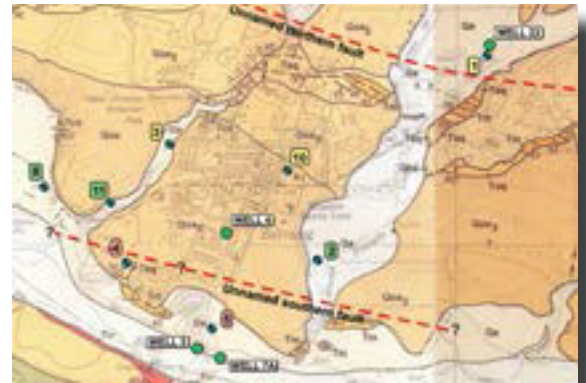


Upland Well Drilling Program

Lead Agency: City of Solvang

Meridian Consultants was contracted with the City of Solvang to complete the CEQA documentation for the Upland Well Drilling Program. The City developed a well siting study for possible “upland” well sites to increase local water supplies to the City. Six upland well sites were selected for study and for drilling, testing, and ultimately, as future wells that would provide the City potable water supply to meet water demand.

Construction of the Project would entail the drilling of the six well sites; each site would be approximately 2,500 square feet in size. The six well sites would be connected to the City’s potable water system, treated, and distributed for use by the City.



Meridian Consultants prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration to evaluate the potential environmental impacts during construction and future water supply and demand conditions once the wells become operational. While the six well locations are within relatively undisturbed sites, potential biological and cultural resources would be of concern during testing and construction of each well.