

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF GROUND WATER CONDITIONS IN THE SOUTHEAST BOISE GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA CALENDAR YEAR 2018

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This report describes the ground water conditions in and around the Southeast Boise Ground Water Management Area (GWMA) based on the ground water level observation network established in the spring of 2000 under the guidance of the Southeast Boise Ground Water Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee). The network is a cooperative effort among Micron Technology, Inc., Suez Water Idaho Inc., and the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR). Each cooperator submits water level data to IDWR, which is maintained in the IDWR ground water database. The J.R. Simplot Co., City of Boise, Sunroc Corp., Idaho Transportation Department, Idaho Department of Lands, Boise Gun Club, and other land owners provide access to wells within the monitoring network.

Status of Monitoring Network

The network currently consists of 34 active monitoring sites, with one site (03N 02E 14ABC) containing a set of five nested wells for a total of 38 active wells (**Figure B1**). The core monitoring network has remained relatively stable over time. During calendar year 2018, IDWR added three wells to the monitoring network (01N 01E 34AAA1 - City of Boise Farm, 02N 02E 21CBB1 - SunRoc, and 02N 03E 28CAA1 - Blacks Creek Rest Area Westbound) and deployed pressure transducers in five wells (**Table A1**). Monitoring at the Micron Test #2 well was discontinued in 2016, but was re-activated in 2018. Wells that have been designated as inactive monitoring sites are listed at the bottom of **Table A1**.

IDWR worked with the Idaho Transportation Department to re-establish access to a well located at the Westbound Blacks Creek Rest Area, and IDWR installed a pressure transducer in May 2018. IDWR installed a monitoring port and a pressure transducer in the SunRoc well in April 2018. IDWR installed a monitoring port and a pressure transducer in the Hollilynn domestic well in May 2018. IDWR installed a pressure transducer in the unused Harris South Cole Well in May 2018.

IDWR replaced two existing absolute (non-vented) pressure transducers with gauged (vented) pressure transducers and direct read cables at the Prigge well and the Blacks Creek Exit ITD well in April 2019 to improve data quality.

IDWR, with support from the Idaho Water Resource Board, is working with the City of Boise and the Boise Airport to drill a new dedicated monitoring well in the area southeast of the airport. The well is anticipated to be completed by July 1, 2019.

The current monitoring frequency for active wells in **Table A1** ranges from hourly to semi-annually. Sixteen wells monitored by IDWR are equipped with In-Situ™ pressure transducers, and are programmed to collect water level and water temperature observations at a minimum of two times per day (**Figure B1**), with most transducers now storing hourly readings. Wells measured by IDWR that do not contain pressure transducers are manually measured on a quarterly schedule. Micron Technology

Inc. provides approximately monthly water level observations for their monitoring wells, and Suez Water Idaho Inc. provides approximately bi-monthly measurements.

Ground Water Level Trends

Ground water level hydrographs showing the complete period of record for active wells in the monitoring network are shown in **Appendix C**. Ground water level hydrographs displaying data only for the period from January 1, 1990 to December 31, 2018 for all active monitoring wells are shown in **Appendix D**. All available data has been included in this report. A number of wells are subject to significant seasonal trends and/or pumping effects, which can make it difficult to draw meaningful conclusions from the hydrographs. Similarly, nearby pumping and/or management changes may impact apparent water level trends. Periodic data collection in wells lacking continuous measurement devices can make it difficult to conclude trends due to the uncertainty regarding the seasonal peaks and troughs of the hydrographs relative to the instantaneous manual measurements. The magnitude of the observed water level changes can also be such that determining trends independent of factors such as systematic and random errors can be challenging. All qualitative and quantitative analyses should recognize the limitations of the data as well as the associated uncertainties. Statistical trend analysis has not been performed, however, qualitative trends have been summarized for the active wells.

Qualitative trends were determined by subtracting the minimum depth to water for a given calendar year from the minimum depth to water for calendar year 2018, and by subtracting the maximum depth to water for a given calendar year from the maximum depth to water for calendar year 2018 (**Table A2**). If the calculated difference for the minimum depth to water and the maximum depth to water values are both negative, the water level trend is said to be increasing (measured water levels are becoming shallower). If the calculated difference for the minimum depth to water and the maximum depth to water values are both positive, the water level trend is said to be decreasing (measured water levels are becoming deeper). If the calculated difference for the minimum depth to water and the maximum depth to water values have different arithmetic signs, the water level trend is said to be undetermined.

Qualitative trends for 5, 10, and 15 year intervals were developed for the active monitoring network (**Table A2**). In the last five years (2013 to 2018), there have been apparent decreasing trends in the water levels in 10 of the 38 active wells. In that same time period, there have been apparent increasing trends in water levels in 13 of the 38 active wells. Water level trends for the remaining 15 wells were said to be undetermined due to water level ambiguity, and/or insufficient data.

Recommendations

The Advisory Committee has previously recommended the expansion of the monitoring network to include additional wells west of the GWMA boundary. IDWR continues to look for opportunities and consider Advisory Committee recommendations for establishing new monitoring wells, installing pressure transducers, and incorporating data from other entities. In addition, IDWR, with support from the Idaho Water Resource Board, is working with the City of Boise and the Boise Airport to drill a new dedicated monitoring well in the area southeast of the airport. The well is anticipated to be completed by July 1, 2019.

Appendix A

Tables

Table A1. Summary of the ground water monitoring network for the Southeast Boise GWMA.

| Map ID | Well Number | Well Name | Period of Water Level Record | Status of Well | Comments |
|--------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| 1 | 01N 01E 34AAA1 | City of Boise Farm | 2018 - 2018 | Active | Transducer installed January 2018 |
| 2 | 01N 03E 04BBD1 | Prigge | 1994 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed October 2014, vented transducer installed April 2019 |
| 3 | 01N 04E 28CAC1 | Ken Agenbroad | 1979 - 2019 | Active | |
| 4 | 02N 01E 36BBB1 | Harris South Cole | 1969 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed May 2018 |
| 5 | 02N 02E 02BBC2 | JR Flat | 1989 - 2018 | Active | |
| 6 | 02N 02E 04CBB1 | IDL House | 1973 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed March 2017 |
| 7 | 02N 02E 07CBC1 | Hollilynn | 1993 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed May 2018 |
| 8 | 02N 02E 17ABD1 | Ten Mile | 1996 - 2018 | Active | |
| 9 | 02N 02E 21CBB1 | SunRoc | 2018 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed April 2018 |
| 10 | 02N 02E 22BBB1 | Pioneer | 1998 - 2018 | Active | |
| 11 | 02N 02E 34CCD1 | Boise Gun Club | 1976 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed November 2016 |
| 12 | 02N 03E 06DCA1 | Micron Test #1 | 1986 - 2019 | Active | |
| 13 | 02N 03E 07BAC1 | Micron Test #2 | 1983 - 2019 | Active | |
| 14 | 02N 03E 07CDA1 | Pettibone | 1997 - 2019 | Active | |
| 15 | 02N 03E 07DBB1 | Micron Shallow Obs | 1998 - 2019 | Active | |
| 16 | 02N 03E 07DBB2 | Micron Deep Obs | 1998 - 2019 | Active | |
| 17 | 02N 03E 09BAA2 | Christensen | 1993 - 2019 | Active | |
| 18 | 02N 03E 19DBB1 | Micron South | 2017 - 2019 | Active | |

| Map ID | Well Number | Well Name | Period of Water Level Record | Status of Well | Comments |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 19 | 02N 03E 28CAA1 | Blacks Creek Rest Area Westbound | 2007 - 2019 | Active | Site re-established and transducer installed May 2018 |
| 20 | 02N 03E 34ACC1 | Blacks Creek Exit ITD | 2012 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed October 2014, vented transducer installed April 2019 |
| 21 | 03N 02E 11DDD1 | TV Lenzi | 1977 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed June 2016 |
| 22 | 03N 02E 14ABC | TVHP 4-1 through 4-5 | 2002 - 2019 | Active | Transducers installed August 2016 |
| 23 | 03N 02E 25ACBC1 | Helen Lowder Park | 1992 - 2019 | Active | |
| 24 | 03N 02E 25CAA1 | Centennial | 1976 - 2018 | Active | |
| 25 | 03N 02E 26DBA1 | Bergeson | 1990 - 2018 | Active | |
| 26 | 03N 02E 35BAB1 | Market | 1991 - 2018 | Active | |
| 27 | 03N 02E 36ABC1 | Terteling | 1972 - 2018 | Active | |
| 28 | 03N 02E 36CDA1 | Cromon | 1991 - 2018 | Active | |
| 29 | 03N 03E 30BCBD1 | Hurok | 1969 - 2019 | Active | |
| 30 | 03N 03E 30DDAA1 | E Boise Ave | 1987 - 2019 | Active | Transducer installed March 2017 |
| 31 | 03N 03E 31ADD1 | Simplot Golden Development | 1993 - 2019 | Active | |
| 32 | 03N 03E 32BBA1 | Whitney Fire | 1975 - 2019 | Active | |
| 33 | 03N 03E 32CDD1 | Columbia | 1990 - 2019 | Active | |
| 34 | 03N 03E 33DAA1 | Hammer Flats | 1969 - 2019 | Active | |
| | 02N 02E 04CAA1 | SEB IDL Field | 2000 - 2009 | Inactive | Discontinued in 2010 |
| | 02N 03E 09BCA2 | Vern Guyer | 1993 - 2007 | Inactive | Discontinued in 2007 |

| Map ID | Well Number | Well Name | Period of Water Level Record | Status of Well | Comments |
|---------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | 03N 02E 25CBCA1 | Motive Power 41A | 1997 - 2015 | Inactive | Discontinued in 2015 |
| | 03N 03E 31BDD1 - DESTROYED | Oregon Trail - Destroyed | 1977 - 2012 | Inactive | Discontinued in 2013 |

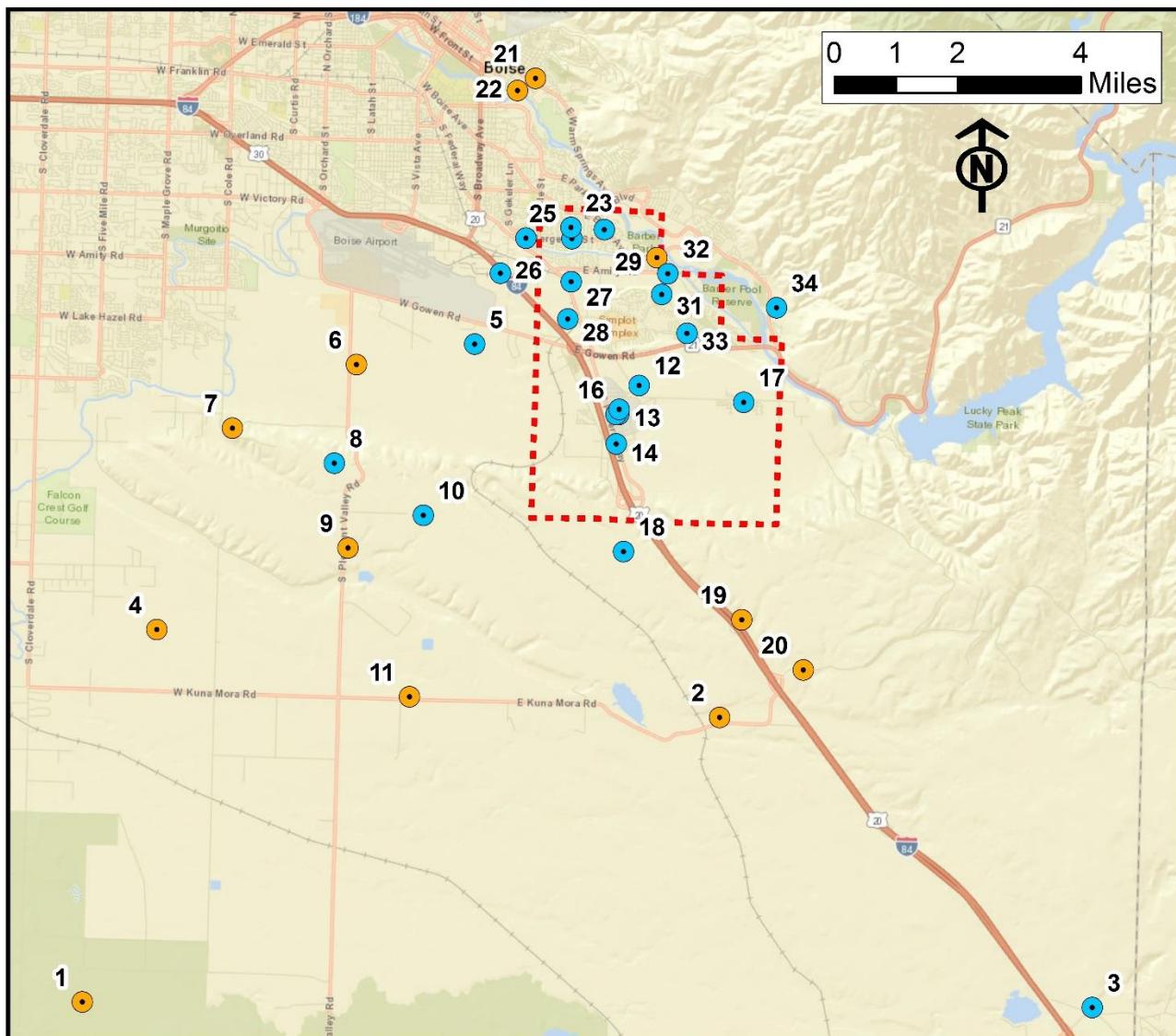
Table A2. Qualitative trend results for the 38 active monitoring wells.

| Well Number | Well Name | 5 Year Trend (2018-2013) | 10 Year Trend (2018-2008) | 15 Year Trend (2018-2003) |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 01N 01E 34AAA1 | City of Boise Farm | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 01N 03E 04BBD1 | Prigge | Increasing | N/A | N/A |
| 01N 04E 28CAC1 | Ken Agenbroad | Decreasing | Decreasing | N/A |
| 02N 01E 36BBB1 | Harris South Cole | Decreasing | Decreasing | Decreasing |
| 02N 02E 02BBC2 | JR Flat | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 02N 02E 04CBB1 | IDL House | Undetermined | N/A | N/A |
| 02N 02E 07CBC1 | Hollilynn | Decreasing | Decreasing | Decreasing |
| 02N 02E 21CBB1 | SunRoc | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 02N 02E 22BBB1 | Pioneer | Undetermined | Decreasing | Undetermined |
| 02N 02E 34CCD1 | Boise Gun Club | Decreasing | Decreasing | Decreasing |
| 02N 03E 06DCA1 | Micron Test #1 | Decreasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 02N 03E 07CDA1 | Pettibone | Decreasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 02N 03E 07DBB1 | Micron Shallow Obs | Decreasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 02N 03E 07DBB2 | Micron Deep Obs | Decreasing | Undetermined | Increasing |
| 02N 03E 09BAA2 | Christensen | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 02N 03E 28CAA1 | Blacks Creek Rest Area Westbound | Increasing | Undetermined | N/A |
| 02N 03E 34ACC1 | Blacks Creek Exit ITD | Increasing | N/A | N/A |
| 03N 02E 11DDD1 | TV Lenzi | Undetermined | Increasing | Undetermined |
| 03N 02E 14ABC1 | TVHP 4-1 | Undetermined | Undetermined | Undetermined |
| 03N 02E 14ABC2 | TVHP 4-2 | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 14ABC3 | TVHP 4-3 | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 14ABC4 | TVHP 4-4 | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 14ABC5 | TVHP 4-5 | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 25CAA1 | Centennial | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 26DBA1 | Bergeson | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 35BAB1 | Market | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 02E 36ABC1 | Terteling | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 03E 30BCBD1 | Hurok | Undetermined | Undetermined | Undetermined |
| 03N 03E 30DDAA1 | E Boise Ave | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 03E 32BBA1 | Whitney Fire | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 03E 31ADD1 | Simplot Golden Development | Undetermined | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 03E 32CDD1 | Columbia | Decreasing | Increasing | Increasing |
| 03N 03E 33DAA1 | Hammer Flats | Decreasing | Decreasing | Decreasing |
| 02N 03E 07BAC1 | Micron Test #2 | Increasing | Increasing | Increasing |

| Well Number | Well Name | 5 Year Trend (2018-2013) | 10 Year Trend (2018-2008) | 15 Year Trend (2018-2003) |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 02N 02E 17ABD1 | Ten Mile | Increasing | N/A | Decreasing |
| 02N 03E 19DBB1 | Micron South | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 03N 02E 25ACBC1 | Helen Lowder Park | Undetermined | Undetermined | Undetermined |
| 03N 02E 36CDA1 | Cromon | Increasing | Increasing | N/A |

Appendix B

Figures



Southeast Boise Ground Water Management Area Monitoring Network

● Well Without Transducer
 ● Well With Transducer
 ■ Southeast Boise GWMA Boundary

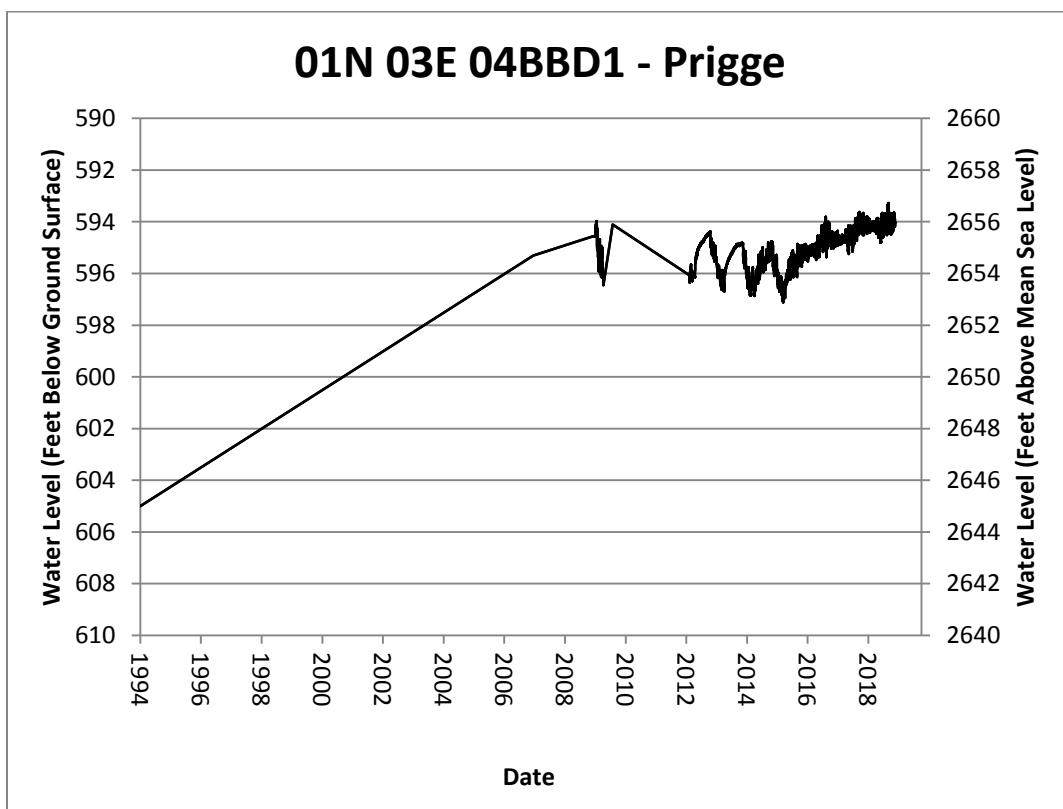
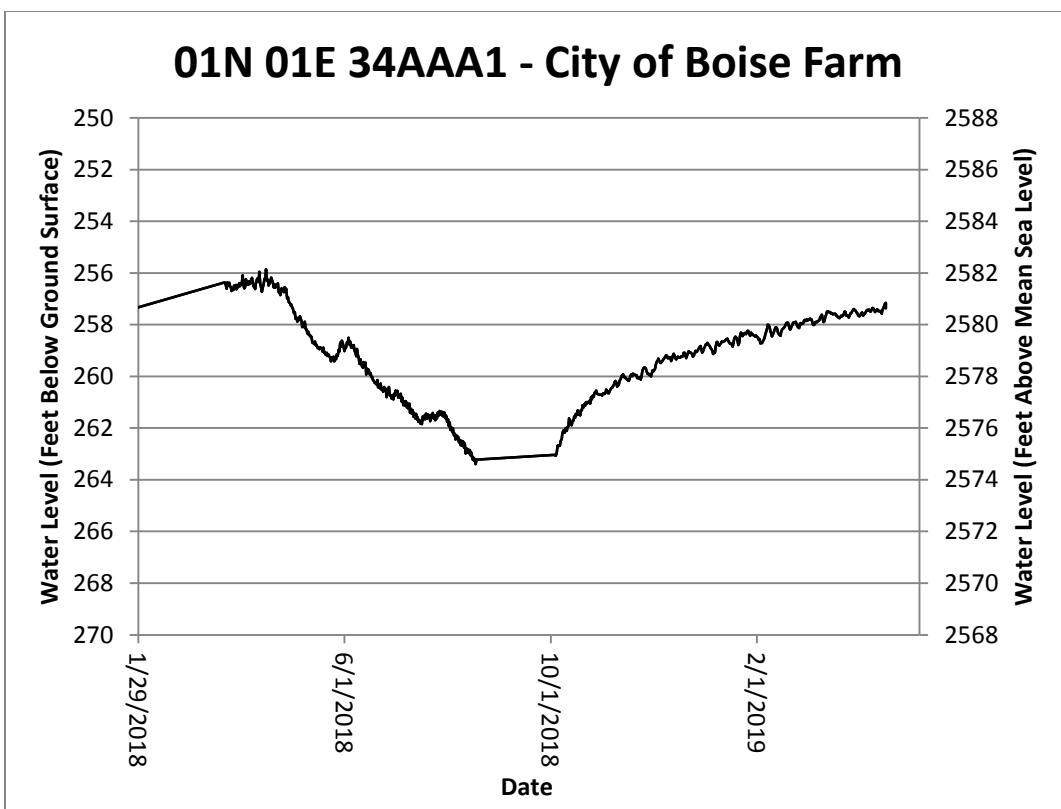
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| 2 | 01N 03E 04BBBD1 | Prigge | 14 | 02N 03E 07CDA1 | Pettibone | 26 | 03N 02E 35BAB1 | Market |
| 3 | 01N 04E 28CAC1 | Ken Agenbroad | 15 | 02N 03E 07DBB1 | Micron Shallow Obs | 27 | 03N 02E 36ABC1 | Terteling |
| 4 | 02N 01E 36BBBB1 | Harris South Cole | 16 | 02N 03E 07DBB2 | Micron Deep Obs | 28 | 03N 02E 36CDA1 | Cromon |
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| 7 | 02N 02E 07CBC1 | Hollilynn | 19 | 02N 03E 28CAA1 | Blacks Creek Rest Area Westbound | 31 | 03N 03E 31ADD1 | Simplot Golden Development |
| 8 | 02N 02E 17ABD1 | Ten Mile | 20 | 02N 03E 34ACC1 | Blacks Creek Exit ITD | 32 | 03N 03E 32BBA1 | Whitney Fire |
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| 11 | 02N 02E 34CCD1 | Boise Gun Club | 23 | 03N 02E 25ACBC1 | Helen Lowder Park | | | |
| 12 | 02N 03E 06DCA1 | Micron Test #1 | 24 | 03N 02E 25CAA1 | Centennial | | | |

