



Field Activity Advisory Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation

November through December 2011

This notice is to inform you that the San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) plans to drill, construct, and develop groundwater monitoring wells at selected locations in Reaches 2 through 4 of the San Joaquin River beginning November 9, 2011.

Who: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation

What: Reclamation's installation of 17 shallow groundwater monitoring wells brings the total number of wells installed to 167 through the Restoration Program since 2009. These wells measure physical conditions, including water quality, river losses, and bank seepage. In addition, material from the well drilling process will provide important information on soil density and groundwater depths, and other geologic data. Monitoring wells will be installed from truck-mounted or track-mounted rigs using standard hollow stem auger drilling at target depths between 30 and 40 feet each. Support vehicles and trailers will be used to haul drilling equipment and associated materials. The drill rig and support vehicles will occupy an approximate area of 50 feet by 150 feet, and drilling operations will not block traffic on roads or impede farming activities. Groundwater data collected by these wells are available approximately two months after completion and can be viewed on-line at: <http://www.restoresjr.net/flows/Groundwater/index.html>.

When: November 9 – November 19, 2011, and November 29 – December 16, 2011, weather permitting.

Where: Private property in Reaches 2 through 4 of the San Joaquin River and adjacent land. Site activities are proceeding with approval of the overlaying landowner. General well locations are shown below by river reach.

San Joaquin River Reach	# of Wells Planned	Side(s) of the San Joaquin River
Reach 2A	3 wells	Madera County
Reach 2B	1 well	Fresno County
Reach 3	7 wells	Fresno and Madera counties
Reach 4A	3 wells	Madera and Merced counties
Reach 4B1	3 wells	Merced County

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