

**APPENDIX A**  
**FIGURES**

# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

### Surface Management

- BIA
- BLM
- BOR
- County/Local
- DOD
- NPS
- State
- USFWS
- Other/Private

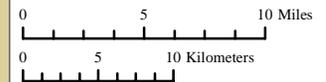
### Boundaries

- State Boundary
- County Boundary
- Urban Area

### Roads

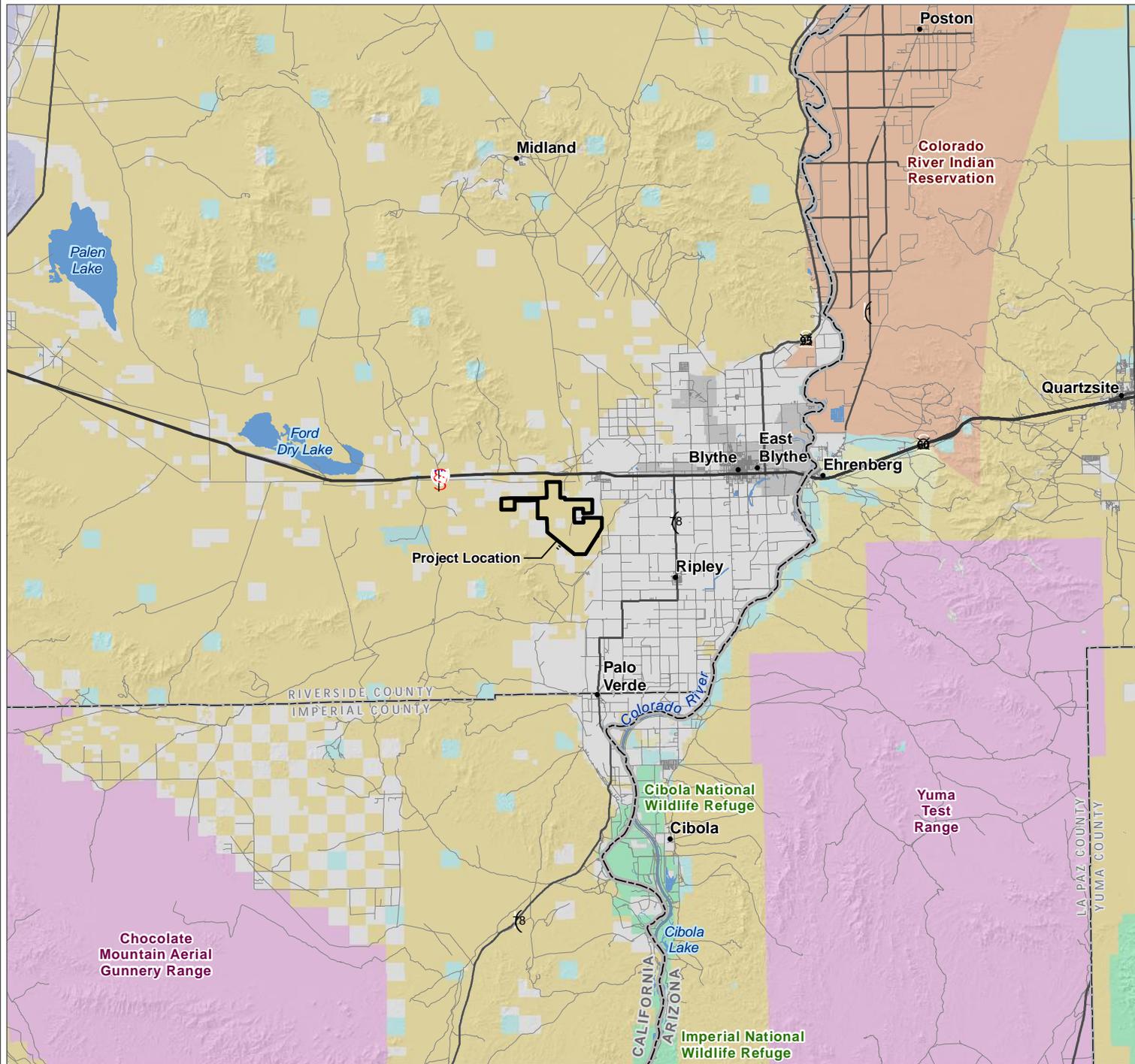
- Interstate
- US Highway
- State Highway
- Other Roads

Figure 1-1  
Regional Context



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Date: 12/22/2015  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS

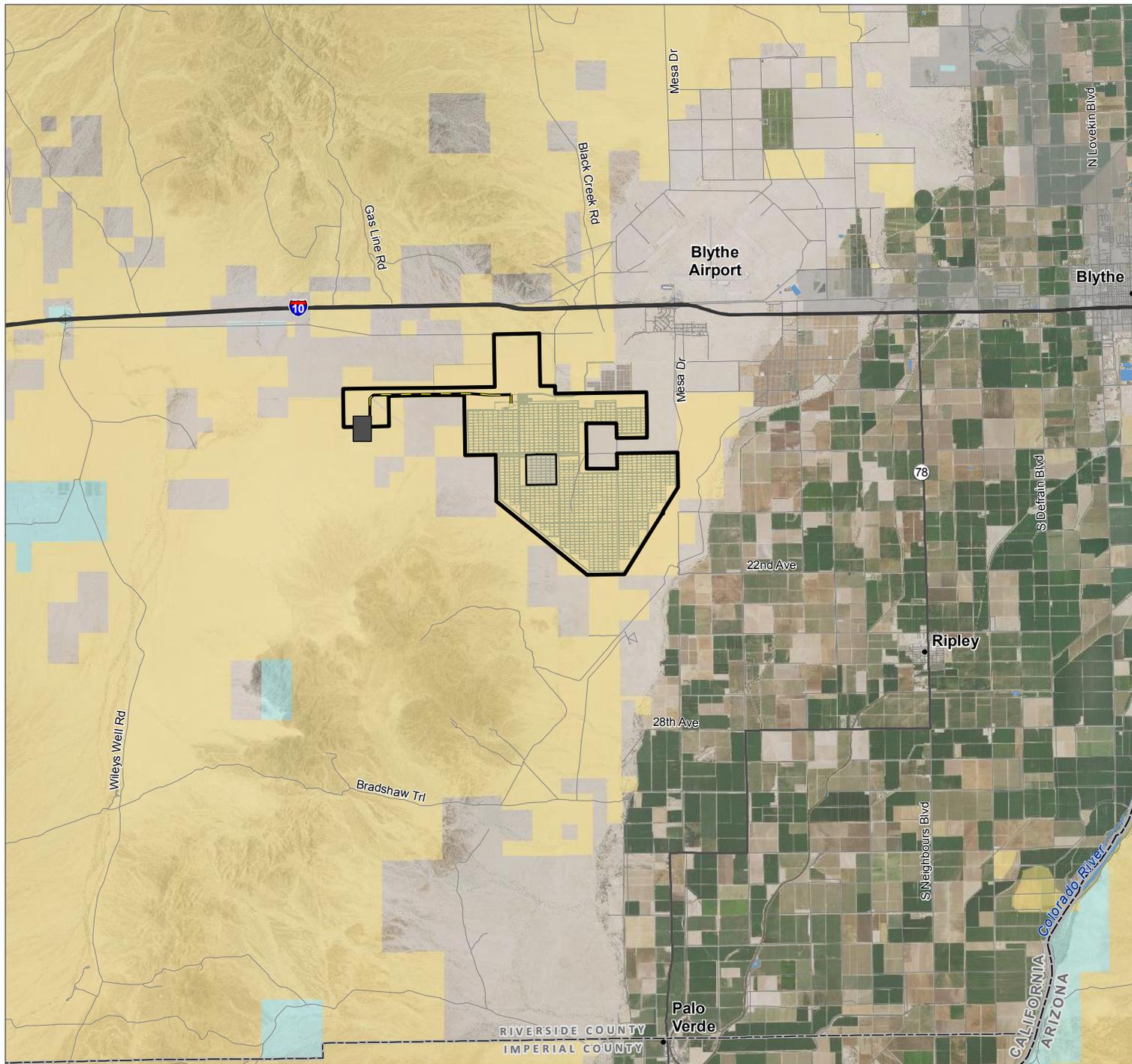
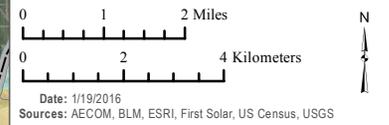


# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Colorado River Substation
- Gen-Tie Line
- Surface Management**
  - BLM
  - State
- Boundaries**
  - State Boundary
  - County Boundary
  - Urban Area
- Roads**
  - Interstate
  - US Highway
  - State Highway
  - Other Roads

### Figure 2-1 Project Location



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Substation
- Gen-Tie Line
- Construction Staging Area
- Buildings
- Proposed Met Station
- Proposed Well Location
- Access Road
- Site Access Route
- Typical PV Array

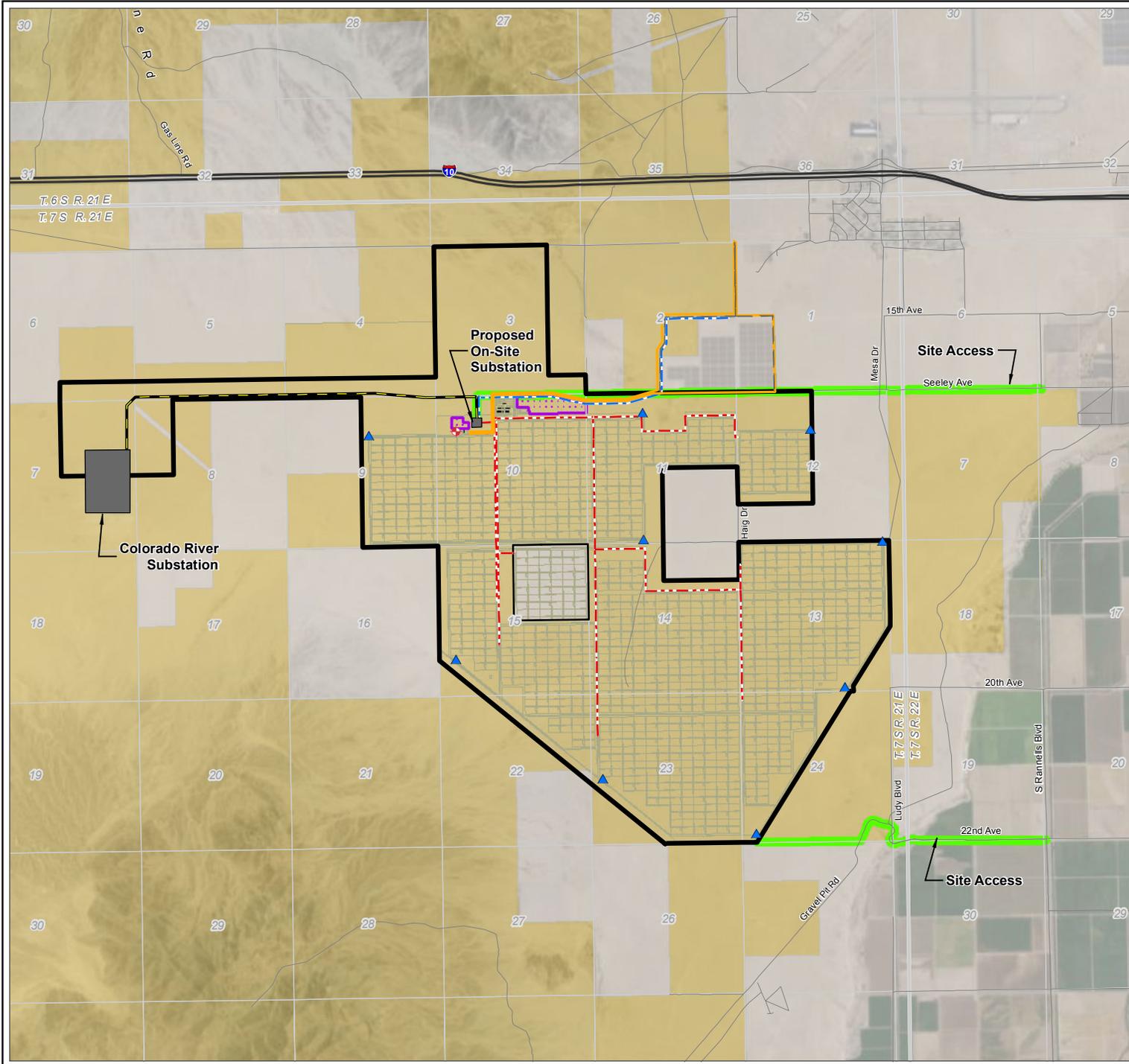
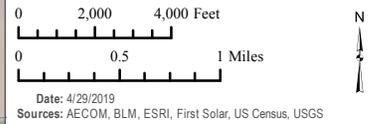
## Proposed Utilities

- Internal Power Collection Line
- Proposed Telecommunications Line
- Proposed Power Supply Lines

## Surface Management

- BLM
- Other/Private
- Private

### Figure 2-2 Site Plan



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Figure 2-3  
Photograph of Typical  
Solar Array

Date: 3/3/2016  
Sources: First Solar



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

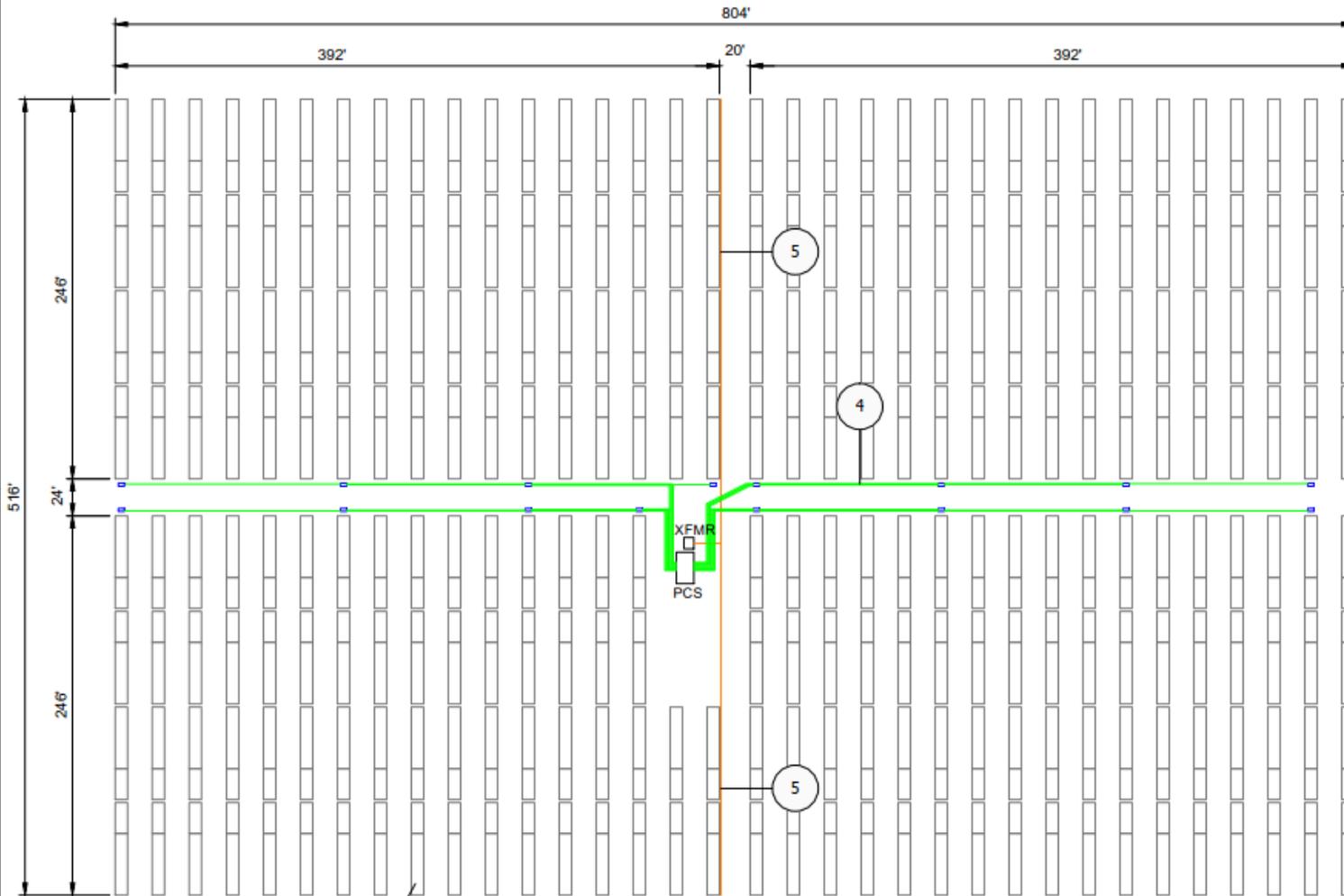


Figure 2-4  
Layout of Typical  
Solar Array

Date: 3/3/2016  
Sources: First Solar



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Figure 2-5  
Photograph of Typical  
Power Conversion Station

Date: 3/3/2016  
Sources: First Solar





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Figure 2-6  
Photograph of Typical  
PV Combining Switchgear

Date: 3/3/2016  
Sources: First Solar



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Substation

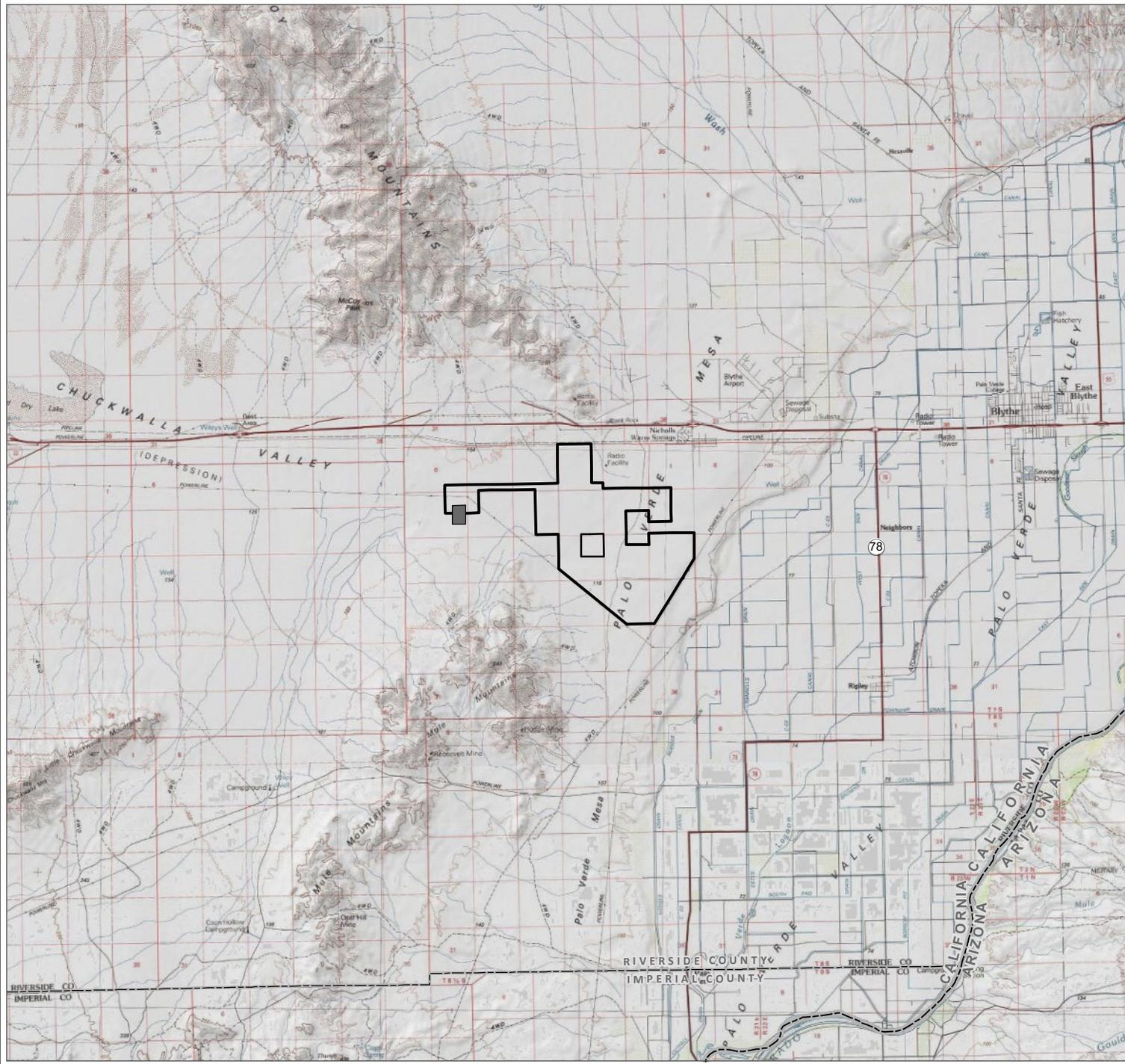
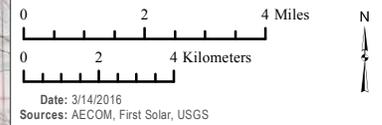
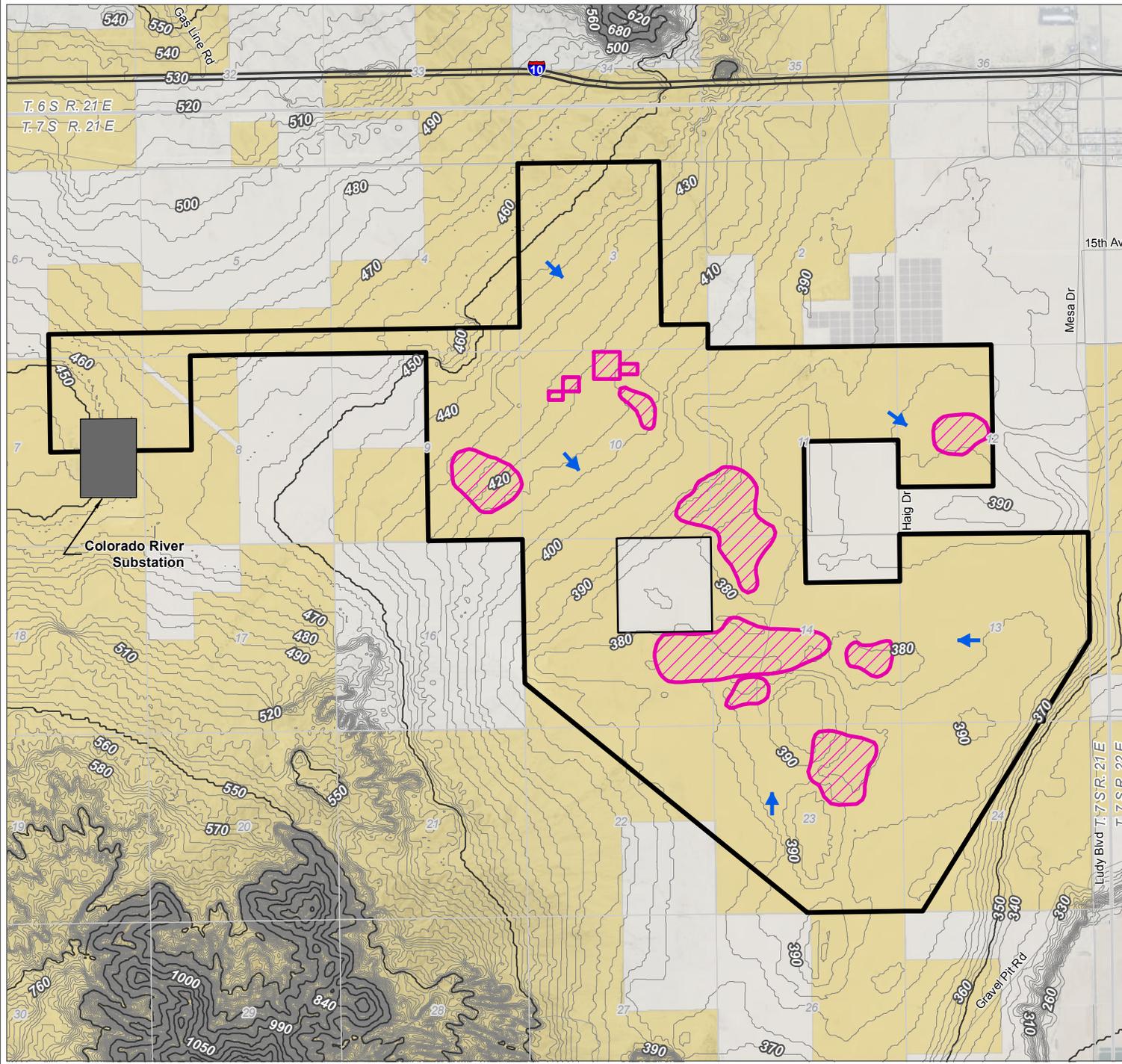


Figure 2-7  
Topographic Map of  
Site Vicinity





# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

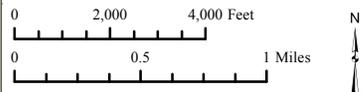
## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Limit of Cut/Fill
- Substation
- Drainage Flow Direction

## Surface Management

- BLM
- Other/Private

Figure 2-8  
Project Site Topography  
and Grading Plan



Date: 2/13/2017  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Resource Avoidance Alternative Footprint
-  Alternative 2 Gen-Tie Line
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Substation
-  Existing Transmission ROW
-  Proposed Telecommunications Line
-  Groundwater Production Well

