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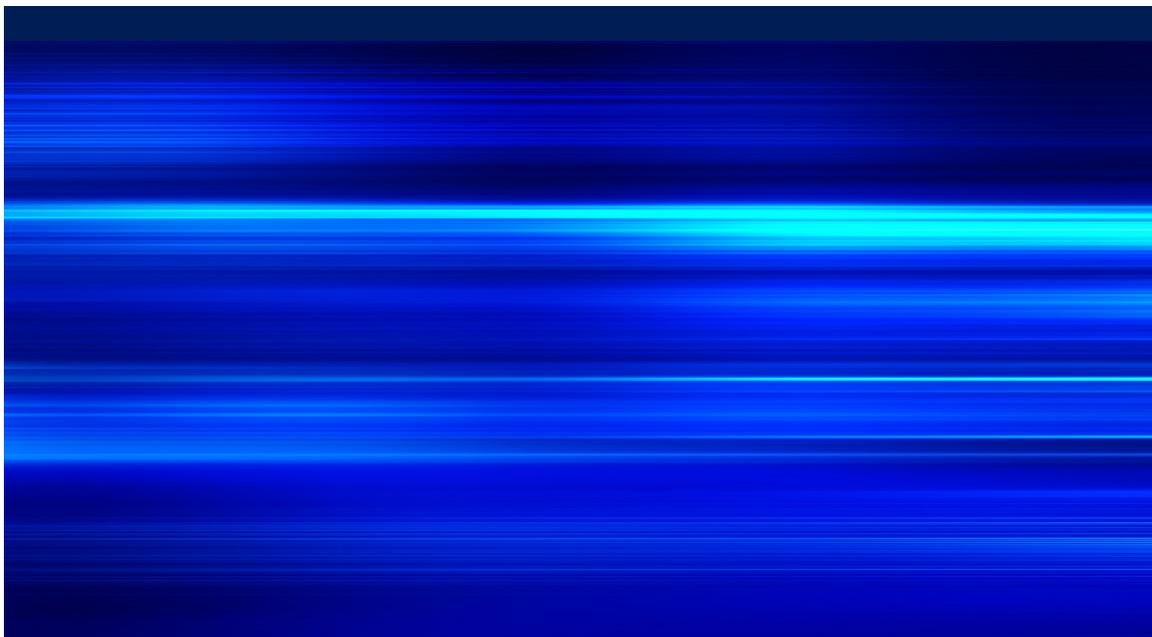
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Acronyms and Abbreviations

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| AFC | Application for Certification |
| Applicant | Black Rock Geothermal, LLC |
| BHER | BHE Renewables, LLC |
| BRGP | Black Rock Geothermal Project |
| CAAQS | California Ambient Air Quality Standards |
| CARB | California Air Resources Board |
| CEC | California Energy Commission |
| CEQA | California Environmental Quality Act |
| CFR | <i>Code of Federal Regulations</i> |
| CO | carbon monoxide |
| ENGP | Elmore North Geothermal Project |
| EPA | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency |
| H ₂ S | hydrogen sulfide |
| HAP | hazardous air pollutant |
| ICAPCD | Imperial County Air Pollution Control District |
| MBGP | Morton Bay Geothermal Project |
| NAAQS | National Ambient Air Quality Standards |
| NO ₂ | nitrogen dioxide |
| NO _x | oxides of nitrogen |
| PM _{2.5} | particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter |
| PM ₁₀ | particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter |
| PSD | Prevention of Significant Deterioration |
| SIL | Significant Impact Levels |
| SO ₂ | sulfur dioxide |
| VOC | volatile organic compound |

1. Project Overview

Black Rock Geothermal, LLC (the Applicant), an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of BHE Renewables, LLC (BHER), submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission (CEC) on April 18, 2023¹. In response to this AFC, the CEC issued *Data Request Set 1 for Black Rock Geothermal Project* on August 31, 2023 (Docket Number 23-AFC-03; TN #252096). Specifically, data request number 12 states the following: "Please provide an update on the cumulative impacts analyses mentioned in the AFC". This document serves to provide a status update regarding the cumulative impact analyses for the Black Rock Geothermal Project (BRGP) and a protocol establishing the methodology that will be used to conduct the cumulative impact analyses.

The goal of a cumulative impact analysis is to determine the potential ambient air concentrations through modeling that result from construction and operation of BRGP in addition to existing background concentrations, existing nearby sources of air pollution not represented in the background monitoring data, and future development. The cumulative impact analysis is used to determine the cumulative impacts and exposure that may be experienced in the area surrounding a specific project. This cumulative air quality impacts modeling protocol outlines the methodology that will be used to determine what sources of air pollution, other than BRGP, would need to be considered in the modeling analysis to capture cumulative impacts in the surrounding area. The methodology presented in this modeling protocol generally aligns with the specific models, data and approach specified in Section 5.1 of the AFC and serves as an addendum to that modeling analysis.

Other air quality and public health analyses which require modeling updates will be included in this proposed modeling analysis, as described in the Applicant response document to be filed prior to completion of this analysis. The modeling analysis will be updated based upon the latest design for BRGP, which may result in changes to the previously-modeled results and significant impact radii included in this protocol. These revisions are not expected to notably change the magnitude of results or significant impact radii.

¹ The CEC website for the project is: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/steam-turbine/black-rock-geothermal-project-brgp>.

2. Area and Facility Classification

BRGP will be situated to the southeast of the Salton Sea, southwest from the town of Niland, located in Imperial County, California. Being located in California, the project would be subject to both the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and the California Ambient Air Quality Standards (CAAQS).

The primary North American Industrial Classification System for the facility is 221116. The BRGP is not expected to be a “major” source of air pollution because the facility would emit less than 100 tons per year of any regulated pollutant. Additionally, the facility is expected to be a minor source for hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) with total potential aggregate HAP emissions of less than 25 tons per year and emissions of any single HAP of less than 10 tons per year. BRGP is not a listed facility in 40 *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 52 (100 tons per year threshold) and is not otherwise subject to Part 52 Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements due to potential emissions being less than 250 tons per year per criteria air pollutant for which the area is designated as attainment. BRGP emissions are also expected to be below the applicable Nonattainment New Source Review thresholds of 100 tons per year for moderate nonattainment particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter (PM_{2.5}) and 100 tons per year each for oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and volatile organic compound (VOC) for the marginal nonattainment ozone designation as per 40 CFR Part 51.165.

