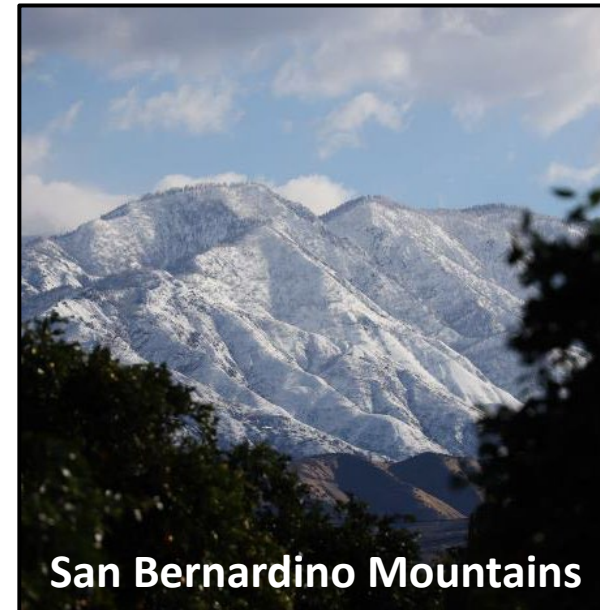
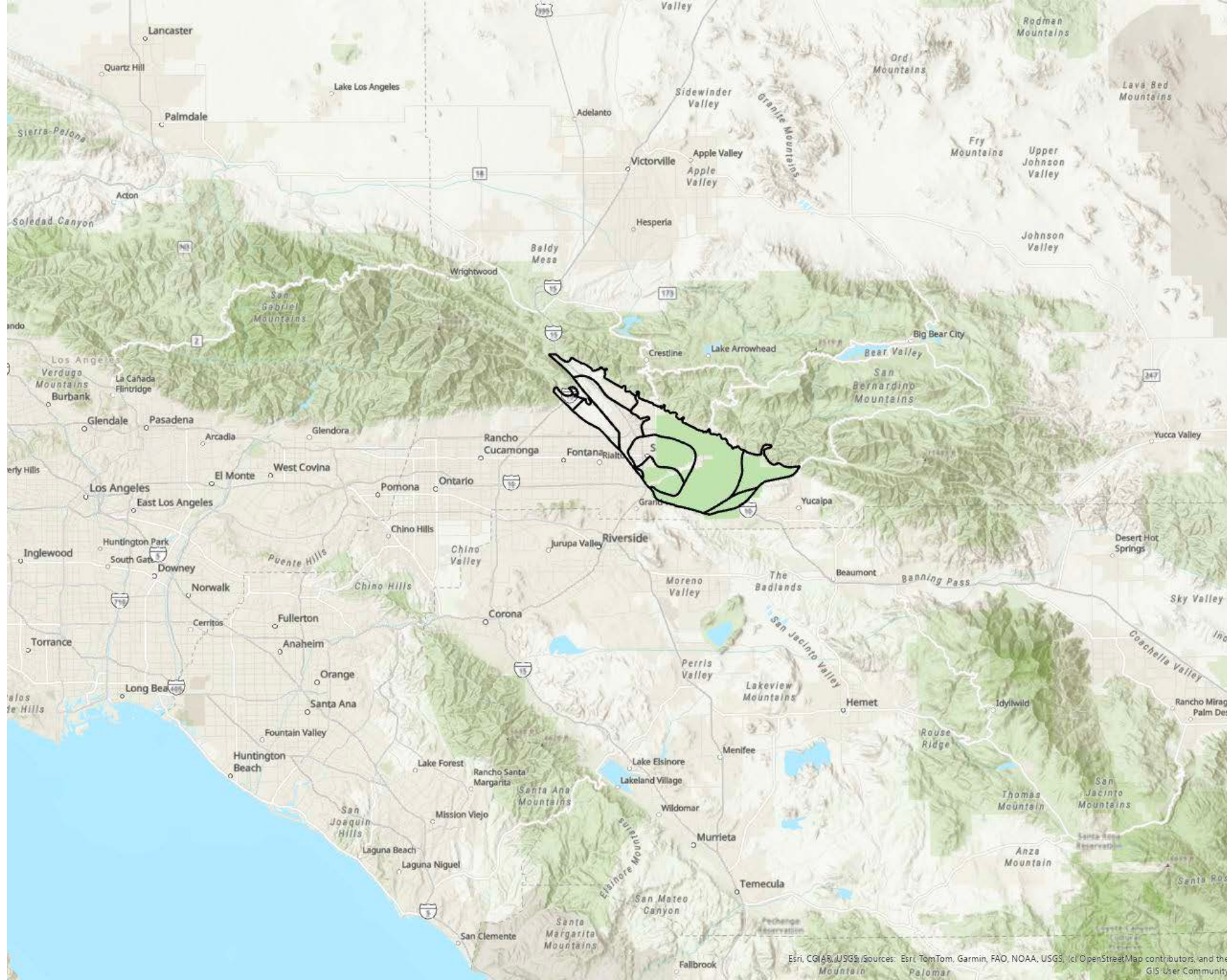


BUNKER HILL GROUNDWATER BASIN: A CENTURY OF STEWARDSHIP

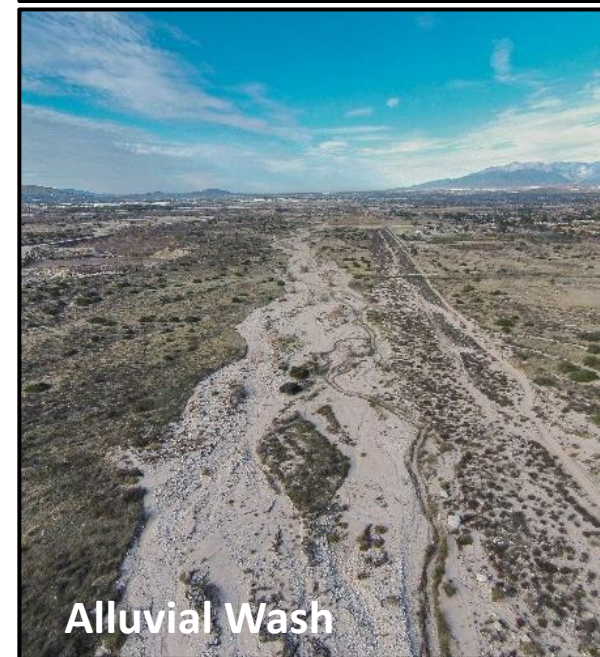
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Water Conservation District**
Helping Nature Store Our Water