## Surface Management

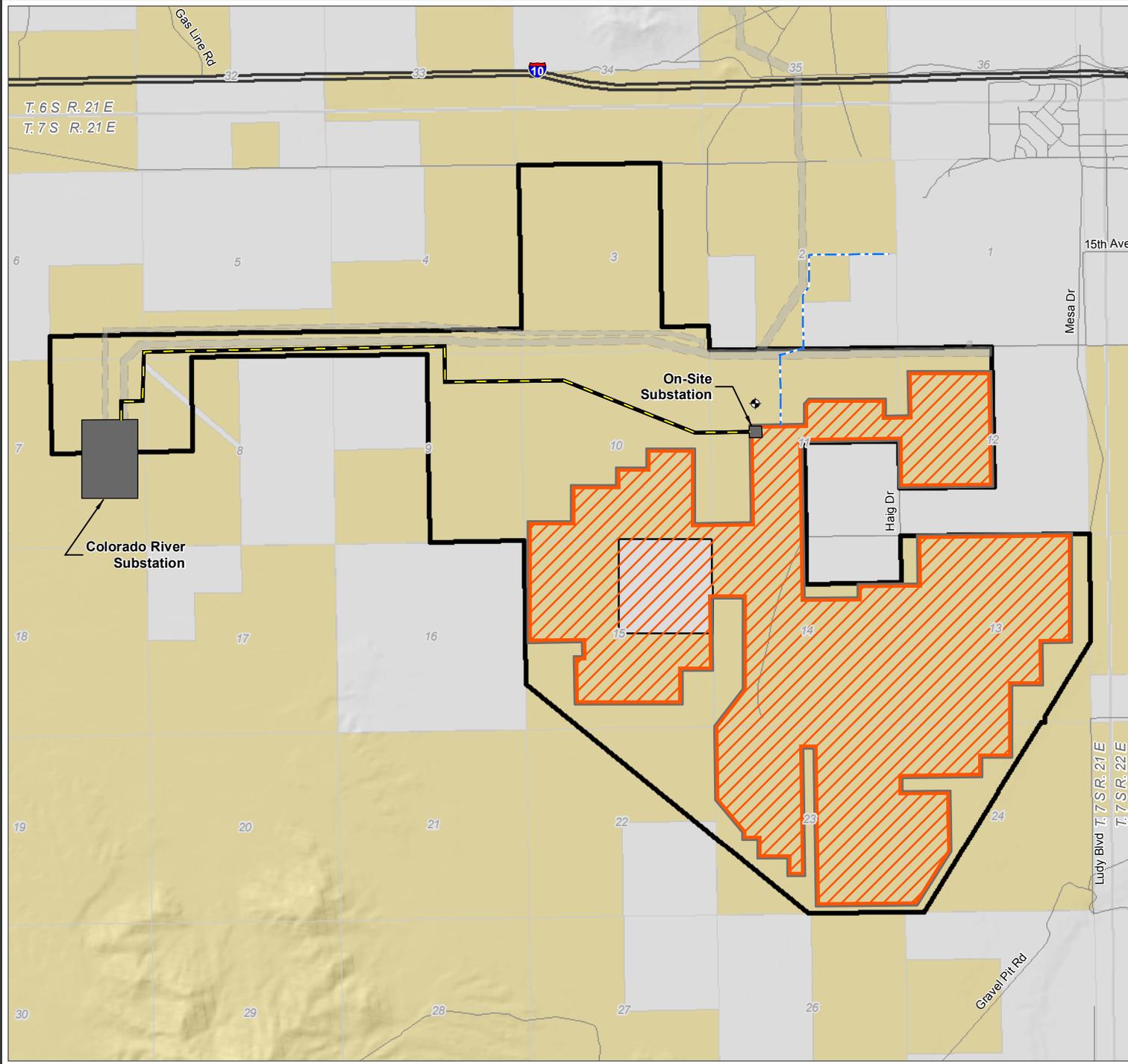
-  BLM
-  Other/Private

### Figure 2-9 Alternative 2 - Resource Avoidance

0 2,000 4,000 Feet

0 0.5 1 Miles

Date: 4/9/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Reduced Project Alternative Footprint
-  Alternative 3 Gen-Tie Line
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Substation
-  Existing Transmission ROW
-  Proposed Telecommunications Line
-  Groundwater Production Well

## Surface Management

-  BLM
-  Other/Private

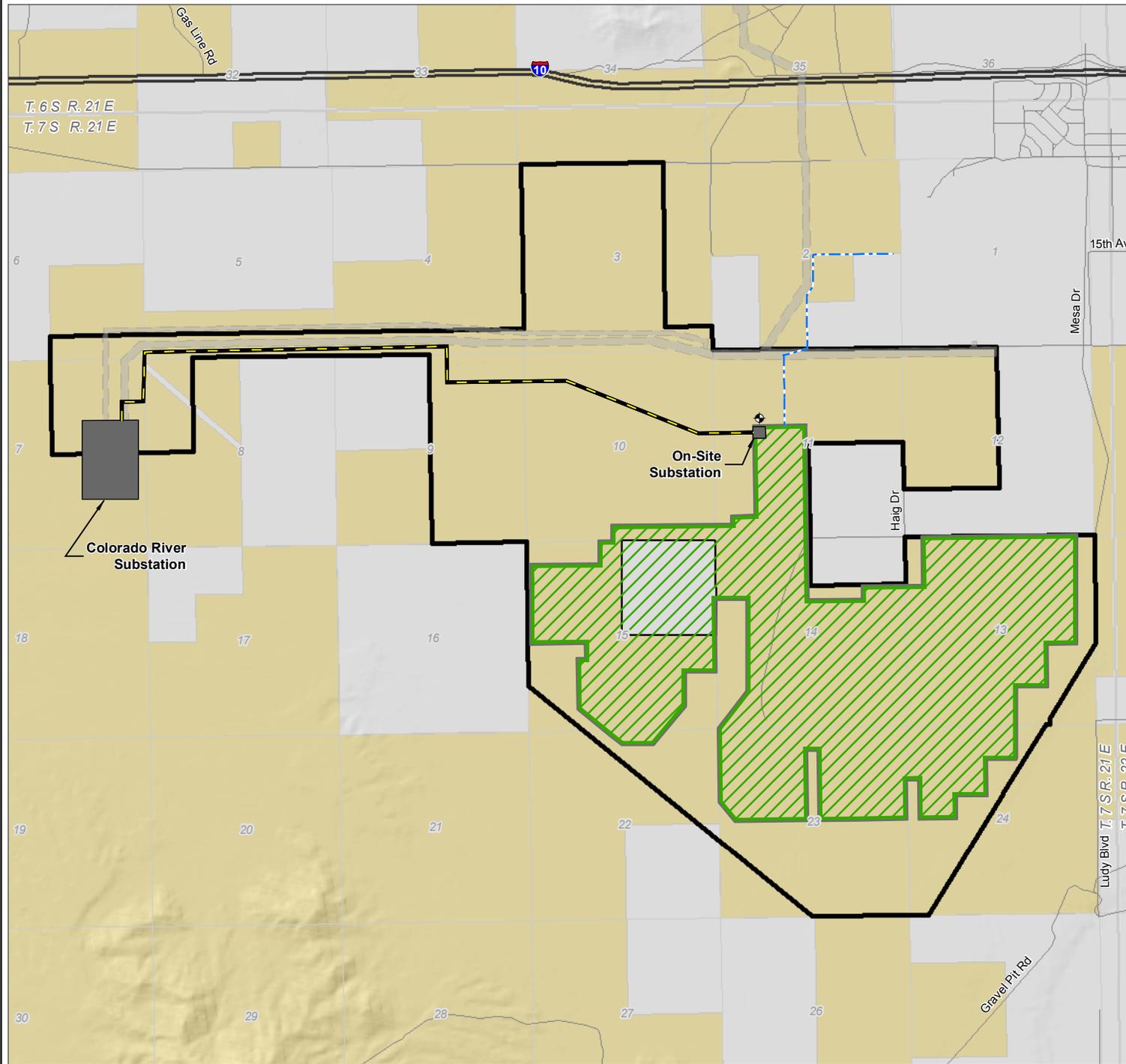
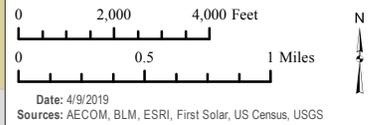


Figure 2-10  
Alternative 3 - Reduced Project



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  1-Mile Site Boundary Buffer

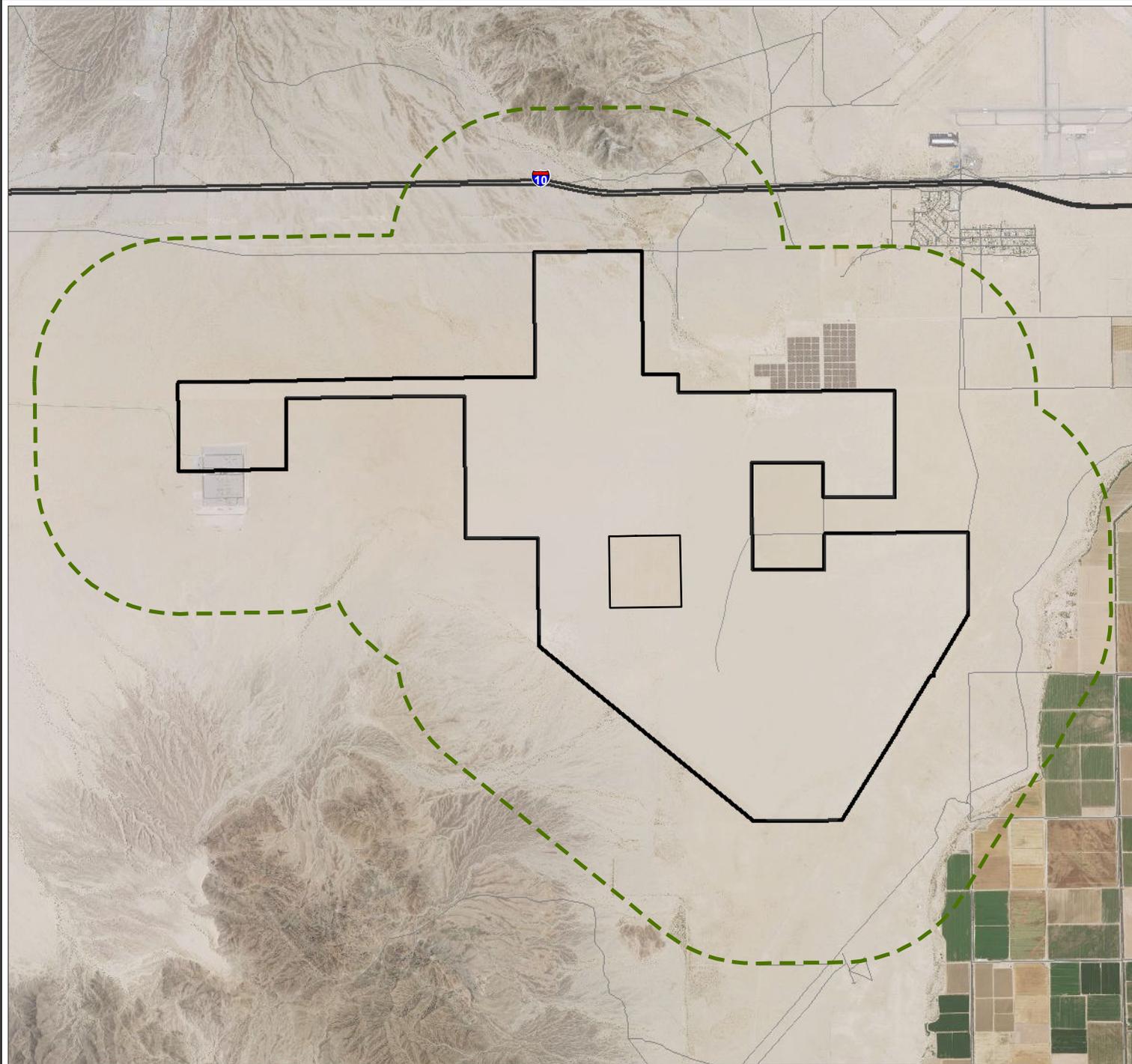
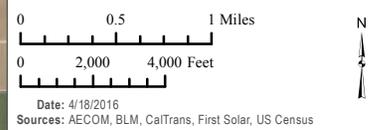


Figure 3.3-1  
Biological Resources  
Study Area



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Sand Corridor

## Vegetation/Cover Types

-  Anthropogenic Areas of Little or No Vegetation
-  Built-up & Urban Disturbance
-  *Chorizanthe rigida* - *Geraea canescens* Desert Pavement Sparsely Vegetated
-  *Larrea tridentata*
-  *Larrea tridentata* - *Ambrosia dumosa*
-  *Parkinsonia florida* - *Olneya tesota*
-  *Pleuraphis rigida*
-  Woody Agriculture (orchards, vineyards)

Figure 3.3-2  
Vegetation Alliances  
and Cover Types



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Special Status Plant Species

- Abram's Prostrate Spurge
- Utah Vine Milkweed
- Harwoods Eriastrum
- Ribbed Crypthantha
- Desert Unicorn Plant
- Harwoods Milkvetch

## Plant Density

- 1 - 10
- 11 - 100
- 101 - 1,000
- 1,001 - 5,000
- 5,001 - 12,200

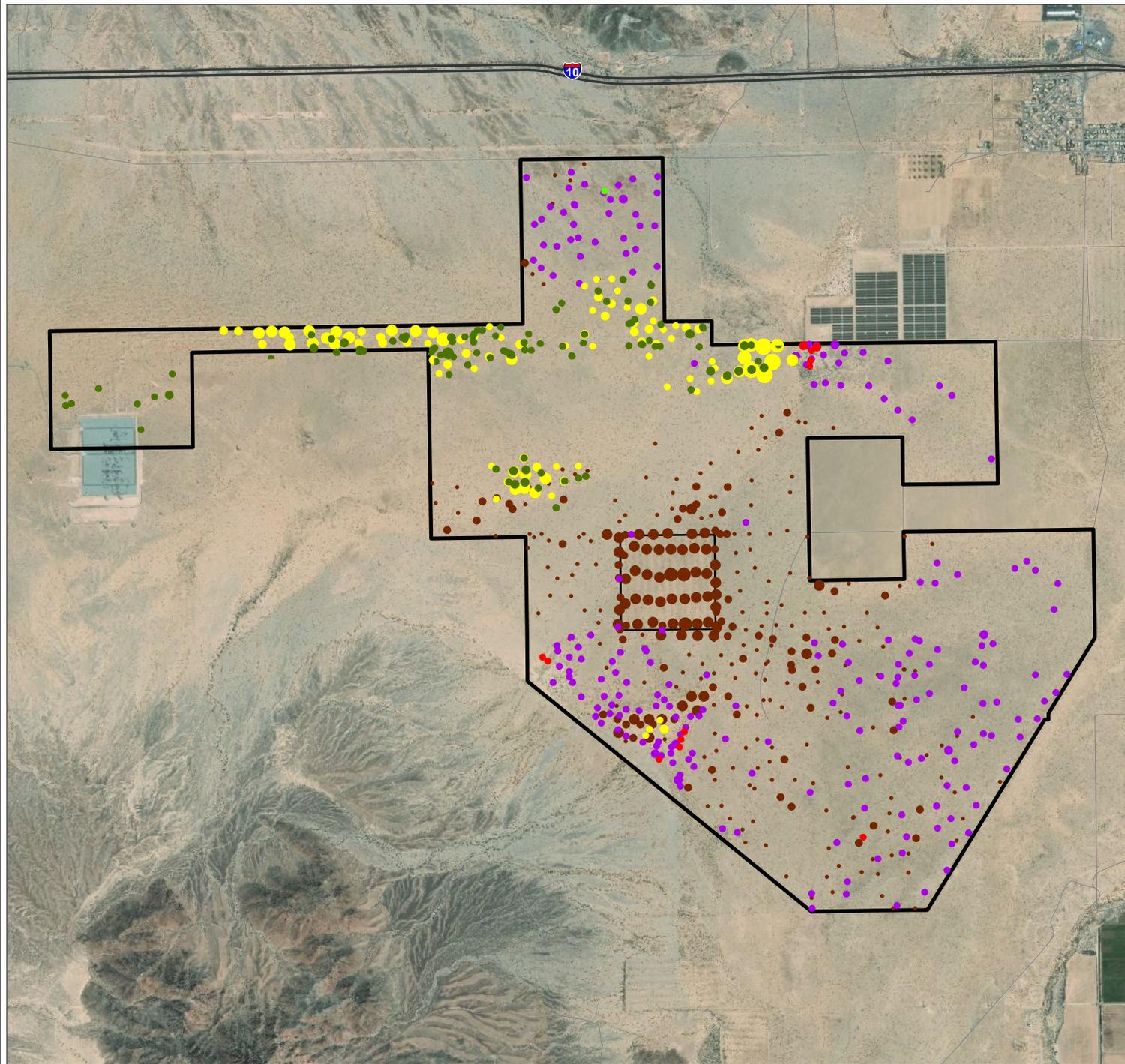
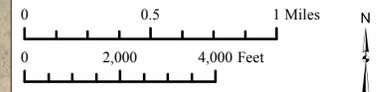


Figure 3.3-3  
Special Status Plant  
Species Locations



Date: 4/30/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



Map extent shown in red.

# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Harwoods Milkvetch

### Count

-  1 - 50
-  51 - 100
-  101 - 300
-  301 - 500
-  501 - 1001

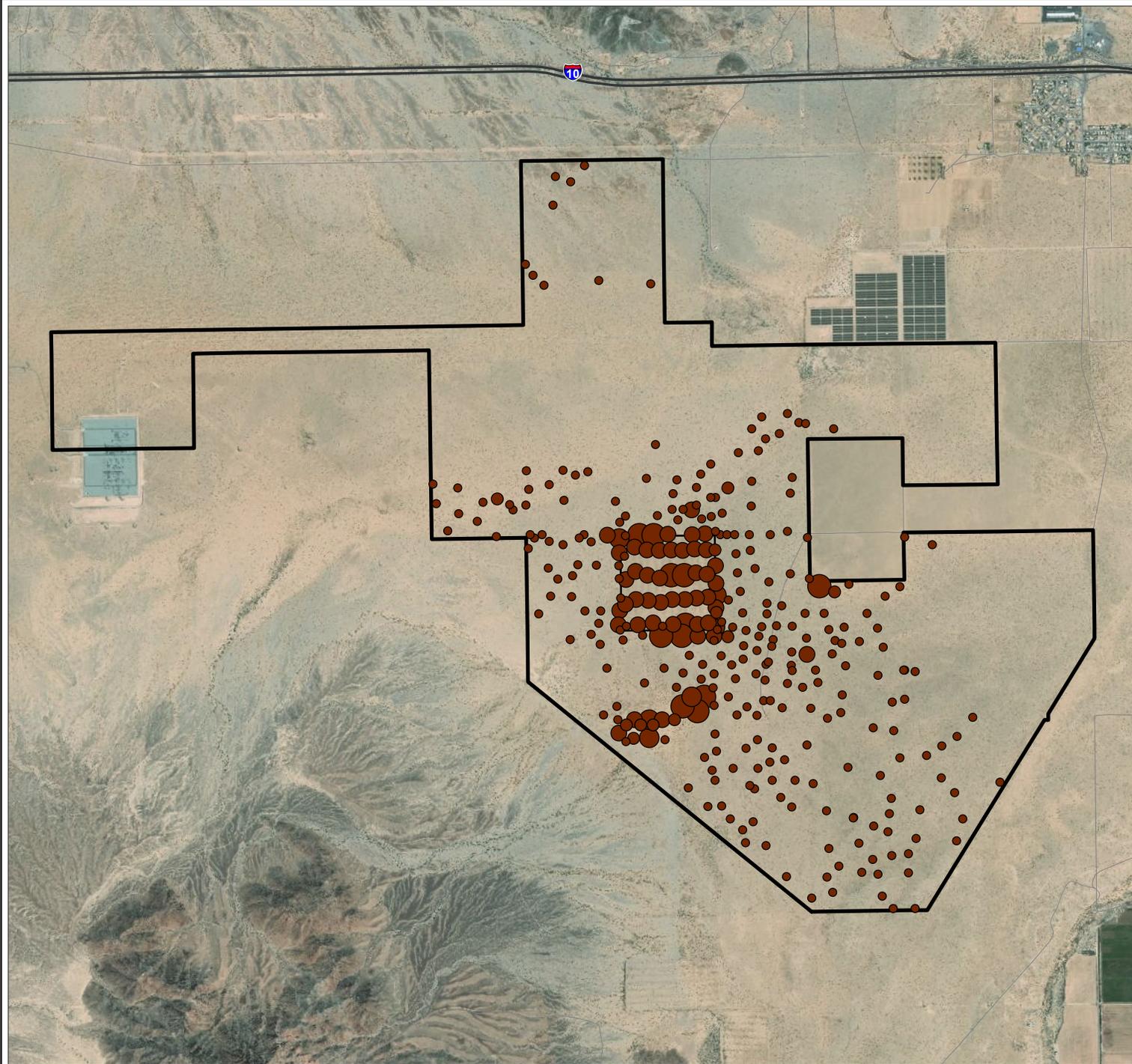
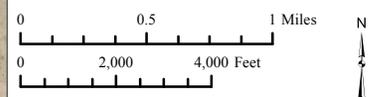


Figure 3.3-4  
Harwoods Milkvetch  
Locations



Date: 3/8/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

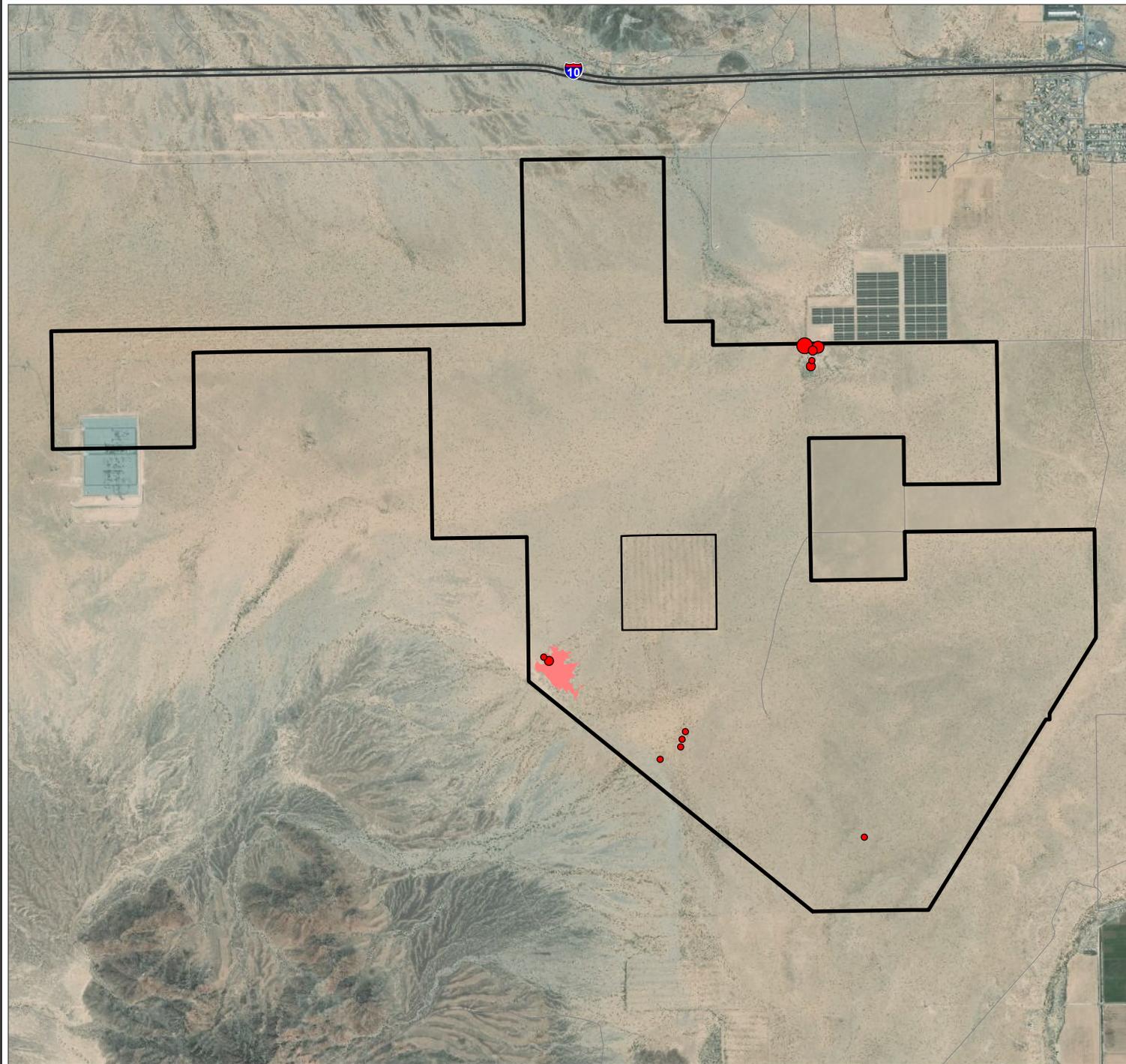
Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Abram's Prostrate Spurge Count

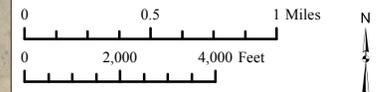
### Count

- 1 - 5
- 6 - 10
- 11 - 20
- 21 - 40

Abram's Spurge Population (Approximately 2,000)



### Figure 3.3-5 Abram's Spurge Locations



Date: 4/18/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Utah Vine Milkweed

