

Appendix C2

Joint Project Review (JPR 18-08-29-01) for the LEAP 2018-02/Lake Street Project, Regional Conservation Agency (RCA), April 8, 2019



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Thank you,

Wendy Worthey

Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority



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Project Information

Permittee:	City of Lake Elsinore
Case Information:	LEAP 2018-02/ Lake Street Storage Project
Site Acreage:	14.44
Portion of Site Proposed for	
MSHCP Conservation Area:	0 acres

Criteria Consistency Review

Consistency Conclusion: The Project is consistent with both the Criteria and Other Plan Requirements.

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Applicable Core/Linkage: Proposed Core 1

Area Plan: Elsinore

APN(s)	Sub-Unit	Cell Group	Cell
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Other Plan Requirements

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<u>Yes</u>. There are no riparian/riverine areas on the Project site, however the project site is adjacent to riparian/riverine areas. There is no suitable habitat for riparian birds on the project site, however there is suitable habitat within 100m of the project site.

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Section 6.1.4 – Was Information Pertaining to Urban/Wildland Interface Guidelines Provided?

<u>Yes.</u> The Project is located adjacent to Proposed Core 1 and is directly north of Temescal Wash.

Other Plan Requirement Comments:

a. Section 6.1.2: According the *Assessment* no riparian/riverine features are present on the project site. However, Temescal wash is directly south of the project site and riparian/riverine habitat occurs within 100m of the project site

Vernal Pools/ Fairy Shrimp: There are no vernal pools, and no suitable habitat for fairy shrimp. Soils are coarse-grained and well-draining. No ponding, depressions, road cuts, or other potential fairy shrimp habitat was detected on the site. No features that could hold water for an extended period of time were found on the site. As such the project site does not support vernal pool or fairy shrimp habitat.

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Based on the information provided in the *Assessment* and the information provided in this JPR document (including Conditions of Approvals), the Project demonstrates compliance with Section 6.1.2 of the MSHCP.

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 - Burrowing owl: The Project site is not located in the area for additional survey needs for burrowing owl. Based on the information provided in the *Report*, the Project demonstrates consistency with Section 6.3.2 of the MSHCP.
- d. Section 6.1.4: To preserve the integrity of areas adjacent to the Project site which are proposed Conservation Areas, the guidelines contained in Section 6.1.4 related to controlling adverse effects for development adjacent to the MSHCP Conservation Area should be considered by the Permittee in their actions relative to the Project. Specifically, the Permittee should include as Project conditions of approval the following measures:
 - i. Incorporate measures to control the quantity and quality of runoff from the site entering the MSHCP Conservation Area. The Project will not result in runoff being discharged into the MSHCP conservation area. The Project is designed as to not release toxins, chemicals, petroleum products, exotic plant materials, or other elements that might degrade or harm biological resources or ecosystem processed within the MSHCP Conservation Area. The project will incorporate one or more of the following measures: low impact development (LID) practices, natural detention basins, grass swales, and/or mechanical trapping devices.



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- ii. Land use proposed in proximity to the MSHCP Conservation Are that use chemicals or generates bio-products such as oil machinery and trucks that are potentially toxic or may adversely affect wildlife species, habitat, or water quality shall incorporate measures to ensure that application of such chemicals does not result in discharge to the MSHCP Conservation Area.
- iii. Any new permanent lighting proposed as part of the project will be shielded away from nearby conserved lands, sensitive habitats, and/or targeted conserved lands. The City will condition the project to perform the necessary lighting study to confirm the proposed project does not increase existing ambient lighting reaching the conservation lands. If the lighting study demonstrates that lighting into adjacent conservation lands is increased, additional avoidance and minimization measures will need to be conditioned for the project by the City. Such measures may include solid wall(s).
- iv. Proposed noise-generating land uses affecting the MSHCP Conservation Area, including designated avoidance areas, shall incorporate setbacks, berms, or walls to minimize the effects of noise on MSHCP Conservation Area resources pursuant to applicable rules, regulations, and guidelines related to land use noise standards. Any equipment used during initial development shall be maintained in good working conditions with proper noise-reducing equipment installed. To ensure compliance with the Plan, the City shall condition the project to construct a physical barrier (e.g. a solid masonry wall) along the southern and eastern project boundary. A 6-foot solid masonry wall may be sufficient, however the City shall condition the project to conduct a noise study, confirming the type and dimensions of the barrier needed to ensure project-generated noise levels reaching adjacent conservation lands does not exceed residential noise standards. This is necessary as not all project details were available for review at the time of this joint project review.
- v. No invasive and/or non-native plant species on the California Invasive Plant Counsel List will be used to landscape the Project site.
- vi. Proposed land uses adjacent to the MSHCP Conservation Area shall incorporate barriers, where appropriate, in individual project designs to minimize unauthorized public access, domestic animal predation, illegal trespass, or dumping into existing and future MSHCP Conservation Areas. Such barriers may include native landscaping, rocks/boulders, fencing, walls, signage, and/or other appropriate mechanisms.
- vii. Manufactured slopes associated with proposed site development shall not extend into the MSHCP Conservation Area.
- viii. Weed abatement and fuel modification activities are not permitted in the Conservation Area, including designated avoidance areas.
 - Based on the information provided in the *Report*, the Project demonstrates consistency with Section 6.1.4 of the MSHCP.
- e. MSHCP Volume I, Appendix C: The following best management practices (BMPs), as applicable, shall be implemented for the duration of construction:



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i. A condition shall be placed on grading permits requiring a qualified biologist to conduct a training session for project personnel prior to grading. The training shall include a description of the species of concern and its habitats, the general provisions of the Endangered Species Act (Act) and the MSHCP, the need to adhere to the provisions of the Act and the MSHCP, the penalties associated with violating the provisions of the Act, the general measures that are being implemented to conserve the species of concern as they relate to the project, and the access routes to and project site boundaries within which the project activities must be accomplished.

