

San Diego Lifeguard River Rescue Team

- 19 Member Team
- Season: November 15 - April 15
- Wettest Months, Dec – Feb
- Annual training & certifications
- Average 9-11” of rain per year in San Diego
- El Nino effects 15”+
- 2-3+ Day events cause the most significant activity



CalOES TF-8 Deployments

State Swiftwater Asset

- 12 lifeguards
- 2 Fire Fighters
- US&R Task Force 8
- Completed 100's of Rescues
- Responses to Katrina 2005
- Riverside County 2011
- Marysville, CA 1996



Most Significant Flood Events

- 1978-79
- 1982-83 El Nino
- 1984
- 1987
- 1993
- 1994-95
- 1996-97 El Nino
- 2002
- 2007/08
- 2009/10
- 2010/11



Regional Response & Coordination

- **San Diego City:** FF's, LG's, Police, Utilities & Wastewater
- **Regional Partners:** Sheriff, OES, CHP, Cal Fire, Red Cross
- **San Diego County Swiftwater Teams:** Oceanside, Imperial Beach, Del Mar, Encinitas, BORSTAR, Elfin Forest



Typical Areas of Flooding



San Diego Hotspots

- Mission Valley
- Sorrento Valley/ Carmel Vly
- Chollas Creek
- Sweetwater River
- Tijuana River Valley
- Mission Gorge/Grantville
- Loma Portal/Midway Dr.
- Murphy Canyon/Adobe Falls
- Coastal Flooding, OB/MB/PB
- Canyon Neighborhoods
- Mesa flooding, puddling

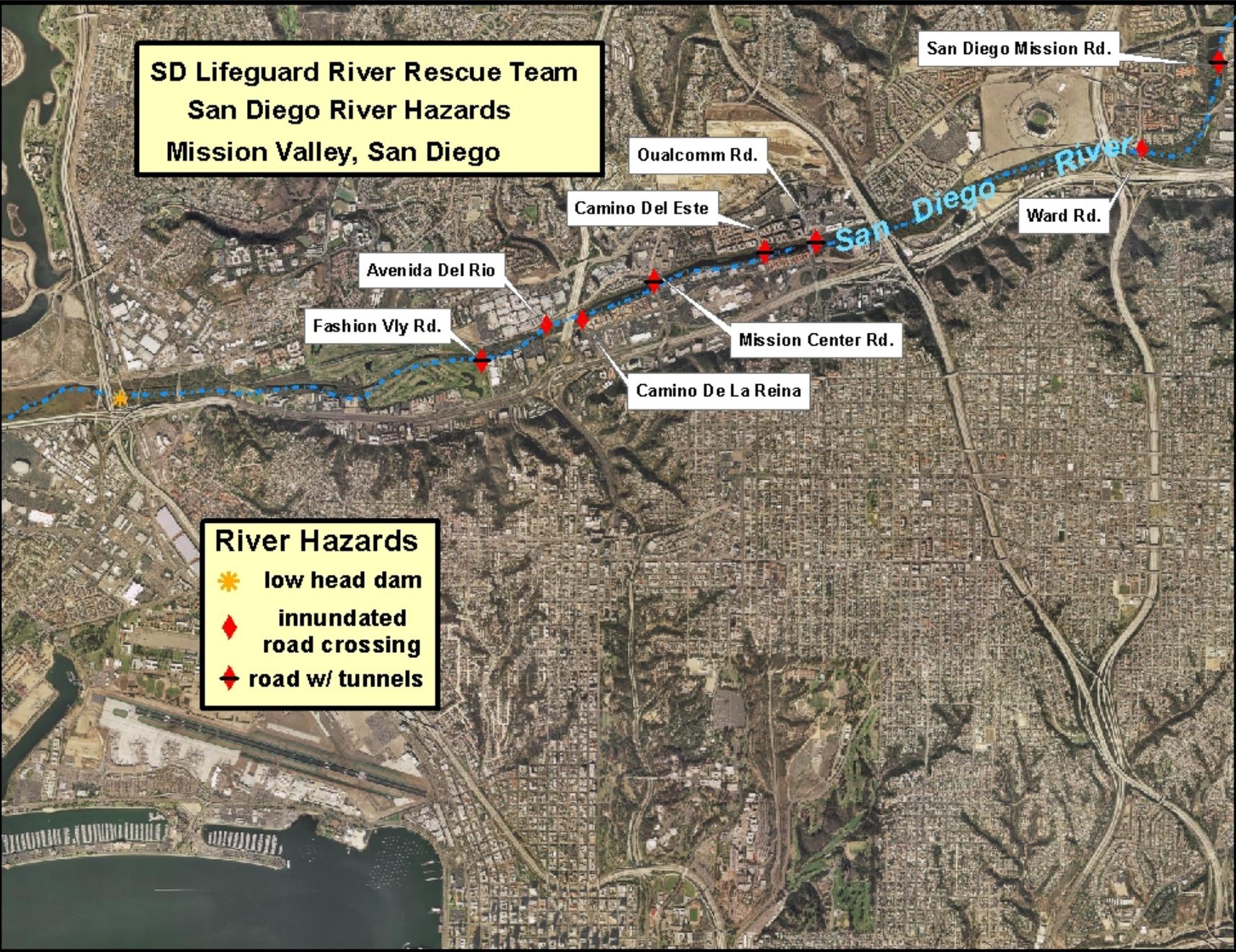
Mutual Aid Requests

- Via de La Valle / Del Dios
- Otay /Jamul/ Spring Valley
- Santee/ El Cajon/ Escondido