- Count**
-  1

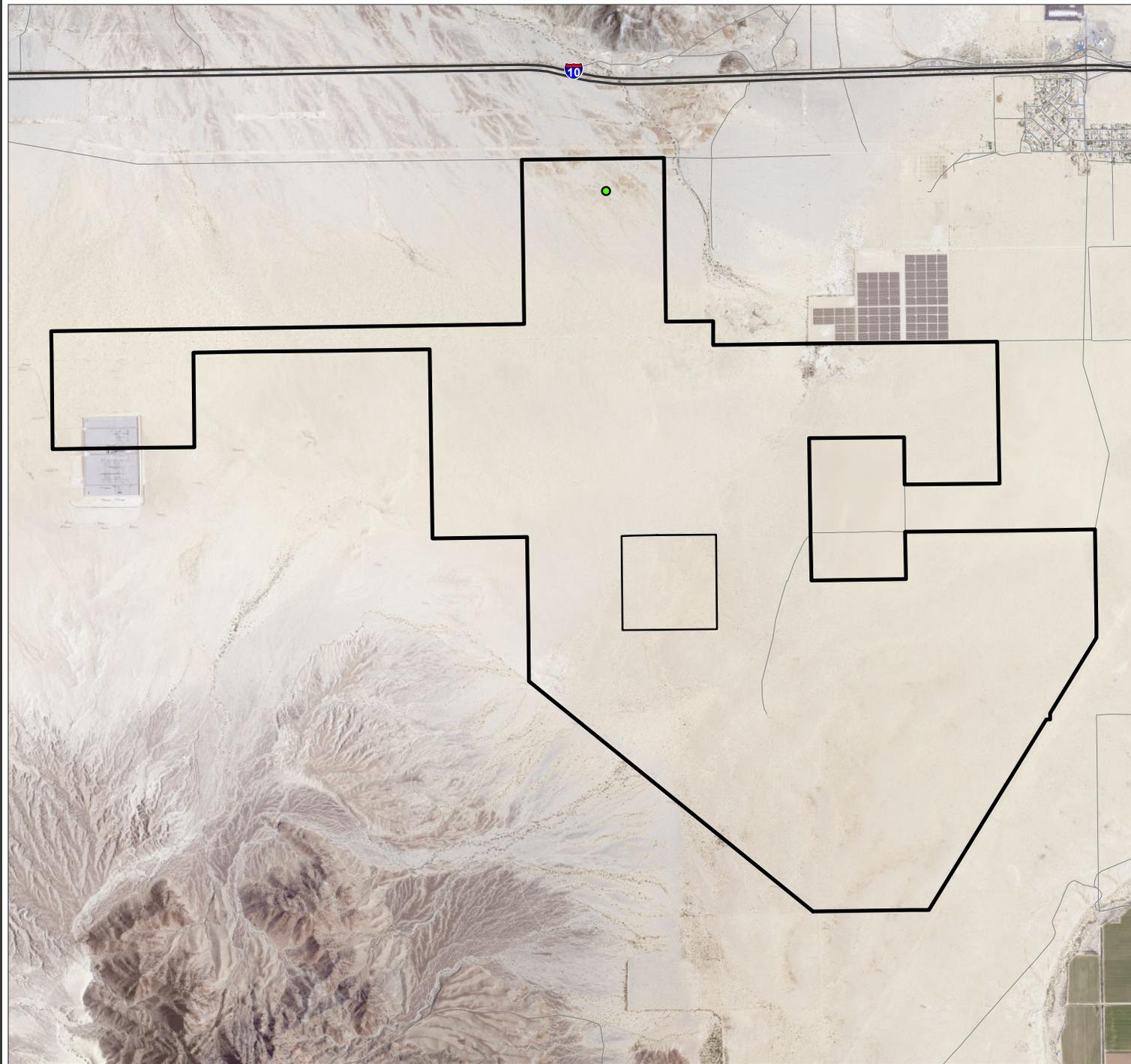
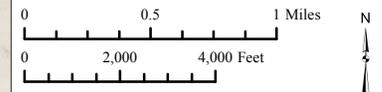


Figure 3.3-6  
Utah Vine Milkweed  
Locations



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Ribbed Cryptantha

### Count

-  1 - 10
-  11 - 100
-  101 - 1,000
-  1,001 - 5,000
-  5,001 - 12,200

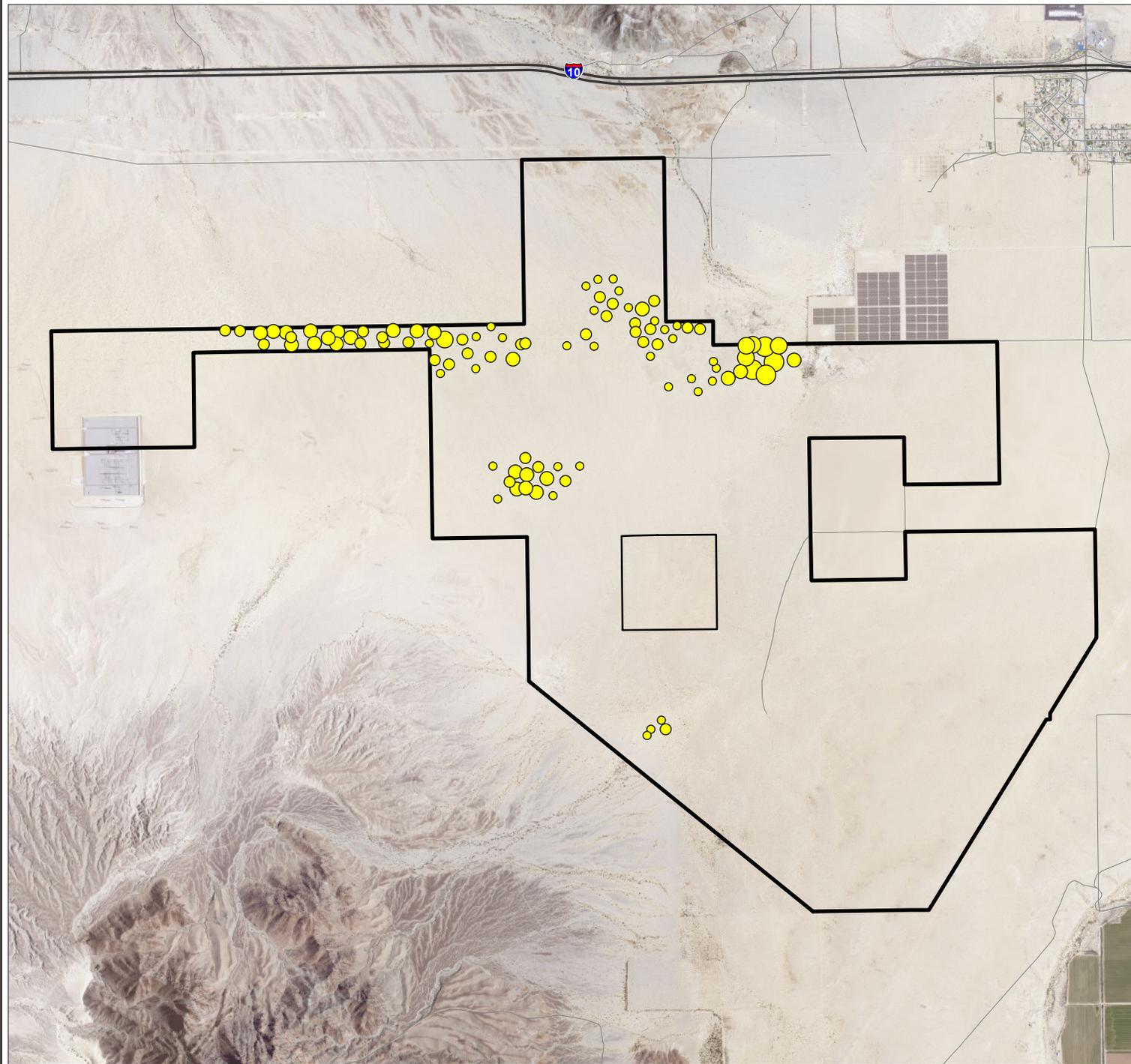
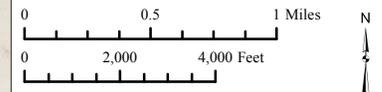


Figure 3.3-7  
Ribbed Cryptantha  
Locations



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census

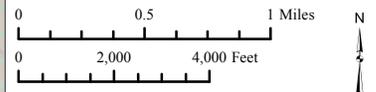


# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Harwoods Eriastrum**
-  Occupied Habitat
-  DRECP Species Distribution Model
-  2010/2011 CNDDB Data
- 2013 Survey Results Count**
-  1 - 5
-  6 - 20
-  51 - 100
-  101 - 171
- 2017 Survey Results Count**
-  1-5
-  51-100
- Vegetation/Cover Types**
-  Anthropogenic Areas of Little or No Vegetation
-  Built-up & Urban Disturbance
-  Chorizanthe rigida - Geraea canescens
-  Desert Pavement Sparsely Vegetated
-  Larrea tridentata
-  Larrea tridentata - Ambrosia dumosa
-  Parkinsonia florida - Olneya tesota
-  Pleuraphis rigida
-  Woody Agriculture (orchards, vineyards)

Figure 3.3-8  
Harwoods Eriastrum  
Locations



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, DRECP, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Desert Unicorn Plant

### Count

- 1 - 5
- 6 - 10
- 11 - 15
- 16 - 25

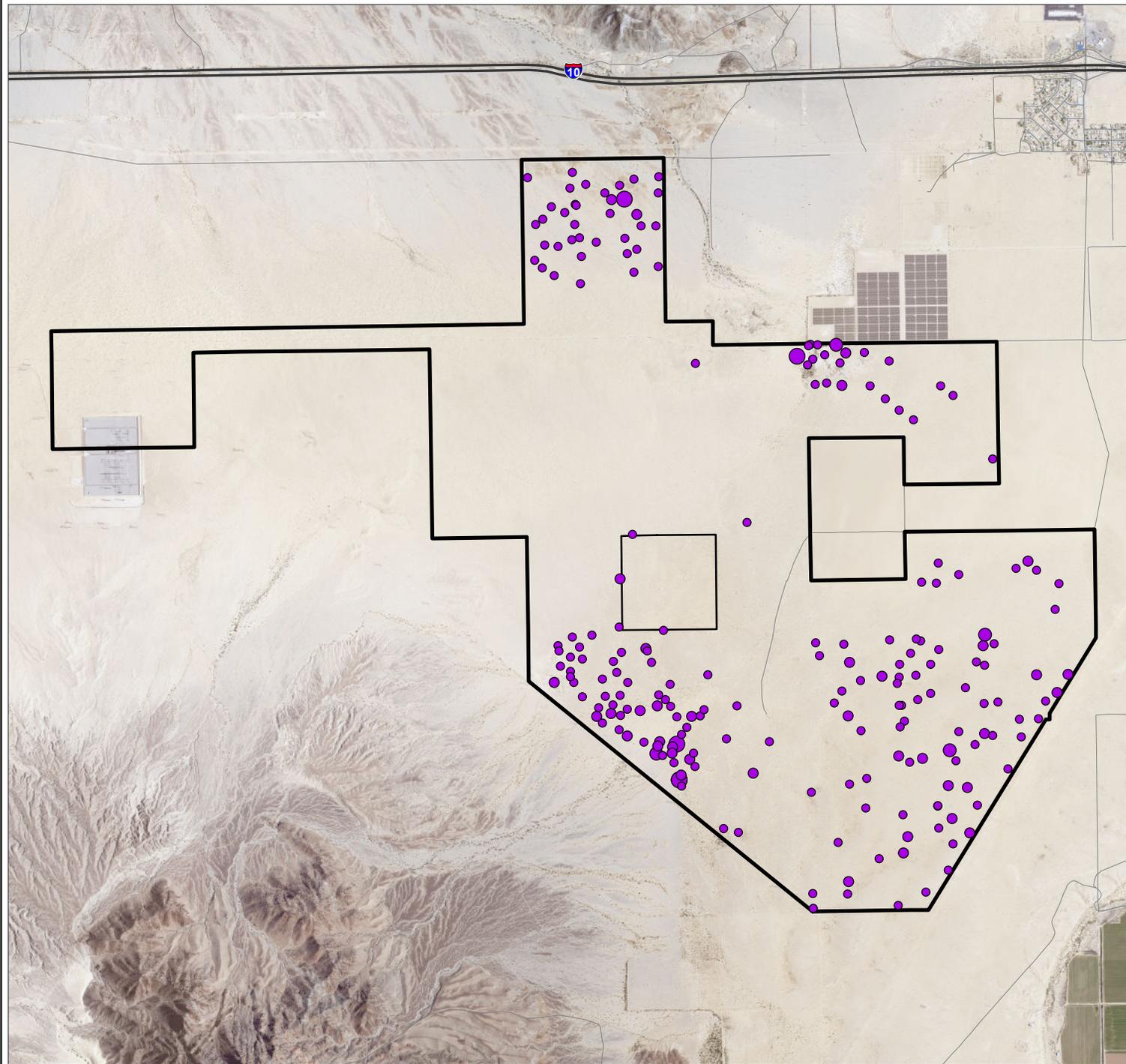


Figure 3.3-9  
Desert Unicorn Plant  
Locations



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Sahara Mustard
-  Sand Dune

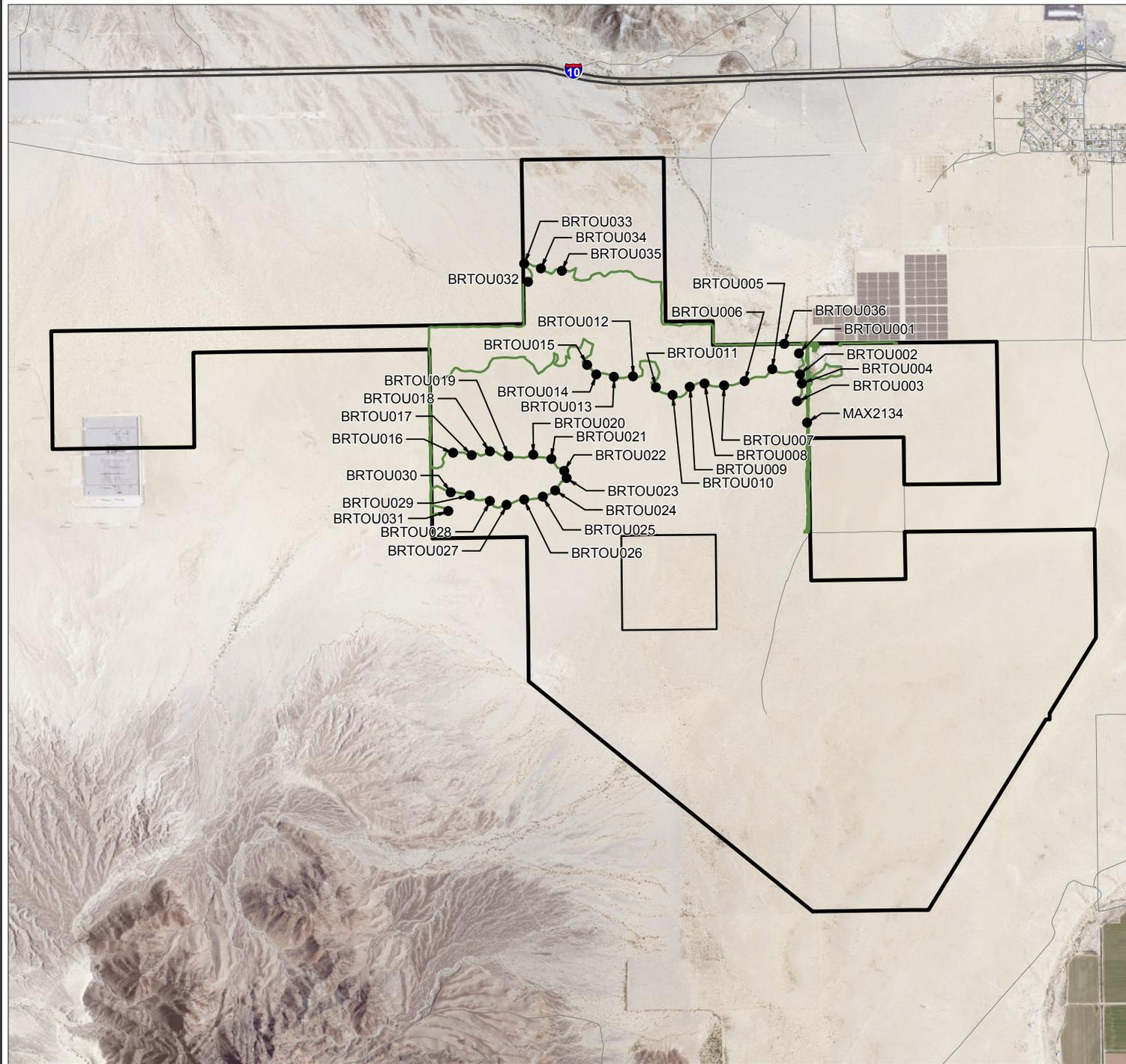
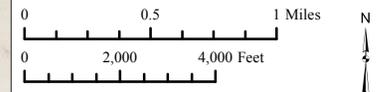


Figure 3.3-10  
Sahara Mustard  
Distribution



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

 Right-of-Way Application Boundary

 Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Desert Tortoise Sign

 Tortoise Carcass

 Tortoise Tracks

 Incidental Live Observation

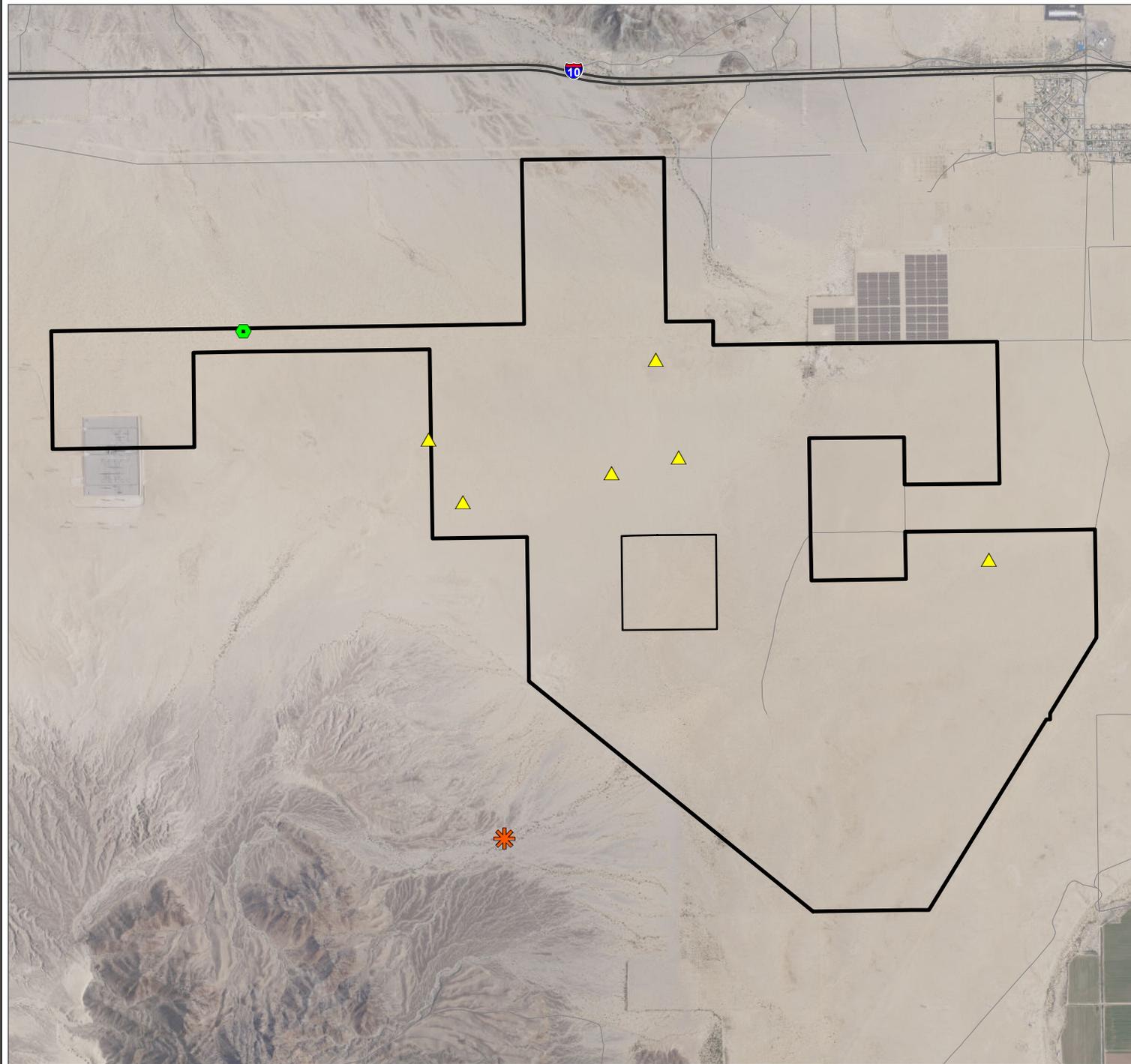
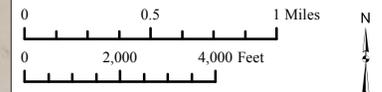


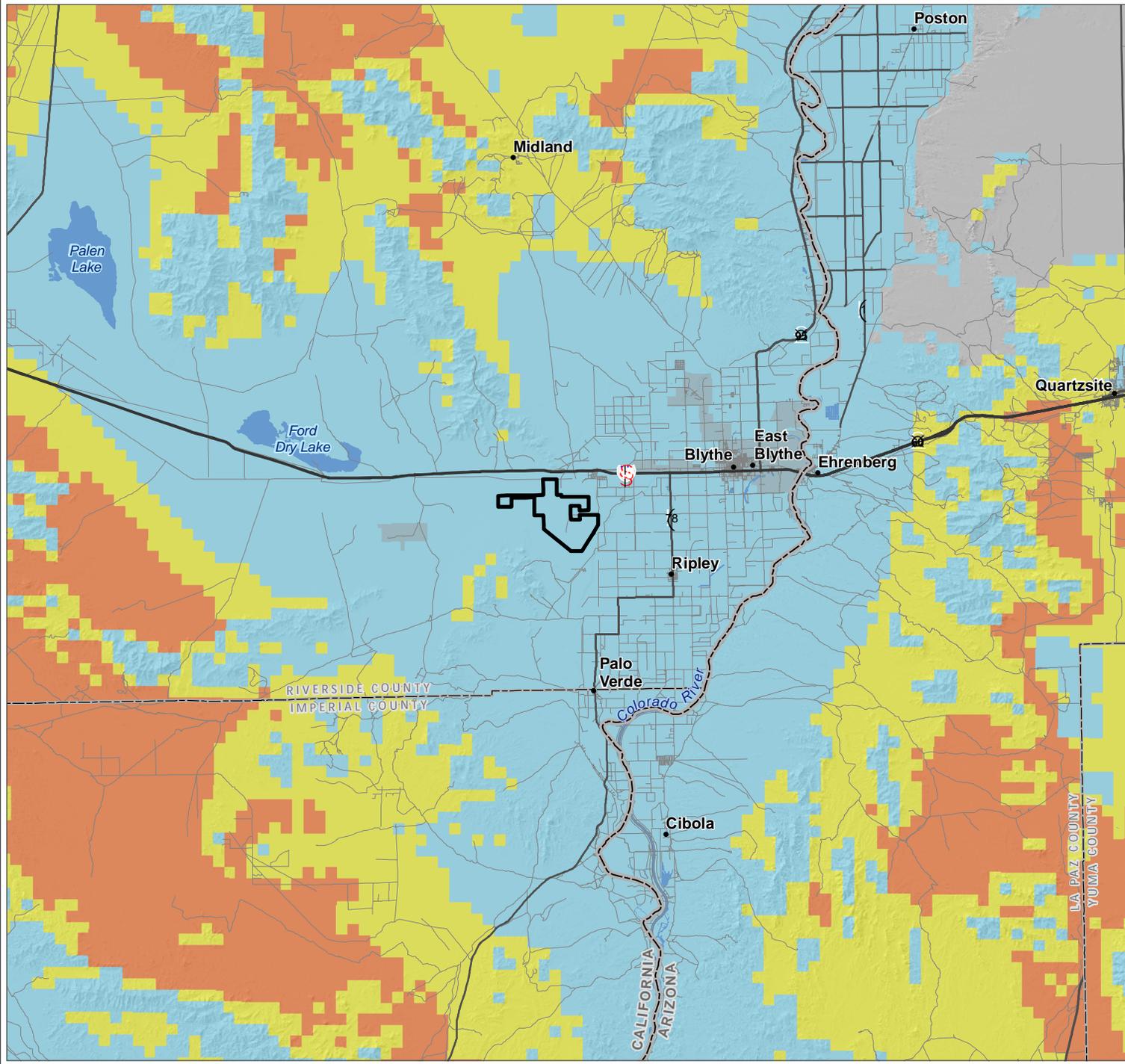
Figure 3.4-1  
Desert Tortoise Sign



Date: 4/24/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



Map extent shown in red.



