

TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 15

BORROWING AUTHORIZATION
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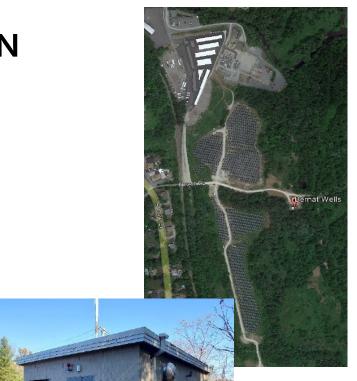
Project Background/History

- DPW authorized to use American Rescue Plan Act Plan (ARPA)
 - East Street Area Improvements Design
 - Rt. 122/South Main St. Water Main Improvements-Design/Construction
 - Rt. 16/Douglas St. Water Main Improvements-Design
 - Blackstone & Bernat Well Replacement Phase 1 Design/Construction
- Bernat Well Field
 - Wells constructed ~1946
 - Acquired by Town in mid 1980's
 - Phase 1: Three new groundwater wells drilled and installed

Goals

- Complete the project to bring replacement wells online
- Increased well capacity/production
- Increased production resiliency



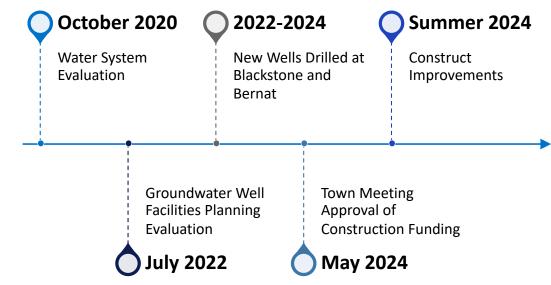


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Project Status

- New Wells have been drilled and pumping tests complete
- Final MassDEP permitting Spring 2024
- DPW Water Division seeking commitment for \$1.5 Million for construction of Phase 2

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Purpose of Article 15

- Issue
 - Existing infrastructure is not code compliant and insufficient for new pumps
 - Phase 2: Piping, pumps, and electrical infrastructure needed to go online
- Resolution
 - Designed new piping, pumps, and electrical infrastructure
- Town Meeting Action
 - Approval will authorize the BOS to borrow funds needed to construct improvements



