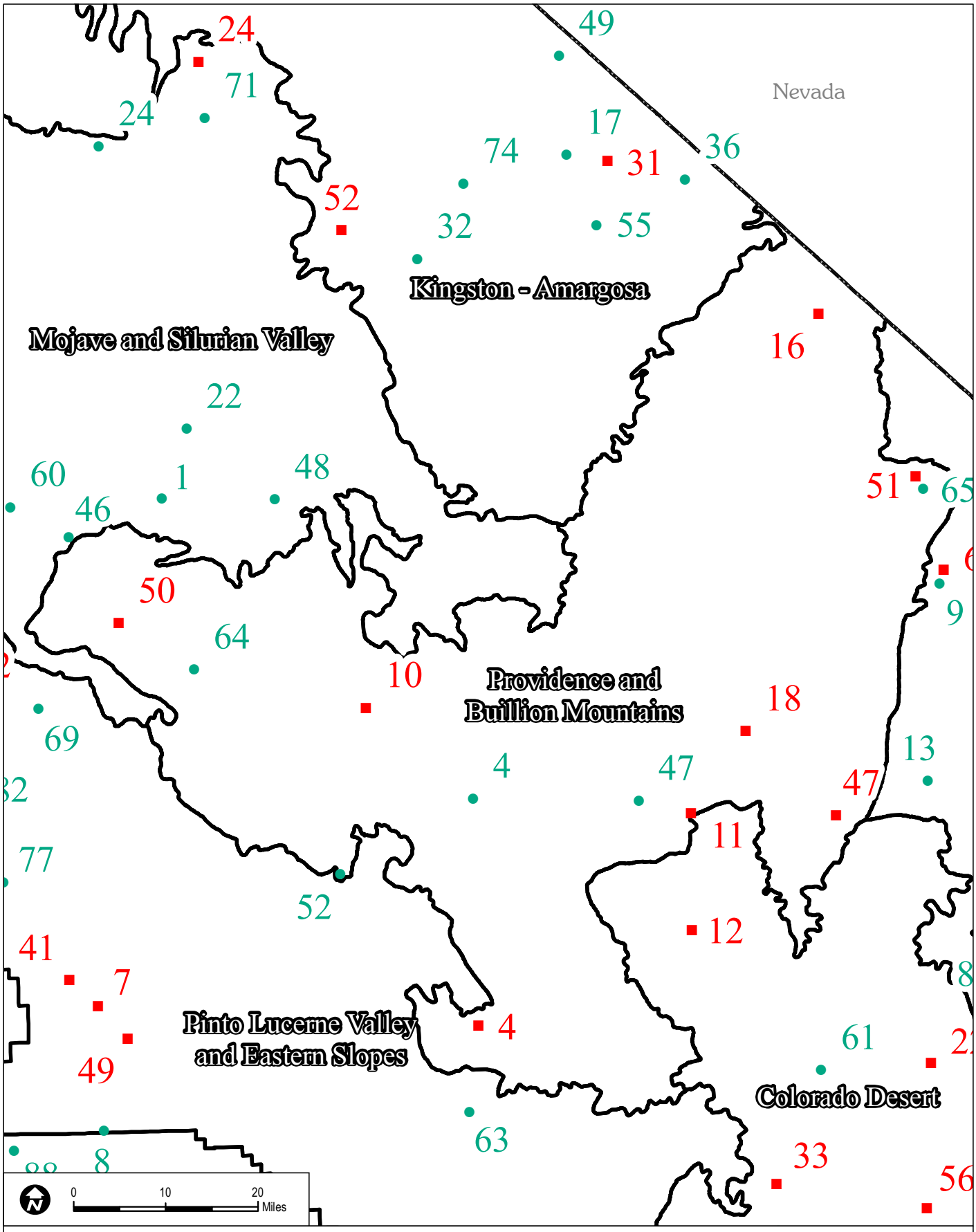

Providence and Buillion Mountains

Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP)