- ii. Water pollution and erosion control plans shall be developed and implemented in accordance with RWQCB requirements.
- iii. The footprint of disturbance shall be minimized to the maximum extent feasible. Access to sites shall be via pre-existing access routes to the greatest extent possible.
- iv. The upstream and downstream limits of projects disturbance plus lateral limits of disturbance on either side of the stream shall be clearly defined and marked in the field and reviewed by the biologist prior to initiation of work.
- v. Projects should be designed to avoid the placement of equipment and personnel within the stream channel or on sand and gravel bars, banks, and adjacent upland habitats used by target species of concern.
- vi. Projects that cannot be conducted without placing equipment or personnel in sensitive habitats should be timed to avoid the breeding season of riparian identified in MSHCP Global Species Objective No. 7.
- vii. When stream flows must be diverted, the diversions shall be conducted using sandbags or other methods requiring minimal instream impacts. Silt fencing of other sediment trapping materials shall be installed at the downstream end of construction activity to minimize the transport of sediments off site. Settling ponds where sediment is collected shall be cleaned out in a manner that prevents the sediment from reentering the stream. Care shall be exercised when removing silt fences, as feasible, to prevent debris or sediment from returning to the stream.
- ix. Equipment storage, fueling, and staging areas shall be located on upland sites with minimal risks of direct drainage into riparian areas or other sensitive habitats. These designated areas shall be located in such a manner as to prevent any runoff from entering sensitive habitat. Necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent the release of cement or other toxic substances into surface waters. Project related spills of hazardous materials shall be reported to appropriate entities including but not limited to applicable jurisdictional city, FWS, and CDFG, RWQCB and shall be cleaned up immediately and contaminated soils removed to an approved disposal areas.
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x. The qualified project biologist shall monitor construction activities for the duration of the project to ensure that practicable measures are being employed to avoid incidental disturbance of habitat and species of concern outside the project footprint.

