Groundwater environment in the Wallabadah area: An Update

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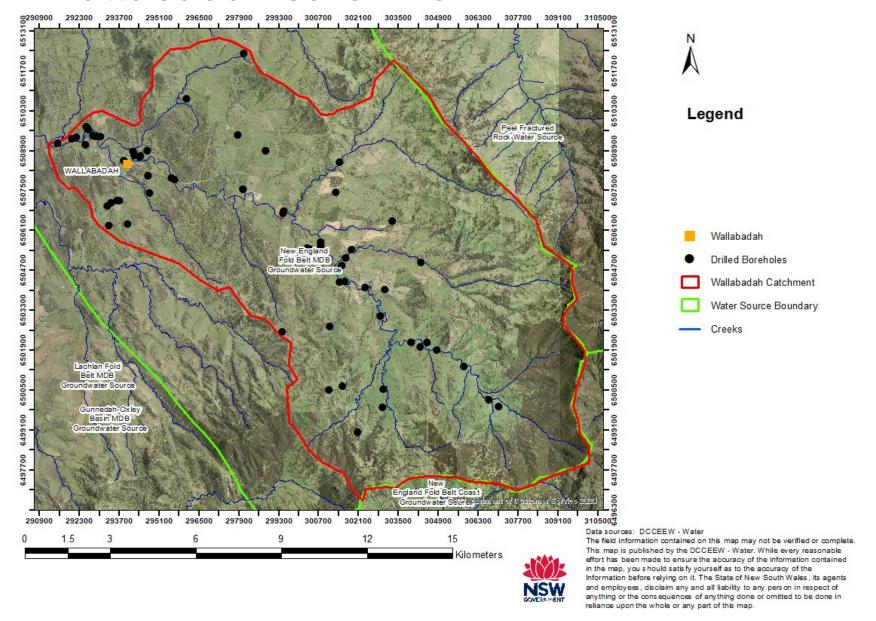


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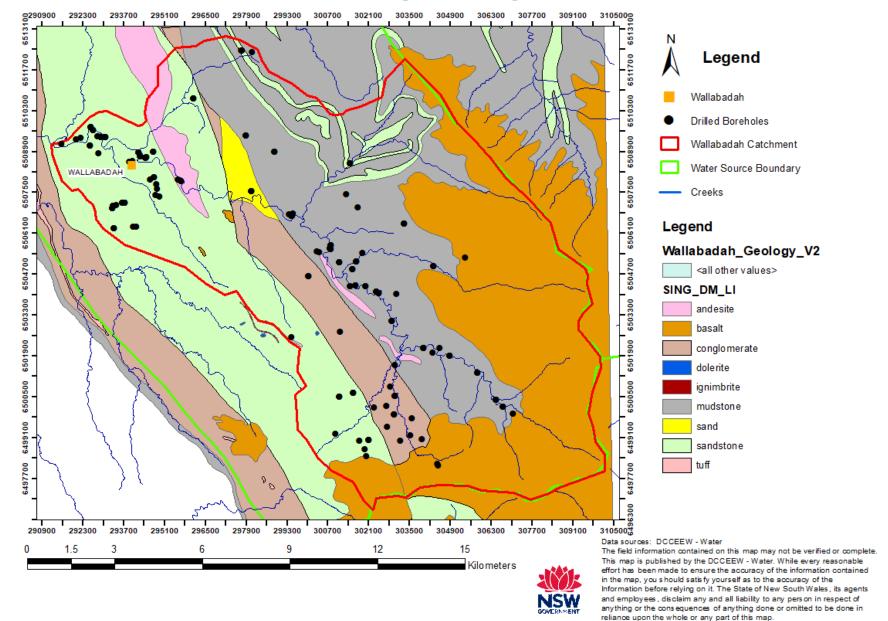
Bores in Wallabadah catchment