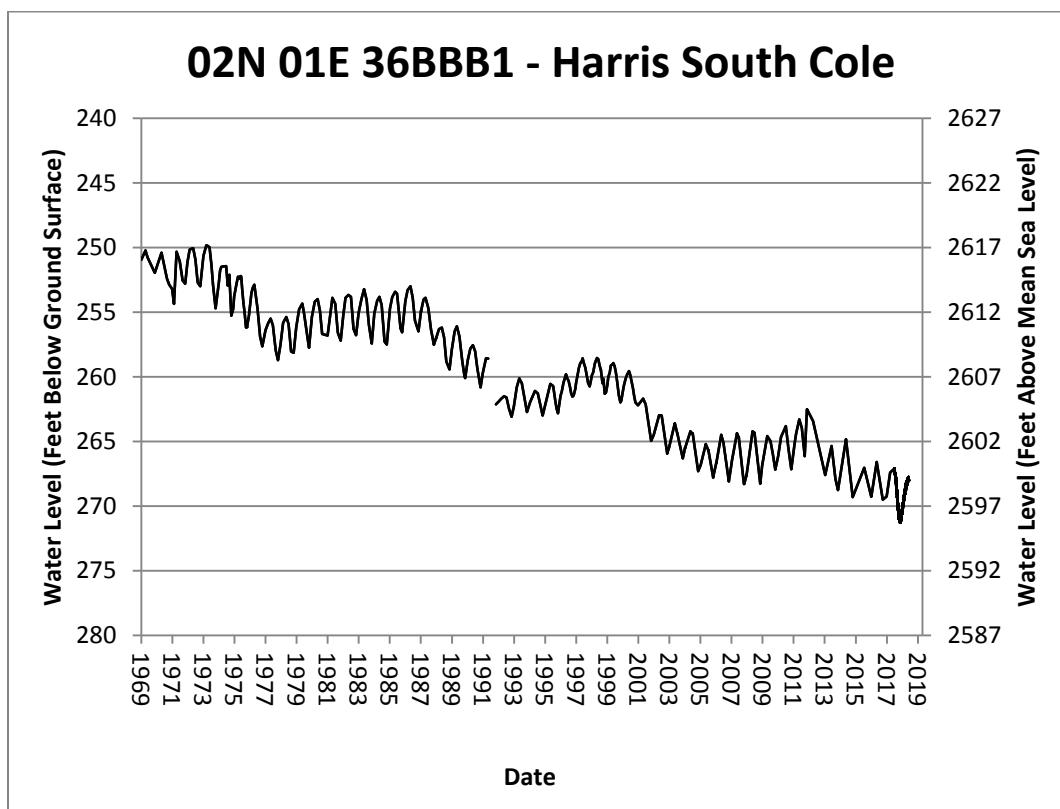
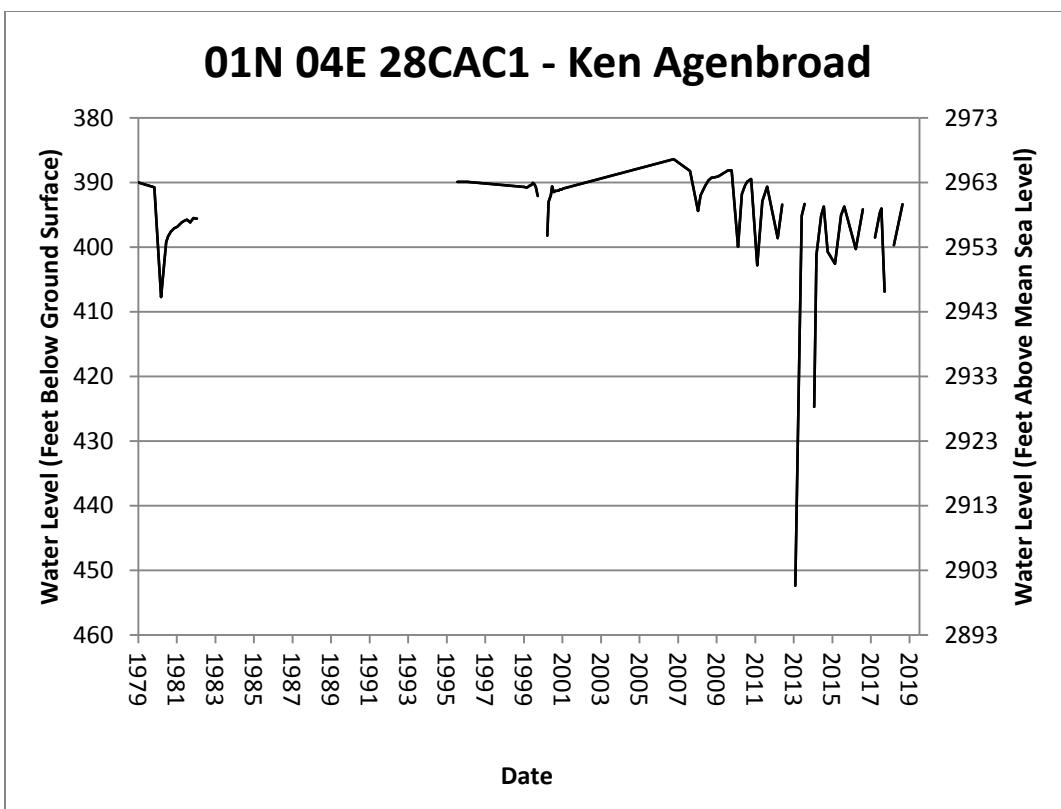
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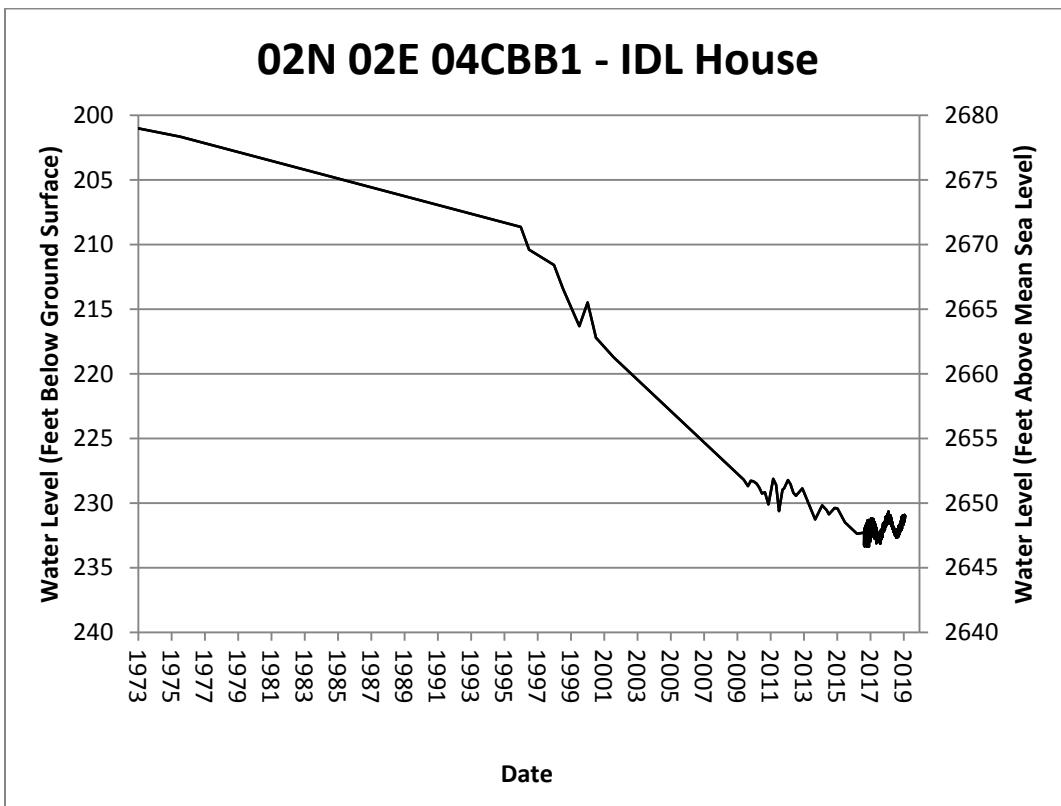
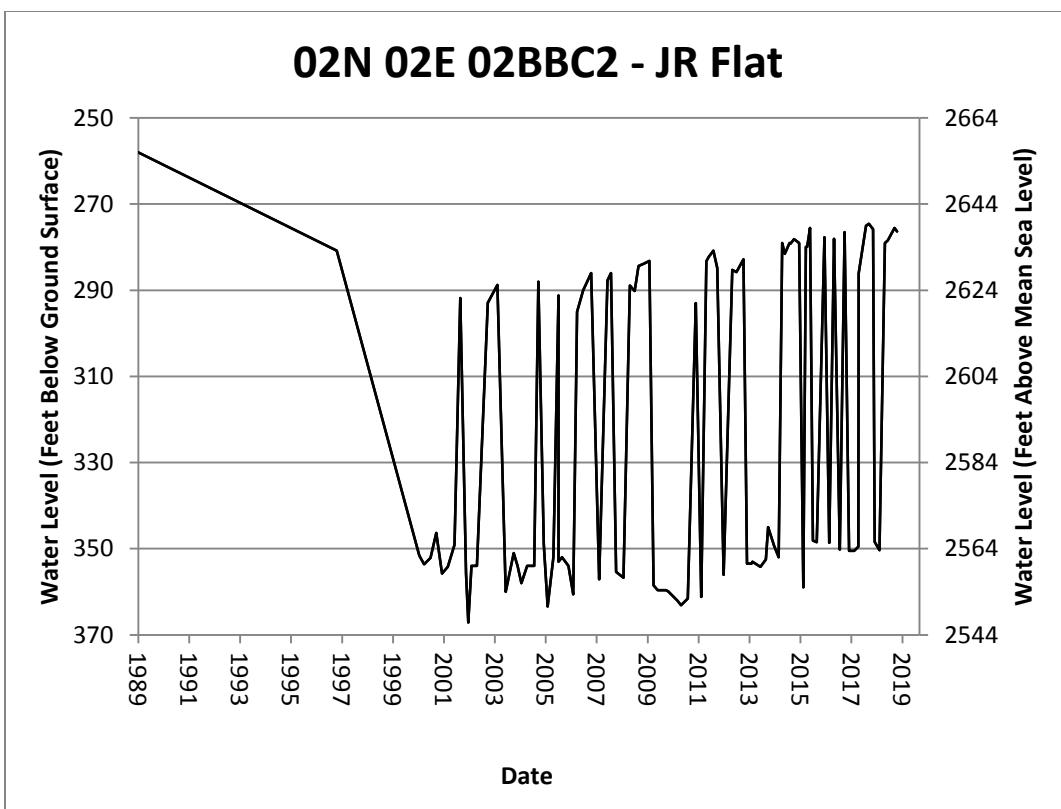
Figure B1. Current Southeast Boise GWMA monitoring network.

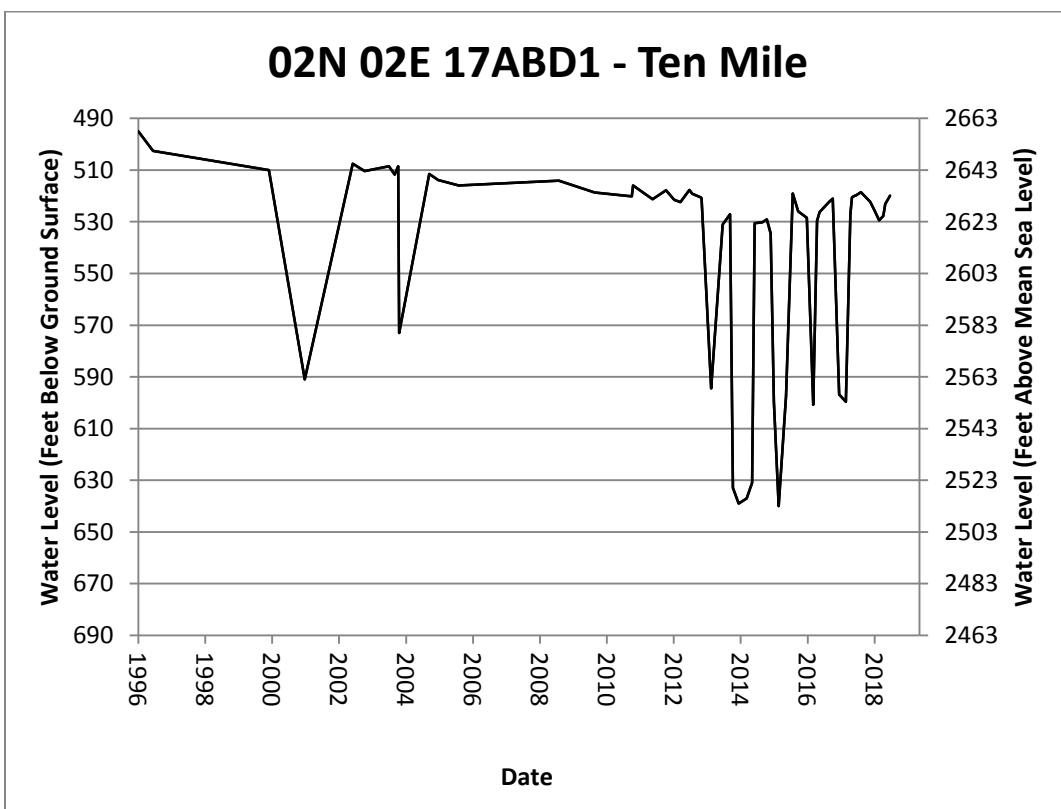
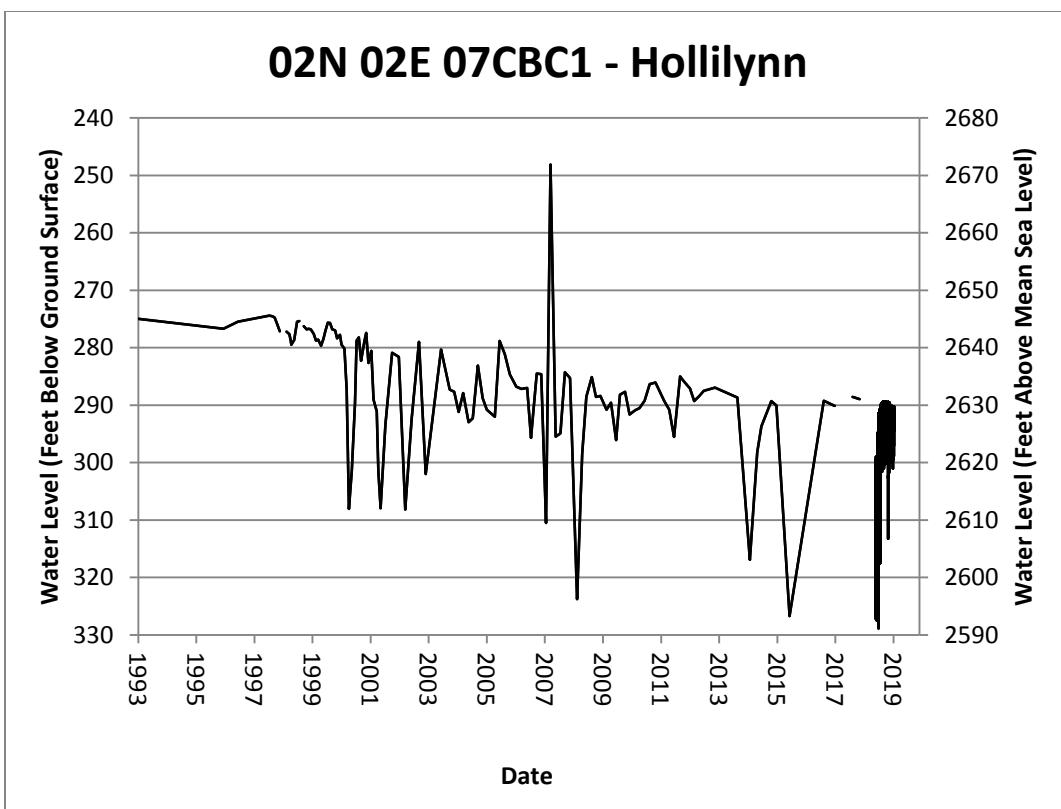
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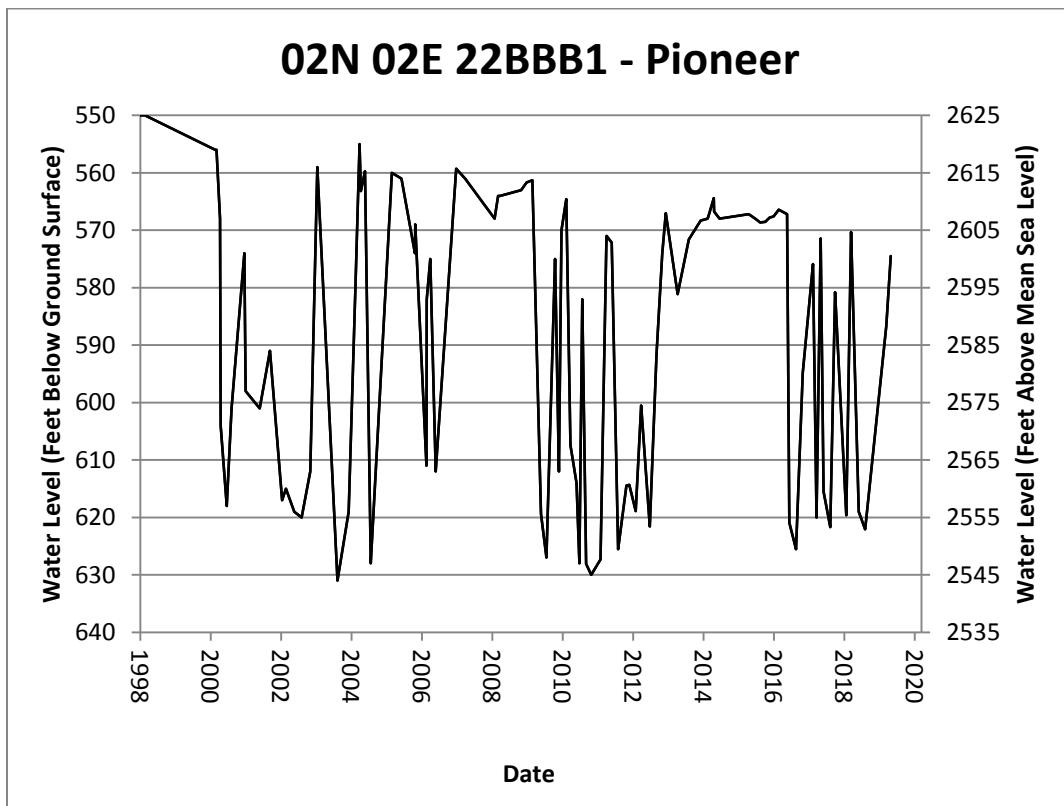
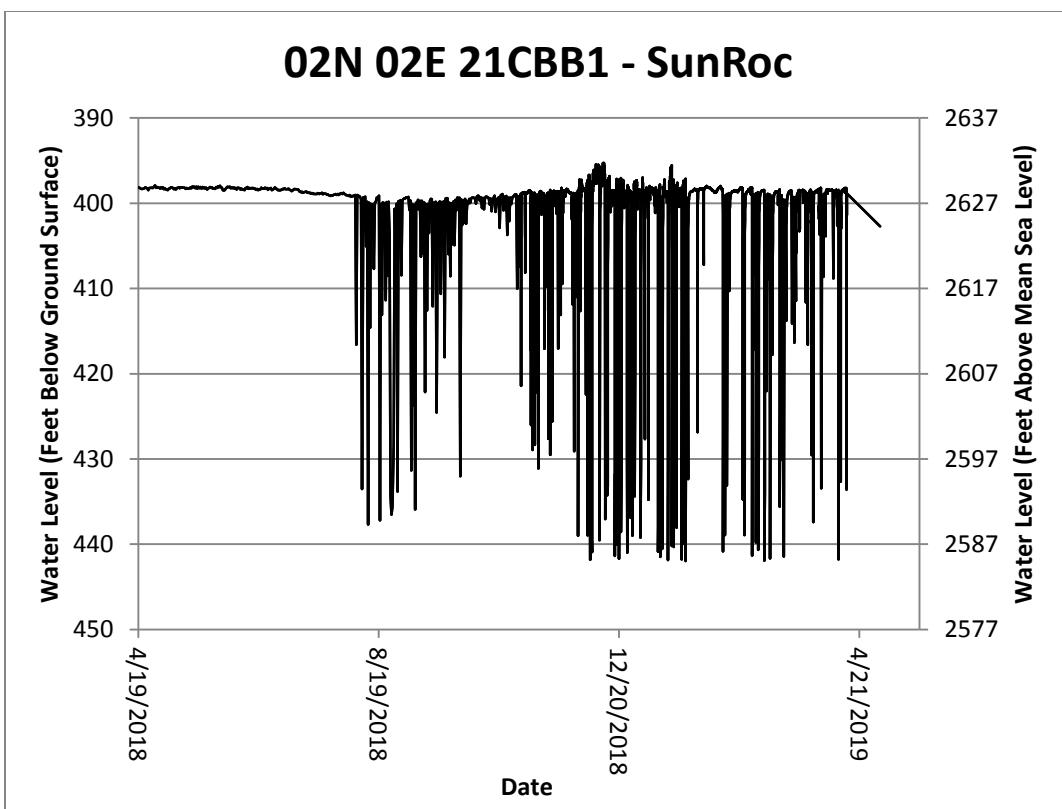
Hydrographs for Active Monitoring Wells

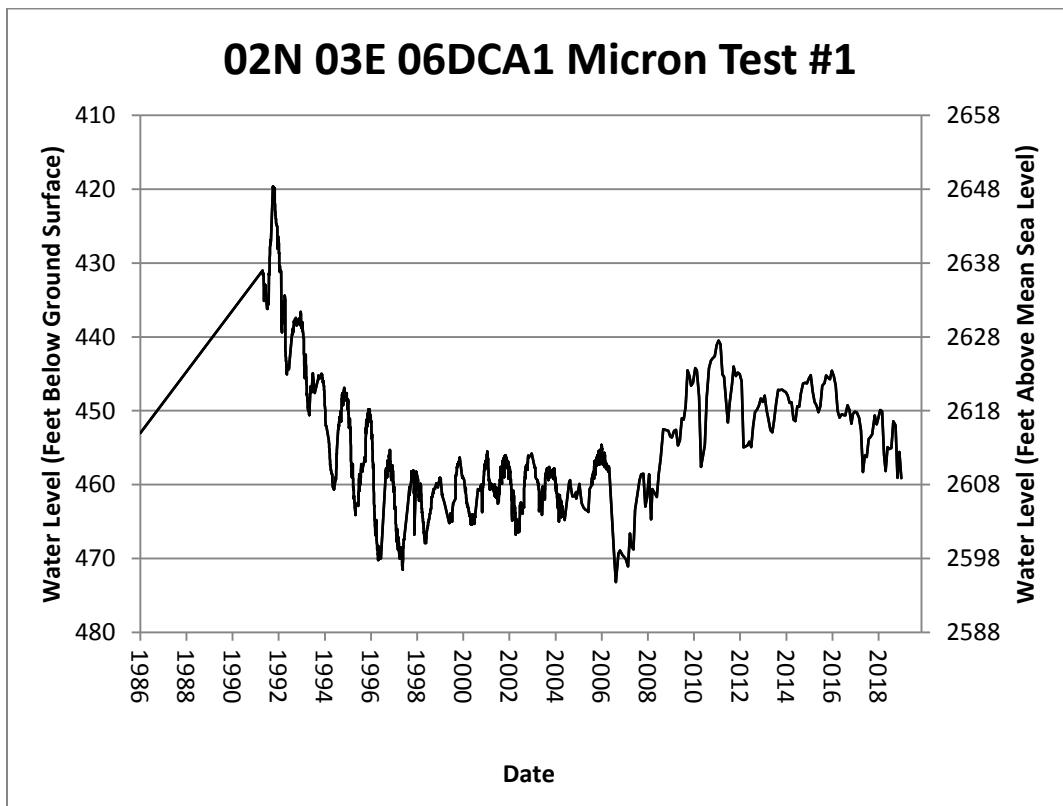
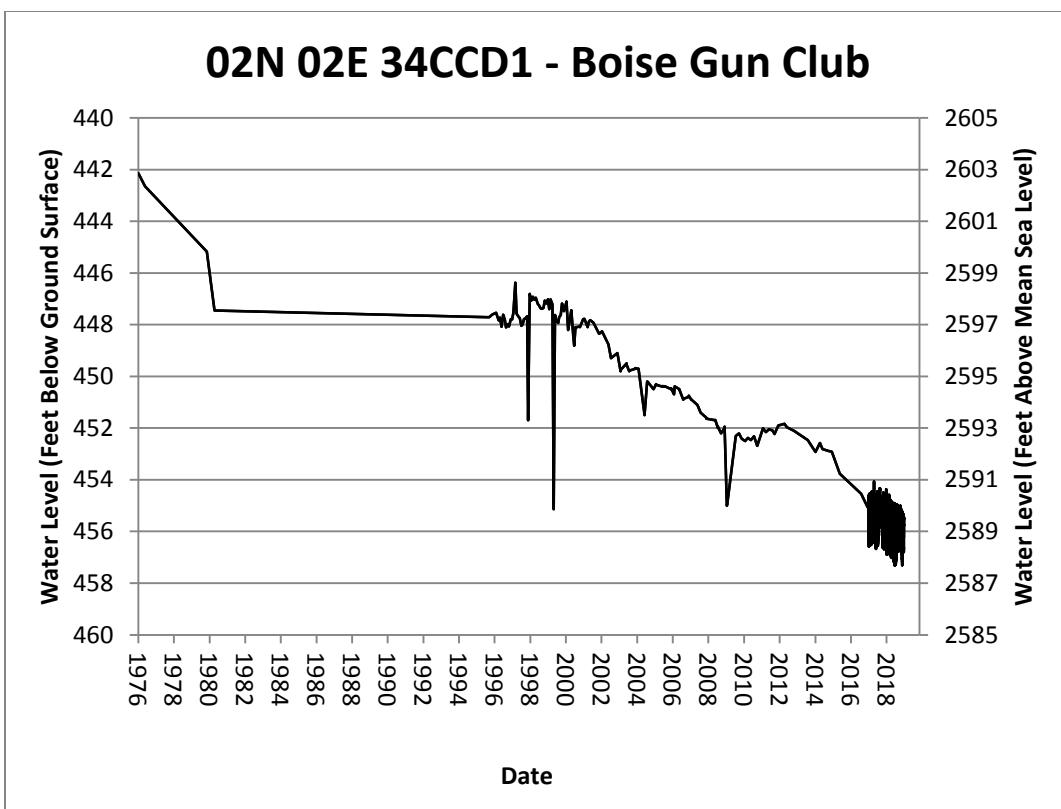


