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Subject: **Preliminary Geotechnical Report
XpressWest Extension Project
Rancho Cucamonga to Apple Valley, California**

Dear Mr. Wang:

Attached is our Preliminary Geotechnical Report for the proposed XpressWest Extension Project. This report is prepared to support the preliminary 15% design phase of the project.

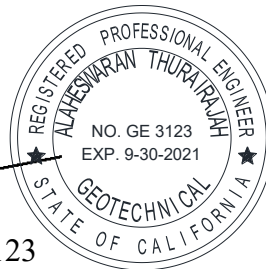
The recommendations and conclusions provided in this report are based on available subsurface soil information. These conclusions and recommendations are considered preliminary and should be verified in the future by conducting additional site-specific geotechnical field investigations, laboratory testing, and engineering analyses.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide geotechnical services for this project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

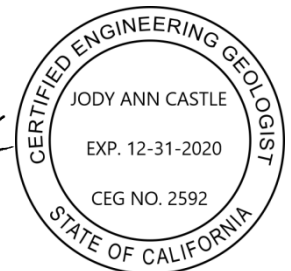
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1.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

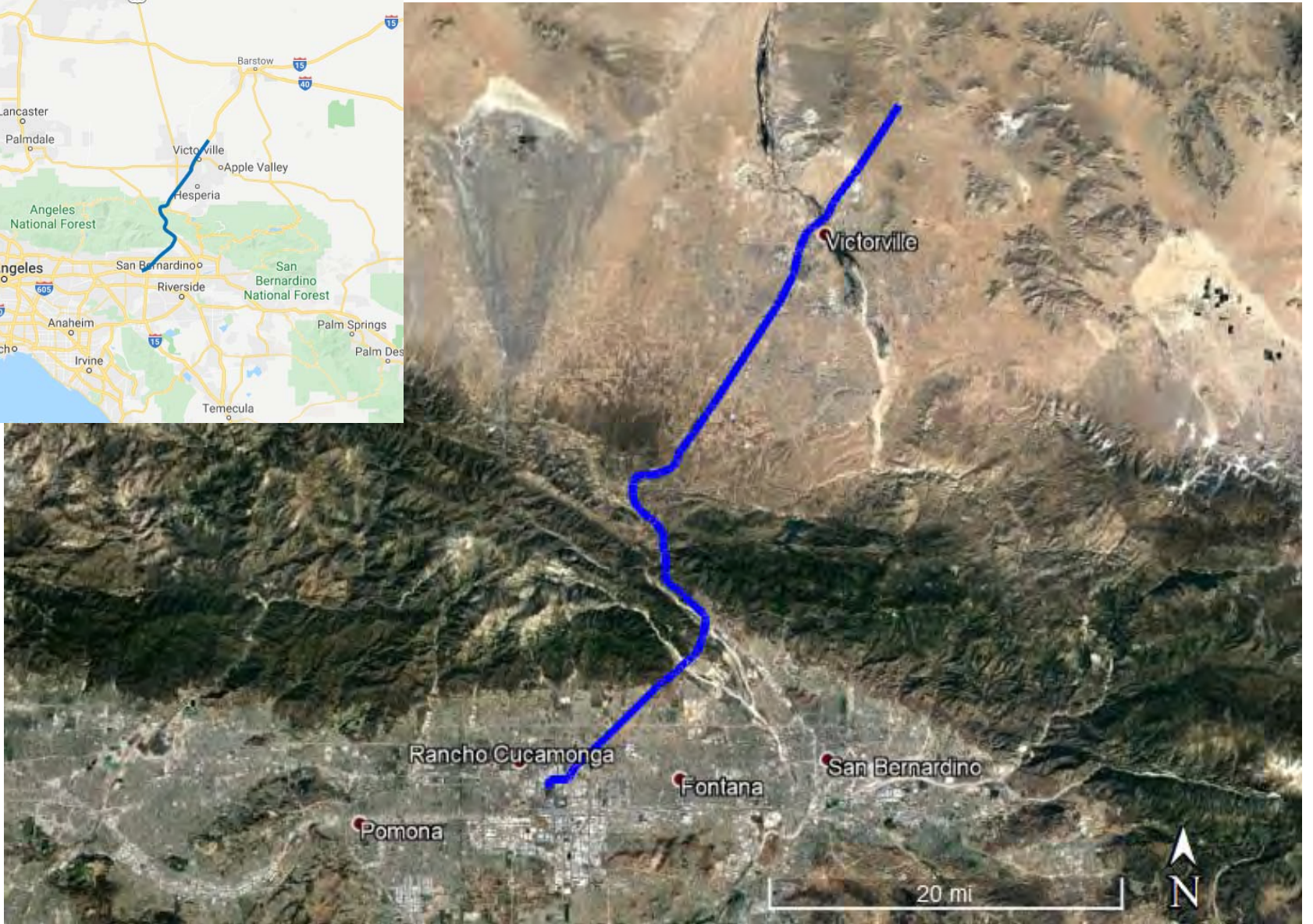
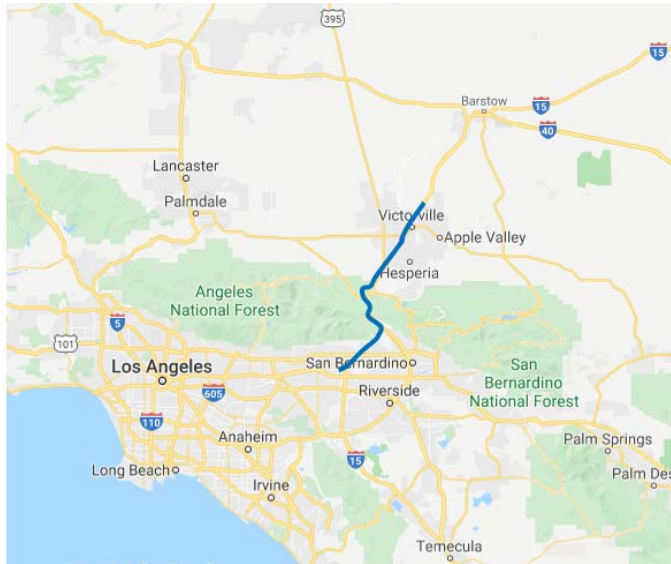
The XpressWest Extension is a Federally authorized high speed passenger railroad that proposes to connect Rancho Cucamonga and Apple Valley. The route will be a 50-mile track through the Cajon Pass into Rancho Cucamonga and an expansion of the planned XpressWest service from Apple Valley to Las Vegas. The proposed alignment will generally follow the existing Caltrans' right of way through the Cajon Pass, along the Interstate 15 freeway and connect with the Rancho Cucamonga Metrolink station. The fully electric high-speed trains would make the trip along the I-15 corridor to Las Vegas at speeds in excess of 150 mph.

The main proposed improvements of the project include construction of over 50 miles of single and double track that travels along the I-15 freeway and crosses existing bridges. The HSR track alignment will travel parallel to and within I-15 freeway corridor and adjacent to the bent supports of the existing bridges. Several existing structures will also be replaced as part of the overall project. The project location is presented in Figure 1.

2.0 SCOPE OF WORK

This Preliminary Geotechnical Report (PGR) has been prepared to provide preliminary geotechnical information for the XpressWest Extension alignment and to assist the structural designers in the preliminary phase of the XpressWest Extension project. The preliminary recommendations provided in this report are based on subsurface information contained on the as-built Log-of-Test-Borings (LOTB) sheets included in Appendix A. A site-specific geotechnical investigation will be performed for these bridges during the final design phase; therefore, the following preliminary recommendations require verification when additional site-specific information becomes available.

The geotechnical scope of work included: (1) reviewing available geotechnical/geologic information including reports, published geologic maps, and seismic hazard reports, (2) reviewing as-built plans of nearby existing bridges, (3) reviewing preliminary structure exhibits prepared by the structural designers; and, (4) assessing the foundation types for the proposed bridge structures. The geotechnical and geologic references reviewed for this project are listed in the references section of this report.