- xi. The removal of native vegetation shall be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable. Temporary impacts shall be returned to pre-existing contours and revegetated with appropriate native species.
- xii. Exotic species that prey upon or displace target species of concern should be permanently removed from the site to the extent feasible.
- xiii. To avoid attracting predators of the species of concern, the project site shall be kept as clean of debris as possible. All food related trash items shall be enclosed in sealed containers and regularly removed from the site(s).
- xiv. Construction employees shall strictly limit their activities, vehicles, equipment, and construction materials to the proposed project footprint and designated staging areas and routes of travel. The construction area(s) shall be the minimal area necessary to complete the project and shall be specified in the construction plans. Construction limits will be fenced with orange snow screen. Exclusion fencing should be maintained until the completion of all construction activities. Employees shall be instructed that their activities are restricted to the construction areas.
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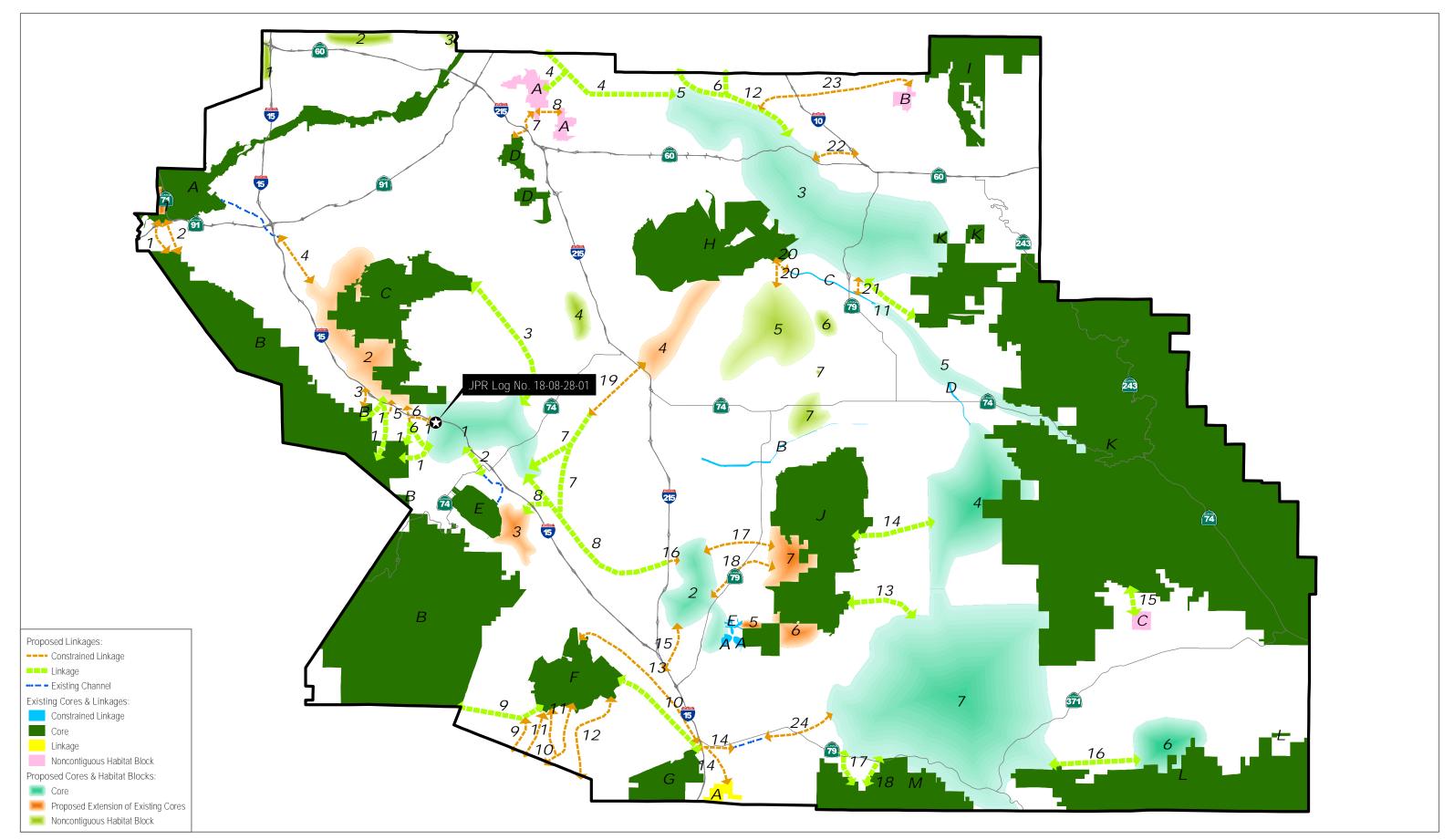
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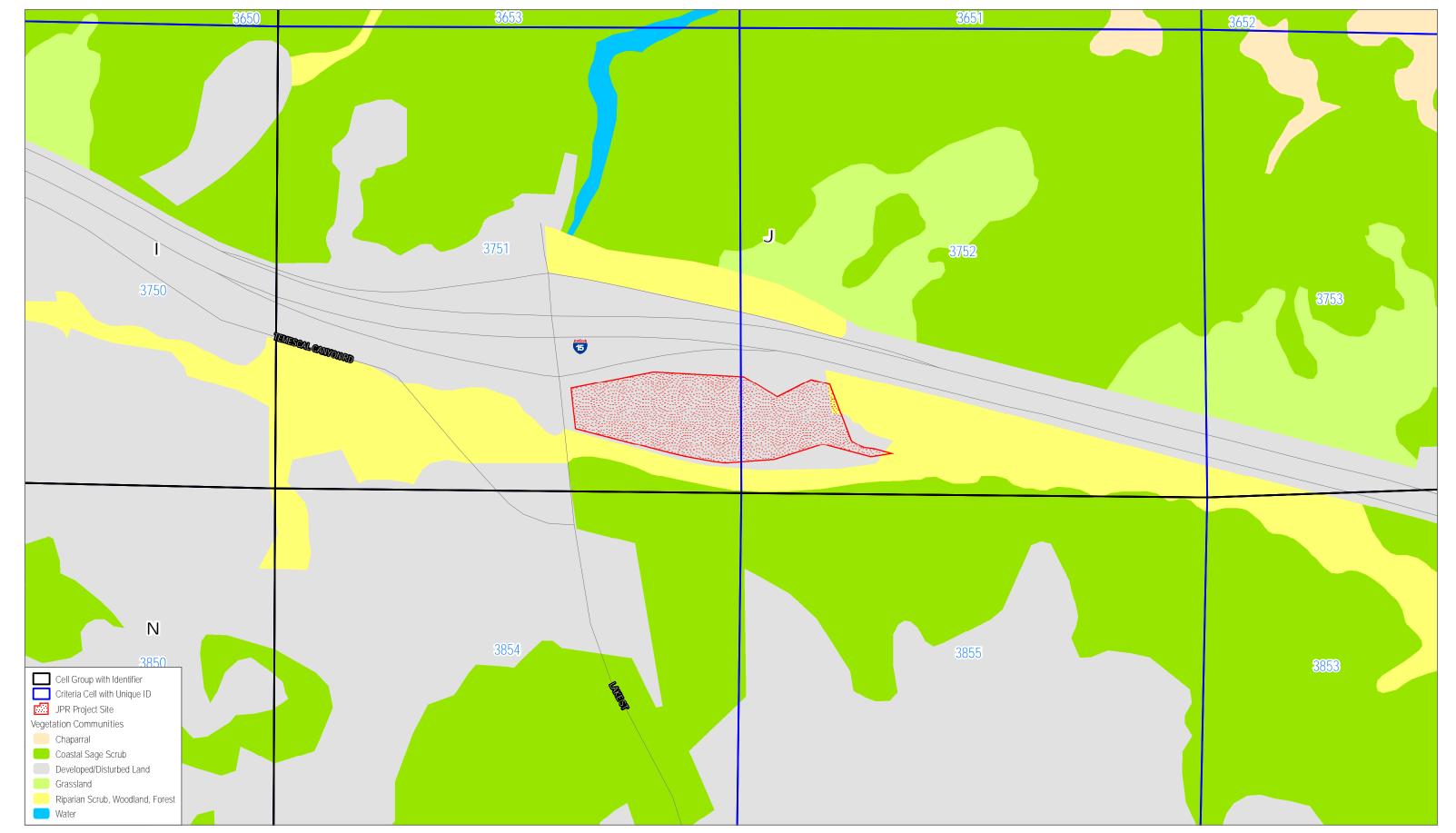
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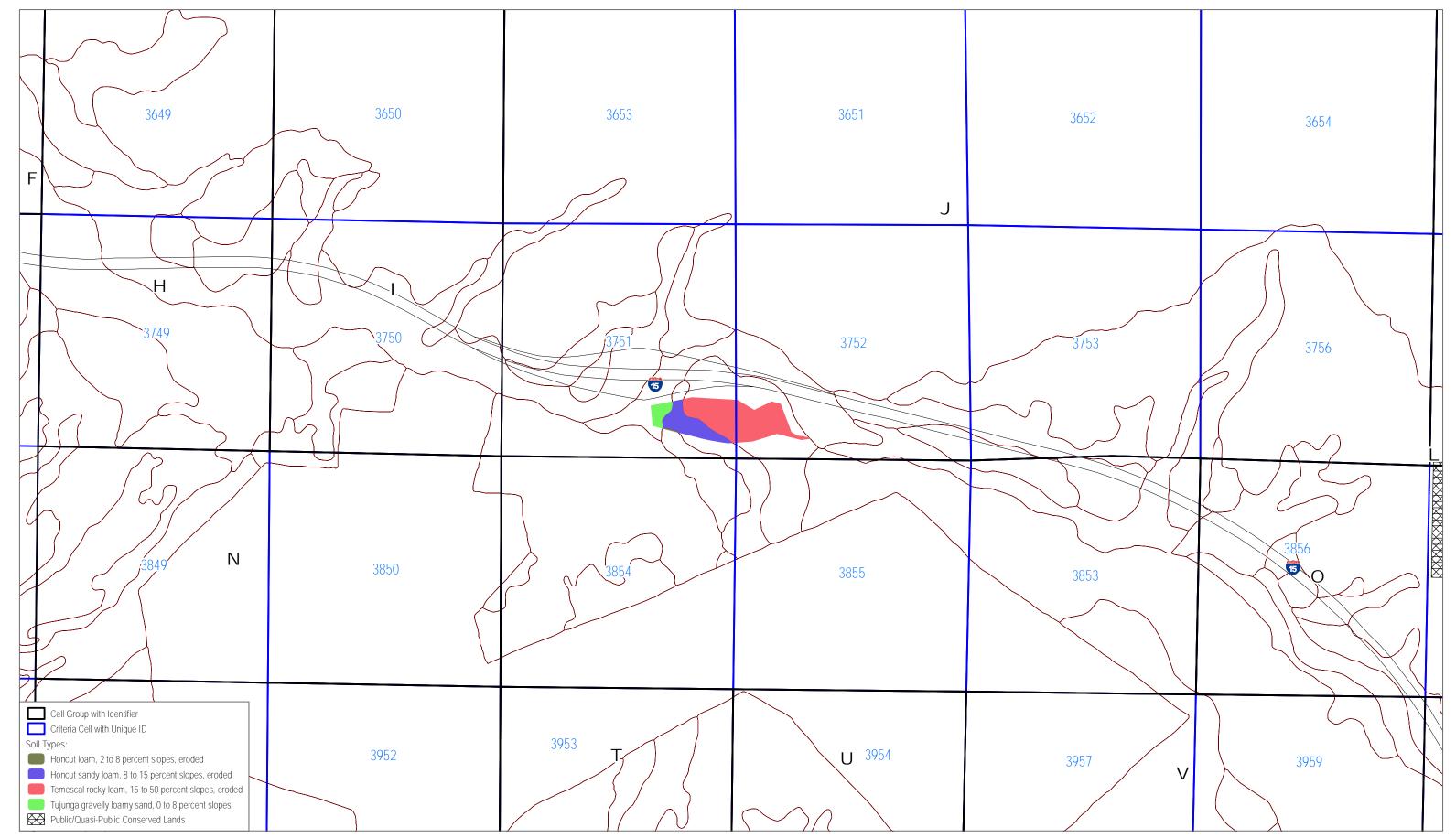