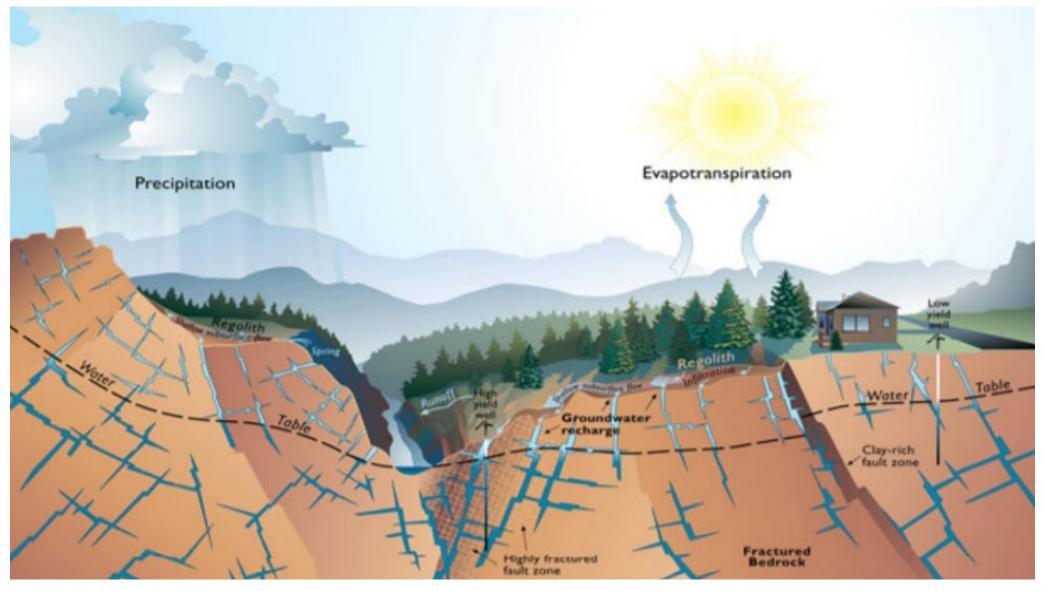
Wallabadah catchment geology





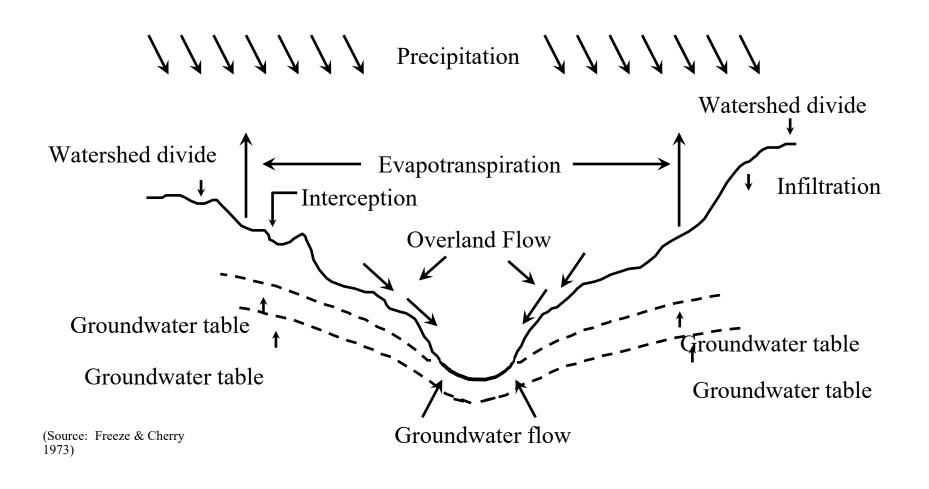
Example of how a fractured rock aquifer works





