

# Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District

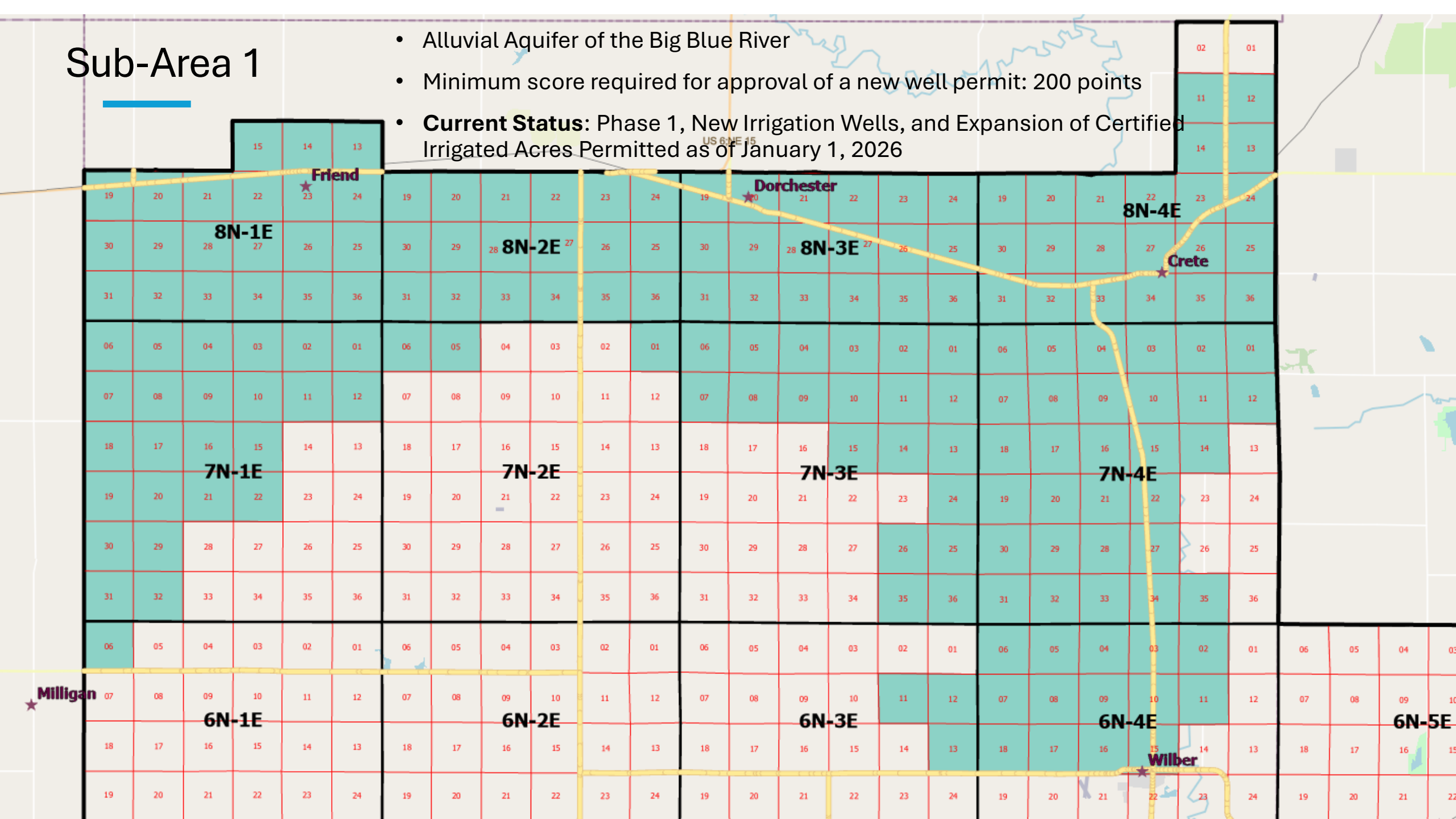
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## Groundwater Management Sub-Areas