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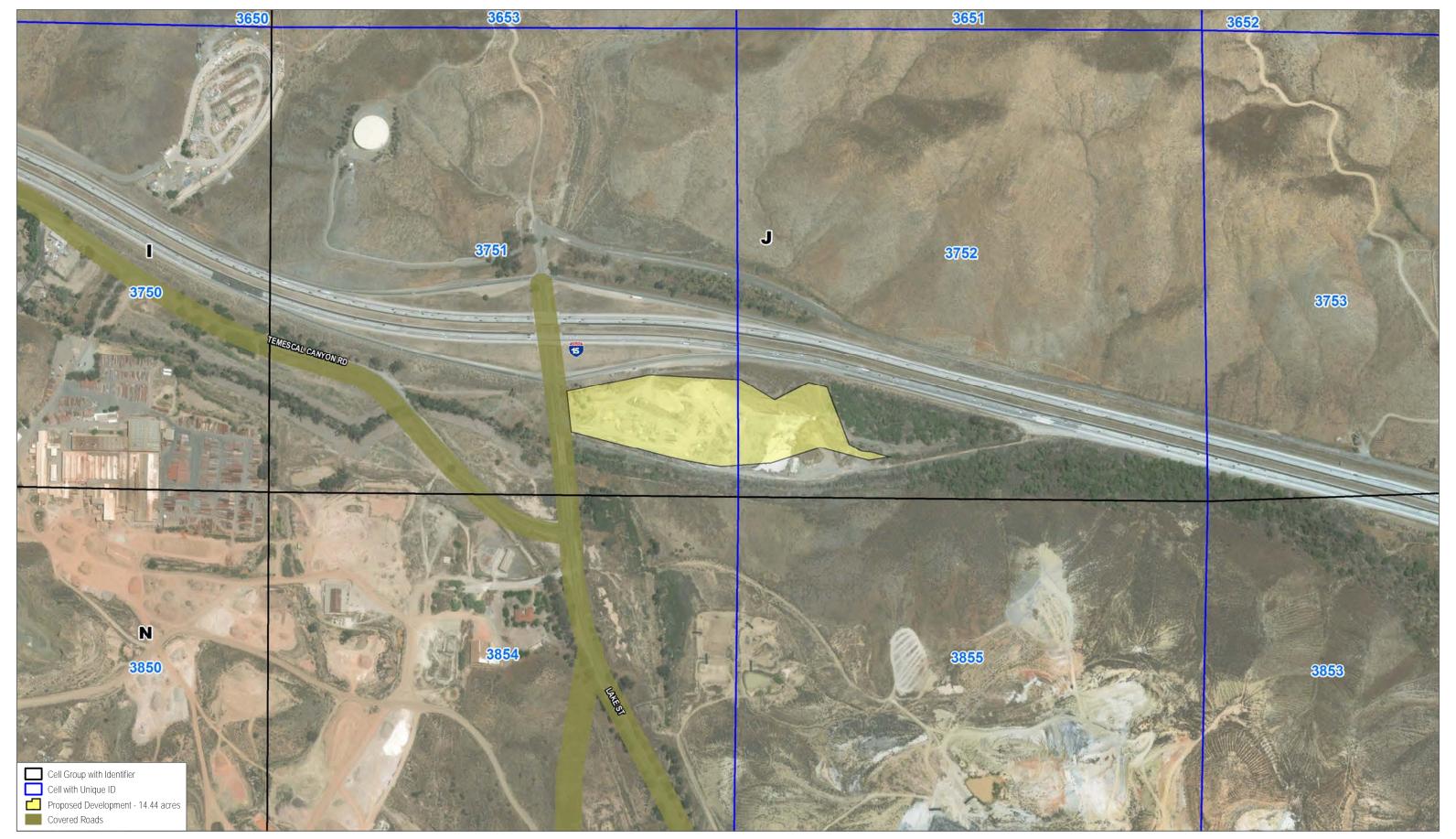
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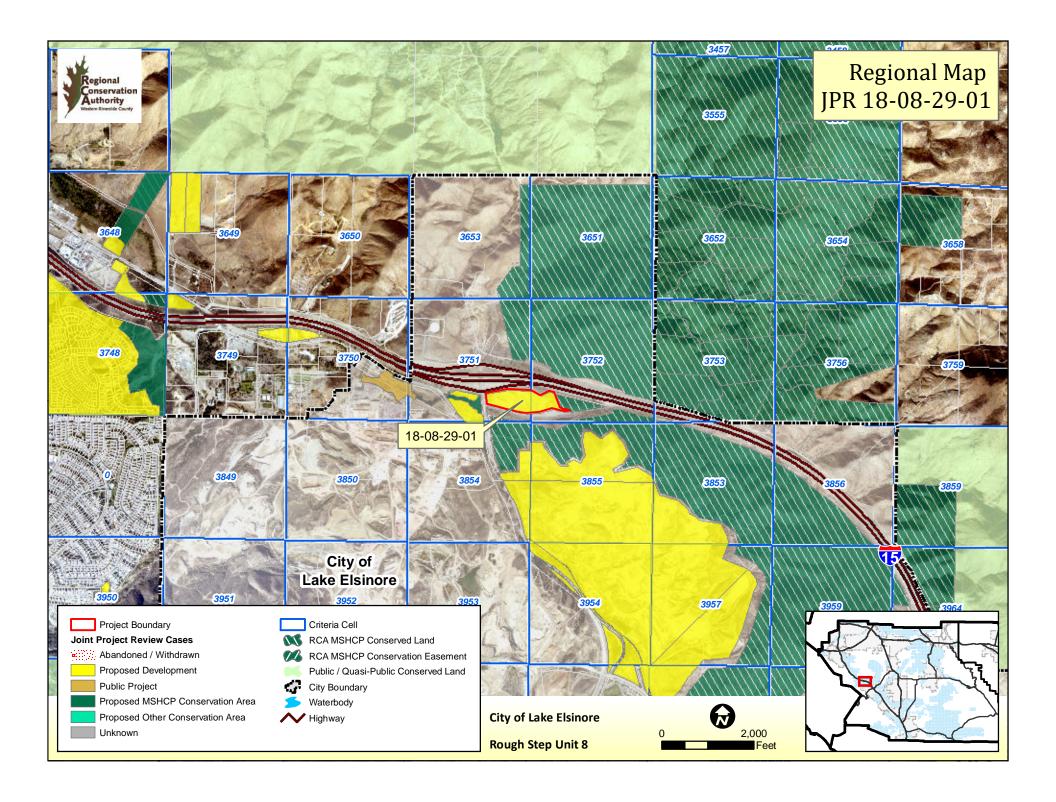
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by the applicant, Species Objective 3 for this species is triggered which involves providing a buffer between occupied (or assumed occupied) habitat and the proposed development. The City shall either condition the project to require a 100-meter buffer or for the project to construct a physical barrier that would ensure noise levels reaching the assumed occupied habitat do not exceed residential noise standards. A 6-foot solid masonry wall along the southern and eastern project boundary that fall within 100 meters of assumed occupied least Bell's vireo habitat may be an option. The use of sound barriers in-lieu of setbacks can be an acceptable approach for minimizing potential indirect impacts caused to sensitive biological resources (including for least Bell's vireo) by noise. Its effectiveness is directly related to its location and dimensions (e.g. height, length) as it relates to the noise-generating sources and the areas to be protected. Refer to Comment d., below regarding compliance with Section 6.1.4 of the Plan.