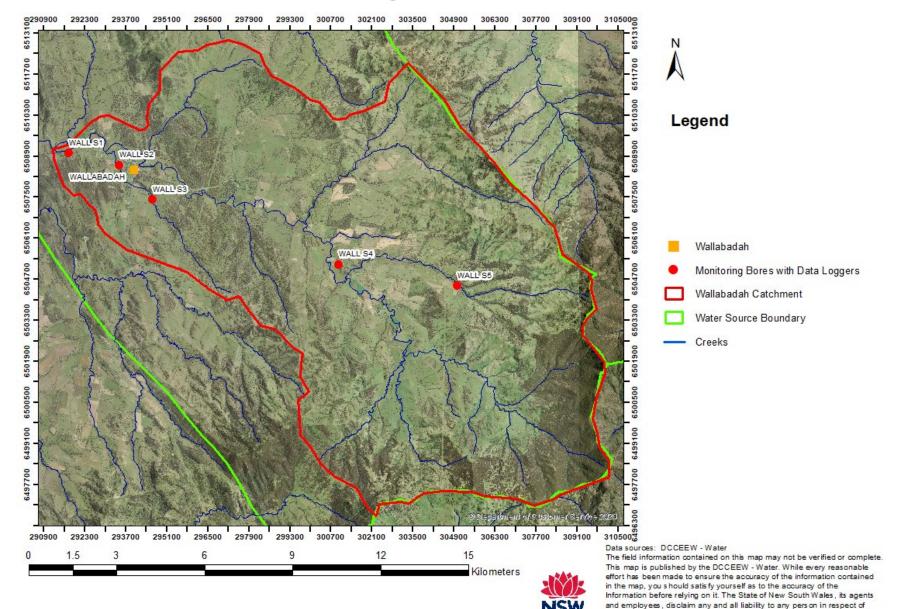


Groundwater surface water interactions



Bores used for monitoring



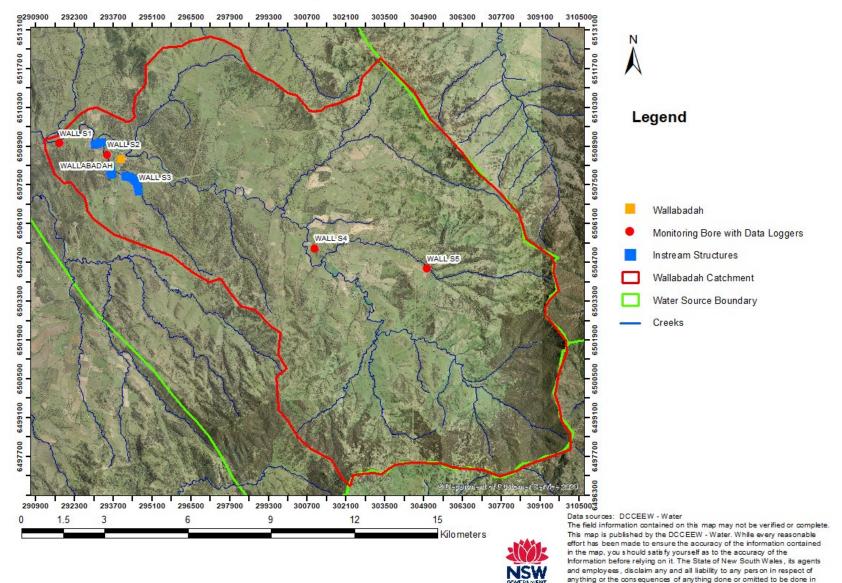


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Wallabadah Creek Catchment Community instream structures on Water Gully

