Mojave IRWM Group

Boundaries coincide with MWA Boundaries

IRWM Governance/Membership

- Governed by a 7-member elected Board of Directors
- The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to the Board serves as the primary stakeholder advisory group
  - Retail water suppliers
  - Wastewater agencies
  - Cities/towns/county
  - Regulatory agencies
  - Environmental organizations
  - Private well owners and interested citizens
  - Farmers/agriculture

Technical Advisory Committee Members

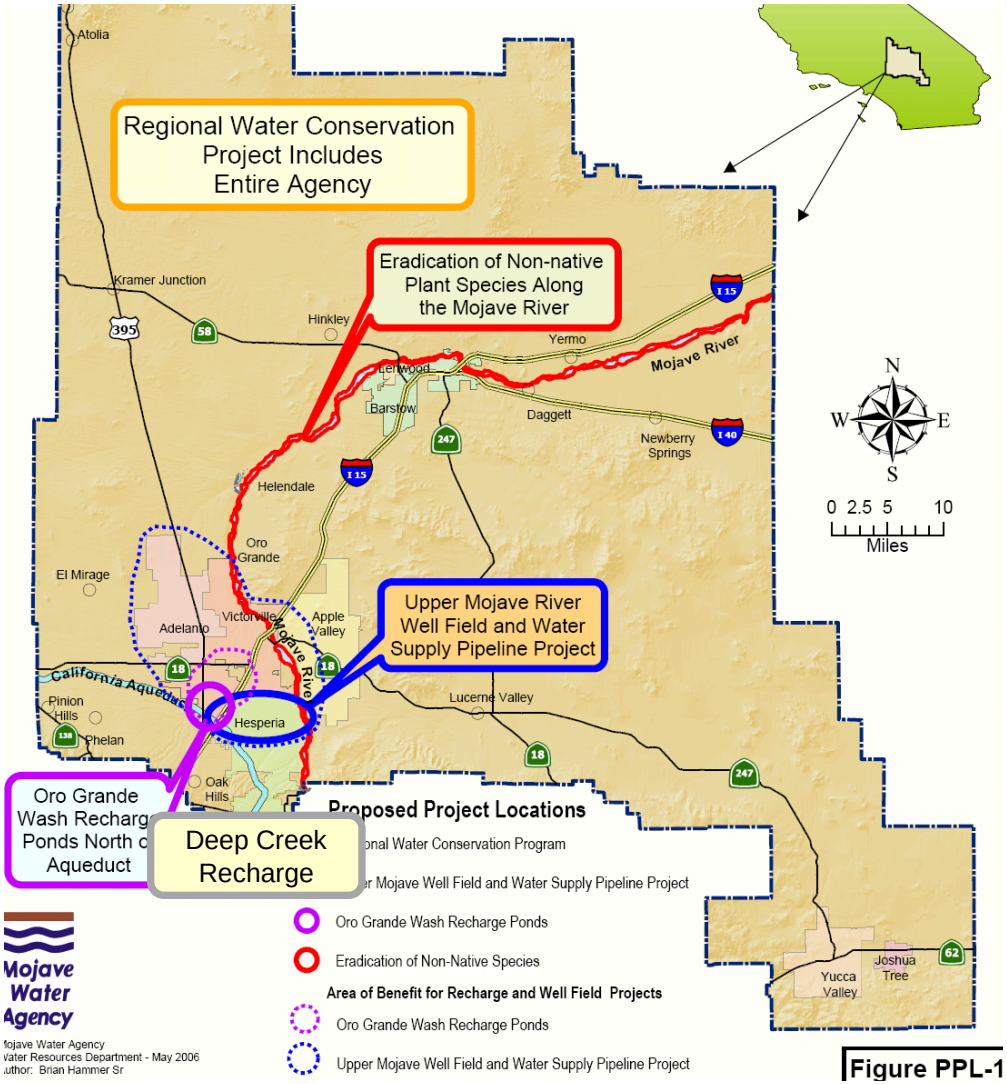
- Apple Valley Ranchos
- Baldy Mesa Water District
- Bar-H Mutual Water Company
- Bighorn Desert View Water Agency
- California Department of Fish & Game
- Citizens for a Better Community
- City of Barstow
- City of Hesperia
- City of Victorville
- County of San Bernardino Special Districts
- Department of Water Resources
- Hi-Desert Water District
- Jess Ranch
- Joshua Basin Water District
- Jubilee Mutual Water Company
- Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Mariana Ranchos County Water District
- Spring Valley Lakes Association
- Town of Apple Valley
- Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority
- Victor Valley Water District

*In addition, approximately 20 individual participants

Priorities

- Basin Management Objectives:
  - Balance future water demands with available supplies
  - Maximize the overall beneficial use of water throughout the MWA

Accomplishments Since the 2004 IRWMP



First-tier priority Projects Identified in the 2004 IRWMP have been completed or are currently underway

Thanks to the 2004 IRWMP, the region has been awarded over $50M in state and federal grants

