

Demonstrations of GroundWaterML2 standard implementation – Canada

Eric Boisvert – Geological Survey of Canada
Natural Resource Canada



WORLD
METEOROLOGICAL
ORGANIZATION



WMO HydroHub



Open
Geospatial
Consortium

Canada

Natural Resources Canada • Geological Survey of Canada
Ressources naturelles Canada • Commission géologique du Canada



Acknowledgements

- Boyan Brodaric – project leader
- Eric Boisvert, Heryk Julien, François Létourneau, Simon Gagnon
- Provincial and Territorial collaborators and data providers
- USGS collaborator and data provider



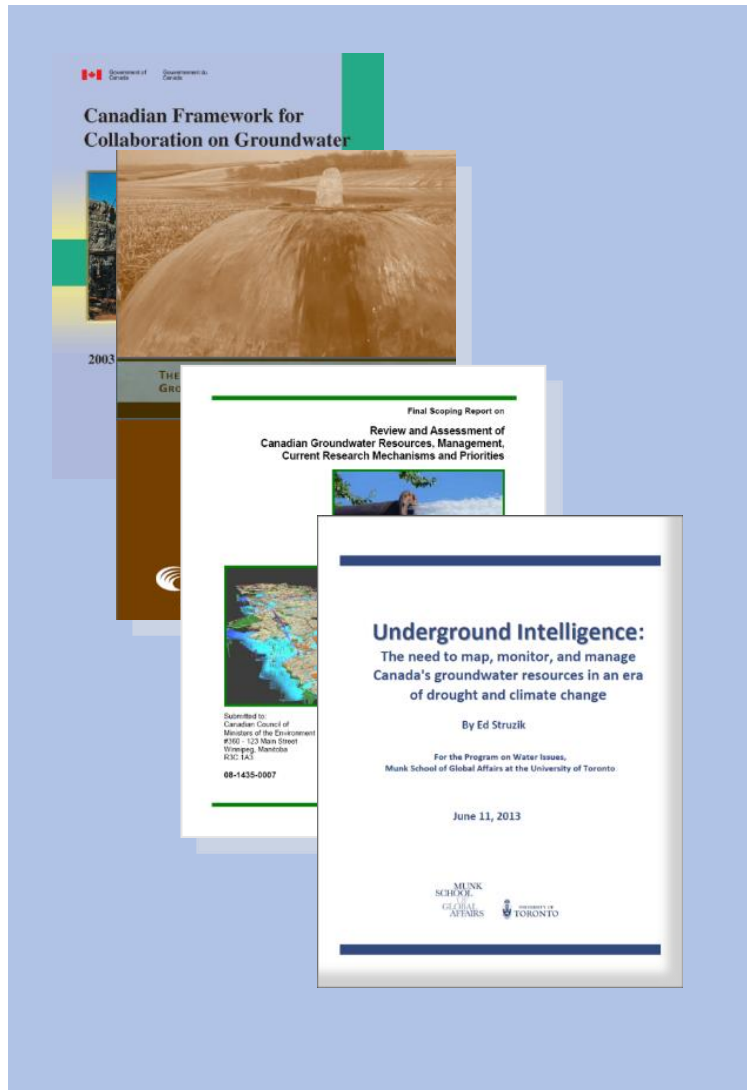
Freshwater in Canada

Shared responsibility

- 20 federal departments
- 10 provinces and 3 territories with their own internal structures
- Indigenous people (First nations, Inuits and Métis)
- Municipal governments

- Water is under provincial and territorial jurisdiction, except for some special cases, such as transboundary watersheds/aquifers
 - Therefore, data managed by several jurisdictions