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Project Location

Figure 1

3.0 SITE GEOLOGY AND SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

3.1 Regional Geology

The XpressWest Extension track alignment extends across three distinct geomorphic provinces through highly varied, faulted, and complex geology. From the southern terminus in Rancho Cucamonga, the alignment begins in the northern portion of the Peninsular Ranges Province. Near the juncture of the Sierra Madre (Cucamonga segment) and San Jacinto (Lytle Creek segment) faults, the alignment crosses into the mountainous terrain of the Transverse Ranges Province, and traverses Cajon Canyon between the San Gabriel Mountains and San Bernardino Mountains. Within the Transverse Ranges, the alignment crosses the San Jacinto, San Andreas, and Cleghorn fault zones. Descending from Cajon Summit, the alignment then enters the Mojave Desert Province about 12 miles southwest of Victorville. The discussion of geologic conditions along alignment will be in three sections, subdivided generally by geomorphic province. Regional geologic maps are presented in Figures 2-6.

3.1.1 Peninsular Ranges Geomorphic Province, Rancho Cucamonga Section, Sta.12929+00 to Sta. 12100+00

From Rancho Cucamonga to Sierra Avenue, the alignment proceeds northwesterly across large alluvial fans emanating from the San Gabriel Mountains to the north. Topography is generally level, with a regional slope of about 2.5% down to the south. At the base of the mountains is the east-west trending Cucamonga segment of the Sierra Madre thrust fault. Headwaters of local creeks originate in the nearby San Gabriel Mountains and drainage is to the south. Most local creeks have been channelized for flood control and urban development. Creeks crossed by the alignment include the Day Canyon Channel and the East Etiwanda Creek. The Day Canyon Channel is located at Sta 12523+00 and, to the west of the I-15/I-210 interchange, near Sta. 12364+00, the alignment crosses East Etiwanda Creek. A large flood control catch basin is located to the north of the alignment at the I-15/I-210 interchange for control of stormwater from winter rains.

This portion of the alignment crosses Quaternary (less than 2.6 million years old) and Holocene (less than 11,000 years old) aged alluvial fan sediments consisting of unconsolidated to slightly consolidated, dense, sand and silty sand with granitic gravel, cobbles, and boulders. Overall, sediments generally become more coarse-grained with higher percentages of gravels, cobbles, and boulders to the northwest as the alignment comes closer to the base of the San Gabriel Mountains.

Within the Peninsular Ranges geomorphic province, the alignment does not cross any faults. The alignment does come within 1000 feet of the Sierra Madre fault from approximately Sta. 12131+00 to 12155+50 and at Sta.12102+00, the eastern terminus of the fault. The alignment is located south of the fault and oriented subparallel to the fault.

3.1.2 Transverse Ranges Geomorphic Province, Mountain and Cajon Pass Section, Sta. 12100+00 to Sta. 11200+00

The Transverse Ranges geomorphic province section is the most geologically complex portion of the proposed alignment. From Sierra Avenue to Oak Hill Road, the alignment passes through the mountainous Transverse Ranges geomorphic province, across the faulted boundary between the Pacific and North American tectonic plates, and over Cajon Pass before descending into the Mojave Desert. Elevations range between about 2000 feet at Lytle Creek to about 4200 feet at Cajon Pass. Within this section, the alignment crosses the San Bernardino segments of the San Jacinto and San Andreas fault zones. Together, the San Jacinto and San Andreas fault zones accommodate up to 80% of the slip rate between the North American and Pacific plates.

Major drainages include the northwest trending Lytle and Cajon Creeks. The orientation of both creeks is controlled by the San Jacinto and San Andreas faults. Lytle Creek is crossed by the alignment approximately between Sta. 12073+00 to Sta. 12053+00. Just south of the I-15/I-215 interchange, Cajon Creek is crossed by the alignment approximately between Sta. 11915+00 to Sta. 11909+00.

Due to extensive faulting, subsurface conditions are highly variable within this section and defy broad generalization. Geologic units include Quaternary alluvium, Cenozoic sandstone and conglomerates, Cenozoic and Cretaceous aged granitics, and Mesozoic aged metamorphic rocks. Bedrock may be locally shallow.

The alignment crosses the San Jacinto, San Andreas, and Cleghorn faults within this section. The San Jacinto fault zone is a right-lateral Holocene-active fault with multiple strands and is zoned in accordance with the Alquist-Priolo Act. The fault is capable of producing a M7.7 earthquake. The width of the fault zone extends approximately 2.7 miles and includes the Lytle Creek, San Jacinto, and Glen Helen fault strands. The alignment crosses the fault at approximately Sta. 12109+80 (Lytle Creek fault strand), Sta. 11992+50 (San Jacinto fault strand), and Sta. 11943+80 (Glen Helen fault strand). Bridges less than 1000 ft from fault crossings include Sierra Ave., Lytle Creek, Glen Helen Parkway, and Glen Helen Road.

The San Andreas fault zone is a right-lateral Holocene-active fault and is zoned in accordance with the Alquist-Priolo Act. The fault is capable of producing a M7.9 earthquake. The alignment crosses a secondary strand of the fault (the Peters fault) at Kenwood Avenue at Sta. 11836+50 and the main fault at Oakie Flats at Sta. 11705+50. Bridges less than 1000 ft from fault crossings include Kenwood Avenue and Oakie Flats. Cleghorn Creek Bridge near Sta. 11652+00 is located within a mapped Alquist Priolo (AP) fault zone, but a previous Caltrans fault rupture evaluation found that the inferred fault strand is more than 15,000 years old and dismissed likelihood of surface rupture at the bridge.

The Southern Cleghorn section of the Cleghorn fault is a left-lateral fault and is dated as late Quaternary (less than 130,000 years old) in age by the USGS, while the Caltrans fault database dates it as Holocene active. It is not an AP-zoned fault. While Meisling (1984), considered the Southern Cleghorn section to have features indicative of Holocene surface rupture, Bryant (1987) believed the Holocene-aged features to be due to landsliding, not tectonic forces. The fault is capable of producing a M6.7 earthquake. The fault crosses the alignment at an oblique angle near



Sta. 1158+00 and is less than 1000 ft from alignment from about Sta.11506+00 to 11585+00. Bridges less than 1000 ft from the fault crossing include Cleghorn Rd and Brush Creek.

3.1.3 Mojave Desert Geomorphic Province, Apple Valley Section, Sta. 11200+00 to Sta. 10037+00

From Oak Hill Road to the XpressWest Extension terminus in Apple Valley, the alignment is within the Mojave Desert geomorphic province. The province is characterized by isolated mountain ranges, separated by expanses of desert plains, and broad playas. Most of the area is undeveloped, open desert terrain with extensive soil and rock exposures and sparse vegetation. Victorville is the only urban area in this section of the alignment. Elevations range from a high of about 4095 feet at Oak Hill Road to a low of about 2720 feet at the Mojave River.

The alignment crosses the California Aqueduct, which conveys water from Northern and Central California to Southern California, near Sta. 10911+00. The major river drainage in this section is the Mojave River. The Mojave River originates in the eastern slopes of the San Bernardino Mountains and flows northeastward for approximately 100 miles, terminating at the dry Soda Lake near Baker, in eastern California. Except for during extreme floods, most of the river's flow is underground with the surface channels remaining dry. The alignment crosses the river between about Sta. 10410+00 and Sta. 10404+00

Most of the proposed alignment crosses alluviated areas underlain by Quaternary (less than 2.6 million years old) sediments. The Quaternary deposits include unconsolidated Holocene (less than 11,000 years old) sediments and generally more consolidated Pleistocene (11,000 to 2.6 million years old) alluvial fan and playa deposits. Shallow granitic bedrock, mostly quartz monzonite and granodiorite, may be present at Stoddard Wells Rd overcrossing and Bell Mountain Wash.

4.0 PRELIMINARY SEISMIC INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Faulting and Seismicity

The project area is located in seismically active southern California and is subject to shaking from both local and distant earthquakes. The XpressWest Extension alignment spans across a region of complex active faulting. The project alignment is crossed by or comes within 1000 feet of four major faults: the Sierra Madre (Cucamonga section), the San Jacinto (San Bernardino Valley section which includes the Lytle Creek, San Jacinto, and Glen Helen fault strands), the San Andreas (San Bernardino section), and the Cleghorn (Southern Cleghorn section). In accordance with Caltrans Memo To Designers 20-10 (Caltrans, 2013), the track alignment does have structures which fall within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquakes Fault Zone or within 1,000 ft of an unzoned fault that is Holocene or younger in age; therefore, further fault studies will be necessary.

Other major regional faults which do not cross the XpressWest Extension alignment include: the Red Hill-Etiwanda Ave, Fontana Seismic Trend, Waterman Canyon, Tunnel Ridge, Arraste Canyon Narrows, North Frontal Thrust, San Antonio, and Helendale-South Lockhart faults.

