

# Annual groundwater condition summary 2021-22

## South West Limestone Groundwater Management Area

### Introduction

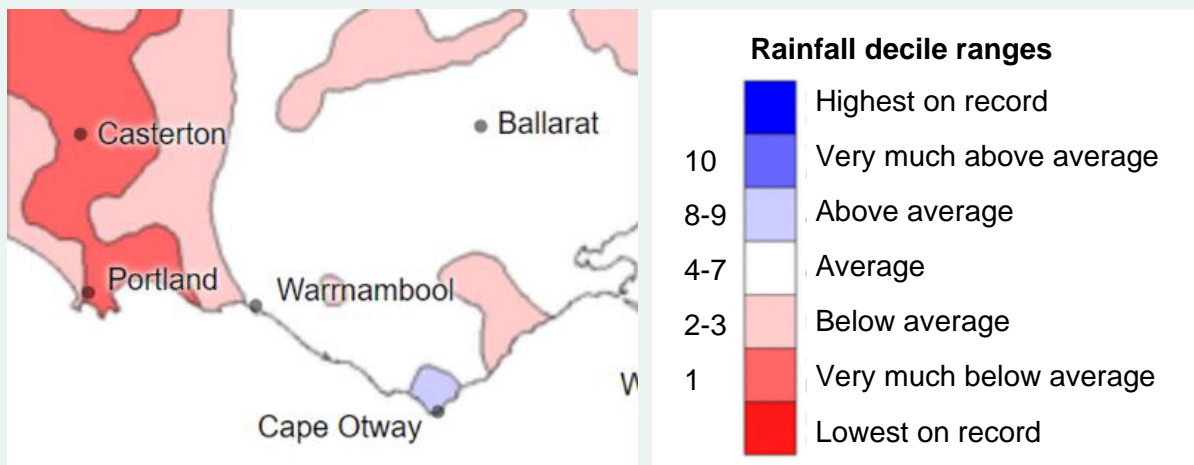
This summary aims to provide an overview of groundwater levels and use of groundwater in the Southern West Limestone Groundwater Management Area.

This summary complements our [interactive map](#) that allows water users to locate their area of interest accurately on the map.

### Groundwater resource status

The western part of the GMA has experienced below average rainfall during the past four years. The central and eastern parts have had average levels of rainfall. Groundwater levels remained at or slightly above long-term average levels in observation bores (refer to the groundwater level hydrographs and maps on pages 3,4 and 5).

Rainfall over last four years (up to June 2022) compared to long term average.

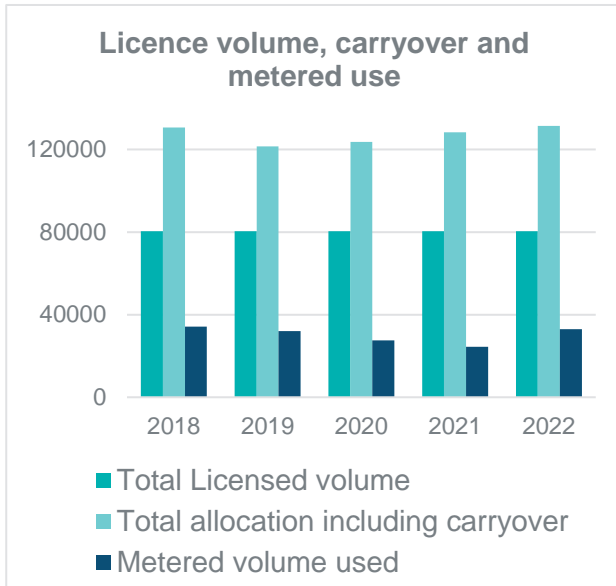


## Licensed groundwater use

Groundwater usage in 2021/22 was 33,030 ML. This is nearly 10 percent higher than the average use over the past five years of 30,228 ML.

### 2021-22 Licence and Usage Volumes

Number of licences	Licensed volume (ML)	Metered Usage (ML)
823	80,399	33,030



## Carryover

Groundwater licence holders in the South West Limestone Groundwater Management area are allowed to carryover up to 30 per cent of any unused allocation into the next year. Please contact us for more details about carryover.

