water Office (KWO), provided a KWO update including information regarding the Kansas Water Plan and planning process, the State Water Plan Fund, the Kansas Water Authority, Regional Advisory Committees, and recently approved funding opportunities.

Dale Schmidt, President, asked the audience for any comments or concerns on District matters or on other water issues. There were no comments from the audience.

Dale Schmidt, President, reviewed the Aquifer Management Program. Moved by Rodney Eggleston and seconded by Alan Burghart to continue with revisions to the Aquifer Management Program. Motion carried.

Reece Hiebert, District Legal Counsel, presented the results of the election. Mike McGinn was elected to Board position #2 (Harvey County Agriculture Water User), Gary Janzen was elected to Board position #6 (Municipal Water User), Vin Kissick was elected to Board position #10 (At-Large Water User or Landowner), and David Bogner was elected to Board position #11 (At-Large Water User or Landowner).

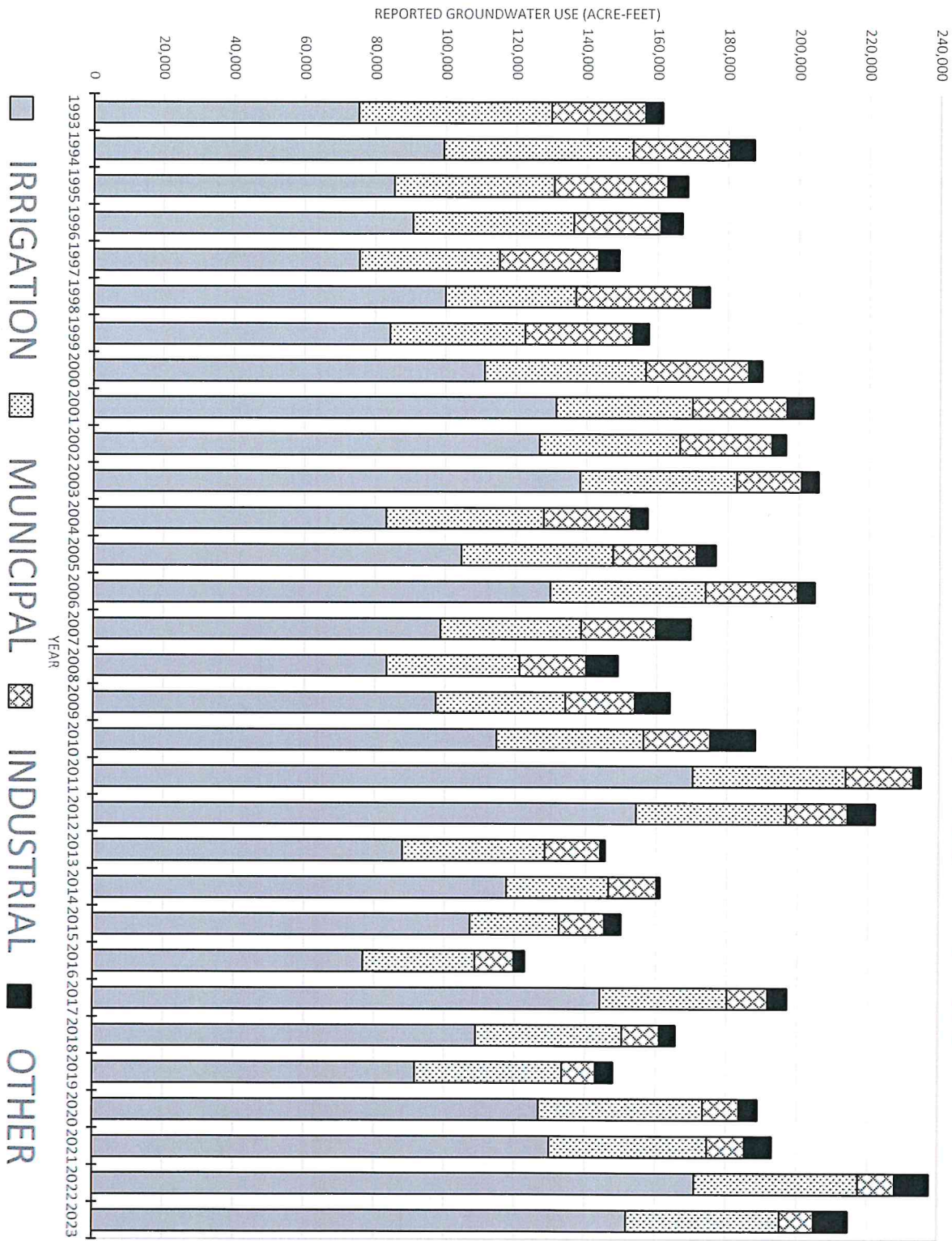
Moved by Michael Baalman and seconded by Vin Kissick to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. President Dale Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully,