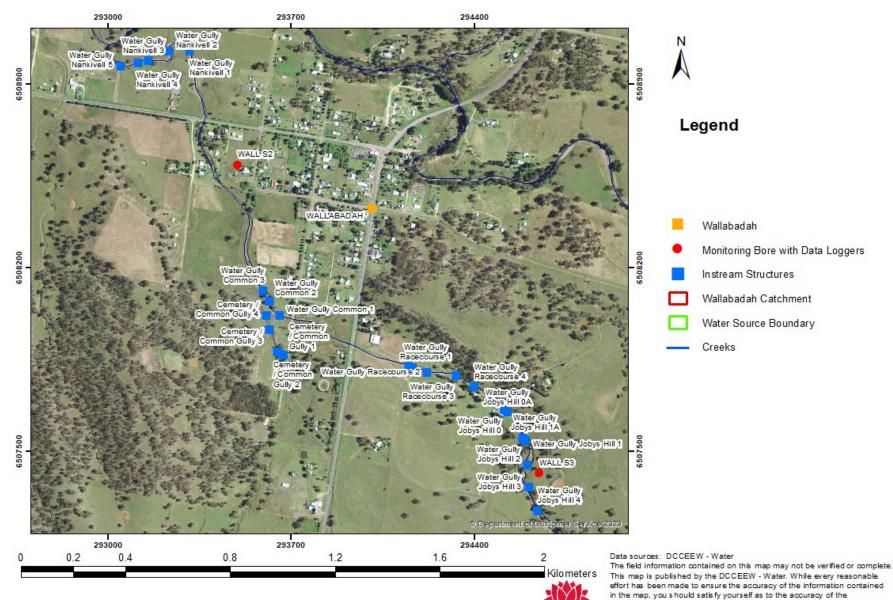




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Instream structures close up