2003-2013 : Recommendations w.r.t Groundwater



Findings

1. Data is hard to find & use
2. Data gaps & poor quality

Recommendations

1. More online access

Consolidate data

2. More data (use, monitoring)

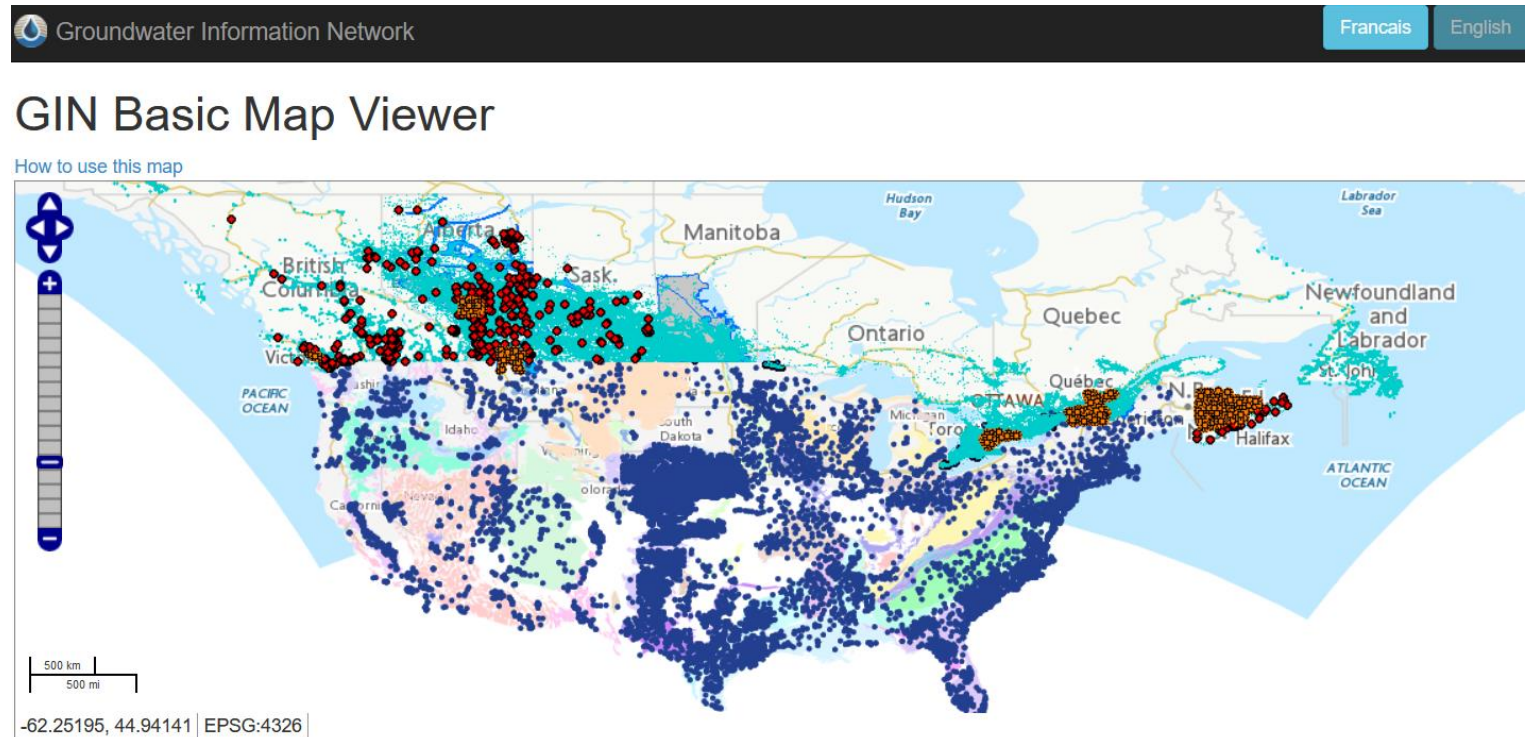
Better data quality

Groundwater Information Network

- Harmonize access to data from heterogenous sources
 - Standard model (involvement in **GWML** started here)
- Design principles
 - Providers keep control of data publishing
 - Data remains near the source
 - We don't « alter » the data
- Access the data as if it was a single GWML based system

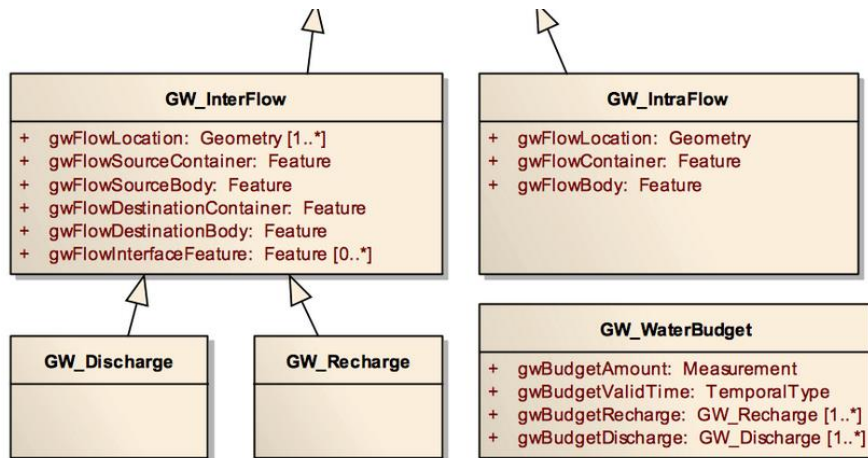
About to be replaced

<https://gin.gw-info.net>



How GWML helps ?