Based on the information provided in the *Assessment* and the information provided in this JPR document (including Conditions of Approvals), the Project demonstrates compliance with Section 6.1.2 of the MSHCP.

- b. Section 6.1.3: The Project site not is located within a Narrow Endemic Plant Species Survey Area (NEPSSA).
- c. Section 6.3.2: The Project site is within a Criteria Area Species Survey Area (CASSA) for Thread-leaved brodiaea, Davidson's saltscale, Parish's brittlescale, smooth tarplant, round-leaved filaree, Coulter's goldfields, and little mousetail. The project site has been intensely disturbed for the past 20 years. The site has been used as an active mining site and as such topsoil has been removed from the site. Due to the highly disturbed nature of the site and presence of coarse-grained soils, the project site does not have suitable habitat for CASSA plant species.
 - Burrowing owl: The Project site is not located in the area for additional survey needs for burrowing owl. Based on the information provided in the *Report*, the Project demonstrates consistency with Section 6.3.2 of the MSHCP.
- d. Section 6.1.4: To preserve the integrity of areas adjacent to the Project site which are proposed Conservation Areas, the guidelines contained in Section 6.1.4 related to controlling adverse effects for development adjacent to the MSHCP Conservation Area should be considered by the Permittee in their actions relative to the Project. Specifically, the Permittee should include as Project conditions of approval the following measures:
 - i. Incorporate measures to control the quantity and quality of runoff from the site entering the MSHCP Conservation Area. The Project will not result in runoff being discharged into the MSHCP conservation area. The Project is designed as to not release toxins, chemicals, petroleum products, exotic plant materials, or other elements that might degrade or harm biological resources or ecosystem processed within the MSHCP Conservation Area. The project will incorporate one or more of the following measures: low impact development (LID) practices, natural detention basins, grass swales, and/or mechanical trapping devices.



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ii. Land use proposed in proximity to the MSHCP Conservation Are that use chemicals or generates bio-products such as oil machinery and trucks that are potentially toxic or may adversely affect wildlife species, habitat, or water quality shall incorporate measures to ensure that application of such chemicals does not result in discharge to the MSHCP Conservation Area.

- iii. Any new permanent lighting proposed as part of the project will be shielded away from nearby conserved lands, sensitive habitats, and/or targeted conserved lands. The City will condition the project to perform the necessary lighting study to confirm the proposed project does not increase existing ambient lighting reaching the conservation lands. If the lighting study demonstrates that lighting into adjacent conservation lands is increased, additional avoidance and minimization measures will need to be conditioned for the project by the City. Such measures may include solid wall(s).
- iv. Proposed noise-generating land uses affecting the MSHCP Conservation Area, including designated avoidance areas, shall incorporate setbacks, berms, or walls to minimize the effects of noise on MSHCP Conservation Area resources pursuant to applicable rules, regulations, and guidelines related to land use noise standards. Any equipment used during initial development shall be maintained in good working conditions with proper noise-reducing equipment installed. To ensure compliance with the Plan, the City shall condition the project to construct a physical barrier (e.g. a solid masonry wall) along the southern and eastern project boundary. A 6-foot solid masonry wall may be sufficient, however the City shall condition the project to conduct a noise study, confirming the type and dimensions of the barrier needed to ensure project-generated noise levels reaching adjacent conservation lands does not exceed residential noise standards. This is necessary as not all project details were available for review at the time of this joint project review.
- v. No invasive and/or non-native plant species on the California Invasive Plant Counsel List will be used to landscape the Project site.
- vi. Proposed land uses adjacent to the MSHCP Conservation Area shall incorporate barriers, where appropriate, in individual project designs to minimize unauthorized public access, domestic animal predation, illegal trespass, or dumping into existing and future MSHCP Conservation Areas. Such barriers may include native landscaping, rocks/boulders, fencing, walls, signage, and/or other appropriate mechanisms.
- vii. Manufactured slopes associated with proposed site development shall not extend into the MSHCP Conservation Area.
- viii. Weed abatement and fuel modification activities are not permitted in the Conservation Area, including designated avoidance areas.
 - Based on the information provided in the *Report*, the Project demonstrates consistency with Section 6.1.4 of the MSHCP.
- e. MSHCP Volume I, Appendix C: The following best management practices (BMPs), as applicable, shall be implemented for the duration of construction:



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i. A condition shall be placed on grading permits requiring a qualified biologist to conduct a training session for project personnel prior to grading. The training shall include a description of the species of concern and its habitats, the general provisions of the Endangered Species Act (Act) and the MSHCP, the need to adhere to the provisions of the Act and the MSHCP, the penalties associated with violating the provisions of the Act, the general measures that are being implemented to conserve the species of concern as they relate to the project, and the access routes to and project site boundaries within which the project activities must be accomplished.