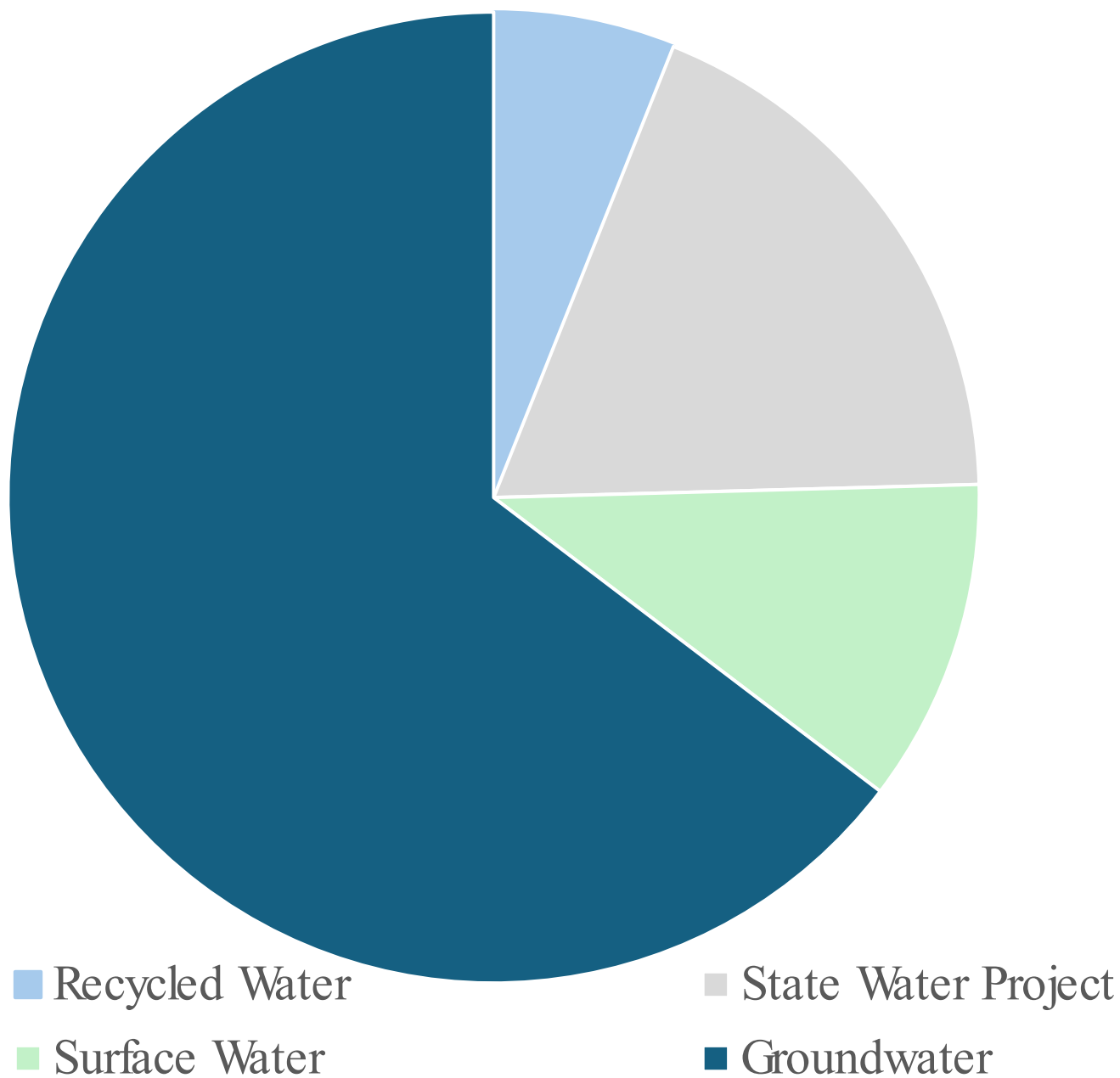


San Bernardino Mountains



Alluvial Wash

Water Supply Portfolio





Watermasters



State Water
Project
Contractor

Recycled
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Groundwater
Recharge



Design and
Construction



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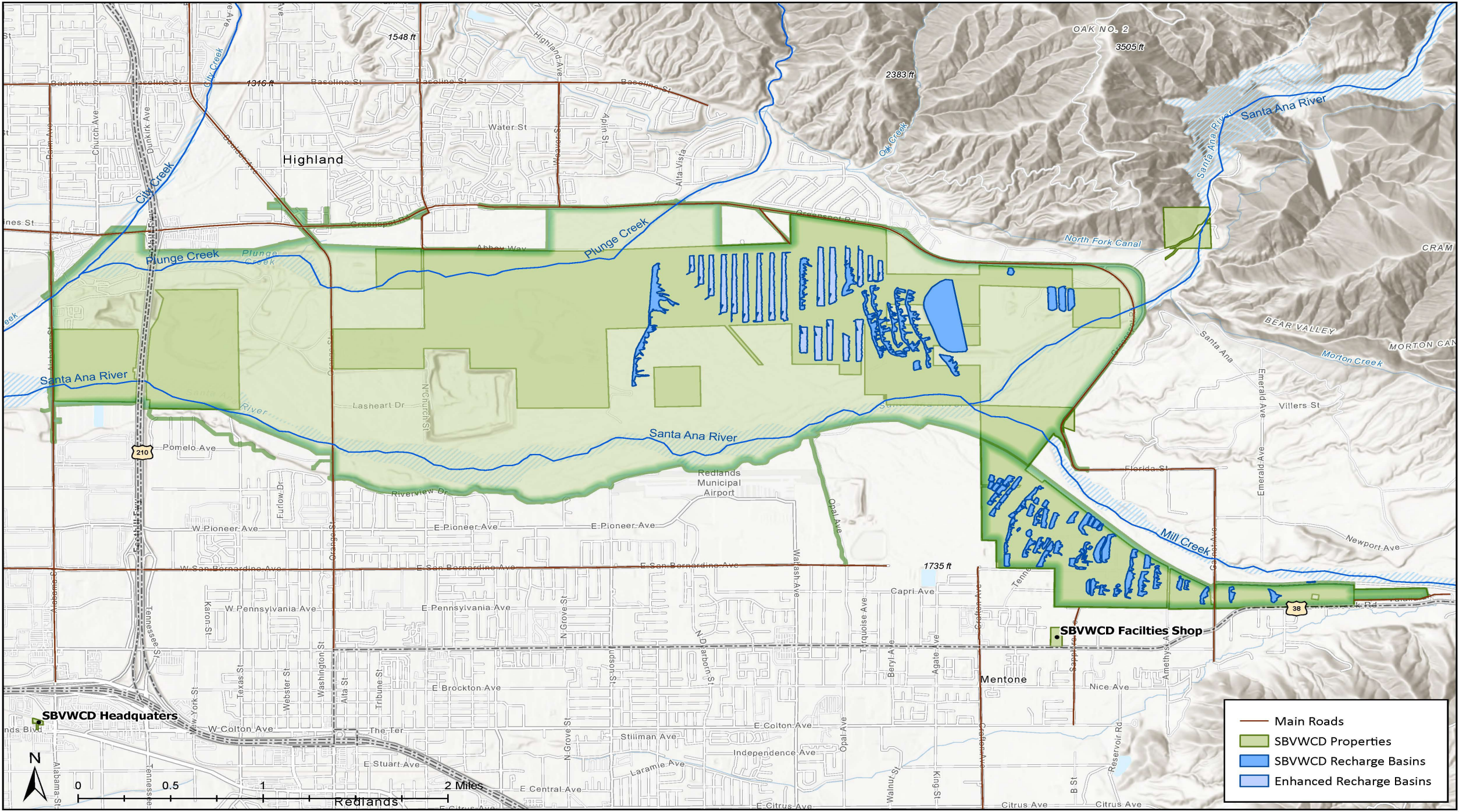