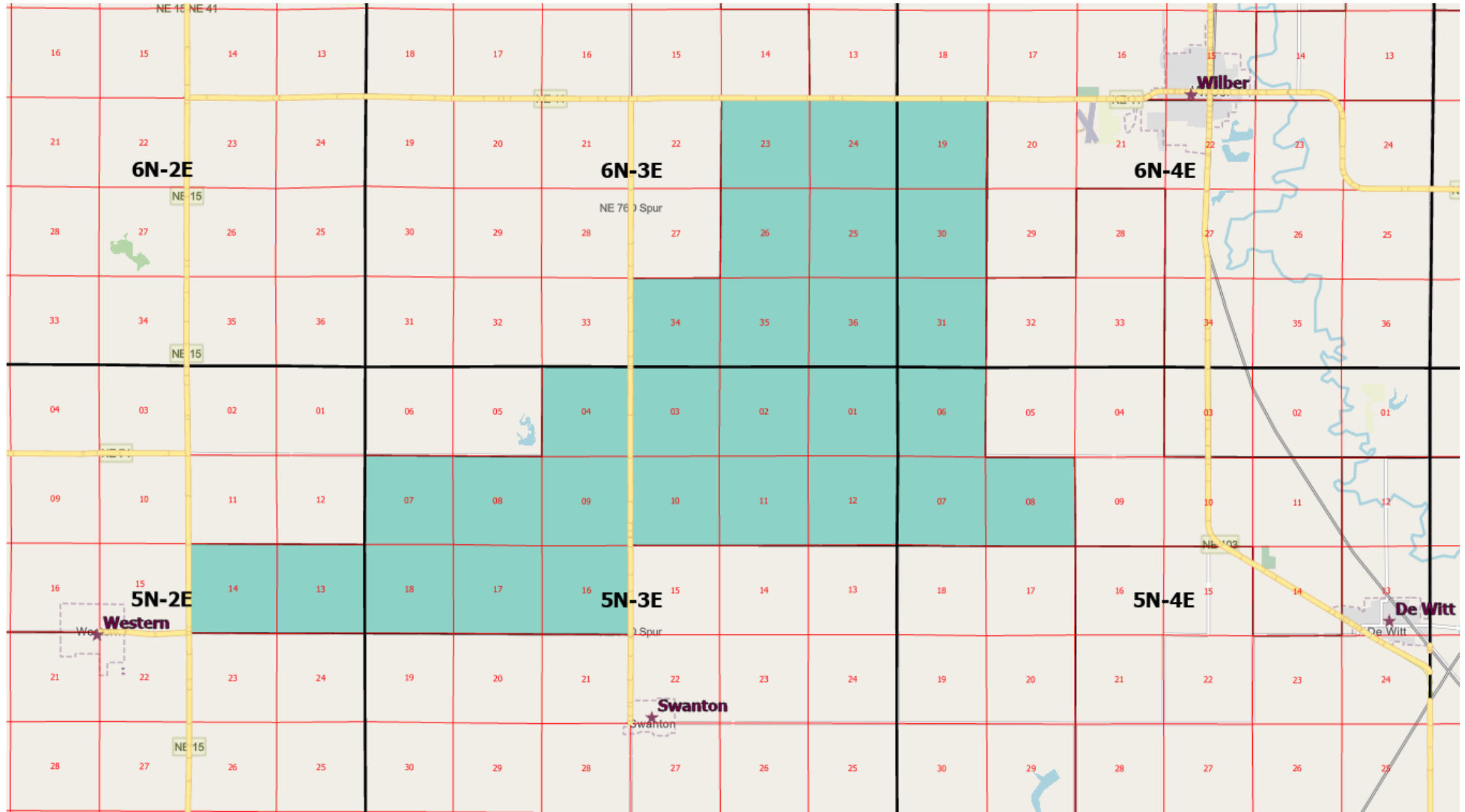
# Sub-Area 1

- Alluvial Aquifer of the Big Blue River
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 200 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 1, New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres Permitted as of January 1, 2026



