Statewide Water Level Change Analysis

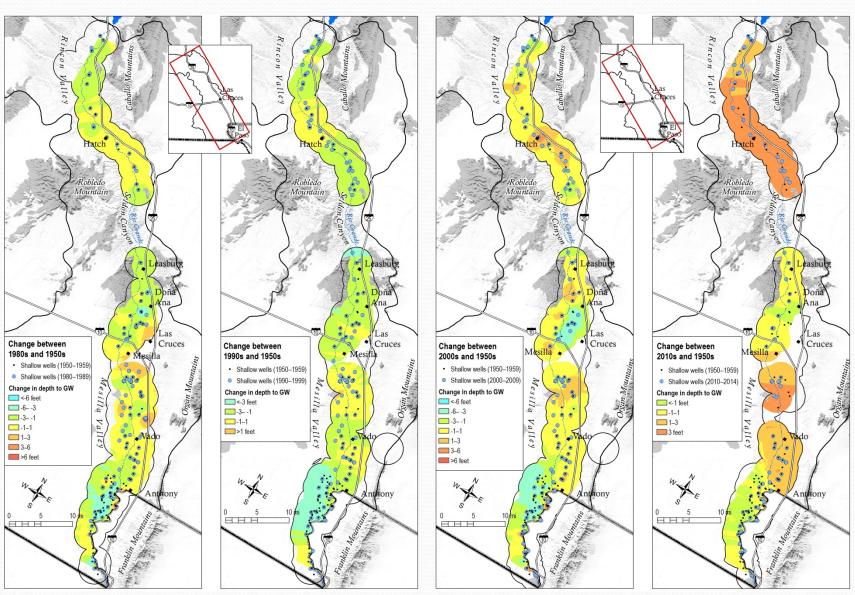
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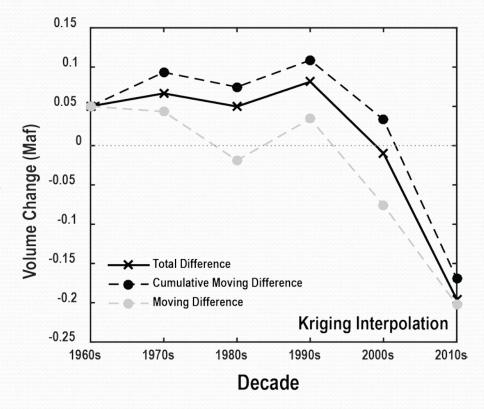
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- 'River' aquifer distinct from regional aquifer; we use a maximum depth-towater (50 ft DTW) to separate.
- Deeper aquifer is not sampled densely enough (> 4 km spacing) to be statistically relevant.
- Relatively constant shallow water levels until last 2000s, where they drop sharply.
- Begun work on Elephant Butte, Albuquerque, and Santa Fe HUCs.



- Closed basin analysis complete for Eastern Estancia, Mimbres and Tularosa HUCs.
- Playa Lakes and Jornada Draw HUCs are in progress.
- Other closed HUCs in Rio Grande basins do not have necessary spatial coverage to reliably estimate groundwater storage change.