Our Mission

As one of California's first **sustainable groundwater replenishment** agencies, the District proactively recharges water, improving supply for the benefit of water users, local businesses, and native flora and fauna in a financially responsible way.

The District leverages our unparalleled expertise as stewards of the water and land, responsibly **innovating in water and habitat conservation**, harmonizing and enhancing **working landscapes**, and enriching **open space as a community asset**.



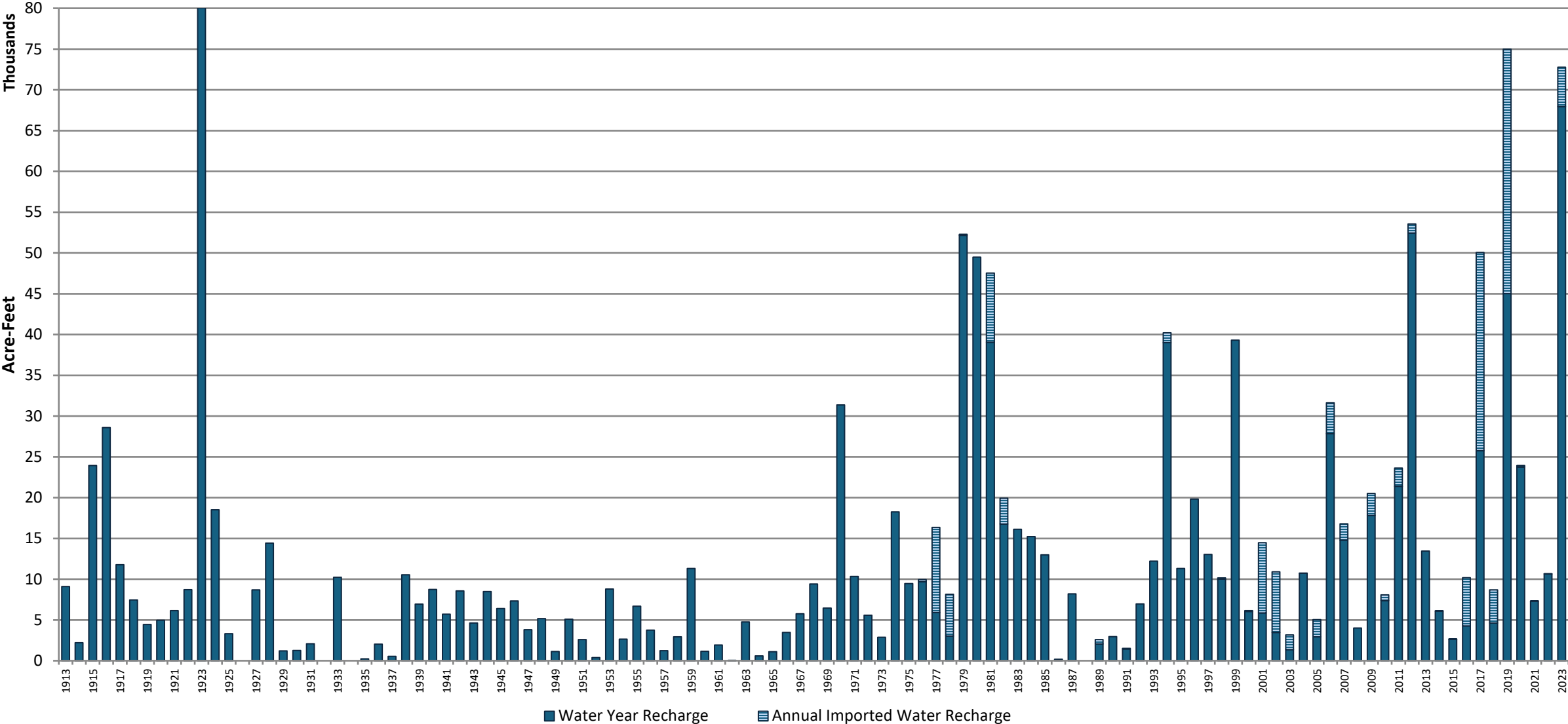


Recharge

- 1.49 MAF since 1912
 - 1.32M AF from water rights on local streams and rivers
 - 166K AF from State Water Project since 1976
 - River channel recharge

