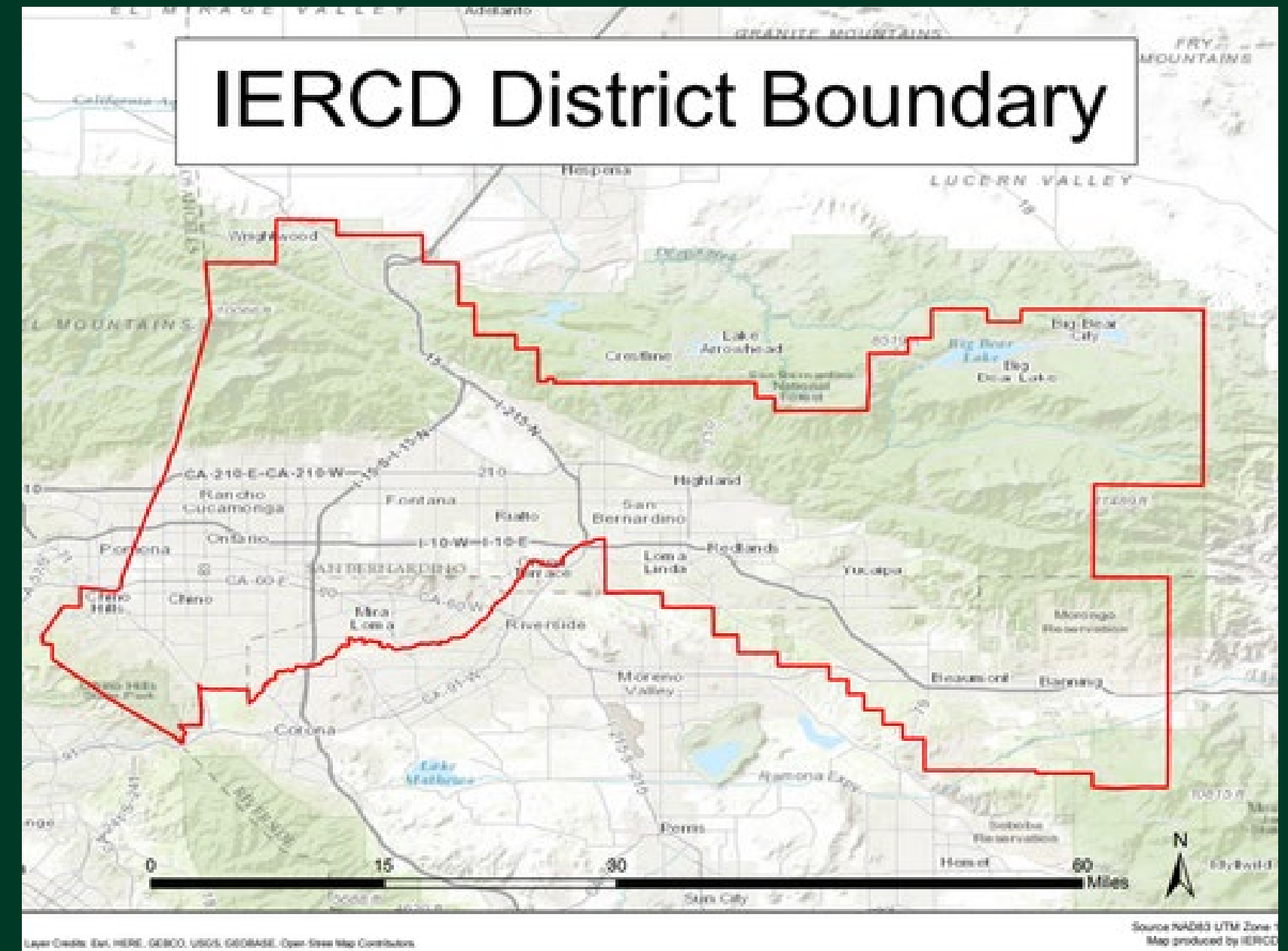


Inland Empire Resource Conservation District

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IERCD Background

- IERCD is a local government agency located in Redlands and serving over 2 million residents within San Bernardino and Riverside counties
- Governed by 7 member appointed board of directors
- Created to support conservation within our region, with programs including habitat restoration, sustainable agriculture, forestry and fire prevention, and education and outreach
- IERCD's Sustainable Agriculture Team supports local farmers, support spaces for gardening, and increase public awareness of sustainable agriculture



IERCD Farmer Support

- Technical Assistance
 - Soil Testing, Conservation Planning, Application Assistance, Translation Services
- NRCS Partnership
- Workshops & Networking Events
- Grant Programs



CDFA California Underserved Small Producer Program (CUSP)