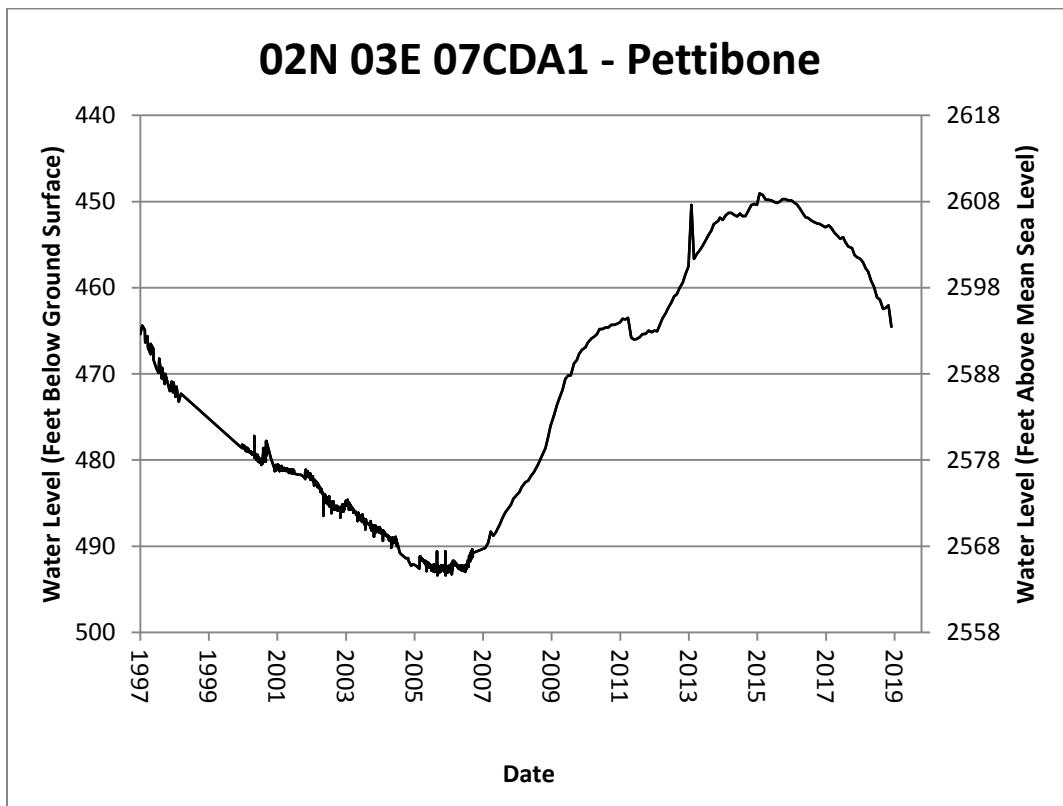
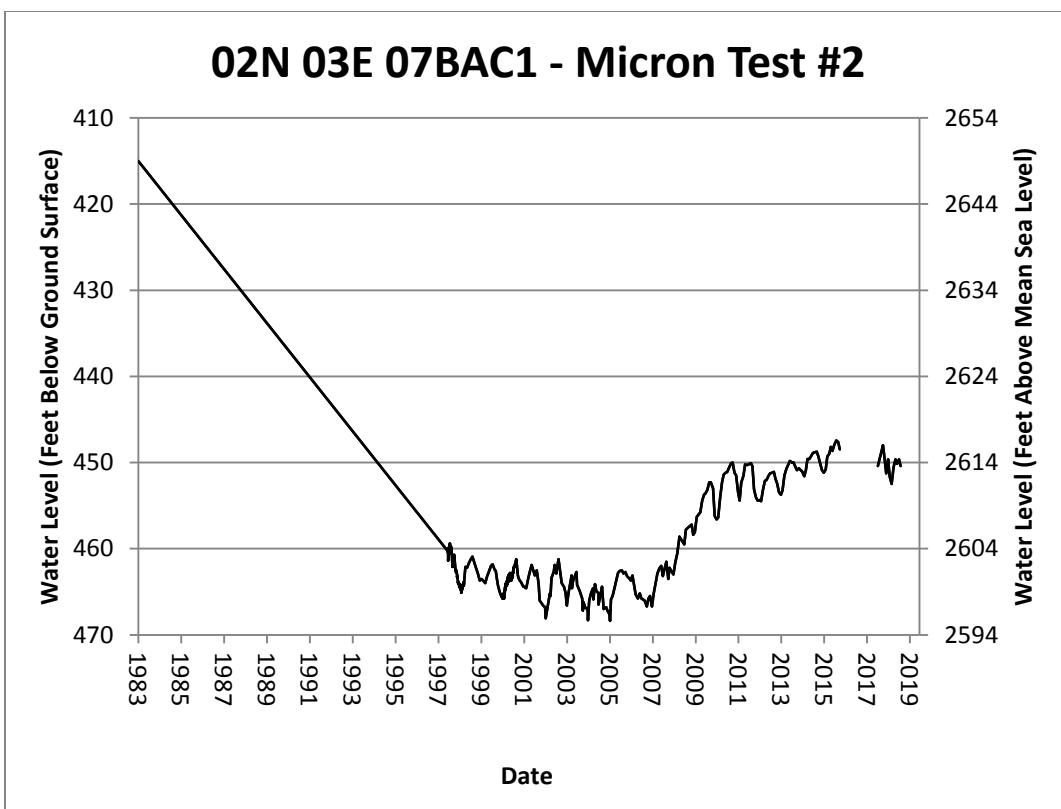


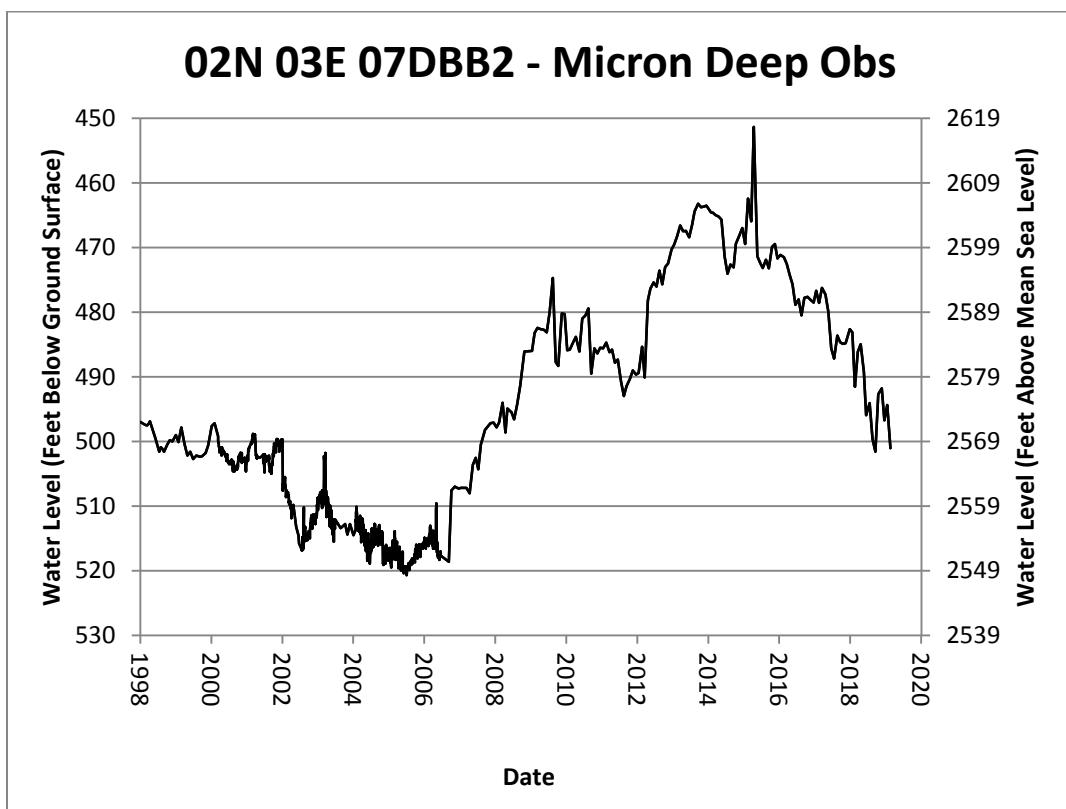
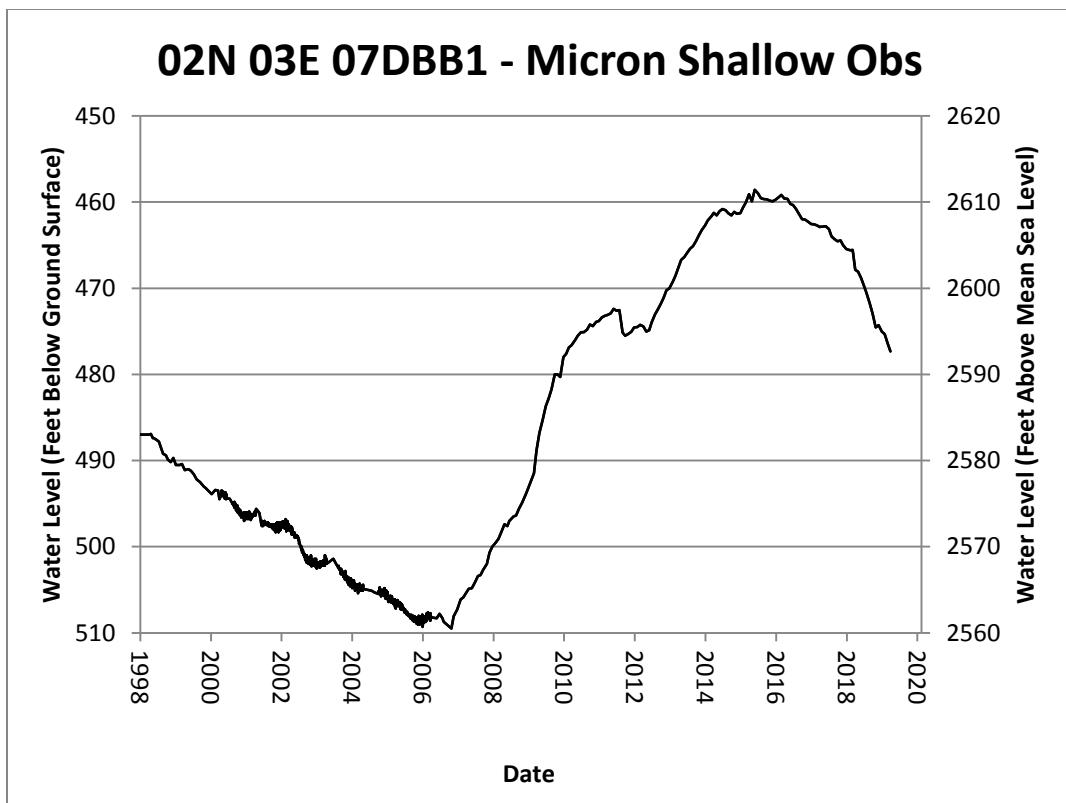


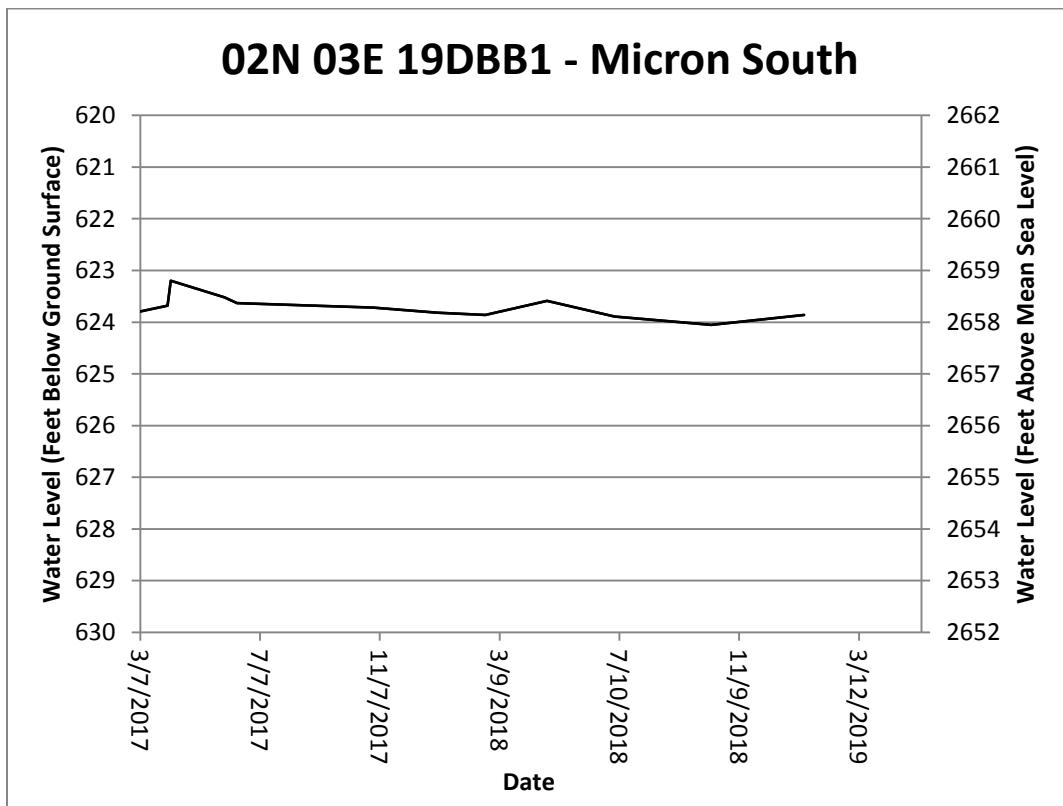
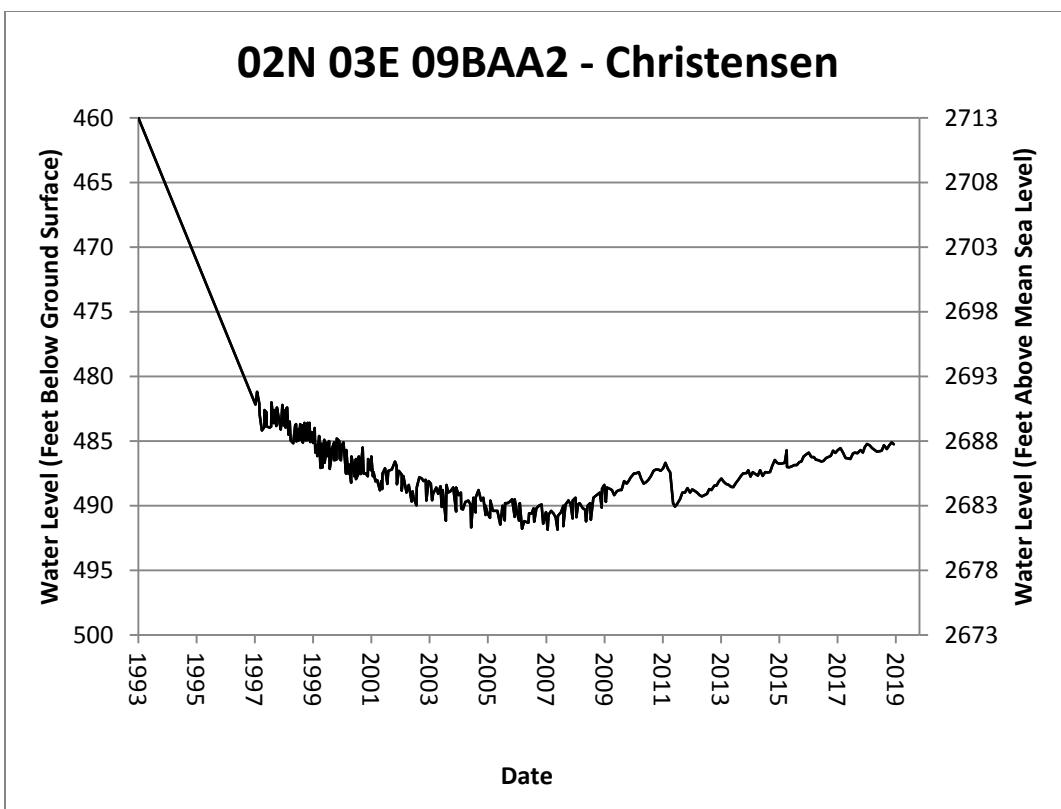




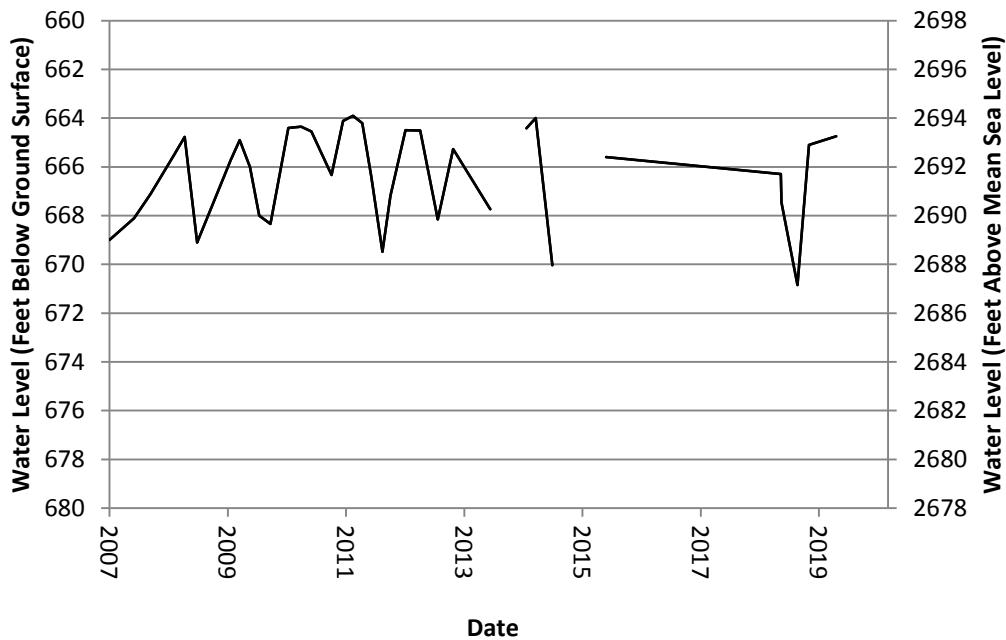




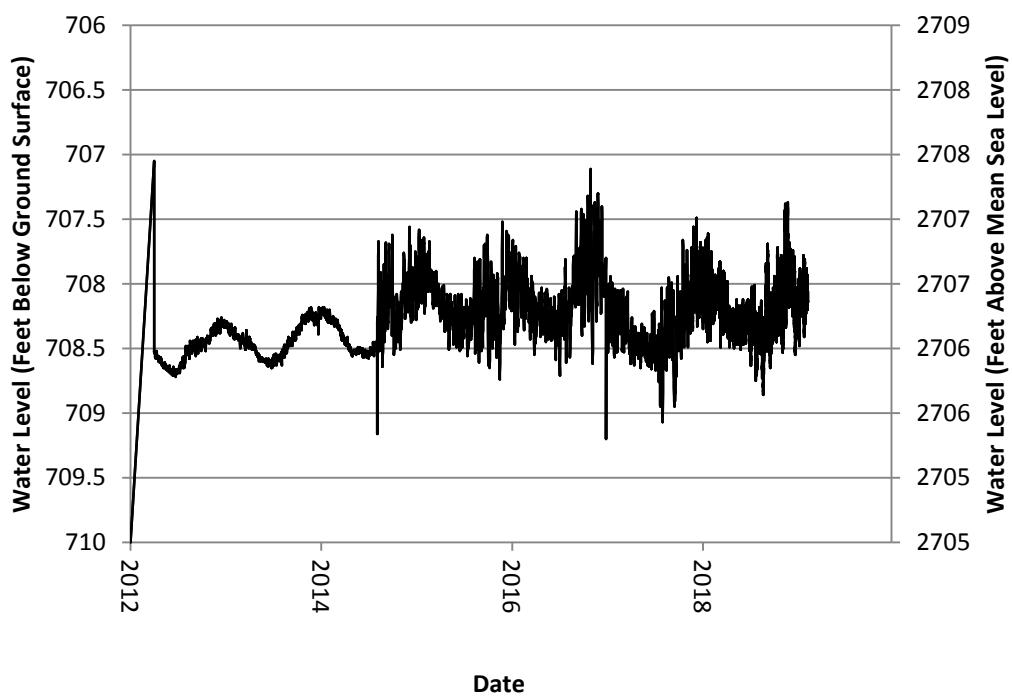


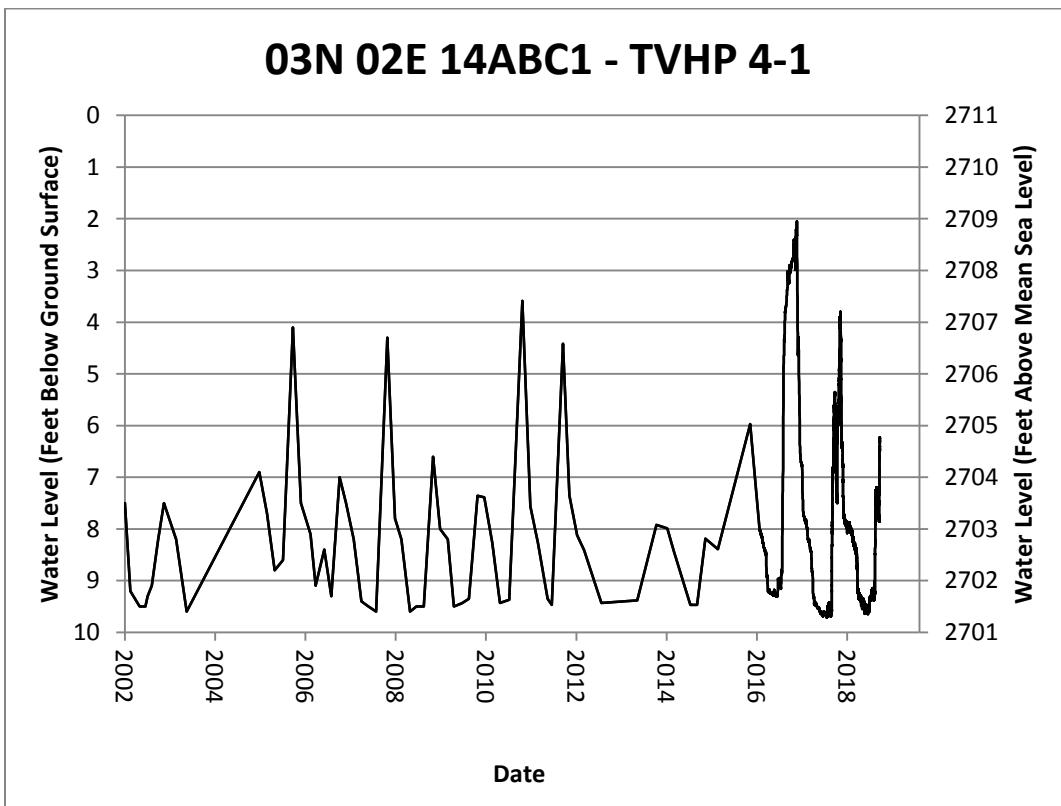
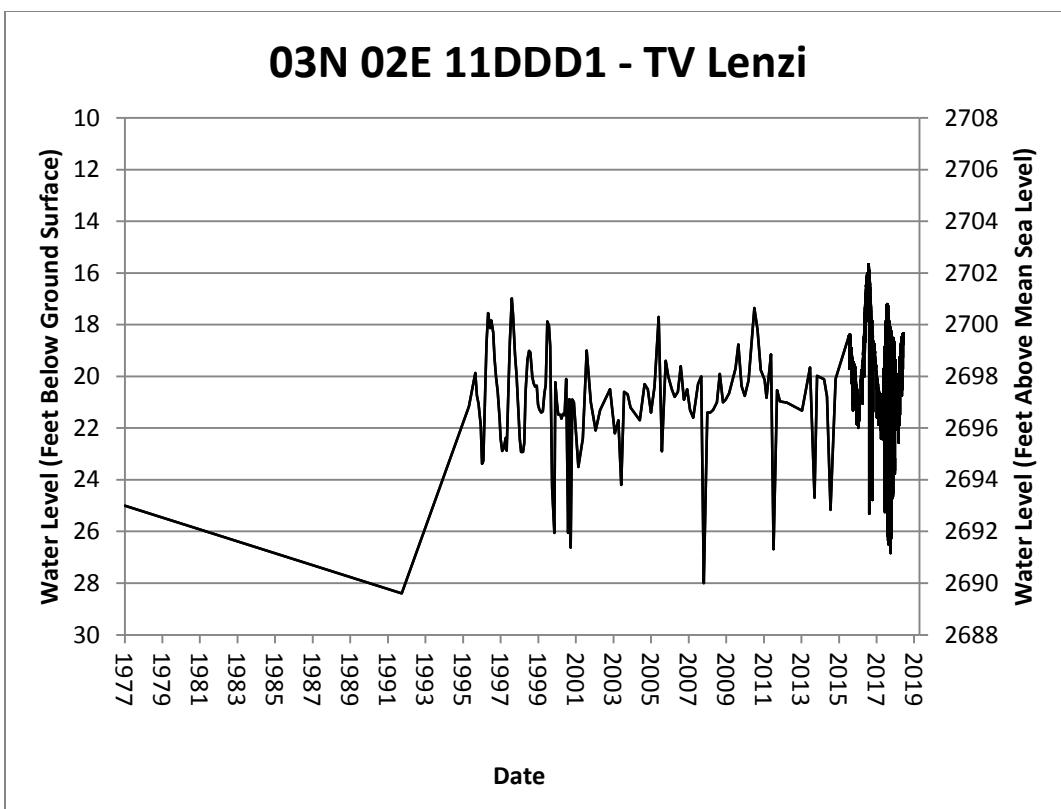