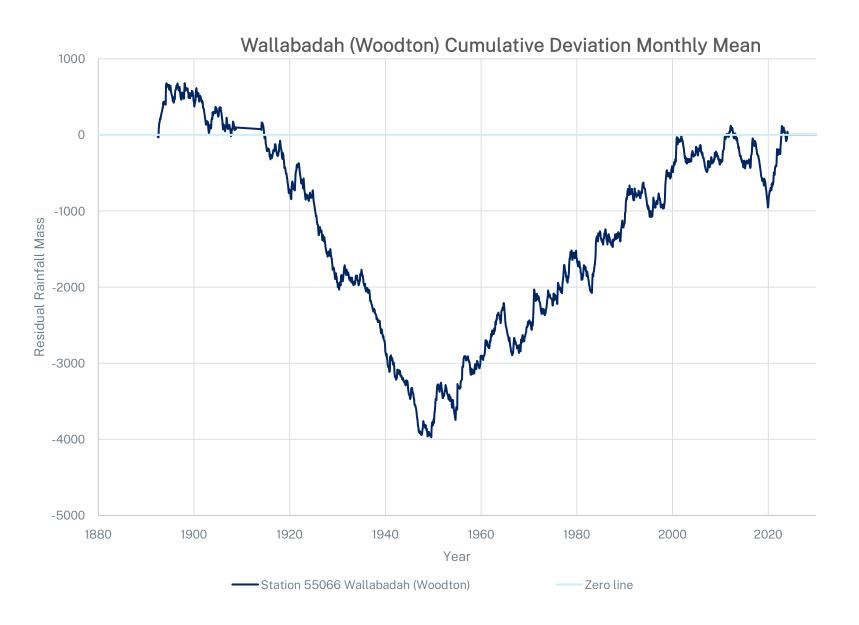


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Residual rainfall curve

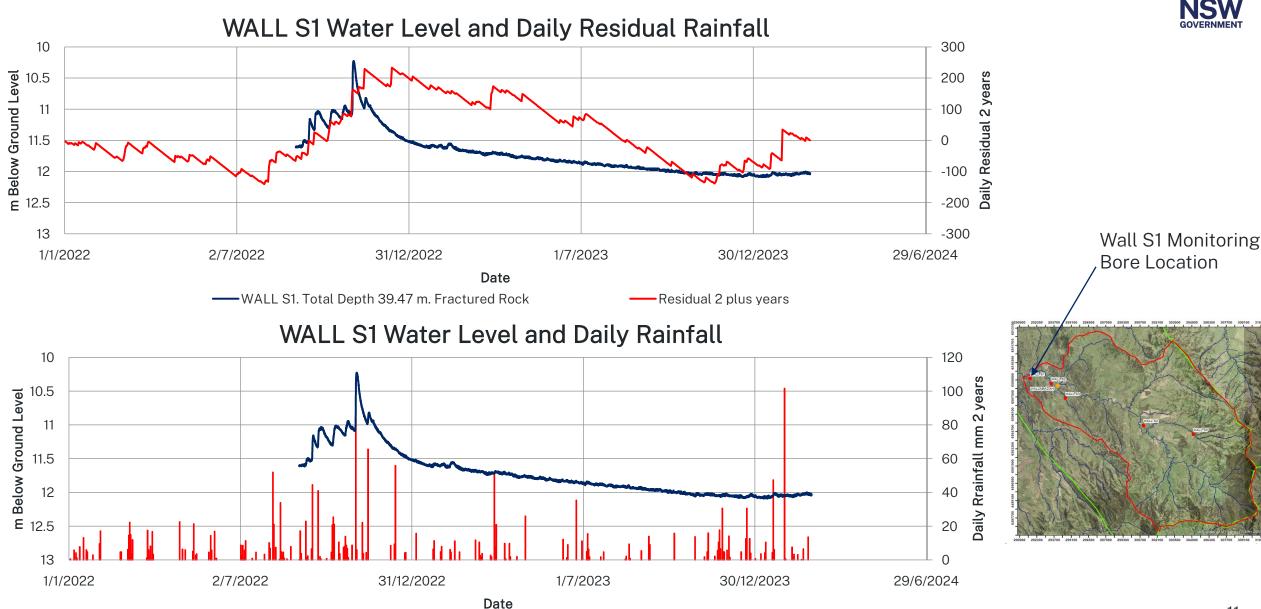




Hydrograph WALL S1 Fractured Rock

Rainfall

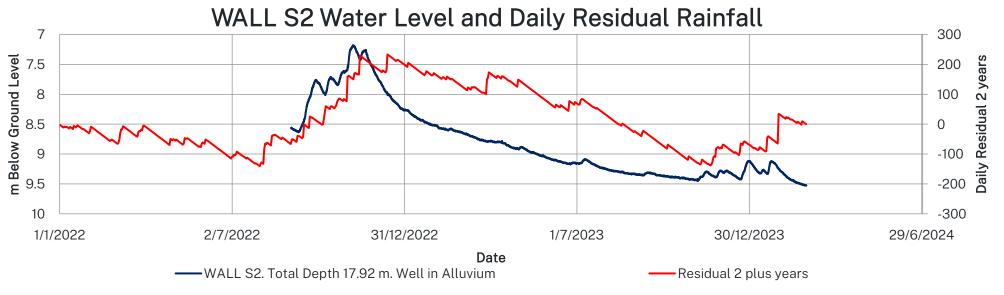


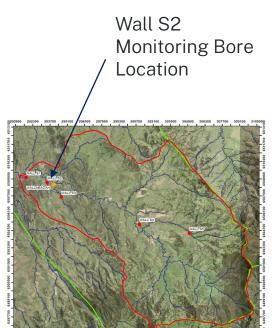


----WALL S1. Total Depth 39.47 m. Fractured Rock

Hydrograph WALL S2 Alluvium







WALL S2 Water Level and Daily Rainfall



Hydrograph WALL S3 Fractured Rock

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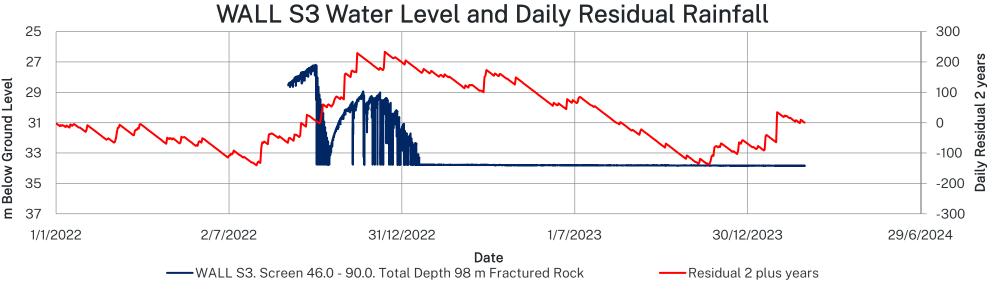
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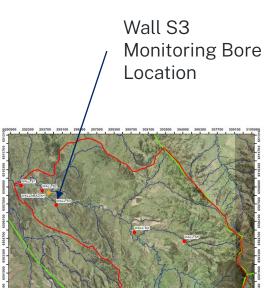
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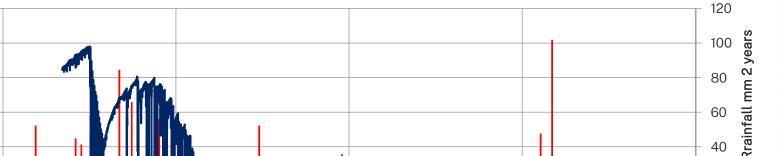