- ii. Water pollution and erosion control plans shall be developed and implemented in accordance with RWQCB requirements.
- iii. The footprint of disturbance shall be minimized to the maximum extent feasible. Access to sites shall be via pre-existing access routes to the greatest extent possible.
- iv. The upstream and downstream limits of projects disturbance plus lateral limits of disturbance on either side of the stream shall be clearly defined and marked in the field and reviewed by the biologist prior to initiation of work.
- v. Projects should be designed to avoid the placement of equipment and personnel within the stream channel or on sand and gravel bars, banks, and adjacent upland habitats used by target species of concern.
- vi. Projects that cannot be conducted without placing equipment or personnel in sensitive habitats should be timed to avoid the breeding season of riparian identified in MSHCP Global Species Objective No. 7.
- vii. When stream flows must be diverted, the diversions shall be conducted using sandbags or other methods requiring minimal instream impacts. Silt fencing of other sediment trapping materials shall be installed at the downstream end of construction activity to minimize the transport of sediments off site. Settling ponds where sediment is collected shall be cleaned out in a manner that prevents the sediment from reentering the stream. Care shall be exercised when removing silt fences, as feasible, to prevent debris or sediment from returning to the stream.
- ix. Equipment storage, fueling, and staging areas shall be located on upland sites with minimal risks of direct drainage into riparian areas or other sensitive habitats. These designated areas shall be located in such a manner as to prevent any runoff from entering sensitive habitat. Necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent the release of cement or other toxic substances into surface waters. Project related spills of hazardous materials shall be reported to appropriate entities including but not limited to applicable jurisdictional city, FWS, and CDFG, RWQCB and shall be cleaned up immediately and contaminated soils removed to an approved disposal areas.
- ix. Erodible fill material shall not be deposited into water courses. Brush, loose soils, or other similar debris material shall not be stockpiled within the stream channel or on its banks.



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x. The qualified project biologist shall monitor construction activities for the duration of the project to ensure that practicable measures are being employed to avoid incidental disturbance of habitat and species of concern outside the project footprint.

- xi. The removal of native vegetation shall be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable. Temporary impacts shall be returned to pre-existing contours and revegetated with appropriate native species.
- xii. Exotic species that prey upon or displace target species of concern should be permanently removed from the site to the extent feasible.
- xiii. To avoid attracting predators of the species of concern, the project site shall be kept as clean of debris as possible. All food related trash items shall be enclosed in sealed containers and regularly removed from the site(s).
- xiv. Construction employees shall strictly limit their activities, vehicles, equipment, and construction materials to the proposed project footprint and designated staging areas and routes of travel. The construction area(s) shall be the minimal area necessary to complete the project and shall be specified in the construction plans. Construction limits will be fenced with orange snow screen. Exclusion fencing should be maintained until the completion of all construction activities. Employees shall be instructed that their activities are restricted to the construction areas.
- xv. The Permittee shall have the right to access and inspect any sites of approved projects including any restoration/enhancement area for compliance with project approval conditions, including these BMPs.

