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Title: Drywt: DGS Digital Product 05-01 Sussex County

Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form: raster digital data

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Publisher: Delaware Geological Survey, University of Delaware

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Description:

Abstract:

This digital product contains gridded estimates of water-table (wt) elevation under dry conditions for Sussex County, Delaware. Files containing the point data used to create the grids are also included. This work is the final component of a larger effort to provide estimates of water-table elevations and depths to water for the Coastal Plain portion of Delaware. Mapping was supported by the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control and the Delaware Geological Survey.

These grids were produced with the same multiple linear regression (MLR) method as Andres and Martin (2005). Briefly, this method consists of: identifying dry, normal, and wet periods from long-term observation well data (Nc45-01, Ng11-01, Qe44-01); estimating a minimum water table (Sepulveda, 2002) by fitting a localized polynomial surface to elevations of surface water features (e.g., streams, swamps, and marshes); and computing a second variable in the regression from water levels observed in wells. A separate MLR equation was determined for dry, normal, and wet periods, and these equations were used in ArcMap v.9 (ESRI, 2004) to estimate grids of water-table elevations and depths to water. Grids produced in this project were merged with those previously completed for eastern Sussex and smoothed to minimize edge effects.

The grids have 30-m horizontal and 1-ft vertical resolutions. In the accompanying digital data, grid world files and ground-water level observation data are in UTM-18N, 1983 projection in meters and elevations are in feet, NAVD 1988. Files are in ESRI, Inc., grid format.

REFERENCES CITED

Andres, A. S., and Martin, M. J., 2005, Estimation of the water-table surface for the Inland Bays watershed, Delaware: Delaware Geological Survey Report of Investigations No. 68, 20p.

ESRI, 2004, ArcMap v. 9, Redlands, California.

Sepulveda, N., 2003, A statistical estimator of the spatial distribution of the water-table altitude: Ground Water, vol. 41, p. 66-71.

Purpose: This work is part of a larger effort to provide estimates of water-table elevations and depths to water for the Coastal Plain portion

of Delaware. These maps will be used in risk assessments and for environmental management decision-making.

Time\_Period\_of\_Content:

Time\_Period\_Information:

Single\_Date/Time:

Calendar\_Date: 2005

Currentness\_Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency: None planned

Spatial\_Domain:

Bounding\_Coordinates:

West\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -75.723667

East\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -75.048122

North\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 38.962443

South\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 38.449010

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus: none

Theme\_Keyword: inlandWaters

Theme\_Keyword: Water Table

Theme\_Keyword: groundwater

Theme\_Keyword: Delaware Hydrology

Place:

Place\_Keyword: Delaware

Place\_Keyword: Sussex County

Place\_Keyword: Bethany Beach

Place\_Keyword: Bethel

Place\_Keyword: Blades

Place\_Keyword: Bridgeville

Place\_Keyword: Dagsboro

Place\_Keyword: Delmar

Place\_Keyword: Ellendale

Place\_Keyword: Fenwick Island

Place\_Keyword: Frankford

Place\_Keyword: Georgetown

Place\_Keyword: Greenwood

Place\_Keyword: Henlopen Acres

Place\_Keyword: Laurel

Place\_Keyword: Lewes

Place\_Keyword: Milford

Place\_Keyword: Millsboro

Place\_Keyword: Millville

Place\_Keyword: Milton

Place\_Keyword: Ocean View

Place\_Keyword: Rehoboth Beach

Place\_Keyword: Seaford

Place\_Keyword: Selbyville

Place\_Keyword: Slaughter Beach

Place\_Keyword: South Bethany

Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus: USGS GNIS

Access\_Constraints: None

Use\_Constraints: The Delaware Geological Survey (DGS) is constantly gathering data from multiple sources, interpreting data, and reflecting

its interpretations in a variety of data formats. DGS's interpretations are conceptualized in these grids of Water-Table Elevation for Sussex County, DE. The water table is a continuous surface; however, observations of the surface exist at irregularly spaced locations. In this instance, regularly spaced grids of water-table elevations were estimated from site-specific observational data and are the model used to represent the water-table surface. Reasonable efforts have been made by the DGS to verify that the digital data provided hereon accurately interpret the source data used in its preparation. These are estimated surfaces and they may be inappropriate for some applications. Detailed site-specific investigation may be required for evaluating individual sites. Persons wishing to apply the data in these grids to more detailed scales are encouraged to contact the DGS office for advisement. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an expressed or implied waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State of Delaware or its duly authorized representatives, agents, or employees.

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Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment: Microsoft Windows XP Version 5.1 (Build 2600) Service Pack 2; ESRI ArcCatalog 9.1.0.722

Data\_Set\_Credit: Matthew J. Martin and A. Scott Andres

Data\_Quality\_Information:

Lineage:

Source\_Information:

Positional\_Accuracy:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy:

Quantitative\_Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Assessment:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Value: 0.5 foot

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Explanation: The raster grid cell has a 1-foot vertical resolution.

Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:

Quantitative\_Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Assessment:

Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Explanation: 30-meter resolution based on the grid cell.

Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:

Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method: Raster

Raster\_Object\_Information:

Raster\_Object\_Type: Grid Cell

Row\_Count: 1891  
Column\_Count: 1950  
Vertical\_Count: 1  
Spatial\_Reference\_Information:  
Horizontal\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition:  
Planar:  
Planar\_Coordinate\_Information:  
Planar\_Coordinate\_Encoding\_Method: row and column  
Coordinate\_Representation:  
Abscissa\_Resolution: 30.000000  
Ordinate\_Resolution: 30.000000  
Planar\_Distance\_Units: meters  
Grid\_Coordinate\_System:  
Grid\_Coordinate\_System\_Name: Universal Transverse Mercator  
Universal\_Transverse\_Mercator:  
UTM\_Zone\_Number: 18  
Transverse\_Mercator:  
Scale\_Factor\_at\_Central\_Meridian: 0.999600  
Longitude\_of\_Central\_Meridian: -75.000000  
Latitude\_of\_Projection\_Origin: 0.000000  
False\_Easting: 500000.000000  
False\_Northing: 0.000000  
Geodetic\_Model:  
Horizontal\_Datum\_Name: North American Datum of 1983  
Ellipsoid\_Name: Geodetic Reference System 80  
Semi-major\_Axis: 6378137.000000  
Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio: 298.257222  
Vertical\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition:  
Altitude\_System\_Definition:  
Altitude\_Datum\_Name: North American Vertical Datum of 1988  
Altitude\_Distance\_Units: feet  
Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:  
Detailed\_Description:  
Entity\_Type:  
Entity\_Type\_Label: drywt  
Attribute:  
Attribute\_Label: ObjectID  
Attribute\_Definition: Internal feature number.  
Attribute\_Definition\_Source: ESRI  
Attribute\_Domain\_Values:  
Unrepresentable\_Domain: Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.  
Attribute:  
Attribute\_Label: Value  
Attribute\_Definition: Water-table elevation in feet relative to North American Vertical Datum of 1988.  
Attribute:  
Attribute\_Label: Count  
Attribute\_Definition: This refers to the total number of grid cells within the raster grid that have a particular "value" (see above).  
Overview\_Description:  
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