ACECs within the Providence and Buillion Mountains Subarea

#	**Proposed ACECs**
4	Santos Manuel
10	Bristol
11	Cadiz Corridor (covered in Cadiz Valley, see Colorado Desert Subarea)
16	Castle Mountain
18	Chemehuevi Expansion (covered in Chemehuevi, see Piute Valley and Sacramento Mountains Subarea)
47	Patton Military Camps
50	Pisgah Expansion (covered in Pisgah, see below)
51	Piute-Fenner infill (covered in Piute-Fenner, see below)

#	**Existing ACECs (within DRECP boundary)**
4	Amboy Crater
47	Marble Mountain Fossil Bed
52	Mojave Fringe-toed Lizard
64	Pisgah
65	Piute-Fenner

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Description/Location: Connects Cleghorn Lake on the north to Pinto Mountains on the south approximately 10 miles east of Twnetynine Palms.

Nationally Significant Values:
Ecological: This area provides high density Desert tortoise habitat. This area provides critical tortoise habitat linkage. This is a large block of relatively undisturbed habitat which maintains landscape level integrity.

Cultural: A rare prehistoric site was recently discovered in the area. Native Americans have identified this type of site as a sacred site and the cultural landscape should be maintained. .

Special Designations/Management Plan/Date: New proposal

Relevance and Importance Criteria: A rare prehistoric site was recently discovered in the area. Native Americans have identified this type of site as a sacred site and the cultural landscape should be maintained.

Goals: Protect culturally significant area identified by San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

For NLCS Lands: Where this ruleset differs from the plan-wide NLCS rulesets, the more restrictive rules will apply.

Designation and Acreage by Alternative:

Alternative	BLM Acres of NLCS within ACEC or Wildlife Allocation	BLM Acres within ACEC	BLM Acres within Wildlife Allocation	ACEC Disturbance Cap
No Action	0	0	0	NA
Preferred Alternative	0	27,500	0	0.10%
1	0	27,500	0	0.10%
2	27,500	27,500	0	0.10%
3	26,600	27,500	0	0.10%
4	23,100	23,900	0	0.10%

*** Acreage values are for BLM managed lands**

Alternatives:
All Action Alternatives – The area would be identified as an ACEC.

No Action: This area would not have any special management direction.

Objectives (desired future conditions)/Allowable Uses/Management Actions	Resource
Objective: Provide for increased protection of sensitive plant species and rare natural communities. Management Action: Initiate periodic surveys of the ACEC to locate sensitive plant populations and if any are located, take necessary precautionary measures deemed appropriate by a botanist to assure continued survival Management Action 2: Protect Natural Communities listed as rare by the state. Objective: Maintain or improve condition of Desert Tortoise habitat. Management Action: Eradicate non-native invasive plants Management Action 2: Rehabilitate degraded areas using native species important to desert tortoise.	Vegetation - Including special status species
Objective: Maintain or improve condition of Desert Tortoise habitat Management Action: Maintain viable populations and connections between other conservation areas Objective: Monitor log-term trends in desert tortoise populations Management Action: Implement interagency line distance sampling	Fish and Wildlife Including special status species
See programmatic ACEC cultural resources objective and action items in general cultural resources rules.	Cultural Resources
Objective: General Management and Protection of Paleontological Resources Management Action 1: Manage and protect fossil resources consistent with the Paleontological Resources Preservation Act Management Action 2: Develop plans for the inventory, monitoring, and scientific and educational use of paleontological resources as needed	Paleontology
Objective: Protect sensitive habitat from impacts associated with vehicle traffic Allowable Uses: All vehicle traffic limited to designated roads and trails Management Action 1: Establish no new routes in ACEC Management Action 2: Management Action: Modify the WEMO Route Network to reflect open routes through the ACEC and close other existing unauthorized routes	Trails and Travel Management
Objective: Inform the public of the importance of the ACEC Management Action: Install interpretive signs at access points to the ACEC, conduct public education efforts concerning OHV use in the desert	Recreation
Objective: Consolidate habitat management Management Action: Acquire inholdings from willing sellers	Land Tenure

