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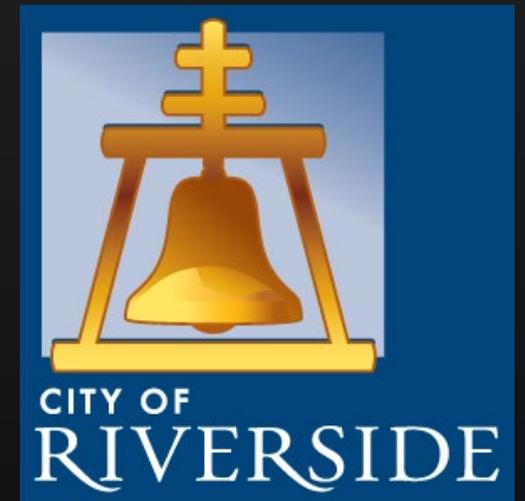
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City of Riverside, CA
June 10, 2021

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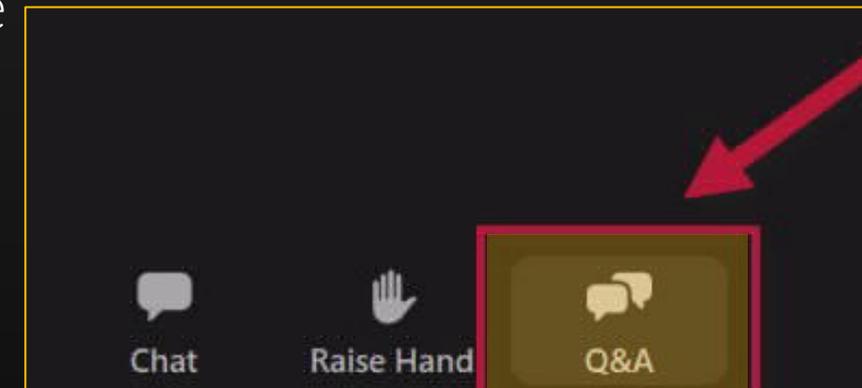
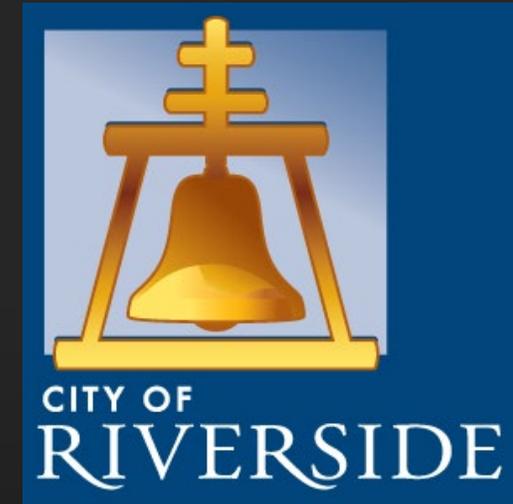
**PUBLIC SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE
& ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE POLICIES**



MEETING DETAILS

Questions & Comments

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- Questions and comments will be addressed by our panel at designated points throughout the presentation
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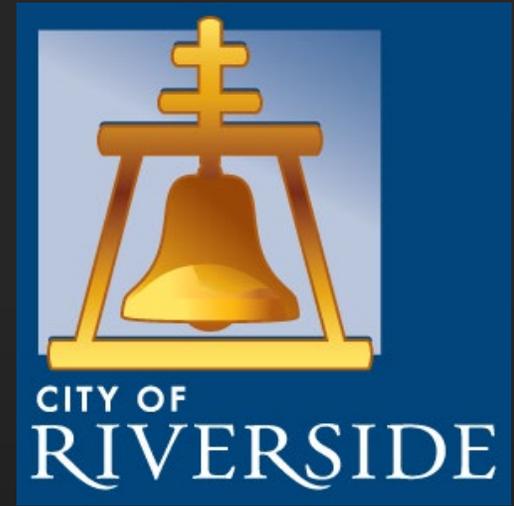
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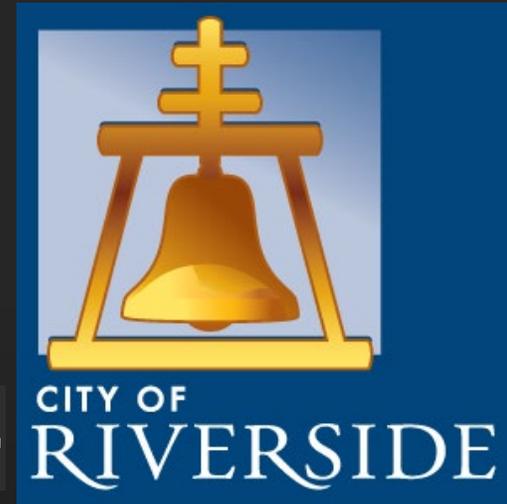
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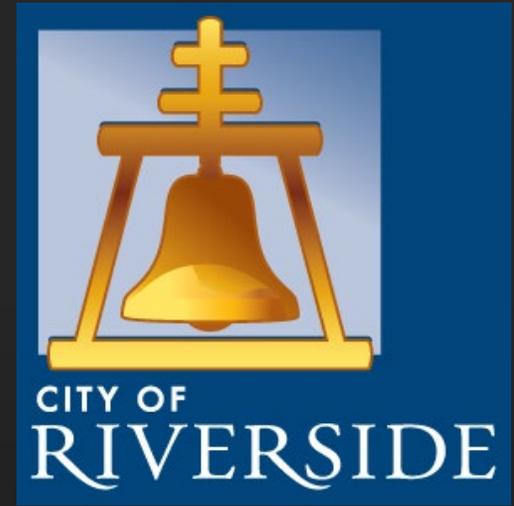
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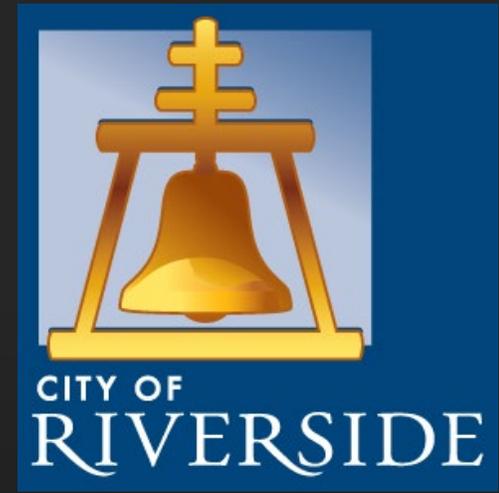
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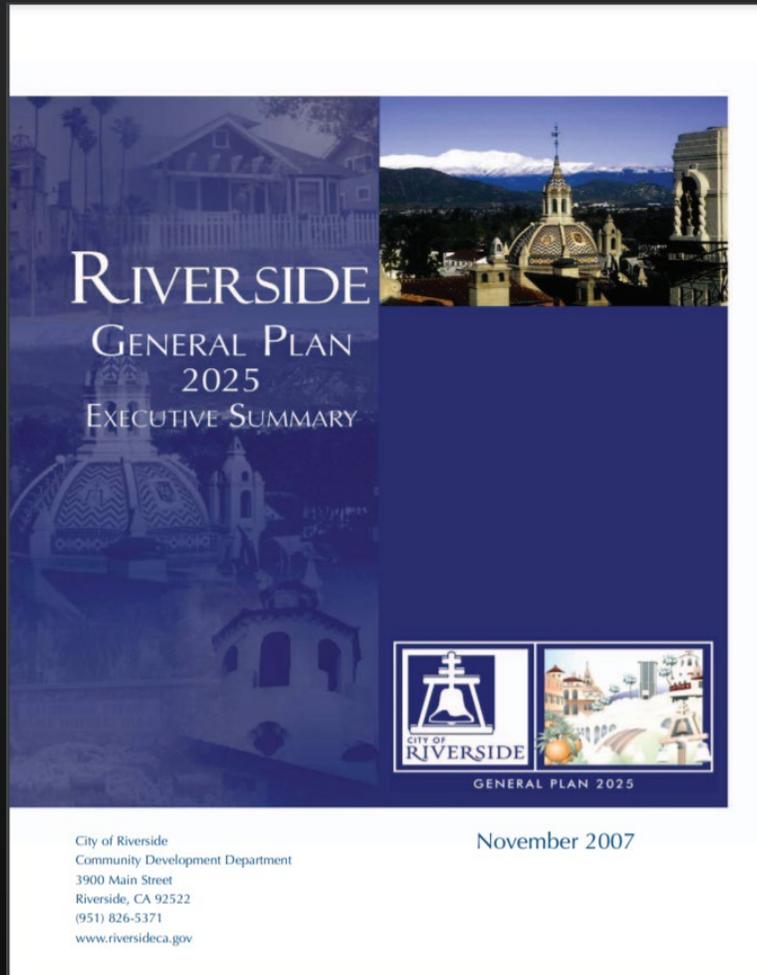
- Watch for future public meetings:

Housing Policy Workshop – Thursday, June 17

Tonight's Agenda

1. Introduction and Project Overview
2. Environmental Justice Policies
3. Q&A – Environmental Justice Policies
4. Public Safety Element and Policies
5. Q&A – Public Safety Element
6. Closing

WHAT IS THE GENERAL PLAN?



1. Every city in California must create a General Plan that acts as a roadmap for the future growth of the City.
2. General Plans must address key topic areas, called Elements, that cover things like housing, land use, transportation, services, and infrastructure
3. Each element establishes broad objectives, focused policies and specific actions the City will take to achieve its goals.

PHASE 1 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE



Housing Element

- Mandatory General Plan Element
- Updated in 8-year Cycles
- Assess current and future housing needs
- Set policies and actions to meet housing needs
- Must demonstrate accommodation of RHNA
- Plans for adequate housing for all income levels, special needs
- Due October 15, 2021



Public Safety Element

- Mandatory General Plan Element
- Must be updated concurrently with Housing Element
- Identifies public safety risks and vulnerabilities
- Sets policies and actions to reduce hazard risks
- SB 379, SB 1035 – must update to address wildfire, climate adaptation



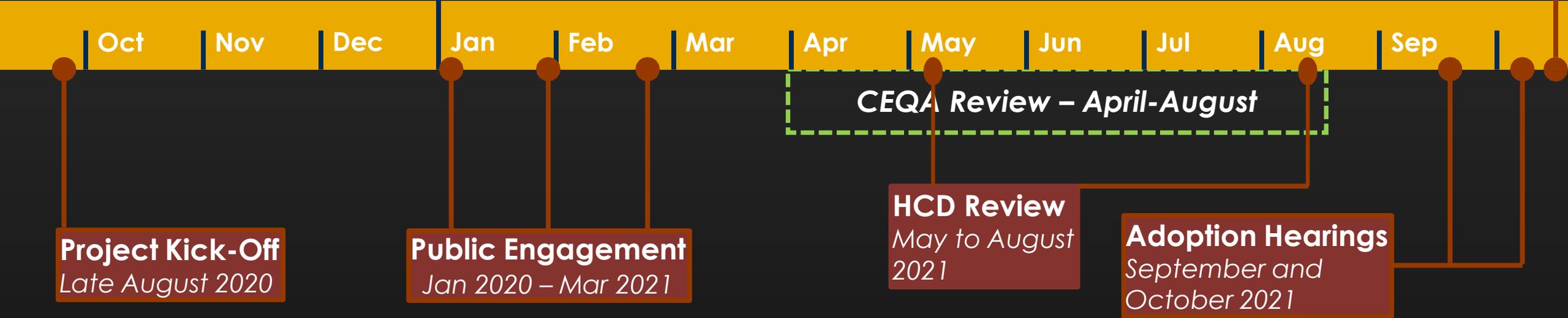
Environmental Justice Policies

- May be separate Element or integrated policies
- Must be added when updating 2+ Elements
- Identifies communities with unique challenges to health and livelihoods (CalEnviroscreen)
- Develops strategies to address challenges of EJ communities and promote civic engagement

PROJECT TIMELINE

HCD Deadline
October 15, 2021

2020 | 2021



Public Review:	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Policy Workshops	Round 4
	Jan 7th	Jan 27th	Feb 25th	May-June	Aug
	Potential Sites	RHNA Scenarios	Preferred Alternative	Draft HE, PS and EJ Policies and Actions	Final Draft of Housing Element

CONSULTANT TEAM



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Housing



Environmental &
Sustainability



Transportation



Community
Outreach



Land Use
Law

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POLL QUESTIONS



ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE POLICIES

What is Environmental Justice?

- Environmental justice is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.
- **Environmental justice (disadvantaged) communities** include areas disproportionately affected by environmental pollution and other hazards areas, concentrations of people that are of low income , or low-income areas that are disproportionately affected by environmental pollution and other hazards.