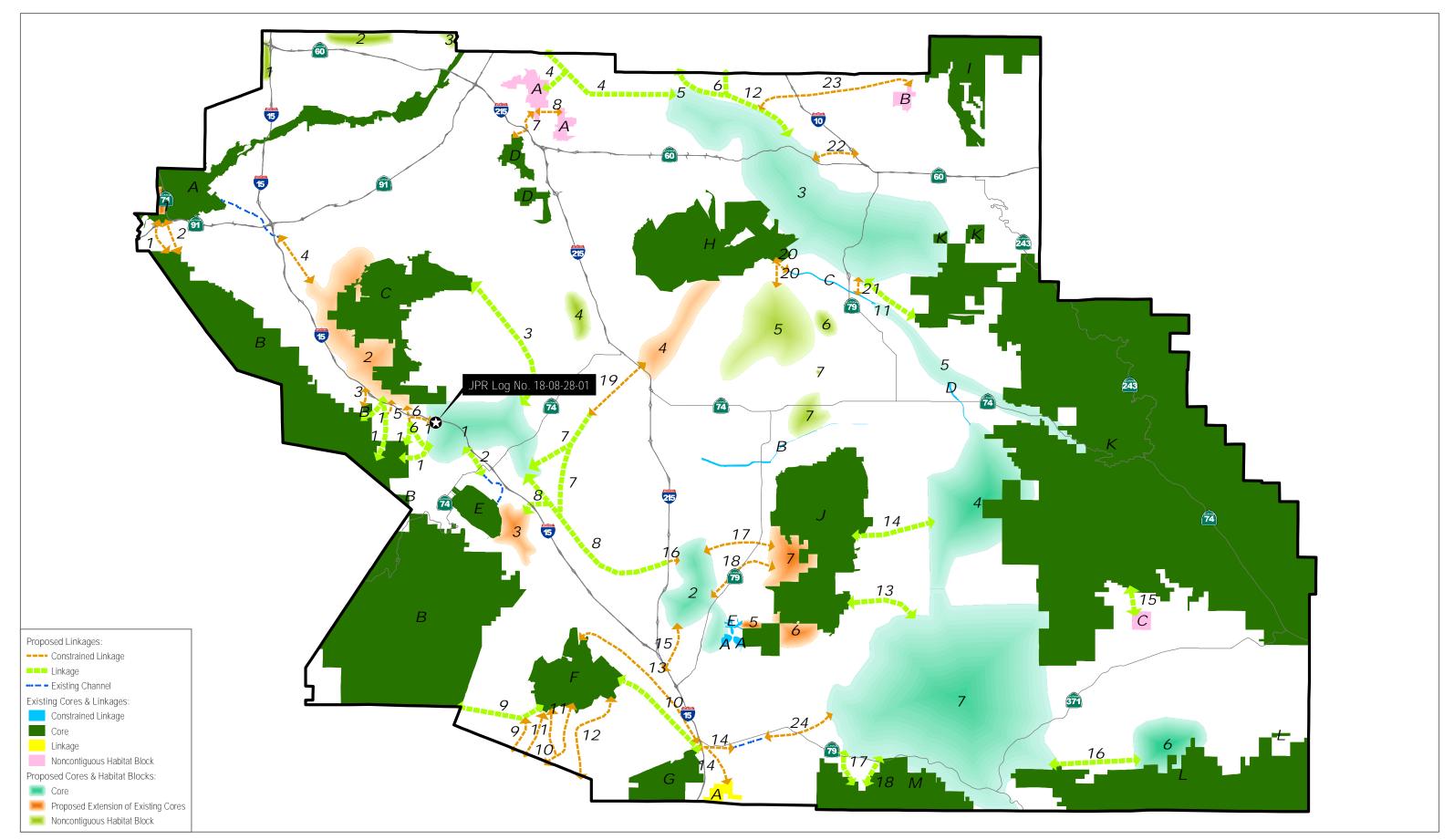
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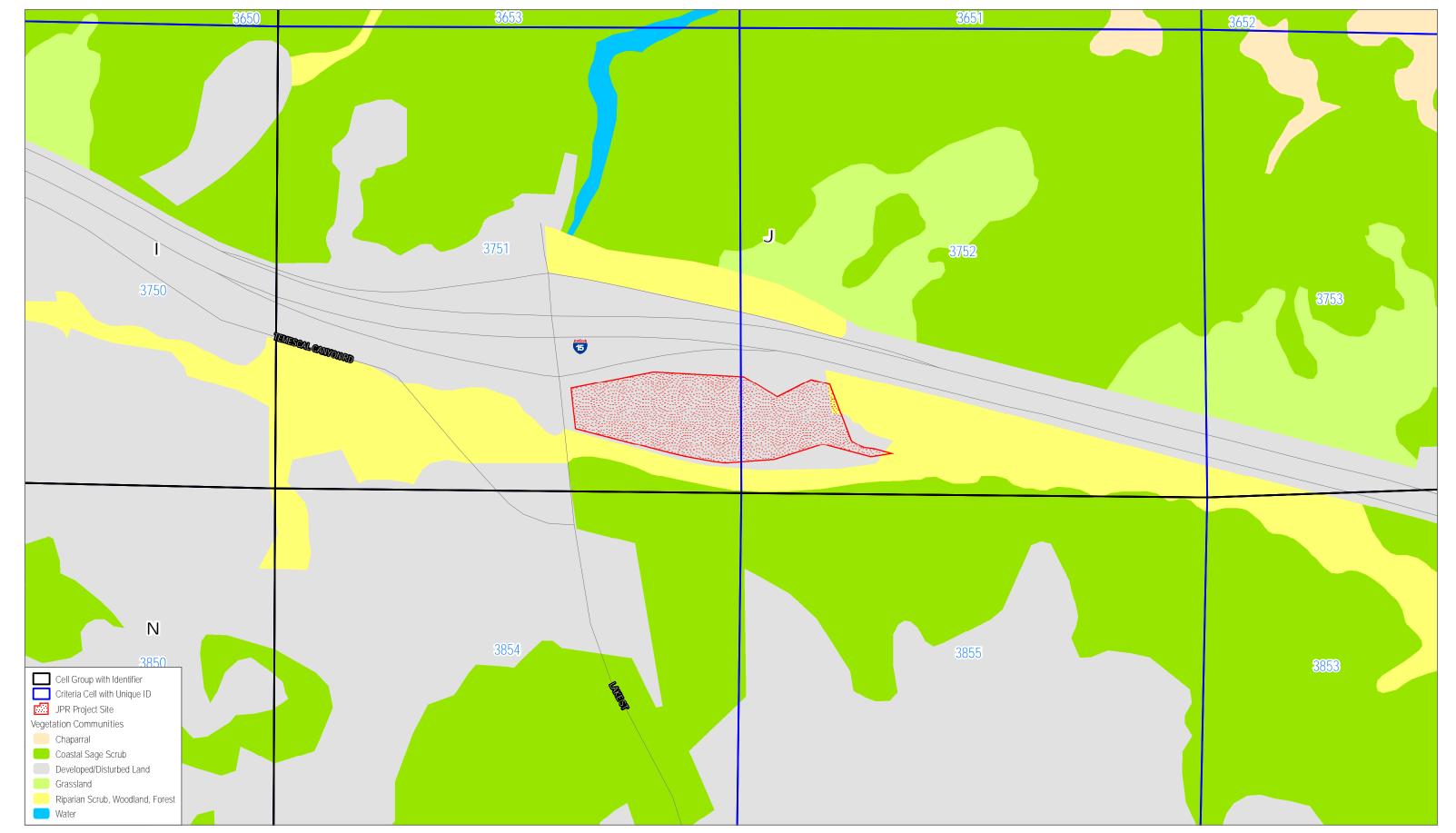
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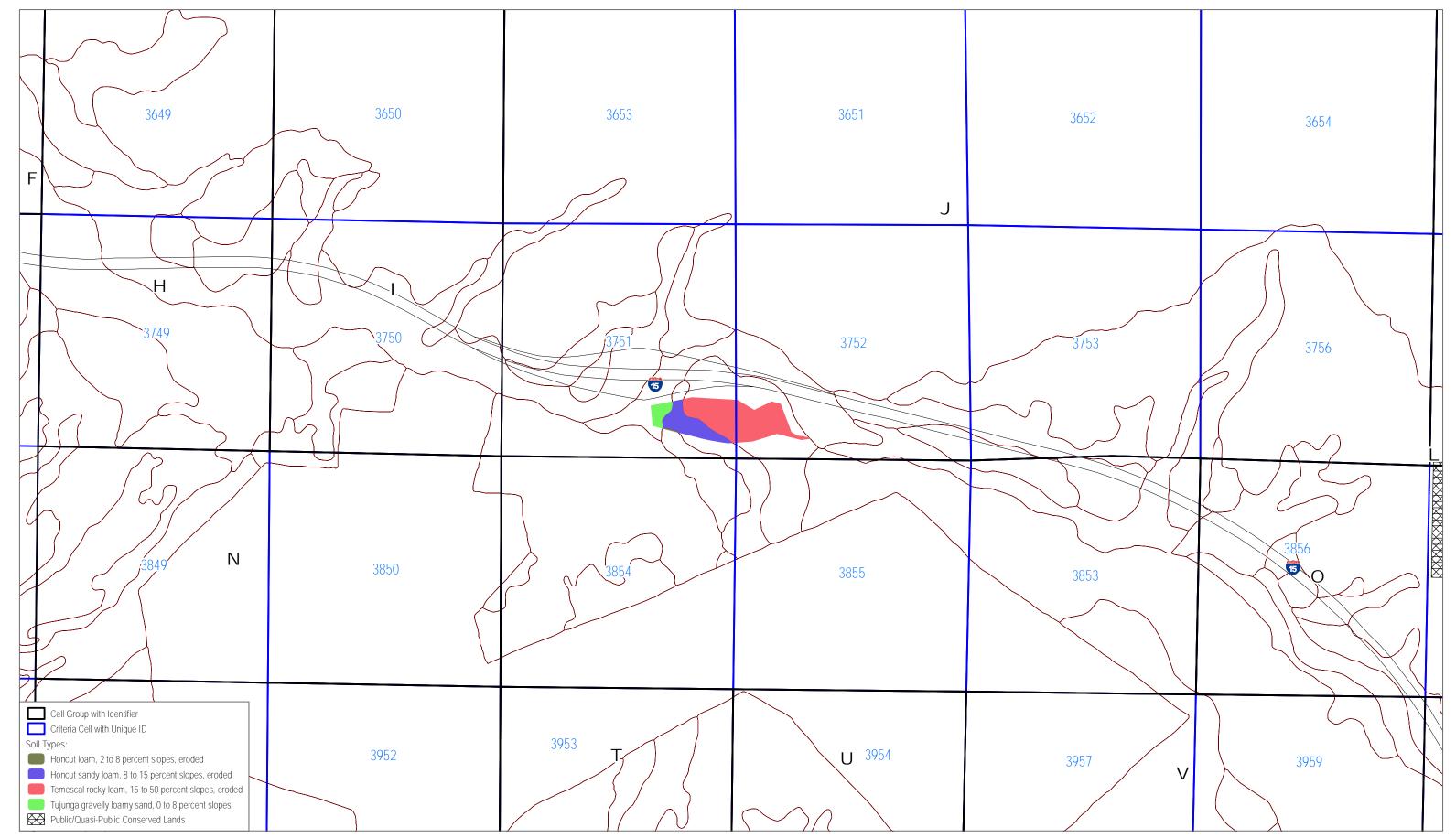