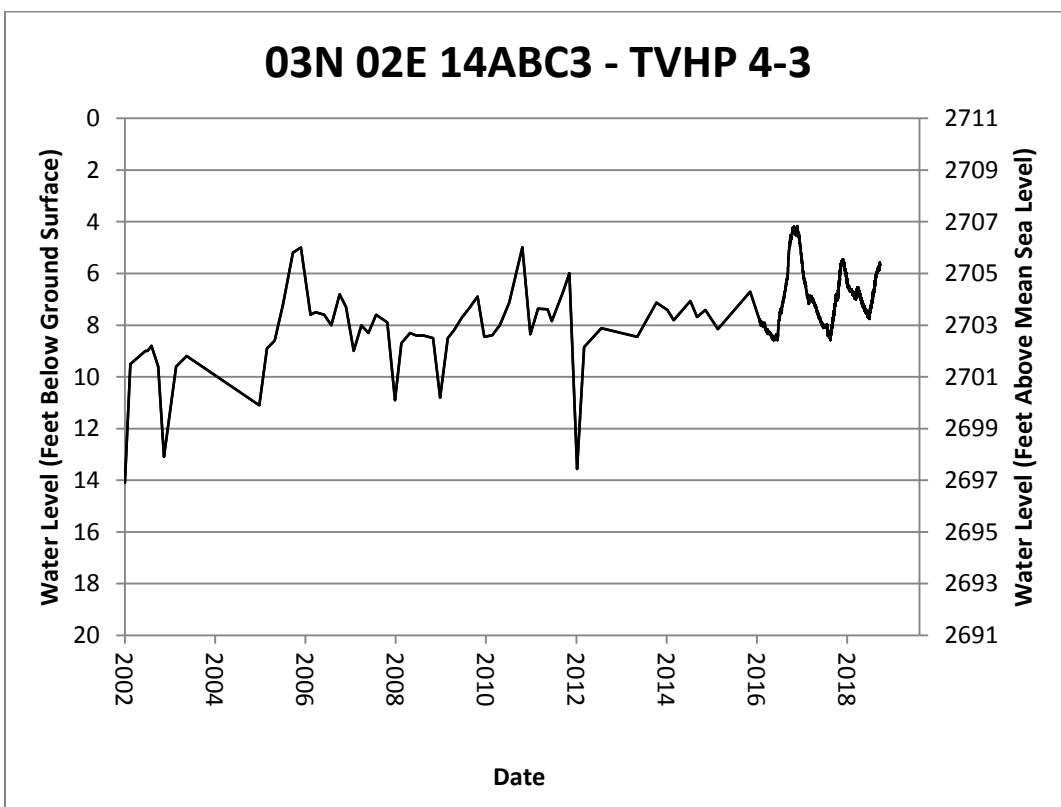
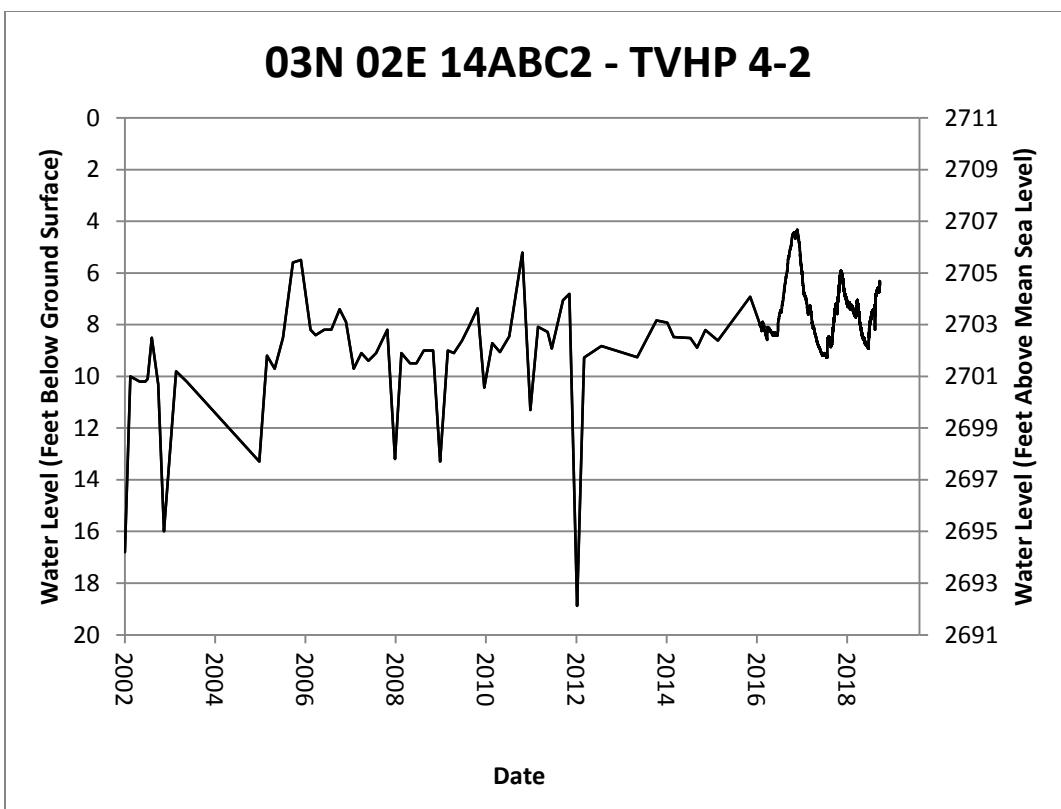
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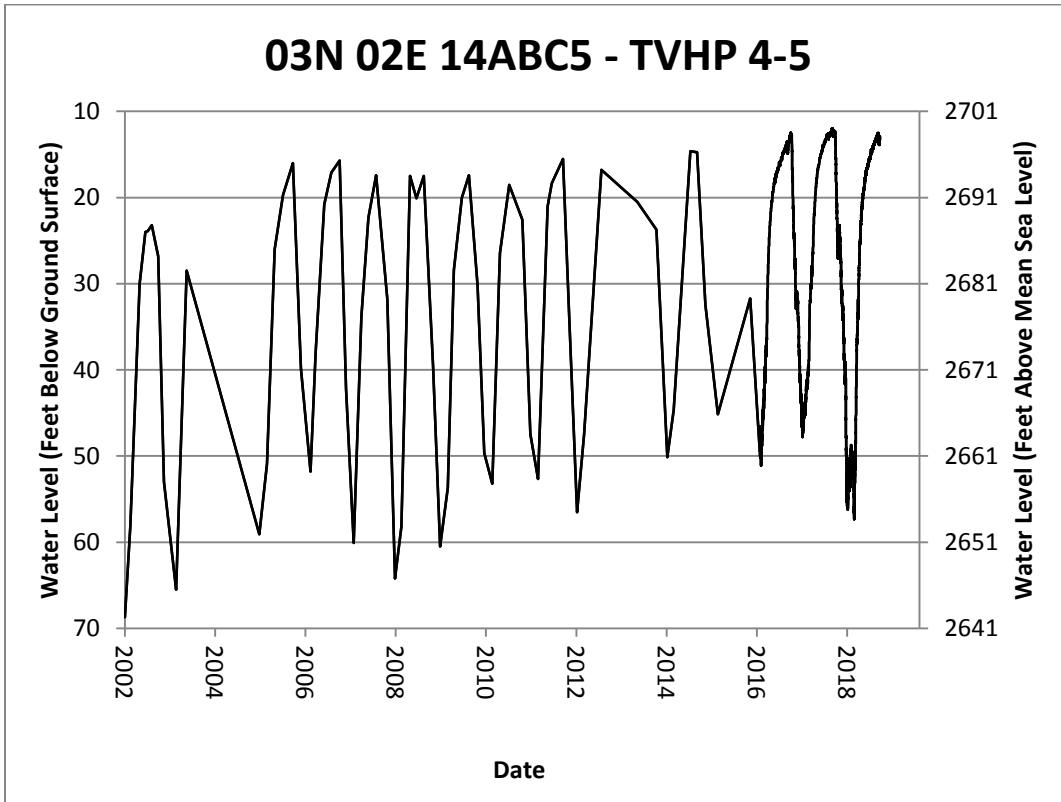
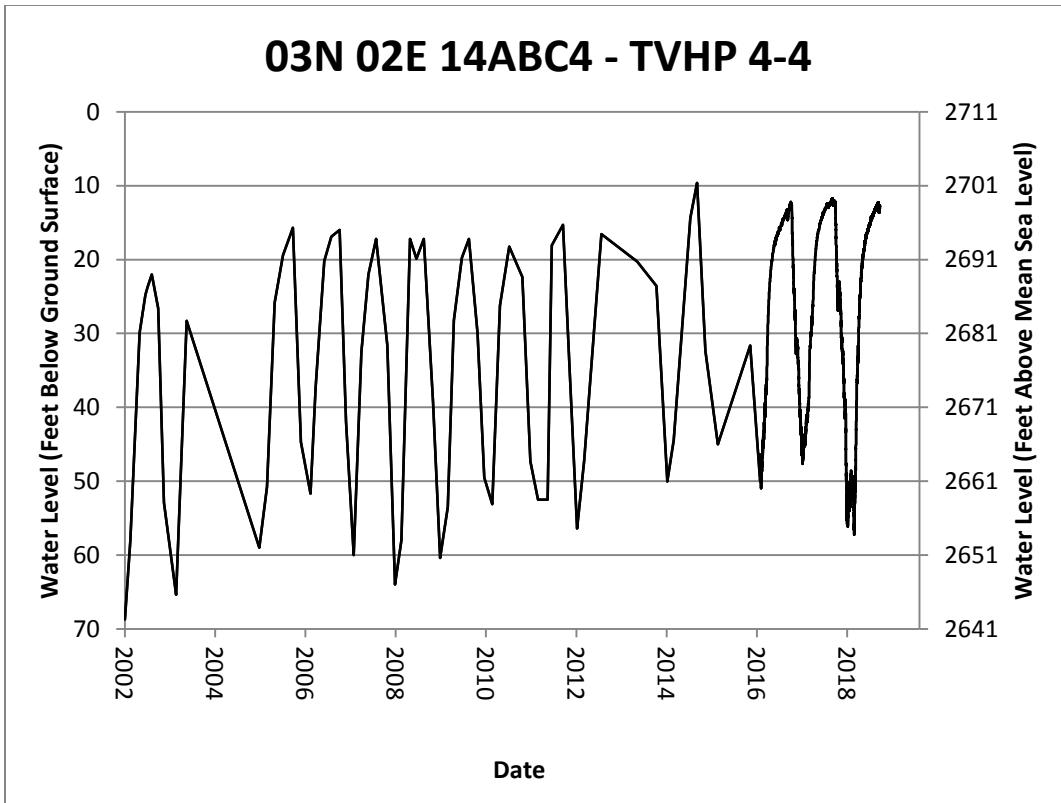


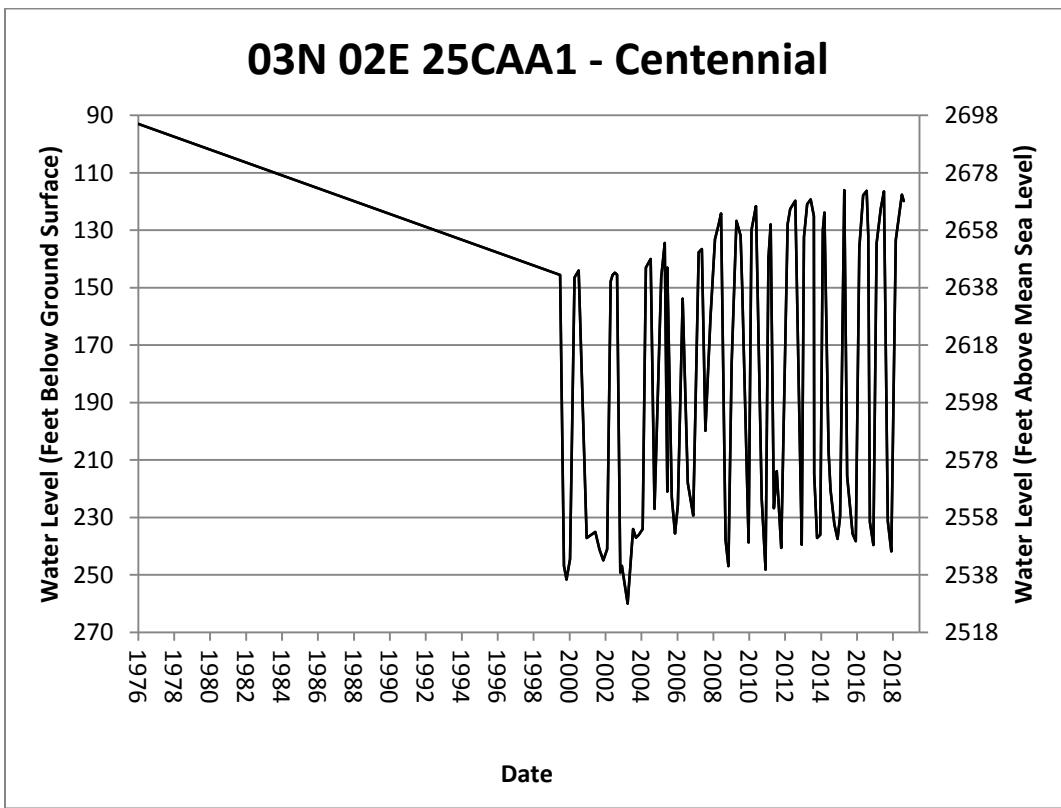
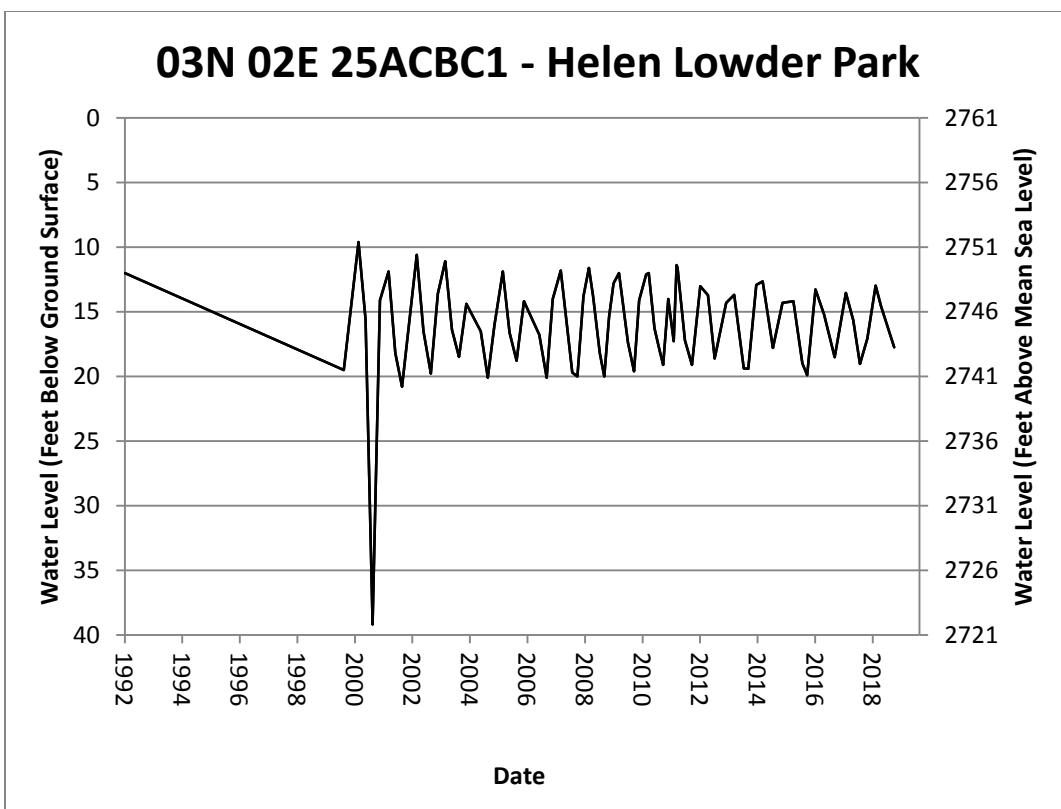
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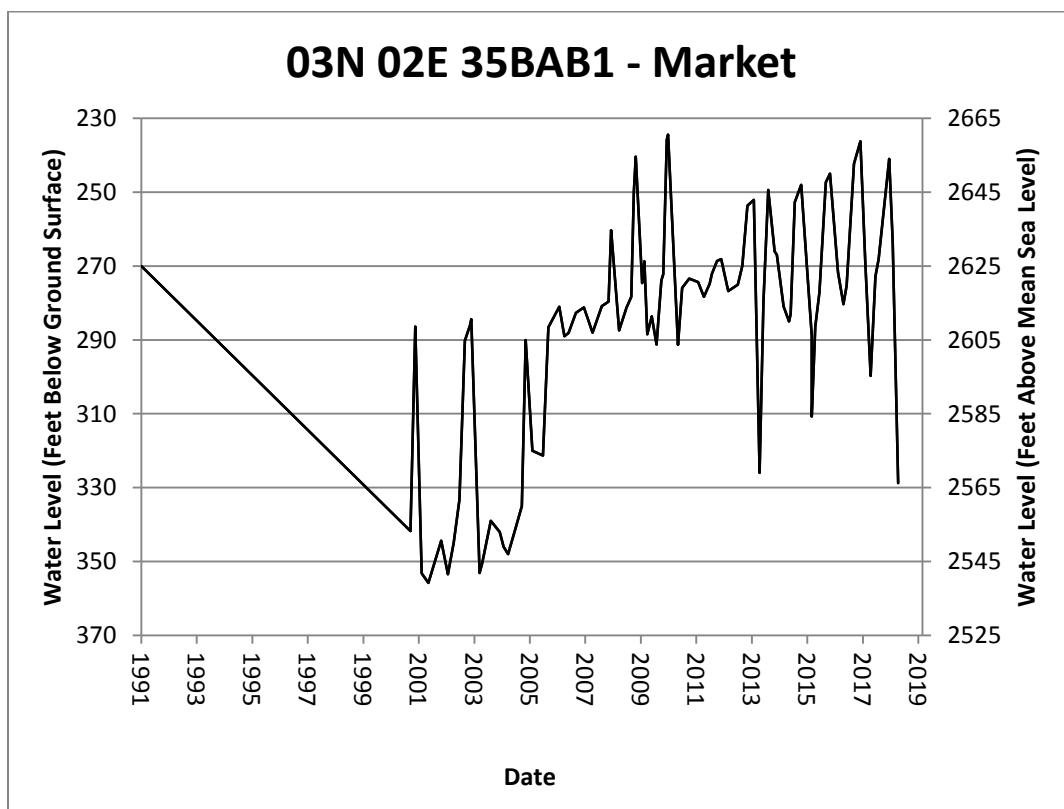
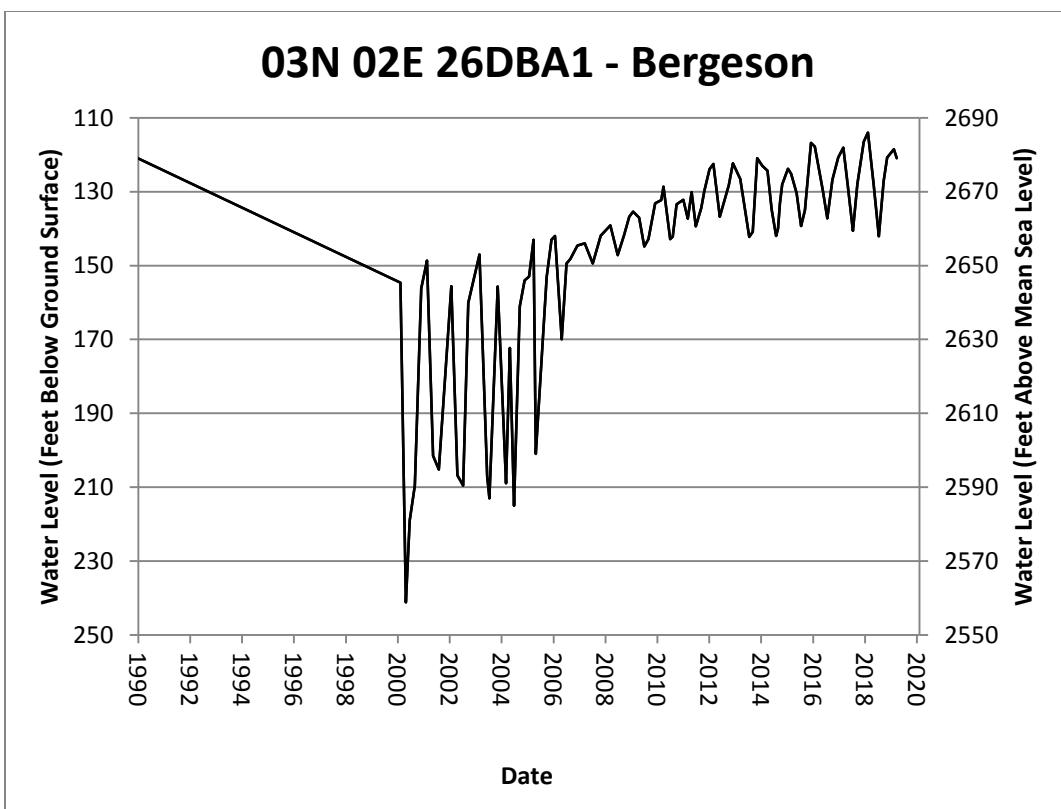


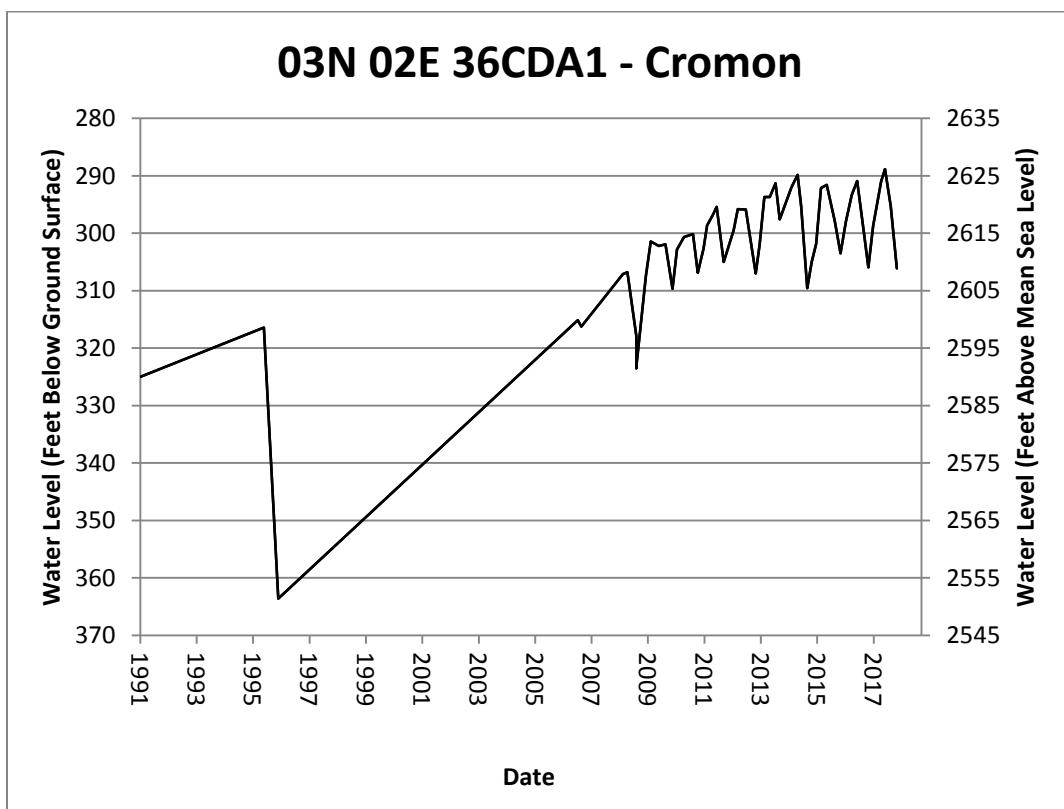
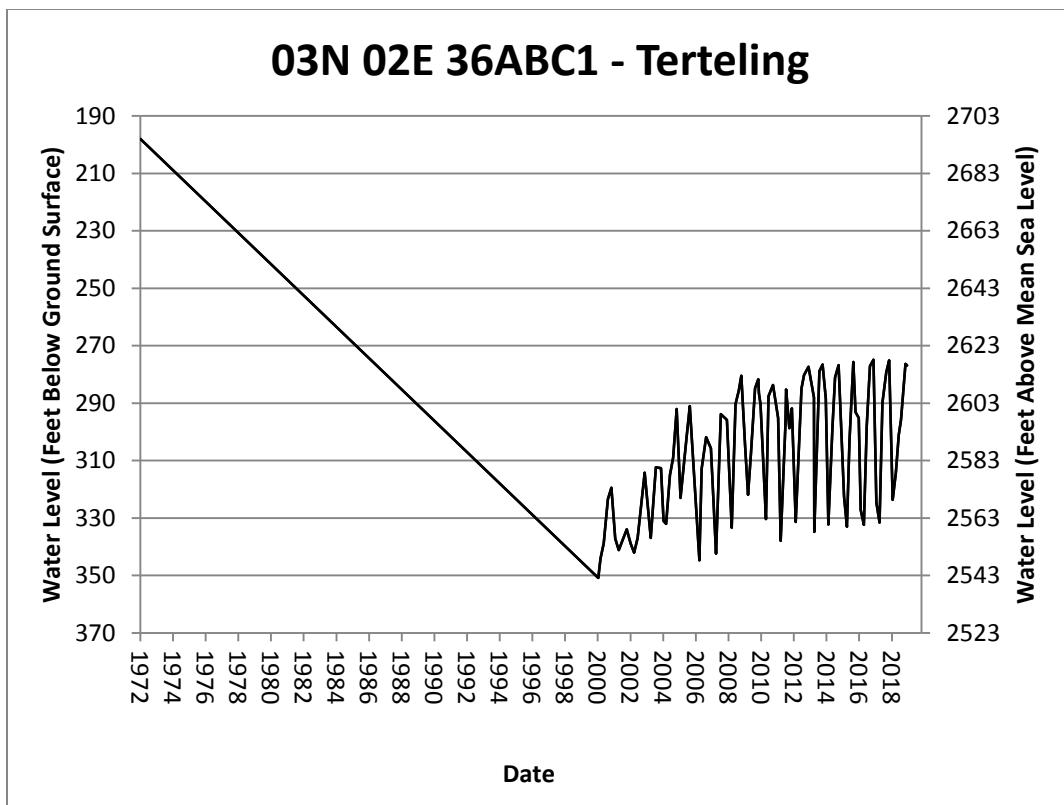