- Harmonize access to data from heterogenous sources
 - Data integration
 - Contextualization
 - Reporting
 - Linkage



Groundwater Information Network Français English

Appalachian External zone

Hydrogeological Context

Version	Metadata
	1e0430c8-9747-4e66-a879-4ffe78c0606f

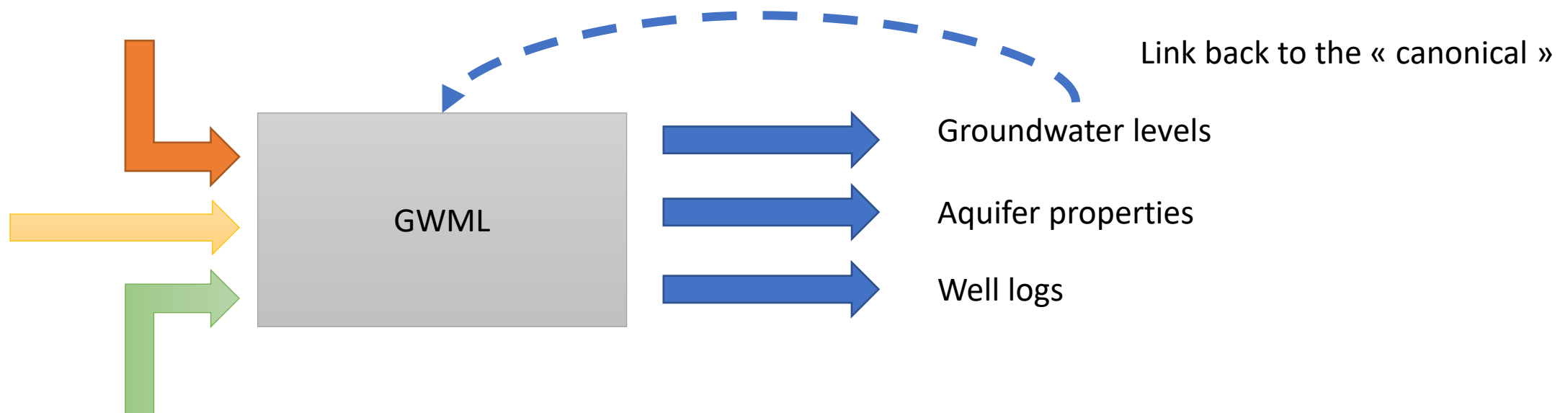
Project
Richelieu

Datasets
Download

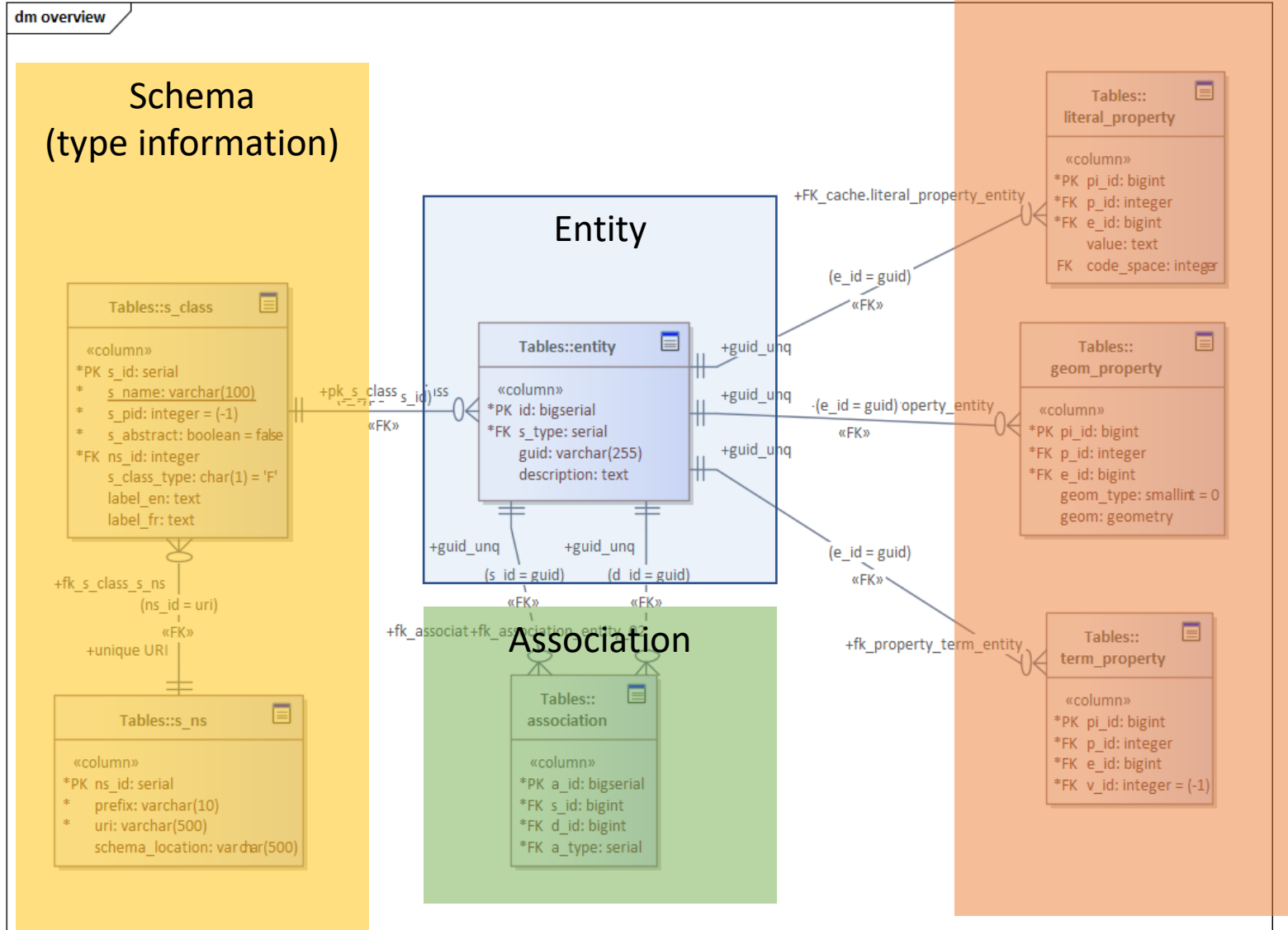
Regional precipitation	
1064.5 mm/y Range: [1023.9 to 1306.5] mm/y	
Regional evapotranspiration	
575 mm/y Range: [370 to 644.4] mm/y	
Regional runoff	
460.2 mm/y Range: [79.2 to 1146.2] mm/y	
Regional recharge	
114.7 mm/y Range: [0 to 417] mm/y	
Description	Recharge rates are moderate to low in the Noire River valley. There are local potential
Regional discharge	
Description	Discontinuous discharge are in the valley of Black River. Regional discharge areas are in the context of an regional Appalachian water discharge area.