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

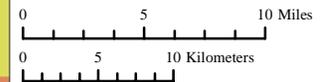
Right-of-Way Application Boundary

## USGS Desert Tortoise Modeled Habitat

Predicted Habitat Potential - Model Score

- 0.5
- 0.7
- 0.9

Figure 3.4-2  
USGS Desert Tortoise  
Habitat Model



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Date: 1/12/2016  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census, USGS



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Fringe-Toed Lizard Habitat

DRECP Species Distribution Model

Occupied Habitat

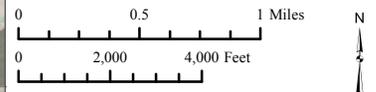
## Density

- 1 - 2
- 3 - 4
- 5 - 6
- 7 - 9
- 10 - 12

## Vegetation/Cover Types

- Anthropogenic Areas of Little or No Vegetation
- Built-up & Urban Disturbance
- Chorizanthe rigida - Geraea canescens
- Desert Pavement Sparsely Vegetated
- Larrea tridentata
- Larrea tridentata - Ambrosia dumosa
- Parkinsonia florida - Olneya tesota
- Pleuraphis rigida
- Woody Agriculture (orchards, vineyards)

### Figure 3.4-3 Mojave Fringe-Toed Lizard Locations



Date: 4/27/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Burrowing Owl Habitat

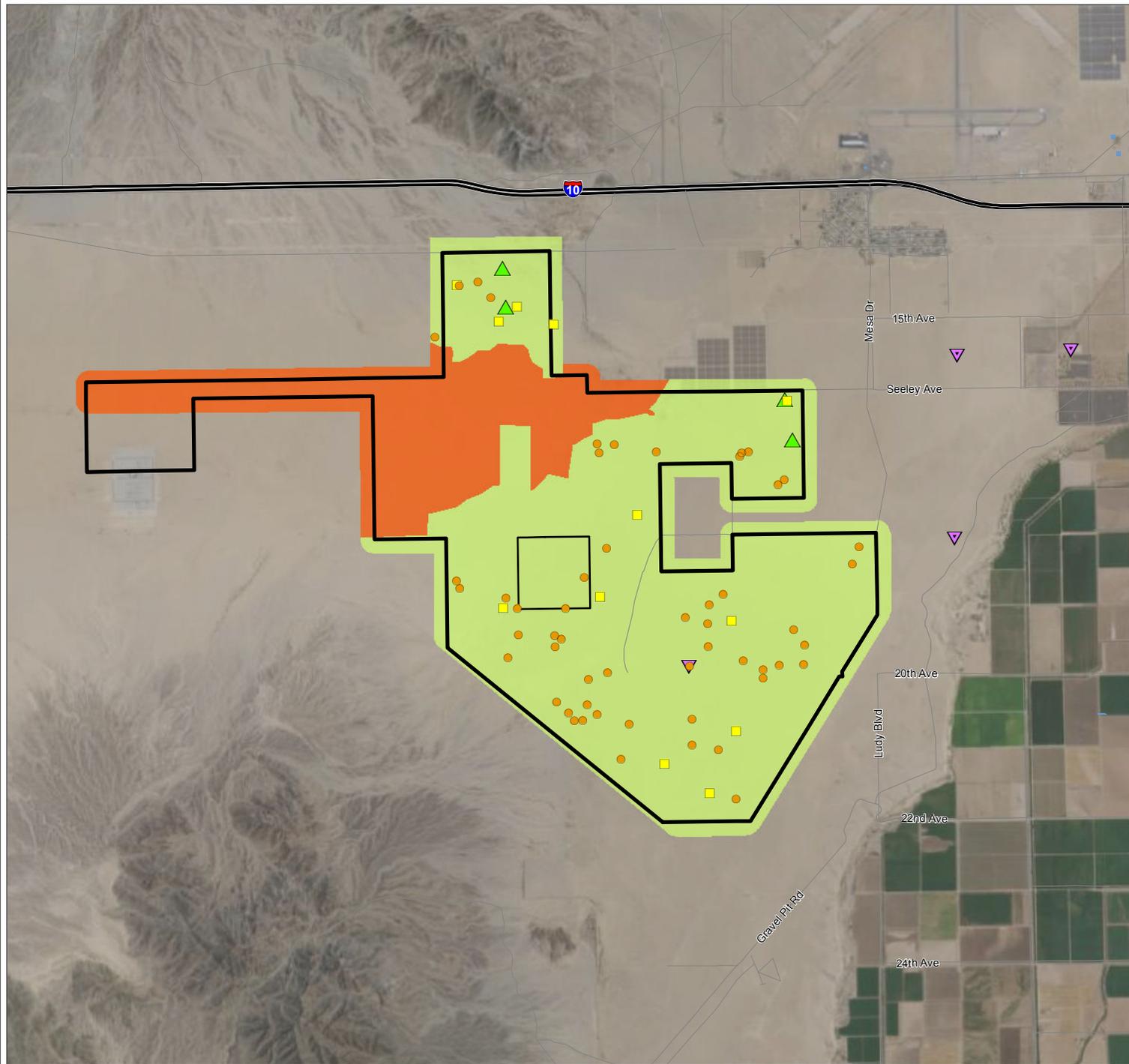
### Burrows & Observations

-  1 - Excellent (BUOW present)
-  2 - Good (Usable, fresh sign, no BUOW)
-  3- Fair (Usable, old sign, no BUOW)
-  Incidental Observation

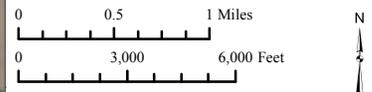
### Habitat Suitability\*

-  Suitable
-  Unsuitable

*\*Suitable habitat is assumed to be sparsely-vegetated, upland creosote scrub.*



### Figure 3.4-4 Burrowing Owl Habitat, Observations, and Burrows



Date: 5/1/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary 10-Mile Buffer
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Golden Eagle Observation Points & Sightings

-  Observation Point 2013-2014
-  Observation Point 2014-2015
-  Sighting 2014
-  Nest from DRECP Data Basin Website

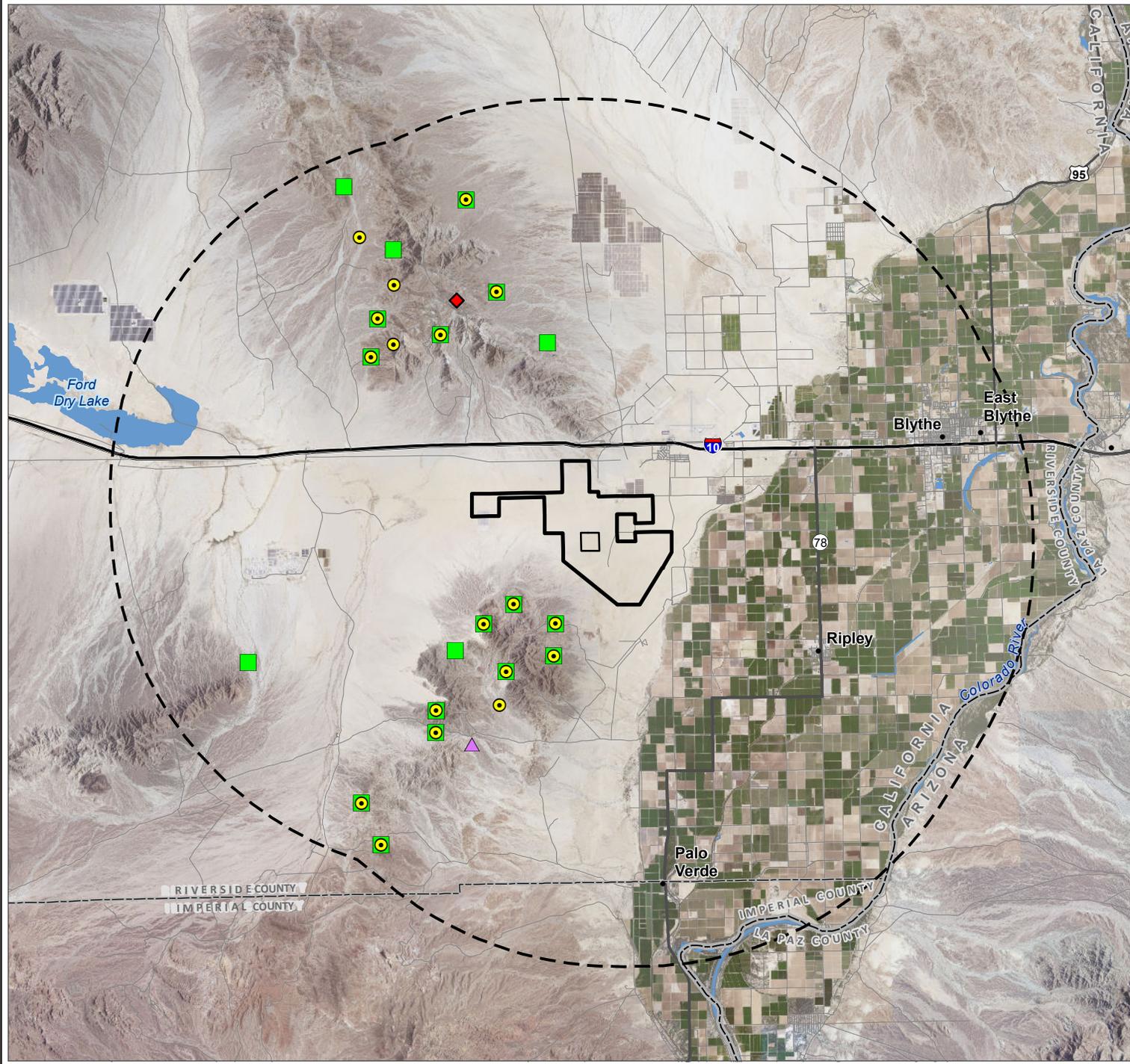
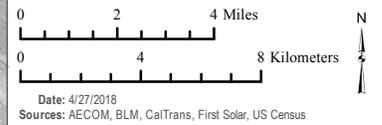


Figure 3.4-5  
Golden Eagle Habitat and Observations



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Migratory Bird Surveys

Avian Migration Survey Points

Transect Line

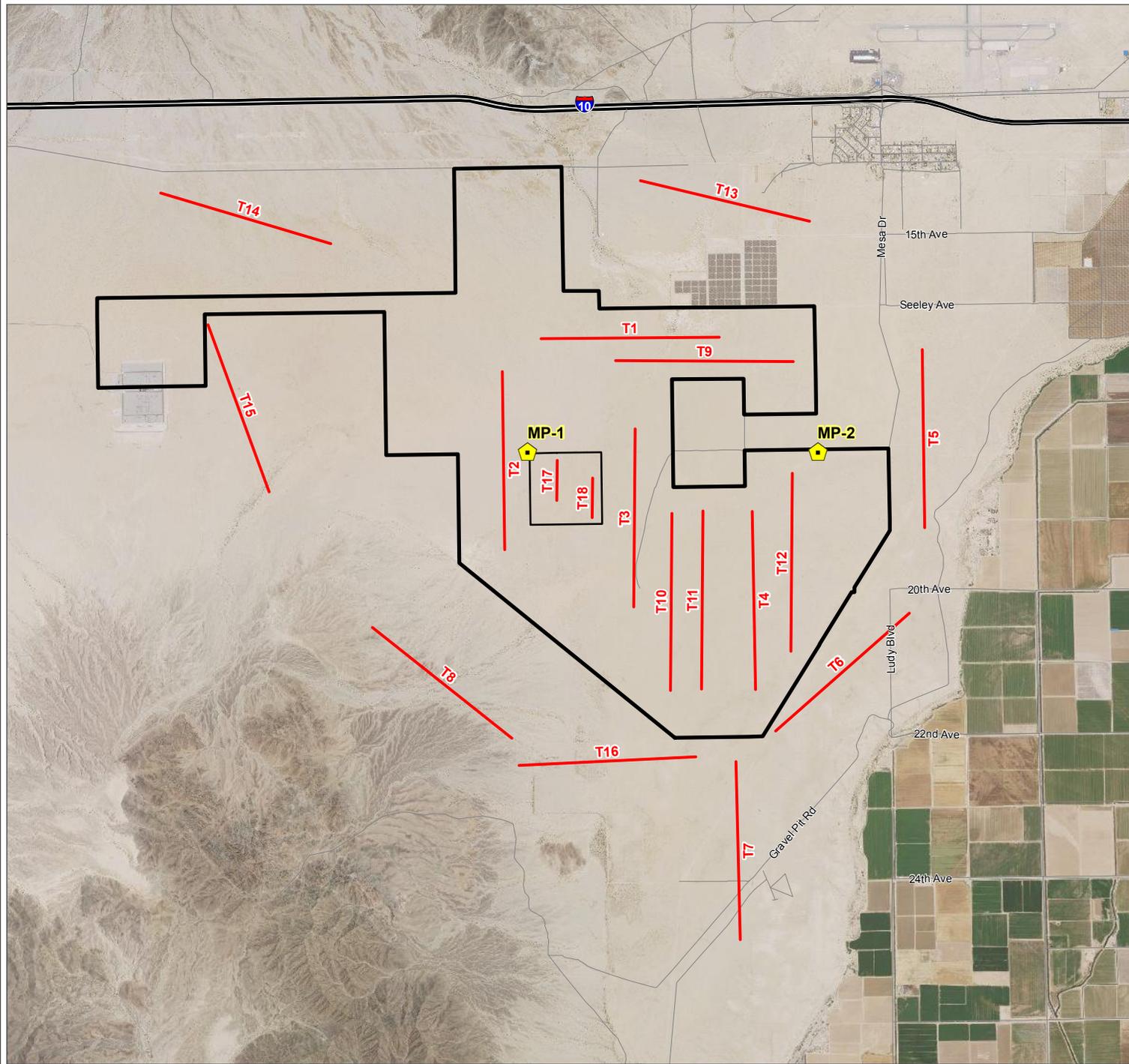
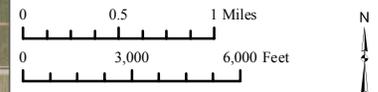


Figure 3.4-6  
Migratory Bird Survey  
Locations & Avian Line  
Transects



Date: 1/25/2016  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Raptor Nests**
- Nest Type**
-  Cliff / Rock outcrop
-  Power line support structure
-  Tree

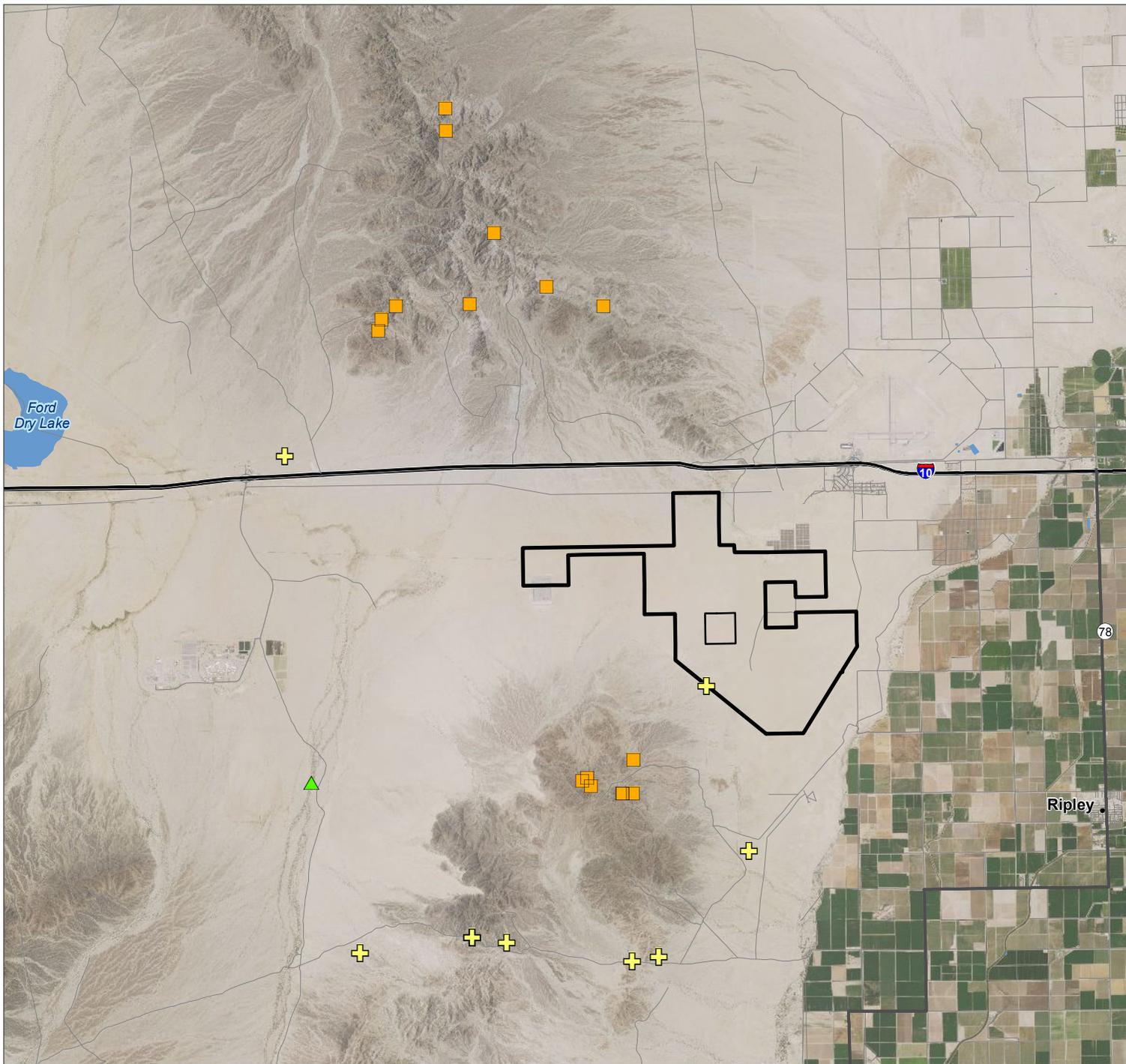
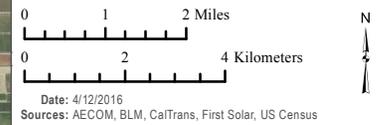


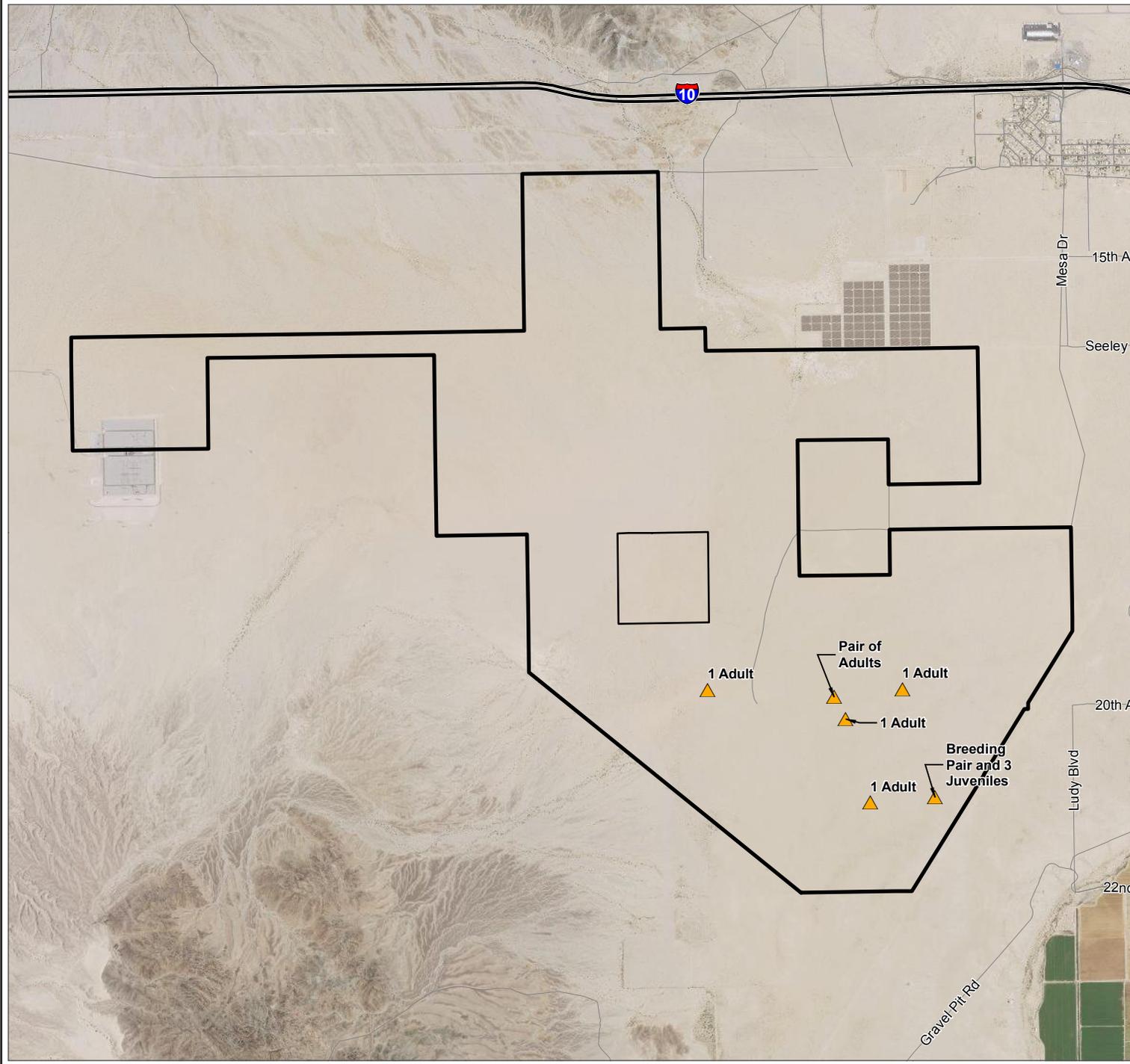
Figure 3.4-7  
Raptor and Raven  
Nest Locations



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Kit Fox Burrow

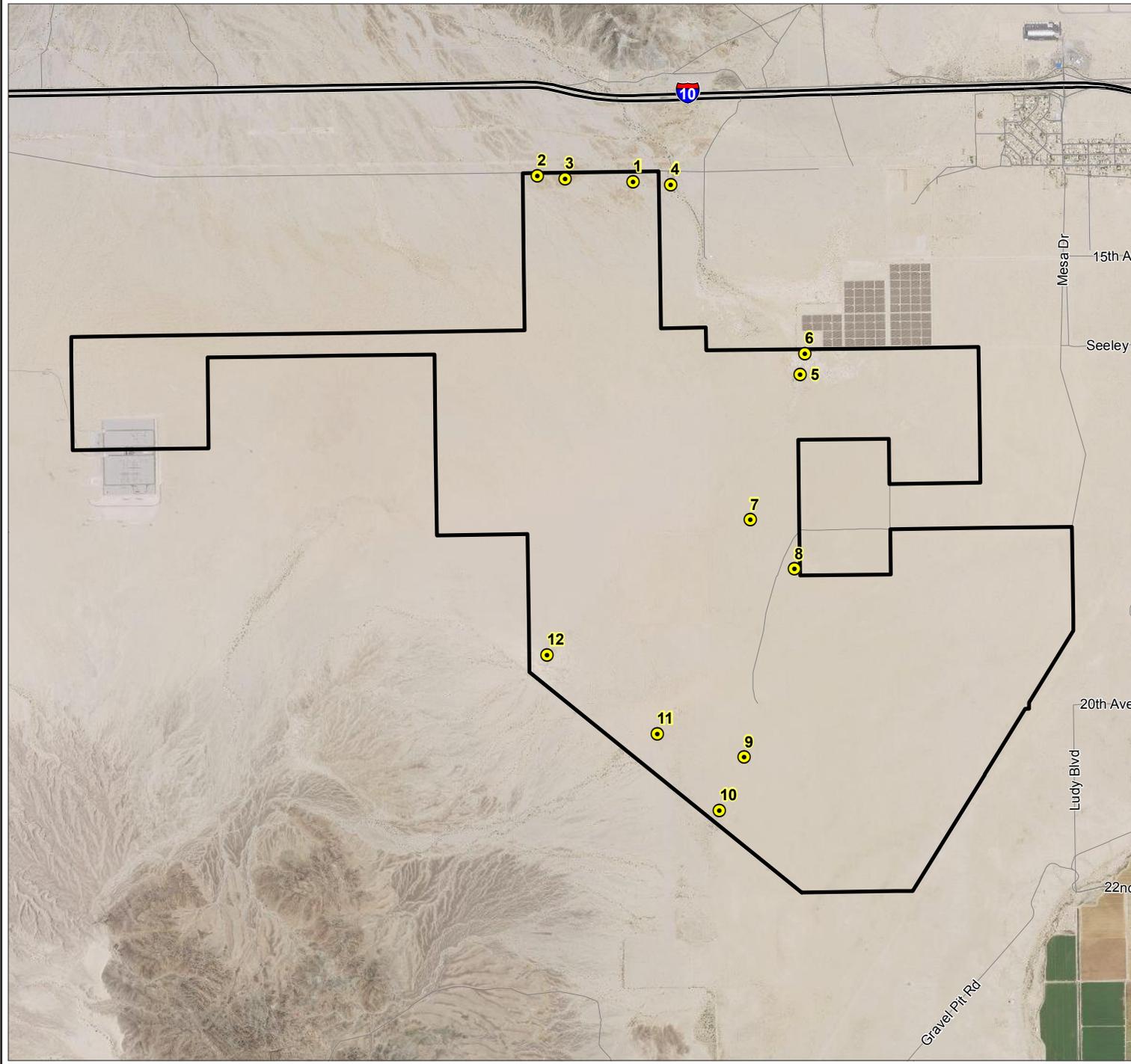


### Figure 3.4-8 Active Kit Fox Burrows

0 0.5 1 Miles  
 0 2,000 4,000 Feet

Date: 1/25/2016  
 Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census

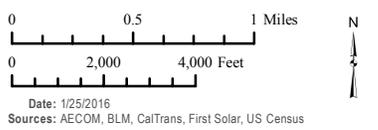




# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

- Legend**
- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  - Bat Monitoring Location

Figure 3.4-9  
Acoustic Bat Monitoring Locations



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Substation

## WHMAs

- Bighorn Sheep Unoccupied Range
- Bighorn Sheep Connectivity Corridor
- Multi Species