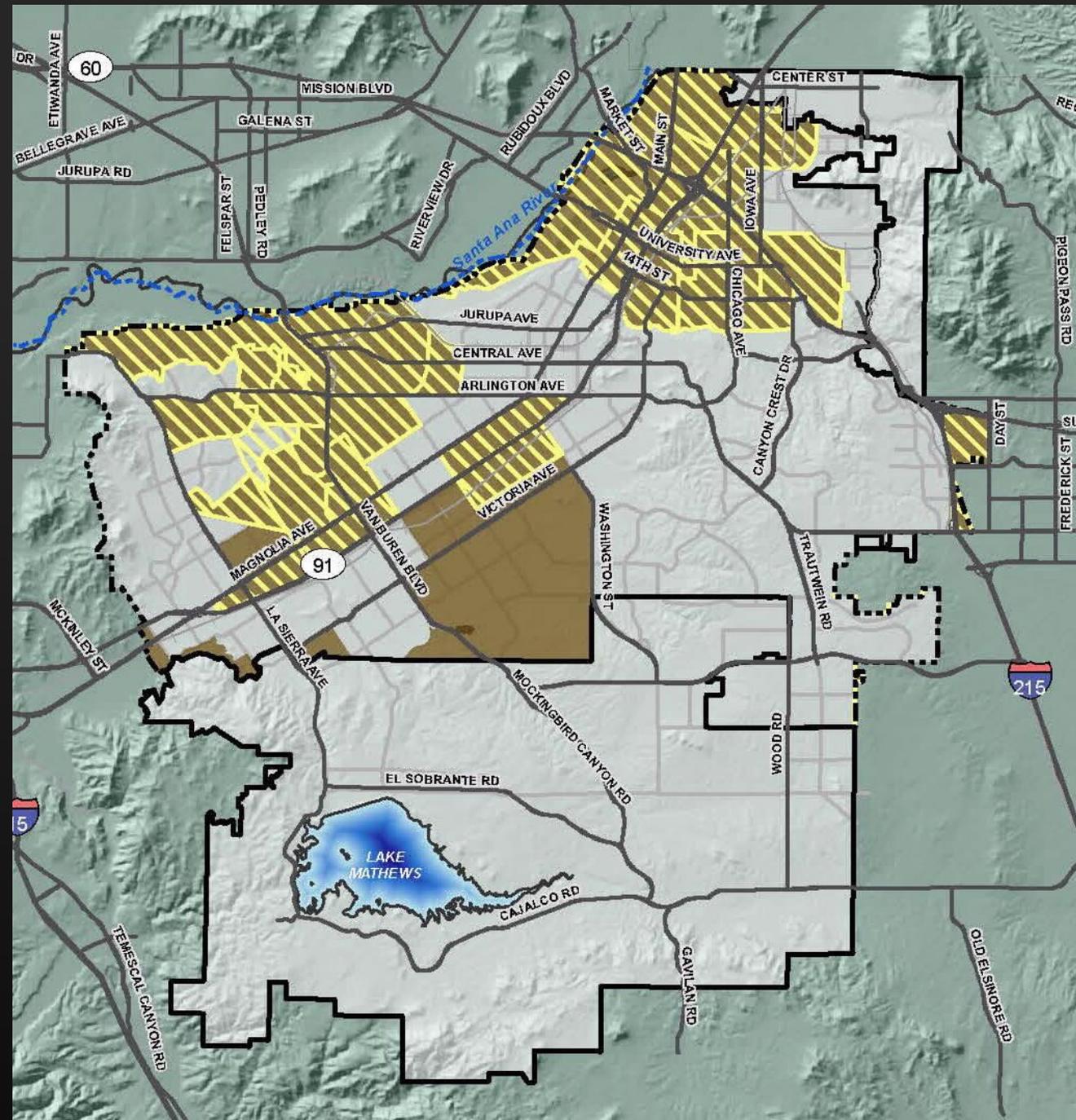
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE POLICIES



- State Bill (SB) 1000 requires jurisdictions with disadvantaged communities to include environmental justice policies in their General Plans with two or more element updates.
- Policies can be included in an Environmental Justice Element or within other required elements.
- Environmental Justice policies and actions were developed by identifying environmental justice communities and demographics and conducting community outreach to better understand the unique and disproportionate challenges faced by these communities.

IDENTIFYING ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES

- Environmental Justice Communities within the City of Riverside were identified using the CalEnviroScreen data tool developed by CalEPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)
 - Provides statewide data that can be used to identify communities disproportionately impacted by, or vulnerable to, environmental pollution and contaminants.
 - Senate Bill 535 (SB 35), which directs funds related to GHG reduction to disadvantaged communities, disadvantaged communities are defined as the top 25% scoring areas from CalEnviroScreen along with other areas with high amounts of pollution and low-income populations.



Environmental Justice Policies Approach

Proposed policies and actions have been developed to be incorporated into existing elements of the General Plan 2025:

- Land Use and Urban Design
- Circulation & Community Mobility
- Education
- Noise
- Air Quality
- Parks and Recreation
- Public Facilities and Infrastructure
- Arts and Culture
- Historic Preservation

Environmental Justice-related policies and actions are also included in the proposed policies developed for the draft Housing Element and Public Safety Element Updates.

Environmental Justice Policies

Land Use and Urban Design Element

Policy LU-EJ-1.0: Ensure new housing developments adhere to local, state, and federal requirements to avoid disproportionate impacts on environmental justice communities

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Requiring design features to minimize noise and air quality impacts
- Locating new housing developments near transportation, commercial uses, parks and needed services, improving access and affordability

Environmental Justice Policies

Land Use and Urban Design Element

Policy LU-EJ-2.0: Ensure the Citywide Community Engagement Policy provides community members with opportunities to participate in decisions that affect their environment and health

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Adopting the Citywide Community Engagement Policy to get community input
- Providing translation services, including Spanish and American Sign Language, at public meetings

Environmental Justice Policies

Circulation and Community Mobility Element

Policy CCM-EJ-1.0: Promote physical activity and active transportation to address negative health outcomes, particularly among environmental justice communities

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Identifying gaps in connectivity and unsafe conditions for pedestrians to recreational amenities
- Providing youth-based affordable or free programs for physical activity and nutrition

Environmental Justice Policies

Circulation and Community Mobility Element

Policy CCM-EJ-2.0: Encourage increased public transportation and multi-modal transportation choices as means of reducing roadway congestion and associated air pollution and promoting overall health

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- **Eliminating** barriers to physical activity within environmental justice communities
- Creating safe drop-off and pick-up zones around and walking routes to schools

Environmental Justice Policies

Education Element

Policy ED-EJ-1.0: Coordinate with public school districts, charter and private K-12 schools, and local universities and colleges to promote equity in educational facilities and opportunities for the entire community

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Promoting academic and skills training programs for students
- Creating joint-use learning and information centers and community services with siting of new school facilities

Environmental Justice Policies

Noise Element

Policy N-EJ-1.0: With a particular focus on environmental justice communities, reduce noise pollution by enforcing noise reduction and control measures within and adjacent to residential neighborhoods

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Identifying neighborhoods subject to noise pollution
- Creating standard construction measures to reduce interior noise levels

Environmental Justice Policies

Air Quality Element

Policy AQ-EJ-1.0: Ensure that land use decisions, including enforcement actions, are made in an equitable fashion to protect residents and workers in environmental justice communities from the short- and long-term effects of air pollution