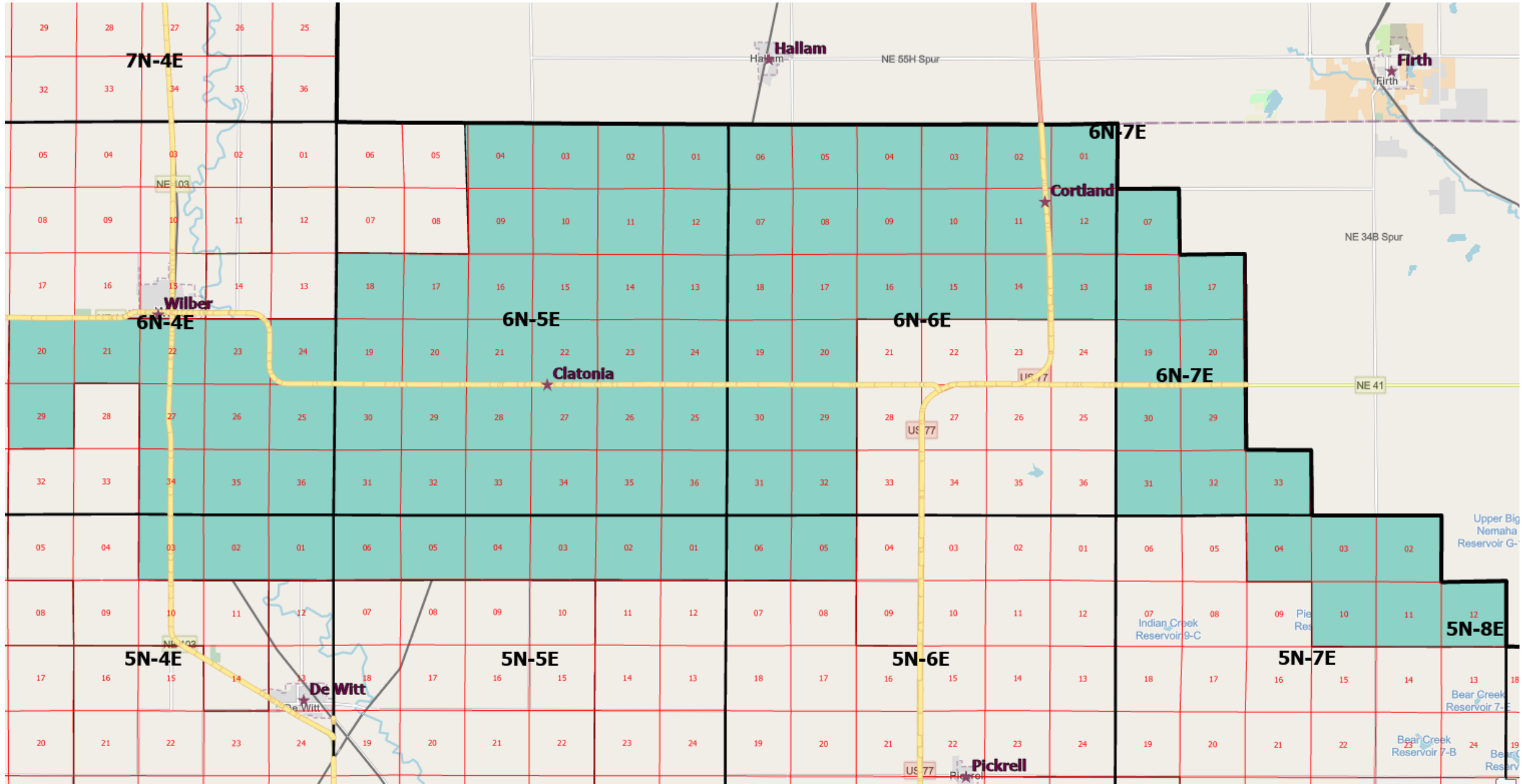
## Sub-Area 2

- Portions of Alluvial Aquifer of the Big Blue River and Paleovalley Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 200 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 1, Spring Water Level is Below Phase 2 Trigger for 2 Consecutive Years, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres



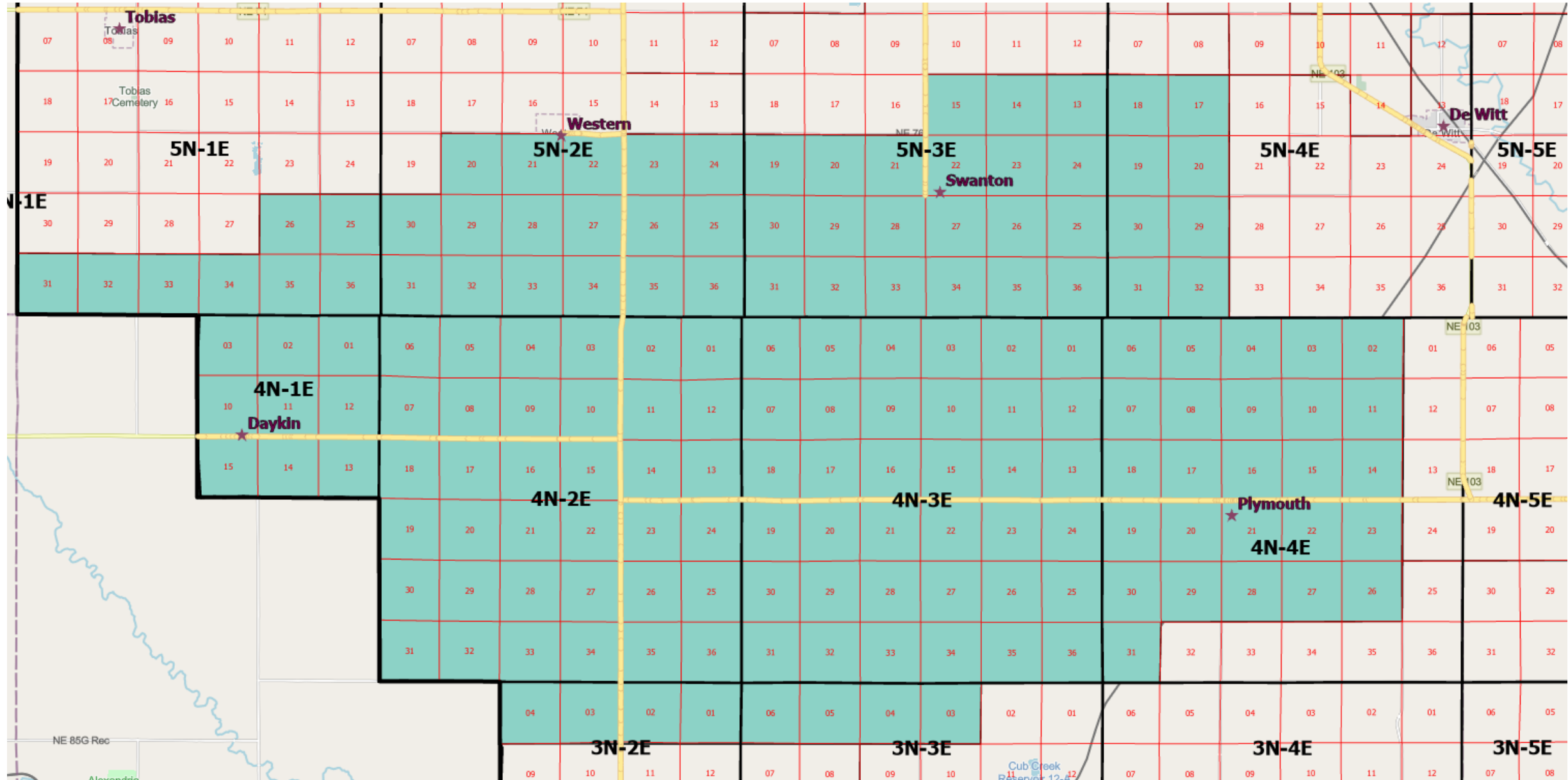
# Sub-Area 3

- Pockets of development pump from the Crete-Princeton-Adams Aquifer along the northern boundary or from the Big Blue River alluvial Aquifer along the southwest boundary
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 225 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 2, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres, Flowmeters required by December 31, 2026