- Reimbursement based relief program for extreme weather impacts
 - Drought, extreme heat, flooding, heavy rain, windstorm, extreme cold, wildfire
- Eligible producers may be awarded up to \$20k
 - Producer must actively be working the land and derive a portion of their income from their farm business
 - Producer must provide eligible documentation to verify approved impacts
- Round 6 is open now until April 30, 2026



CUSP Backup Documentation

- Visual Documentation
 - Geotagged photos & videos
 - Site visit with a Technical Service Provider (TSP)
- Financial Documentation
 - Proof of Payment
 - Paid Invoice, Sales Receipt, Cash Receipt, Bank Statement, payroll record, utility bills
 - Handwritten or electronic records accepted
 - Proof of Crop Loss/Sales
 - Sales reports, County crop report, planting log, buyer letter, detailed crop loss calculation
 - Handwritten or electronic records accepted



Connect with the IERCD Team!



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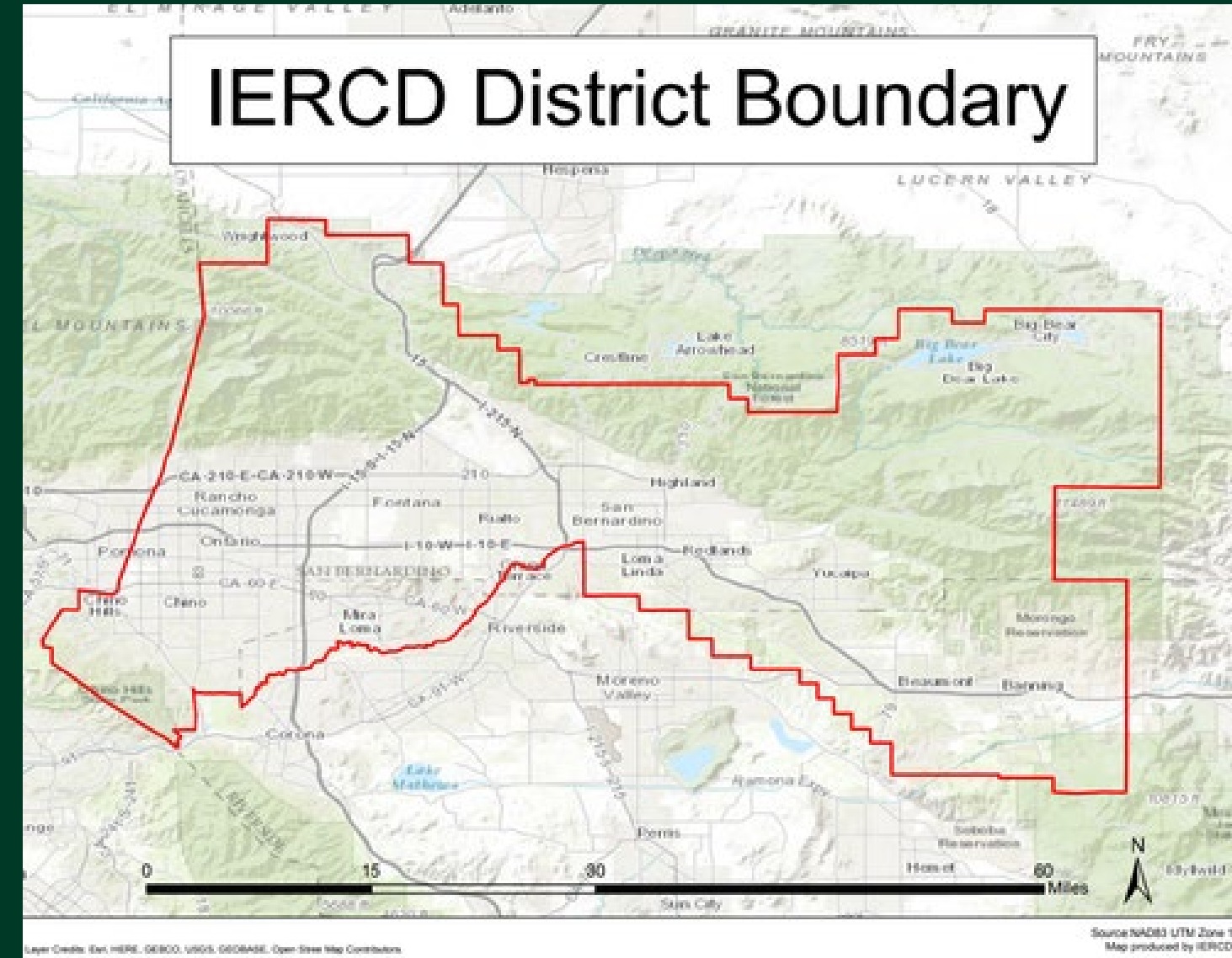
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Questions?



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