Imperial County is designated as attainment for the carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) NAAQS. The county is in moderate nonattainment for PM_{2.5}, and marginal nonattainment for the 8-hour ozone NAAQS. Particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM₁₀) was redesignated to attainment in September 2020.

At the state level, Imperial County is designated as attainment or unclassified for the PM_{2.5}, CO, NO₂, SO₂, sulfates, lead, hydrogen sulfide (H₂S), and visibility reducing particulates CAAQS. The county is designated as nonattainment for the ozone and PM₁₀ CAAQS.

The closest and most representative ambient air monitoring data to the Project site are from the following monitoring stations, as shown in Figure 2-1:

- Niland-English Road (AQS ID: 60254004) [7.6 miles from Project]: 24-hour PM₁₀ concentrations (2019-2021) and ozone concentrations (2019)
- Brawley-220 Main Street (AQS ID: 60250007) [13.8 miles from Project]: 24-hour PM_{2.5} concentrations (2019-2021), and annual PM_{2.5} concentrations (2019-2020)
- El Centro-9th Street (AQS ID: 60251003) [26.1 miles from Project]: annual PM_{2.5} concentrations (2021), ozone concentrations (2020-2021), 1-hour NO₂ concentrations (2019-2021), and annual NO₂ concentrations (2020-2021)
- Calexico-Ethel Street (AQS ID: 60250005) [34.6 miles from Project]: annual NO₂ concentrations (2019), 1-hour SO₂ concentrations (2019-2021), 24-hour SO₂ concentrations (2019-2021), 1-hour CO concentrations (2019-2021), and 8-hour CO concentrations (2019-2021).

Table 2-1 provides a summary from the AFC of measured ambient air quality concentrations by year and site for the period 2019-2021, based on the above delineation. Data from these sites are a reasonable representation of background air quality for the Project area.



Figure 2-1
Nearby Ambient Air Monitoring Stations
Black Rock Geothermal Project
 Imperial County, California

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Table 2-1. Measured Ambient Air Quality Concentrations by Year

| Pollutant | Units | Averaging Time | Basis | Site | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Ozone | ppm | 1-hour | CAAQS-1st High | Niland | 0.06 | 0.054 | 0.065 |
| | | 8-hour | CAAQS-1st High | Niland | 0.055 | 0.046 | 0.055 |
| | | | NAAQS-4th High | Niland (2019) and Calexico (2020-2021) | 0.054 | 0.078 | 0.080 |
| NO ₂ | ppb | 1-hour | CAAQS-1st High | El Centro | 37 | 45 | 56 |
| | | | NAAQS-98th percentiles | El Centro | 30 | 36 | 38 |
| | | Annual | CAAQS/NAAQS-AAM | El Centro (202-2021) and Calexico (2019) | 9.26 | 7.93 | 6.73 |
| CO | ppm | 1-hour | CAAQS/NAAQS-2nd High | Calexico | 4.30 | 4.60 | 3.80 |
| | | 8-hour | CAAQS/NAAQS-2nd High | Calexico | 3.10 | 2.70 | 2.90 |
| SO ₂ | ppb | 1-hour | CAAQS/NAAQS-1st High | Calexico | 7.5 | 7.1 | 8.6 |
| | | 24-hour | CAAQS/NAAQS-1st High | Calexico | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.7 |
| | | Annual | CAAQS/NAAQS-AAM | Calexico | 0.31 | 0.4 | 0.42 |
| PM ₁₀ | µg/m ³ | 24-hour | CAAQS-1st High | Niland | 156.3 | 241.3 | 218.2 |
| | | | NAAQS-2nd High | Niland | 124 | 142 | 156 |
| | | Annual | CAAQS-AAM | Niland | 32.7 | 35.9 | 39.8 |
| PM _{2.5} | µg/m ³ | 24-hour | NAAQS-98th percentiles | Brawley | 21.0 | 21.0 | 21.0 |
| | | Annual | CAAQS/NAAQS-AAM | Brawley (2019-2020) and El Centro (2021) | 8.30 | 9.40 | 8.30 |

Notes:

- µg/m₃ = microgram(s) per cubic meter
- AAM = annual arithmetic mean
- ppb = part(s) per billion
- ppm = part(s) per million

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The maximum representative background concentrations for the most recent 3-year period (2019-2021) are summarized in Table 2-2. These background values represent the highest values reported for the most representative air quality monitoring site during any single year of the most recent 3-year period for the CAAQS assessments. These CAAQS maxima are conservatively used for some of the NAAQS modeling assessments (CO and SO₂). The appropriate values for the NAAQS, according to the format of the standard, are used for the remainder of the NAAQS modeling assessments (NO₂, PM₁₀, and PM_{2.5}), and also summarized in Table 2-2.

Table 2-2. Background Air Quality Data

| Pollutant and Averaging Time | Background Value (µg/m ³) ^a |
|--|--|
| Ozone – 1-hour Maximum CAAQS | 128 |
| Ozone – 8-hour Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 108 |
| PM ₁₀ – 24-hour Maximum CAAQS | 241.3 |
| PM ₁₀ – 24-hour High, 2nd High NAAQS b | 142 |
| PM ₁₀ – Annual Maximum CAAQS | 39.8 |
| PM _{2.5} – 3-Year Average of Annual 24-hour 98th Percentiles NAAQS | 21.0 |
| PM _{2.5} – Annual Maximum CAAQS | 9.40 |
| PM _{2.5} – 3-Year Average of Annual Values NAAQS | 8.67 |
| CO – 1-hour Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 5,266 |
| CO – 8-hour Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 3,549 |
| NO ₂ – 1-hour Maximum CAAQS | 105 |
| NO ₂ – 3-Year Average of Max Daily Annual 1-hour 98th Percentiles NAAQS | 65.2 |
| NO ₂ – Annual Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 17.4 |
| SO ₂ – 1-hour Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 22.5 |
| SO ₂ – 3-hour Maximum NAAQS c | 22.5 |
| SO ₂ – 24-hour Maximum CAAQS/NAAQS | 7.10 |
| SO ₂ – Annual Maximum NAAQS | 1.10 |

^a Where applicable, monitored concentrations were converted from ppm/ppb to µg/m³ using the standard molar volume of air at normal temperature and pressure conditions (NTP) of 24.45 liters per mole.

^b 24-hour PM₁₀ background value assumes one exceedance may occur per year on average. Over the 3-year period, two of the maximum three concentrations occur in 2021. Therefore, the design value is the high, 2nd high for 2020.