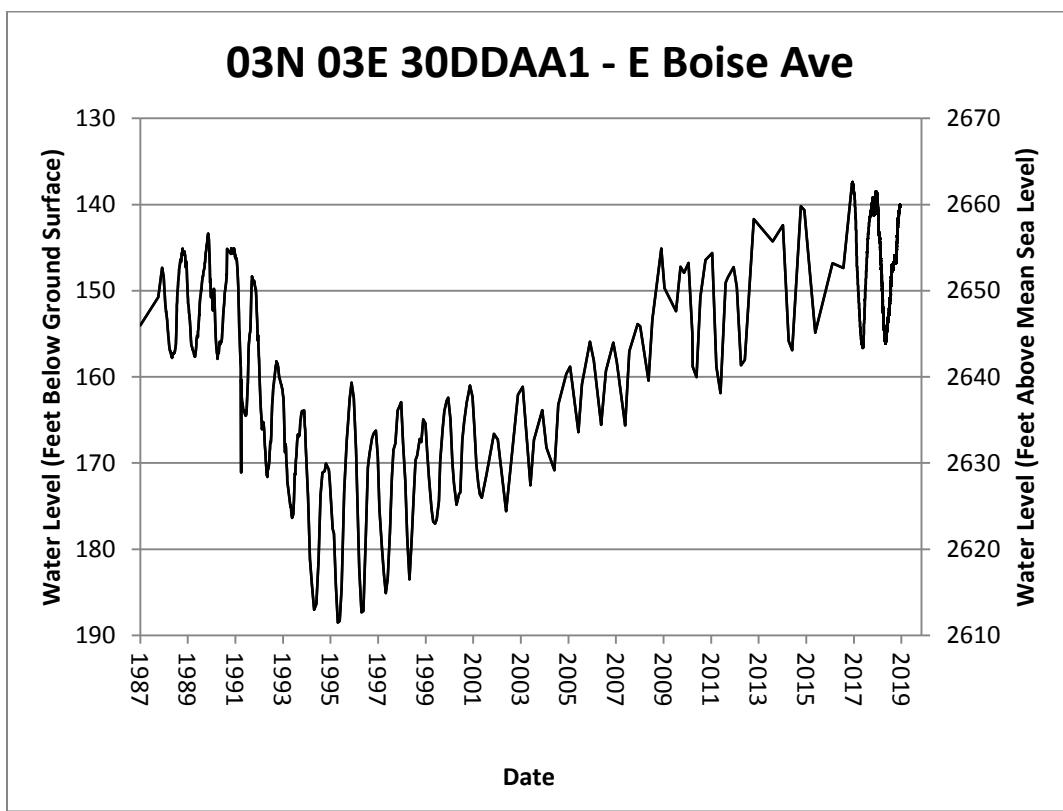
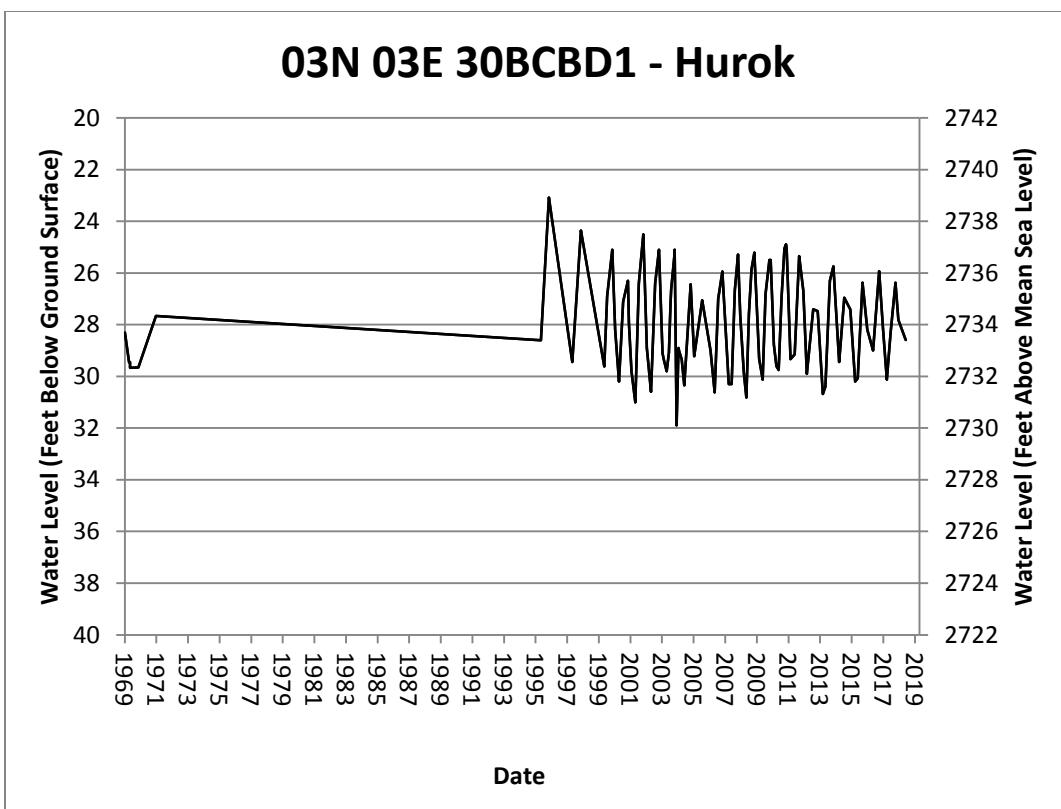




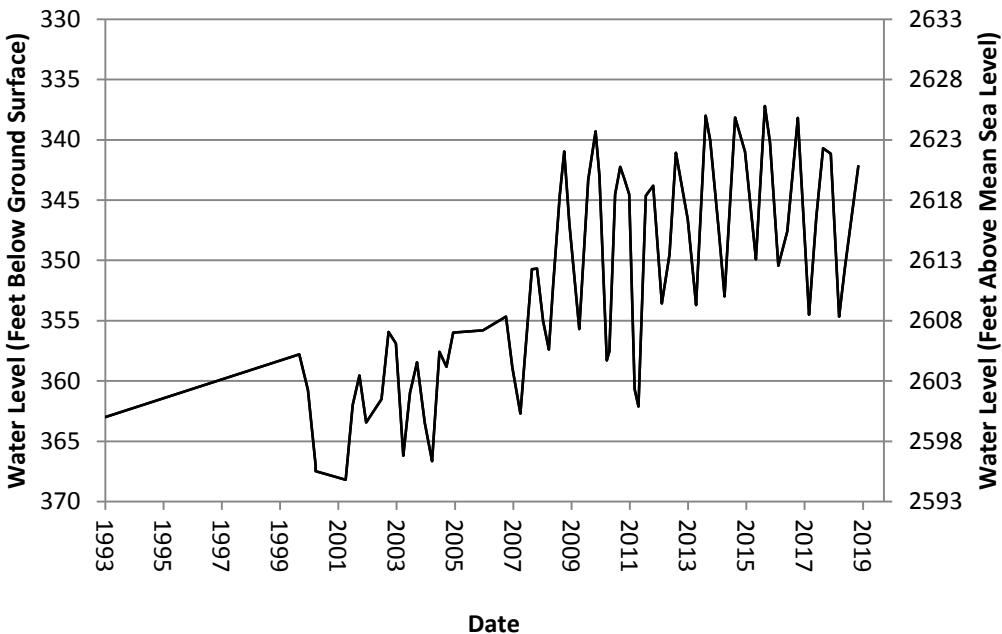




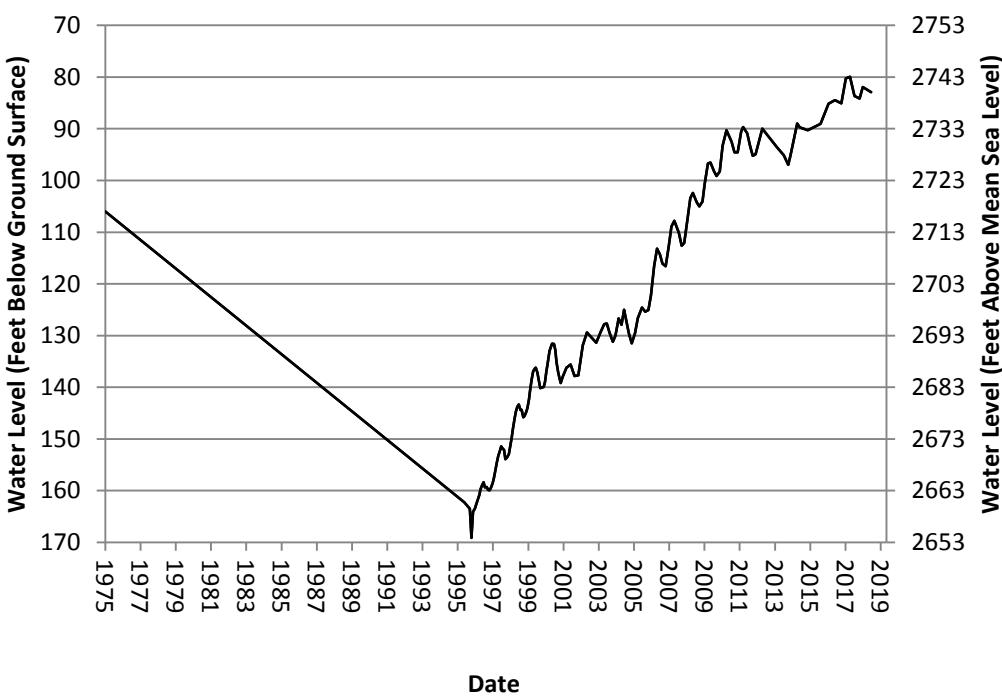


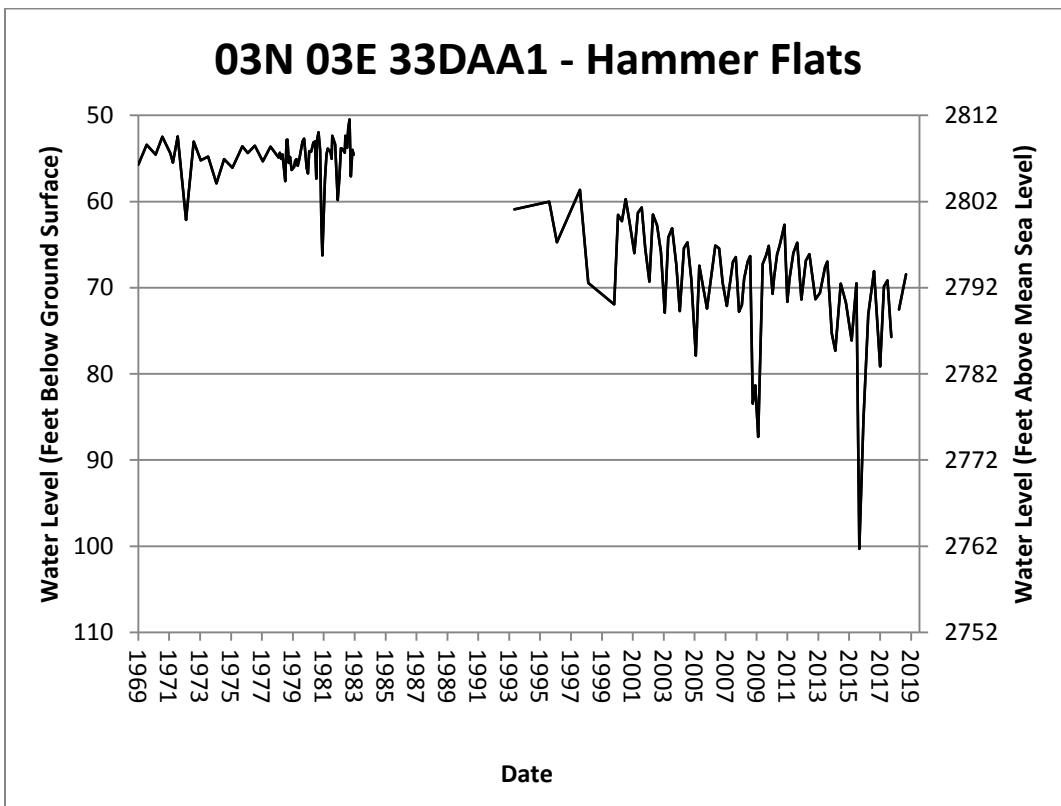
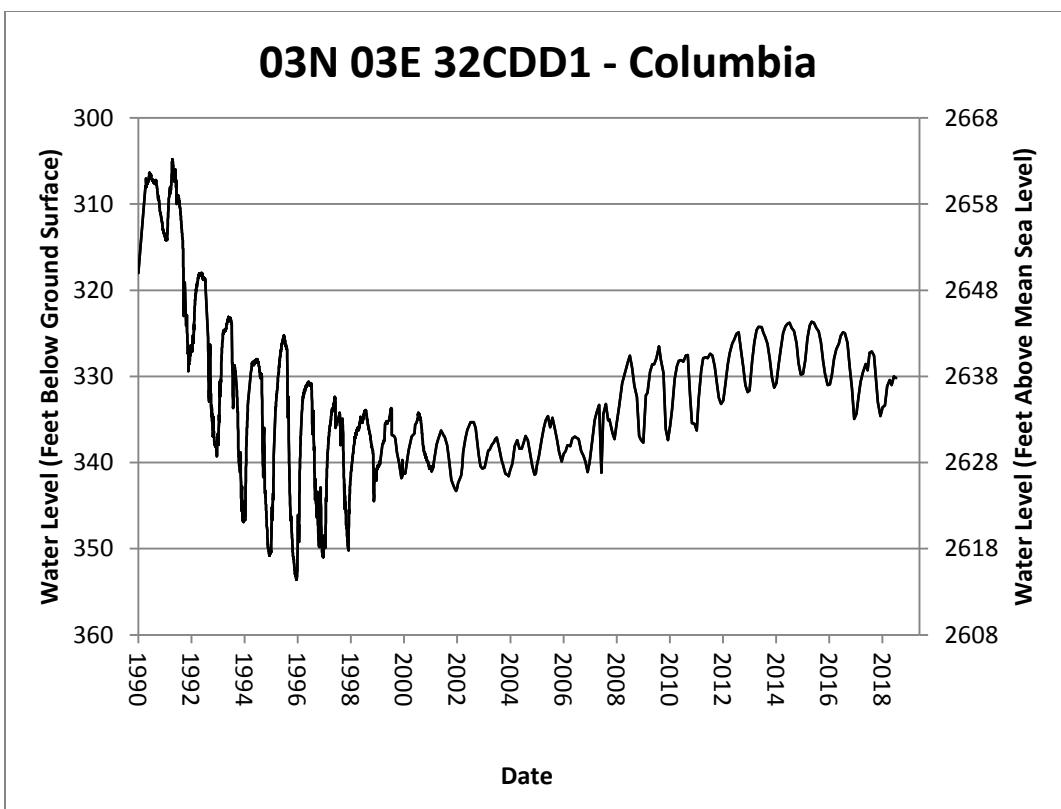


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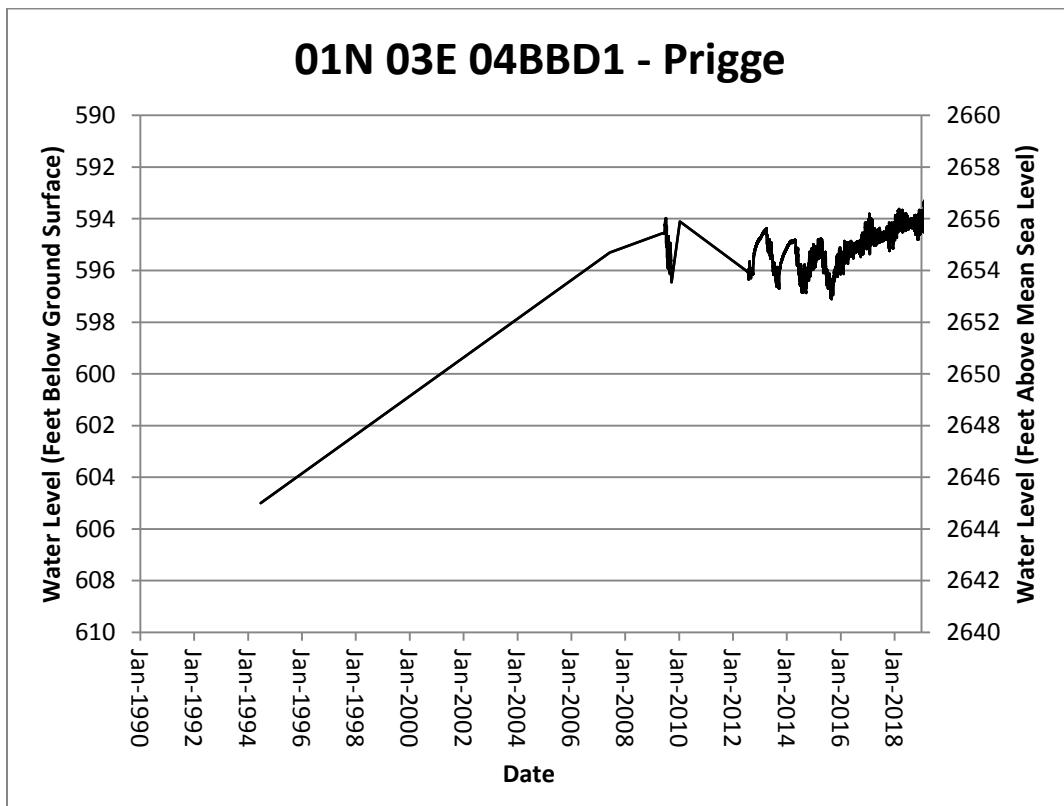
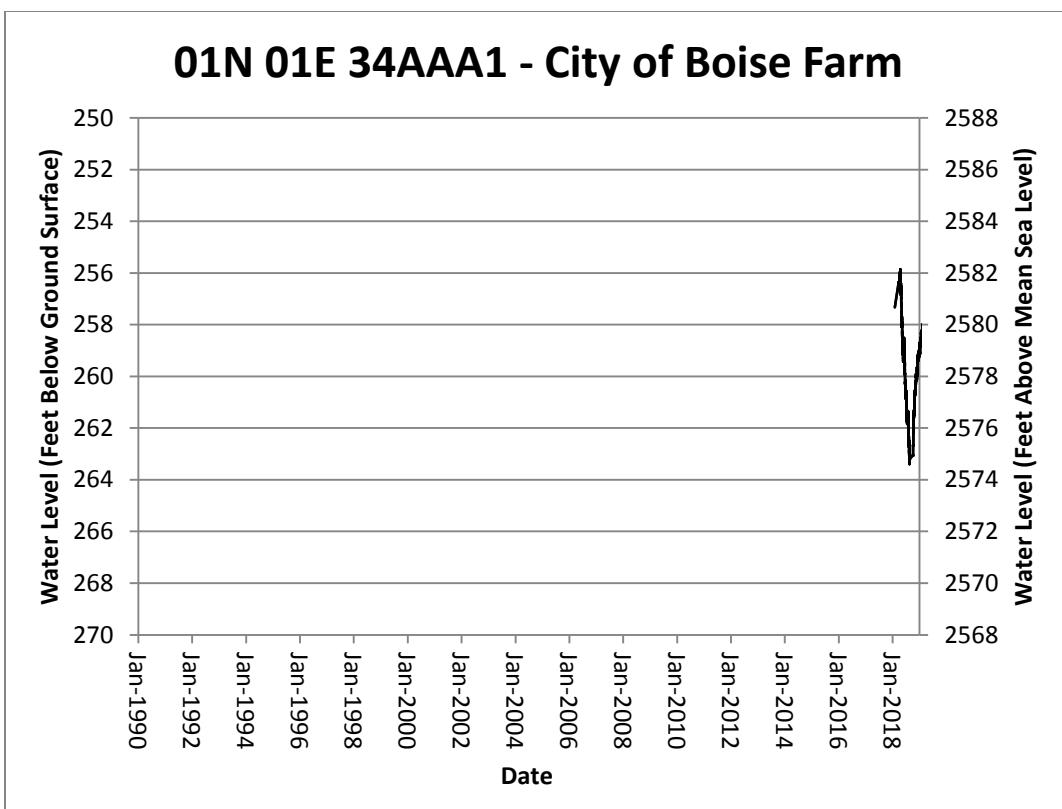
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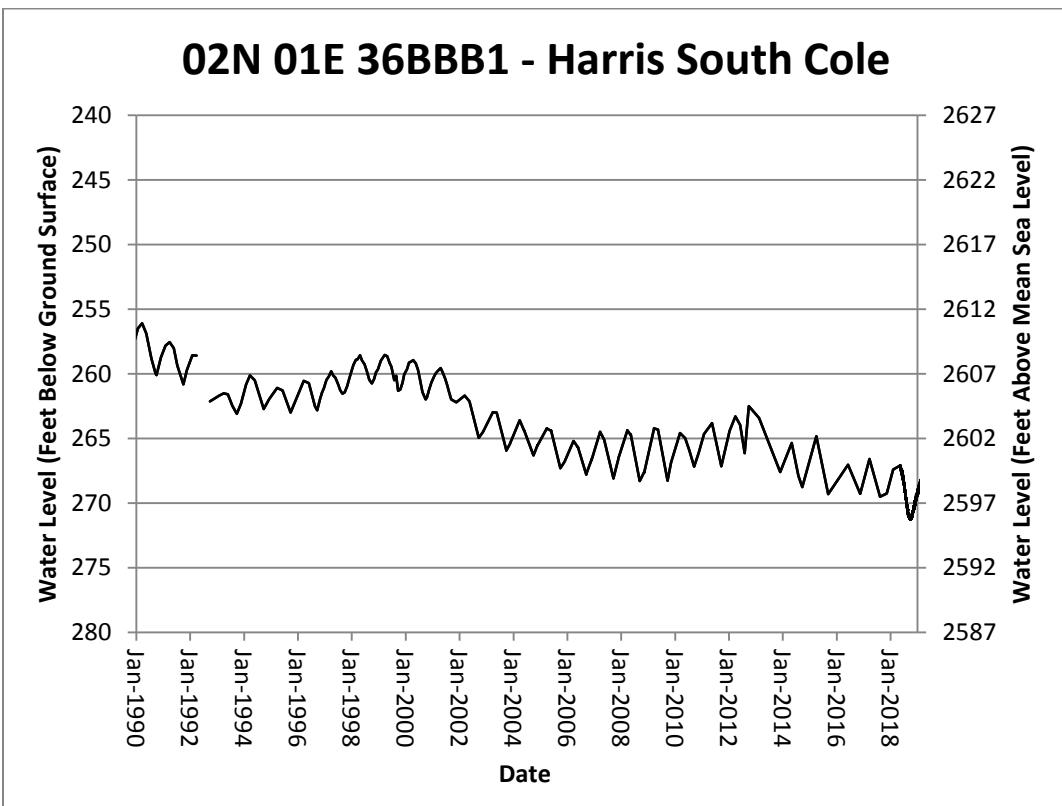
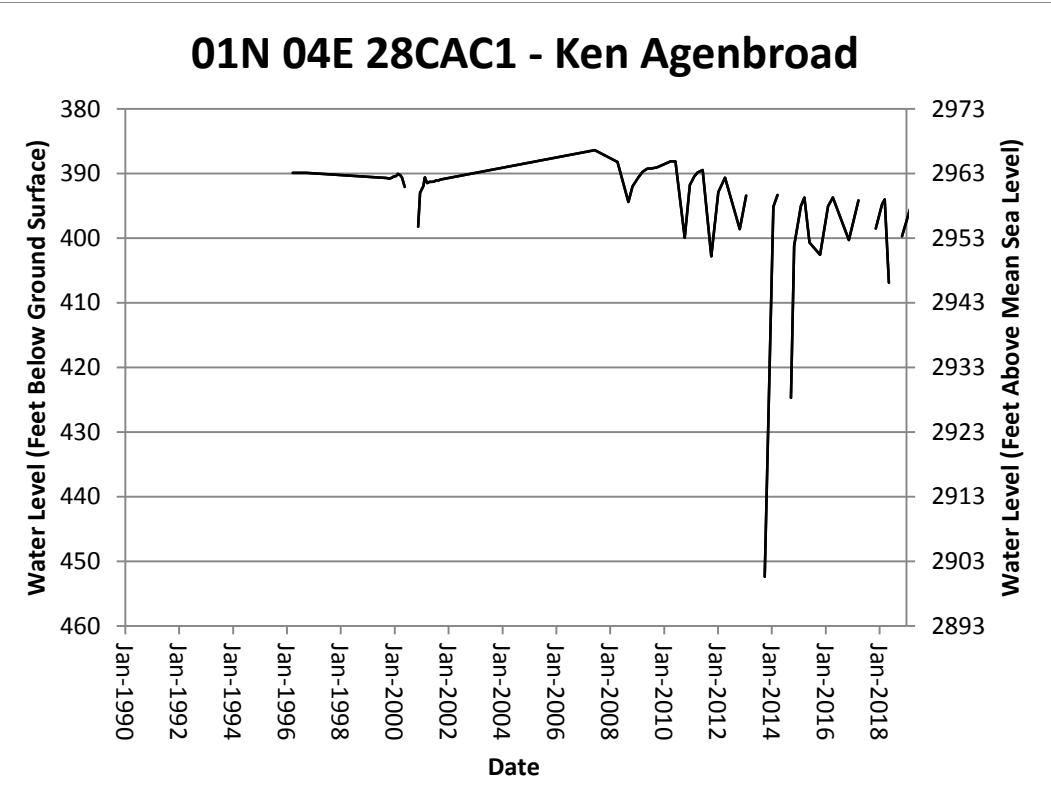


