November 16, 2026

Notice of Completion (CEQA Guidelines section 15085 and Appendix C)

Project Title:
Palo Verde Irrigation District (PVID) Conserved Water Supply Program
Program Environmental Impact Report

Project Description:
The Palo Verde Irrigation District (PVID or District) proposes to implement a Conserved Water Supply Program (Program) with a purpose to conserve a portion of PVID's Colorado River water supply for voluntary, compensated, temporary transfer to other Colorado River users during shortage conditions. The Program would include voluntary fallowing, and farm management measures, and possibly infrastructure improvements to conserve water. On-farm conservation measures include seasonal fallowing, deficit irrigation, early crop termination, crop rotation and crop switching. Long term infrastructure improvements may include canal lining to reduce evaporation losses and construction of regulating reservoir storage.

Proposed location: See Figures1 and 2 attached. The Program would be implemented within PVID's service area in the Palo Verde Valley of eastern Riverside County and northeastern Imperial County. The District covers about 189 square miles surrounding the City of Blythe, including 104,500 acres of valley lands west of the Colorado River. The Colorado River, the boundary with Arizona, forms the District's eastern and southern boundaries and is its sole source of irrigation water. All farmlands that may voluntarily participate in the water conservation program have been in agricultural use for decades.

Address where copies are available
The Program EIR is available for download on the PVID website: www.PVID.org, under the "Publications" subheading. Printed copies are available at the PVID headquarters (address above) and at the Palo Verde Valley library located at 125 W Chanslor Way, Blythe, California.

Review period
This Draft EIR public review period of 45 days extends from November 18, 2026 ending on January 5, 2027. Comments should be submitted electronically via email to: PVID@PVID.org
or by mail to:

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Figure 1: Regional Location Map (Google Earth image, 2026)

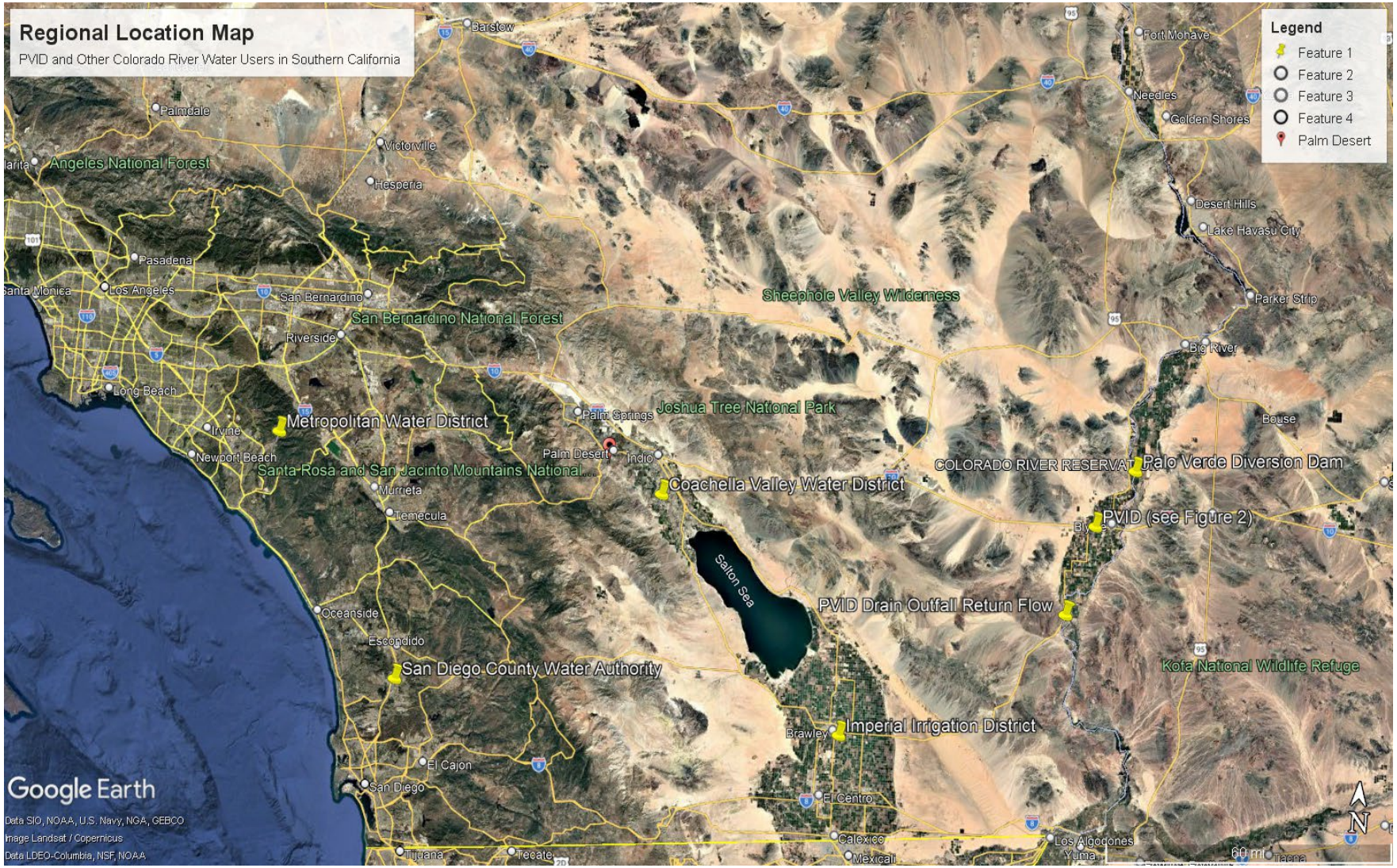


Figure 2: Palo Verde Irrigation District (Google Earth image, 2026)