Objective: Maintain wildlife linkage and protect desert tortoise critical habitat Allowable Uses: This would be a new ROW exclusion area	Rights of Way (ROW)
Not an allowable use. Renewable energy development is not compatible with NLCS and ACEC unit values and criteria Geothermal: Area is closed to geothermal leasing and development	Renewable Energy

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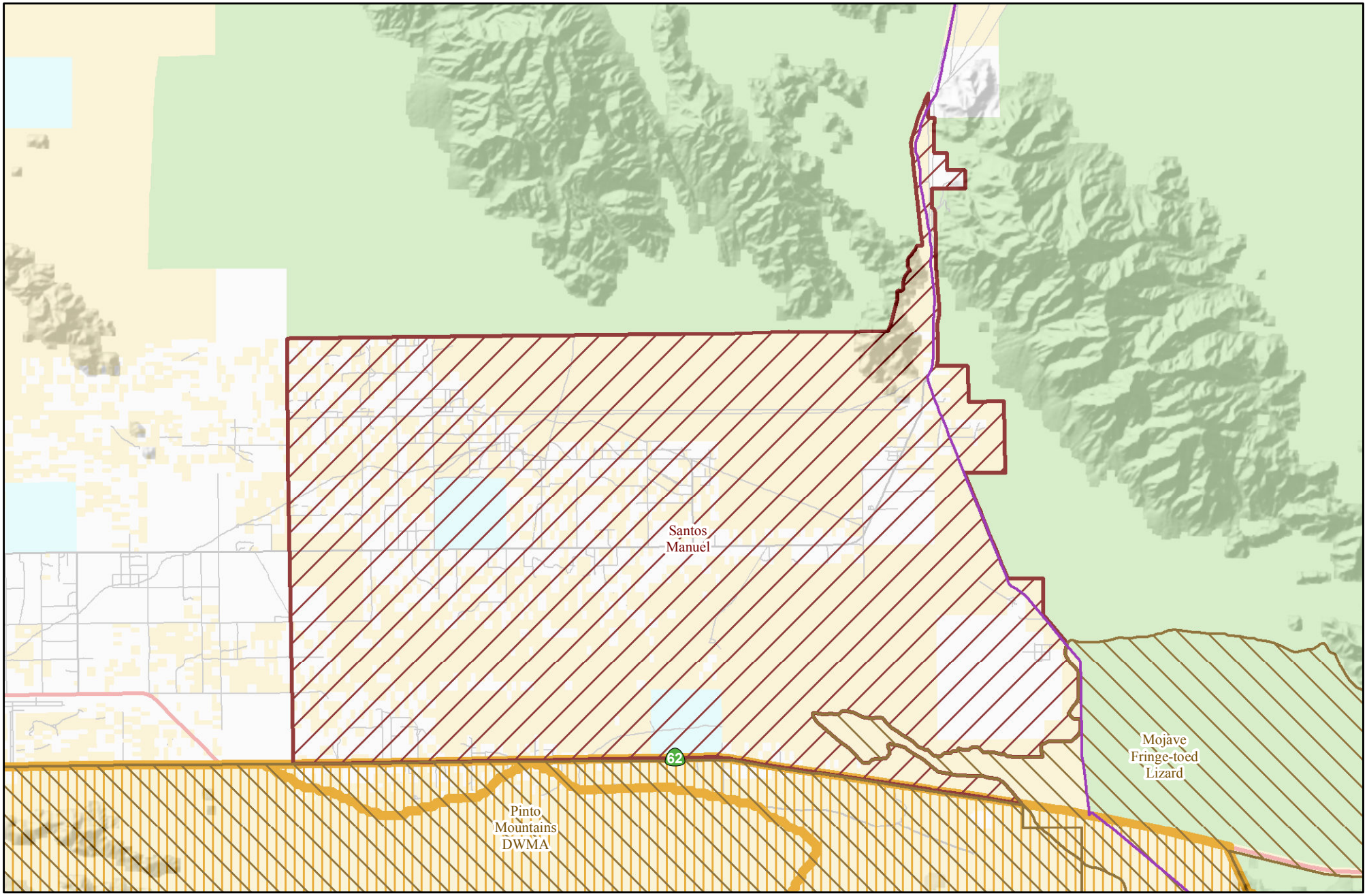