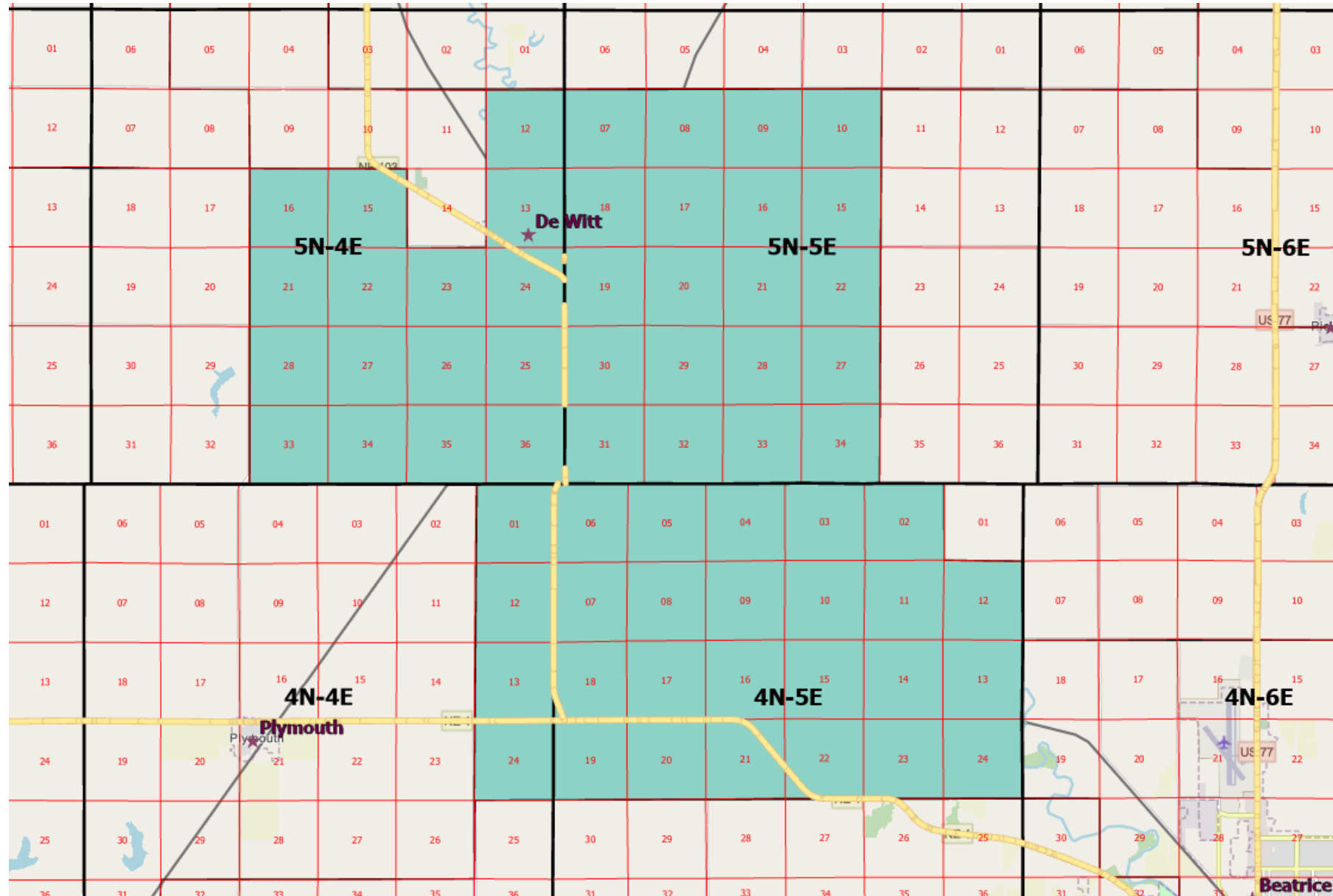
# Sub-Area 4

- Major Paleovalley Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 200 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 1, New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres Permitted as of January 1, 2026