WALL S3 Water Level and Daily Rainfall

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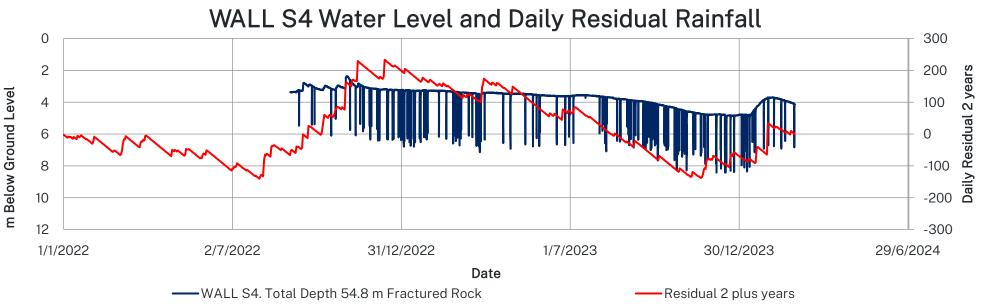
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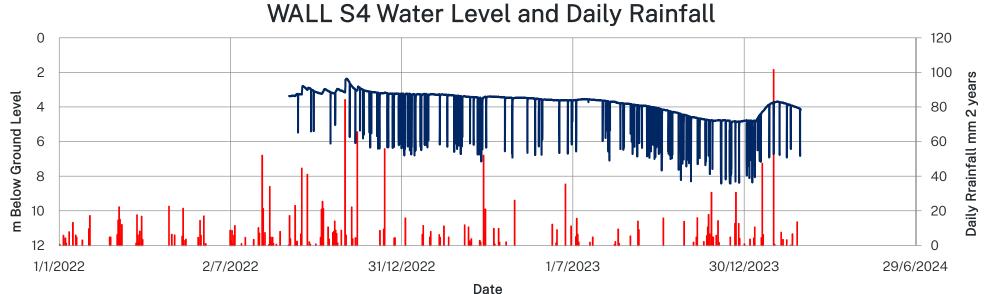
Hydrograph WALL S4 Fractured Rock

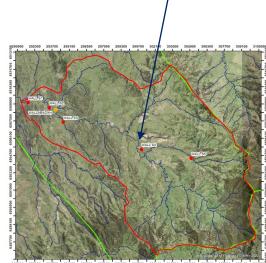
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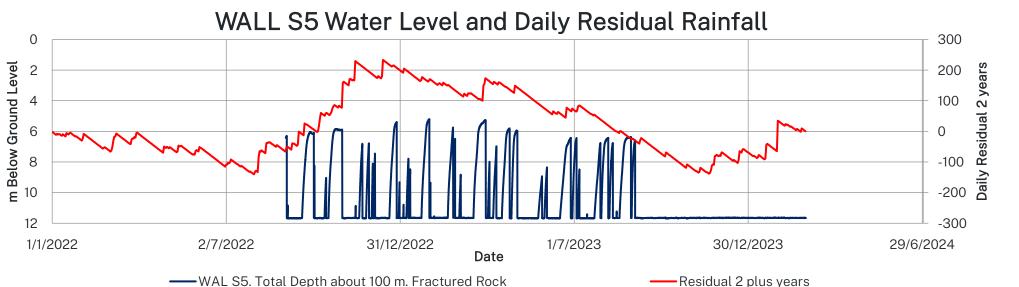