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Preferred Alternative ACECs

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- Proposed ACEC
- Proposed NLCS
- Design Focus Areas
- Legislatively and Legally Protected
- Cities
- OHV Areas
- CDCA Boundary
- DRECP Boundary
- BLM Field Office

Land Status

- Bureau of Land Management
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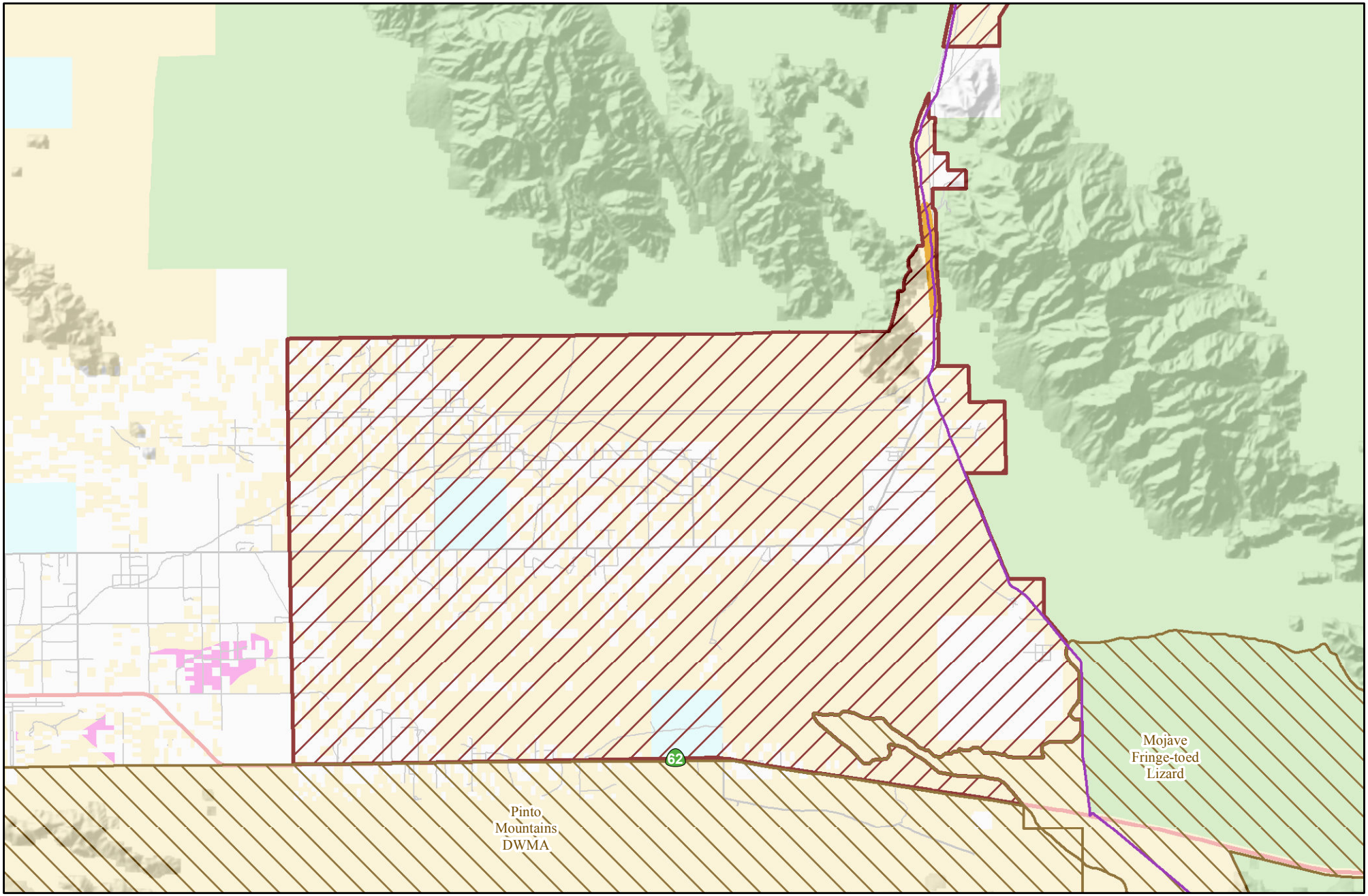