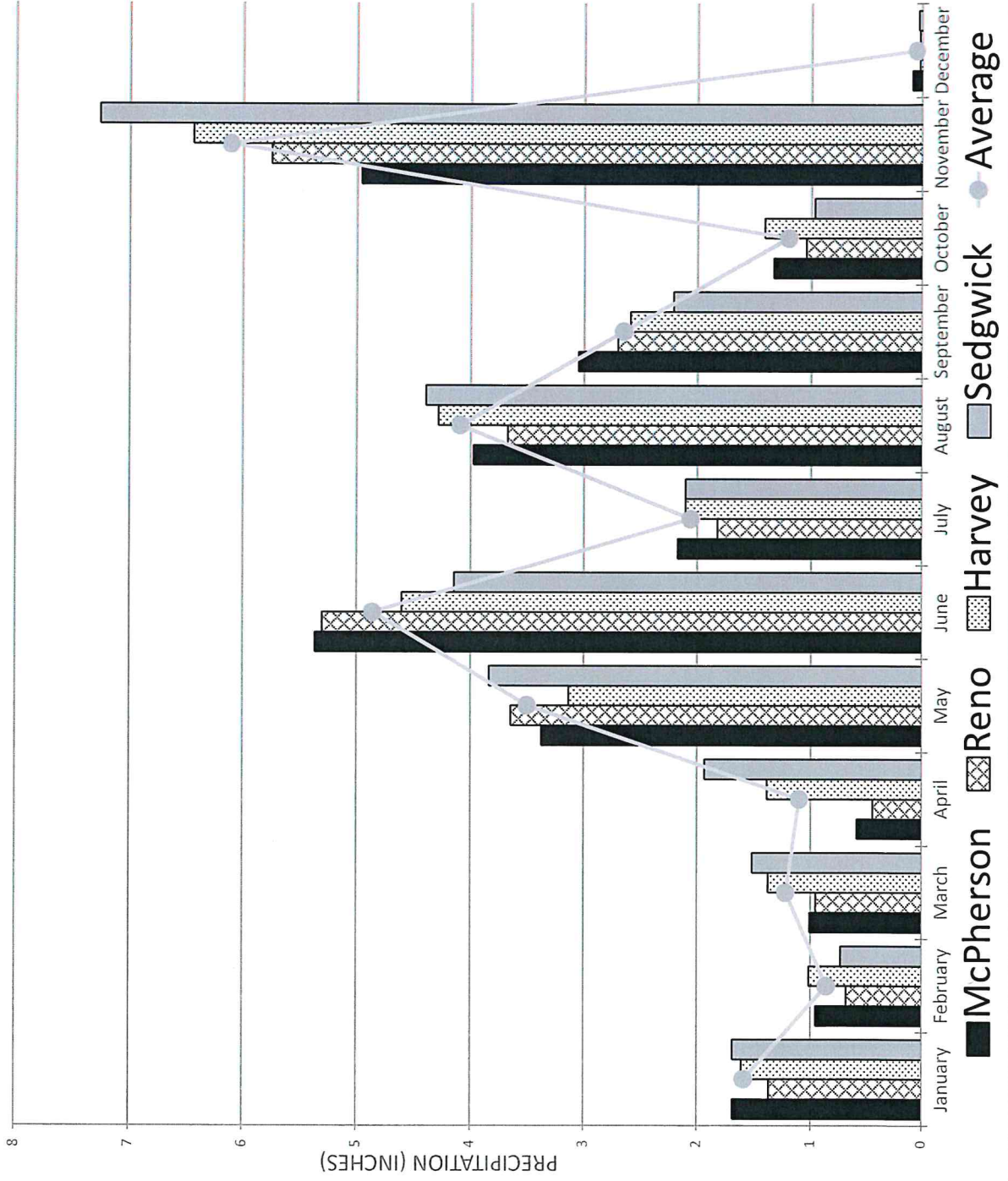
David Bogner  
Secretary

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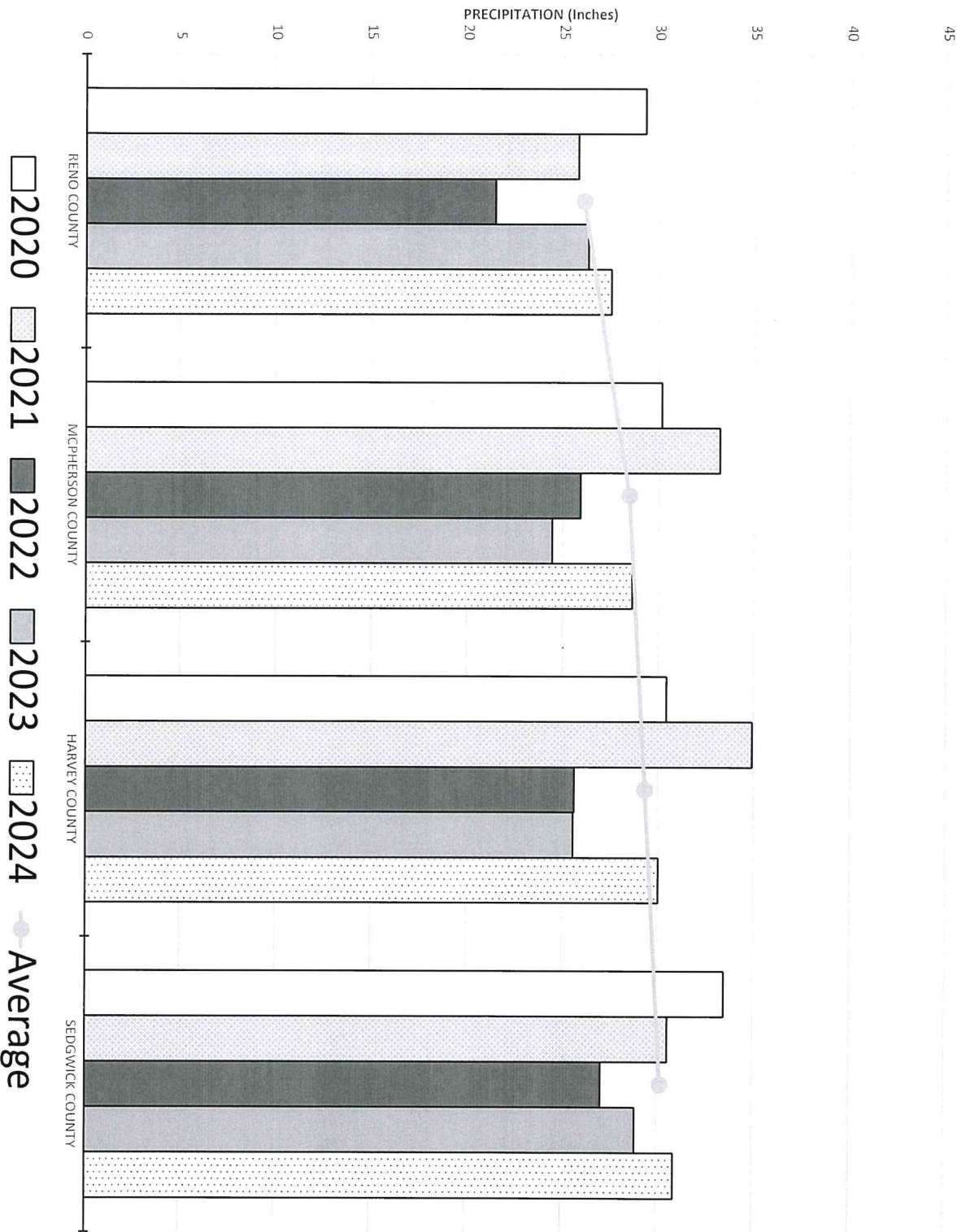
# Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 TOTAL REPORTED GROUNDWATER USE, 1993-2023