Fault details are summarized in Table 1 and regional faults are shown in Figure 7 with details of Alquist-Priolo fault zones shown in Figures 8-10.

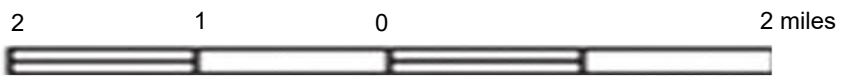
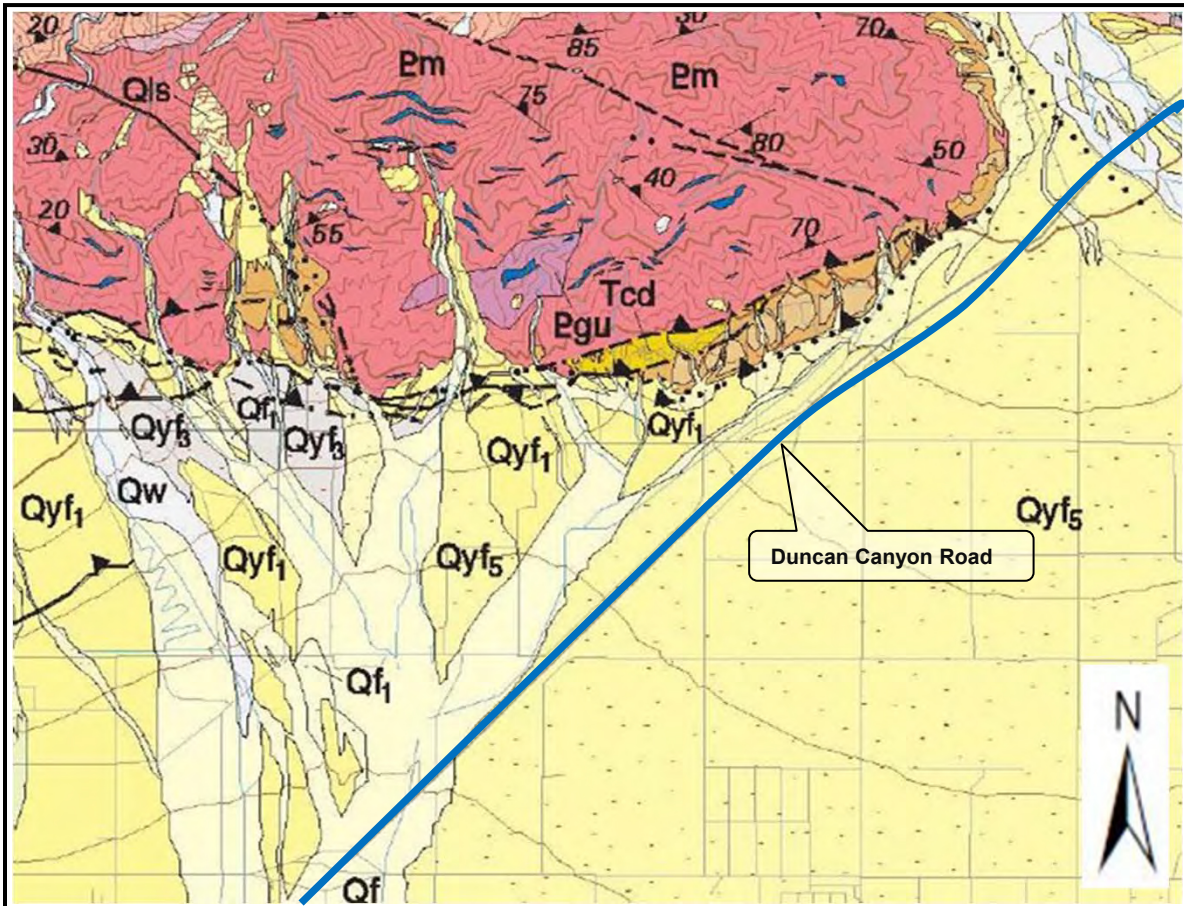
Table 1. Fault Data

Fault	Crosses Alignment, Approx. Sta.	Nearest Structure(s)	Dist., km	Fault Type ¹	Slip Rate, mm/yr	Max Fault Surface Rupture Displacement ² (ft)	Avg Strike of Fault	Dip	Fault Length, km	Fault Age ³	Mag	AP Fault Zone?	Structure Outside AP Zone?
Sierra Madre (Cucamonga Section)	Does not cross	Duncan Canyon Rd	0.5	R	1.0-5.0	-	N78E	45	135	H	6.6	Yes	Yes
San Jacinto (San Bernardino Section)	Crosses at:			RL	16.1	23	N58W	65-90	244	H	7.7	Yes	
	~Sta. 12091+50	Sierra Ave	0.2										No
	~Sta. 12109+80	Lytle Creek Br	0.3										Yes
	~Sta. 11992+50	Glen Helen Pkwy	0.3										Yes
	~Sta. 11943+80	Glen Helen Rd	0.2	Yes									
San Andreas (San Bernardino Mtns Section)	Crosses at:			RL	12.8 mm/yr	33	N79W	V	1100	H	7.9	Yes	No
	~Sta. 11836+50	Kenwood Ave	0, crosses structure										
	~Sta. 11705+50	Oakie Flats	0, crosses structure										
	~Sta. 11688+00 (Strand is >11k yr.)	Cleghorn Creek Bridge	0.9										
Cleghorn (Cleghorn Southern Section)	~Sta. 1158+00	Cleghorn Rd	0.2	LL	2.0-3.3	2.5	N82W	85	25	LQ/H	6.7	No	Yes
		Brush Creek Br	0.2										
Helendale-South Lockhart	834+50 (Crosses next segment of alignment.)	Quarry Rd Br	7.4	RL	0.2-1.0	13	N39W	North	35	H	7.4	Yes	Yes
Red Hill Etiwanda Ave	Does not cross	SR-210	2.8	LL	N/A	-	N60E	N50	15	H	6.2	Yes, NE portion	Yes
Fontana Seismic Trend	Does not cross	SR-210	5.1	LL	N/A	-	N39E	N80	9	H	6.5	No	Yes
Waterman Canyon	Does not cross	Cajon Wash/Cajon Blvd	4.1	R	N/A	-	N95E	N45	29	LQ	6.7	No	N/A

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Tunnel Ridge	Does not cross	Cajon Wash/Cajon Blvd	17.3	LL	N/A	-	N45E	V	18	LQ	6.4	No	N/A
North Frontal Thrust	Does not cross	La Mesa Nisqualli Rd	15	R	0.2-1.0	-	N87W	S30-35	67	H	7.2	Yes	N/A
Arraste Canyon Narrows	Does not cross	Bear Valley Rd	21.3	R	N/A	-	N50E	V	11	LQ	6.2	No	N/A
San Antonio	Does not cross	SR-138	16.5	RL	N/A	-	N25E	V	25	LQ	6.5	No	N/A

Notes:

- (1) RL=Right-lateral, LL=Left-lateral, R=Reverse
- (2) Based on relationship between surface fault displacement and moment magnitude for strike-slip faulting (Wells and Coppersmith, 1994)
- (3) H=Holocene, LQ=Late Quaternary



