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The original Muck & Fuss location is shown at 295 East San Antonio Street in New Braunfels. The new Muck & Fuss is expected to open after the expansion.

Resource replenishment

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In the past five years, the Comal Trinity district has recommended putting a water rights policy in place to allow for the exploitation of groundwater. H.L. Saur, the district's general manager, said residents need to be aware of the importance of the shared resource.

No one wants a well plopped into their backyard, he said. “I would think that if a person burns their pump up, well, that’s their fault. It’s hard when you don’t have it in your backyard, you’re up in the woods enough on their part to say, ‘Hey, all you got to cut back,” Saur said."

The district’s 22monitor wells range across a range from 200 to 1,000 feet deep. Real-time data helps the district to establish the boundaries of groundwater trends.

“The only thing we monitor is water levels, and we have nothing to do with consumption. The district visits the site of every single drill point, every day,” Saur said.

The Salvation Army New Braunfels Corps

New Braunfels Youth Collaborative

NB Housing Partners

Comal County Habitat for Humanity

City of New Braunfels

San Antonio Food Bank

National Church Residences Foundation

Family Life Center

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Emergency rent and utility assistance

Mentoring services for children and youth

Groundwater quality

The low-flowing Guadalupe River is pictured from FM 311 near Spring Branch on June 28, 2024. Surface water samples have been characterized by cyanobacteria blooms in the past. A report exploring opportunities for potable water for rural Comal County published in 2016 by the Texas Water Development Board recommended that the Edwards Aquifer Agency (EAA) release a report exploring opportunities for potable water for rural Comal County. Last fall, the Edwards Aquifer Authority released a report exploring opportunities for potable water for rural Comal County.

The agency is aware that water levels are declining, and it has taken steps to address the issue. The Edwards Aquifer Authority released a report exploring opportunities for potable water for rural Comal County in late 2022. The report recommended that the county consider policies that would limit water use in the future, such as incentives for water conservation measures, to help ensure a sustainable water supply for the region.