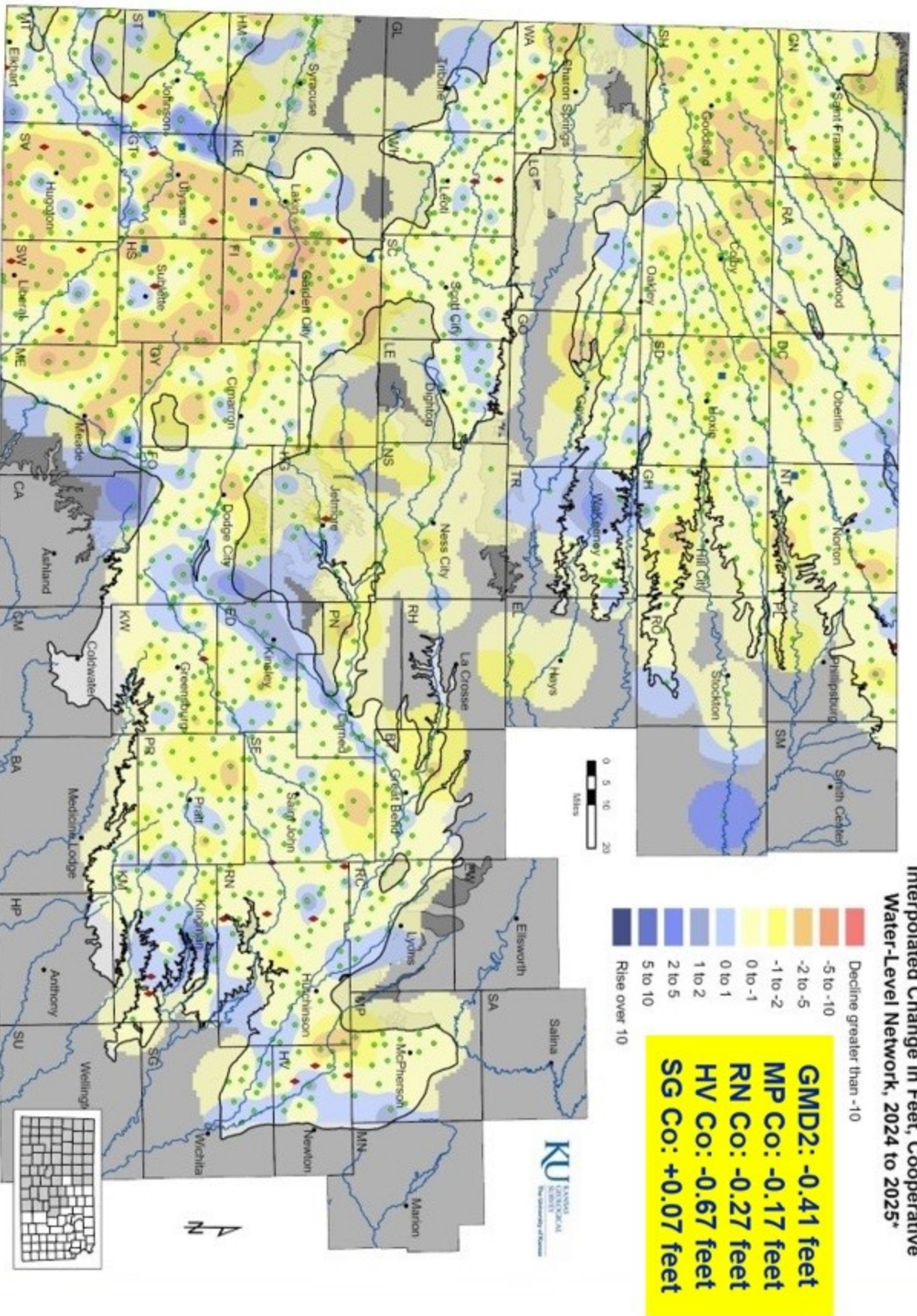
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 NOAA NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MONTHLY PRECIPITATION 2024