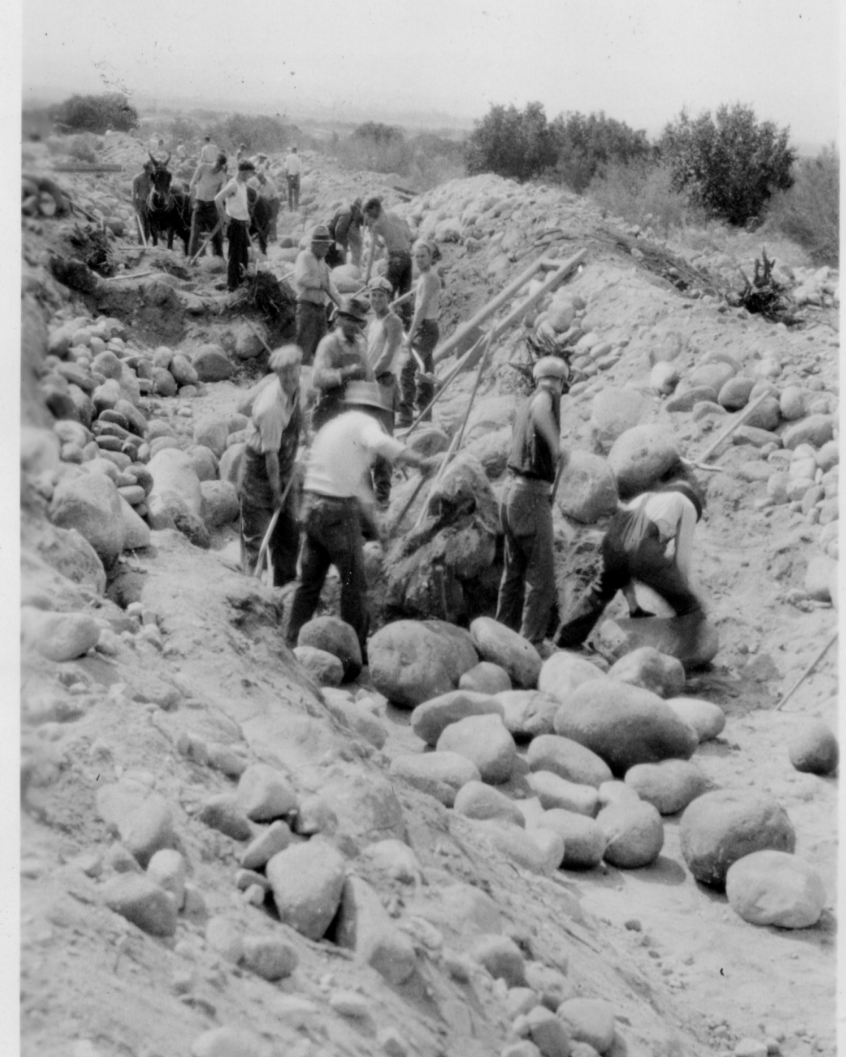


Annual Aquifer Recharge to the Bunker Hill Basin in Acre Feet



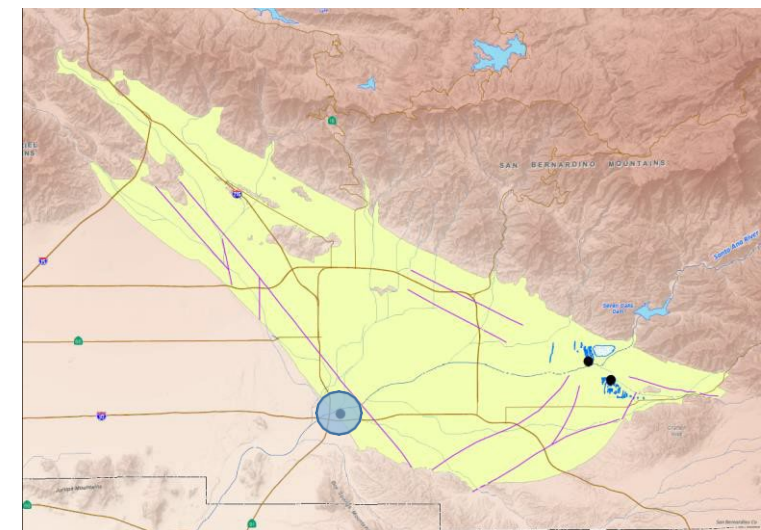
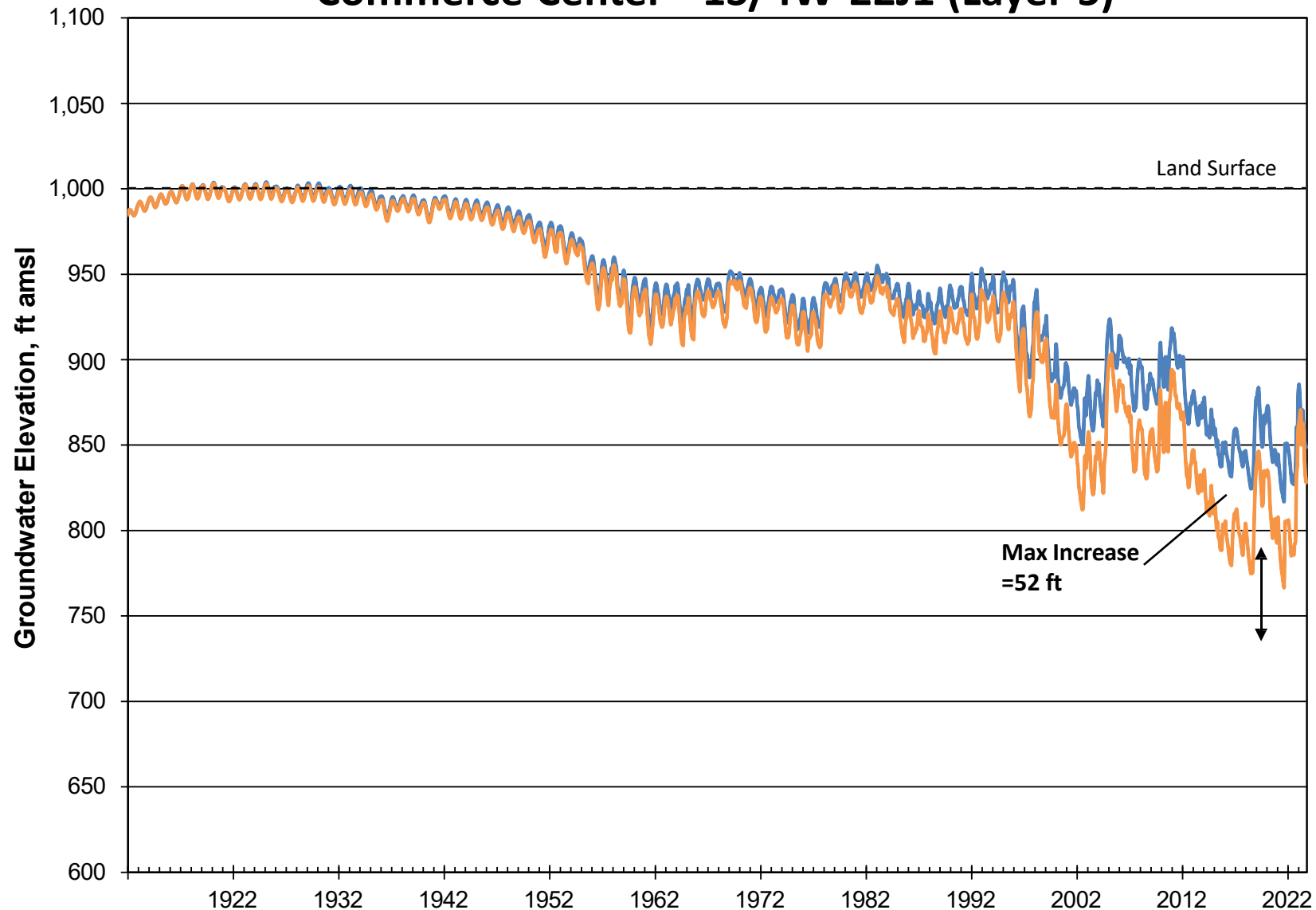
Results