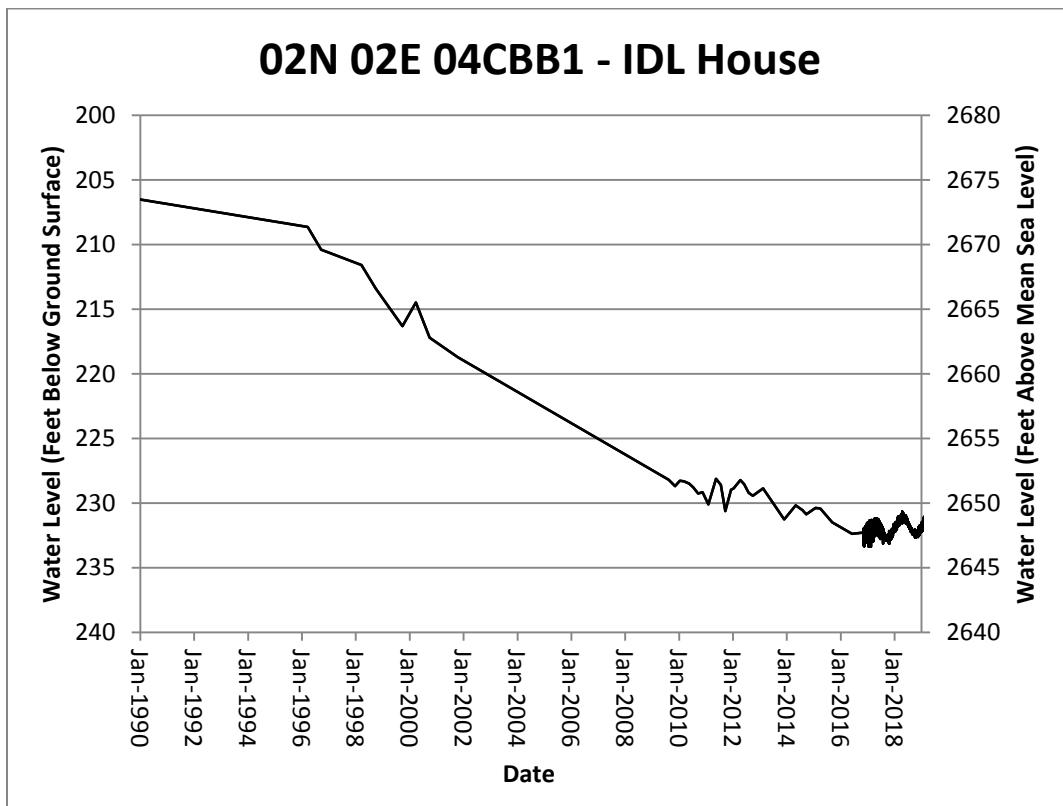
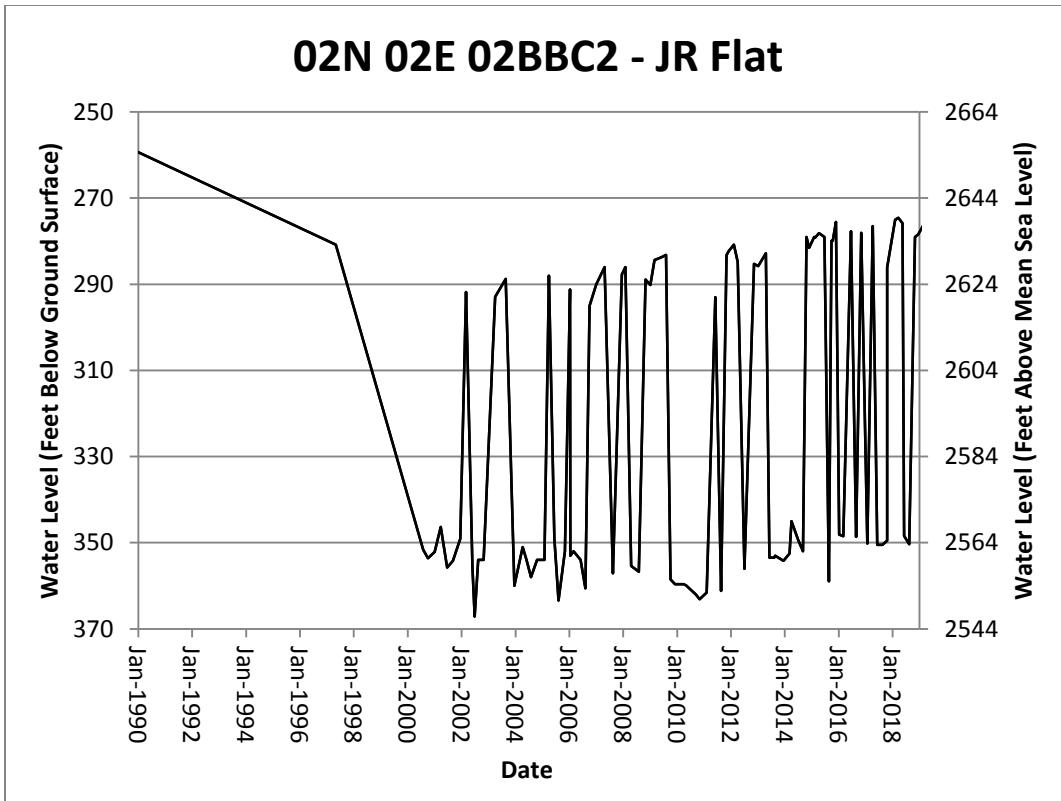


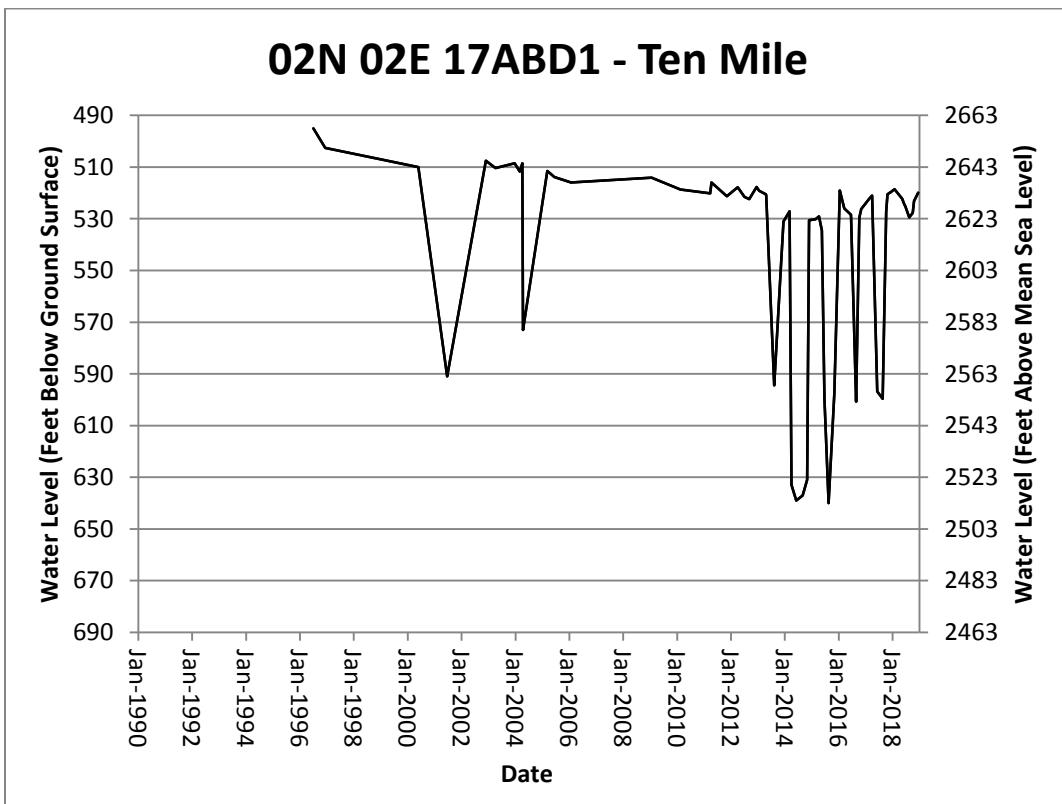
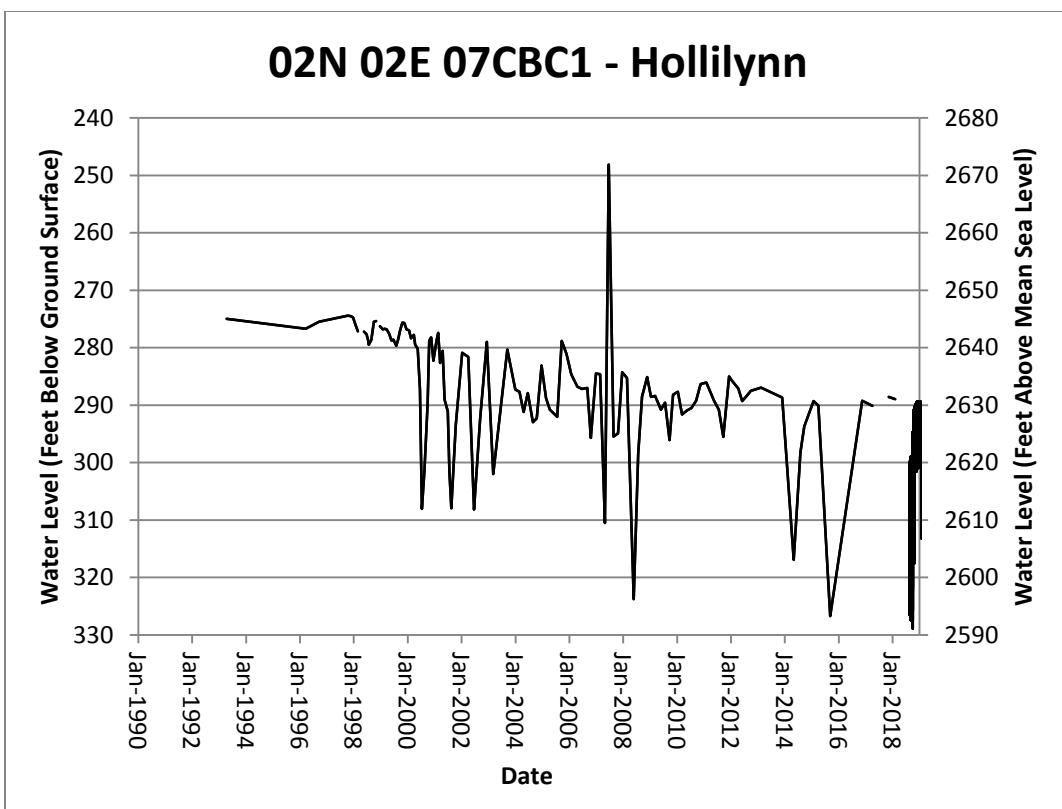
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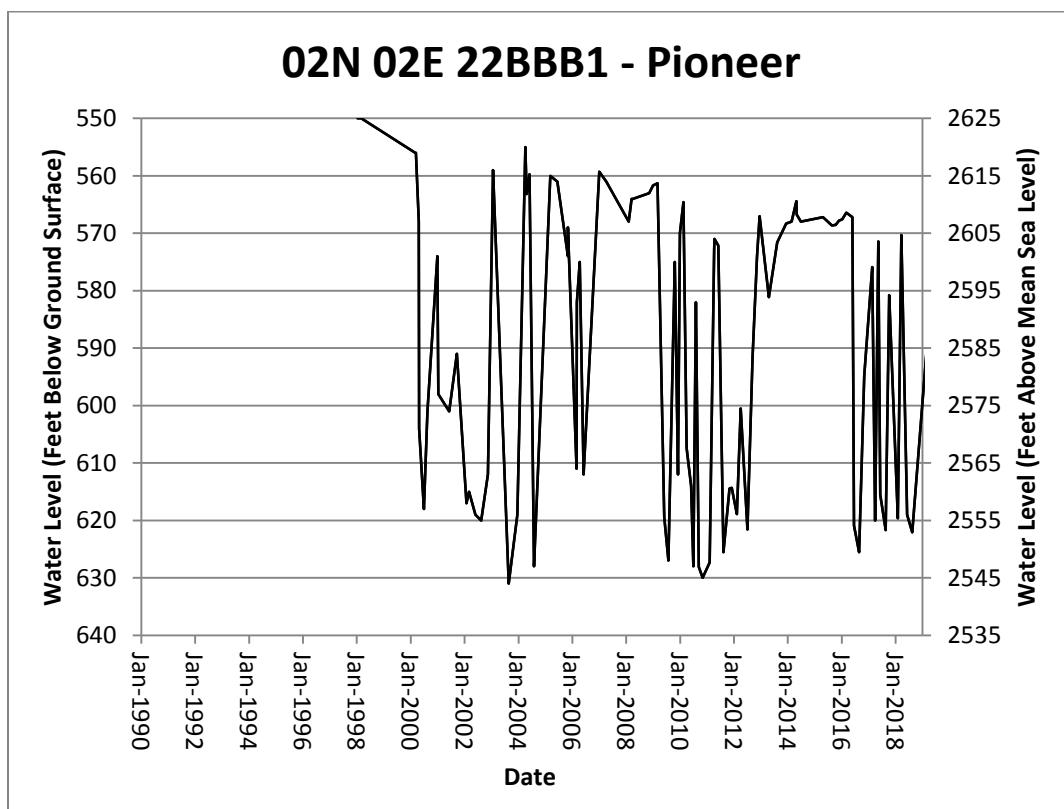
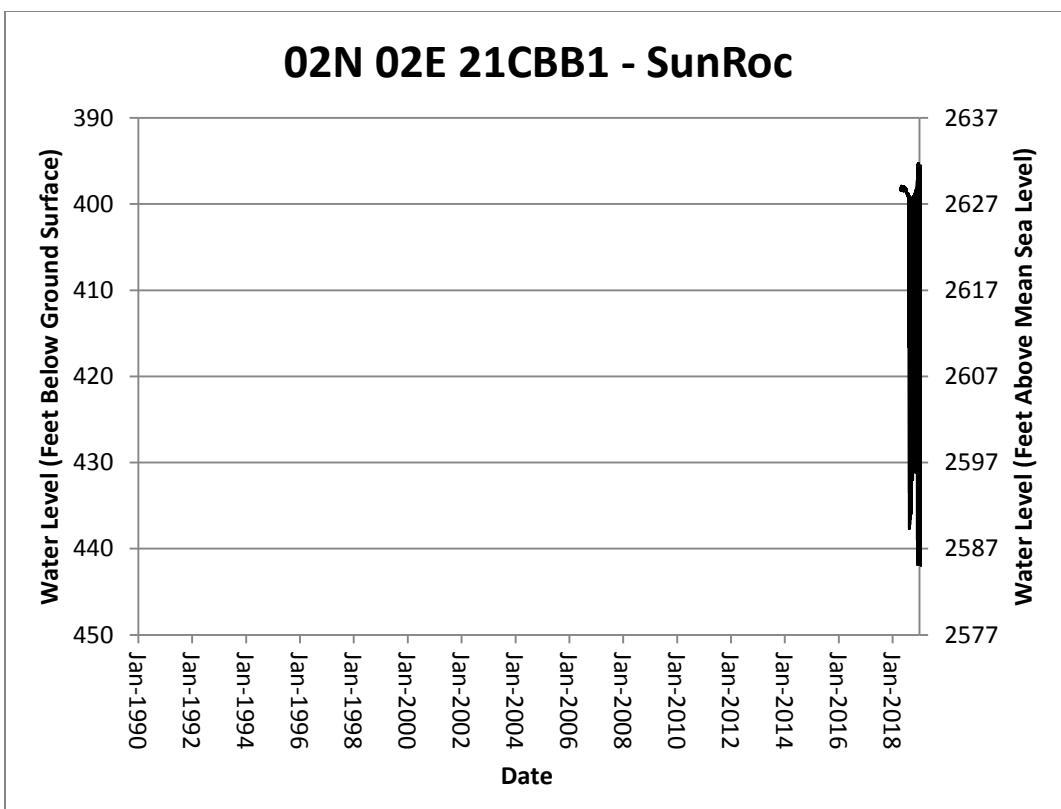
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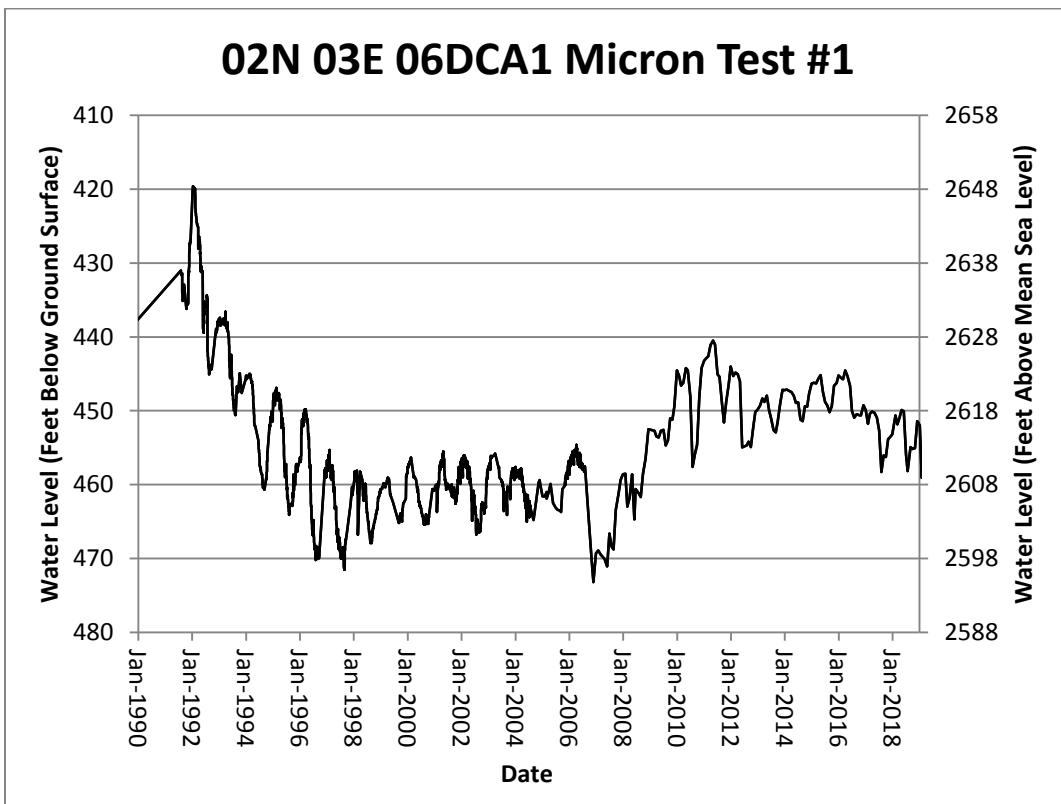
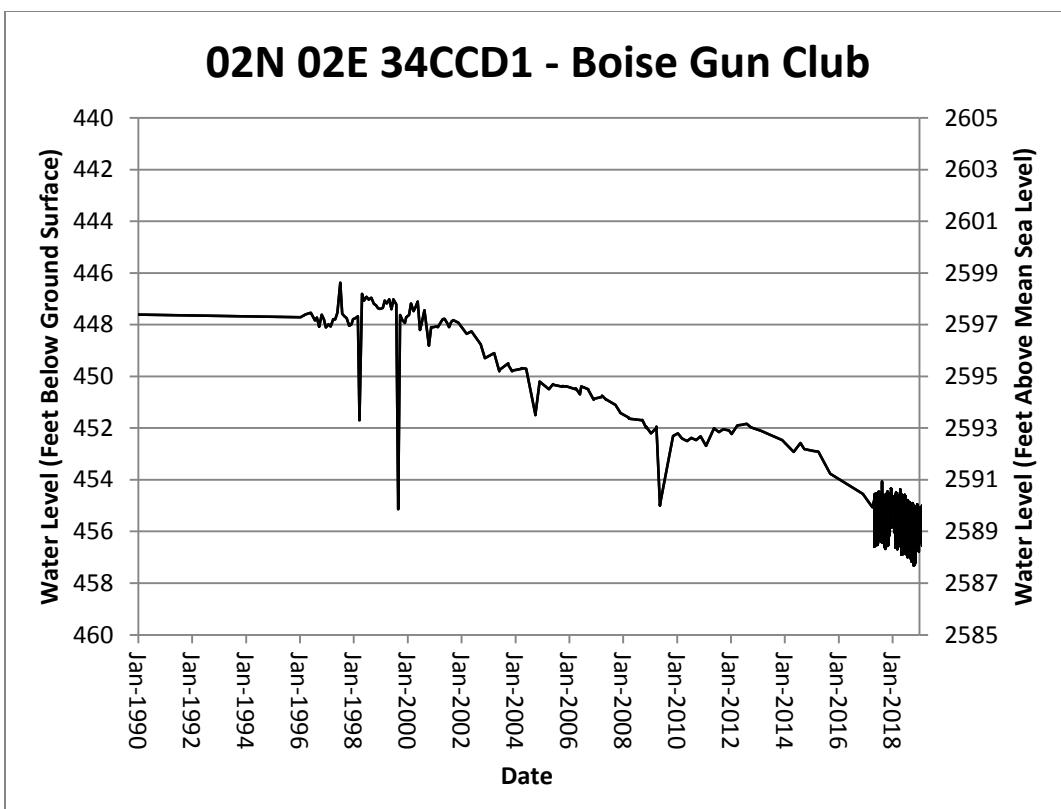


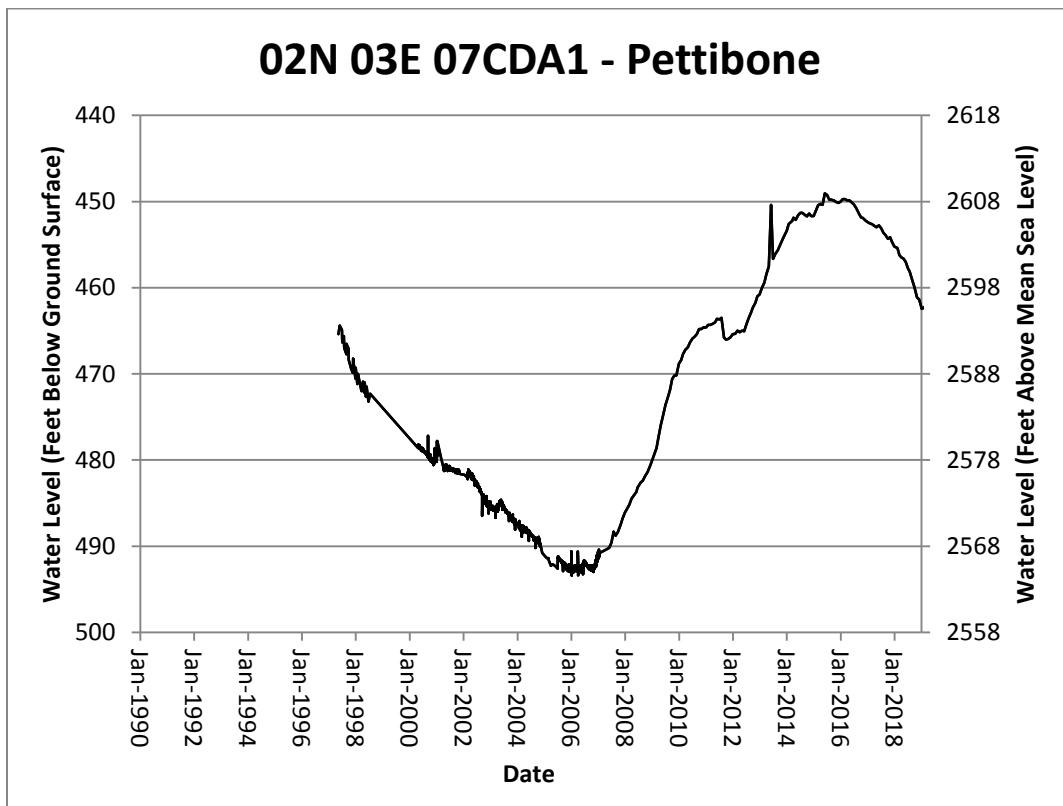
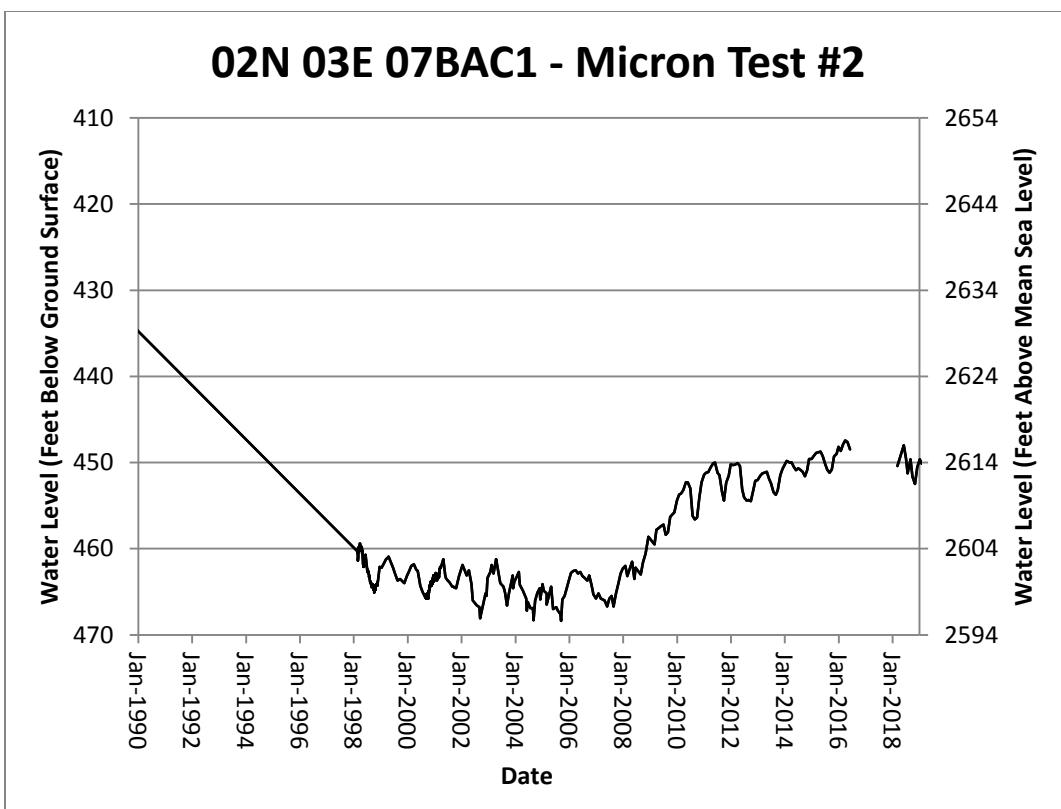


