# Package 'RNWIS'

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RNWIS-package National Water Information System: R Interface

## Description

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This package provides access to water-resources data. It retrieves data from the National Water Information System (NWIS) through an Open Database Connectivity (ODBC) connection.

## **Details**

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#### Note

The **RNWIS** GUI requires R operate as an SDI application, using multiple top-level windows for the console, graphics, and pager.

The following user instructions are provided for accessing NWIS using **RNWIS**. The site administrator must install the Ingres II client on the user's computer. The user must be added to the *nwis\_select* Ingres access group (see section 1.5 of the **NWIS** Security System Documentation). **RNWIS** must be installed on the user's computer. And the user must be provided with the following database connection information:

- The hostname of the NWIS server, e.g. the hostname for the Idaho district NWIS server is sun2didbse.wr.usgs.gov
- The name of the NWIS database in Ingres ("nwisxx" where "xx" is the state postal code, e.g. for the Idaho district the database is named "nwisid").
- The name of the data source name (DSN) that contains the connection information to NWIS. An ODBC data source allows the user to connect to an NWIS database using the *nwis\_select* Ingres access group. The site administrator enters the data source information using the *ODBC Data Source Administrator*. **RNWIS** will prompt the user for a data source to connect to. To connect to NWIS, the user would select the data source name for the NWIS connection.

The set of standards used for coding RNWIS is documented in Google's R Style Guide.

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#### **Examples**

```
library(RNWIS)
OpenRNWIS()
```

ExploreDatabase

Explore Database Connection

## **Description**

A GUI for exploring the contents of database.

#### Usage

```
ExploreDatabase(con, parent = NULL)
```

#### Arguments

con RODBC; connection to ODBC database.

parent tkwin; parent window (optional).

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#### **Details**

Shows database table names and the column structure for each table.

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#### See Also

```
sqlTables, sqlColumns, sqlPrimaryKeys
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run: con <- odbcConnect("NWIS Idaho", uid = "", pwd = "")
ExploreDatabase(con)</pre>
```

MapSites

Map Site Locations in Google Maps

#### **Description**

Add site markers and polygon objects to Google Maps.

#### Usage

```
MapSites(sites, polygons = NULL, map.id = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

```
sites data.frame; site information, see 'Details'.
```

polygons gpc.poly; polygon information.

map.id character; initial part of the temporary file names.

#### **Details**

The sites data table has components of lat, lng, alt, site, name, agency, and type. Where lat and lng are the latitude and longitude based on the WGS84 datum; alt is the altitude of the site referenced to the specified vertical datum (NGVD29 or NAVD 88); site is the unique site identification number; name is the name of the site; agency is the code for the agency reporting the data; and type is the hydrologic setting of the site.

## Value

Writes three files to a temporary directory. Base names are identical with extensions indicating file type. An HTML file ('.html') is loaded into the default web browser and calls on MarkerClusterer, a javascript library ('.js') that creates and manages per-zoom-level clusters for large amounts of markers, and a JSON data file ('.json') dynamically created from site and polygon information.

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#### See Also

```
browseURL, tempfile
```

## **Examples**

OpenRNWIS

Open Main Graphical User Interface

## **Description**

This function activates the main GUI for RNWIS.

## Usage

```
OpenRNWIS()
```

#### **Details**

All functions within RNWIS are accessible in this GUI.

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## See Also

```
odbcConnect, writeOGR, write.table, point.in.polygon
```

## **Examples**

```
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```

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QueryDatabase	Query the National Water Information System Database

## Description

Acquire data from a single database table using a site selection criteria to constrain the number of sites selected.

## Usage

```
QueryDatabase(con, sqtable, sqvars = "*",

site.no.var = NULL, site.no = NULL,

site.tp.cd.var = NULL, site.tp.cd = NULL,

agency.cd.var = NULL, agency.cd = NULL,

lat.var = NULL, lat.lim = c(NA, NA),

lng.var = NULL, lng.lim = c(NA, NA),

alt.var = NULL, alt.lim = c(NA, NA),

d.t.var = NULL, d.t.lim = c(NA, NA))
```

#### **Arguments**

con	RODBC; a connection to a ODBC database.	
sqtable	character; name of the table from which data is to be retrieved.	
sqvars	character; vector of column names in queried table to be included in the final query results; its default is an asterisk $\star$ and specifies that all columns will be returned.	
site.no.var	character; column name of table which shows the site identification number.	
site.no	numeric; vector of site identification numbers.	
site.tp.cd.var		
	character; column name of queried table which shows the site type.	
site.tp.cd	character; vector of site type codes.	
agency.cd.var		
	character; column name of queried table which shows the agency code.	
agency.cd	character; vector of agency codes.	
lat.var	character; column name of queried table which shows the latitude.	
lat.lim	numeric; vector of minimum and maximum latitude values (WGS84).	
lng.var	character; column name of queried table which shows the longitude.	
lng.lim	numeric; vector of minimum and maximum longitude values (WGS84).	
alt.var	character; column name of queried table which shows the altitude.	
alt.lim	numeric; vector of minimum and maximum altitude values (NGVD29 or NAVD $88$ ).	
d.t.var	character; column name of queried table which shows a date and time variable.	
d.t.lim	POSIXt; vector of minimum and maximum date values.	

## Value

On success, a data frame (possibly with 0 rows) or character string. On error, a character vector of error message(s).

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#### See Also

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