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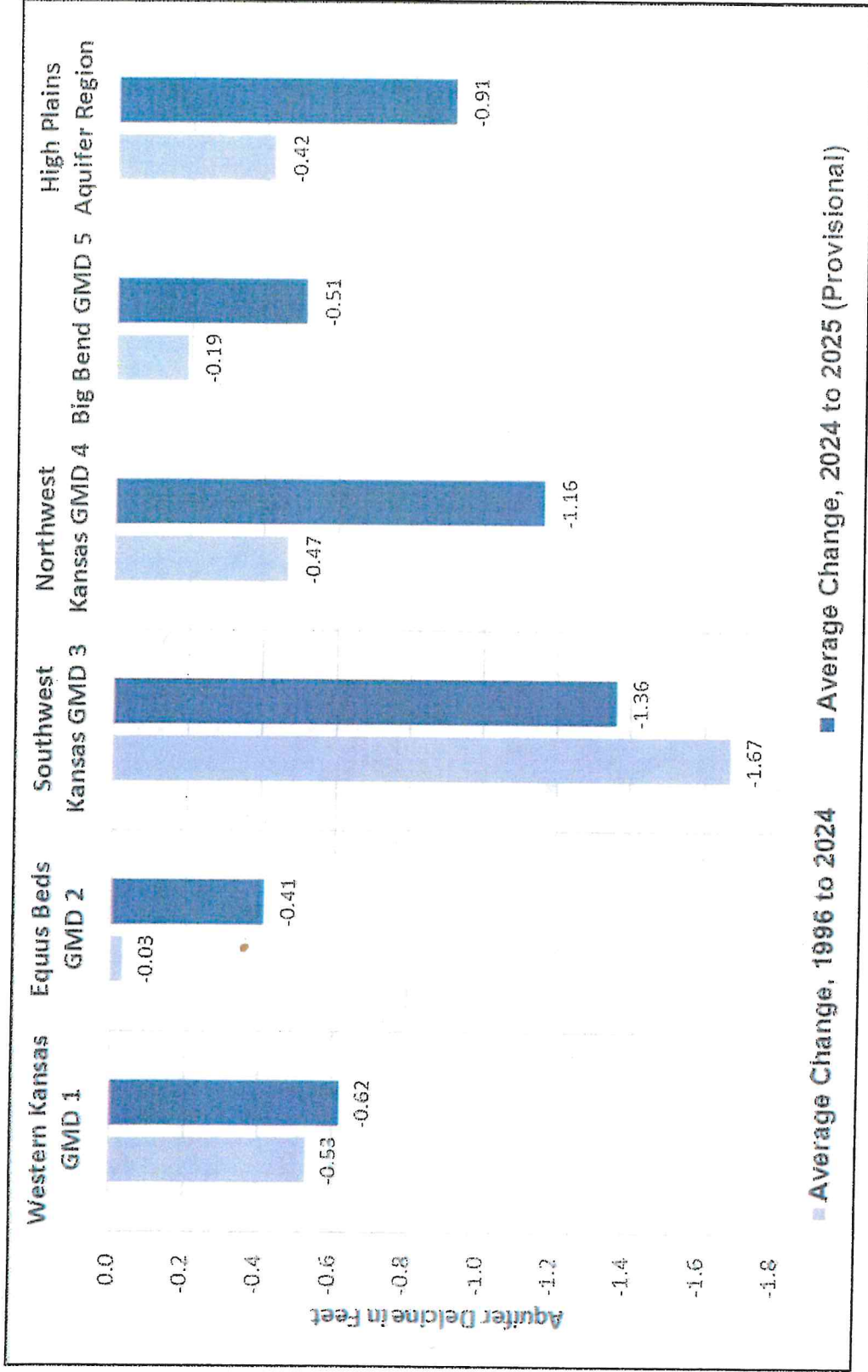