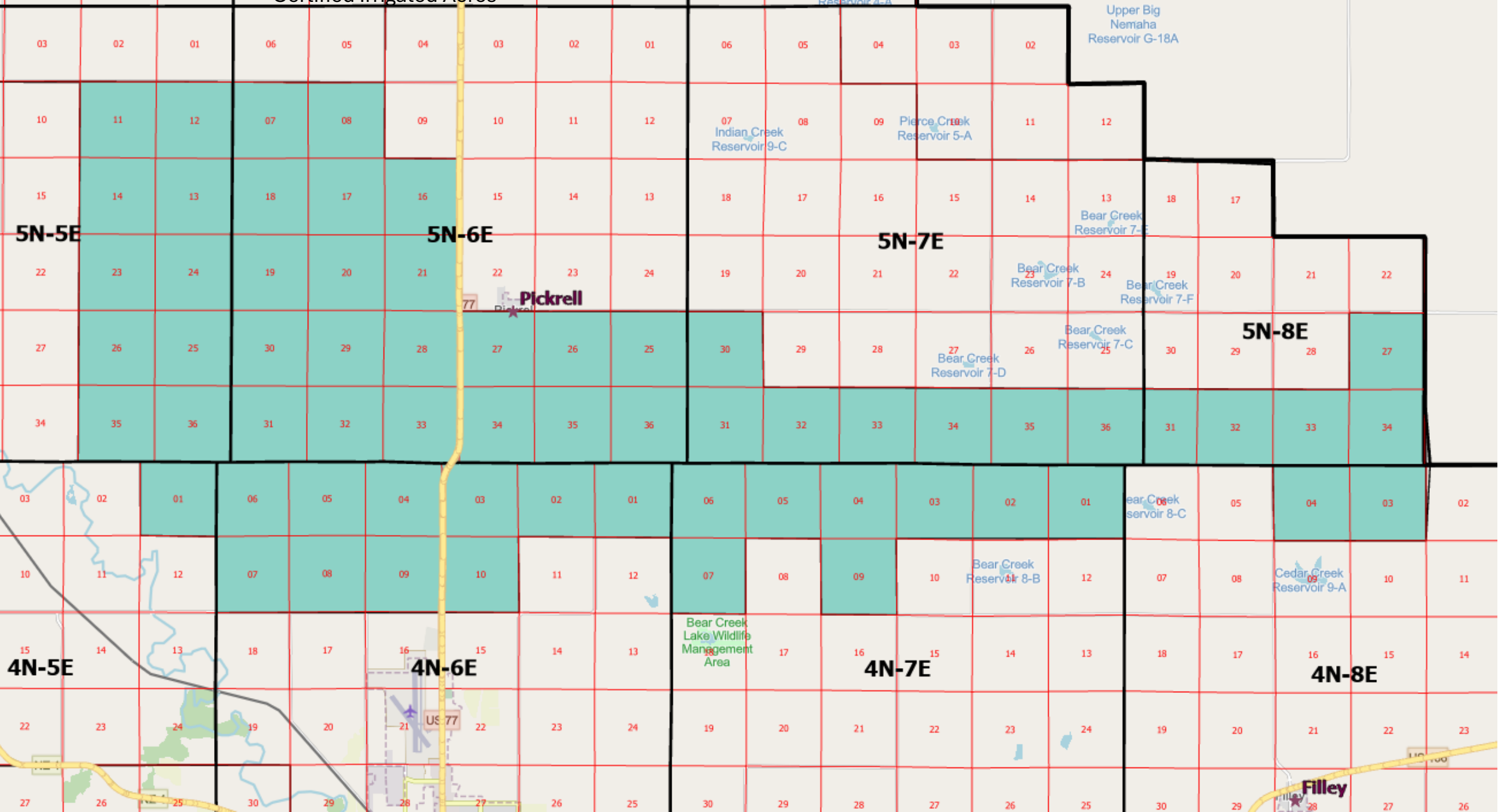
# Sub-Area 5

- Major Paleovalley Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 200 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 1, New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres Permitted as of January 1, 2026