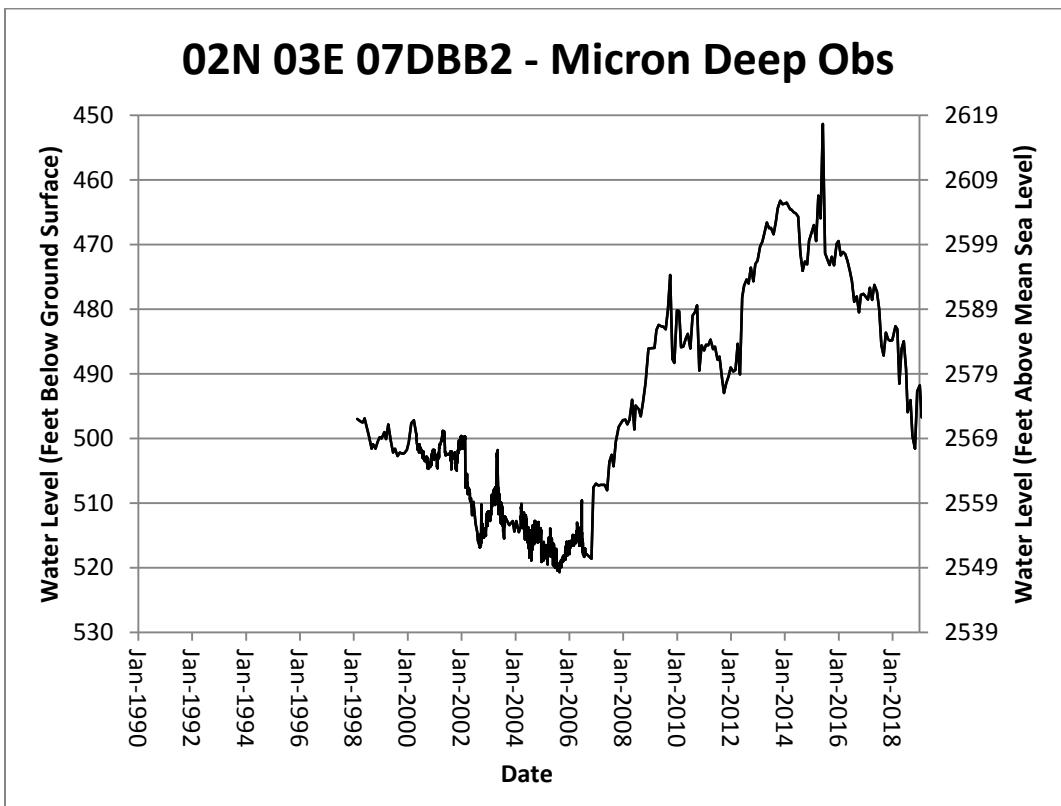
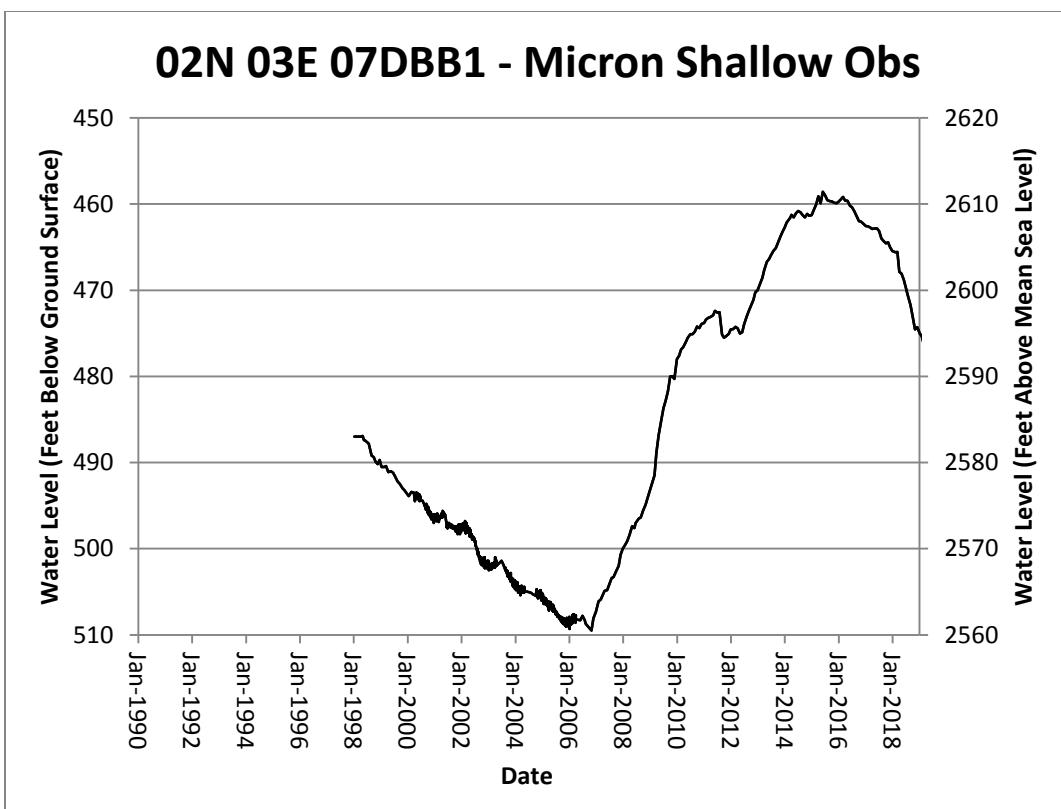


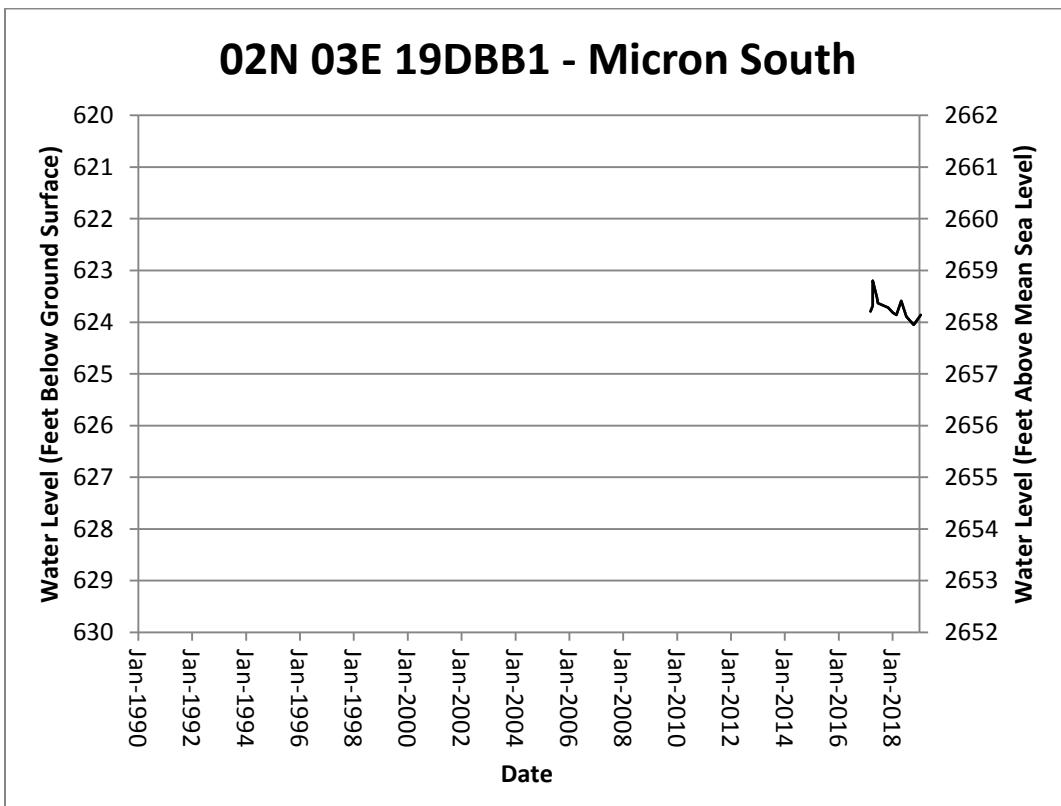
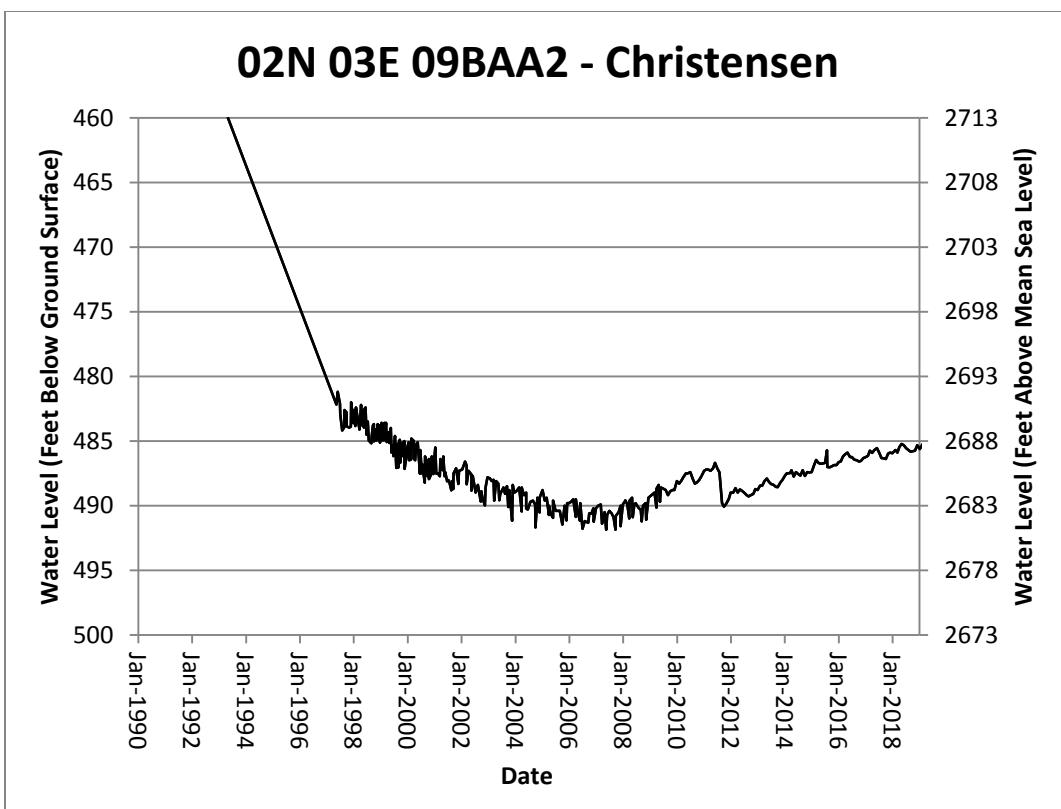




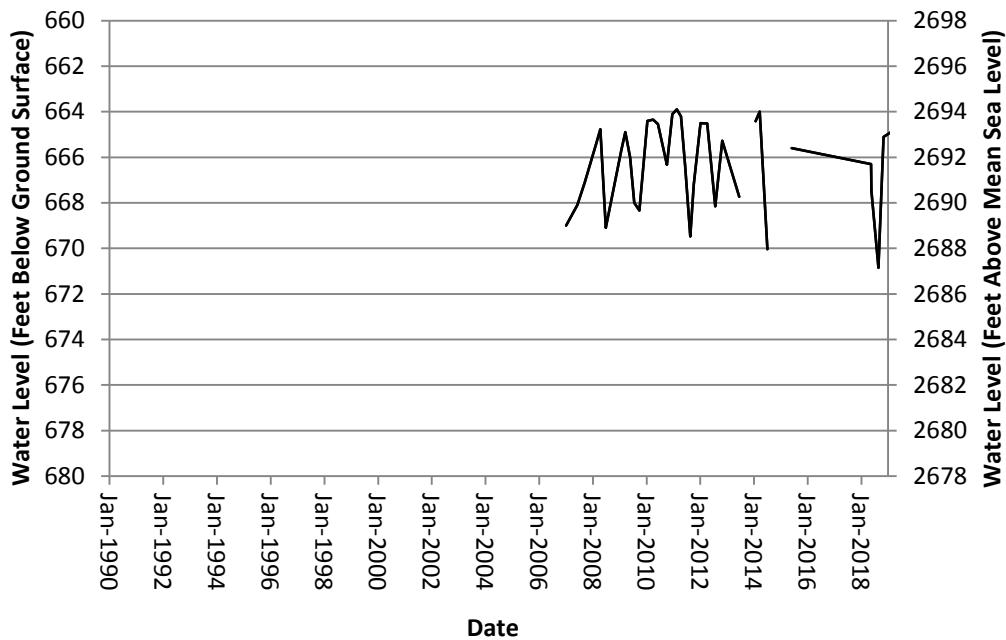




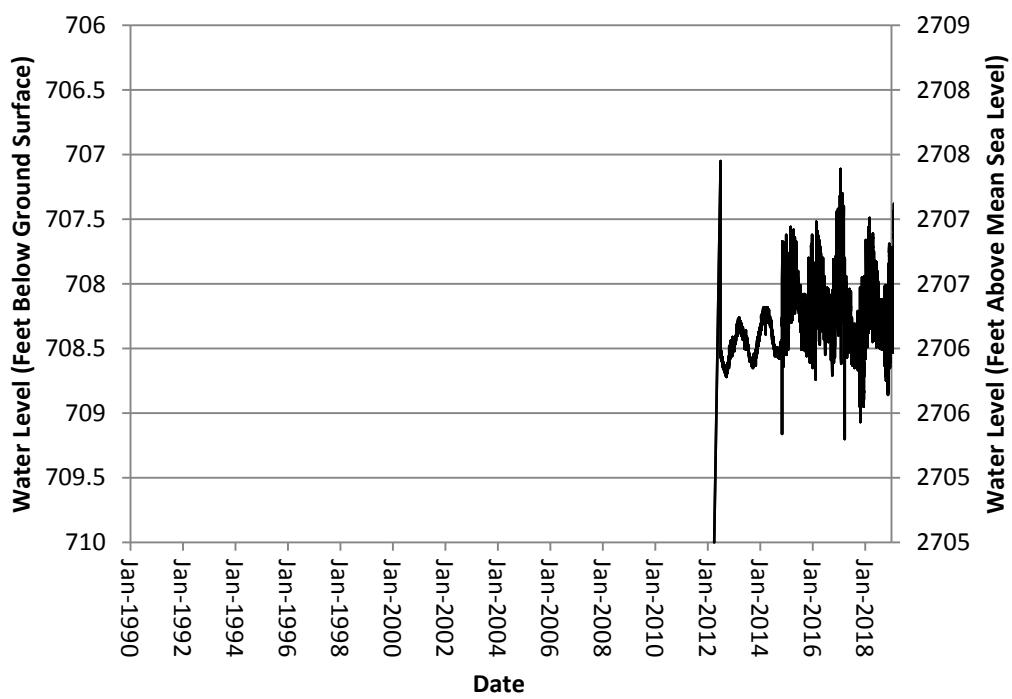


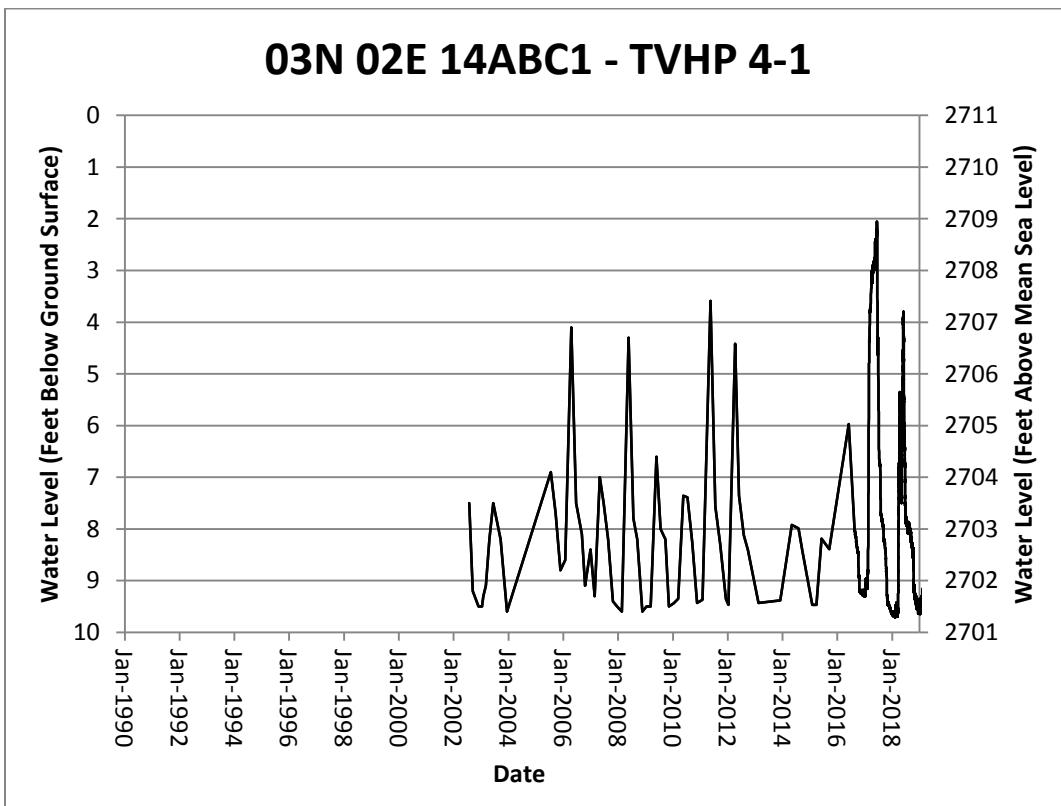
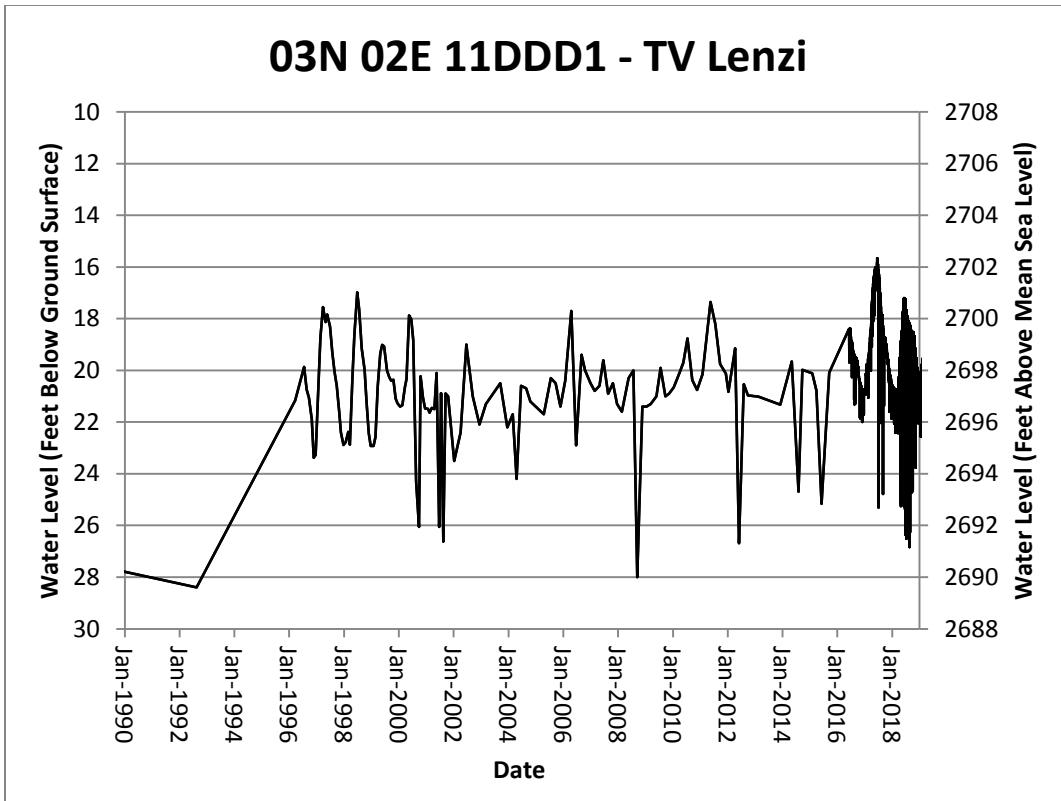


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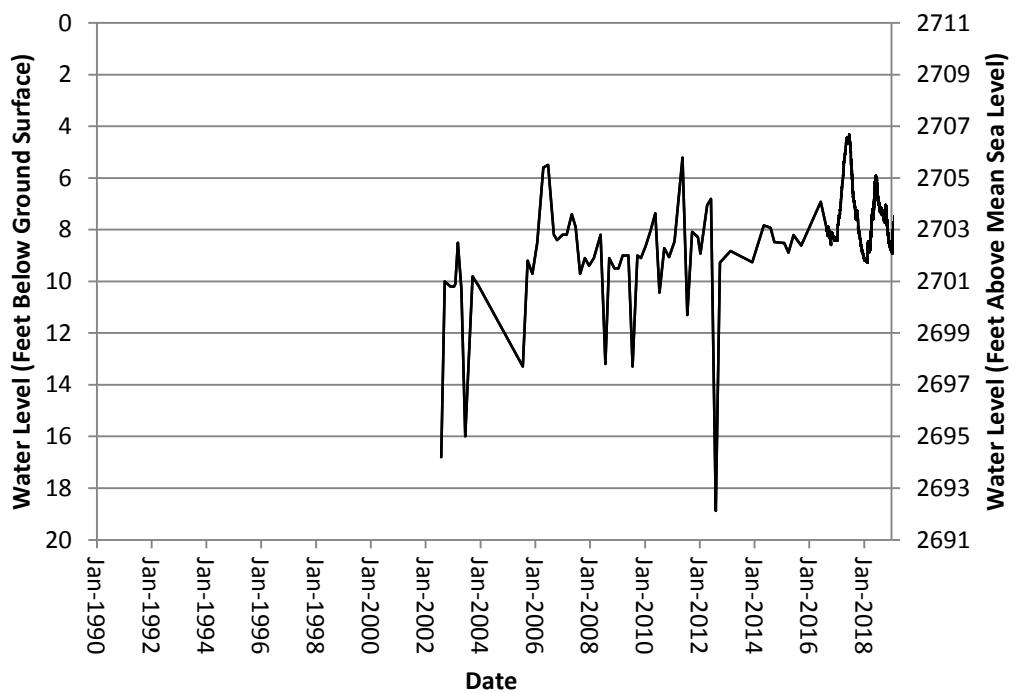


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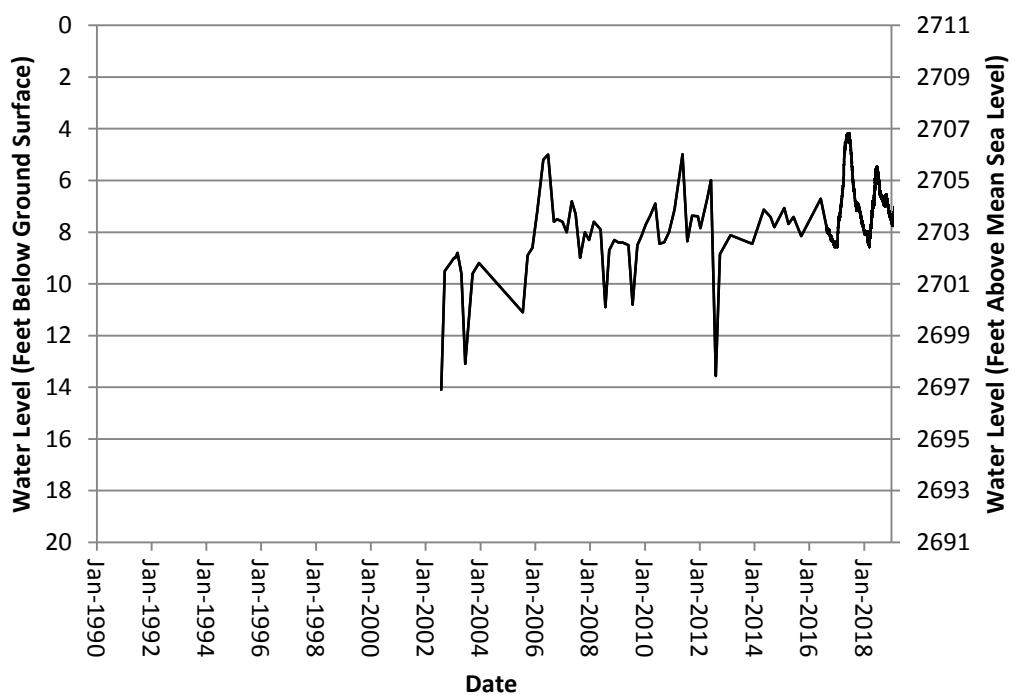