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Creating construction requirements to minimize indoor and outdoor air pollution for new housing development
- Developing regulations to minimize air emissions or reduce their effects on EJ communities

Environmental Justice Policies

Parks and Recreation Element

Policy PR-EJ-1.0: Distribute recreational facilities equitably throughout Riverside's neighborhoods

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Pursuing the transformation of underused City-owned land to usable public spaces
- Prioritizing parks and recreational spaces in EJ communities

Environmental Justice Policies

Public Facilities and Infrastructure Element

Policy FI-EJ-1.0: Coordinate with healthcare providers to expand healthcare access for residents of environmental justice communities

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Promoting access to affordable, culturally competent health care and medical services in EJ communities
- Expanding energy efficiency and conservation programs and incentives

Environmental Justice Policies

Arts and Culture Element

Policy AC-EJ-1.0: Promote equitable distribution of arts and cultural facilities across the City

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Developing an action plan for the inclusion of public art in environmental justice communities
- Supporting formal arts programming in schools

Environmental Justice Policies

Historic Preservation Element

Policy HP-EJ-1.0: Encourage identification and preservation of historic and cultural resources associated with communities whose histories and historical contributions are not well documented

EJ Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Pursuing historic designations for sites associated with underrepresented communities
- Establishing Points of Cultural Interest with underrepresented communities or civil rights movements



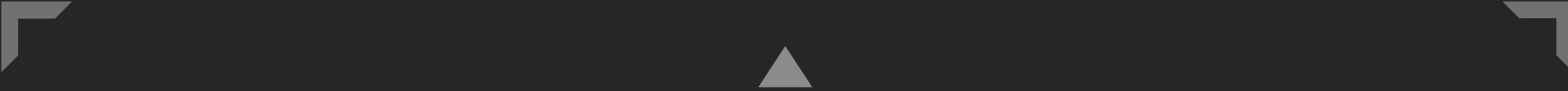
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Q&A

What have we missed?

Should anything be deleted?

How well do the proposed policies address environmental justice concerns in your community?



**PUBLIC SAFETY
ELEMENT**



What is a Public Safety Element?

- Protecting the public's safety is the most critical mission of any local government. Building codes, insurance programs, airport plans and hazardous materials management efforts are all crucial programs that protect life and safety.
- The Public Safety Element is another component of the City's General Plan that identifies public safety issues and needs anticipated to be of ongoing concern to people in Riverside.
- The Public Safety Element's purpose is to ensure that the City takes action to reduce natural and human-caused hazards and safety threats as well as respond quickly to any public safety incident.

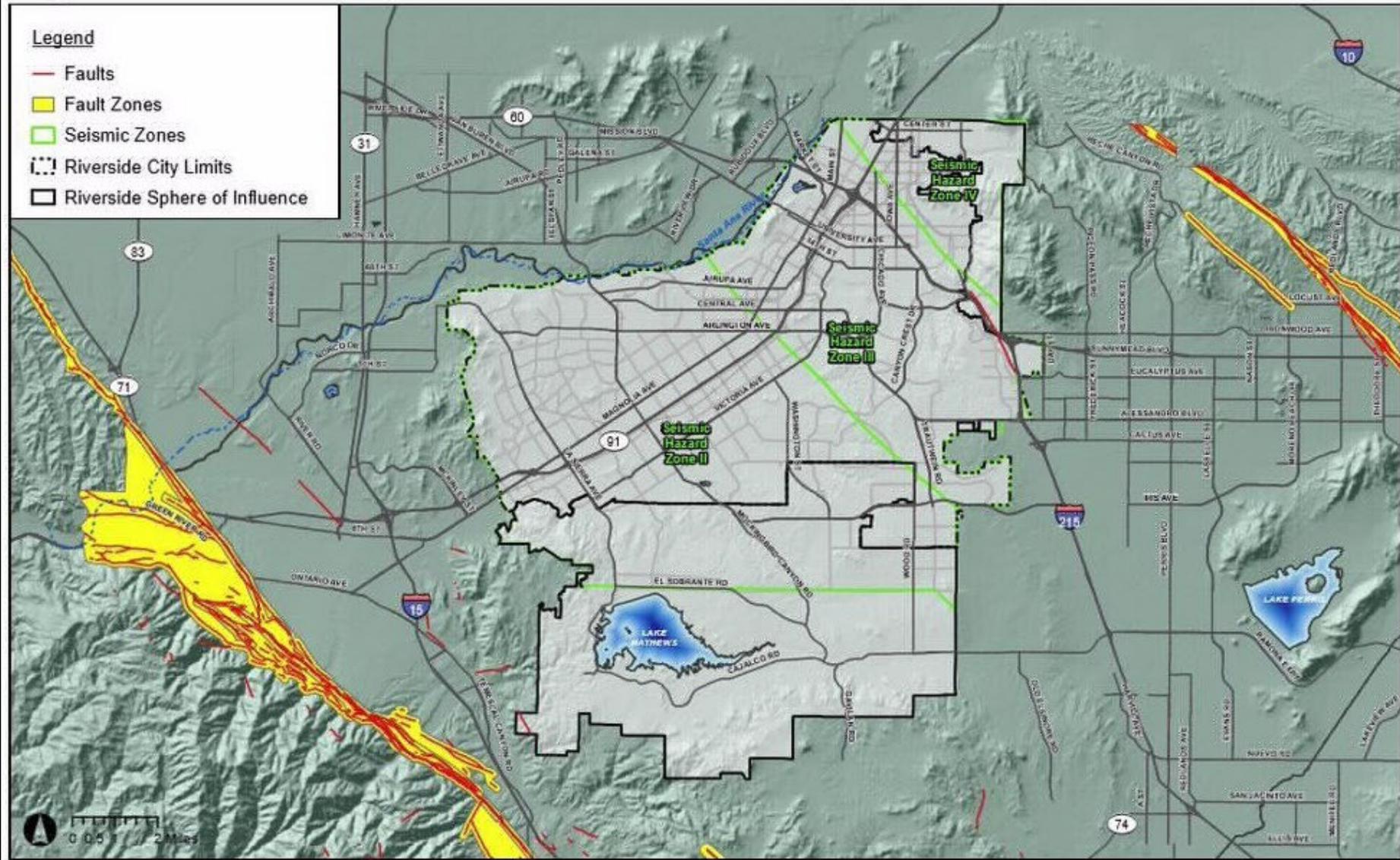
Public Safety Policies Approach

Proposed public safety policies are organized into the following broad topic areas:

- **Natural Hazards**
- **Hazardous Materials**
- **Transportation**
- **Emergency Services**
- **Pandemic**
- **Homelessness**
- **Climate Adaptation and Resiliency**