How GWML helps ?

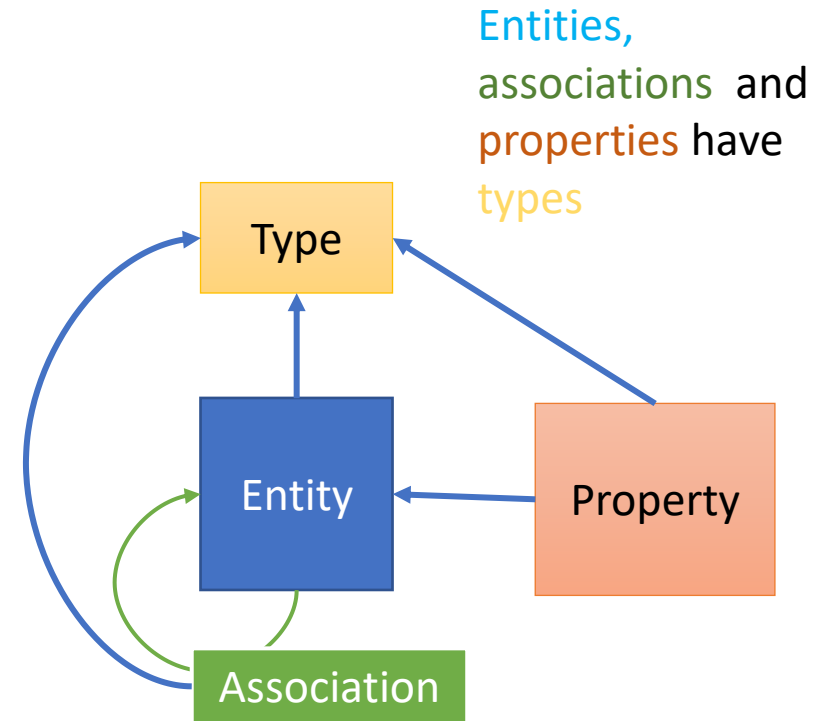
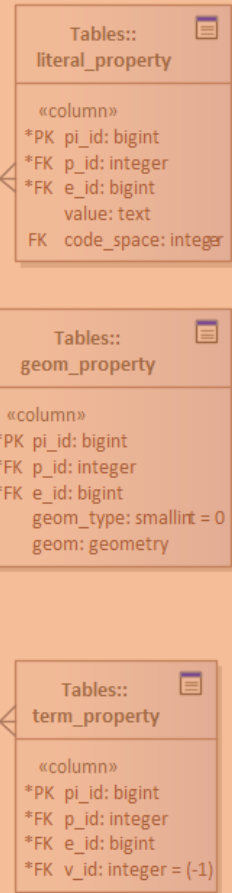
- Harmonized access to data from heterogenous sources
 - Data integration
 - Heterogeneous and at various level of completeness
 - Metamodel to derive products
 - Canonical representation



Data model (subset)



Properties



Entities, associations and properties have types

Entities are related to other entities

Entities have properties (properties are owned by Entities)

Abstracted model – in a nutshell

WELL_TABLE

well_id	sampled_feature	bhole_drilling_method	Well_use
2501317	NULL	CableToolDrilling	domestic

TERM_PROPERTIES_TABLE

entity_id	property name	value
2501317	sampledFeature	NULL
2501317	bholeDrillingMethod	CableToolDrilling
2501317	gw_wellUse	domestic

Classes and properties

(some occurrence stats)