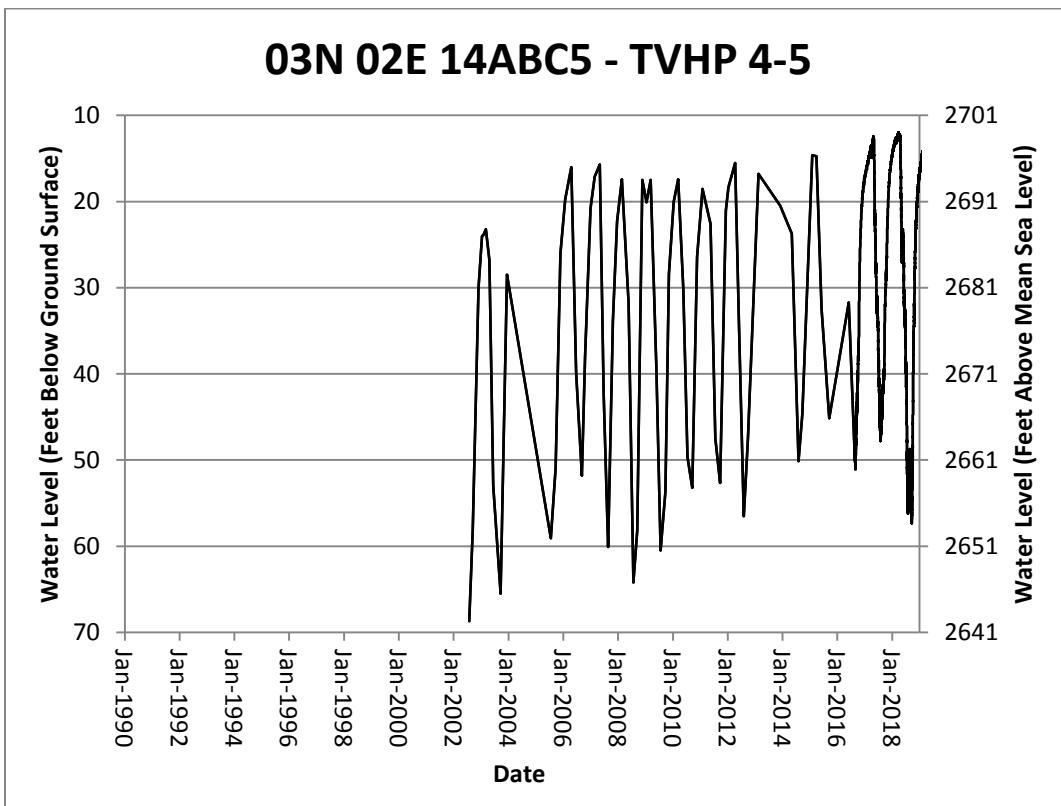
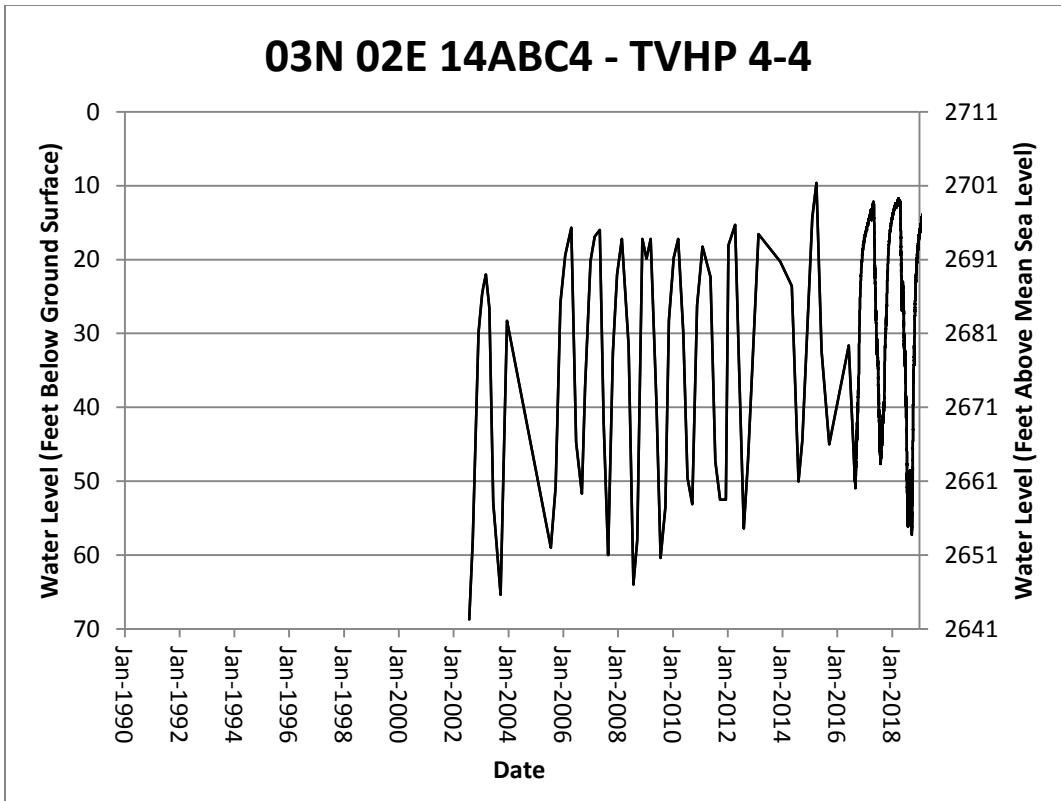


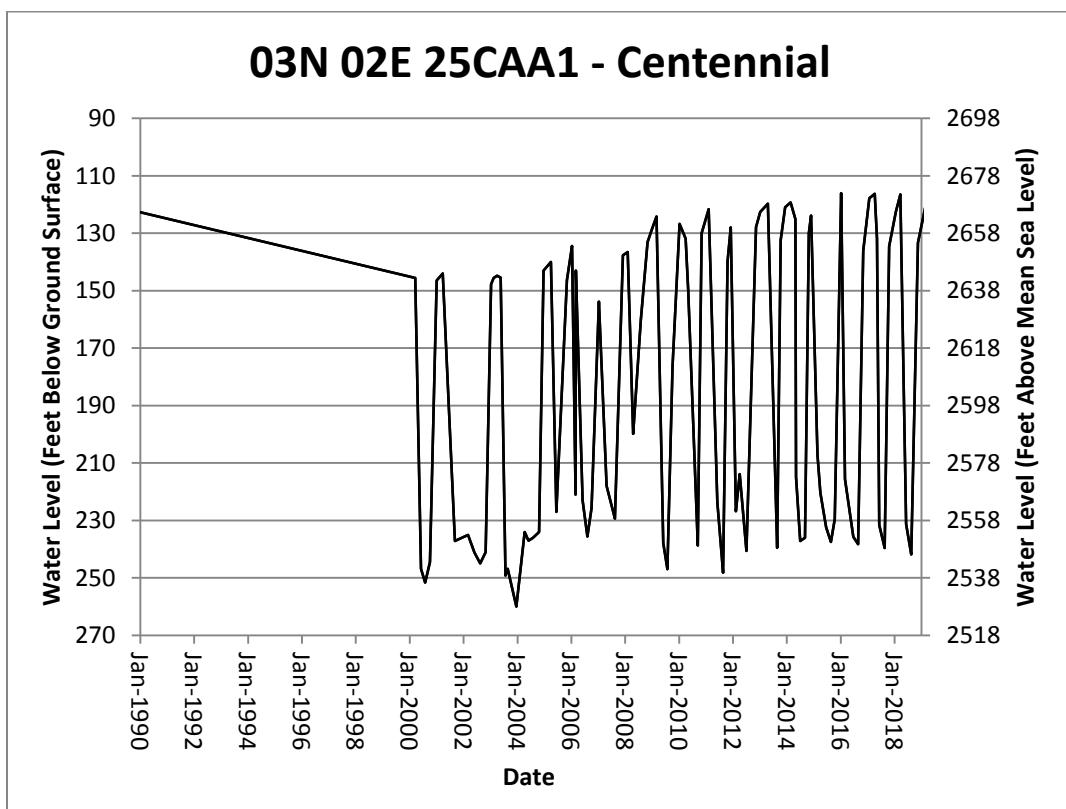
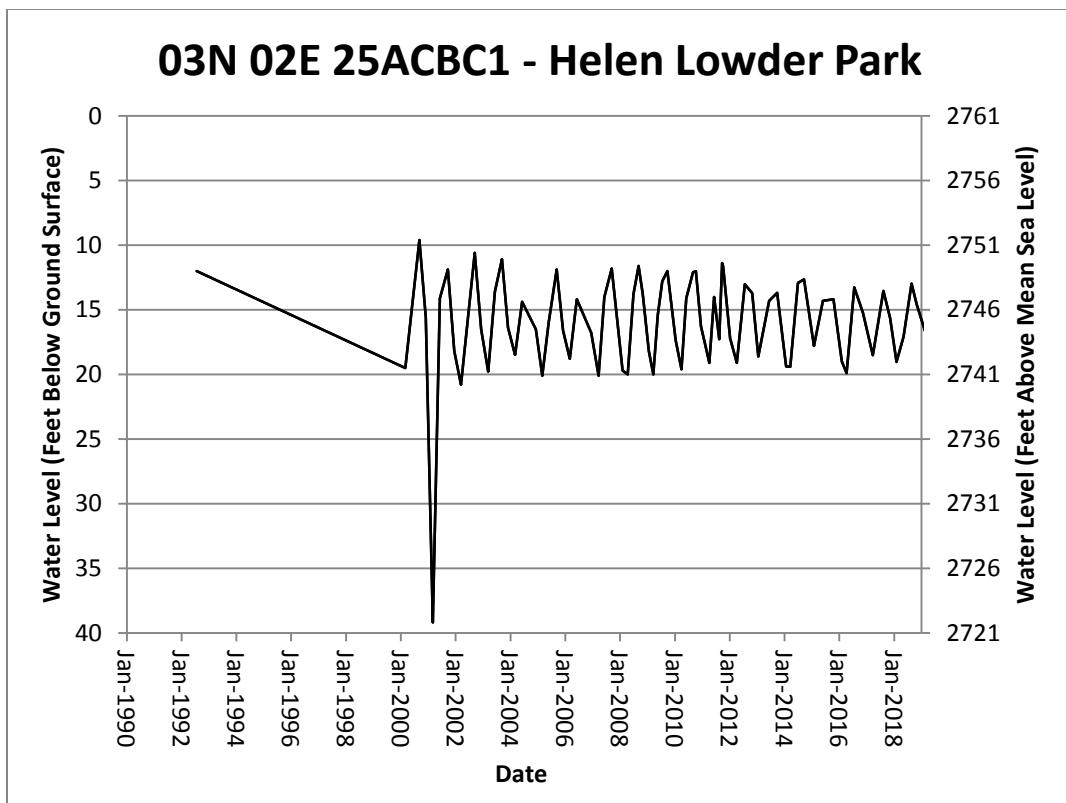
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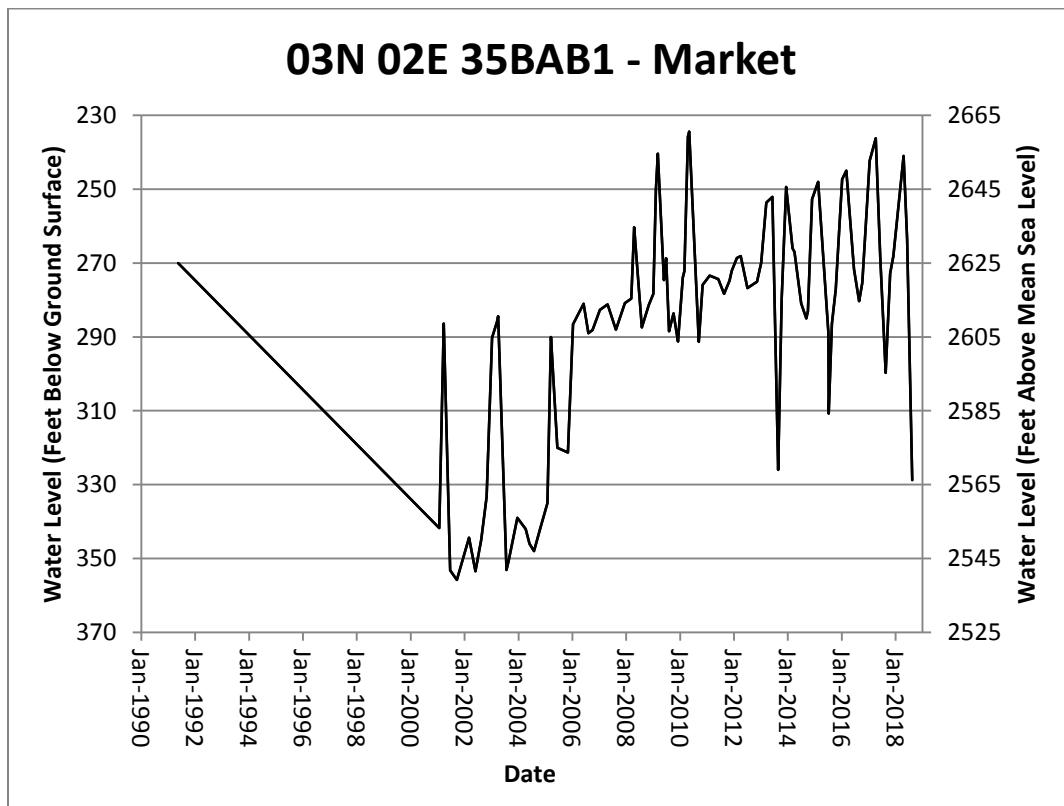
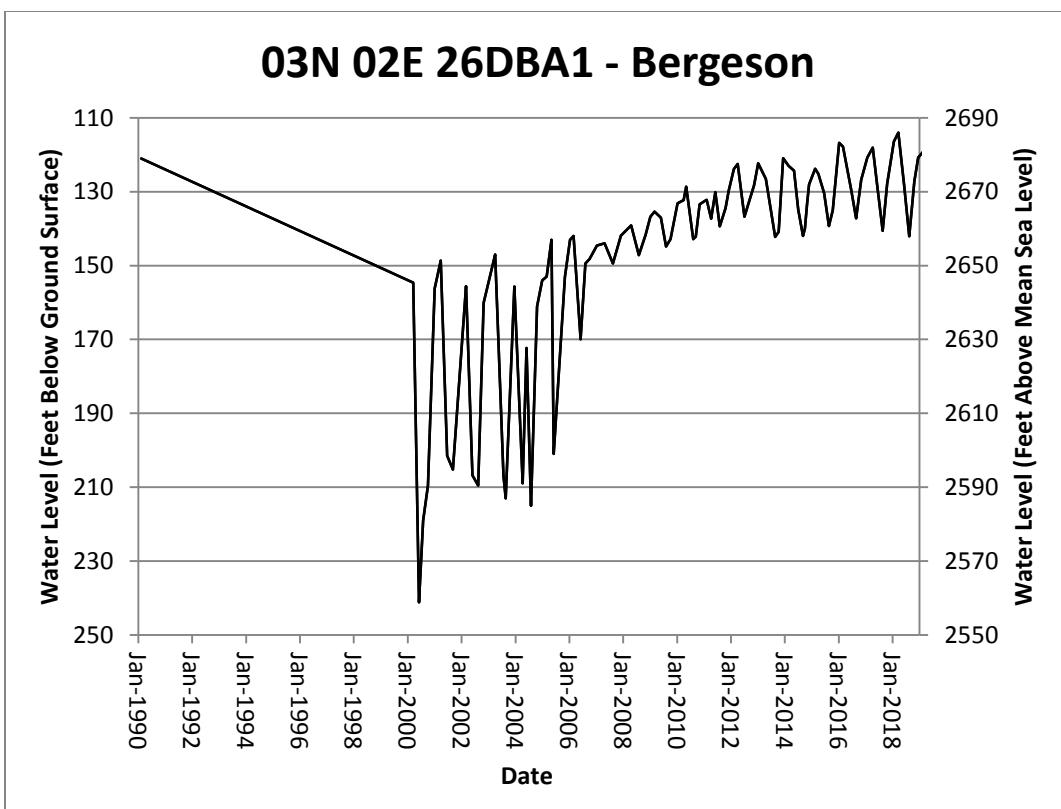


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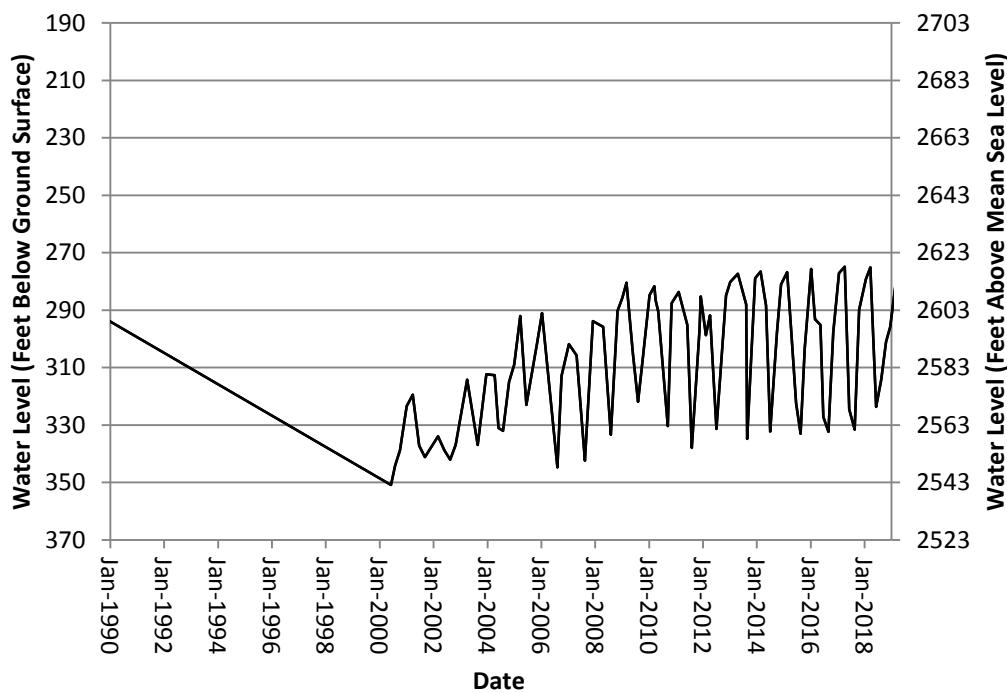




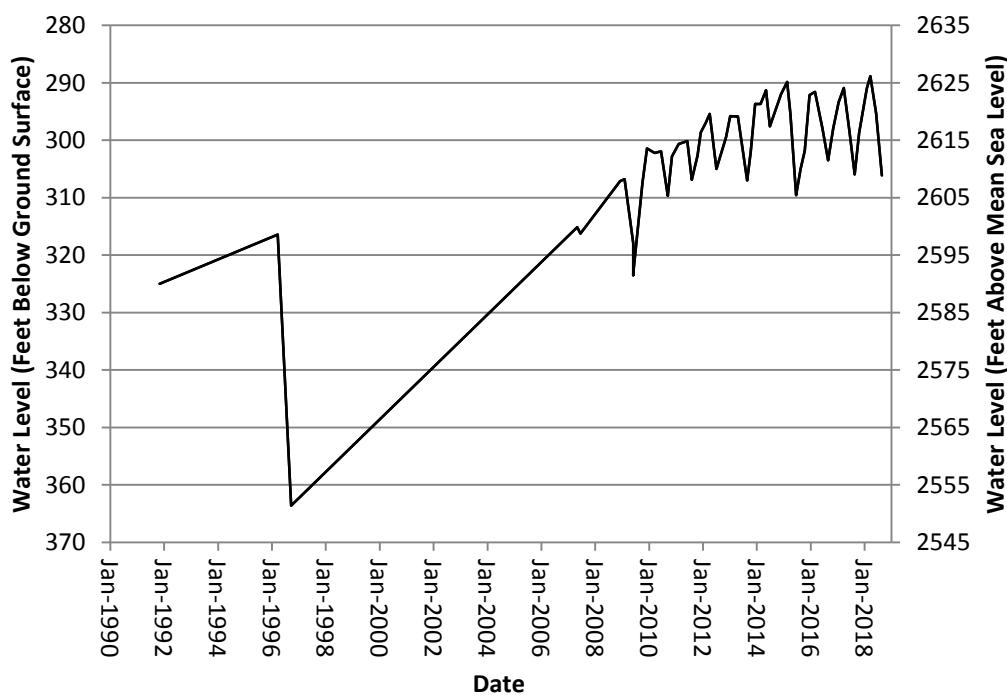


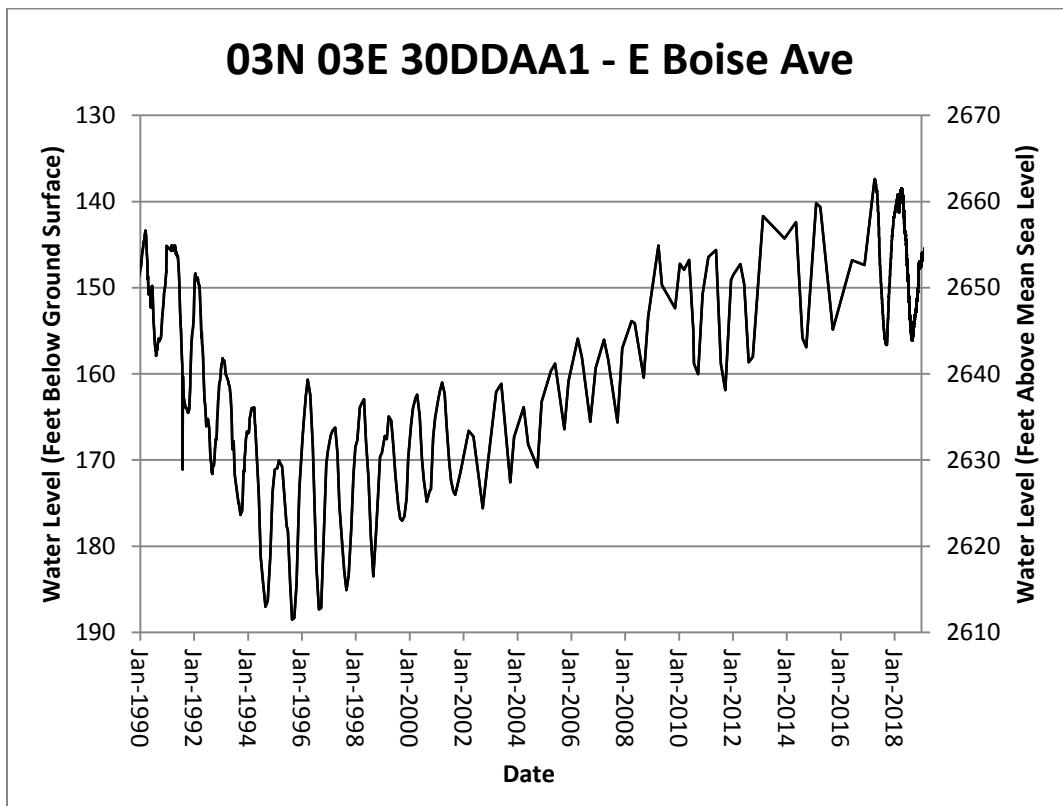
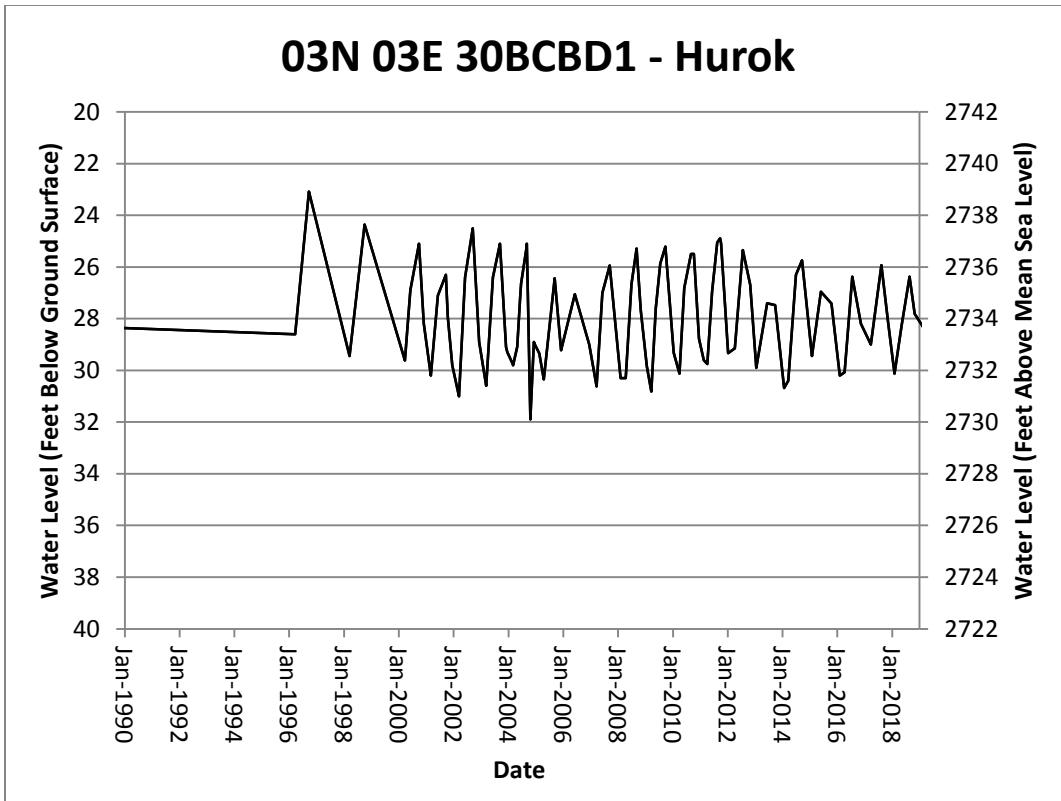


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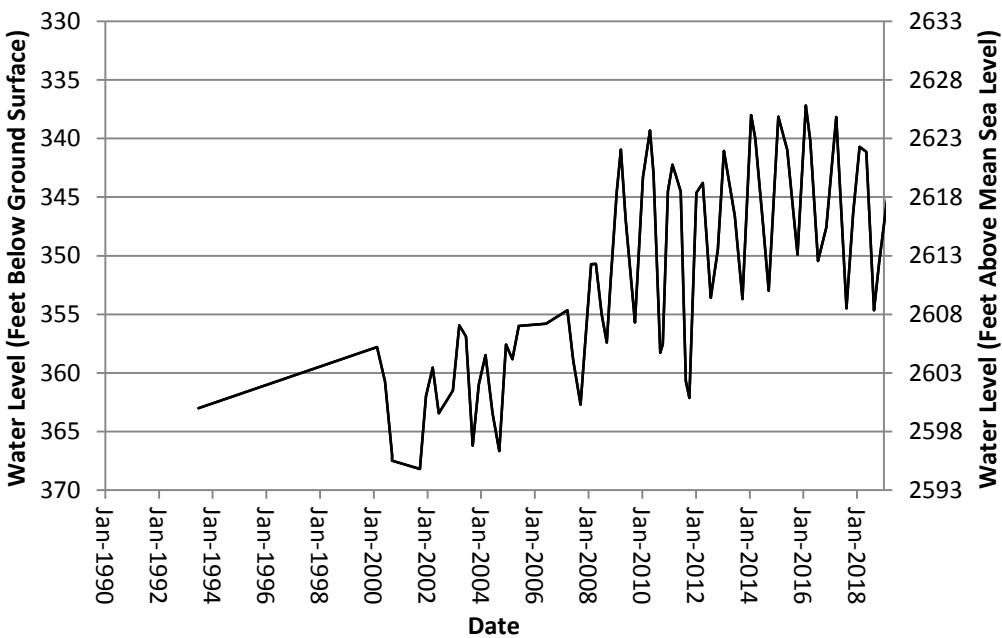


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