## Groundwater Licence Renewals

Groundwater licences can be issued for a maximum 15-year term before requiring

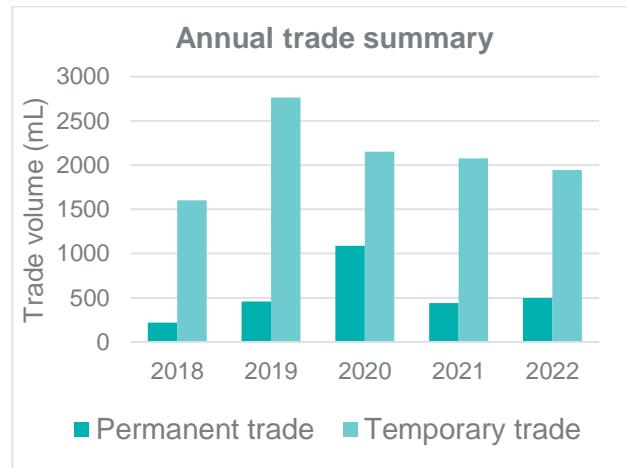
renewal. Licence holders must apply to renew their licence. Of the total 823 licences within the GMA, 114 groundwater licences were due for renewal in 2021-22. All applications for licence renewal were approved within the GMA.

## Groundwater trading

Water entitlements within this GMA are capped. An applicant seeking a new licence or to increase an existing licence must undertake a trade with an existing licence holder. Trade can occur on a temporary or permanent basis within the GMA according to the rules within the Local Management Plan. This can be found on [our website](#).

In 2021/22 there were 11 permanent transfers of entitlement averaging 45 ML and totalling 497 ML. There were 15 temporary trades averaging 130 ML and totalling 1,945 ML.

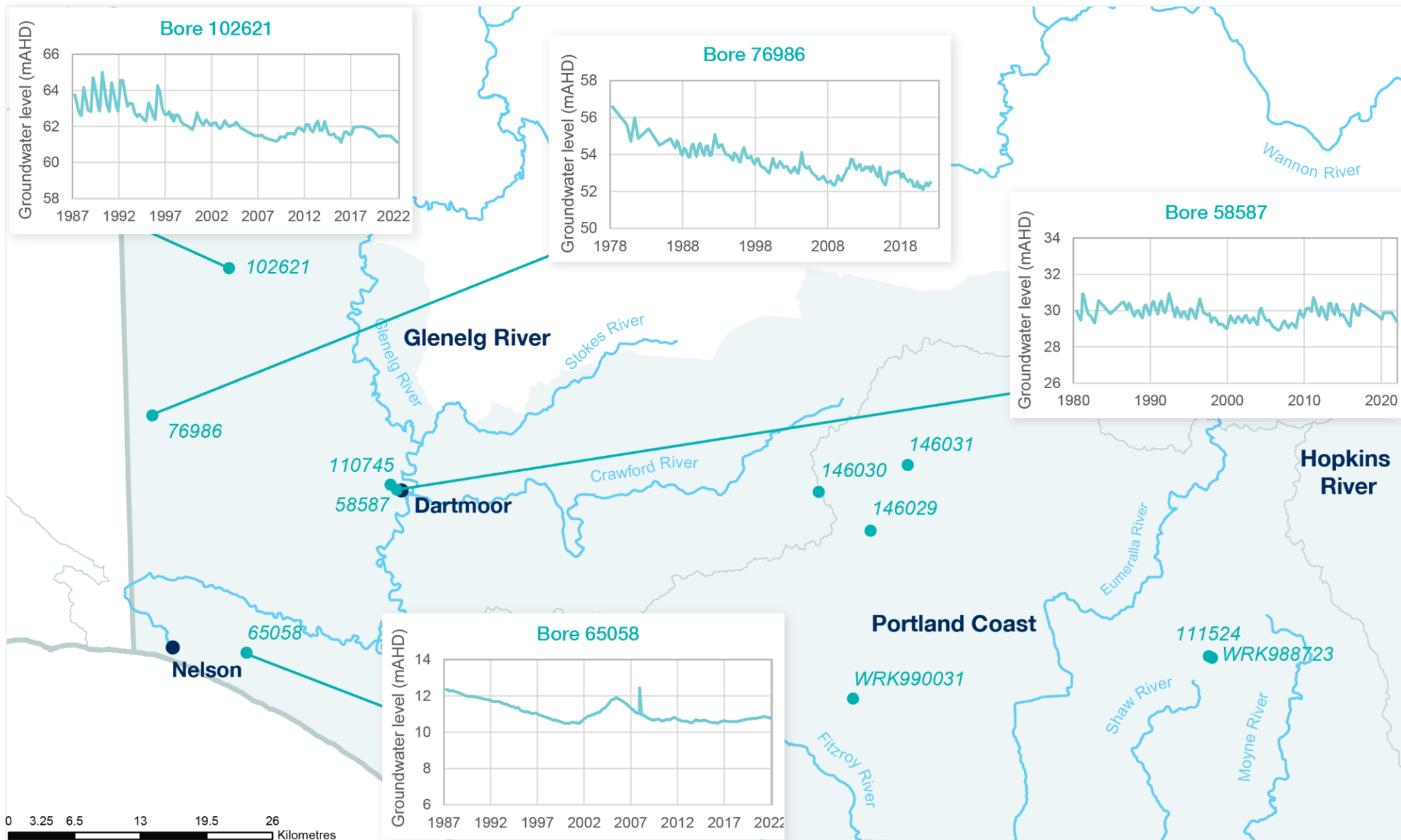
The recent history of trade is shown for context.