Entity types

ABC s_name	123 c
CasingComponent	1,731,282
GW_Well	1,603,103
Elevation	1,567,119
Borehole	1,518,119
Casing	1,419,427
GW_GeologyLog	1,392,122
OM_Observation	1,159,873
SealingComponent	743,010
Sealing	588,246
ScreenComponent	576,809
Screen	566,916
SamplingFeatureComplex	95,698
SF_Specimen	95,364
FiltrationComponent	13,326
Filtration	12,730
GW_MonitoringSite	1,501
BoreCollar	223
MappedFeature	145

Property type is a « quantity »

ABC p_name	123 c
to	2,550,702
from	1,763,218
startDepth	1,390,472
endDepth	1,326,352
casingExternalDiameter	1,283,927
gwWellTotalLength	1,186,416
screenExternalDiameter	440,952
casingInternalDiameter	398,702
screenHoleWidth	24,872
screenHoleLength	24,872
result	493
bholeNominalDiameter	213
positionalAccuracy	40
propertyMeasure	2
filterGrainSize	1



Property type is an « association »

ABC p_name	123 c
bholeConstruction	2,587,319
casingElement	1,731,282
metaDataProperty	1,598,001
gwWellReferenceElevation	1,567,107
gwWellConstruction	1,517,892
gwWellGeology	1,390,472
relatedObservation	1,029,698
sealingElement	743,010
screenElement	576,809
relatedSamplingFeature	191,062
gwWellYield	75,935
gwWellStaticWaterDepth	54,934
filterElement	13,326
gwMonitoringHost	1,096
gwUnitProperty	816
bholeHeadworks	223
occurrence	140
gwFlowVolumeRate	85
gwUnitRecharge	54

WFS request

```
▼<wfs:GetFeatureResponse xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns:gmd="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xmlns:gco="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gco" xmlns:cv="http://www.opengis.net/cv/0.2/gml32" xmlns:x="http://ns.test.org" xmlns:sams="http://www.opengis.net/samplingSpatial/2.0"
xmlns:swe="http://www.opengis.net/swe/2.0" xmlns:om="http://www.opengis.net/om/2.0" xmlns:spec="http://www.opengis.net/samplingSpecimen/2.0" xmlns:sam="http://www.opengis.net/sampling/2.0"
xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml/3.2" xmlns:n29="http://gin.gw-info.net" xmlns:wfs="http://www.opengis.net/wfs/2.0" xmlns:gmt="urn:x-gin:metadata" xmlns:gww="http://www.opengis.net/gwml-well/2.2"
xmlns:gwml2="http://www.opengis.net/gwml-main/2.2" xmlns:gwml2f="http://www.opengis.net/gwml-flow/2.2" xmlns:gwml2c="http://www.opengis.net/gwml-wellconstruction/2.2" xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink"
xmlns:gsmblb="http://www.opengis.net/gsml/4.1/GeoSciML-Basic" xmlns:gsmle="http://www.opengis.net/gsml/4.1/GeoSciML-Extension" xmlns:gmt="urn:x-gin:metadata:2.0" xmlns:m="urn:x-gin:mediator:2.0"
xmlns:gwml_req="http://www.opengis.net/req/gw_well/" xmlns:wml2="http://www.opengis.net/waterml/2.0" xmlns:def="http://www.opengis.net/def/gwml/phenomenon/" xmlns:schema="https://schema.org/"
gml:id="wfs.76693" count="10" timeStamp="2022-03-16T11:18Z">
▼<wfs:boundedBy>
  ▼<gml:Envelope srsName="http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/epsg/0/4326">
    <gml:lowerCorner>44.5083201891166 -140.420657201397</gml:lowerCorner>
    <gml:upperCorner>68.2233214821593 -55.7993921544602</gml:upperCorner>
  </gml:Envelope>
</wfs:boundedBy>
▼<gml:member>
  ▼<gsmblb:MappedFeature gml:id="gin.4138">
    <gml:name codeSpace="urn:x-gin:cached-resource">https://gin.geosciences.ca/GinService/rs/FeatureTypes/AbstractFeature/gin.4138</gml:name>
    ▼<gsmblb:observationMethod>
      ▼<swe:Category>
        <swe:value>http://resource.geosciml.org/classifier/cgi/featureobservationmethod/synthesis_from_multiple_sources</swe:value>
      </swe:Category>
    </gsmblb:observationMethod>
    ▼<gsmblb:positionalAccuracy>
      ▼<swe:Quantity>
        <swe:uom xlink:href="http://www.opengis.net/def/uom/UCUM/0/m" xlink:title="m"/>
        <swe:value>100.0</swe:value>
      </swe:Quantity>
    </gsmblb:positionalAccuracy>
    ▼<gsmblb:specification>
      ▼<gwml2:GW_Aquifer gml:id="gin.4137">
        <gml:identifier codeSpace="http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2616">https://geoconnex.ca/features/GW_HydrogeoUnit/59</gml:identifier>
        <gml:name codeSpace="urn:x-gin:gwie:fr">Sables littoraux</gml:name>
        <gml:name codeSpace="urn:x-gin:gwie:en">Littoral sands</gml:name>
        <gml:name codeSpace="urn:x-gin:cached-resource">https://gin.geosciences.ca/GinService/rs/FeatureTypes/AbstractFeature/gin.4137</gml:name>
      </gwml2:GW_Aquifer>
      ▼<gsmblb:observationMethod>
        ▼<swe:Category>
          <swe:value>http://resource.geosciml.org/classifier/cgi/featureobservationmethod/synthesis_from_multiple_sources</swe:value>
        </swe:Category>
      </gsmblb:observationMethod>
      <gsmblb:occurrence xlink:href="#gin.4138" xlink:title="gin.null"/>
    </gsmblb:specification>
    ▼<gwml2:gwUnitRecharge>
      ▼<gwml2f:GW_Recharge gml:id="gin.4139">
        <gml:name codeSpace="urn:x-gin:cached-resource">https://gin.geosciences.ca/GinService/rs/FeatureTypes/AbstractFeature/gin.4139</gml:name>
      </gwml2f:GW_Recharge>
    </gwml2:gwUnitRecharge>
  </gml:member>