- Water levels increased by >25 feet over 75 square miles
- Maintained production in 22% (188) of the aquifer's wells
- Minor groundwater benefits in adjacent basins



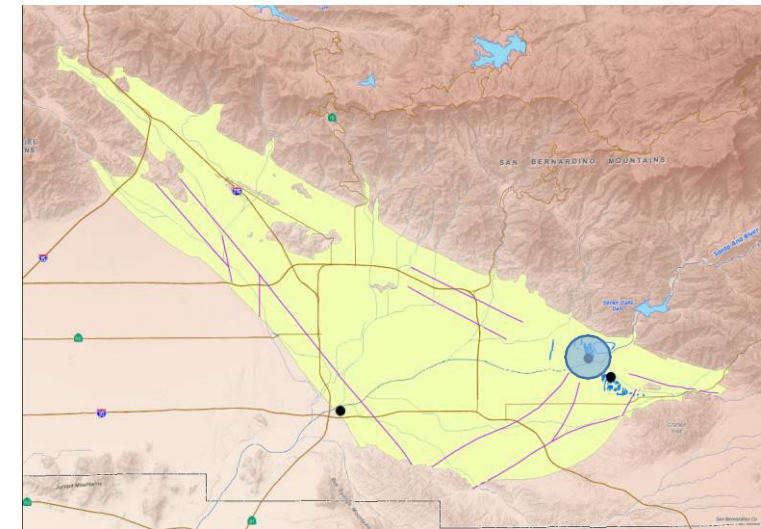
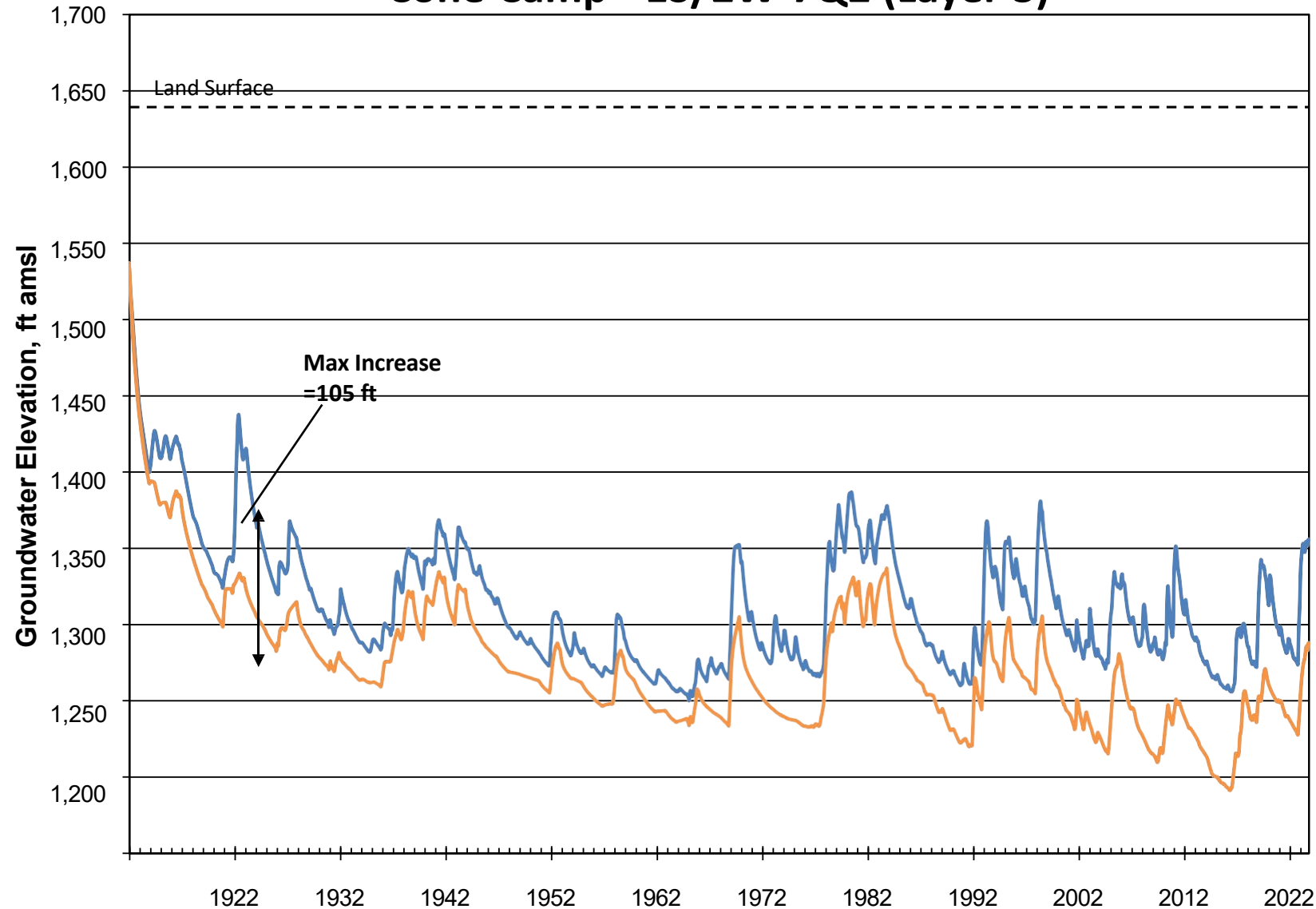
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Commerce Center - 1S/4W-22J1 (Layer 5)