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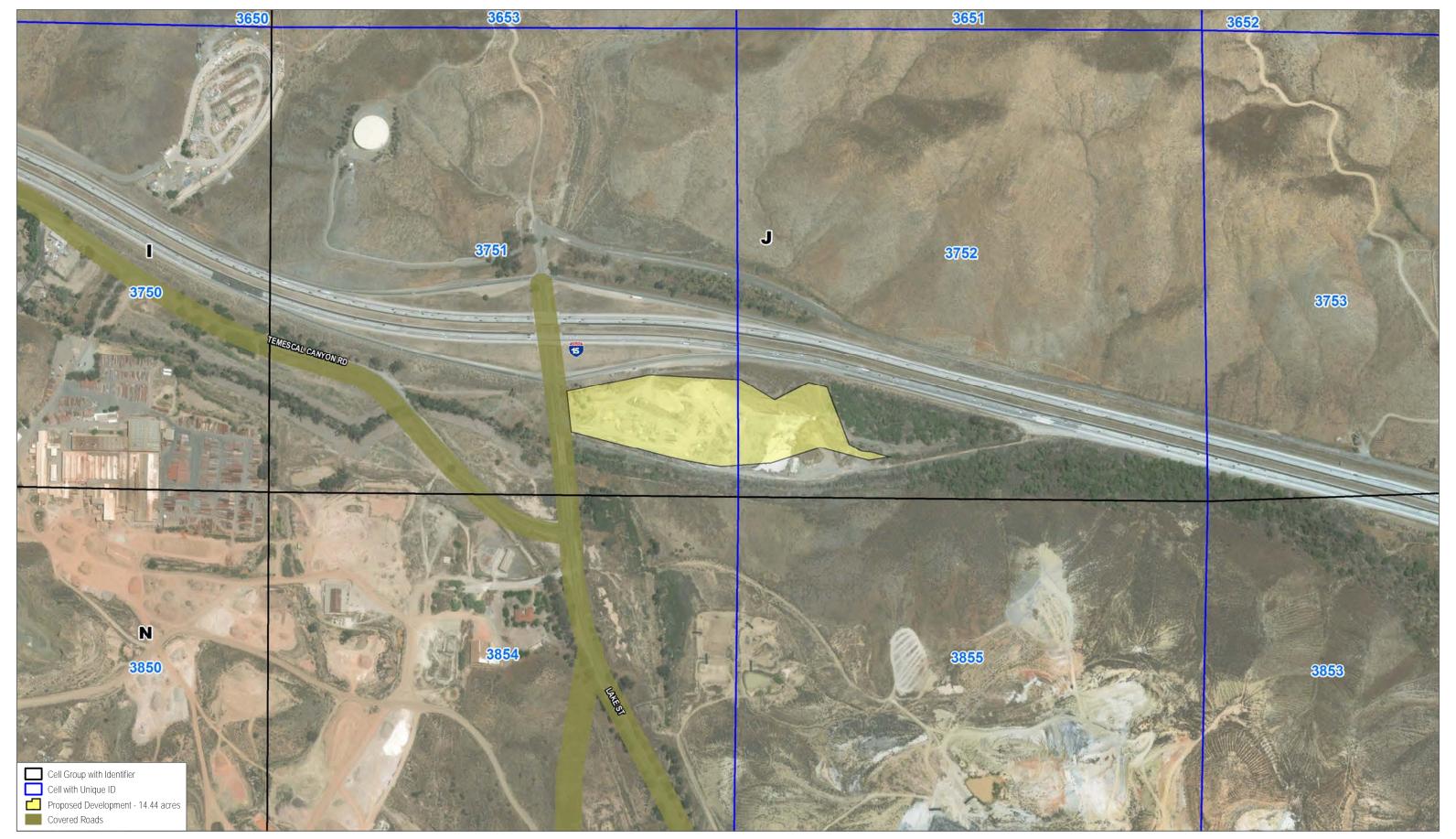
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