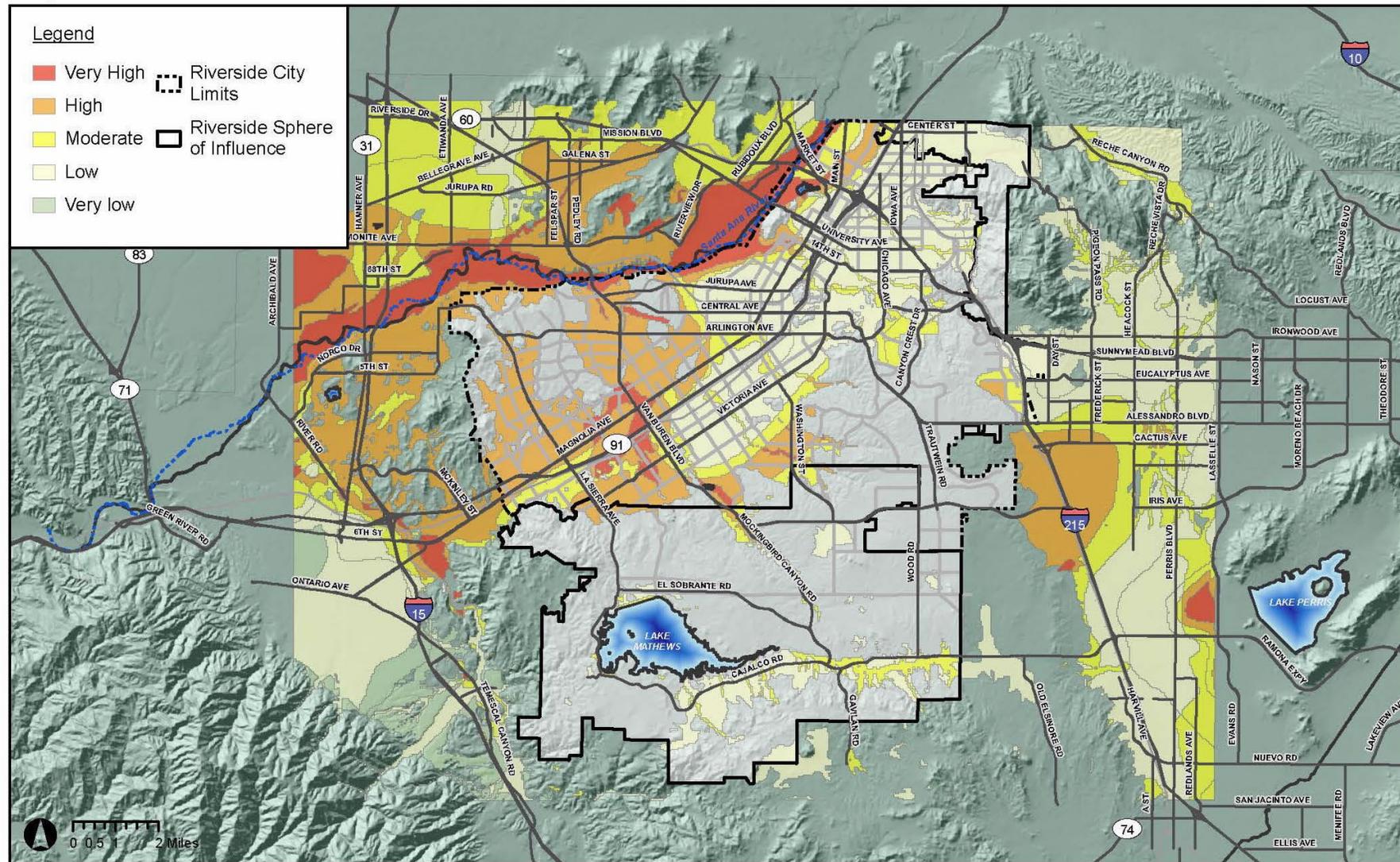
Regional Fault Zones

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Regional Fault Zones



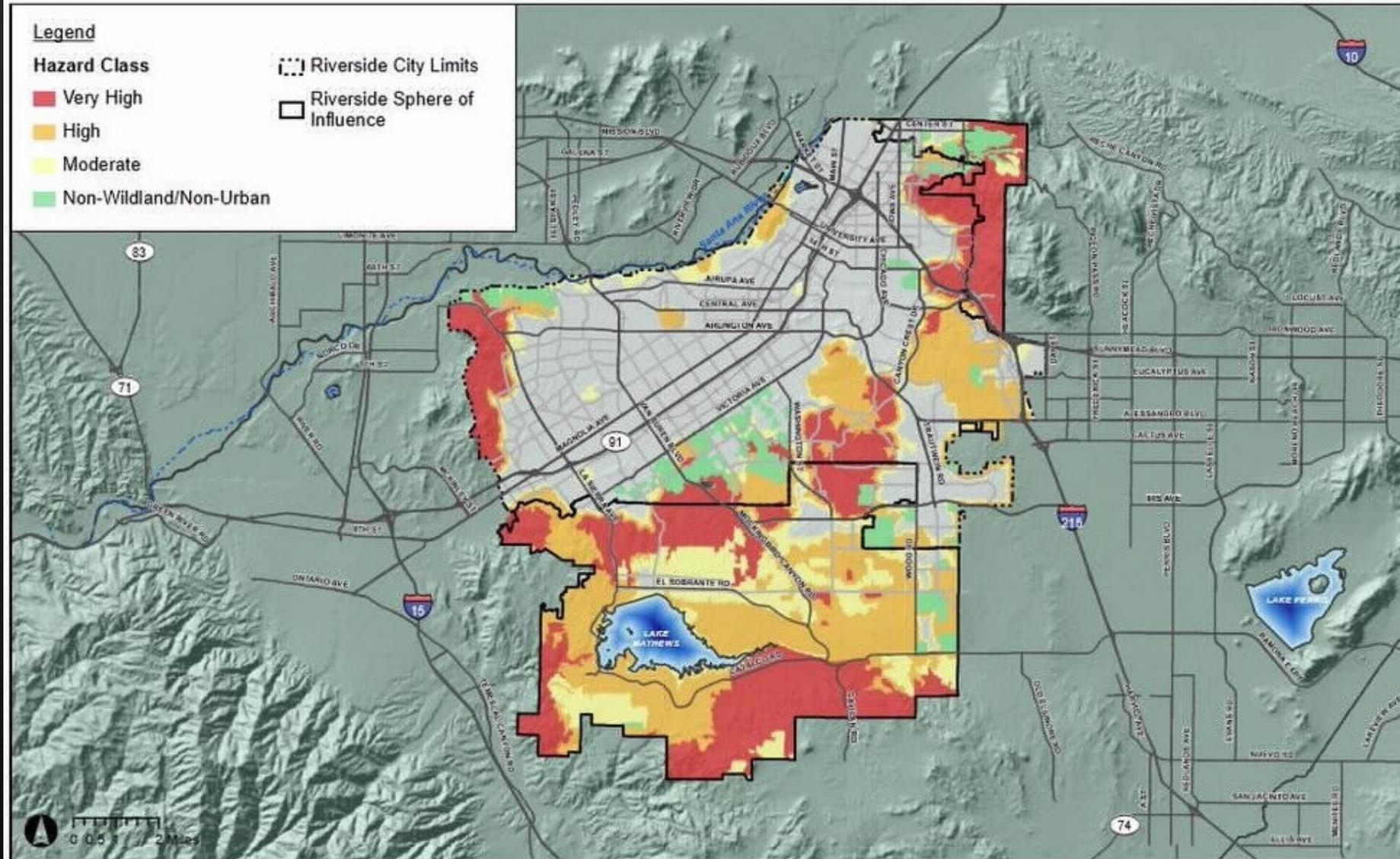
Liquefaction Zones

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Liquefaction Zones