^c The 3-hour SO₂ background value conservatively uses the 1-hour SO₂ background value.

3. Project Air Quality Impact Analysis Summary

The following sections present the results of the air quality impact analyses from the AFC for determining the changes to ambient air quality concentrations in the Project region as a result of Project construction and operation.

3.1 Project Operation

As can be seen in Table 3-1, BRGP operation impacts are less than the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Significant Impact Levels (SILs) for all pollutants and averaging periods except PM_{2.5}. For pollutants and averaging periods with a predicted concentration that is not significant (that is, if they are less than the SIL), the modeling is complete for that pollutant and averaging period and compliance with the NAAQS/CAAQS is demonstrated by not causing or contributing to a violation. If impacts are above the SIL, a cumulative modeling analysis is required. Both 24-hour and annual PM_{2.5} predicted concentrations exceed their respective SIL and will, therefore, require a cumulative modeling analysis.

Table 3-1. Operation Air Quality Impact Results – Significant Impact Levels

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Concentration (µg/m ³) | Class II SIL (µg/m ³) | Exceeds Class II SIL? |
|-------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| NO ₂ | 5-year average of 1-hour yearly maxima (NAAQS) | 1.21 | 7.55 | No |
| | Annual maximum | 0.04 | 1.00 | No |
| Ozone | 8-hour maximum | 0.01 | 1.96 | No |
| CO | 1-hour maximum | 1,427 | 2,000 | No |
| | 8-hour maximum | 119 | 500 | No |
| SO ₂ | 1-hour maximum | <0.01 | 7.86 | No |
| | 3-hour maximum | <0.01 | 25.0 | No |
| | 24-hour maximum | <0.01 | 5.00 | No |
| | Annual maximum | <0.01 | 1.00 | No |
| PM ₁₀ | 24-hour maximum | 3.19 | 5.00 | No |
| | Annual maximum | 0.36 | 1.00 | No |
| PM _{2.5} | 5-year average of 24-hour yearly maxima (NAAQS) | 1.59 | 1.20 | Yes |
| | 5-year average of annual concentrations (NAAQS) | 0.20 | 0.20 | Yes |

3.2 Project Construction

As can be seen in Table 3-2, BRGP construction impacts are less than the EPA’s SILs for all pollutants and averaging periods except 1-hour and annual NO₂, 24-hour and annual PM₁₀, and annual PM_{2.5}. For

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pollutants and averaging periods with a predicted concentration that is not significant (that is, if they are less than the SIL), the modeling is complete for that pollutant and averaging period and compliance with the NAAQS/CAAQS is demonstrated by not causing or contributing to a violation. If impacts are above the SIL, a cumulative modeling analysis is required. 1-hour and annual NO₂, 24-hour and annual PM₁₀, and annual PM_{2.5} predicted concentrations exceed their respective SIL and will, therefore, require a cumulative modeling analysis.

Table 3-2. Construction Air Quality Impact Results – Significant Impact Levels

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Concentration (µg/m ³) | Class II SIL (µg/m ³) | Exceeds Class II SIL? |
|-------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| NO ₂ | 5-year average of 1-hour yearly maxima (NAAQS) | 56.1 | 7.55 | Yes |
| | Annual maximum | 10.2 | 1.00 | Yes |
| Ozone | 8-hour | 0.03 | 1.96 | No |
| CO | 1-hour maximum | 116 | 2,000 | No |
| | 8-hour maximum | 93.2 | 500 | No |
| SO ₂ | 1-hour maximum | 0.31 | 7.86 | No |
| | 3-hour maximum | 0.28 | 25.0 | No |
| | 24-hour maximum | 0.15 | 5.00 | No |
| | Annual maximum | 0.11 | 1.00 | No |
| PM ₁₀ | 24-hour maximum | 5.60 | 5.00 | Yes |
| | Annual maximum | 1.11 | 1.00 | Yes |
| PM _{2.5} | 5-year average of 24-hour yearly maxima (NAAQS) | 1.00 | 1.20 | No |
| | 5-year average of annual concentrations (NAAQS) | 0.22 | 0.20 | Yes |

The modeled exceedances of the PM₁₀ CAAQS are due to high background concentrations, which already exceed the CAAQS (like the majority of the state, the area is designated as a nonattainment area for the PM₁₀ CAAQS). The Project is not below the SIL for the 24-hour and annual PM₁₀ standards though the Project Owner will implement construction control measures as described in Section 5.1.7.2.2 of the AFC. These control measures would reduce particulate emissions to the extent required by the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAPCD), thus making the Project consistent with attainment plans for the PM₁₀ standards. Additionally, the PM₁₀ emissions associated with construction of the Project, as presented in Table 5.1-20 of the AFC, are below the ICAPCD significance threshold of 150 pounds per day. Therefore, the Project construction would likely result in less-than-significant impacts with respect to particulate emissions.

4. Cumulative Impact Analysis Methodology

4.1 Applicable Pollutants and Averaging Periods

4.1.1 Project Operation

BRGP operational emissions would result in modeled impacts that exceed the SILs for 24-hour and annual PM_{2.5}, as illustrated in Table 3-1, thus requiring a cumulative impact analysis based on the potential to cause or contribute to a violation of the NAAQS. The significant impact radius for each of these pollutant averaging periods are 0.1 kilometers (km) and 0 km (occurs at fenceline only), respectively. Appendix A includes the receptor locations with modeled impacts greater than the SIL for each of these two pollutant averaging periods.

Previously-modeled impacts for all other pollutant averaging periods included in Table 3-1 (1-hour and annual NO₂; 8-hour ozone; 1-hour and 8-hour CO; 24-hour and annual PM₁₀; and 1-hour, 3-hour, 24-hour, and annual SO₂) are below their respective SIL. Therefore, BRGP operations would not cause or contribute to a violation of the NAAQS for these pollutant averaging periods. It is similarly assumed that, with the impacts being less than the SIL, BRGP operations would not cause or contribute to a violation of the CAAQS. Therefore, a cumulative impact analysis is not proposed for these pollutant averaging periods.

4.1.2 Project Construction

BRGP construction emissions would result in modeled impacts that exceed the SILs for 1-hour and annual NO₂, annual PM_{2.5}, and 24-hour and annual PM₁₀, as illustrated in Table 3-2, thus requiring a cumulative impact analysis based on the potential to cause or contribute to a violation of the NAAQS. The significant impact radius for each of these pollutant averaging periods is presented in Table 4-1 below. Appendix B includes the receptor locations with modeled impacts greater than the SIL for each of these pollutant averaging periods.