**Interpolated Change in Feet, Cooperative Water-Level Network, 2024 to 2025\***



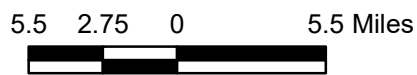
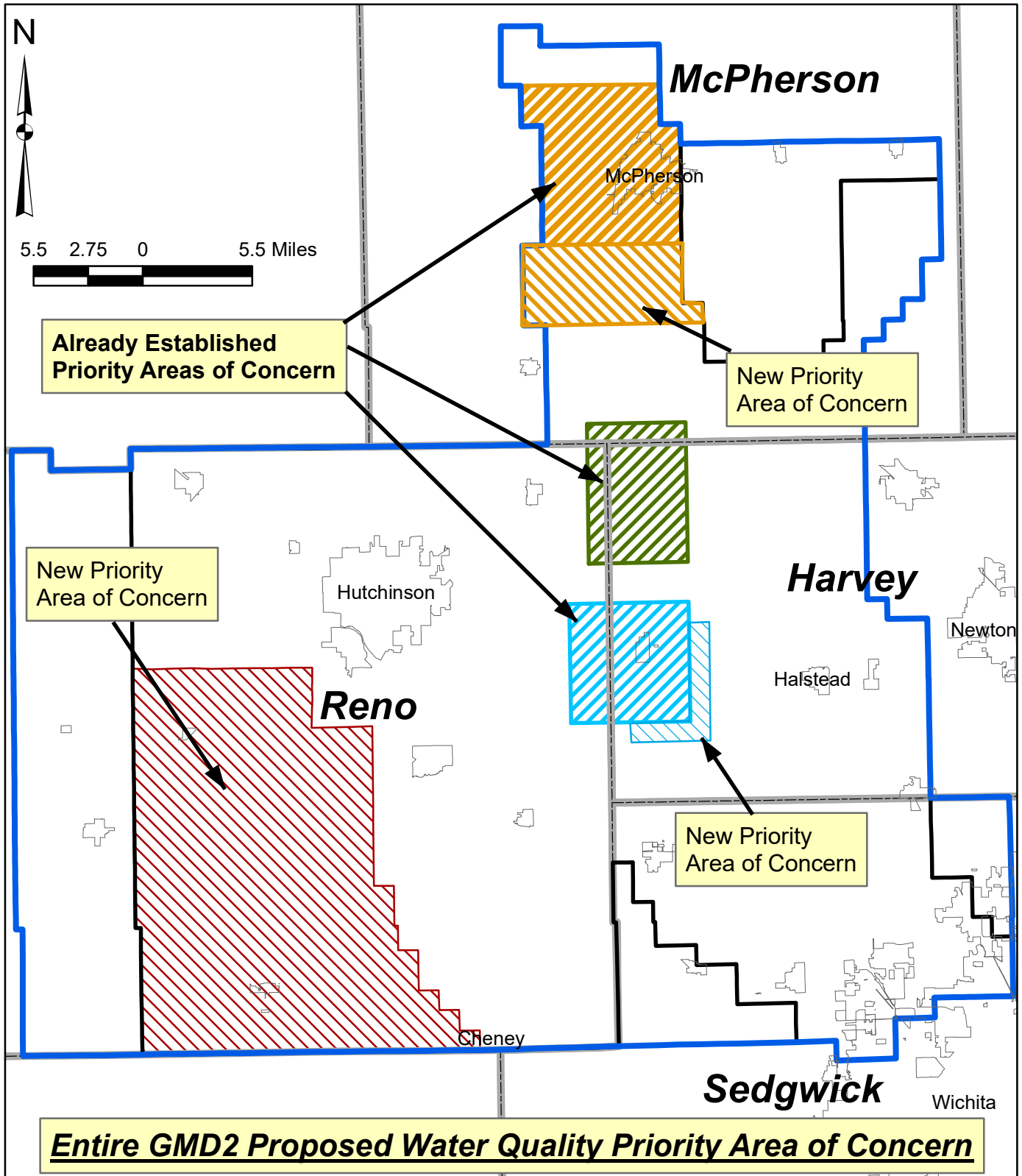
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# Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 Established and New Priority Areas of Concern