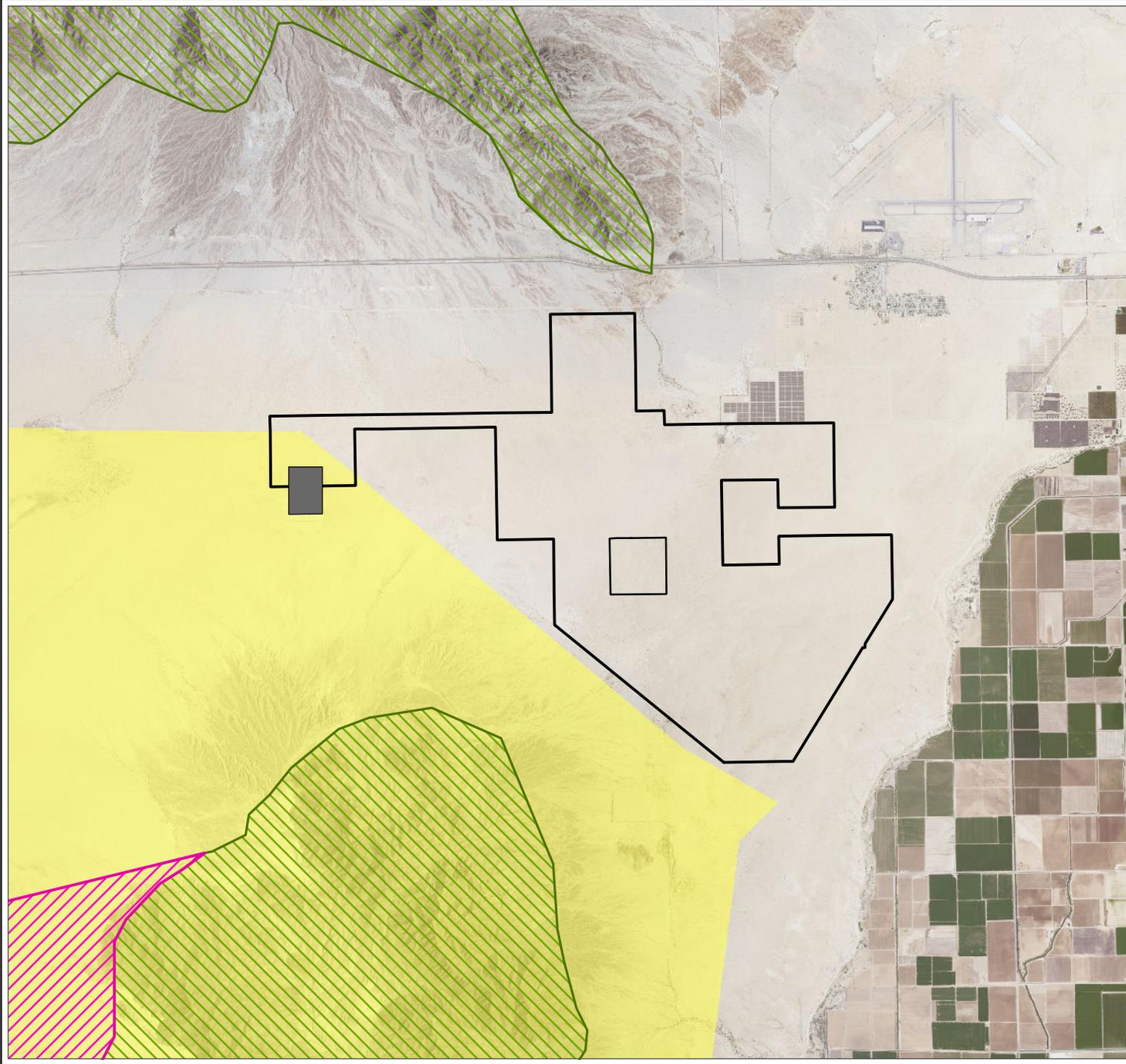
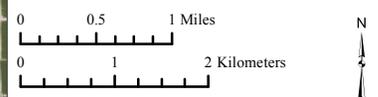
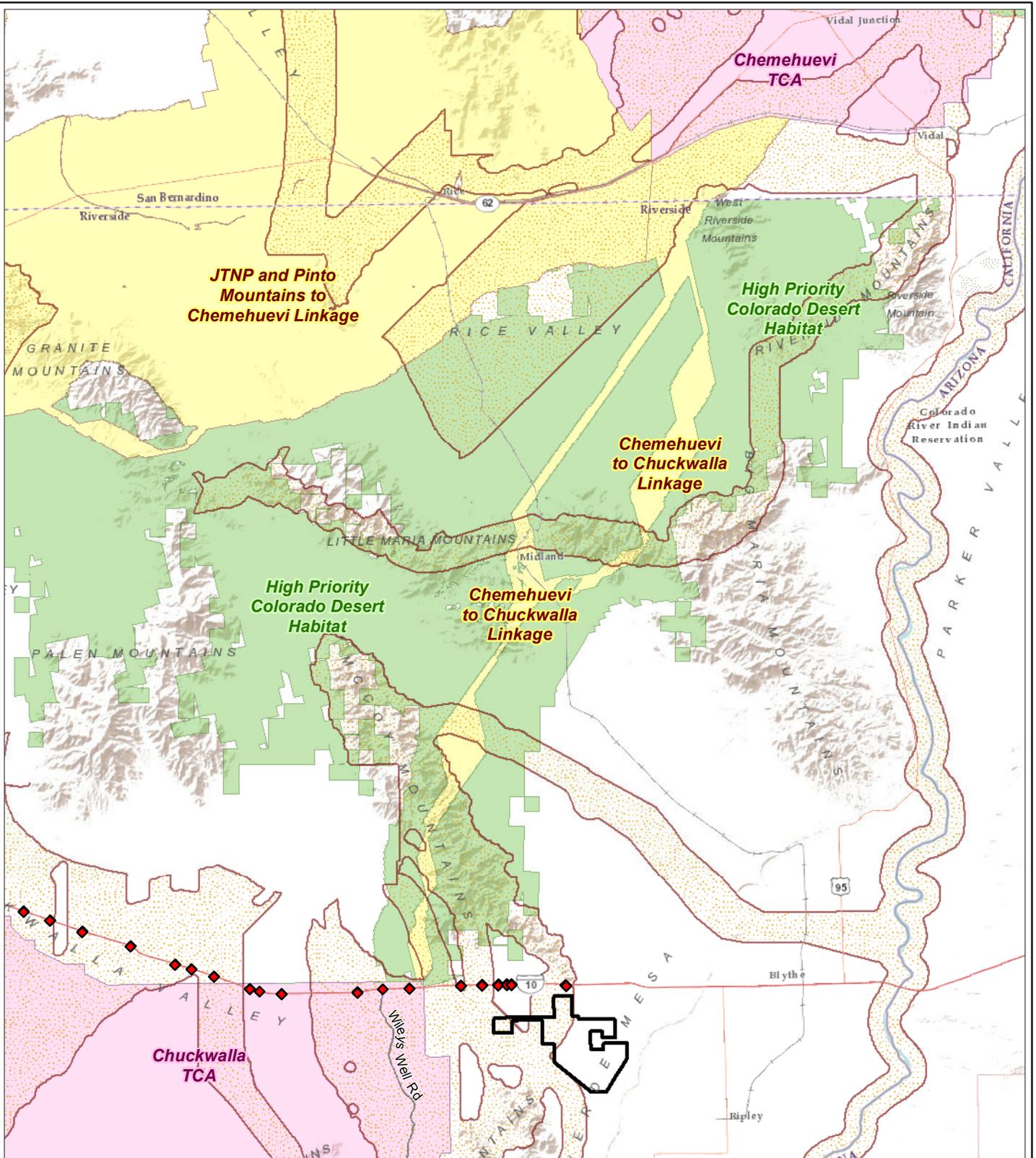


Figure 3.4-10  
Bighorn Sheep  
WHMAs



Date: 3/12/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, First Solar, USGS

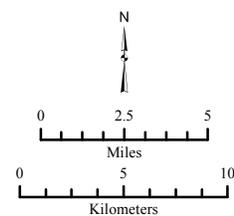




**Desert Quartzite  
Solar Project  
EIS/EIR**

**Figure 3.4-11  
Wildlife Linkages and  
Conservation Areas**

- Legend**
- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  - Bridge/Culvert
  - High Priority Habitat
  - Linkage
  - Tortoise Conservation Area
  - California Desert Linkage Network



Date: 4/11/2019  
Sources: AECOM, ESRI, First Solar, DRECP



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- APE - Direct Impacts
- APE - Indirect Impacts
- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Substation
- Buildings

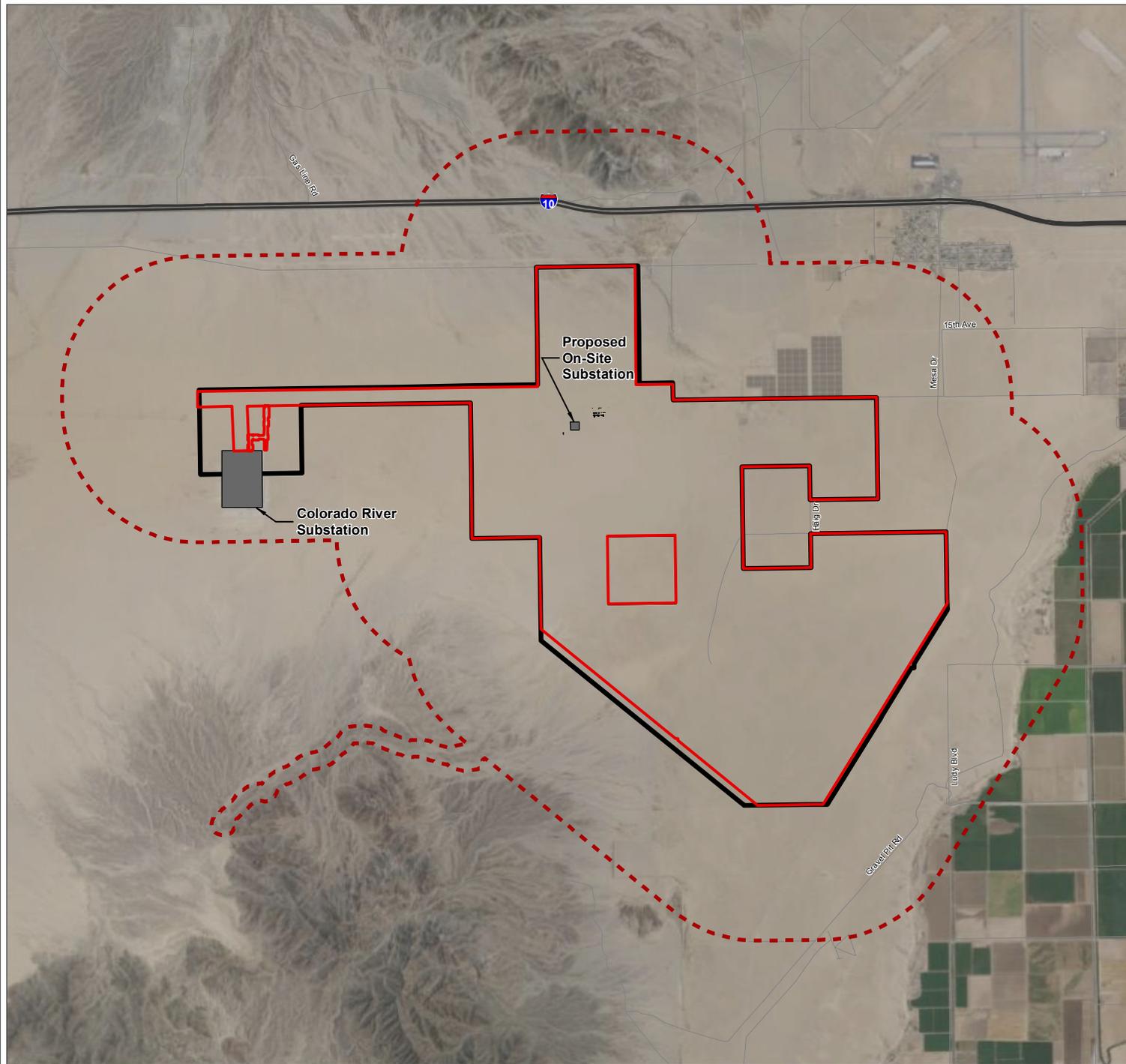


Figure 3.5-1  
Current APE

0 2,000 4,000 Feet

0 0.5 1 Miles

Date: 5/1/2019

Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS



Map extent shown in red.

# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Block Group Boundary
-  Block Groups with High Proportions of Individuals Living in Poverty (2015)
-  Block Groups with High Minority Proportions (2015)
-  Indian Reservation

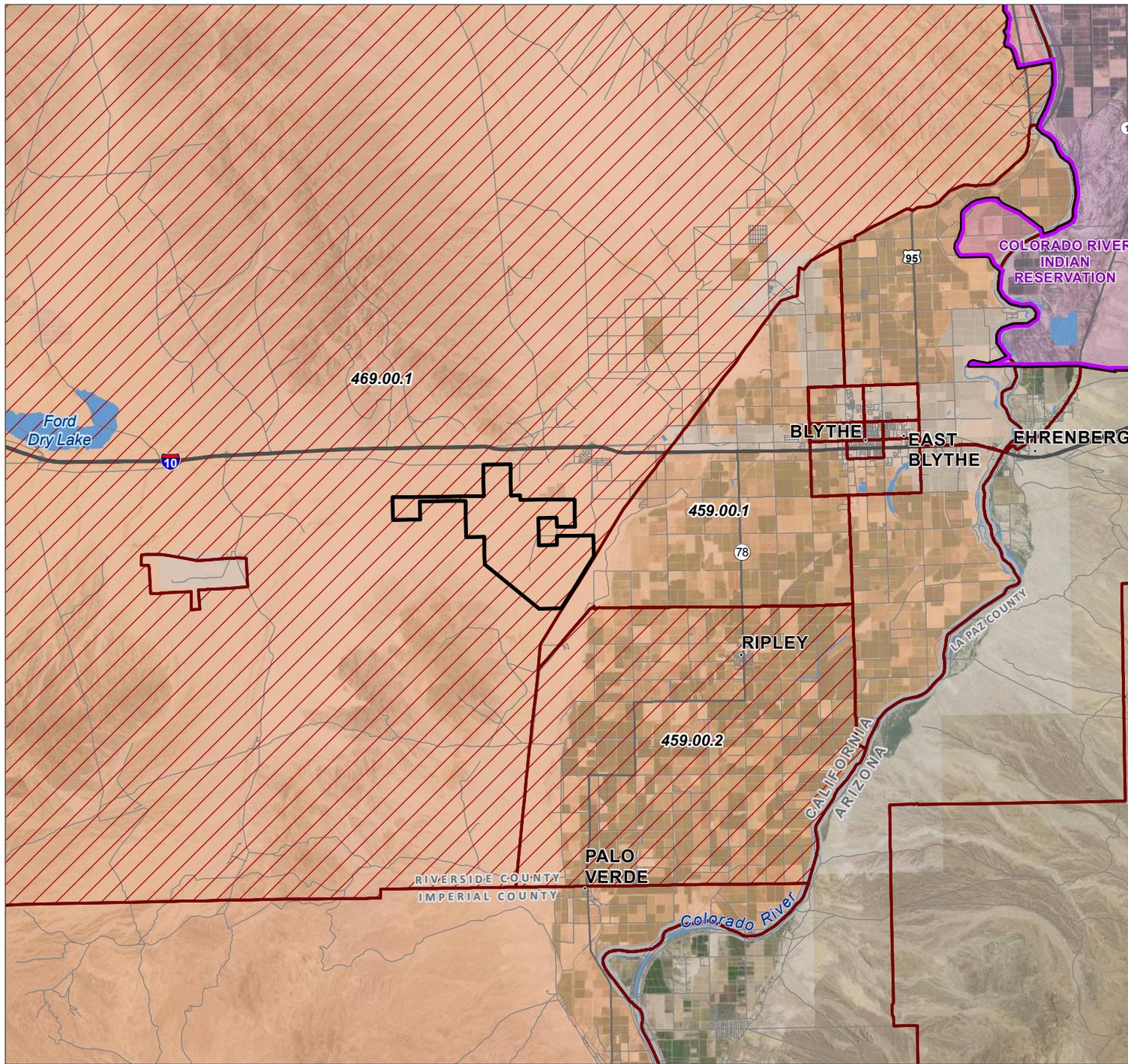
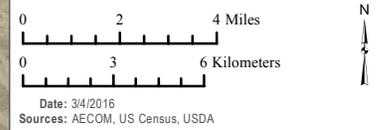
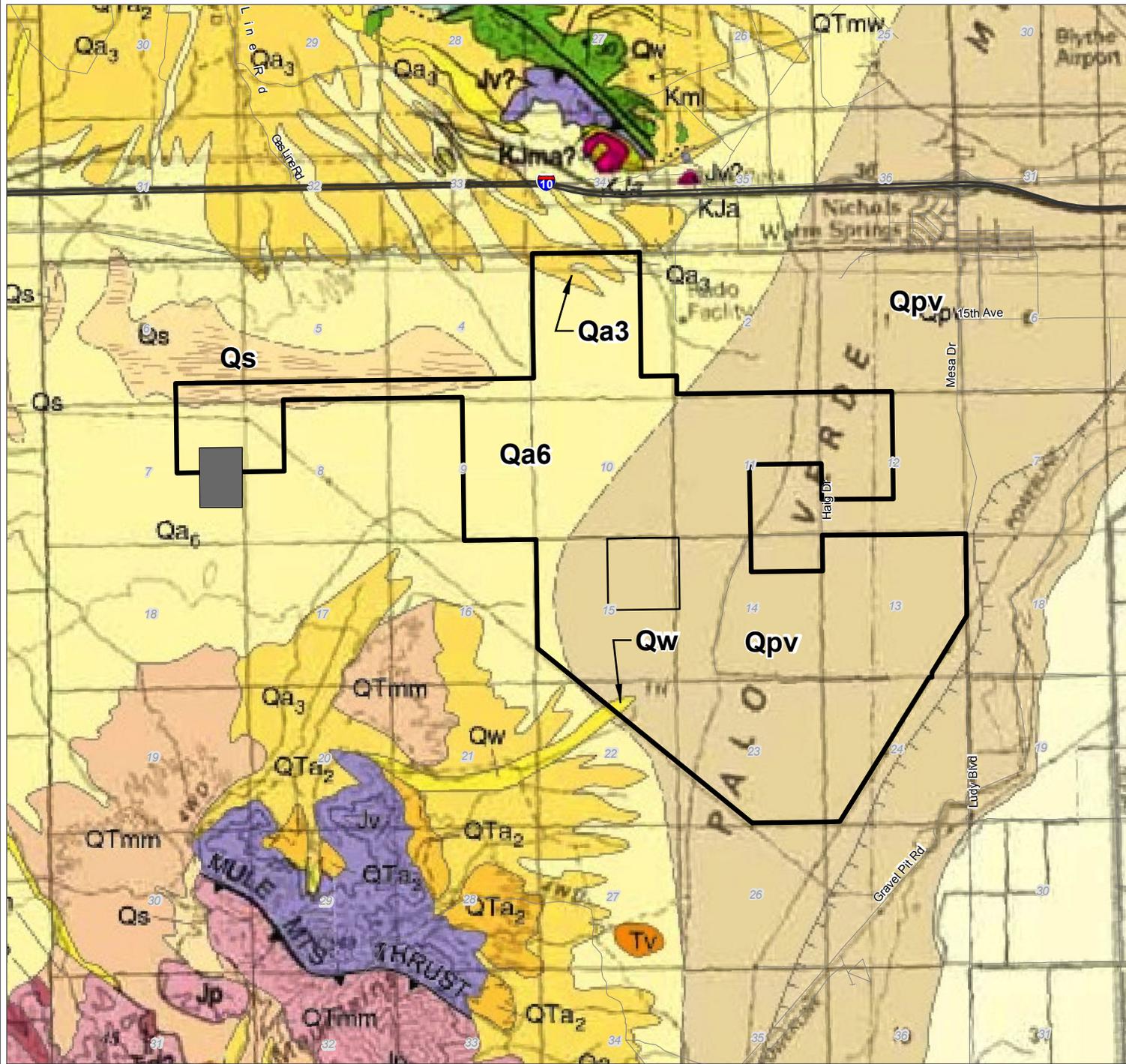


Figure 3.6-1  
Environmental Justice





# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

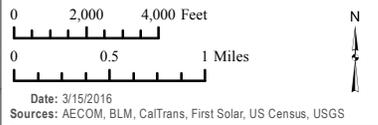
## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Substation

## List of Project Site Map Units

- Qw - Alluvium of modern washes (Holocene)
- Qs - Eolian sand (Holocene)
- Qa3 - Alluvial fan and valley deposits (Unit 3) (Holocene to Pleistocene)
- Qa6 - Alluvial fan and alluvial valley deposits (Unit 6) (Holocene)
- Qpv - Alluvial deposits of Palo Verde Mesa (Pleistocene)

Figure 3.7-1  
Geologic Map of  
Project Area



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

Right-of-Way Application Boundary

Boundary of Private Land Parcel

Substation

### SSURGO Soils

Ac - Aco gravelly loamy sand

Af - Aco sandy loam

Ce - Carrizo gravelly sand

Ch - Chuckawalla very gravelly silt loam

Oc - Orita fine sand

Or - Orita gravelly fine sandy loam

RoA - Rositas fine sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes

RoB - Rositas fine sand, 2 to 9 percent slopes

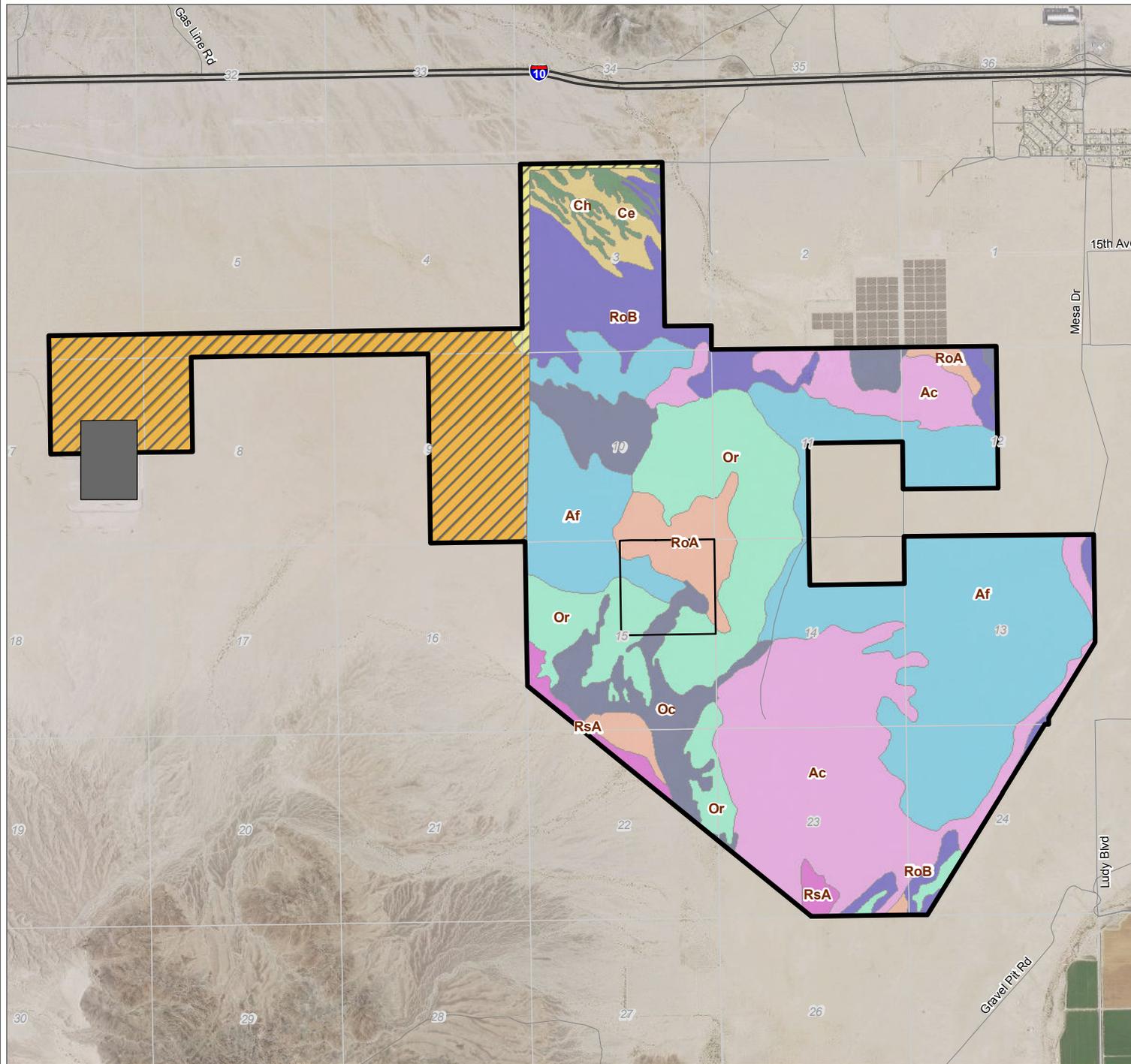
RsA - Rositas gravelly loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes

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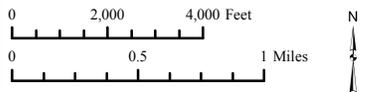
### General Soil Types

Fine Sand

Sandy Loam



### Figure 3.7-2 Soil Map of Project Area



Date: 3/15/2016  
Sources: AECOM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census, USDA, USGS



Map extent shown in red.

# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

 Right-of-Way Application Boundary

 Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## SSURGO Soils

### Hydrologic Group

 A - Soils having a high infiltration rate (low runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist mainly of deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or gravelly sands. These soils have a high rate of water transmission.

 B - Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of moderately deep or deep, moderately well drained or well drained soils that have moderately fine texture to moderately coarse texture. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission..

 C - Soils having a slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of soils having a layer that impedes the downward movement of water or soils of moderately fine texture or fine texture. These soils have a slow rate of water transmission..