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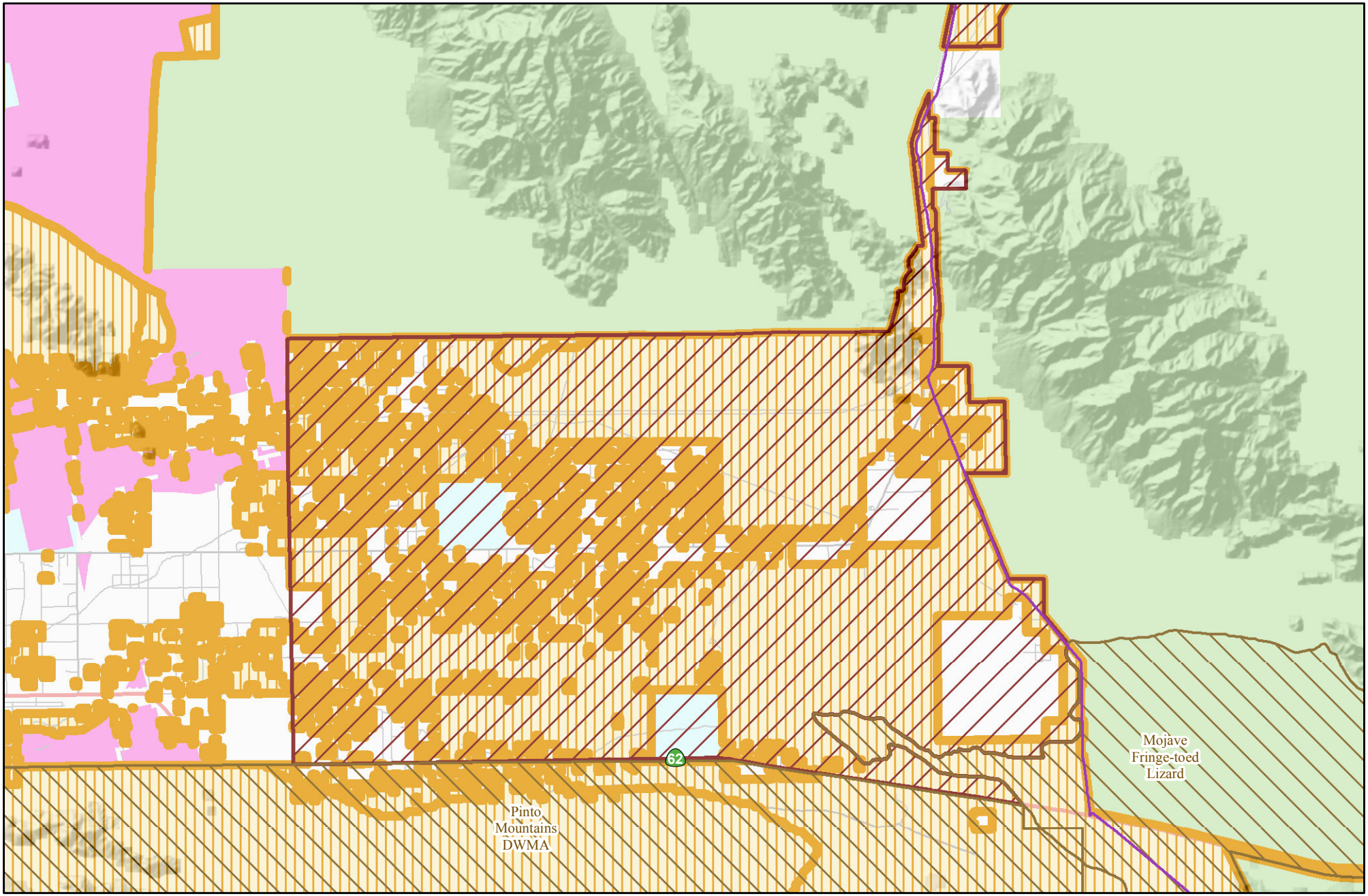

