STATUS OF GROUNDWATER RECHARGE FEASIBILITY STUDIES

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FEASIBILITY OF LOCAL RECHARGE

Can SCVWA infiltrate water in the local basin to support a groundwater recharge program?











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Geophysical Survey

Infiltration Testing



Water Level Monitoring





FIELDWORK CONTINUED



Limited Access Drill Rig



Soil Samples





Borehole Sampling

FINDINGS

Castaic

- 50-150ft Alluvial Aquifer Thickness
- Infiltration Testing Rates 7-12 ft/day
- Site can support 5,000 AFY of MAR

Pinetree

- 130-180ft Alluvial Aquifer Thickness
- Infiltration Testing Rates 40-46ft/day
- Site can support 5,000-10,000AFY
 of MAR



FINDINGS CONTINUED

Pinetree Location



REMAINING QUESTIONS

How can we construct and implement a recharge program?



RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS

- Project Easement or Land Acquisition
- Engineering Analysis
- Water Quality Characterization
- Develop Permitting Strategies
- Conduct Additional Modeling



QUESTIONS?