```

HTML view



Overview

FR

IDENTIFIER

14039373



DESCRIPTION

WaterWell 90337
from British
Columbia
government



DATA SOURCE

Water Well
Application - Ministry
of Environment



DATE OF DRILLING

2005-10-06



Earth material

Description:

Phenomenon time:

2005-10-06T00:00:00.000Z

Result time:

2005-10-06T00:00:00.000Z

FROM	TO	LITHCLASS	DESC
0.0	5.1816	Organic material	MIXED ORGANICS & ROCKS
19.812	21.0312	inapplicable	N/A
22.86	30.48	Volcanic rock	VOLCANIC W FEW TRACES WHITE
30.48	60.96	inapplicable	N/A
36.576	40.2336	inapplicable	N/A
60.96	91.44	Volcanic rock	VOLCANIC W FEW WHITE TRACES
73.152	75.8952	inapplicable	N/A

Casing

FROM	TO	CASING MATERIAL
0.0 m	25.56 m	Steel

Overview

DATA

Locate

Log diagram

Earth material

Casing

Additional Info

ADVANCED

Download

GWML2 (XML)

Linked Data



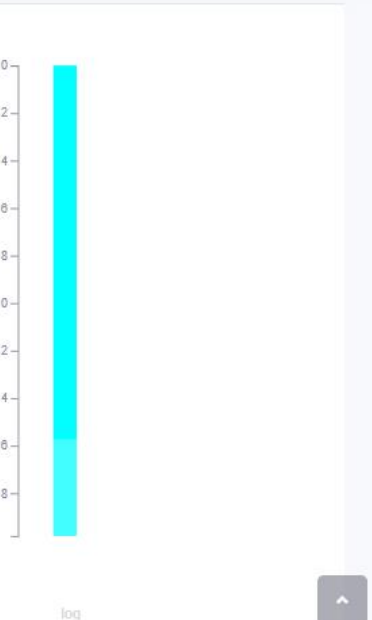
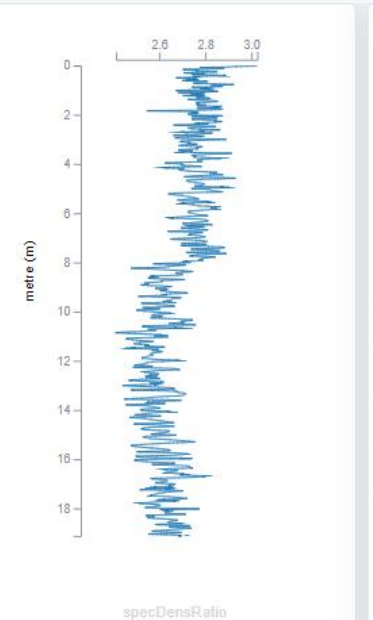
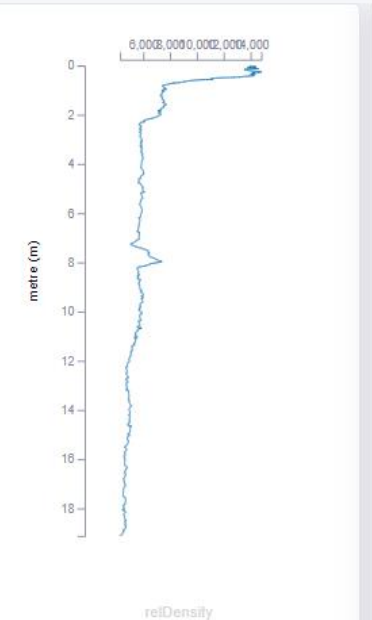
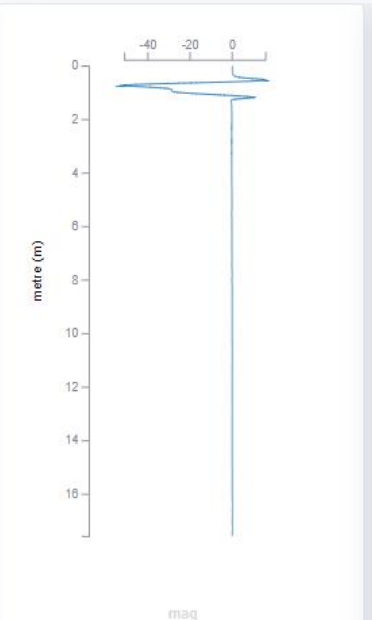
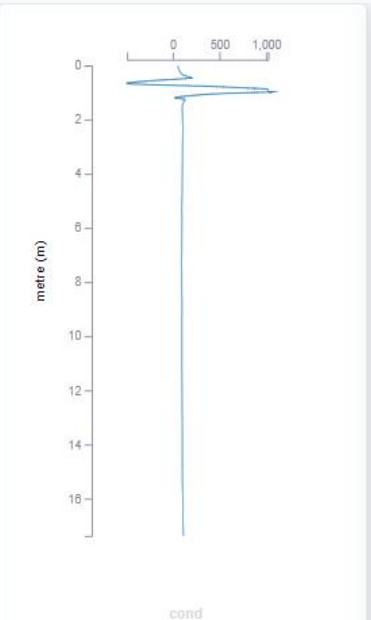
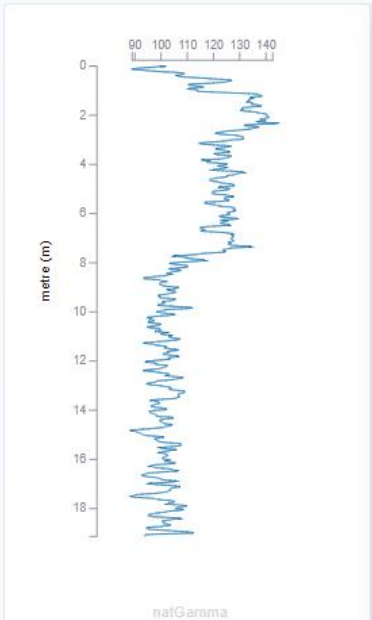
HTML view