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GEOLOGIC SYMBOLS

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FORMATION CONTACT	MEMBER CONTACT	CONTACT BETWEEN SURFICIAL SEDIMENTS
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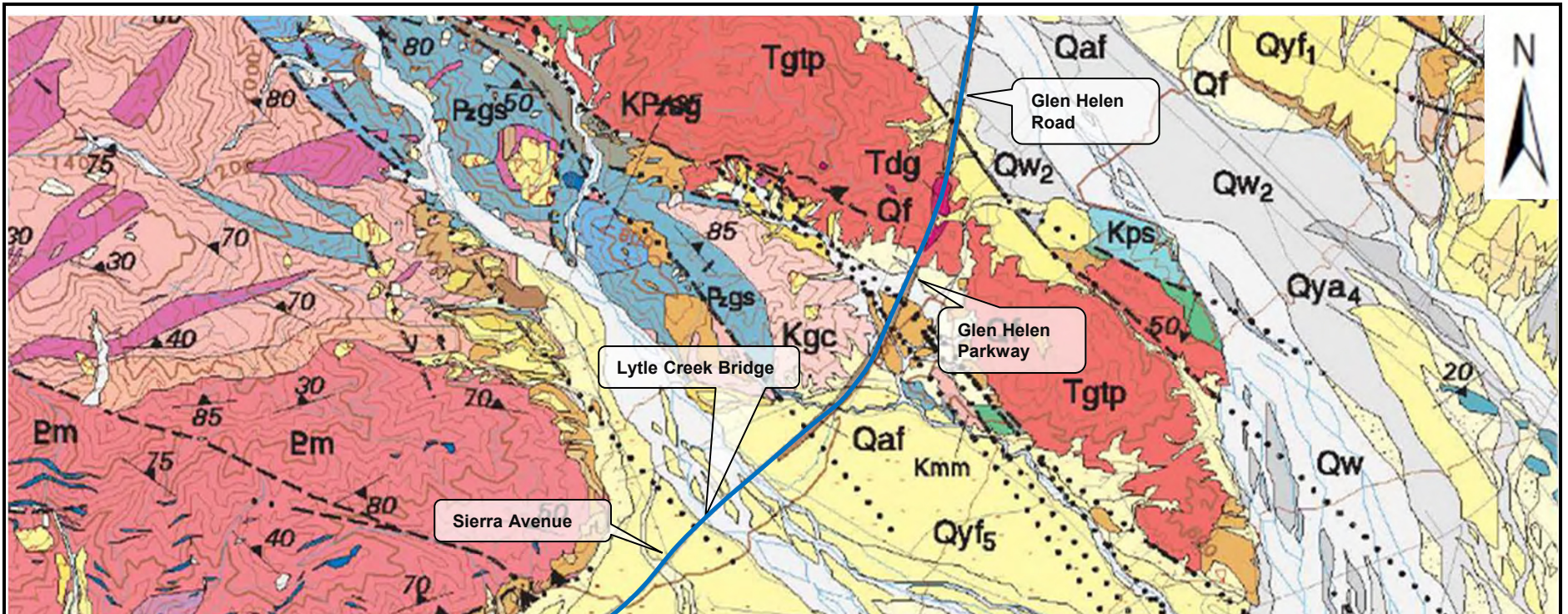
FAULT: Dashed where indefinite or inferred, dotted where concealed, queried where existence is doubtful. Parallel arrows indicate inferred relative lateral movement. Relative vertical movement is shown by U/D (U=upthrown side, D=downthrown side). Short arrow indicates dip of fault plane. Sawteeth are on upper plate of low angle thrust fault.

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Strike and dip of sedimentary rocks

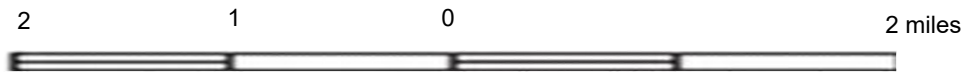
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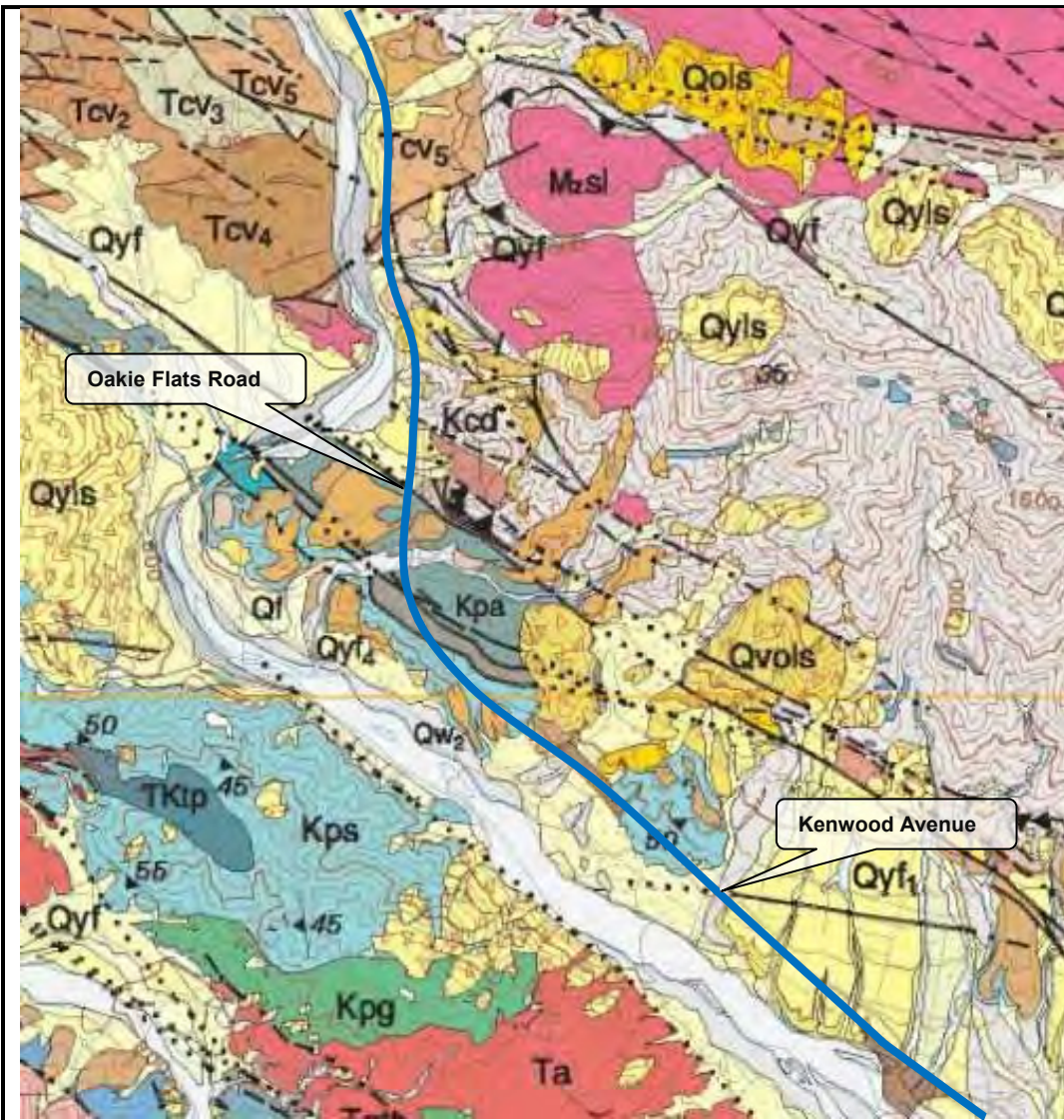
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Qf ₁			Very young alluvial fan deposits			
Qaf			Artificial fill			
Qyf	Qyf ₁	Qyf ₂	Qyf ₃	Qyf ₄	Qyf ₅	Young alluvial fan deposits
Qya			Young axial channel deposits			
Qls			Landslide deposits			
Qdg			Disturbed ground			
Tcd			Conglomerate and sandstone			
Tgtp			Granodiorite of Telegraph Peak			
Kmm			Leucocratic muscovite monzogranite			
Pm			Granulitic gneiss, mylonite, and cataclasite, retrograde			
Pgu			Granulitic gneiss, mylonite, and cataclasite			



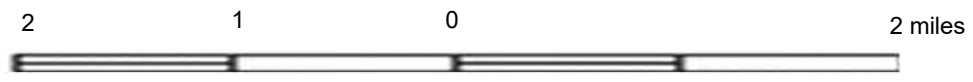
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Qaf			Artificial fill	Kmm	Leucocratic muscovite monzogranite			
Qyf	Qyf ₁	Qyf ₂	Qyf ₃	Qyf ₄	Qyf ₅	Young alluvial fan deposits	Kgc	Mylonitized leucogranite
Qya			Young axial channel deposits	Pm	Granulitic gneiss, mylonite, and cataclasite, retrograde			
Qls			Landslide deposits	Pgu	Granulitic gneiss, mylonite, and cataclasite			
Qdg			Disturbed ground	Pzgs	Metasedimentary schist and gneiss			
Tcd			Conglomerate and sandstone					