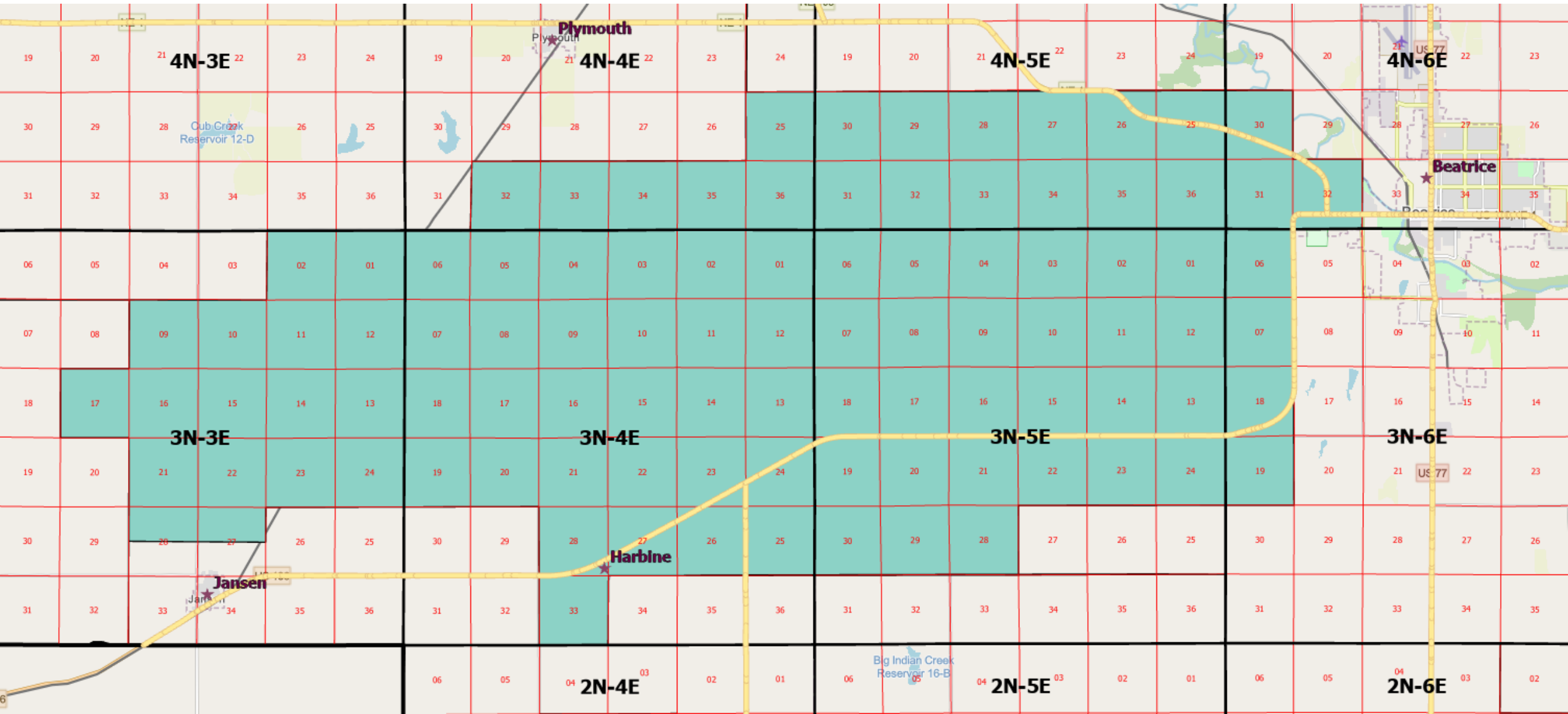
# Sub-Area 6

- Major Paleovalley Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 225 points
- Current Status:** Phase 1, Spring Water Level is Below Phase 2 Trigger for 1 Year, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres



# Sub-Area 7

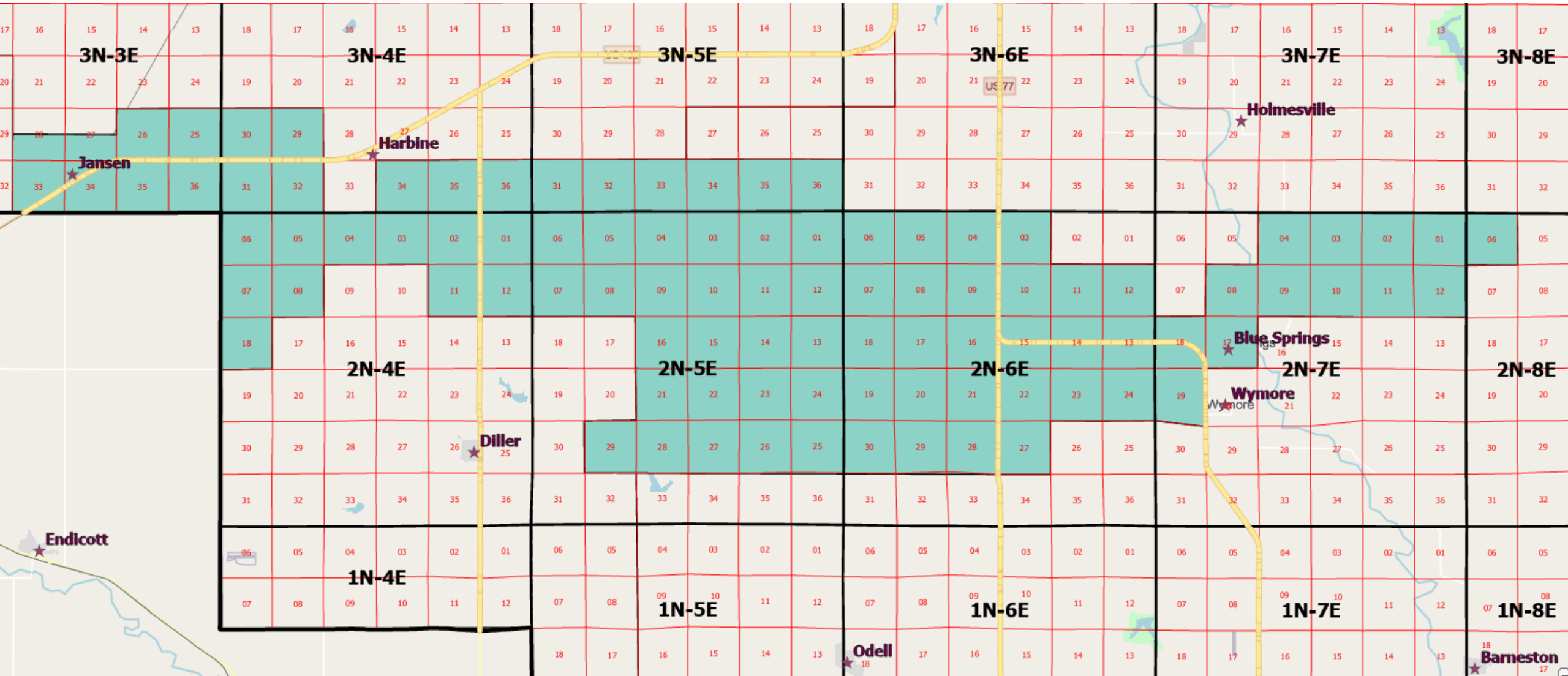
- Dakota Bedrock Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 225 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 2, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres, Flowmeters required by December 31, 2026





## Sub-Area 8

- Major Paleovalley Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 225 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 1, Spring Water Level is Below Phase 2 Trigger for 2 Consecutive Years, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres



# Sub-Area 9

- Dakota Bedrock Aquifer
- Minimum score required for approval of a new well permit: 225 points
- **Current Status:** Phase 2, Moratorium on New Irrigation Wells, and Expansion of Certified Irrigated Acres, Flowmeters required by December 31, 2026