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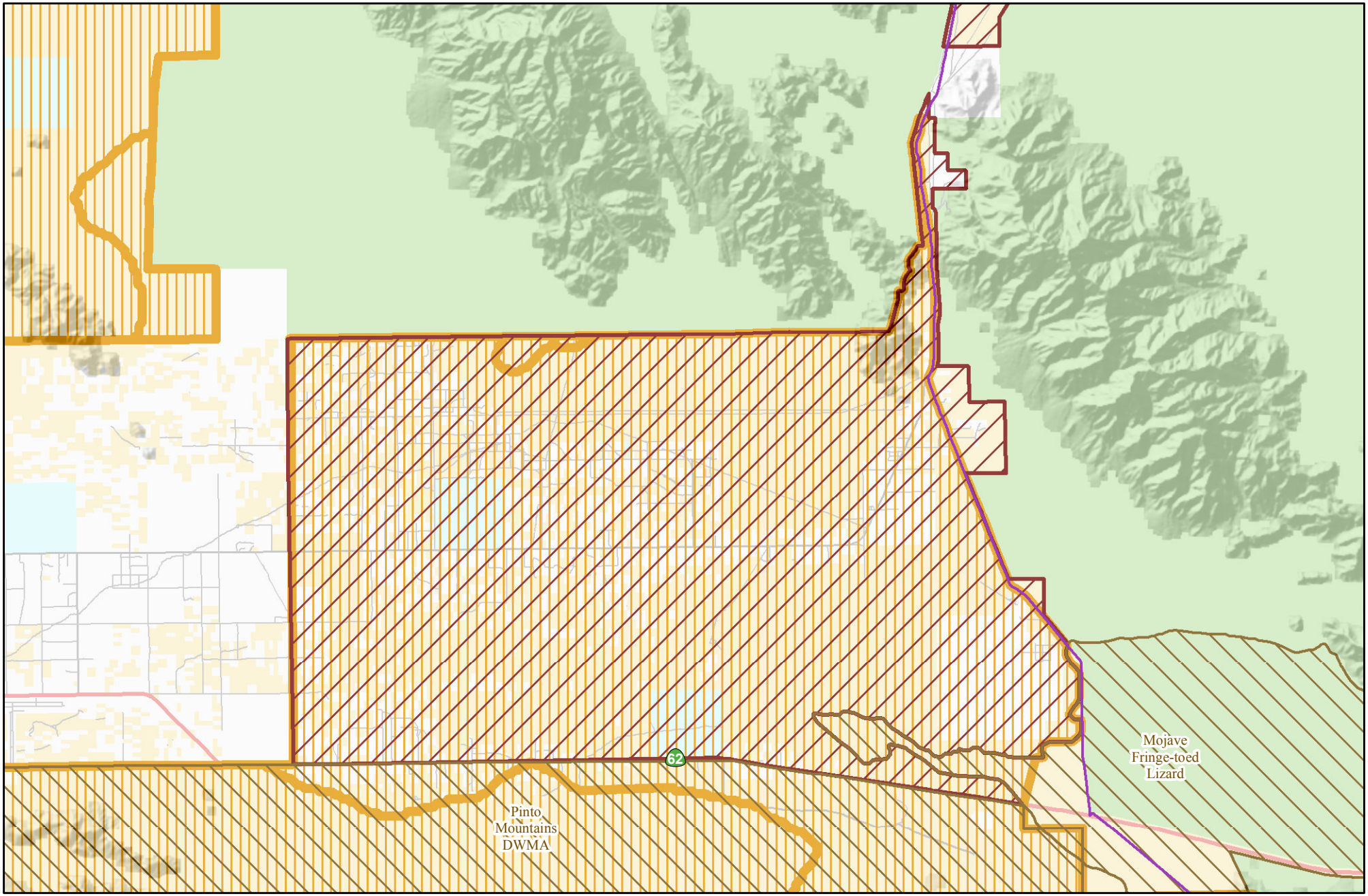