Table 4-1. Construction Impacts – Significant Impact Radius

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Significant Impact Radius (km) |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| NO ₂ | 1-hour | 10 |
| | Annual | 1.7 |
| PM _{2.5} | Annual | 0 ^a |
| PM ₁₀ | 24-hour | 0 ^a |
| | Annual | 0 ^a |

^a Impacts greater than the SIL occur only along the fenceline.

The PM₁₀ background concentrations already exceed the CAAQS (like the majority of the state, the area is designated as a nonattainment area for the PM₁₀ CAAQS with fugitive windblown dust as the major contributor). Because the Project's construction impacts are not below the SIL for the 24-hour and annual PM₁₀ standards, the Project Owner will implement construction control measures as described in AFC Section 5.1.7.2.2. These control measures would reduce particulate emissions to the extent required by ICAPCD, thus making the Project consistent with attainment plans for the PM₁₀ standards. Additionally, the PM₁₀ emissions associated with construction of the Project, as presented in AFC Table 5.1-20, are below the

ICAPCD significance threshold of 150 pounds per day. Therefore, a cumulative air quality impacts analysis will not be performed for 24-hour and annual PM₁₀.

Based on the above discussion, a cumulative air quality impacts analysis will only be prepared for 1-hour and annual NO₂ and annual PM_{2.5}.

Previously-modeled impacts for all other pollutant averaging periods included in Table 3-2 (8-hour ozone; 1-hour and 8-hour CO; 24-hour PM_{2.5}; and 1-hour, 3-hour, 24-hour, and annual SO₂) are below their respective SIL. Therefore, BRGP construction would not cause or contribute to a violation of the NAAQS. It is similarly assumed that, with the impacts being less than the SIL, BRGP construction would not cause or contribute to a violation of the CAAQS. Therefore, a cumulative impact analysis is not proposed for these pollutant averaging periods.

4.2 Analysis of Nearby Existing Sources

A review of existing and permitted sources of PM_{2.5} and NO₂ air pollution surrounding BRGP yields multiple geothermal power plants, agricultural operations, and the Salton Sea as a source of naturally occurring air pollution.

As presented in Section 2, the associated PM_{2.5} and NO₂ background monitoring data was obtained from the Brawley monitoring site approximately 13.8 miles to the South of BRGP and/or the El Centro monitoring site approximately 26.1 miles to the South of BRGP. Each of these monitoring sites are located in an urban area with nearby major vehicle-related emissions sources. Specifically, the Brawley monitor is located adjacent to Highway 86 (Main Street) and near South 1st Street, which represent major routes for vehicles within the area. Similarly, the El Centro monitor is located near multiple arterial streets, with Interstate 8 located approximately one mile to the South.

As per the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Criteria Pollutant Emission Inventory Data², windblown dust is the major contributor to PM_{2.5} emissions within Imperial County. Emissions from windblown dust would be generated in predominantly undeveloped areas and would result in regional impacts that are generally not localized. Therefore, these regional impacts would be expected to occur both around the town of Brawley and the Project area as both areas are surrounded by undeveloped land in most directions. The proposed Project site is also surrounded by the Salton Sea from the West to the North, which is not a source of fugitive PM_{2.5} dust. Accordingly, background concentrations from the monitoring data represent conservative estimates of windblown PM_{2.5} impacts at the Project site. As a result, no existing area or fugitive sources of pollution are proposed to be included in the cumulative impacts analysis.

Apart from windblown dust, onroad vehicles are a greater contributor of PM_{2.5} emissions within Imperial County than electric utilities. With the background monitors being located near arterial streets, an interstate, and a highway, the background concentration reflects a potentially higher localized PM_{2.5} loading than would likely occur from the stationary sources of emissions near BRGP. Therefore, the background concentrations from the monitoring data represent conservative estimates of ambient air concentrations and nearby stationary source PM_{2.5} impacts at the Project site. As a result, no existing stationary sources of pollution are proposed to be included in the cumulative impacts analysis.

Emissions resulting from the combustion of vehicles represents a large regional source of NO₂. With the background monitors being located near arterial streets, an interstate, and a highway, the background concentration reflects a potentially higher regional NO₂ loading due to diesel traffic. Nearby sources of

² CARB's emissions inventory data is available at: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/applications/cepam2019v103-standard-emission-tool>.

NO₂ would likely include emergency generators and agricultural equipment, both of which would operate intermittently and in potentially varying locations. Therefore, the background concentrations likely represent a higher concentration of NO₂ than would be observed surrounding BRGP and should be considered representative of nearby operating sources. As a result, no existing sources of pollution are proposed to be included in the NO₂ cumulative impacts analysis.

4.3 Analysis of Nearby Proposed Sources

A review of other stationary emissions sources within a 6-mile radius that have received construction permits but are not yet operational or are in the permitting process (such as the New Source Review or California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA] permitting process) was performed. These stationary emissions sources were screened to only include new or modified sources (individual emission units) that would cause a net increase of 5 tons per year or more per modeled criteria pollutant. Therefore, VOC sources, equipment shutdowns, permit-exempt equipment registrations, rule compliance, permit renewals, and replacement/upgrading of existing systems will not be included in the cumulative impacts analysis. The facilities with sources identified for screening in the operational cumulative air quality impacts analysis are presented in Table 4-2.

Table 4-2. Cumulative Impacts Assessment – Facility List

| CUP-0011 | Project Name | Applicant | Area-Location | Phase | Greater than 5 TPY of PM _{2.5} or NO ₂ Emissions? | Include in Cumulative Analysis? |
|----------|---|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 13-0031 | Wilkinson Solar Farm | 8 Minute Energy | Niland | Pending Construction | No | No |
| 13-0032 | Lindsey Solar Farm | 8 Minute Energy | Niland | Pending Construction | No | No |
| 17-0014 | Midway Solar Farm IV | 8 Minute Energy | Calipatria | Pending Construction | No | No |
| 18-0040 | Ormat Wister Solar | Omi 22 LLC/Ormat | Niland | Operational | No | No |
| 21-0021 | Hell's Kitchen Geothermal Exploration Project | Controlled Thermal Resources | Niland | Entitlement Process ^a | N/A | No |
| 20-0008 | Energy Source Mineral ALTiS | Energy Source Minerals | Imperial County | Pending Construction | No | No |
| -- | Elmore North Geothermal Project (ENGP) | Elmore North Geothermal, LLC | Imperial County | AFC Under Review | Yes | Yes |

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| CUP-0011 | Project Name | Applicant | Area-Location | Phase | Greater than 5 TPY of PM _{2.5} or NO ₂ Emissions? | Include in Cumulative Analysis? |
|----------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| -- | Morton Bay Geothermal Project (MBGP) | Morton Bay Geothermal, LLC | Imperial County | AFC Under Review | Yes | Yes |

^a Hell's Kitchen Geothermal Exploration Project is in the entitlement process, which occurs before any air emissions-related permitting and licensing.