**Already Established  
Priority Areas of Concern**

**New Priority  
Area of Concern**

**New Priority  
Area of Concern**

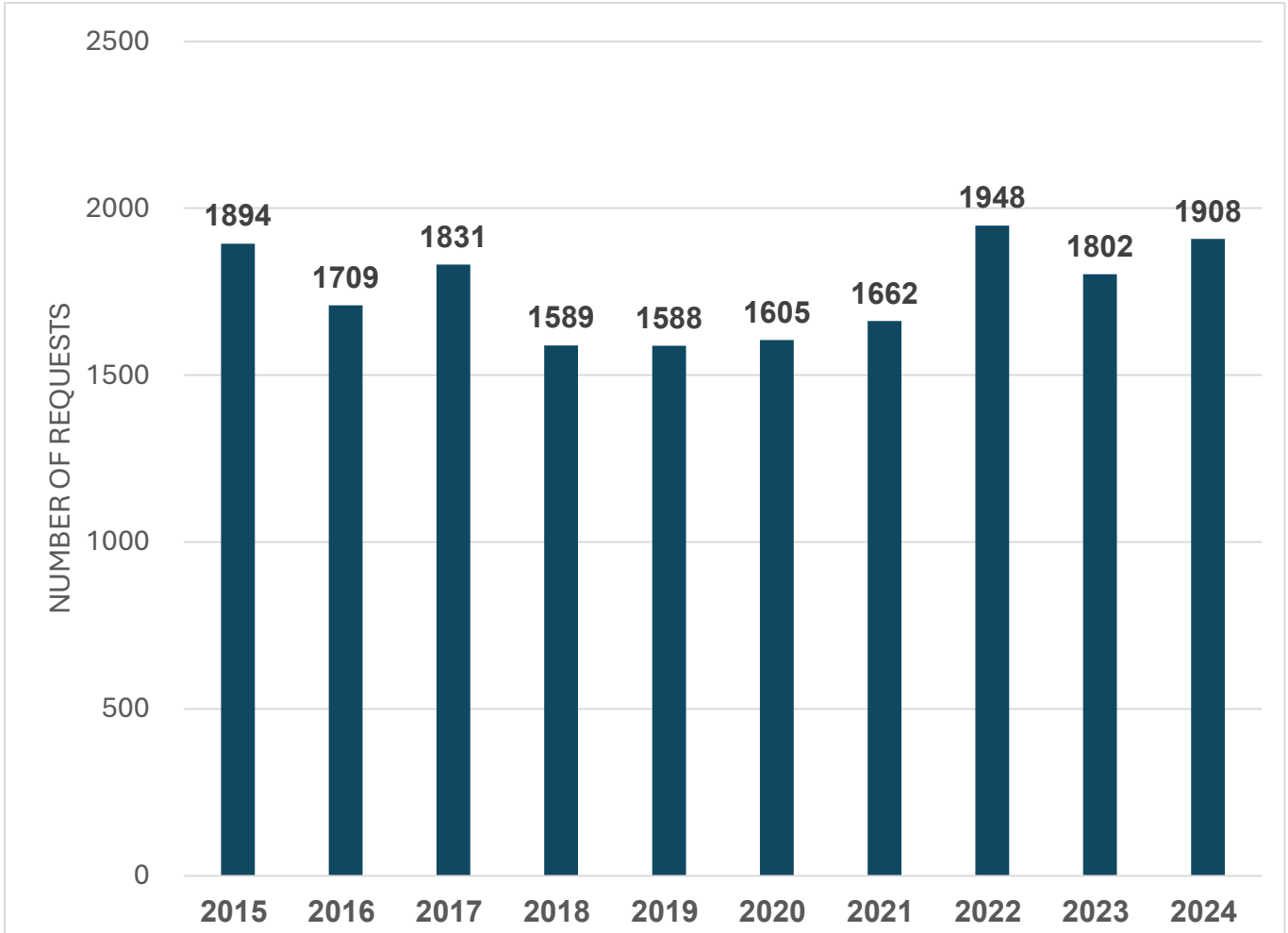
**New Priority  
Area of Concern**

**Entire GMD2 Proposed Water Quality Priority Area of Concern**

Map Legend			
	Burrton IGUCA		County Boundary
	McPherson IGUCA		District Boundary
	Hollow Nikkel SWQUA		Approx. City Boundary
	Enhanced Well Spacing Area		Old District Boundary

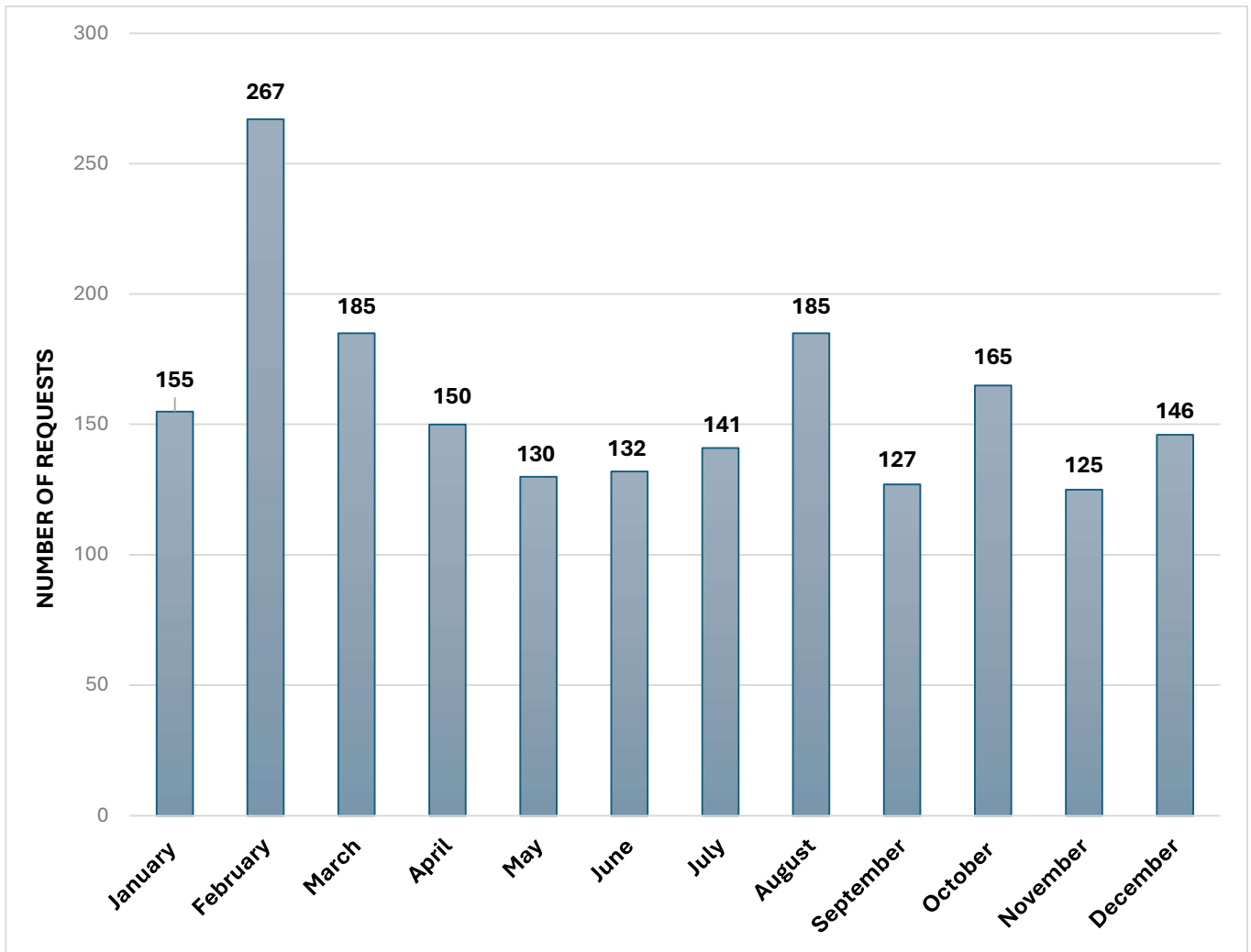
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## CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUESTS 2015-2024