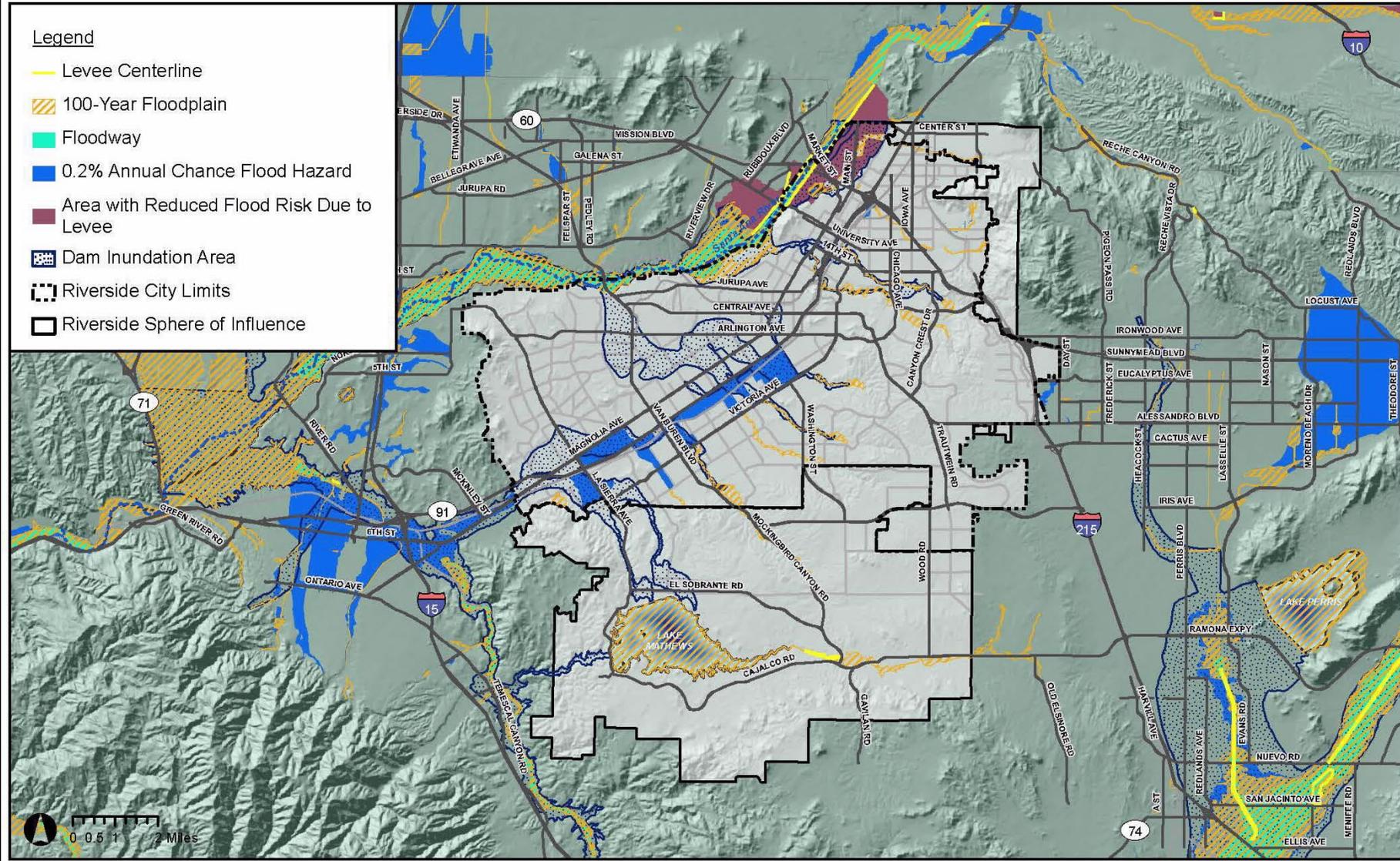
Fire Hazard Areas

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Flood Hazard Areas

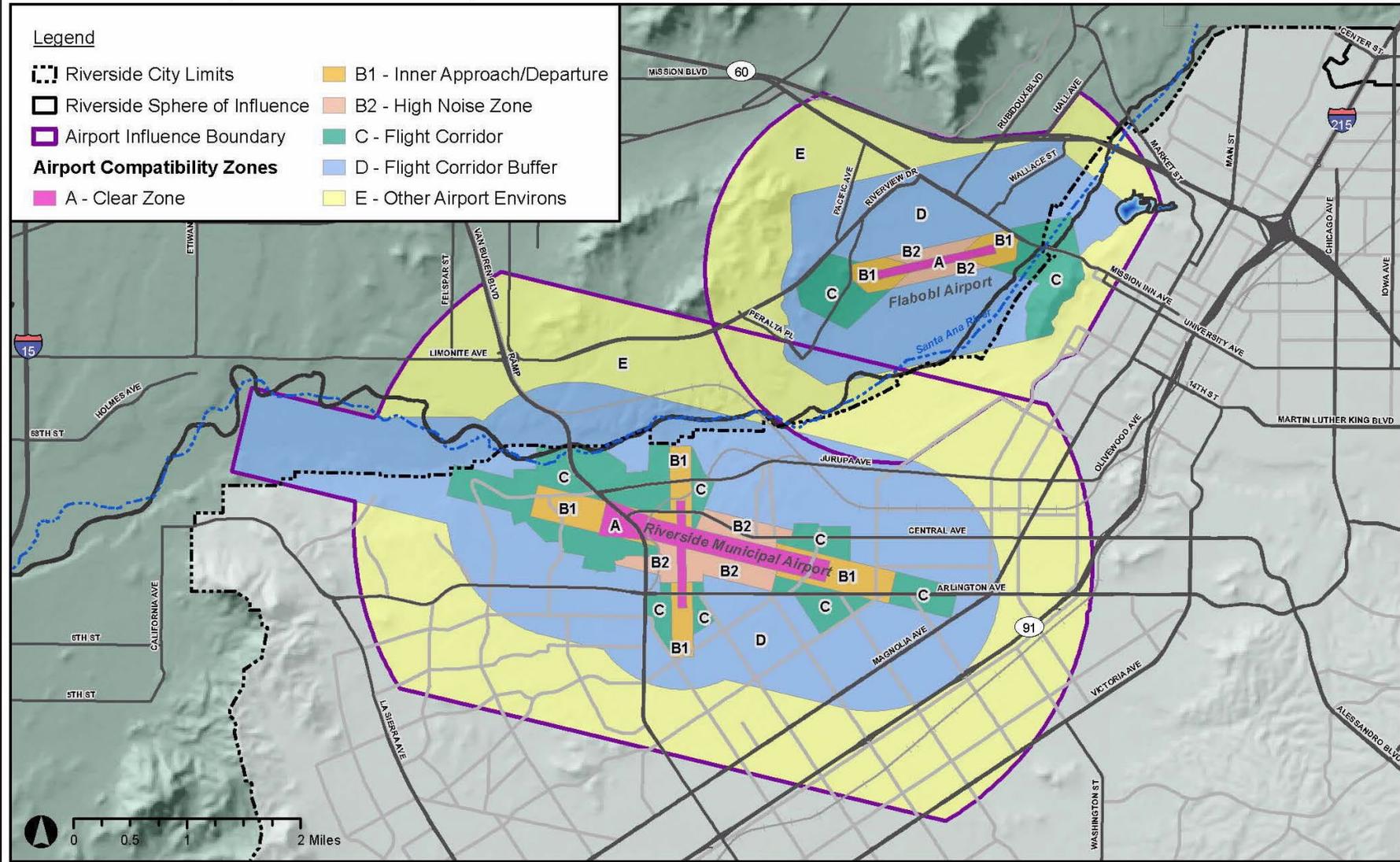
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Flood Hazard Areas