- Log diagram
- Additional Info
- ADVANCED
- Download
- GWML2 (XML)
- Linked Data

Additional Info	
Total length:	19.0
Elevation:	233.568 null , Origin elevation
Status:	N/A
Drilling Method:	N/A

Locate

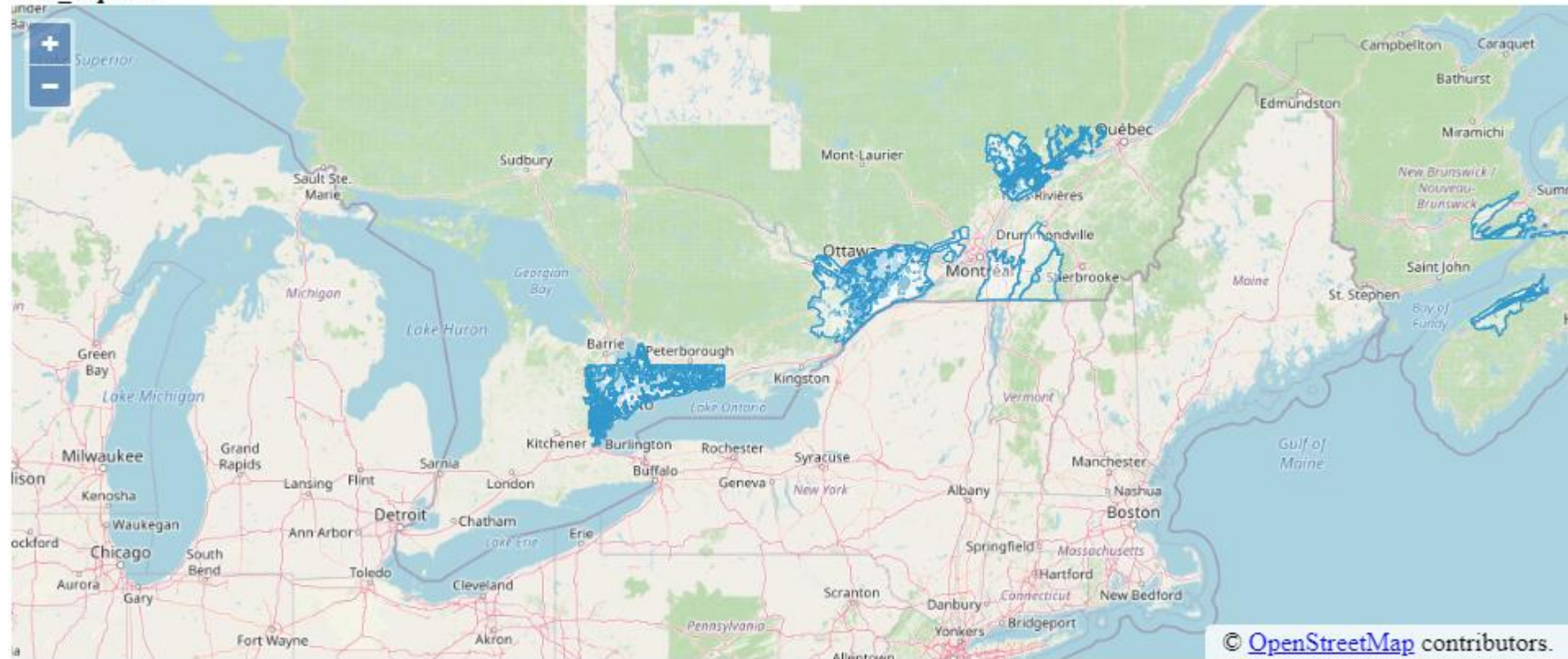
Coordinates: -97.30938184325659, 49.24331620718253 (longitude/latitude)