Notes:

N/A = Not applicable

tpy = ton(s) per year

As presented in Table 4-2, only two proposed sources within 6 miles of BRGP were identified as having emissions greater than 5 tons per year of PM_{2.5} or NO₂ and are in the permitting process. Because BRGP operations are not expected to overlap with construction of Elmore North Geothermal Project (ENGP) and Morton Bay Geothermal Project (MBGP), only their operational emissions will be considered in the operations cumulative impacts analysis. Similarly, because BRGP construction is not expected to overlap with operation of ENGP and MBGP, only their construction emissions will be considered in the construction cumulative impacts analysis. Therefore, it is proposed that the ENGP and MBGP operations be included in the PM_{2.5} cumulative air quality impacts analysis for BRGP operations and that the ENGP and MBGP construction be included in the NO₂ and PM_{2.5} cumulative air quality impacts analysis for BRGP construction.

Appendix A
Operation Significant Impact
Radius Figures



Figure A-1: Operation 24-Hour PM_{2.5} Significant Impact Radius

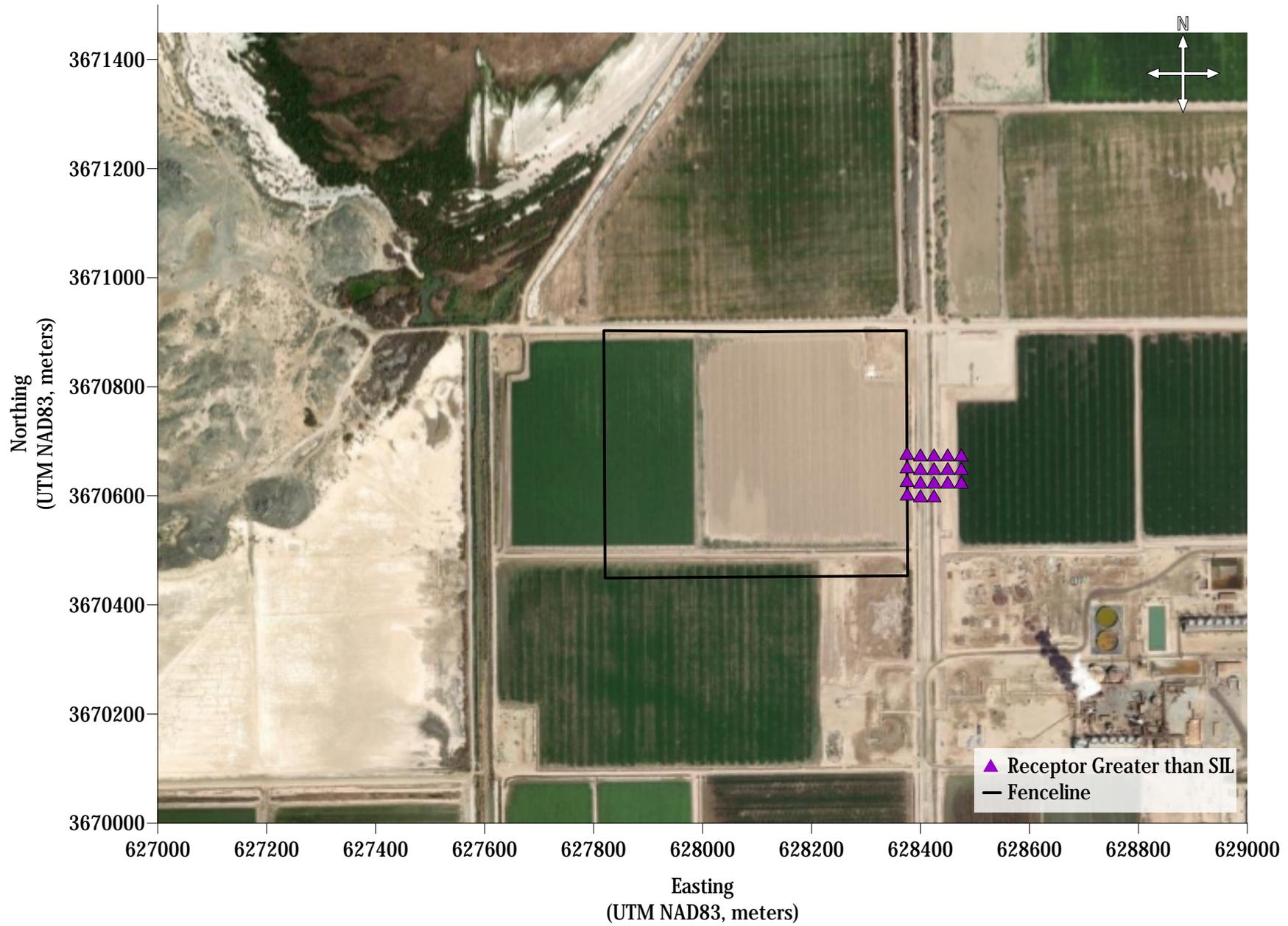
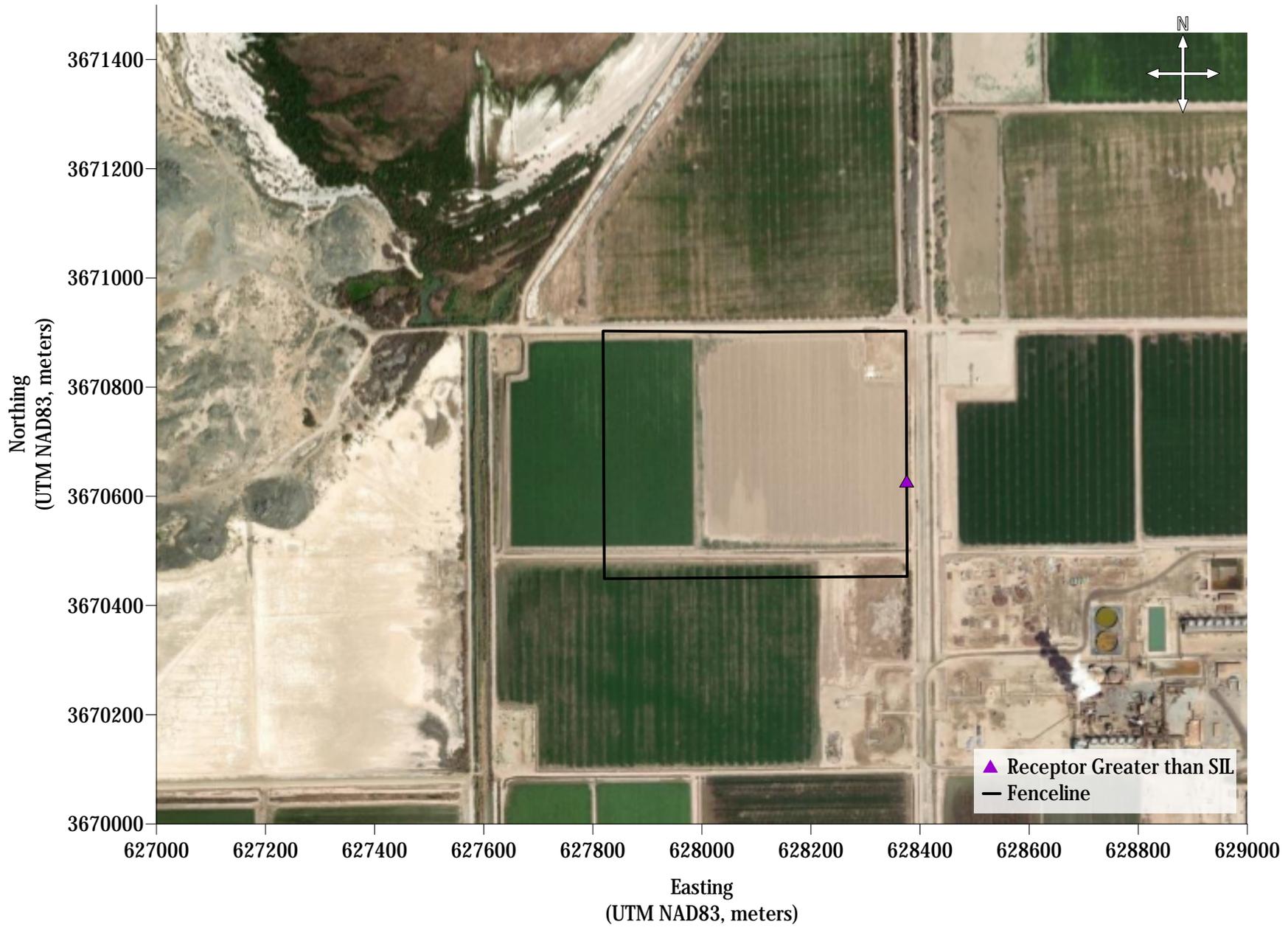