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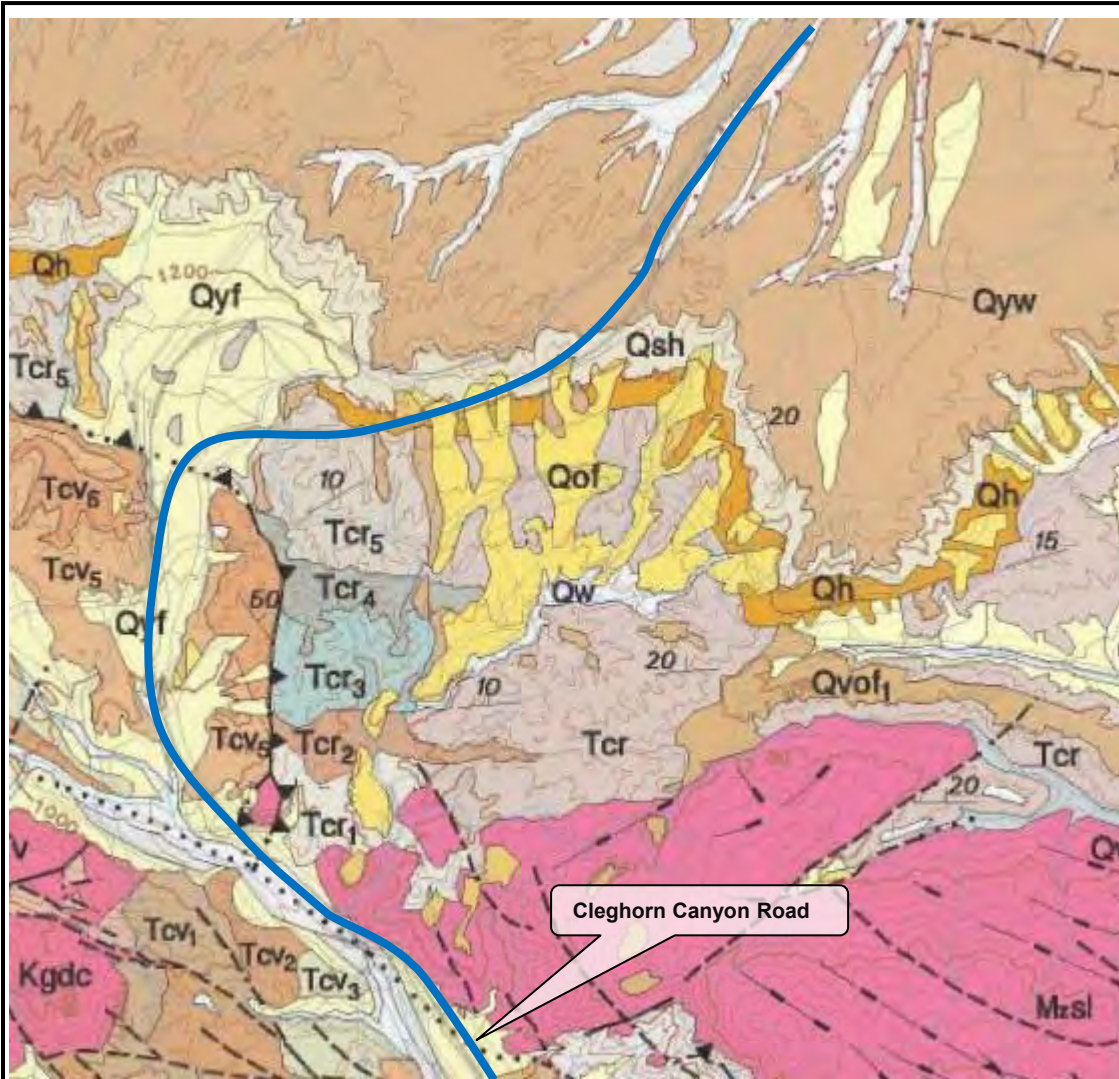




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Qya			Young axial channel deposits			
Qyls	Qols	Qvols	Landslide deposits			
QTfz			Crushed rock in fault zones			
Tcv ₂	Tcv ₃	Tcv ₄	Tcv ₅	Cajon Valley Formation		
Tgtp			Granodiorite of Telegraph Peak			
TKtp			Pelona Schist and granodiorite of Telegraph Peak			
Kpa			Pelona Schist, amphibolite grade unit—			
Kpg			Pelona Schist, greenstone unit			
Kps			Pelona Schist, muscovite schist unit			
Kcd			Sedimentary rocks of			
MzPd			Gneiss of Devil Canyon			
Mzsl			Mixed granitic rocks of Silverwood Lake			

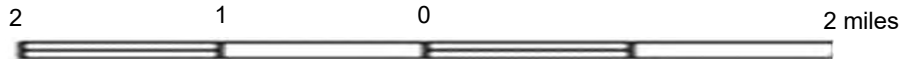


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Qyw			Young wash deposits			
Qyf	Qyf ₁	Qyf ₂	Qyf ₃	Qyf ₄	Qyf ₅	Young alluvial fan deposits
Qyf			Young alluvial fan deposits			
Qof			Older alluvial fan deposits			
Qvof			Very old alluvial fan deposits			
Qh			Harold Formation			
Qsh			Shoemaker gravel			
Tcr ₁	Tcr ₂	Tcr ₃	Tcr ₄	Tcr ₅	Crowder Formation	
Tcv ₂	Tcv ₃	Tcv ₄	Tcv ₅	Cajon Valley Formation		
Kgdc			Biotitic granodiorite, Cajon area			
Mzsl			Mixed granitic rocks of Silverwood Lake			

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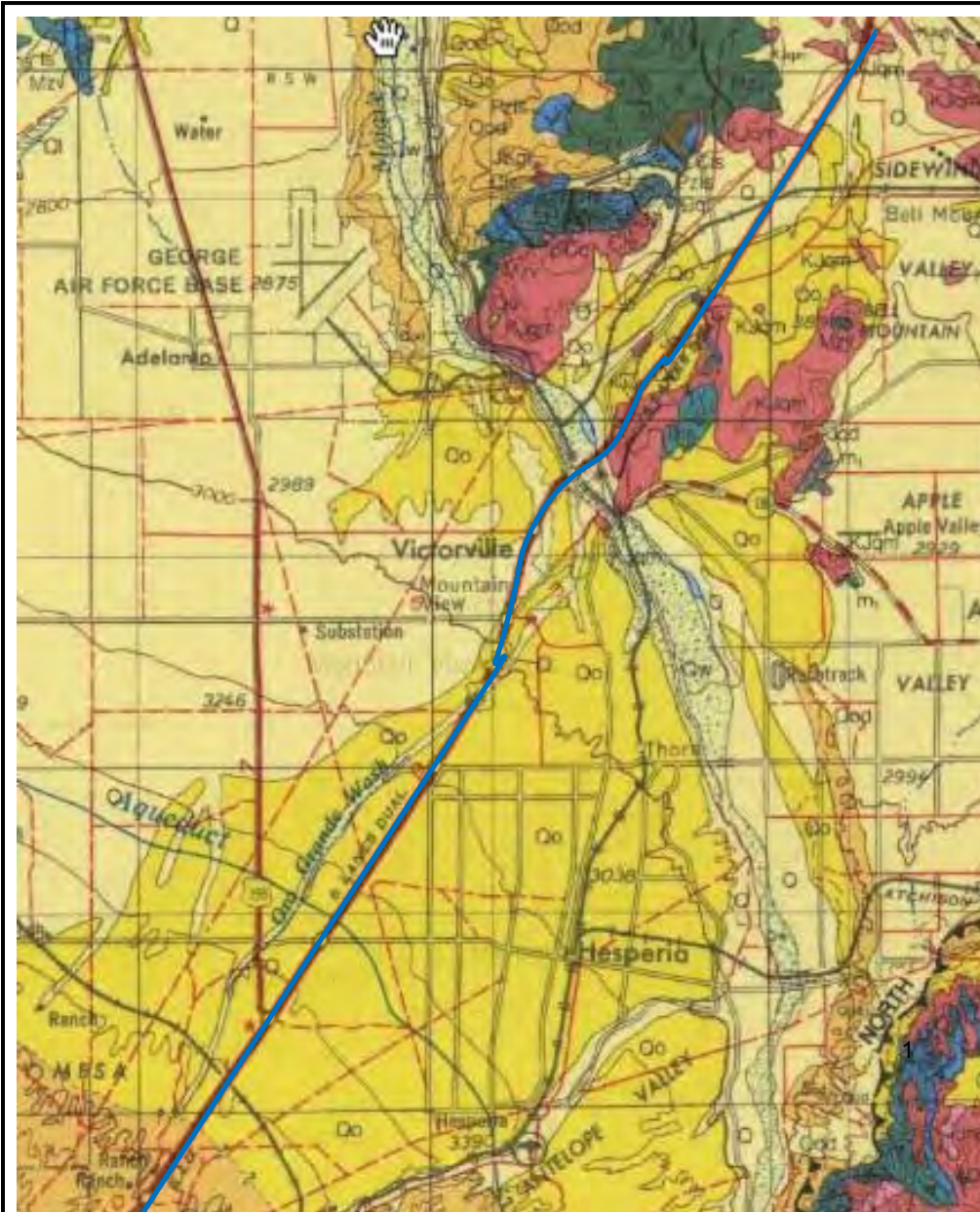
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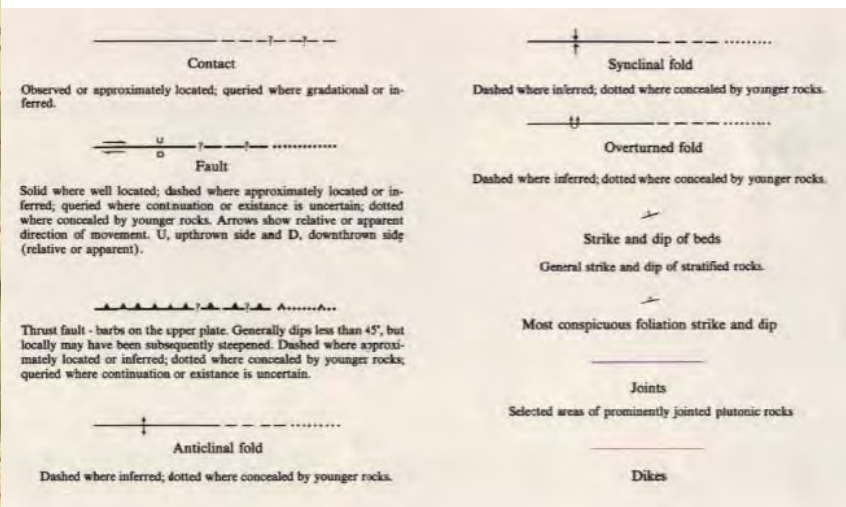
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Transverse Ranges Geomorphic Province Geologic Map, 3 of 3