Funding Source	Prop 50	Prop 84	USBR	NRCS	US EPA	Total
R-Cubed	$24M		$10.8 M			$34.8 M
Oro Grande Recharge			$4.1M			4.1M
Non-Native Species Removal	$250K			$1.7M		$1.95 M
Water Conservation	$250K	$2M				$2.25 M
Joshua Basin Recharge		$3M			$290K	$3.29 M
Hi-Desert WD		$3M				$3M
VVWRA			$2M			$2M

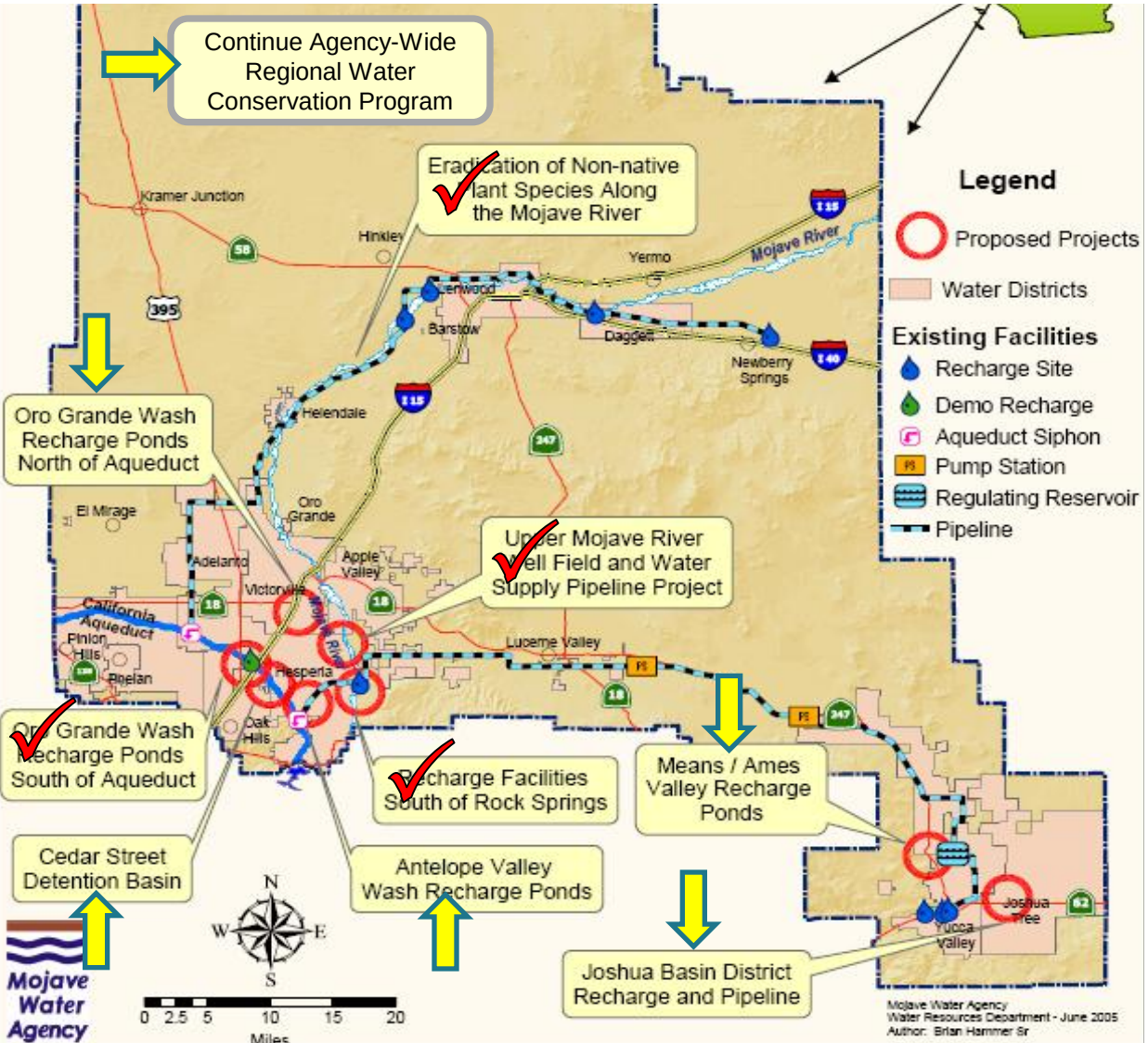
Challenges

- Funding for future projects (including funds for the IRWMP update)
- Meeting new State requirements and working with regulatory bodies to implement
  - New IRWMP standards (climate change; disadvantaged communities; etc.)
  - CASGEM reporting
  - Salt/Nutrient Management Planning
- Bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders

Opportunities/Plans for Future

- Leveraging State & Federal grant funds makes our local dollars goes a long way to accomplish needed projects
- The stakeholders (TAC) guide the planning & prioritization of future projects and actions
- Priority projects identified in last IRWMP not yet accomplished… (second-tier priority)

Possible Future Projects



Second-tier priority projects identified in IRWMP

➡ not yet completed

✓ Completed or underway

Lessons Learned

- Strong community involvement with the help of a professional facilitator was key
- Everyone has a voice
- Science based decision making shapes the vision for the region
- Be flexible and keep moving in the “right” direction no matter what