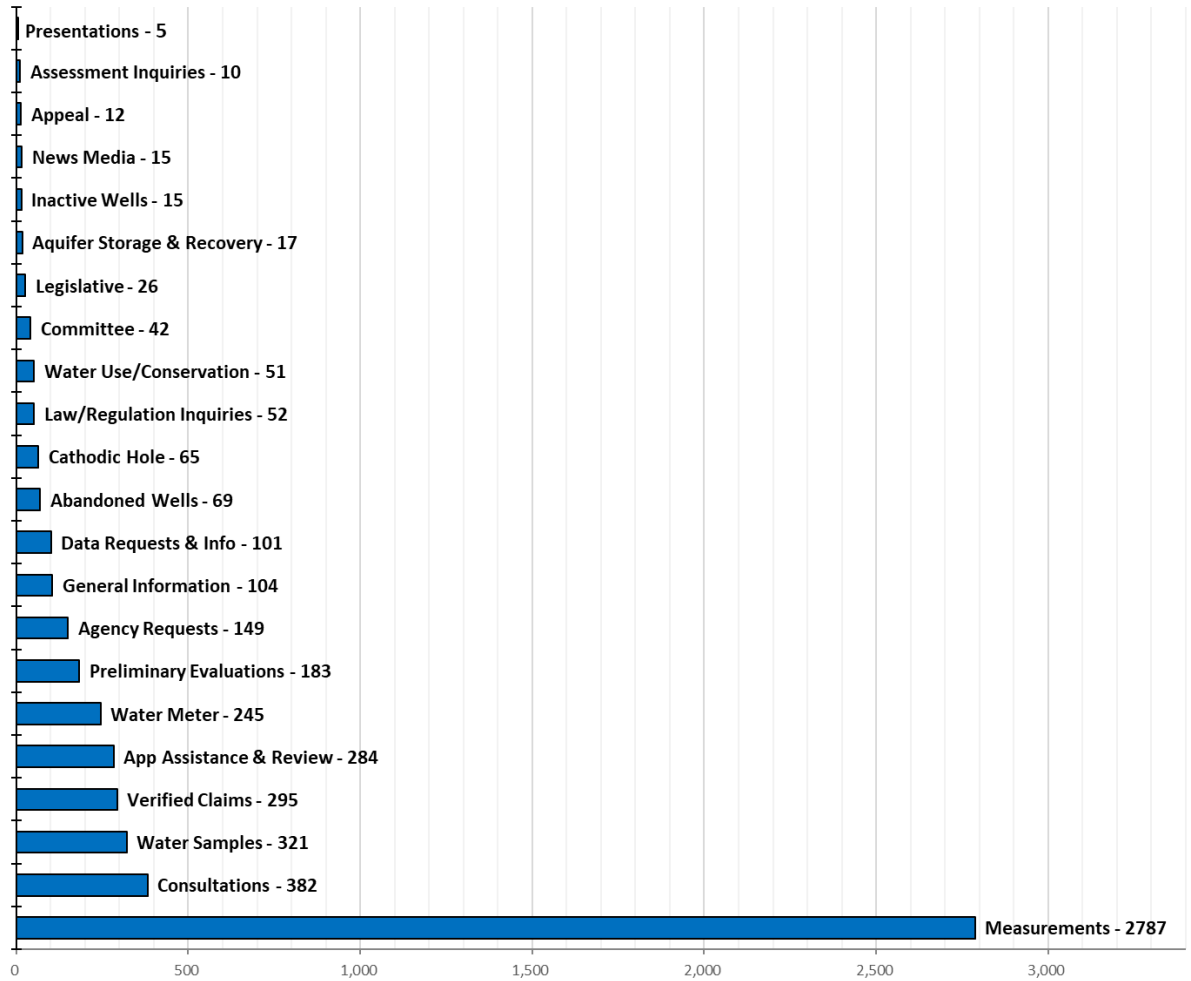


# Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2

## CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUESTS 2024



## Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 2024 DISTRICT ACTIVITIES



**Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2**  
**Proposed FY 2026 Budget**

	ADOPTED FY 2024	*ACTUAL FY 2024	ADOPTED FY 2025	PROPOSED FY 2026	2025/2026 % DIFF.
<b>CODE DESCRIPTION</b>		<i>*Unaudited</i>		<i>**2026 Salaries are 3%</i>	
<b>500 Salaries and Benefits</b>		(Audited Totals)		Increase of 2025 Actual	
501 Manager-include \$600/mth car allowance	\$118,231	\$121,946	\$122,672	\$126,136	3%
502 Administrative Assistant	\$52,613	\$46,255	\$54,718	\$51,500	-6%
503 Temporary Employee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
504 Social Security/Medicare	\$23,353	\$22,830	\$24,265	\$24,605	1%
505 Health Insurance	\$35,000	\$46,441	\$45,000	\$70,000	56%
506 Employment Withholding Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
507 Hydrologic Technician	\$56,559	\$59,803	\$58,821	\$60,586	3%
508 Hydrologist	\$77,868	\$81,335	\$80,983	\$83,413	3%
509 Employee Retirement	\$33,580	\$31,738	\$34,891	\$35,380	1%
511 Educational Assistance	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	0%
Subtotal	\$397,204	\$410,348	\$426,350	\$456,620	7%
<b>600 Transportation</b>					
601 Fuel	\$5,000	\$4,088	\$6,000	\$6,000	0%
602 Mileage and Toll fees	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
603 Meals	\$1,000	\$607	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
604 Lodging	\$4,000	\$992	\$8,000	\$8,000	0%
605 Vehicle Insurance & Fees	\$3,000	\$1,959	\$3,000	\$3,000	0%
606 Vehicle Appropriation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
607 Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,500	\$2,020	\$1,500	\$2,000	33%
Subtotal	\$15,500	\$9,667	\$20,500	\$21,000	2%
<b>700 Administration</b>					
701 Office Maintenance	\$20,000	\$3,546	\$15,000	\$20,000	33%
702 Utilities	\$4,000	\$3,282	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%
703 Office Supplies	\$4,500	\$3,223	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%
704 Office Equipment & Maint.	\$500	\$31	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
705 Publications	\$1,500	\$1,129	\$1,500	\$1,500	0%
706 Printing	\$3,000	\$1,224	\$10,000	\$10,000	0%
707 Membership & Conferences	\$5,000	\$2,900	\$10,000	\$10,000	0%
708 Insurance - Office	\$7,500	\$6,840	\$8,000	\$8,000	0%
710 Insurance - Prof. Liability	\$1,500	\$1,135	\$1,500	\$1,500	0%
711 Legal Services	\$150,000	\$10,719	\$50,000	\$50,000	0%
712 Professional Services	\$50,000	\$31,335	\$75,000	\$75,000	0%
713 Postage	\$4,000	\$2,104	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%
714 Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$202	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
715 Digital Imaging System	\$6,000	\$1,628	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%
716 Insurance - Unemployment	\$1,000	\$107	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
717 Insurance - Worker's Comp.	\$1,500	\$2,111	\$1,500	\$2,000	33%
718 Computer	\$10,000	\$8,016	\$20,000	\$10,000	-50%
719 Communication Service	\$4,000	\$5,868	\$5,000	\$5,000	0%
720 Laboratory	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100	0%
722 Budgeted Reserve	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$25,000	-17%