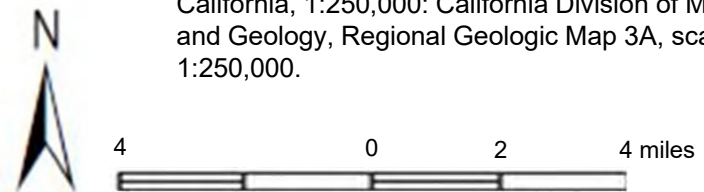
Figure 5



Qa	Quaternary alluvium
Qo	Older alluvium
Qw	Quaternary wash deposits
Kjqm	Cretaceous or Jurassic quartz monzonite
Mzv	Mesozoic metavolcanics rocks
ms	Metasedimentary rocks



Map Source: Bortugno, E.J., and Spittler, T.E., 1986, Geologic map of the San Bernardino quadrangle, California, 1:250,000: California Division of Mines and Geology, Regional Geologic Map 3A, scale 1:250,000.



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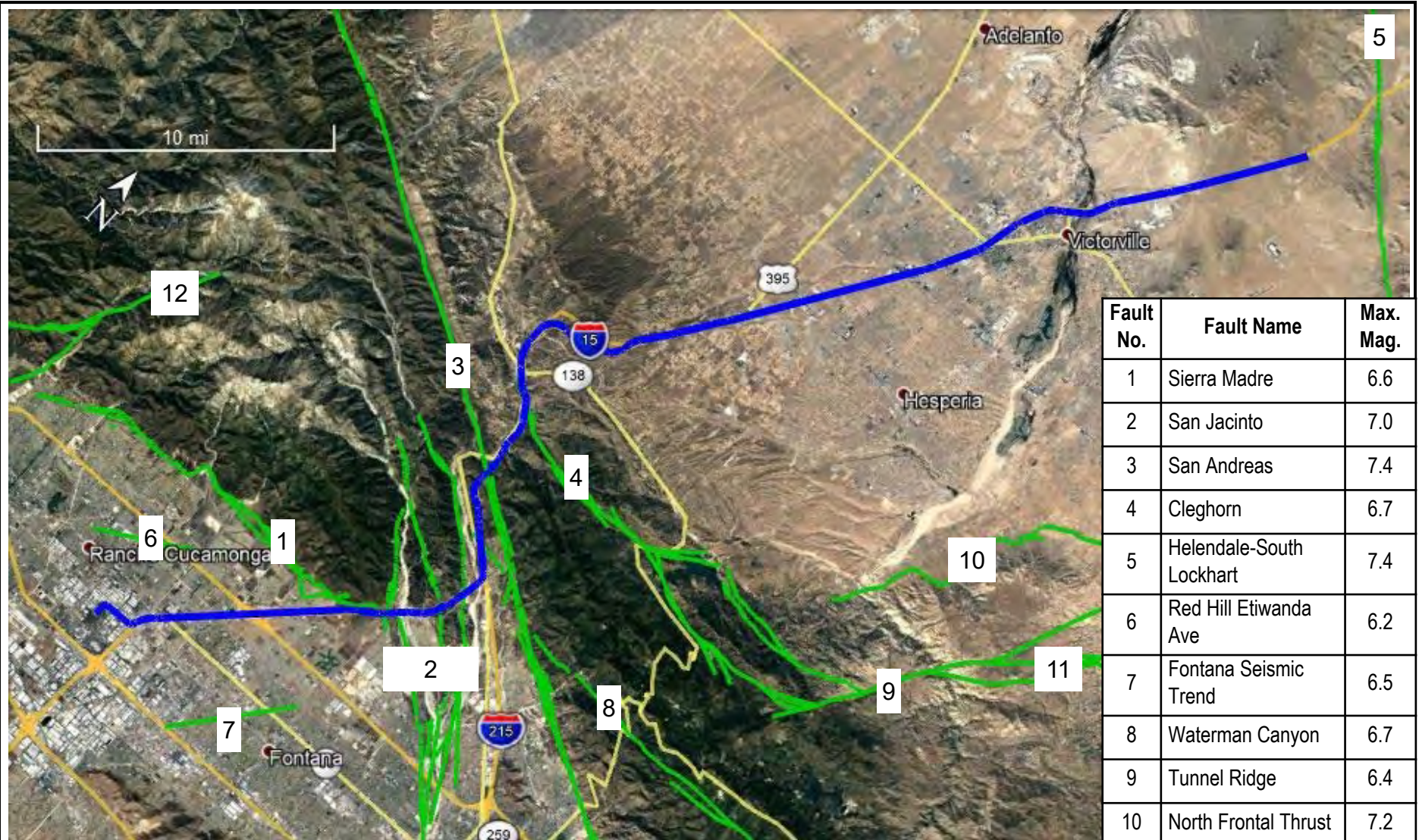
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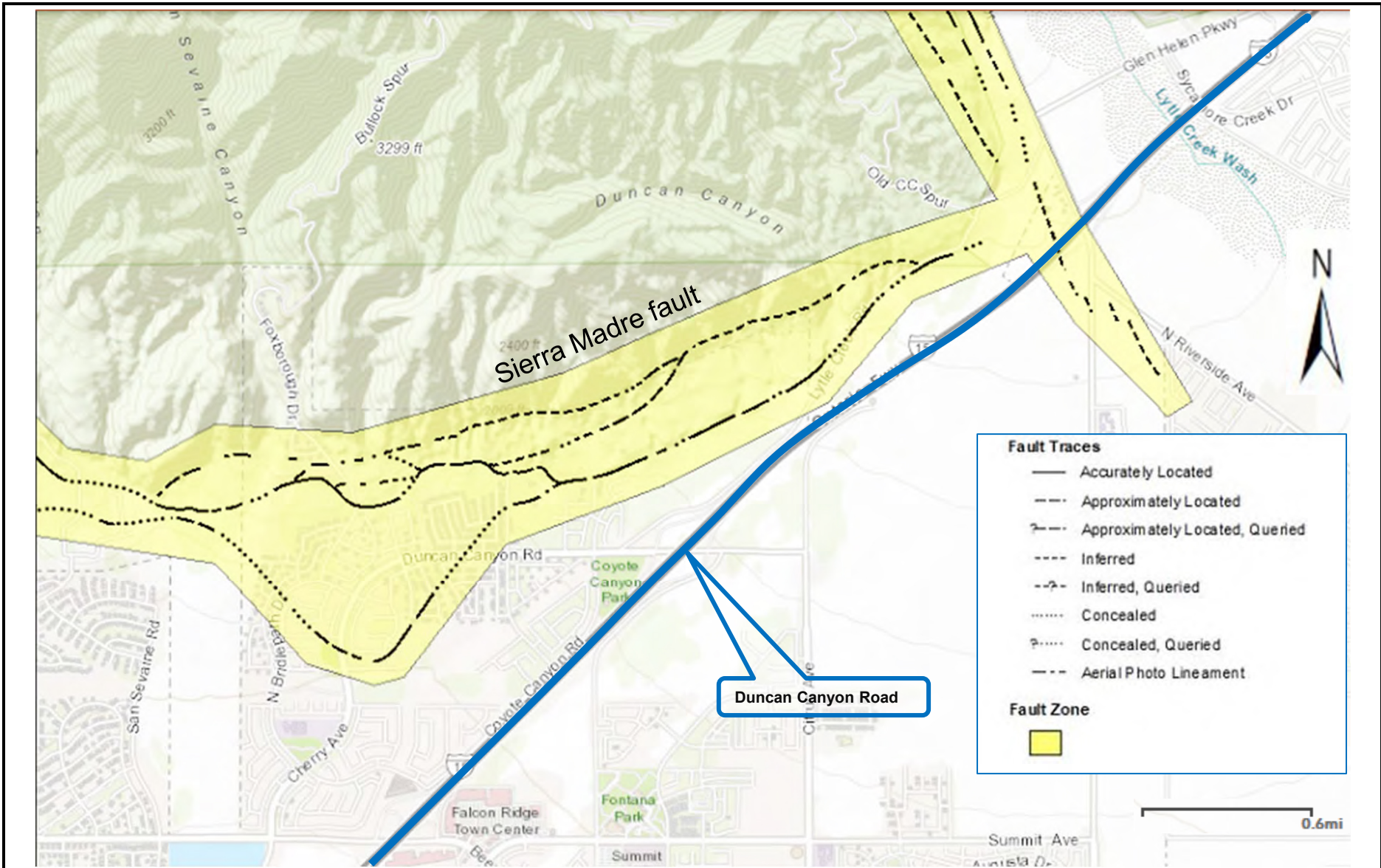
Mojave Desert Geomorphic Province Geologic Map