Figure A-2: Operation Annual PM_{2.5} Significant Impact Radius



Appendix B
Construction Significant Impact
Radius Figures



Figure B-1: Construction 1-Hour NO₂ Significant Impact Radius

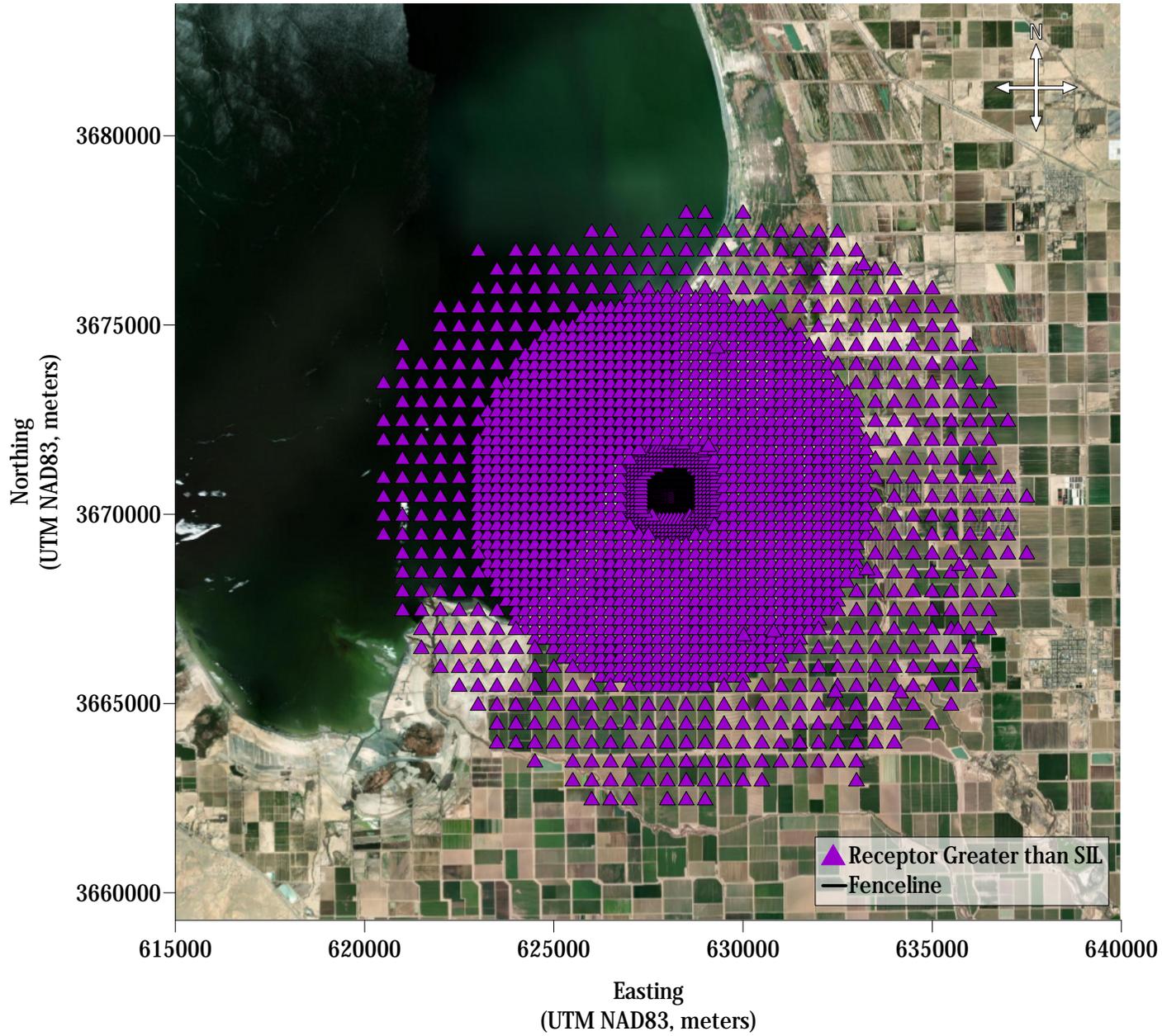


Figure B-2: Construction 24-Hour PM₁₀ Significant Impact Radius

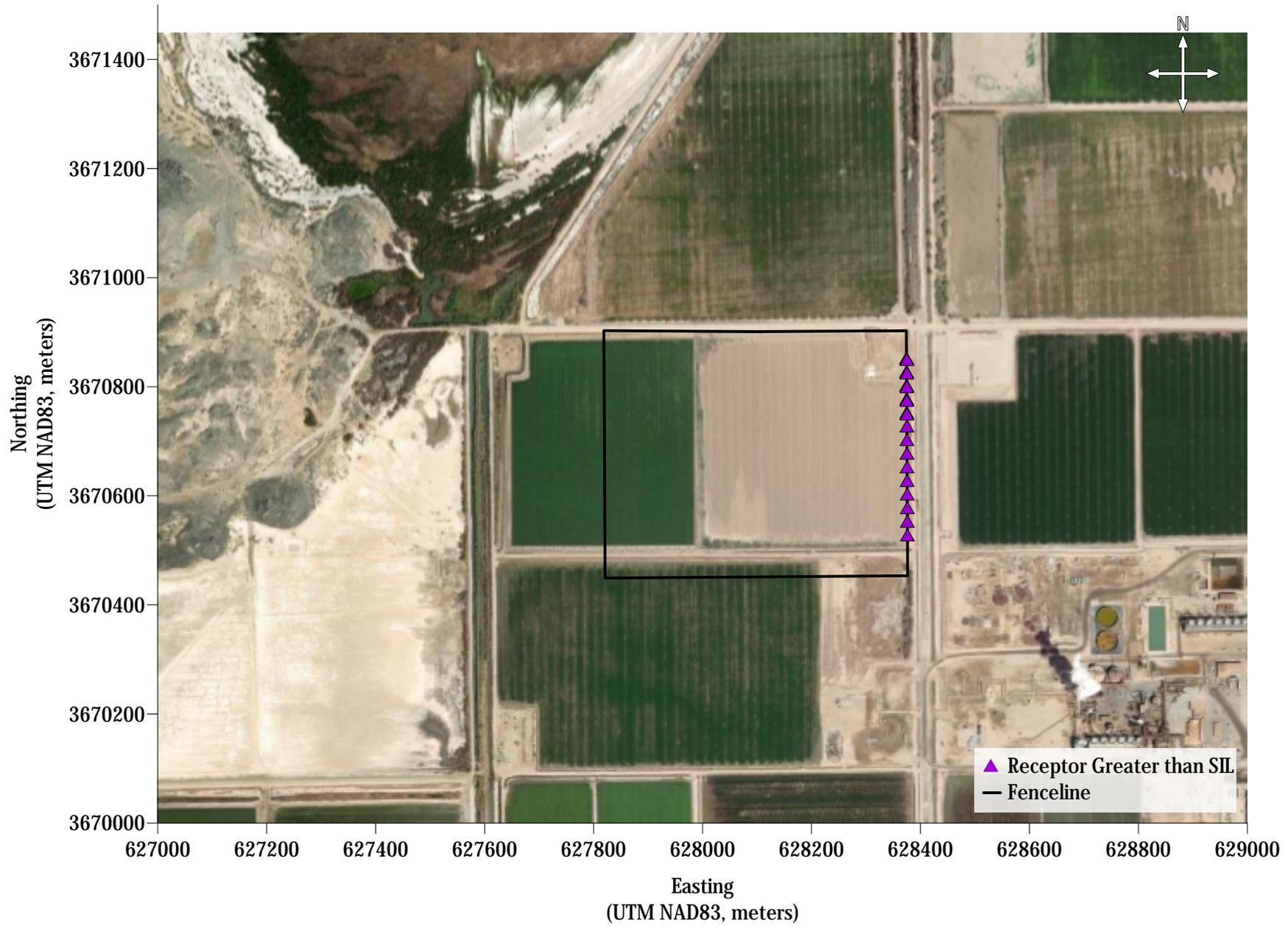


Figure B-3: Construction Annual NO₂ Significant Impact Radius