OGCApi (beta)

Collection

GW_Aquifer



QGIS

The screenshot displays the QGIS interface. On the left, a map shows a network of waterways and numerous orange circular markers representing water wells. A single red circular marker is highlighted. On the right, the 'Identify Results' panel is open, showing a table of metadata for the selected feature. The table has two columns: 'Feature' and 'Value'. The 'Feature' column lists various attributes, and the 'Value' column shows their corresponding values. A blue arrow points from the text 'Canonical representation' to the '@id' value in the table.

Feature	Value
GW_Well	
name	
(Derived)	
(Actions)	
e_id	12555741
type	{ "@title": "Well", "@href": "http://www.opengis.net/def/geoconnex/id/waterwells/sk.96377" }
@id	https://geoconnex.ca/id/waterwells/sk.96377
totalLength	60.0456
name	
gwWellStatus	
relatedObservation	
page	<a "http:="" ..."="" @href":="" def="" gwml="" href="https://gin.geosciences.ca/GinService/rs/view/gin?waterUse={ " www.opengis.net="">https://gin.geosciences.ca/GinService/rs/view/gin?
waterUse	{ "@href": "http://www.opengis.net/def/gwml/..."}
bholeConstruction	NULL
elevation	3275

Canonical representation

Pro and cons

- No « mapping » - it's a metamodel
 - Database is complex, but flexible
- Fast – mostly depend on database performance
- Not limited to GWML
- Supports polymorphism
- Much better at handling complex properties
- Can be parallelized or distributed (Future work)
- Caveat
 - No way to add more data types without getting back to the code (but very doable)
 - **Not an easy database to work with in SQL, manual editing is a chore**

Caveat

```
INSERT INTO cache.query_result (q_id,e_id,level)
SELECT DISTINCT -1 as q_id,n0.id,0 as lvl FROM
(SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (47,73,46,82,50,45) ) n0
INNER JOIN (SELECT c.*,u.ucum_uri,u.uom_label FROM cache.quantity_property c INNER JOIN cache.s_uom
u ON c.uom = u.uom_id WHERE c.p_id = 61) n1 ON n0.id = n1.e_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 47) n2 ON n0.id = n2.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (50) ) n3 ON n2.d_id = n3.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 48) n4 ON n3.id = n4.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (51)) n5 ON n4.d_id = n5.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 49) n6 ON n5.id = n6.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (53) ) n7 ON n6.d_id = n7.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT c.*,u.ucum_uri,u.uom_label FROM cache.quantity_property c INNER JOIN cache.s_uom
u ON c.uom = u.uom_id WHERE c.p_id = 54) n8 ON n7.id = n8.e_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 47) n9 ON n0.id = n9.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (50) ) n10 ON n9.d_id = n10.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 48) n11 ON n10.id = n11.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (51) ) n12 ON n11.d_id = n12.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT s_id,d_id FROM cache.vw_all_assoc WHERE a_type = 49) n13 ON n12.id = n13.s_id
INNER JOIN (SELECT id FROM cache.entity WHERE s_type IN (53) ) n14 ON n13.d_id = n14.id
INNER JOIN (SELECT c.*,u.ucum_uri,u.uom_label FROM cache.quantity_property c INNER JOIN cache.s_uom
u ON c.uom = u.uom_id WHERE c.p_id = 54) n15 ON n14.id = n15.e_id
WHERE ( ( n1.main_value > 100 AND n8.main_value > 10 ) OR n15.main_value < 6 ) OFFSET 0 LIMIT 7
```

A close-up photograph of water cascading over dark, wet rocks. The water is clear and creates white foam and splashes as it flows. The background is slightly blurred, showing more rocks and some greenery.

Thank you!



WORLD
METEOROLOGICAL
ORGANIZATION



Open
Geospatial
Consortium

Canada

Natural Resources Canada • Geological Survey of Canada
Ressources naturelles Canada • Commission géologique du Canada