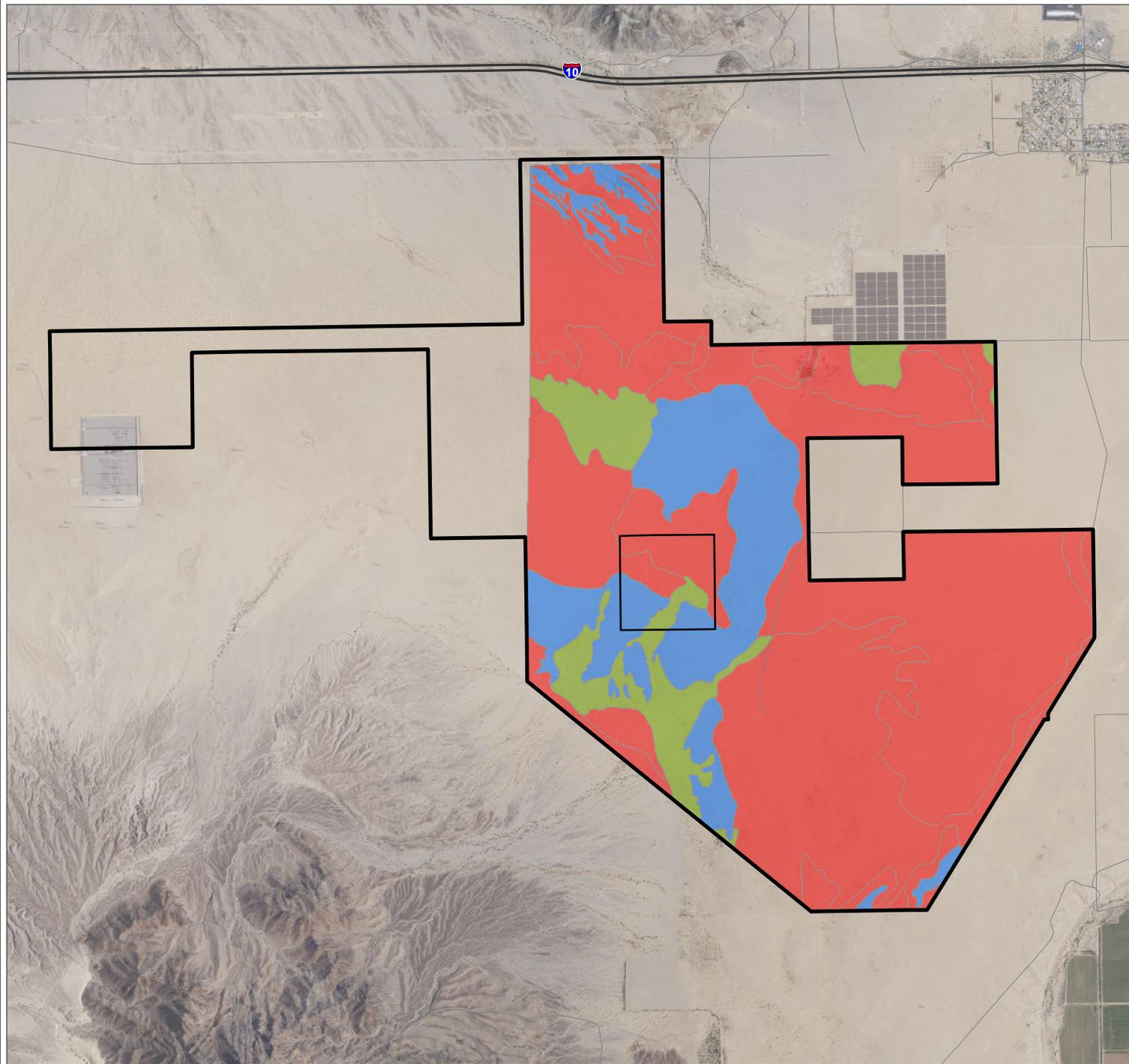
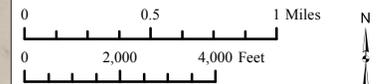


Figure 3.7-3  
SSURGO Soils  
Hydrologic Groups



Date: 4/24/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, NRCS, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

 Right-of-Way Application Boundary

 Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## SSURGO Soils

### Wind Erodibility (Tons/Acre/Year)

 310 t/a/y

 134 t/a/y

 86 t/a/y

 38 t/a/y

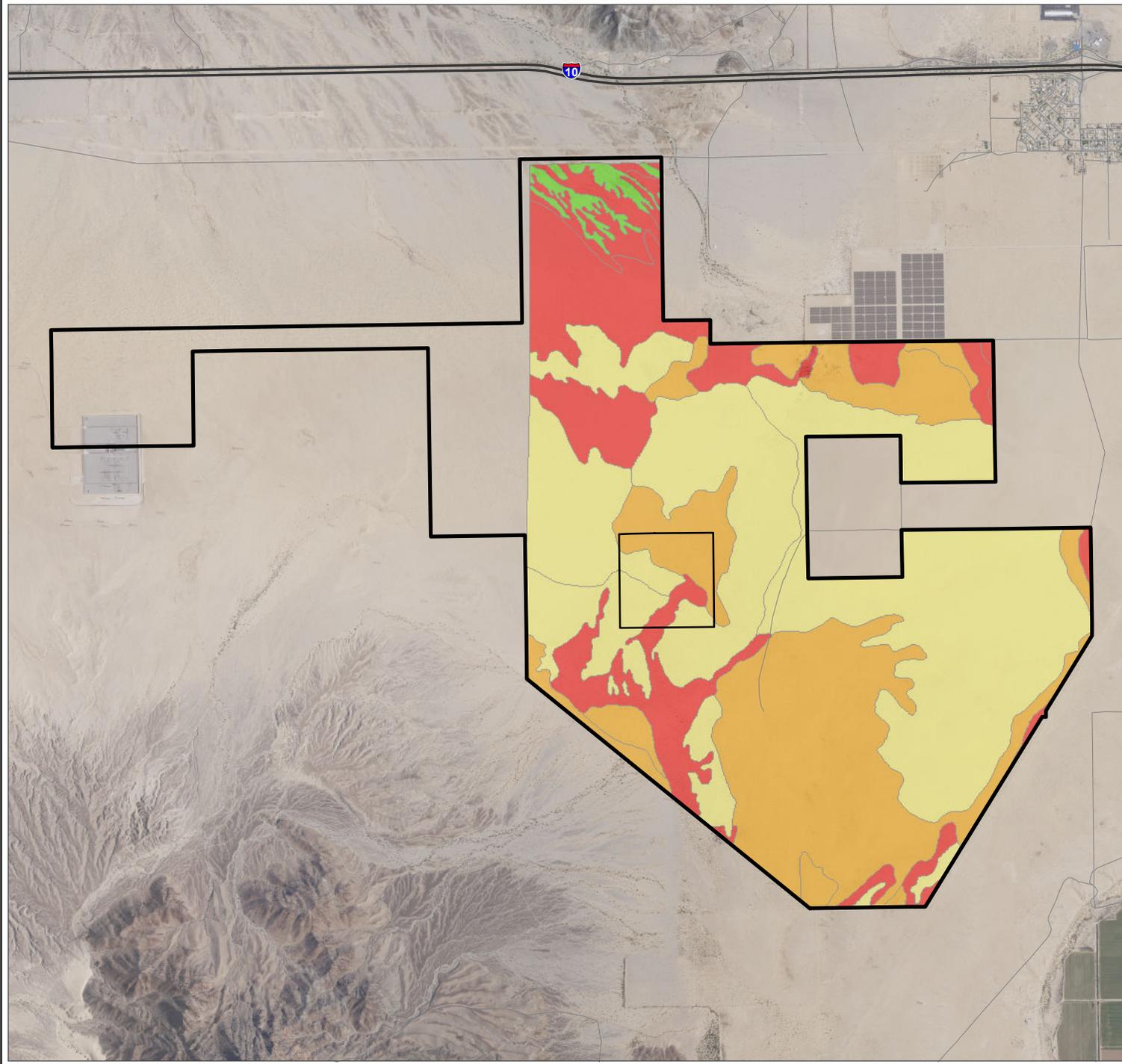
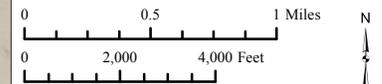


Figure 3.7-4  
SSURGO Soils  
Wind Erodibility



Date: 3/13/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, NRCS, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  -  Proposed Action Footprint
  -  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
  -  Substation
  -  Gen-Tie Line
  -  Blythe Airport Property Boundary
- Airport Compatibility Zones**
-  B2
  -  C
  -  D
  -  E

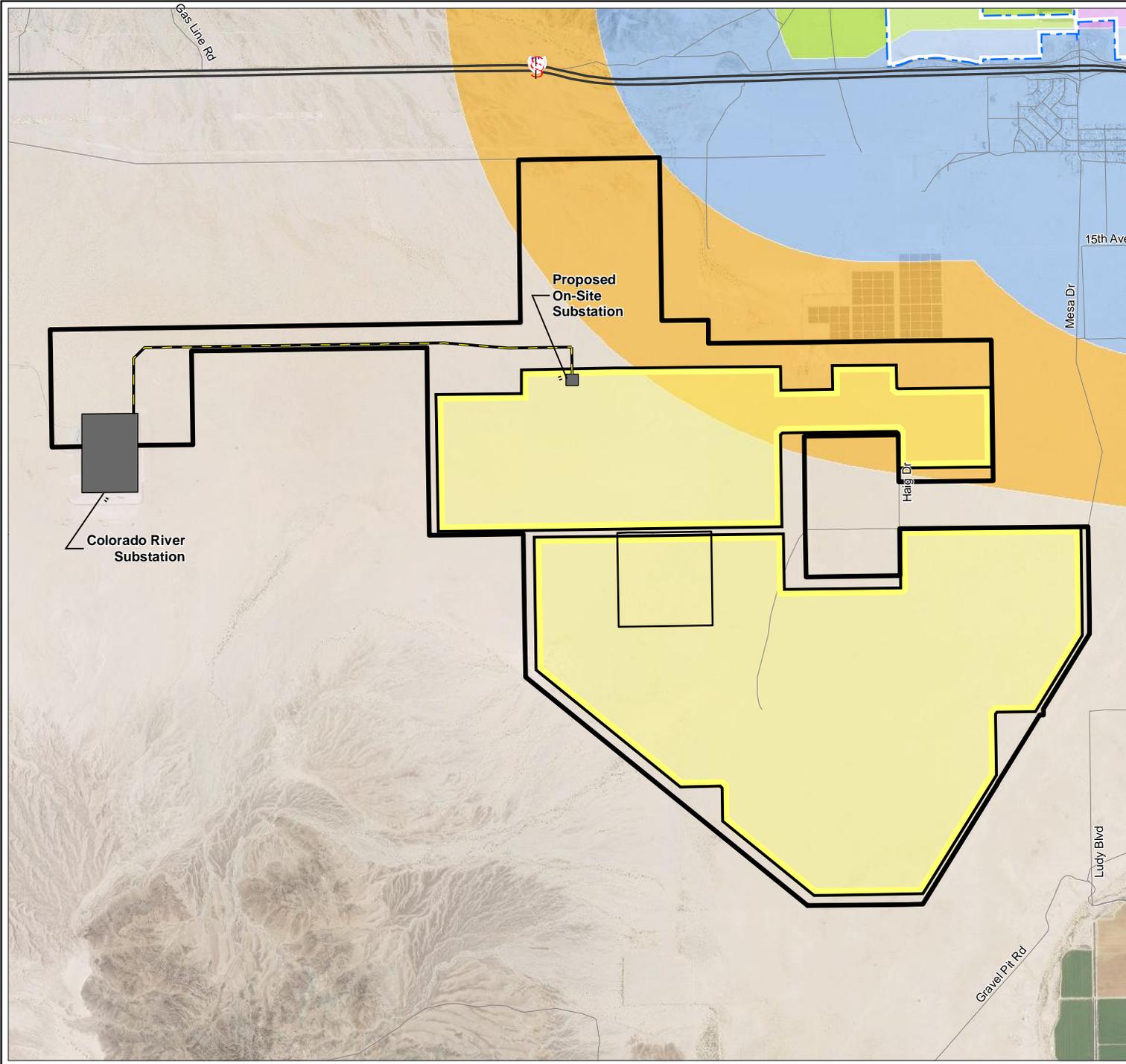
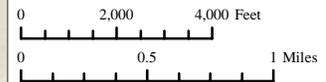


Figure 3.9-1  
Airport Compatibility Zones



Date: 2/2/2016  
Sources: AECOM, First Solar, Riverside County, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Bradshaw Trail
- Area of Critical Environmental Concern
- Wilderness Area
- BLM Herd Management Area
- Desert Tortoise Critical Habitat

## Surface Management

- BIA
- BLM
- BOR
- County/Local
- DOD
- NPS
- State
- USFWS
- Other/Private

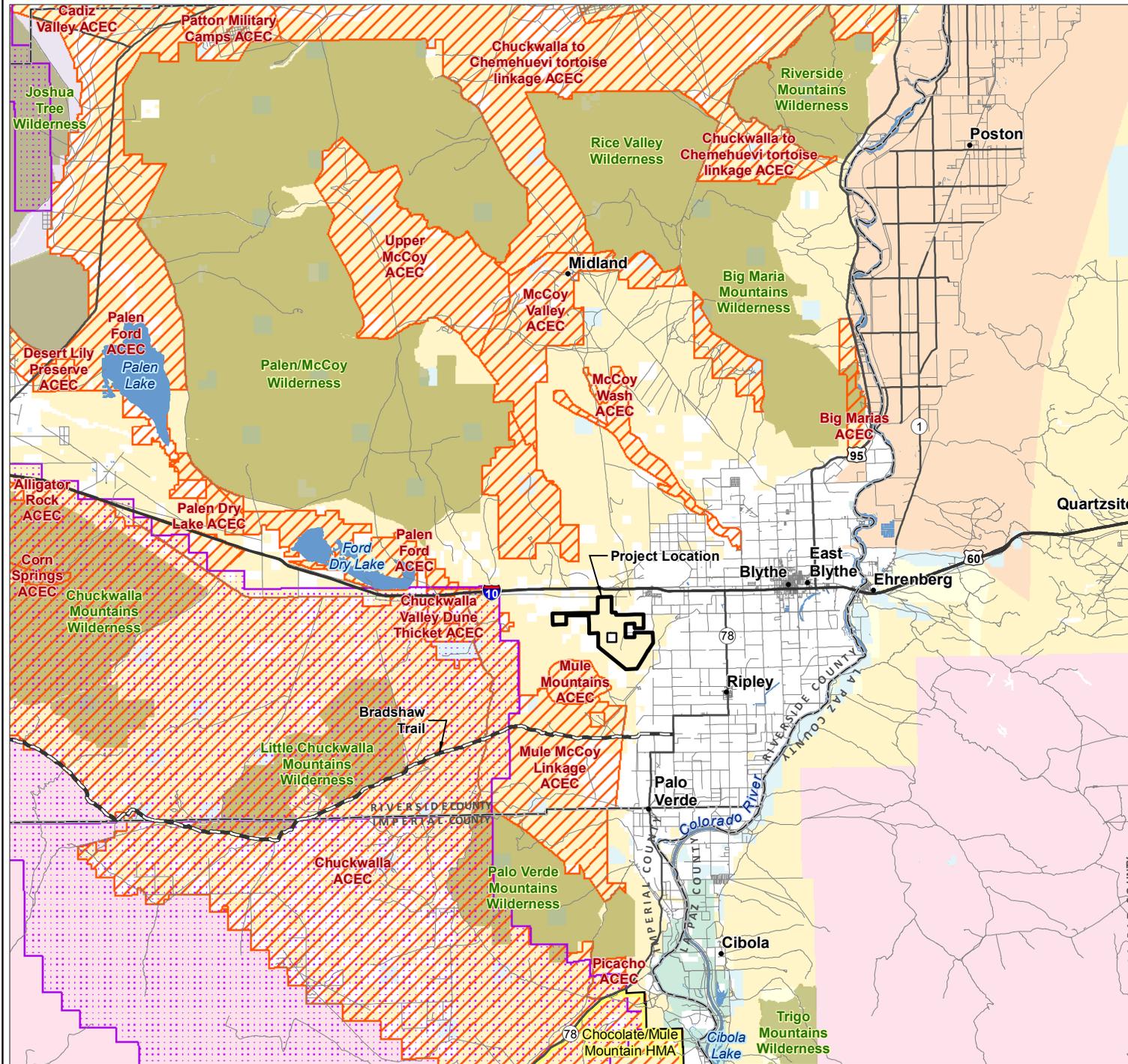
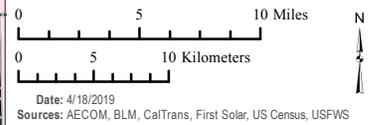


Figure 3.10-1  
Land Management Areas



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Colorado River Substation
-  Gen-Tie Line
-  BLM Energy Corridor
- BLM Multiple Use Classes**
-  Limited
-  Moderate

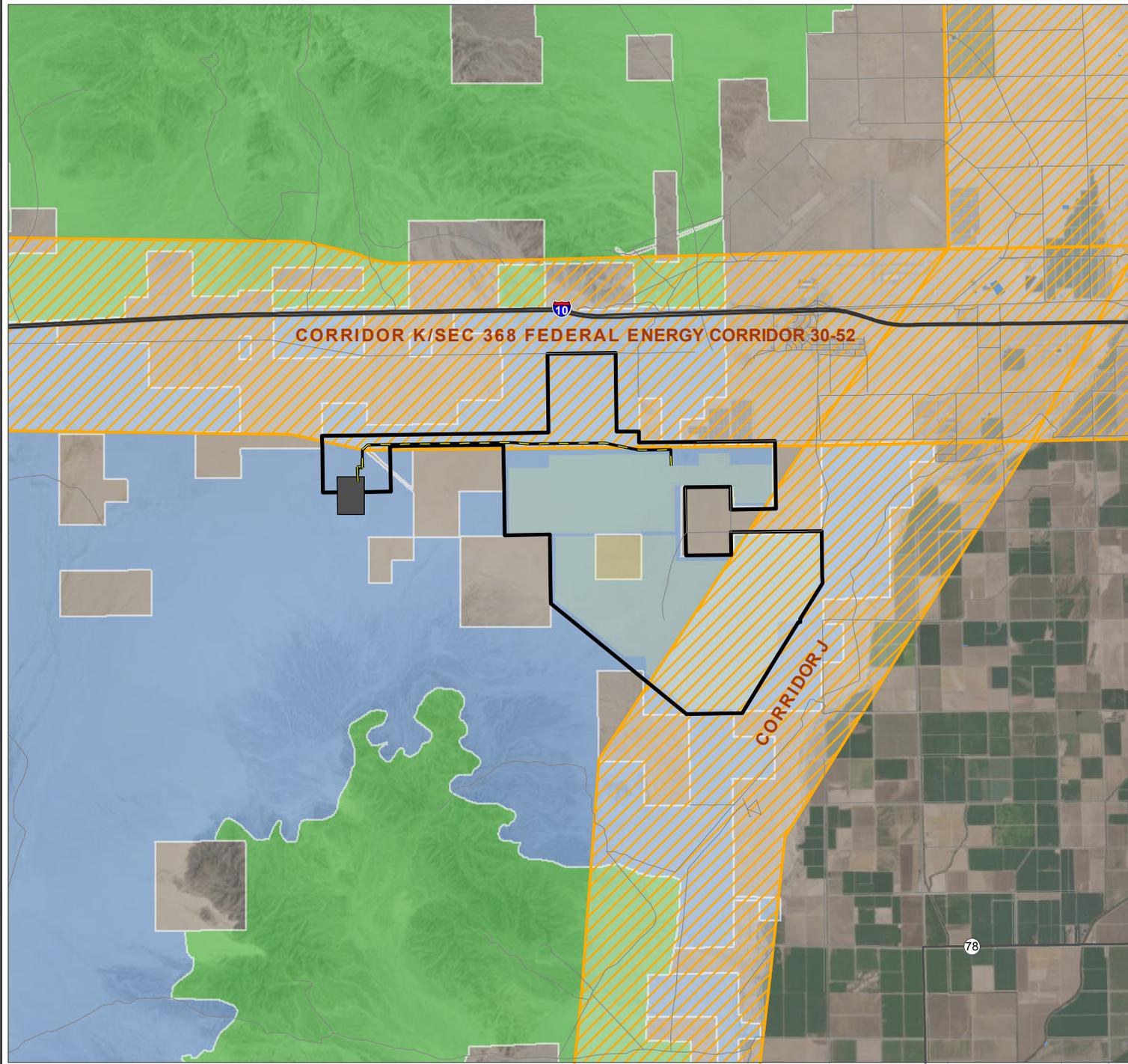


Figure 3.10-2  
BLM Multiple Use Classes  
& Energy Corridors

0 1 2 Miles  
0 1 2 Kilometers

Date: 4/18/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Residence
- Ambient Sound Measurement Locations**
-  Nearest Noise Sensitive Receptor (NNSR)
-  Long Term
-  Short Term
- Surface Management**
-  BLM
-  BOR
-  State

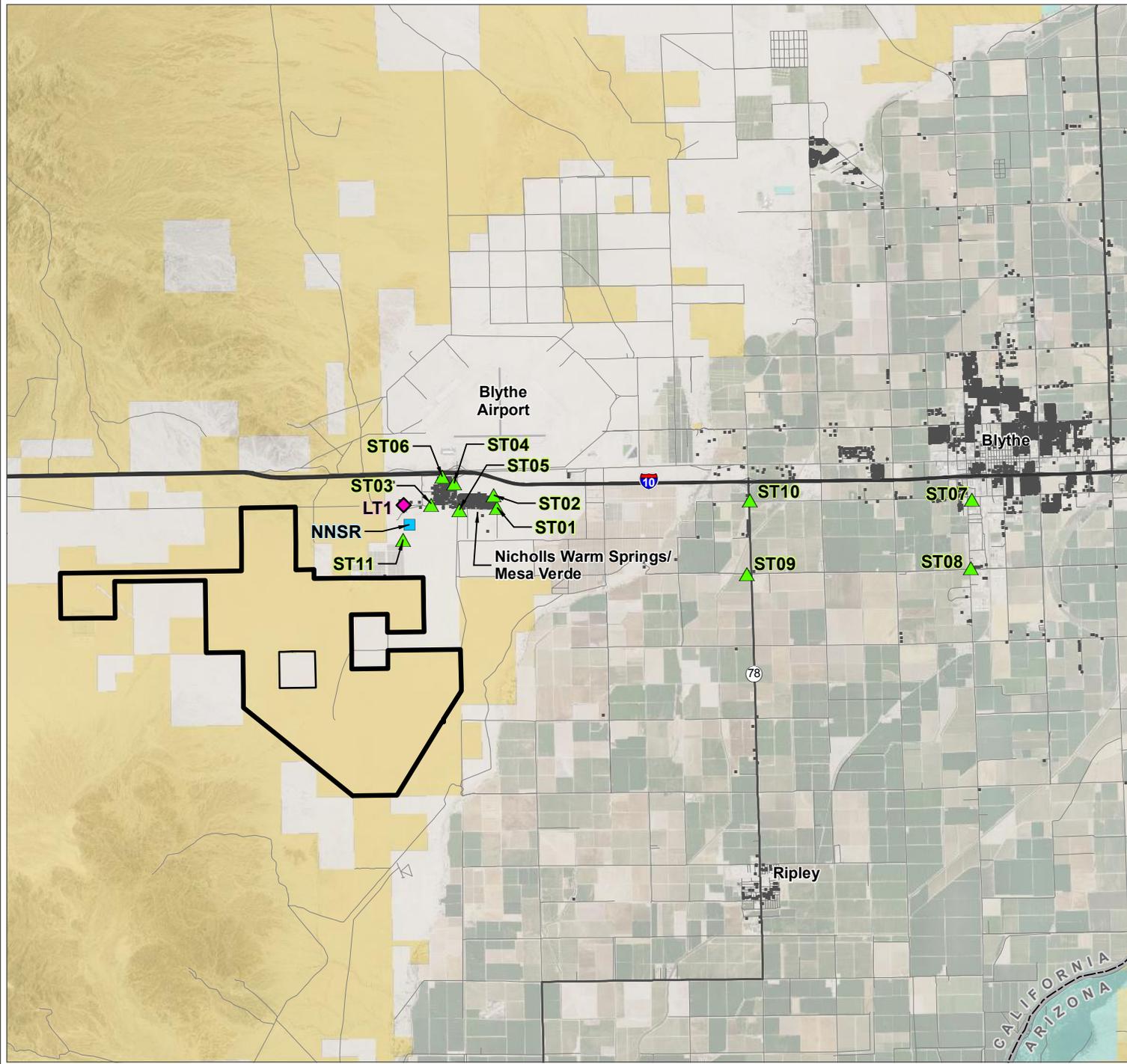


Figure 3.12-1  
Noise Measurement Locations



Date: 1/21/2016  
Sources: AECOM, First Solar, USDA, US Census, Riverside County



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Substation

## Potential Fossil Yield Classification

-  PFYC Class 2; SVP: Low
-  PFYC Class 3; SVP: High
-  PFYC Class 2; SVP: Low/PFYC Class 3; SVP: High
-  PFYC Class 4; SVP: High