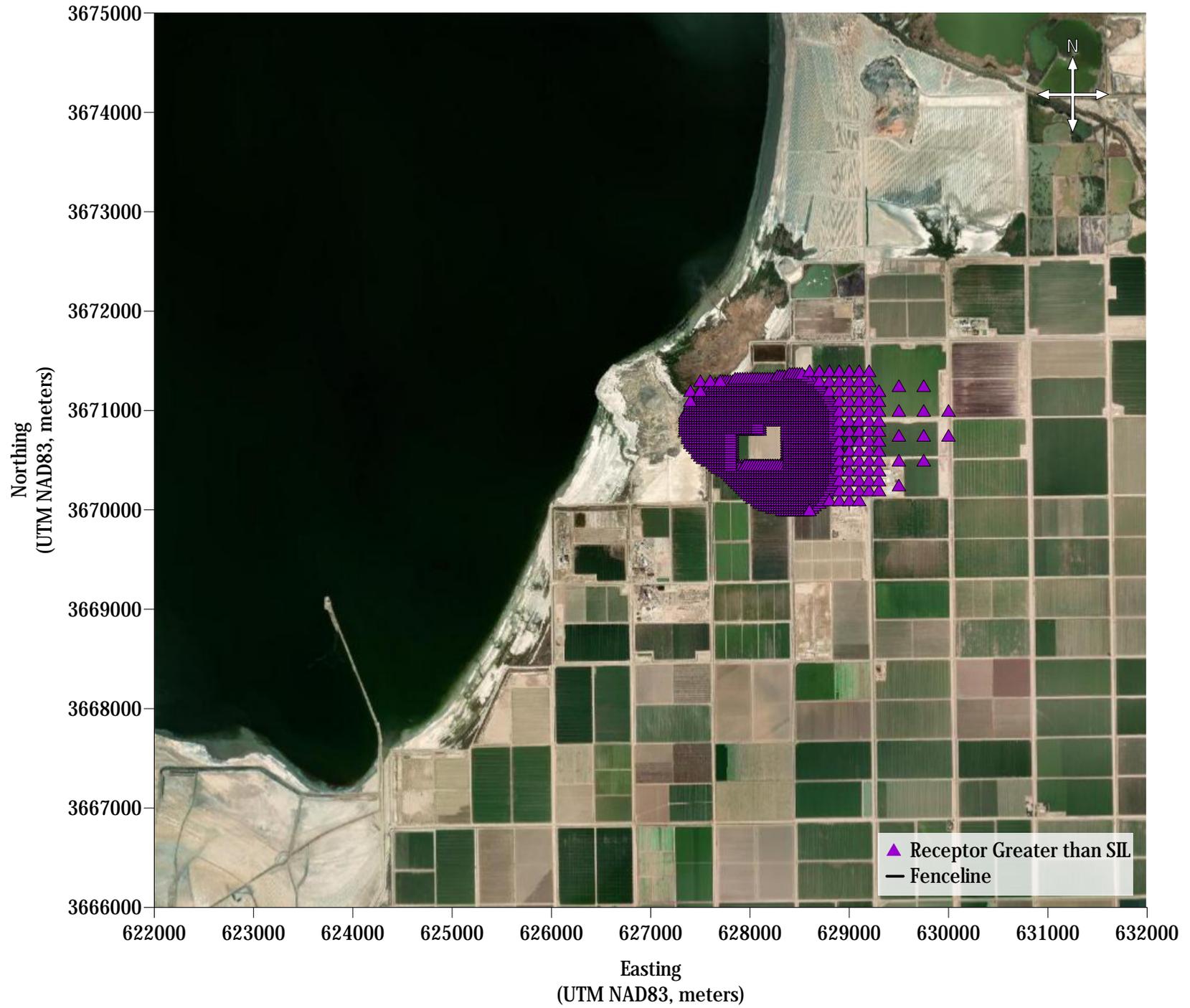


Figure B-4: Construction Annual PM₁₀ Significant Impact Radius

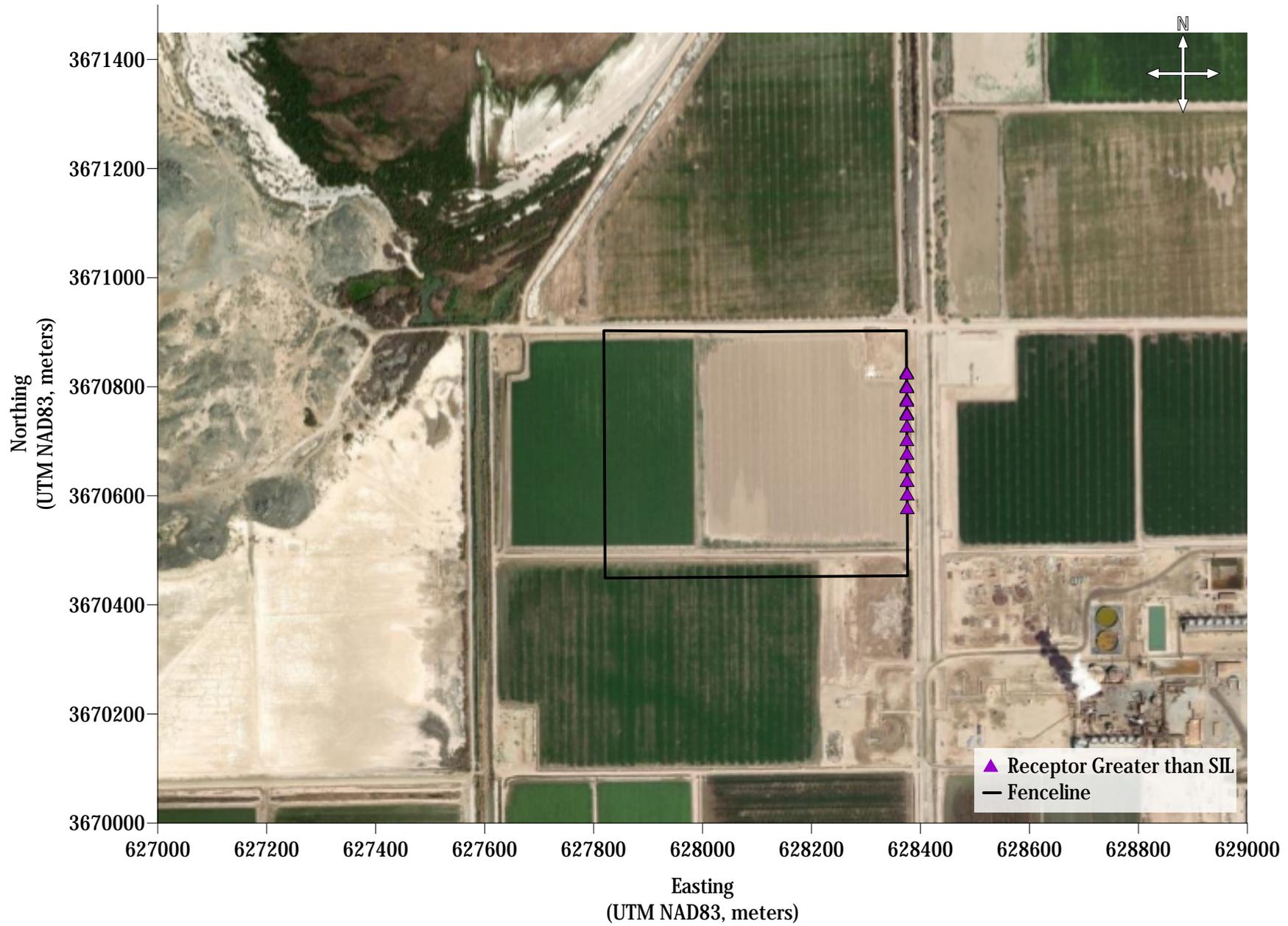


Figure B-5: Construction Annual PM_{2.5} Significant Impact Radius