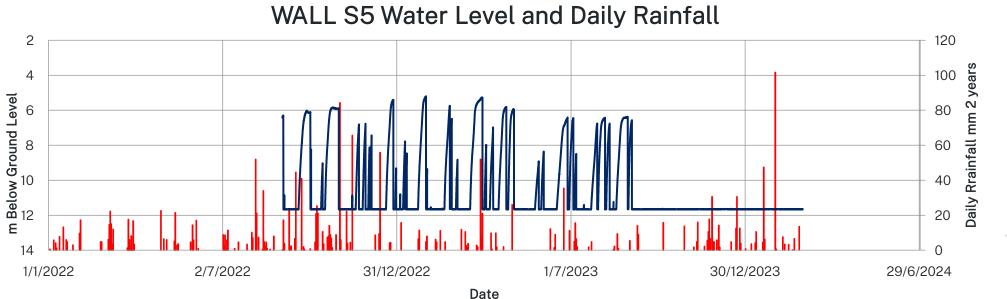


Hydrograph WALL S5 Fractured Rock

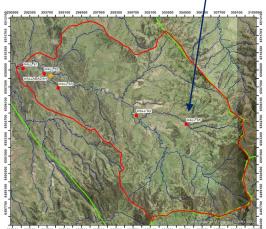








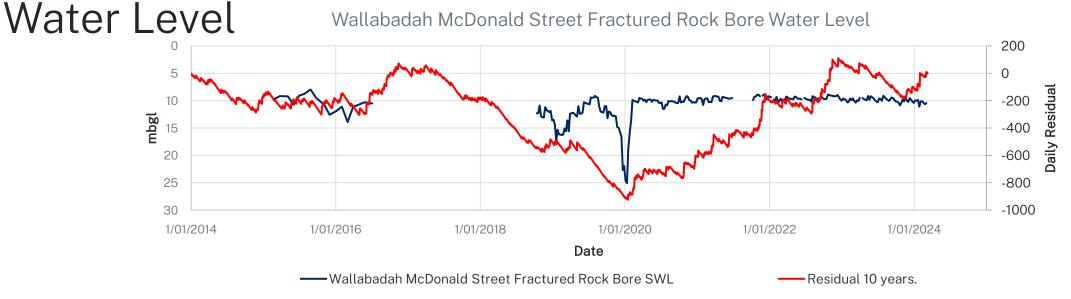
Rainfall



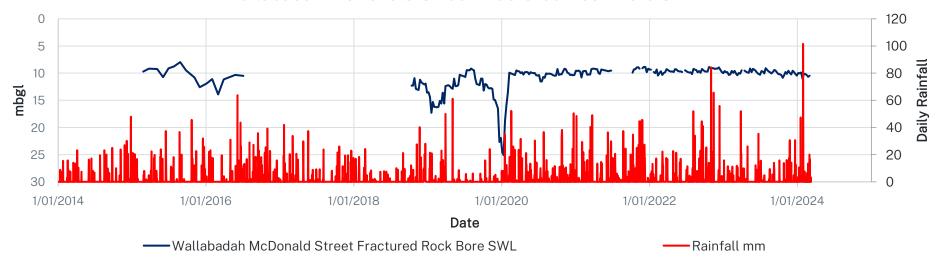
Wallabadah McDonald Street Fractured Rock Bore







Wallabadah McDonald Street Fractured Rock Bore SWL



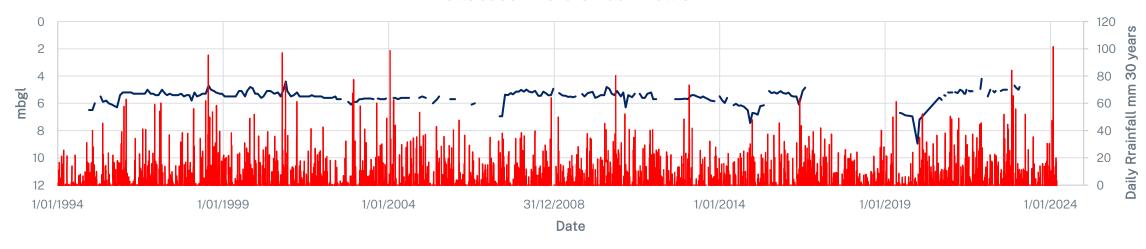
Wallabadah Ford Street Well, Water Level







Wallabadah Ford Street Well SWL



Conclusions



- •Groundwater respond to rainfall but with different response time
- Deeper bores are slower to respond to rainfall
- •Pumping affects water levels, there are different recovery responses
- •Need some wider range data loggers for some of the bores
- •Rainfall density/pattern of rainfall will influence recharge infiltration

Any Questions