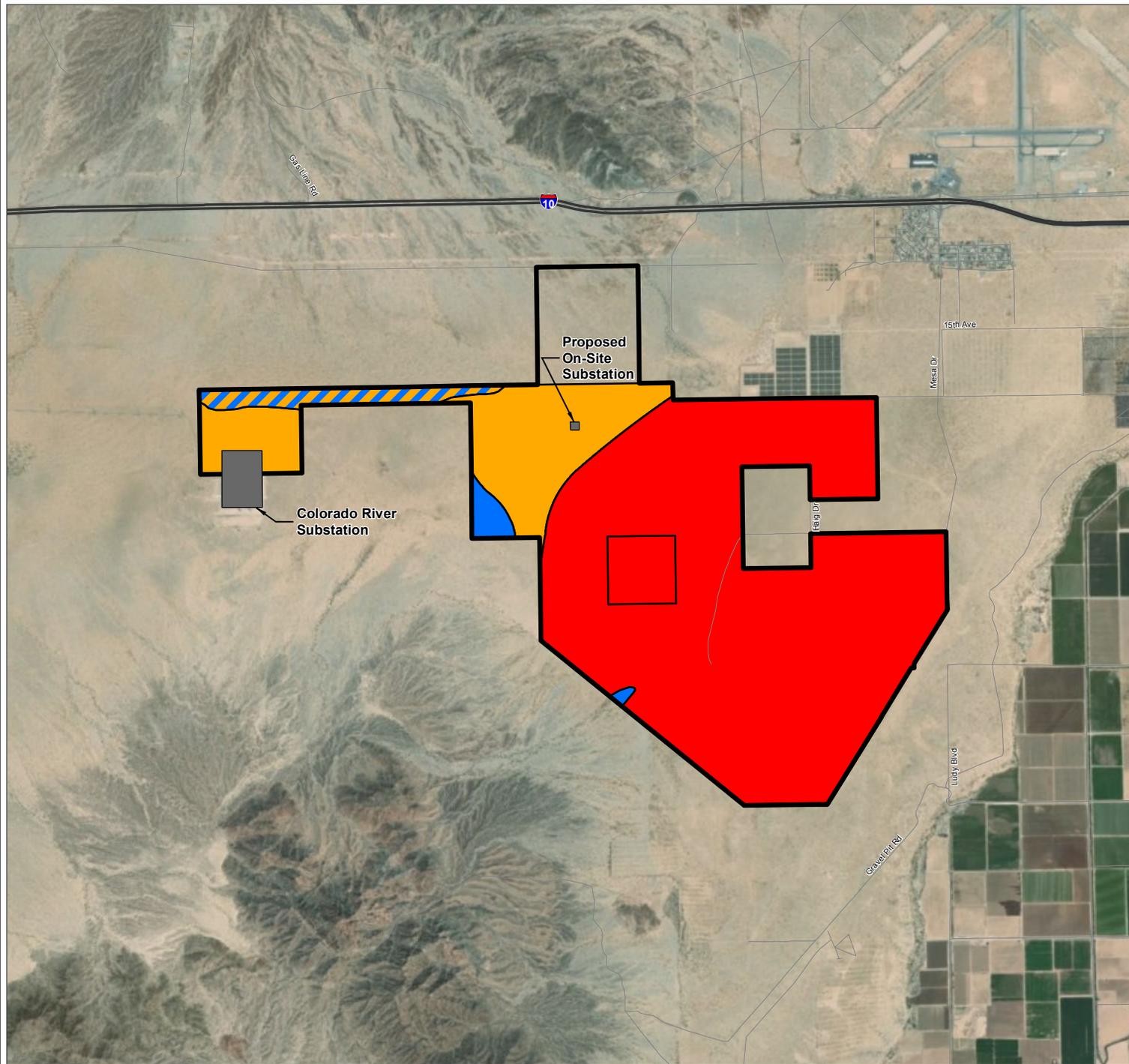
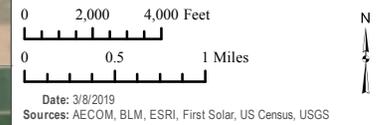


Figure 3.13-1  
Distribution of Potential Fossil Yield Classifications



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  -  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
  -  Bradshaw Trail
  -  Long Term Visitor
  -  Area of Critical Environmental Concern
  -  Wilderness
- ### Surface Management
-  BIA
  -  BLM
  -  BOR
  -  County/Local
  -  DOD
  -  State
  -  USFWS
  -  Other/Private
- ### Boundaries
-  State Boundary
  -  County Boundary
  -  Urban

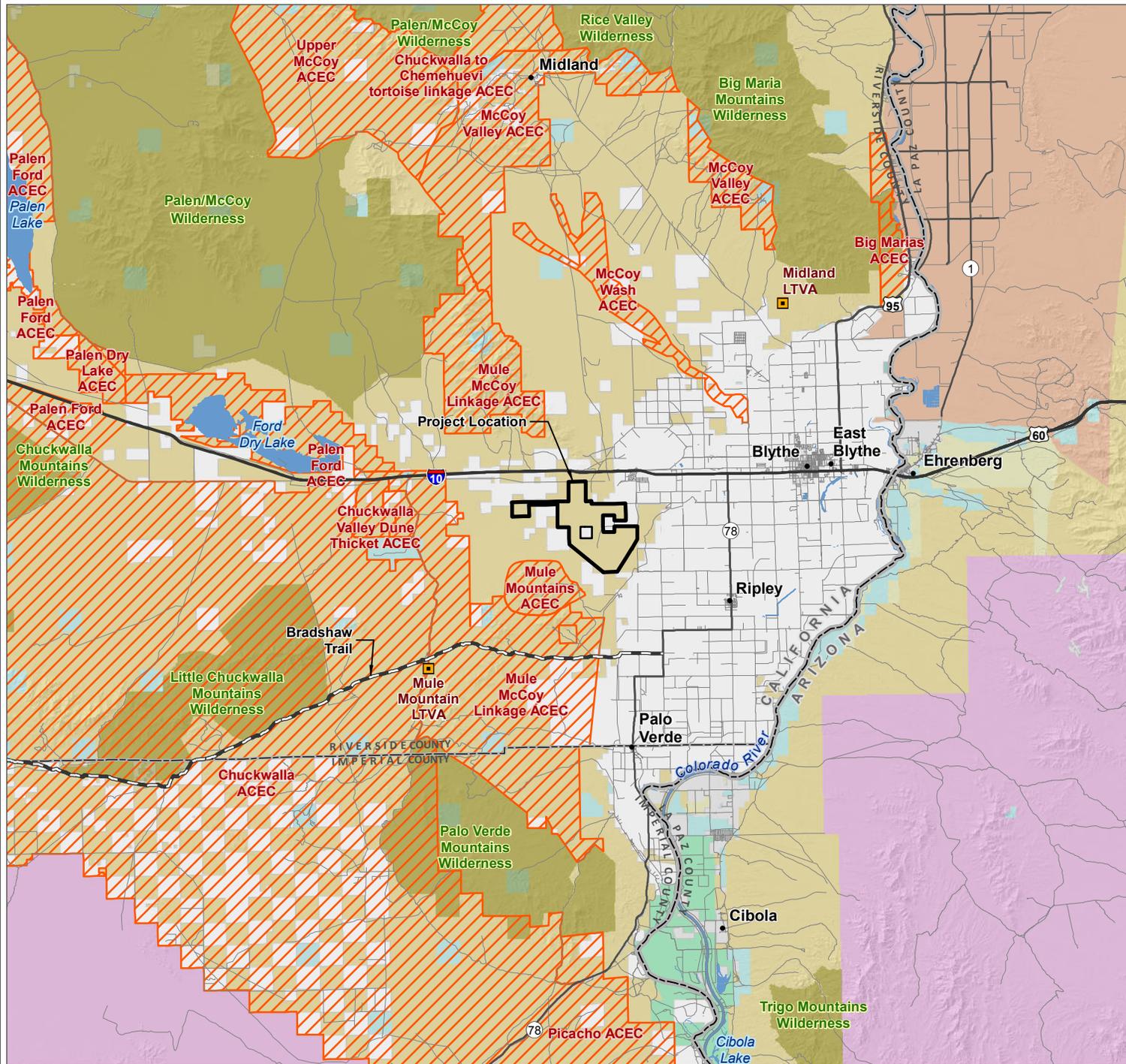
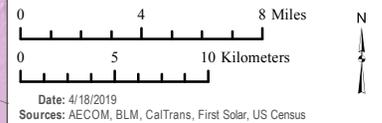


Figure 3.14-1  
BLM Administered  
Recreation Resources



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Park/Open Space

## Surface Management

- BIA
- BLM
- BOR
- County/Local
- DOD
- NPS
- State
- USFWS
- Other/Private

## Boundaries

- State Boundary
- County Boundary
- Urban Area

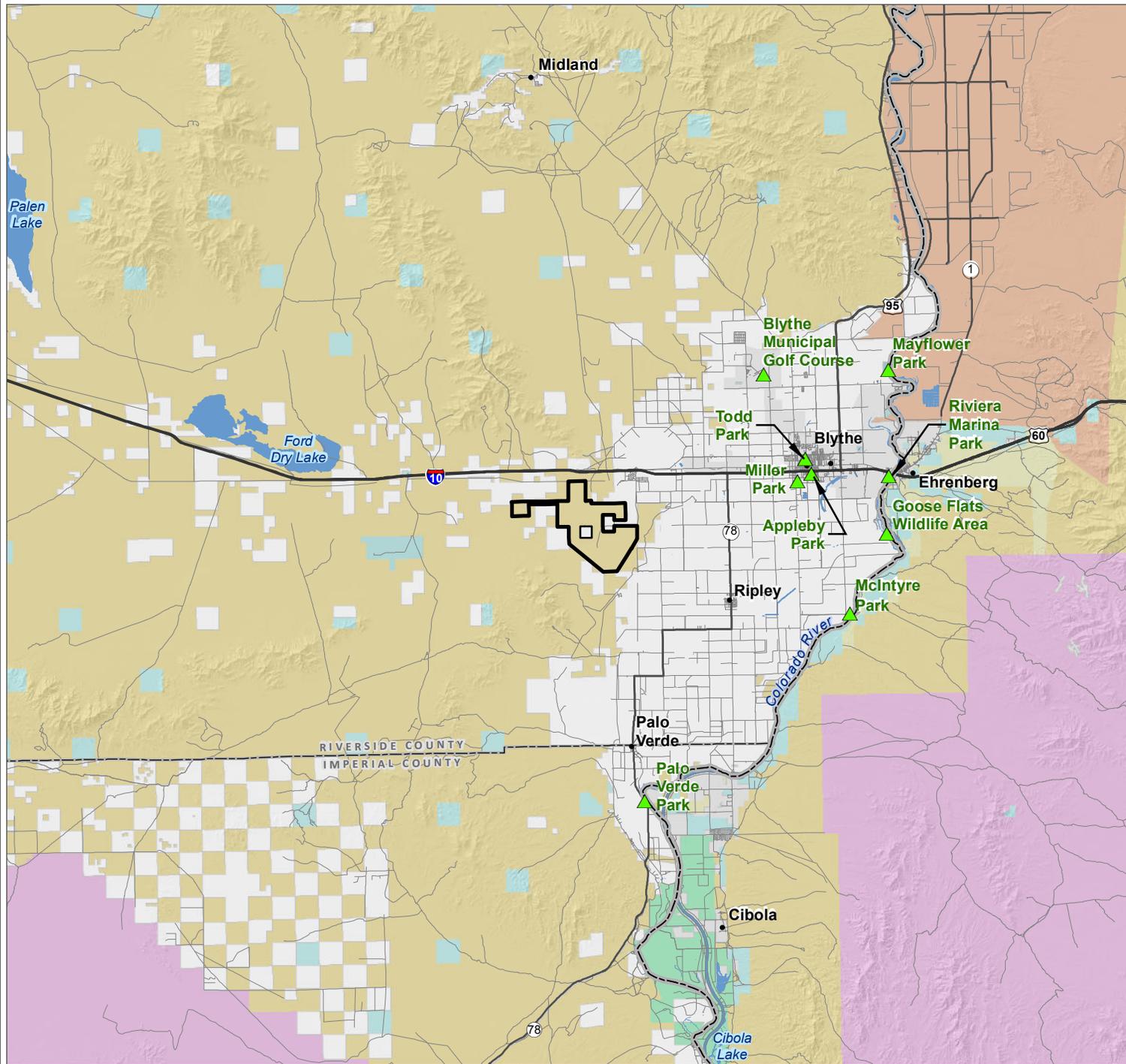
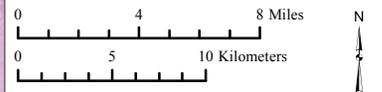


Figure 3.14-2  
Regional Recreation Resources



Date: 3/15/2016  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census





# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- State Boundary
- County Boundary

## Highways

- Interstate
- State/US Highway

## Drive Times

- 0-60 Minutes
- 60-90 Minutes
- 90-120 Minutes

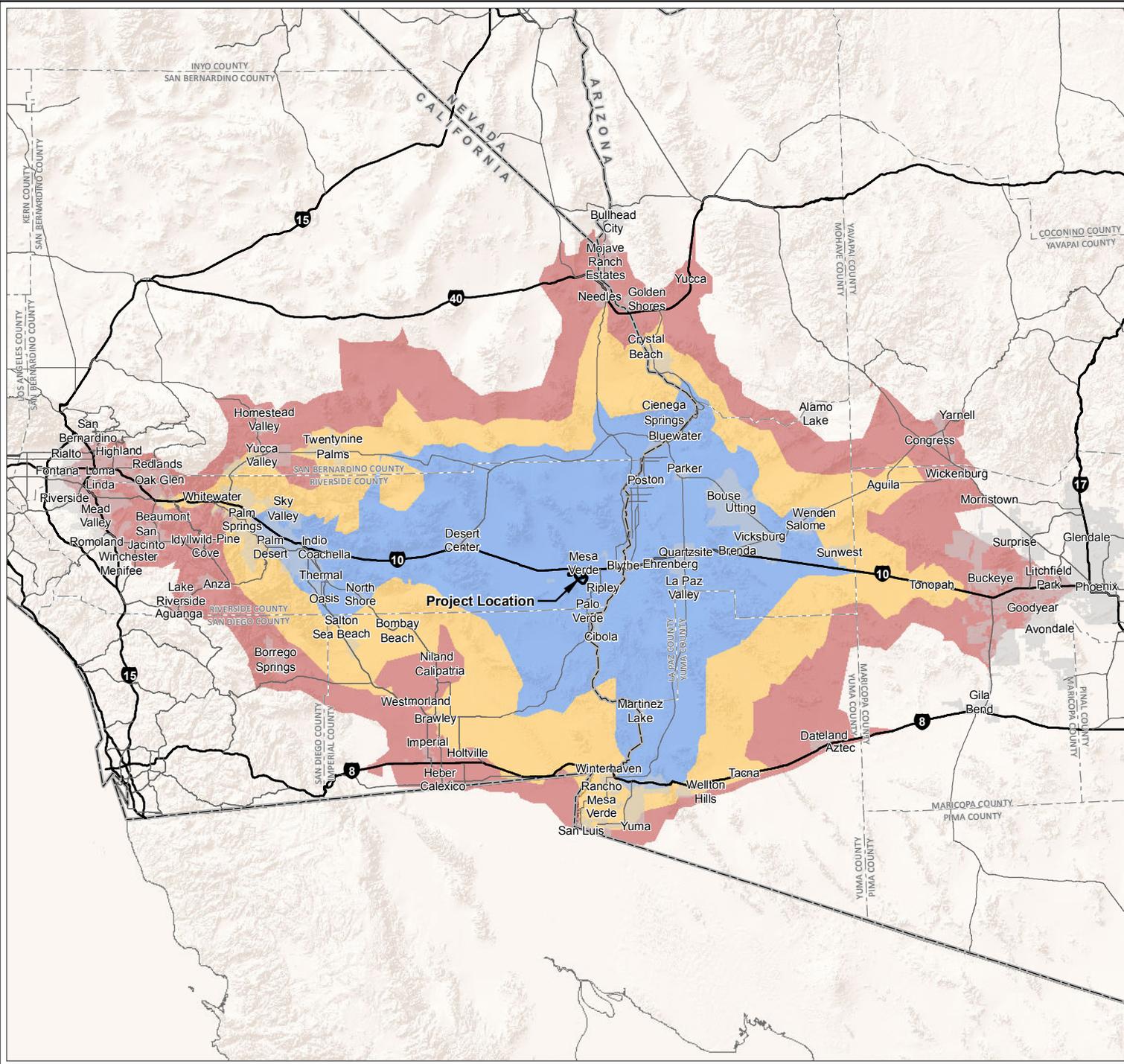
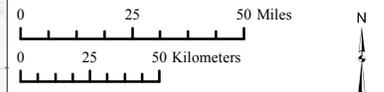


Figure 3.15-1  
Drive Times



Date: 4/27/2016  
Sources: AECOM, First Solar, US Census



Map extent shown in red.

# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  -  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
  -  Area of Critical Environmental Concern
  -  Wilderness Area
  -  Bradshaw Trail
- Surface Management**
-  BIA
  -  BLM
  -  BOR
  -  County/Local
  -  DOD
  -  NPS
  -  State
  -  USFWS
  -  Other/Private
- Boundaries**
-  State Boundary
  -  County Boundary
  -  Urban Area

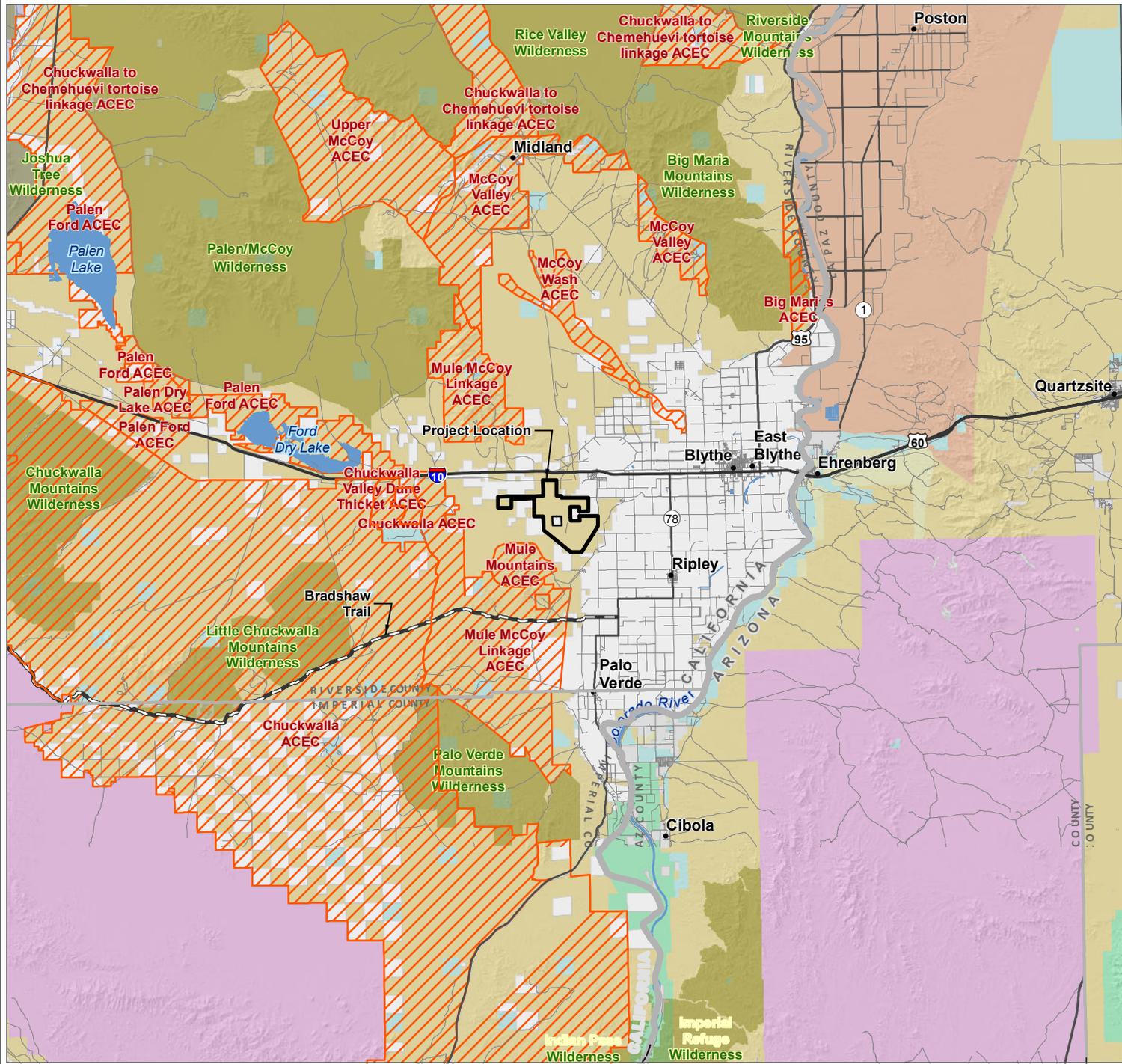
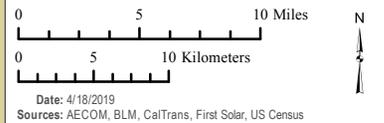


Figure 3.16-1  
Special Designation Areas



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel

## Intersections

- 1 – SR-78 (Neighbours Boulevard) and I-10 Westbound Ramps
- 2 – SR-78 (Neighbours Boulevard) and I-10 Eastbound Ramps
- 3 – SR-78 (Neighbours Boulevard) and 14th Avenue
- 4 – SR-78 (Neighbours Boulevard) and 16th Avenue

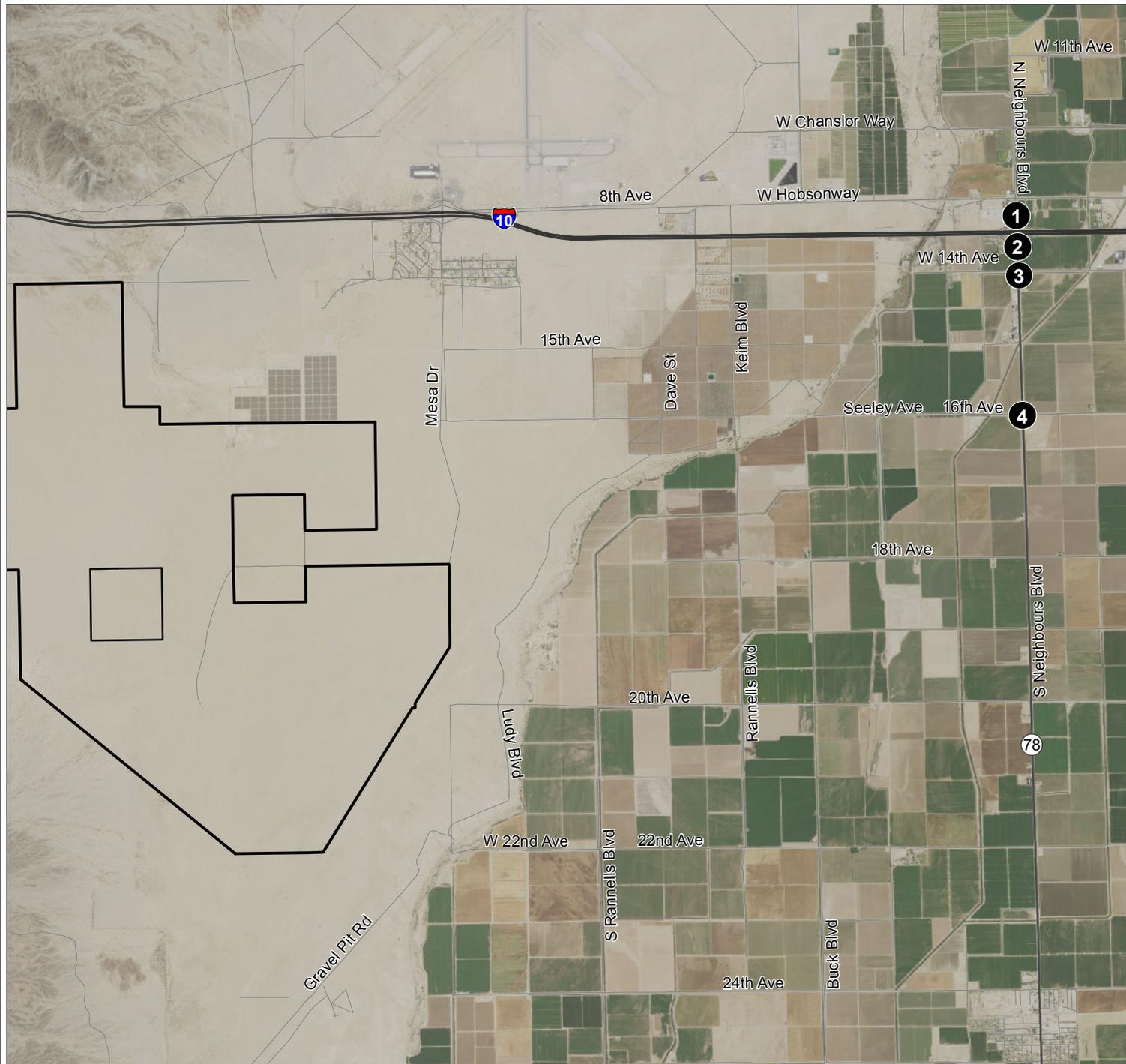
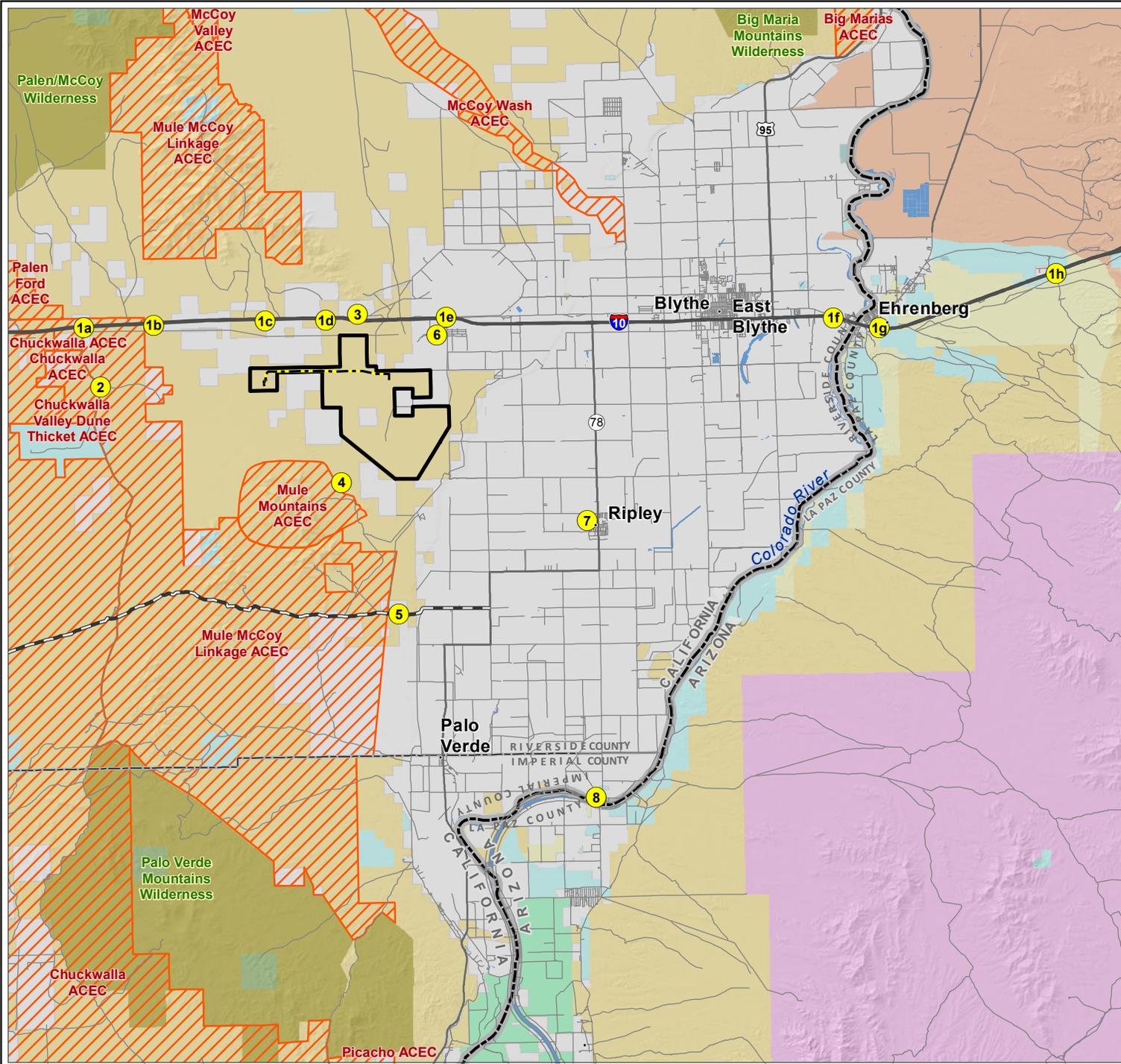