Subtotal	\$305,100	\$85,400	\$246,600	\$237,100	-4%
<b>800 Projects &amp; Programs</b>					
804 Water Quality Monitoring	\$15,000	\$5,079	\$10,000	\$10,000	0%
806 Recharge/Alternate Source	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
808 Water Meter Service	\$30,000	\$21,442	\$40,000	\$40,000	0%
809 Water Meter Sales	\$15,000	\$5,113	\$15,000	\$15,000	0%
810 Groundwater Cleanup	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
811 Water Level Monitoring	\$1,000	\$48	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
812 Information and Education	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500	0%
813 Abandoned / Inactive Wells	\$1,000	\$727	\$1,000	\$1,000	0%
814 Automated Data Collection	\$20,000	\$17,291	\$20,000	\$5,000	-75%
815 ASR Project (Grant Funds)	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	0%
816 District Modeling	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$5,000	-50%
Subtotal	\$122,500	\$49,700	\$127,500	\$107,500	-16%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$840,304</b>	<b>\$555,115</b>	<b>\$820,950</b>	<b>\$822,220</b>	<b>0%</b>

**EQUUS BEDS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2  
PROPOSED FY 2026 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

	<i>FY 2023</i>	<i>FY 2024</i>	<i>FY 2024</i>	<i>FY 2025</i>	<i>FY 2026</i>
	<i>Actual (1)</i>	<i>Adopted (2)</i>	<i>Actual (1)</i>	<i>Adopted (2)</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
Fund Balance JAN 1	<b>\$846,959</b>	<b>\$633,211</b>	<b>\$915,363</b>	<b>\$779,259</b>	<b>\$948,132</b>
Fund Balance Actual		\$915,363		\$1,083,424	
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Assessments	\$557,129	\$634,200	\$629,988	\$605,658	\$603,600
Interest	\$54,703	\$3,000	\$61,425	\$25,000	\$30,000
Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reimbursements	\$37,499	\$45,000	\$36,448	\$55,000	\$55,000
Carry-over Funds	\$0	\$136,104	\$0	\$135,292	\$133,620
Encumbrance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>REVENUE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$649,331</b>	<b>\$818,304</b>	<b>\$727,861</b>	<b>\$820,950</b>	<b>\$822,220</b>
<b>FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,496,290</b>	<b>\$1,315,411</b>	<b>\$1,643,224</b>	<b>\$1,464,917</b>	<b>\$1,636,732</b>
Fund Total PROJECTED		\$1,597,563			
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Salaries and Benefits	\$394,065	\$397,204	\$410,455	\$426,350	\$456,620
Transportation	\$9,515	\$15,500	\$9,935	\$20,500	\$21,000
Administration	\$96,188	\$288,100	\$88,972	\$246,600	\$237,100
Projects	\$81,159	\$117,500	\$50,438	\$127,500	\$107,500
Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$580,927</b>	<b>\$818,304</b>	<b>\$559,800</b>	<b>\$820,950</b>	<b>\$822,220</b>
Fund Balance DEC 31	<b>\$915,363</b>	<b>\$497,107</b>	<b>\$1,083,424</b>	<b>\$643,967</b>	<b>\$814,512</b>
Fund Balance Projected		<b>\$779,259</b>		<b>\$948,132</b>	
<b>ASSESSMENT BASE</b>					
Land (acres)		875,550		873,760	872,000
Water (af)		369,014		351,231	350,000
<b>ASSESSMENT RATE</b>					
Land (per acre)	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05
Water (per af)	\$1.50	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$1.60

(1) Audited Revenues and Expenditures

(2) Estimated fund balance and land and water assessment bases

(3) Unaudited Revenues and Expenditures

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