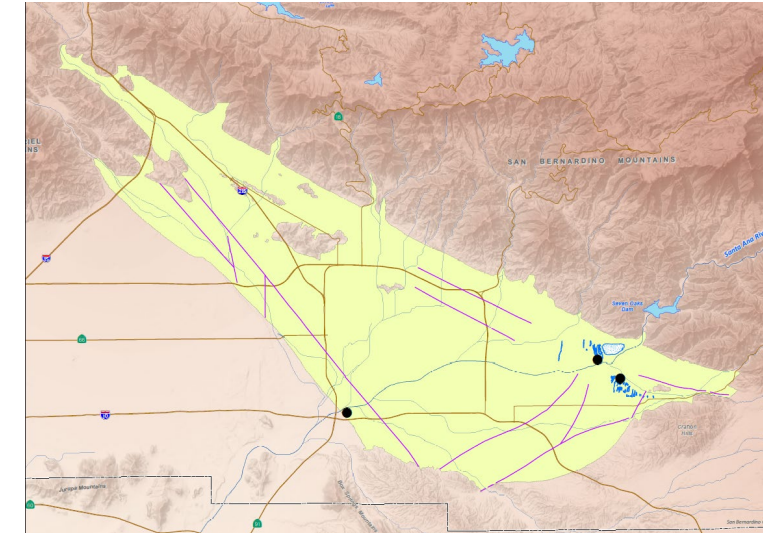
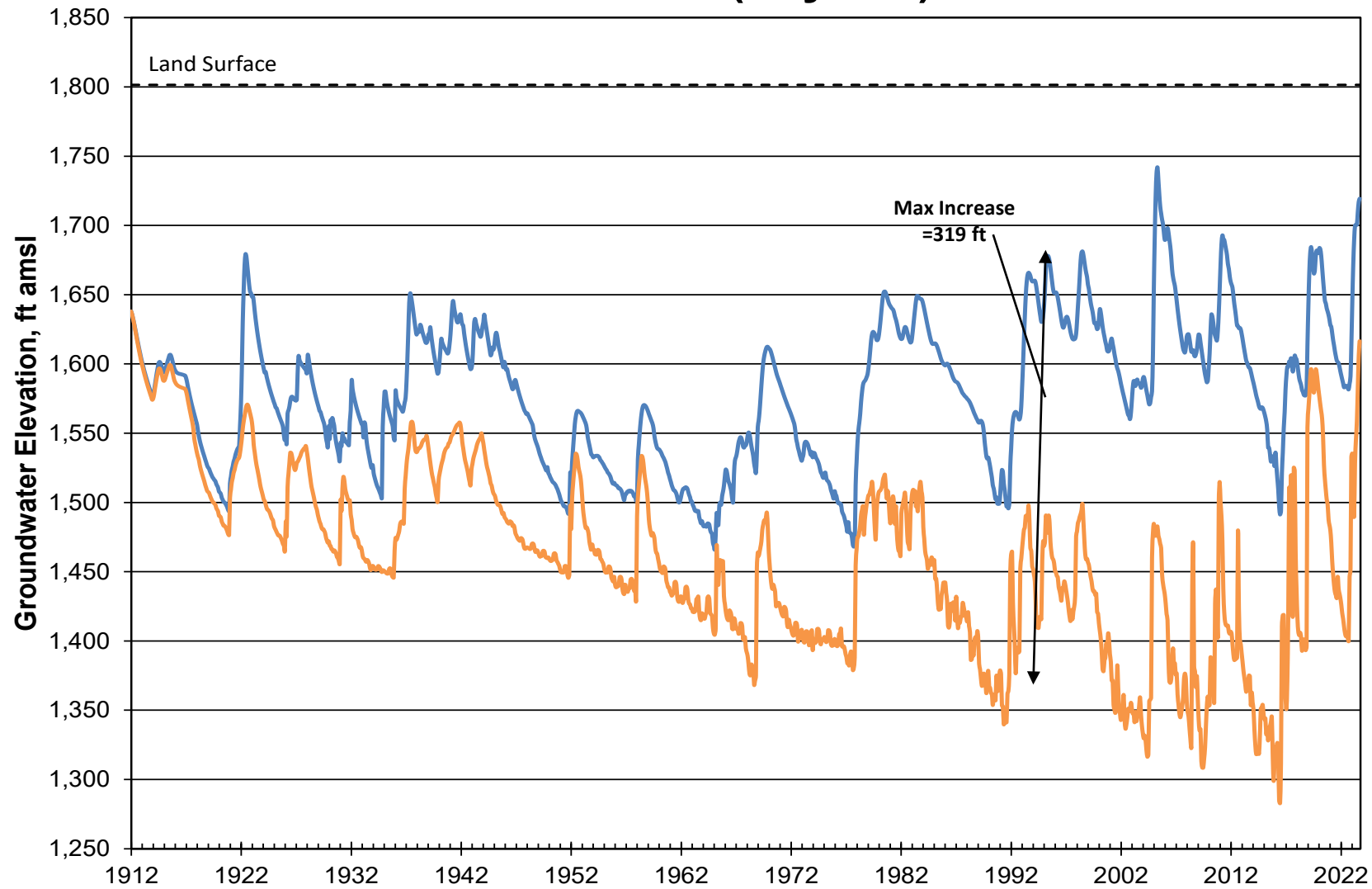
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Cone Camp - 1S/2W-7Q2 (Layer 3)