Figure 3.17-1  
Locations of Intersections  
Analyzed for Traffic  
Impacts



Date: 4/12/2016  
Sources: AECOM, First Solar, USGS



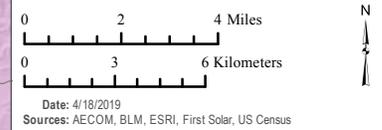


# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Gen-Tie Line
- Key Observation Point
- Bradshaw Trail
- Area of Critical Environmental Concern
- Wilderness Area
- Surface Management**
- BIA
- BLM
- BOR
- County/Local
- DOD
- State
- USFWS
- Other/Private

Figure 3.19-1  
KOP Locations for  
Visual Impact Analysis



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Colorado River Substation
- Fire Ignition Locations**
- Fire Year**
-  1990-1999
-  2000-2010
-  2011-2016
- Surface Management**
-  BLM
-  State
-  Other/Private
- Boundaries**
-  State Boundary
-  County Boundary
-  Urban Area

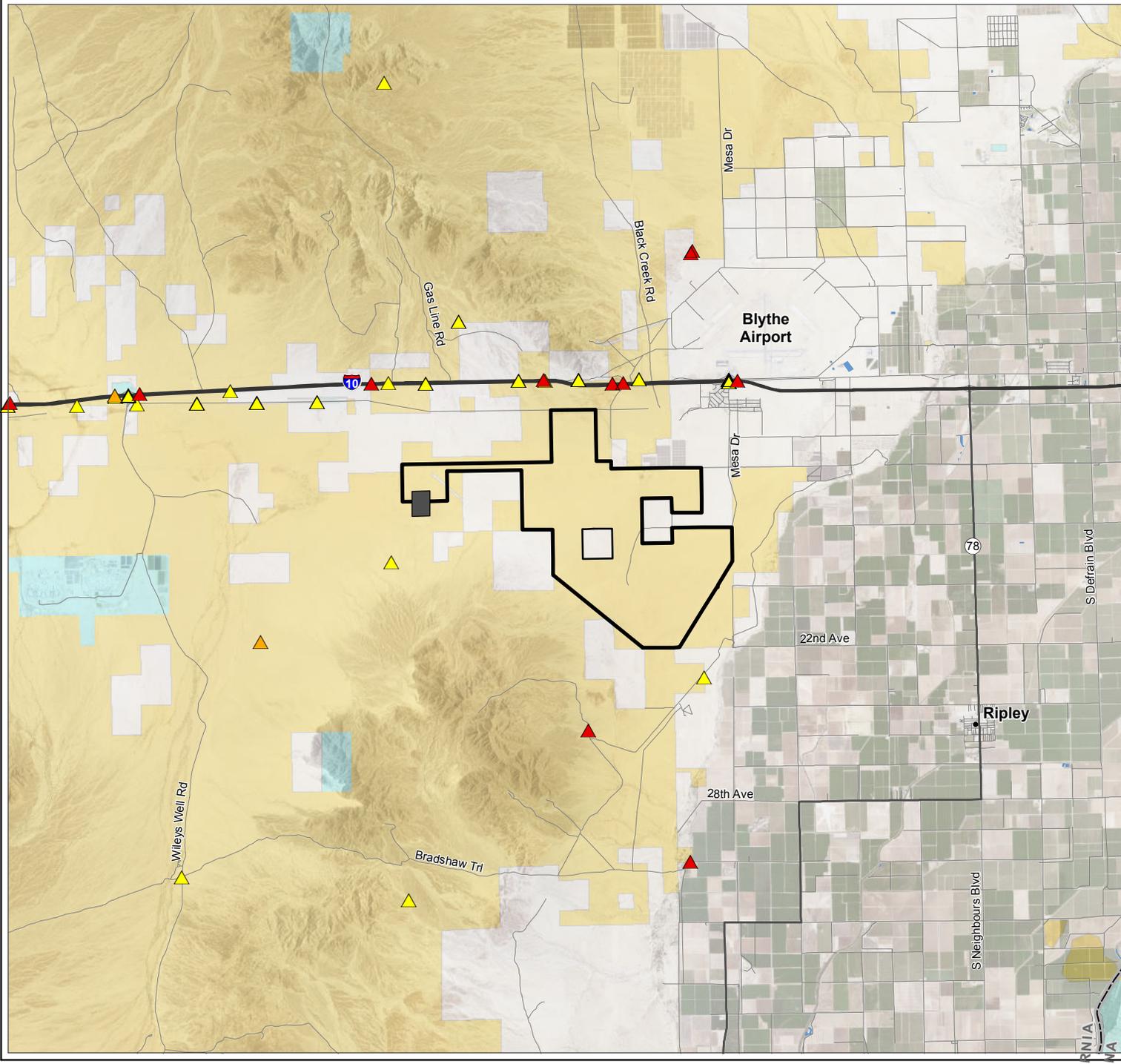


Figure 3.21-1  
Fire Ignitions near  
Project Area

0 1 2 Miles  
0 2 4 Kilometers

Date: 3/13/2018  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Boundary of Private Land Parcel
- Desert Quartzite Right-of-Way Application Boundary
- Colorado River Substation
- Area of Critical Environmental Concern
- Wilderness Area
- Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- National Park Boundary
- Chuckwalla Critical Habitat Unit
- BLM Energy Corridor

## Proposed Projects

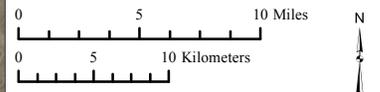
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- Other Construction

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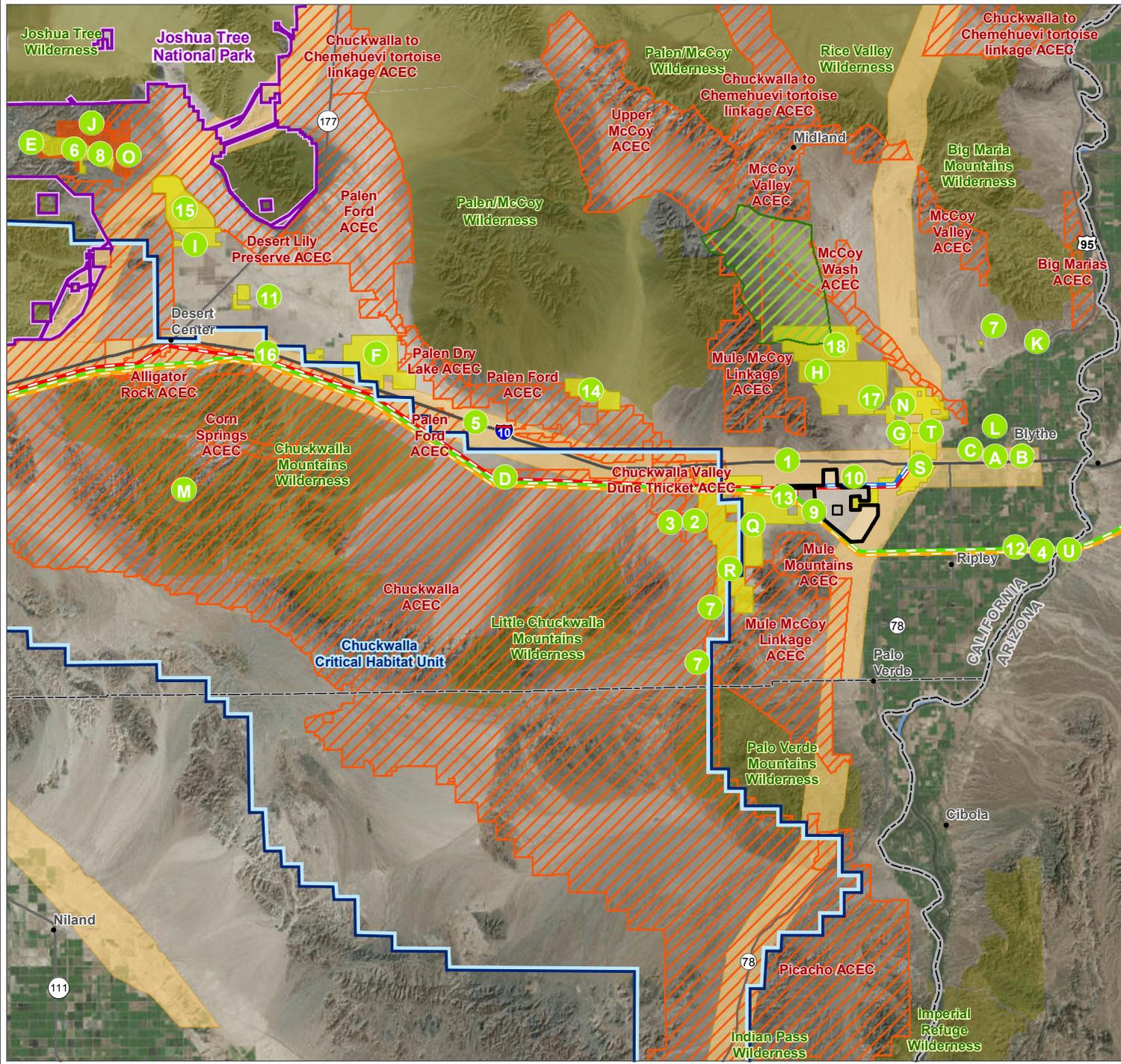
## Transmission Lines

- Proposed 230kV Transmission Line
- Proposed Desert Southwest 500kV Line
- Existing Devers-Palo Verde #1 500kV Line
- Existing Devers-Palo Verde #2 500kV Line

### Figure 4.1-1 Cumulative Projects



Date: 4/18/2019  
Sources: AECOM, BLM, ESRI, First Solar, US Census, USGS



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

-  Right-of-Way Application Boundary
-  Boundary of Private Land Parcel
-  Active Watercourse
-  Alt 1 Footprint
-  Alt 2 Footprint
-  Alt 3 Footprint
-  Active Channel
-  Dormant Channel
-  Abandoned Channel

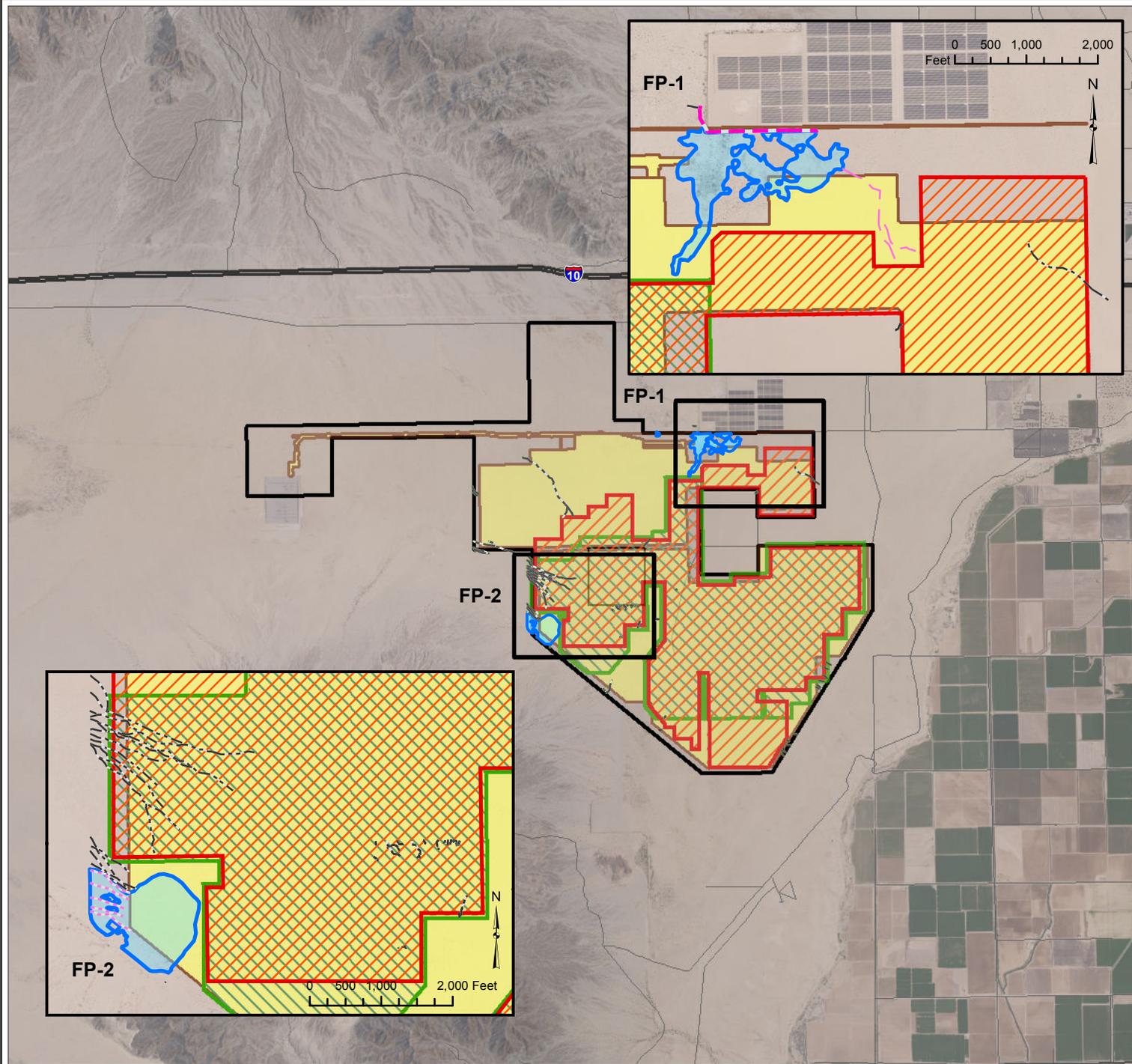
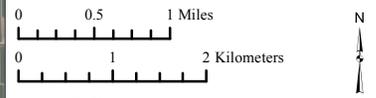


Figure 4.3-1  
State Jurisdictional  
Watercourse Areas



Date: 6/28/2018  
 Sources: AECOM, BLM, CalTrans, First Solar, US Census, Huffman Broadway



# Desert Quartzite Solar Project EIS/EIR

## Legend

- Right-of-Way Application Boundary
  - Boundary of Private Land Parcel
  - Substation
  - Gen-Tie Line
  - Construction Staging Area
  - Buildings
  - Proposed Met Station
  - Proposed Well Location
  - Nearest Noise Sensitive Receptor (NNSR)
  - 2 km radius from NNSR
  - Access Road
  - Typical PV Array
- Proposed Utilities**
- Internal Power Collection Line
  - Proposed Telecommunications Line
- Surface Management**
- BLM
  - Other/Private

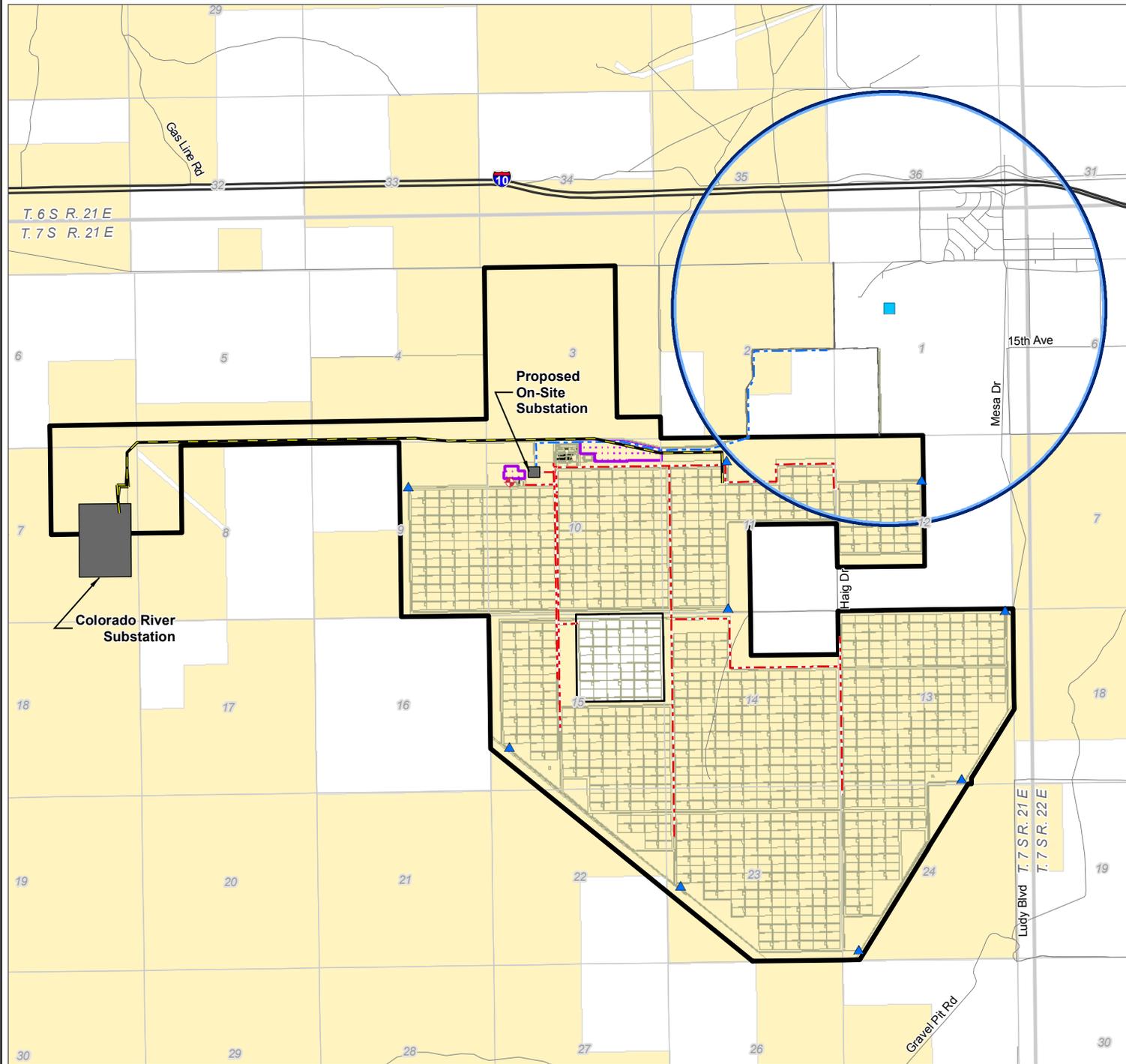
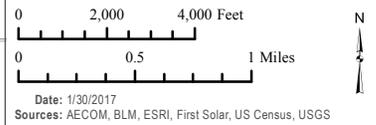


Figure 4.12-1  
Portion of Project Area  
Within 2 KM of NNSR



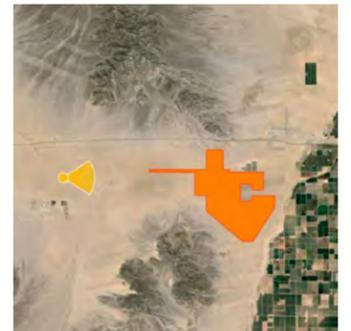


**Desert Quartzite Solar Project**

**KOP2**

Chuckwalla DWMA

Viewpoint Location      Project Area



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Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3718027.8
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	424.5
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	26 February 2015 at 01:40 PM
Orientation of View:	E
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

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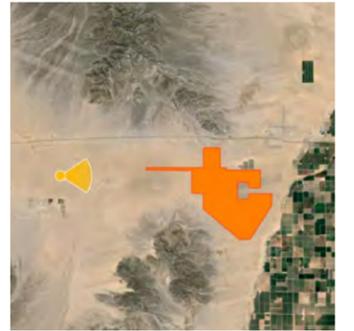
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**KOP2**  
Chuckwalla DWMA

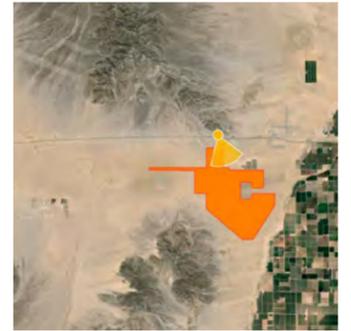


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**Figure 4.19-2**  
**KOP2** - Chuckwalla DWMA, Looking East - *Proposed View*



**KOP3**  
McCoy Mountains



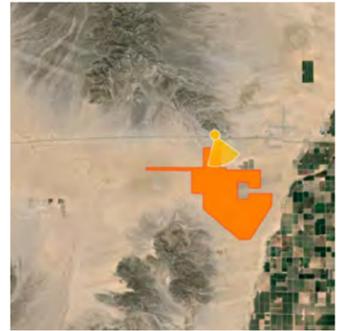
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**Figure 4.19-3**

**KOP3** - McCoy Mountains, Looking South - *Existing View*



**KOP3**  
McCoy Mountains



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**Figure 4.19-4**

**KOP3** - McCoy Mountains, Looking South - *Proposed View*



**KOP4**  
Mule Mountains



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**Figure 4.19-5**

**KOP4** - Mule Mountains, Looking Northeast - *Existing View*



**KOP4**  
Mule Mountains



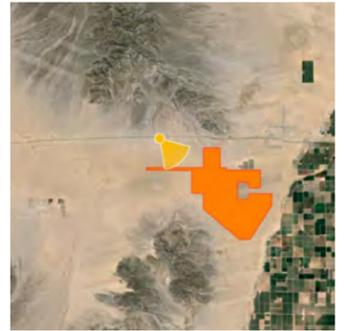
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Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3713836.2
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	435.9
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	26 February 2015 at 12:00 PM
Orientation of View:	NE
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

**Figure 4.19-6**

**KOP4** - Mule Mountains, Looking Northeast - *Proposed View*



**KOP1c**  
Interstate 10

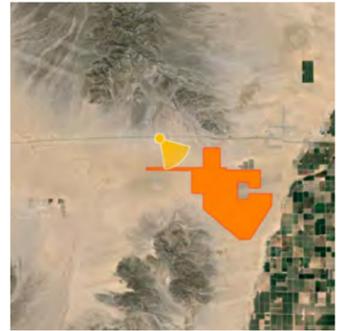


Easting Position (UTM Zone 11):	702753.8
Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3721002.0
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	539.5
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	27 February 2015 at 01:12 PM
Orientation of View:	SE
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

**Figure 4.19-7**  
**KOP1c** - Interstate 10, Looking Southeast - *Existing View*



**KOP1c**  
Interstate 10



Easting Position (UTM Zone 11):	702753.8
Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3721002.0
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	539.5
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	27 February 2015 at 01:12 PM
Orientation of View:	SE
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

**Figure 4.19-8**  
**KOP1c** - Interstate 10, Looking Southeast - *Proposed View*



**KOP6**  
Nicholls Warm Springs



Easting Position (UTM Zone 11):	710409.6
Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3720442.8
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	397.2
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	27 February 2015 at 12:33 PM
Orientation of View:	SW
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

**Figure 4.19-9**  
**KOP6** - Nicholls Warm Springs, Looking Southwest - *Existing View*



**Figure 4.19-10**  
**KOP6** - Nicholls Warm Springs, Looking Southwest - *Proposed View*



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**KOP6**  
 Nicholls Warm Springs

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● Viewpoint Location    ● Project Area



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Eastings Position (UTM Zone 11):	710409.6
Northing Position (UTM Zone 11):	3720442.8
Elevation of Photopoint Position (NA83):	397.2
Height of Camera Above Ground (ft):	5.4
Date of Photography:	27 February 2015 at 12:33 PM
Orientation of View:	SW
Horizontal Field of View:	65°
Vertical Field of View:	46°

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 a. For on-screen display: scale bar to be 4 inches wide, viewing distance is 11.2 inches.  
 b. When printed on 11x17 paper, viewing distance is 11.2 inches.