Airport Land Use Zones Riverside

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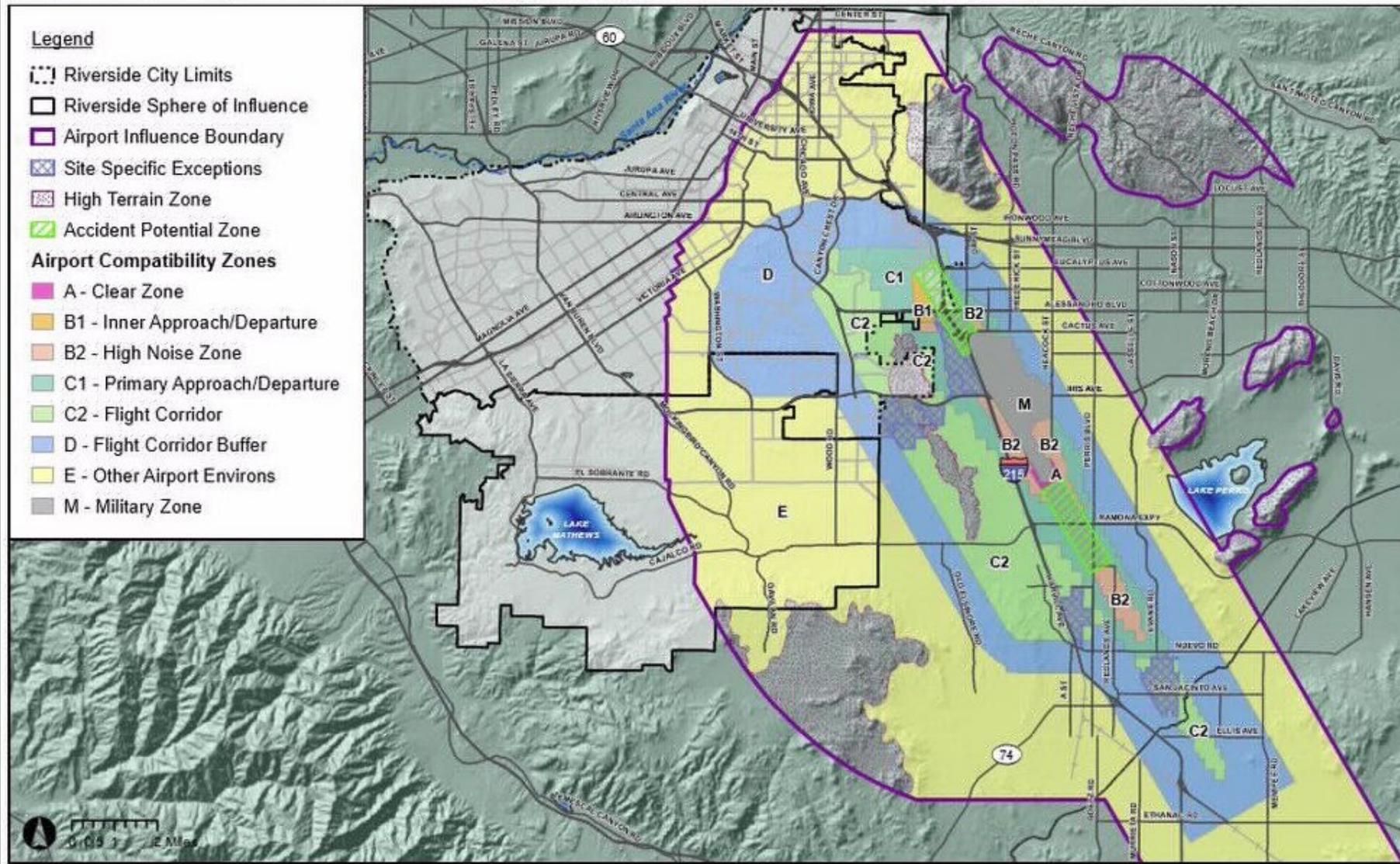
Riverside Municipal and Flabob Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones and Influence Areas