You can find general information about water trading on [our website](#).

For more detailed advice on trading, please contact us on 1300 139 510.

# South West Limestone groundwater levels: Western Region



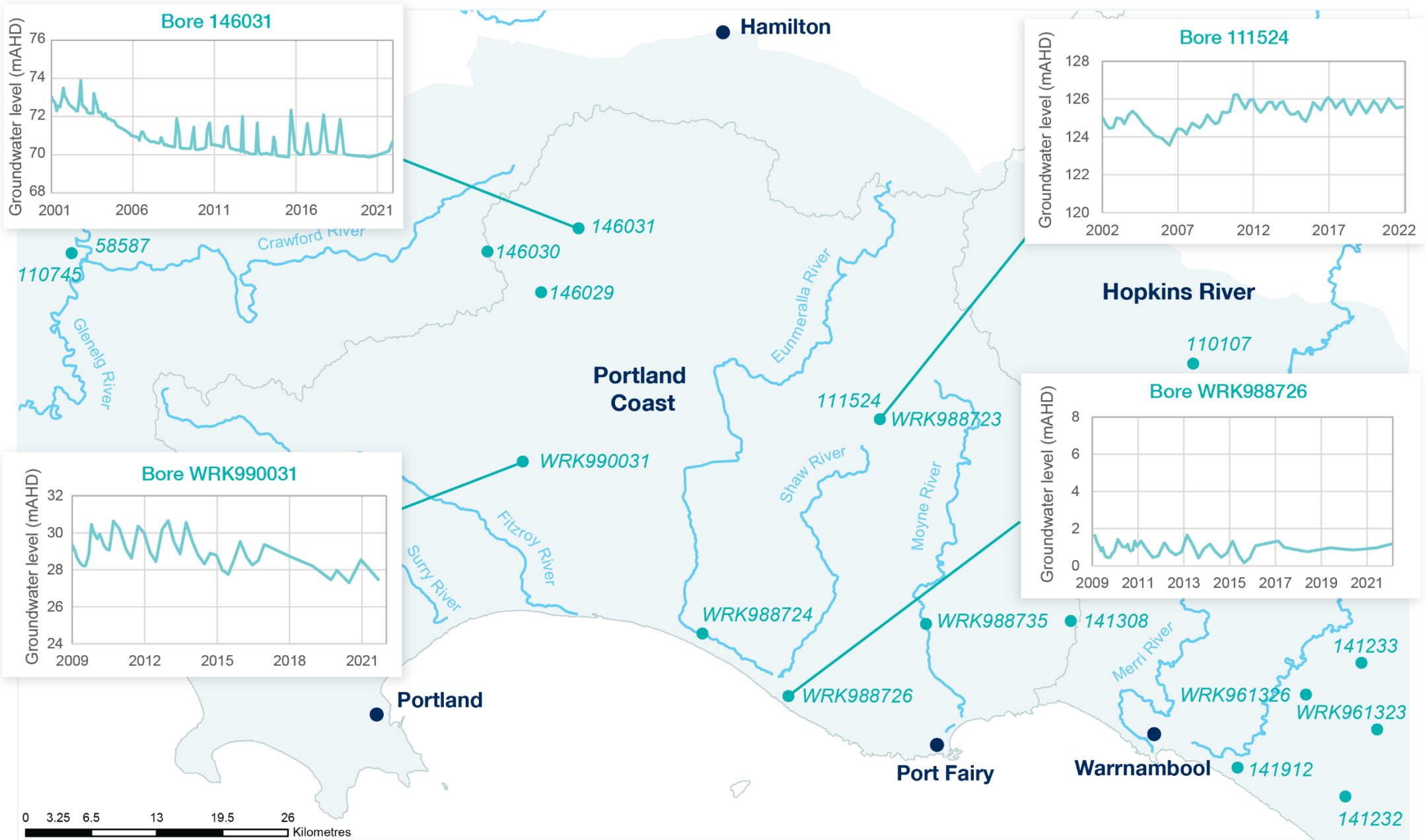
## Legend

- Active SOB
- Major localities
- Catchment boundary
- SW Limestone GMA

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# South West Limestone groundwater levels: Central region