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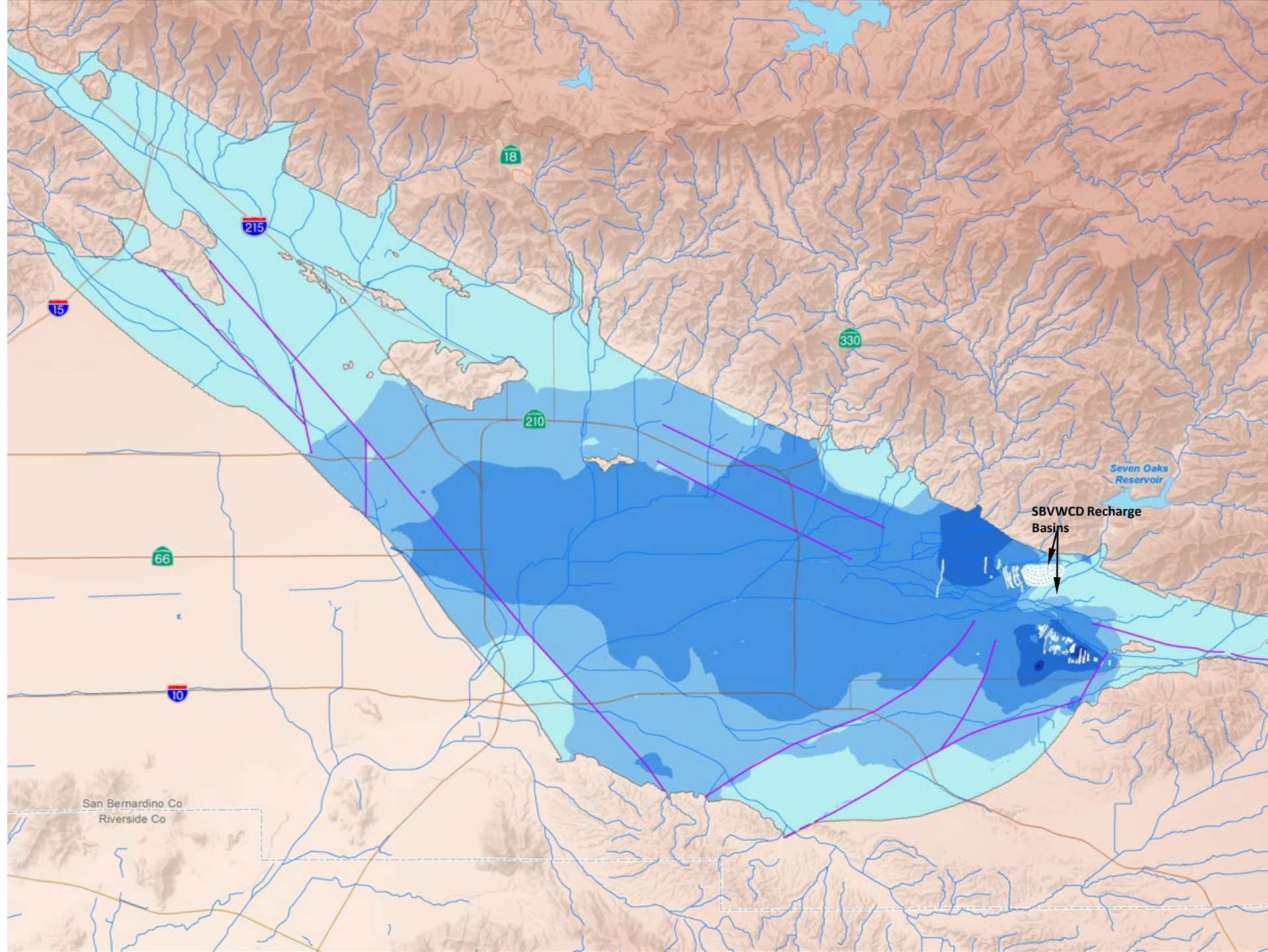
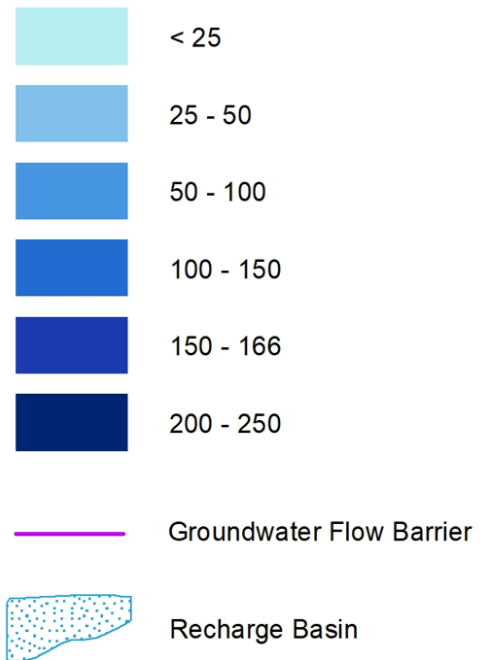
MC2 (Layer 2)



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2023 Change in Groundwater Elevation after 112 Years

Change in Groundwater Elevation (ft)





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Pilot channel
constructed
to
re-braid
streambed

Existing,
incised
channel

Splitter mound to
divert water into pilot
channel



Habitat refreshed
in sand deposition
areas





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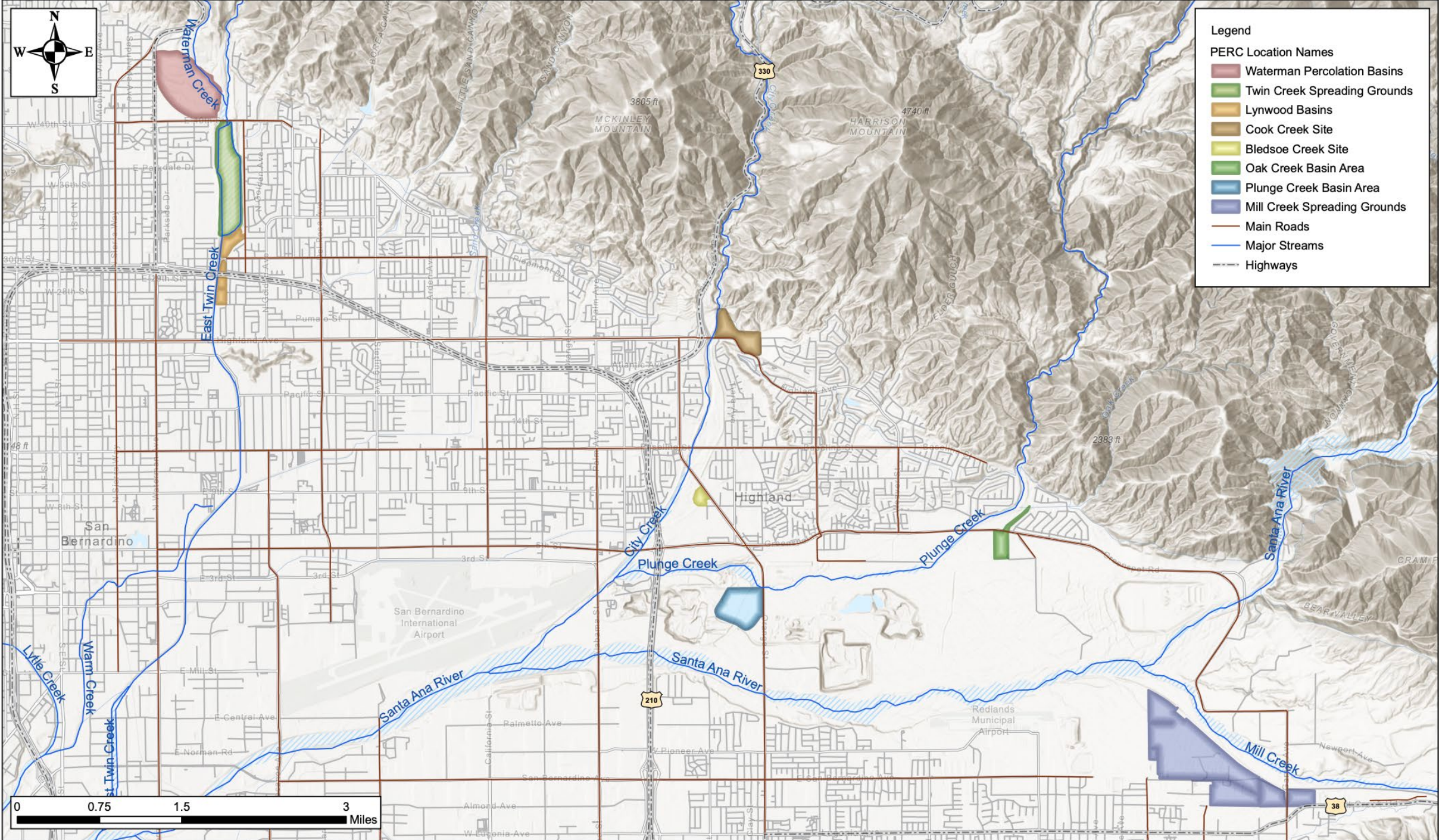
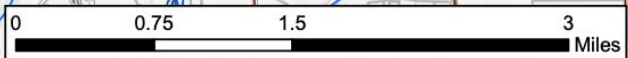
PERC Location Names