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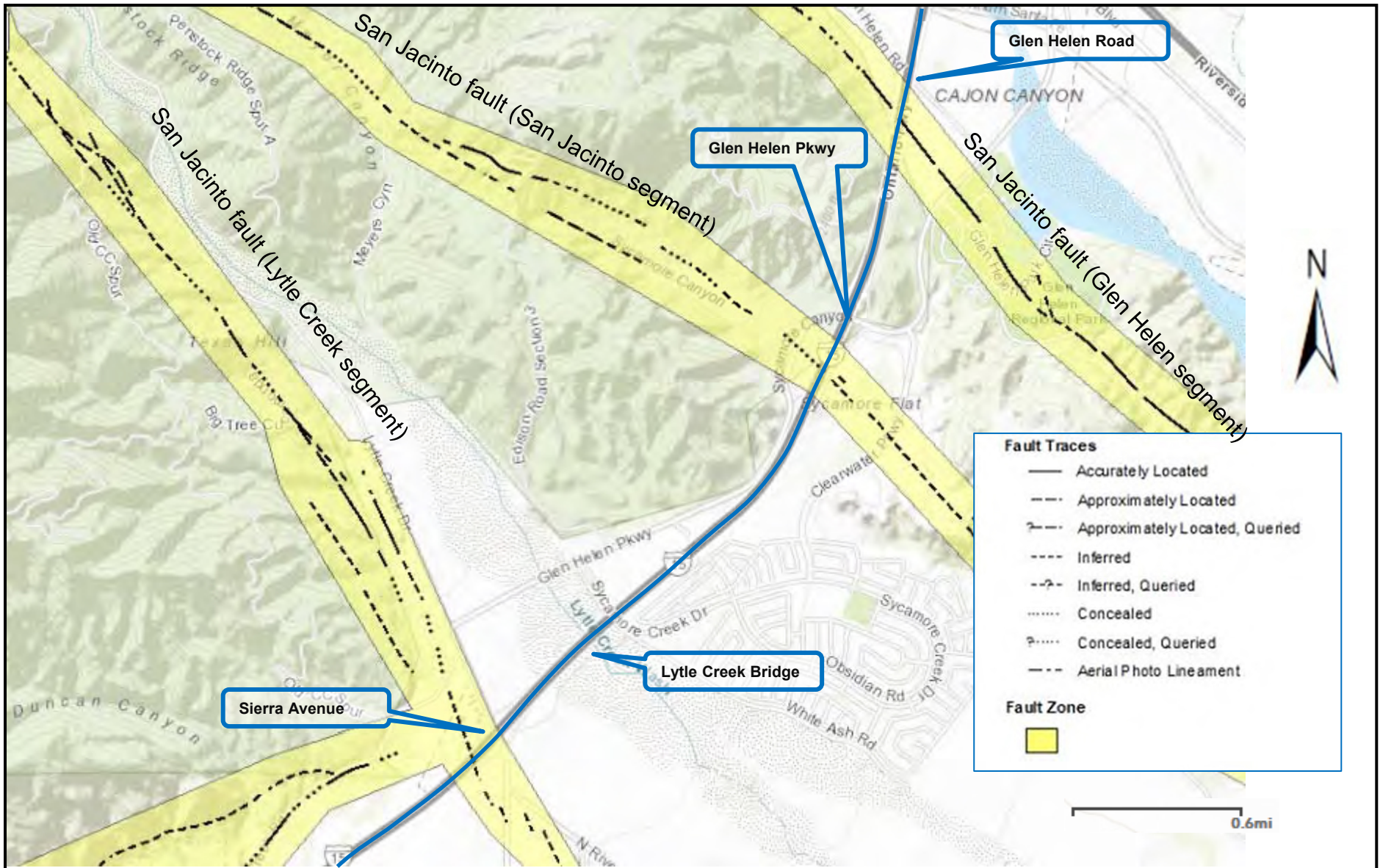
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1	Sierra Madre	6.6
2	San Jacinto	7.0
3	San Andreas	7.4
4	Cleghorn	6.7
5	Helendale-South Lockhart	7.4
6	Red Hill Etiwanda Ave	6.2
7	Fontana Seismic Trend	6.5
8	Waterman Canyon	6.7
9	Tunnel Ridge	6.4
10	North Frontal Thrust	7.2
11	Arraste Canyon Narrows	6.2
12	San Antonio	6.5

