<u>Boston Groundwater Trust Partners with Team LightWell</u> <u>on Seven Streets Groundwater Data Crowdsourcing Project</u>

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The Boston Groundwater Trust, an organization that monitors groundwater levels throughout the filled land areas of the city, is pleased to announce their partnership with Team LightWell on the Seven Streets Groundwater Data Crowd Sourcing Project.

Understanding groundwater levels is critical to preserving the many buildings in Boston's historic filled land neighborhoods that are supported by wood pilings. Team LightWell, a 2014 winner of the Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics Public Space Invitational, has designed interactive well caps to leverage groundwater level data. The new well caps will temporarily replace existing Groundwater Trust observation well caps. Ten custom-designed, Bluetooth-enabled, translucent-Corian well caps will be on display on Seven Boston streets for a period of four weeks. During that time, residents and visitors can see real-time groundwater level data digitally displayed on the face of the well caps and interact with the data through the Boston LightWells mobile app.

More information about the Seven Streets Groundwater Data Crowd Sourcing Project can be found at <u>http://www.bostonlightwell.com/</u> and <u>http://www.bostongroundwater.org/</u>. For further details, please contact Christian Simonelli, Executive Director, at csimonelli@bgwt.org.