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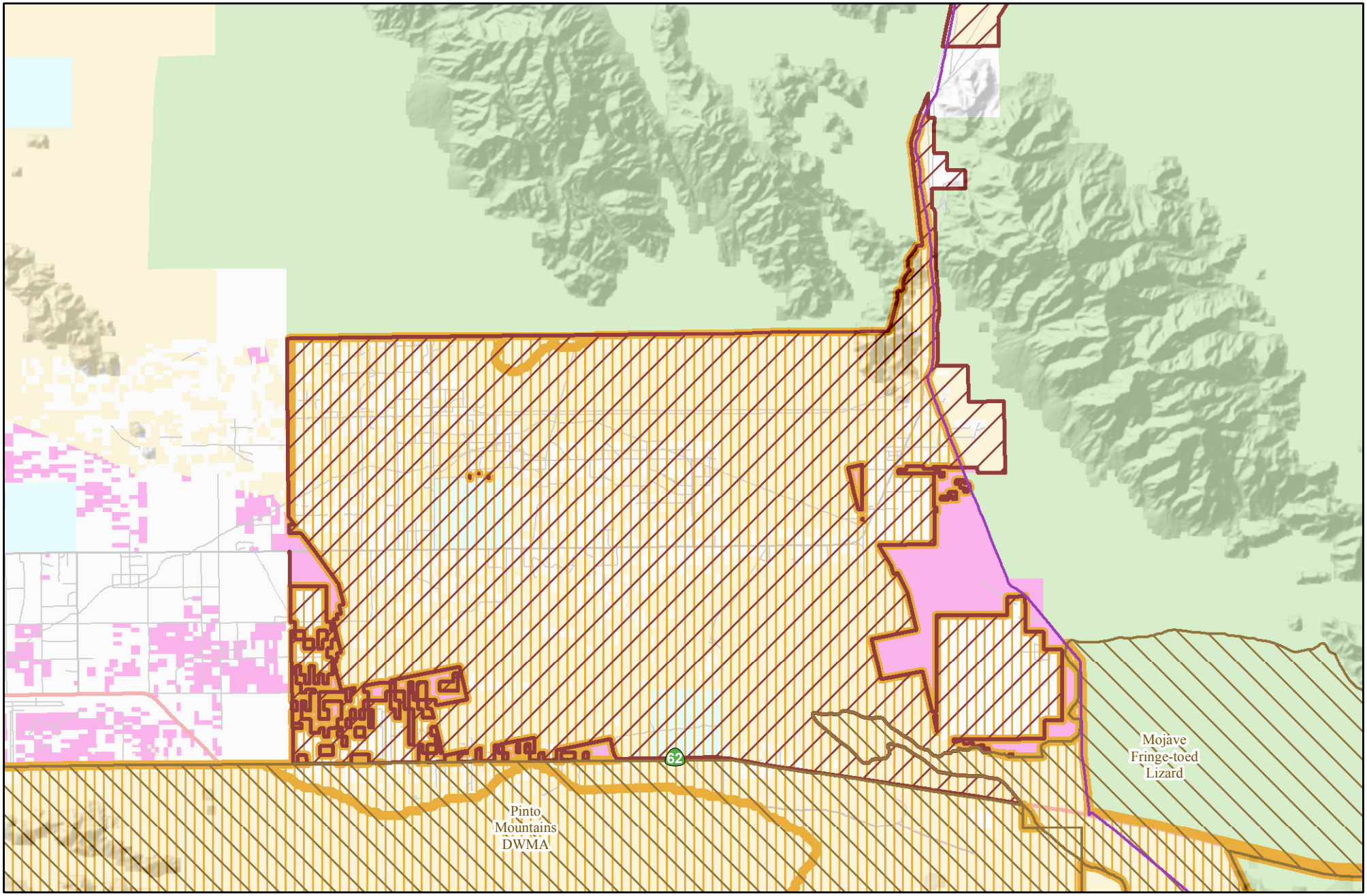

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