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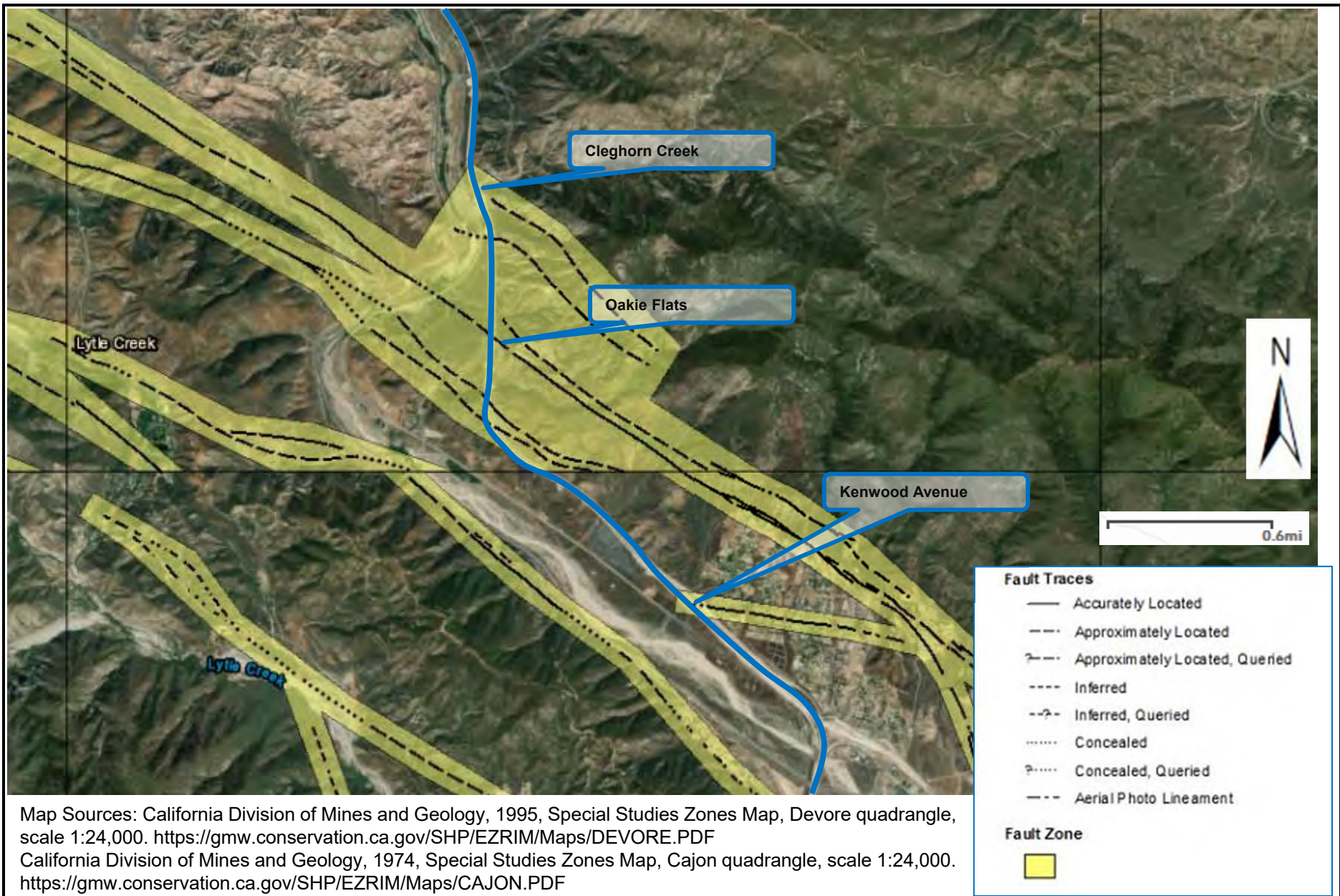
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Figure 10

4.2 Seismic Design

The preliminary Acceleration Response Spectrum (ARS) curves were developed for three levels of Seismic Hazard Evaluation criteria as defined in Table 2. The ARS curves were developed using the USGS Unified Hazard Tool with the Dynamic: Conterminous U.S. 2014 (v4.2.0) edition.

Table 2. Project Seismic Design

Seismic Hazard Evaluation Level	Return Period (years)	Performance Level
Lower Level Earthquake (LLE)	50	Rail Serviceability
Functional Evaluation Earthquake (FEE)	225	Operational
Safety Evaluation Earthquake (SEE)	975	Life Safety

The preliminary ARS curves are presented in Figure 11 and were developed according to Caltrans ARS Online V3.0 (2019). The preliminary ARS curve, the design magnitude, and the preliminary PGA will be updated during the final design phase following the field investigation, based on a Vs30 measured with the P-S wave suspension logging or SPT correlations obtained from site-specific soil borings.

5.0 PRELIMINARY FOUNDATION RECOMMENDATIONS

HNTB has currently proposed 52 structures for XpressWest Extension alignment. The proposed structures include:

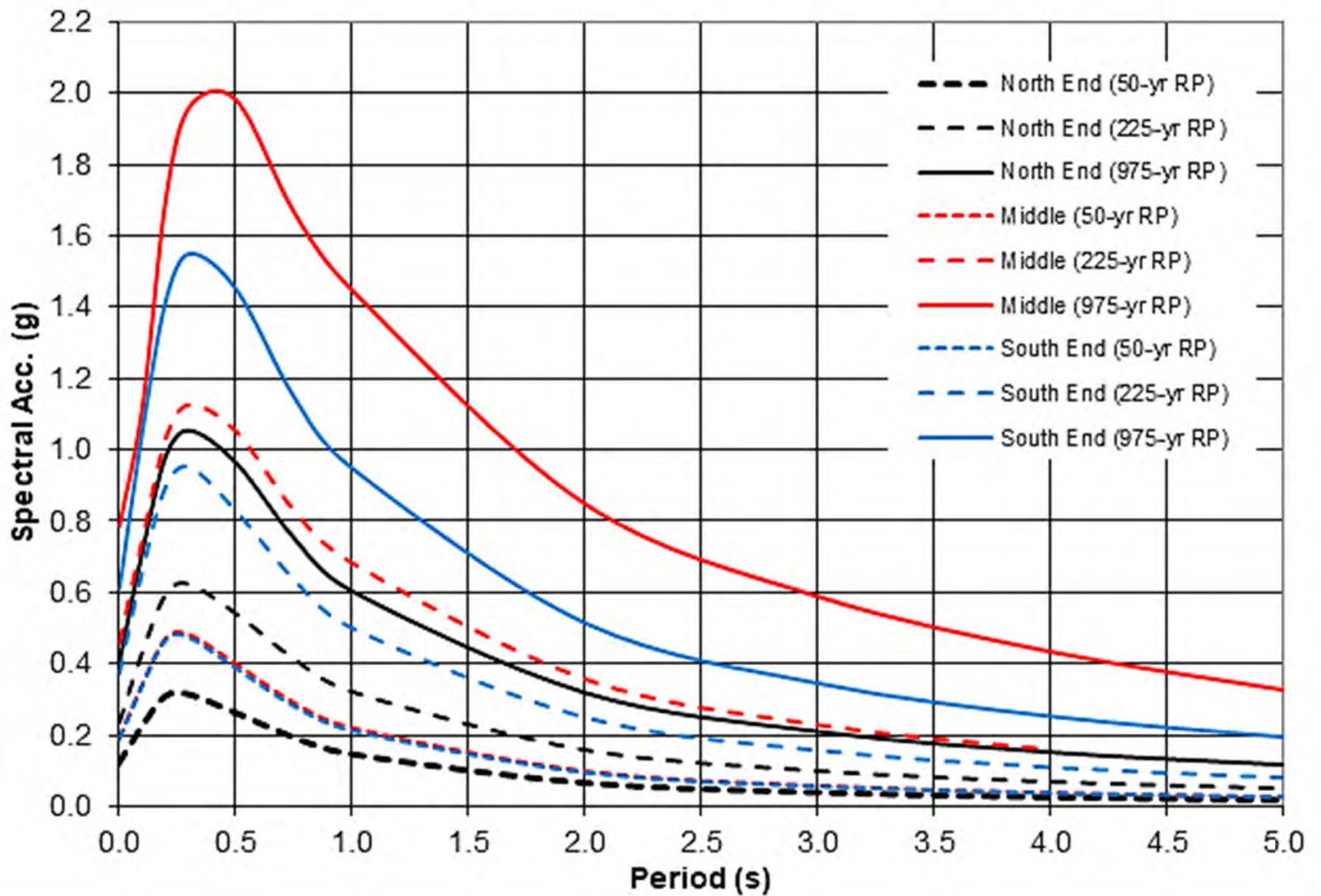
- 2 Trench (T): HSR will enter into trench when it goes under existing overcrossings.
- 12 Trench with Retaining Wall (T/RW): HSR accommodated by widening the I-15 with Ground Anchor Wall in front of the existing bridge abutments.
- 3 Trench with Replacement Bridge (T/R): Replace the existing bridge to allow HSR under.
- 1 Siderunning Trench (T/SR): HSR goes under the existing railroad.
- 31 Underpass (UP): HSR goes over creek/river, local street, or railroad.
- 3 Viaduct (V): Viaduct lengths generally range between about 2900 and 9000 feet.

For the Underpass and Viaduct structures, based on the available subsurface information, the near-surface site soils are not anticipated to have sufficient bearing resistance to support the proposed structure on spread footings and therefore deep foundations are recommended. The preliminary

recommendation is footing on piles for all abutments and bents. Of the deep foundation alternatives, site conditions may be conducive to driven or drilled piles.

Pile driving conditions for each of these structures will be highly variable due to the different geologic conditions at each bridge site. Difficult pile driving conditions, including shallow bedrock, cementation, or the presence of significant oversized materials (thick gravel layers, cobbles, or boulders), may exist at some locations.

Locations of proposed structures are shown in Appendix B.



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Figure 11

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