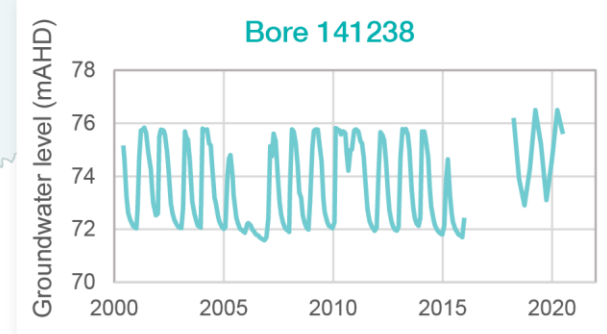
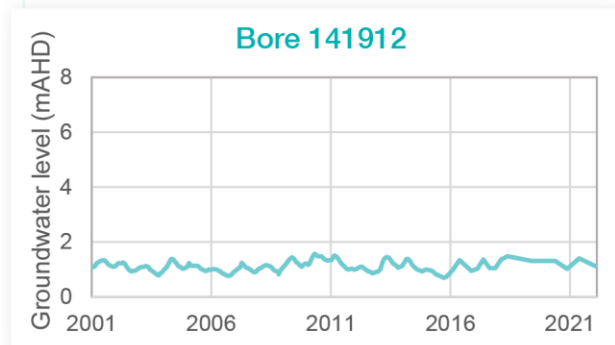
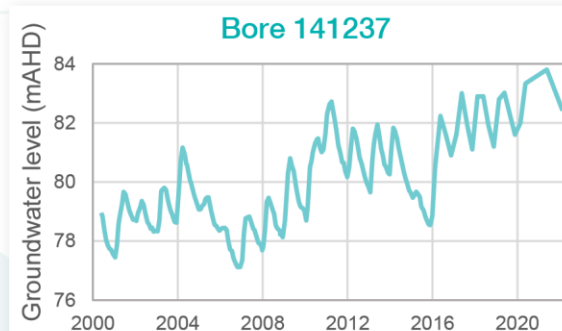
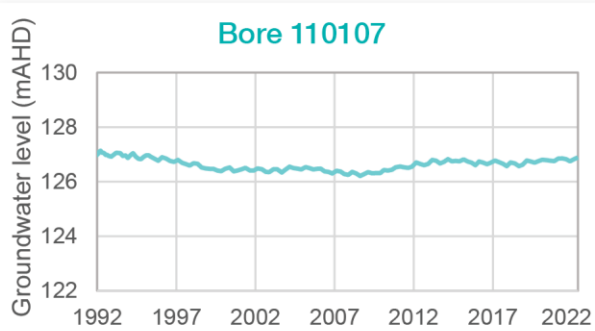
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# South West Limestone groundwater levels: Eastern Region



**Legend**

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