- Waterman Percolation Basins
- Twin Creek Spreading Grounds
- Lynwood Basins
- Cook Creek Site
- Bledsoe Creek Site
- Oak Creek Basin Area
- Plunge Creek Basin Area
- Mill Creek Spreading Grounds

— Main Roads

— Major Streams

— Highways





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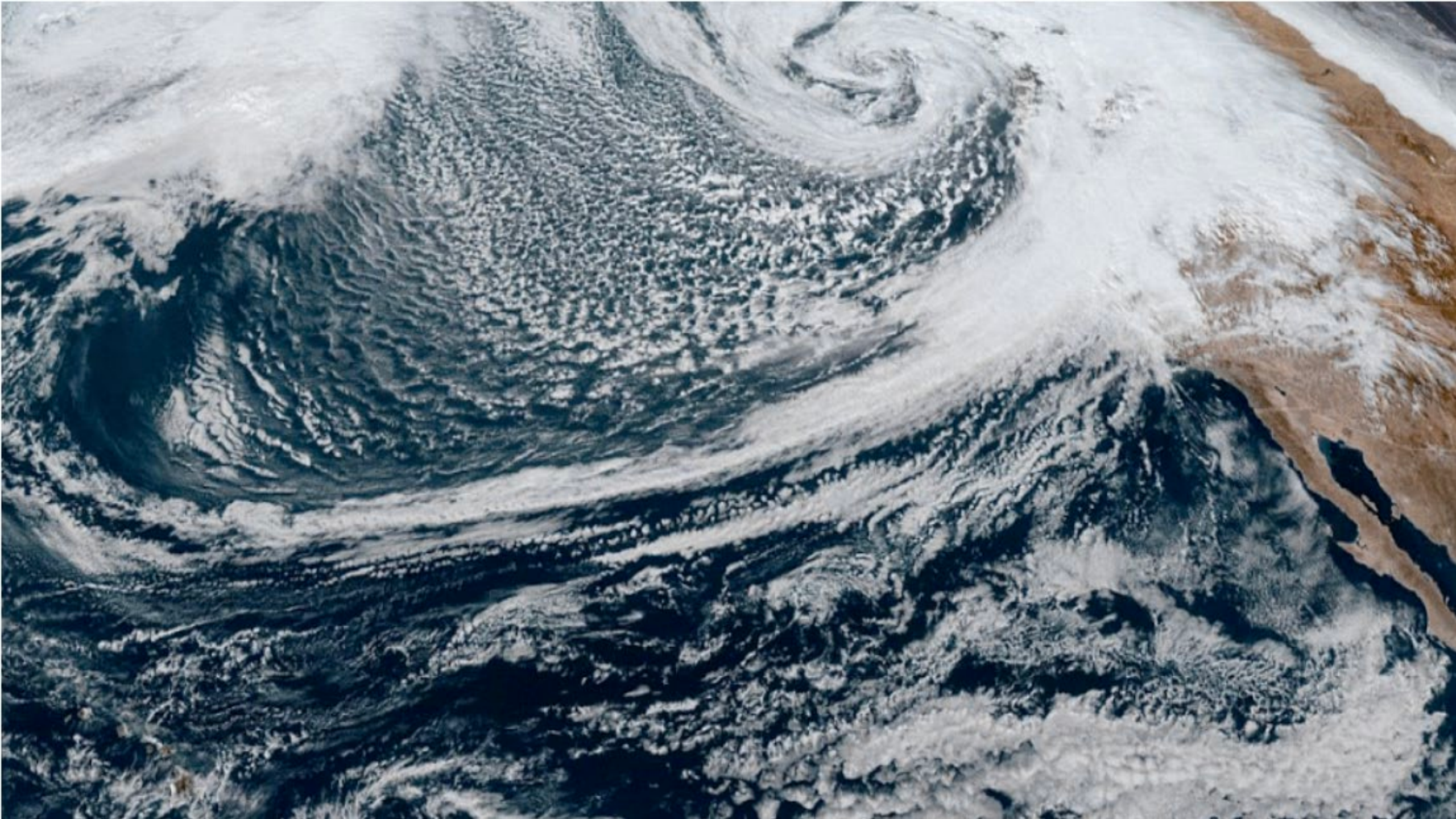


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A scenic landscape featuring a calm body of water in the foreground, reflecting the surrounding mountains and a clear blue sky. The sun is visible in the upper right corner, creating a bright glow. The mountains in the background are dark and silhouetted against the sky. The water is still, acting as a perfect mirror for the landscape above.

Thank you

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