Airport Land Use Zones MARB

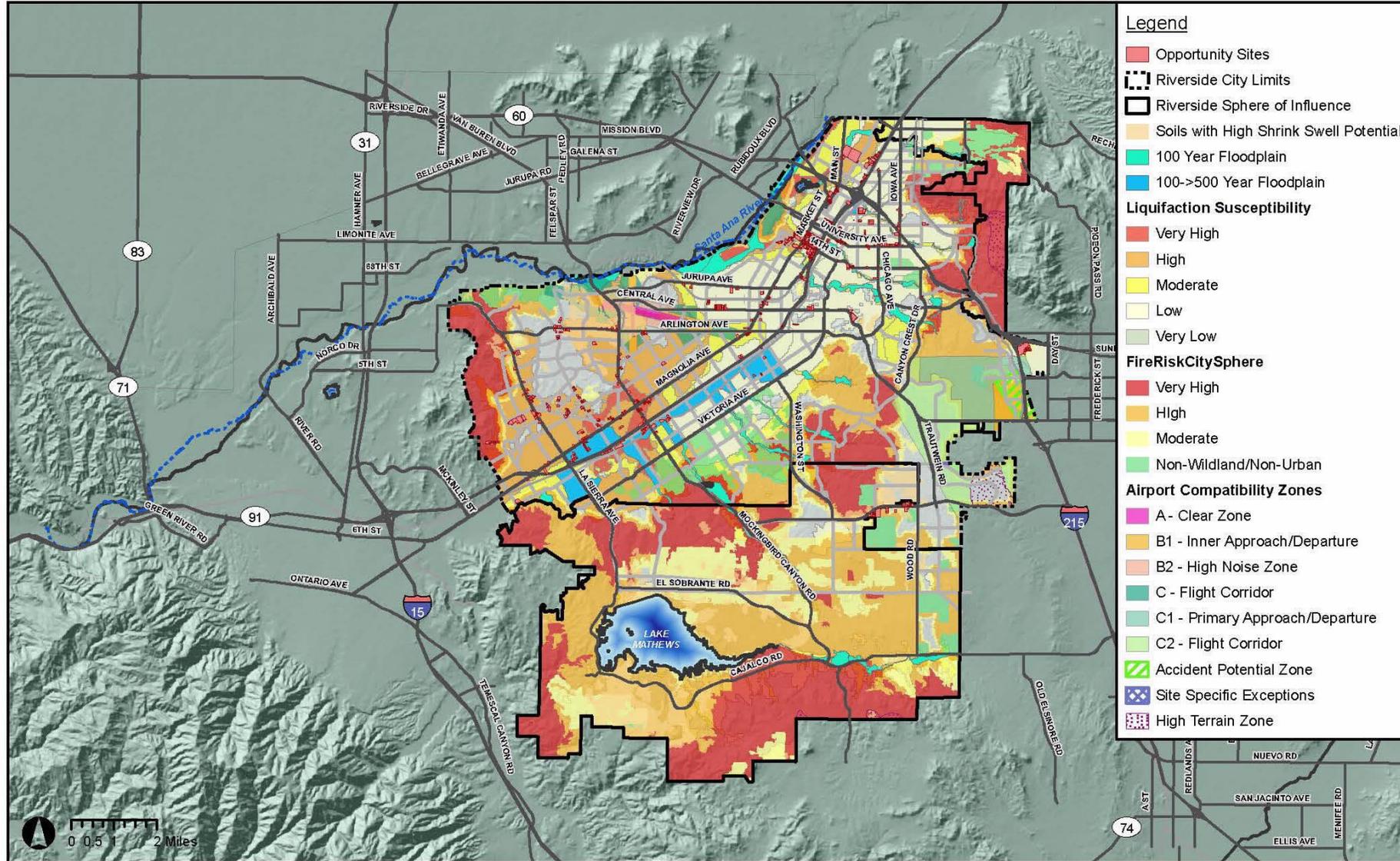
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MARB/MIP Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones and Influence Areas



Opportunity Area Hazard Zones

Figure PS-10
Opportunity Area Hazard Zones



Public Safety Element Guiding Principle

Guiding Principle:

- Comprehensively address the public safety needs and concerns of Riverside residents, businesses, institutions, and visitors in a proactive and coordinated way to ensure protection from foreseeable natural and human-caused hazards.

Public Safety Element

Natural Hazards

Policy PS-1–Natural Hazards: Reduce the risk to the community from hazards related to geologic conditions, seismic activity, flooding, drought, and structural and wildland fires

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- **Regularly** reviewing and update department plans and policies
- Developing education and outreach campaigns to help property owners and businesses prepare
- Updating and maintaining wildfire hazard and drought contingency plans

Public Safety Element

Hazardous Materials

Policy PS-2–Hazardous Materials: Minimize the risk of potential hazards associated with management and transport of hazardous materials

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Creating and updating emergency preparedness and training programs for hazardous materials incidents
- Designating safe transport routes for transport of hazardous materials

Public Safety Element

Transportation

Policy PS-3–Transportation: Minimize the risk of potential hazards associated with air and ground transportation

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Coordinating with rail operators to improve grade crossings to be Quiet Zone–ready
- Improving safety at grade crossings, pedestrian and bicycle safety measures, and roadway safety improvements

Public Safety Element

Emergency Services

Policy PS-4–Emergency Services: Provide high-quality and responsive police, fire, and emergency services to all residents and businesses in Riverside

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Locating a new, modernized police headquarters facility
- Conducting disaster preparedness and emergency response exercises
- Coordinating police services with college and university campus

Public Safety Element

Pandemic

Policy PS-5–Pandemic: Provide high-quality and responsive public health services to all residents of Riverside

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Testing and evaluation of the Pandemic Preparedness and Response Plans
- Developing an outreach program to communicate pandemic-related health updates
- Identifying best practices that protect the community from illness and infection

Public Safety Element

Homelessness

Policy PS-6–Homelessness: Reduce homelessness in Riverside through coordinated implementation of and equitable accessibility to public safety, economic, and social programs

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Coordinating with non-profit organizations to provide access to transitional housing and other services to the homeless
- Implementing the Multidisciplinary Regional Santa Ana River Bottom Encampment Response Plan

Public Safety Element

Climate Adaptation and Resiliency

Policy PS-7–Climate Adaptation and Resiliency: Identify key potential impacts of climate change on City organizations, infrastructure, natural resources, and residents and develop adaptation and resiliency to address them

PSE Action Items:

Actions to implement this policy could include:

- Preparing a Vulnerability Assessment to identify infrastructure, natural resources, and residents most at risk
- Developing a Climate Action and Adaptation Plan for adaptation strategies
- Incorporating climate resilience principles into City practices/procedures



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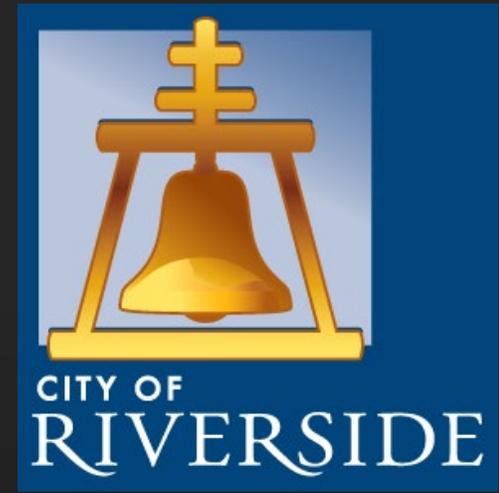
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