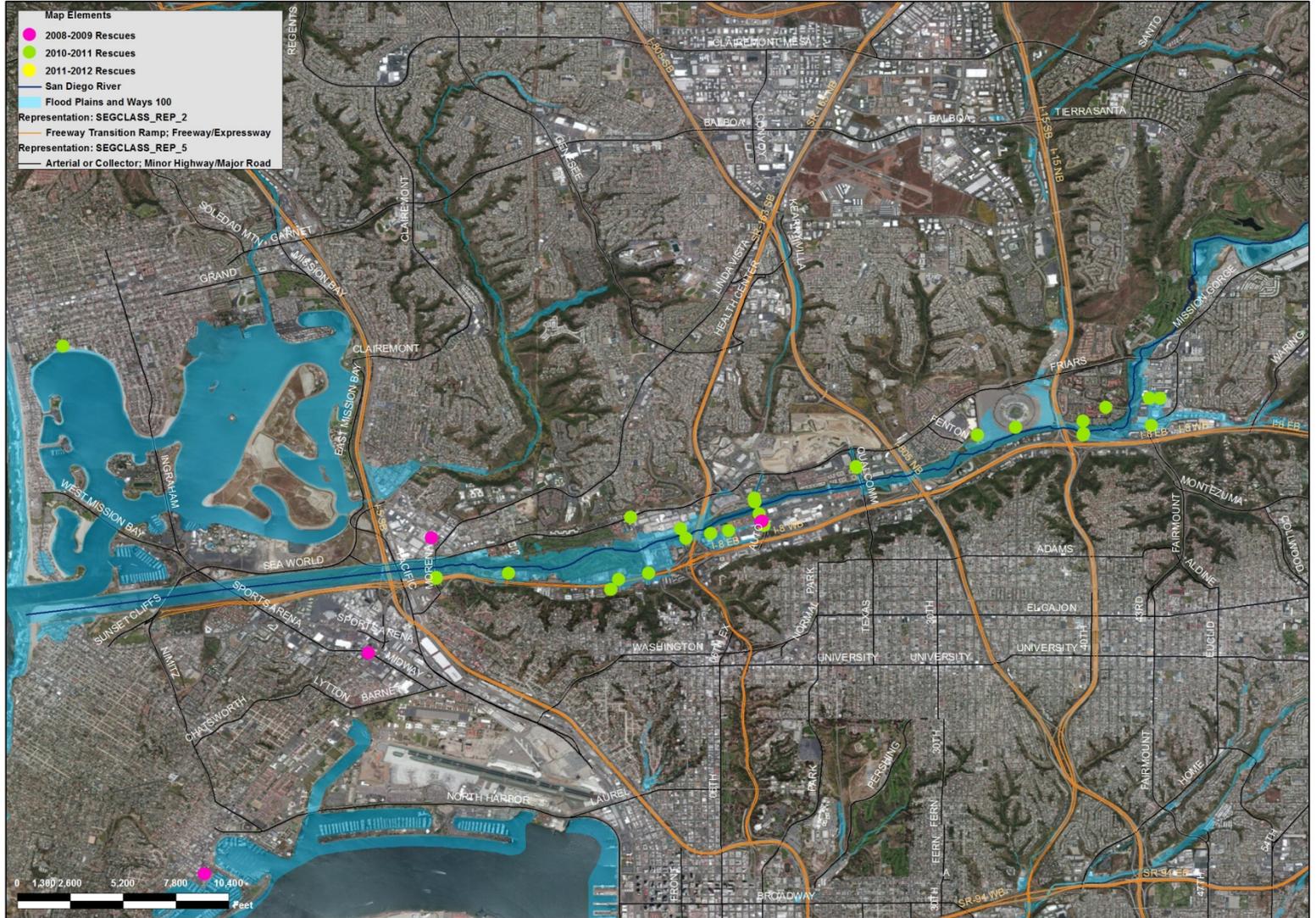
**SD Lifeguard River Rescue Team
San Diego River Hazards
Mission Valley, San Diego**

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Camino Del Este
Ward Rd.
Avenida Del Rio
Fashion Vly Rd.
Mission Center Rd.
Camino De La Reina

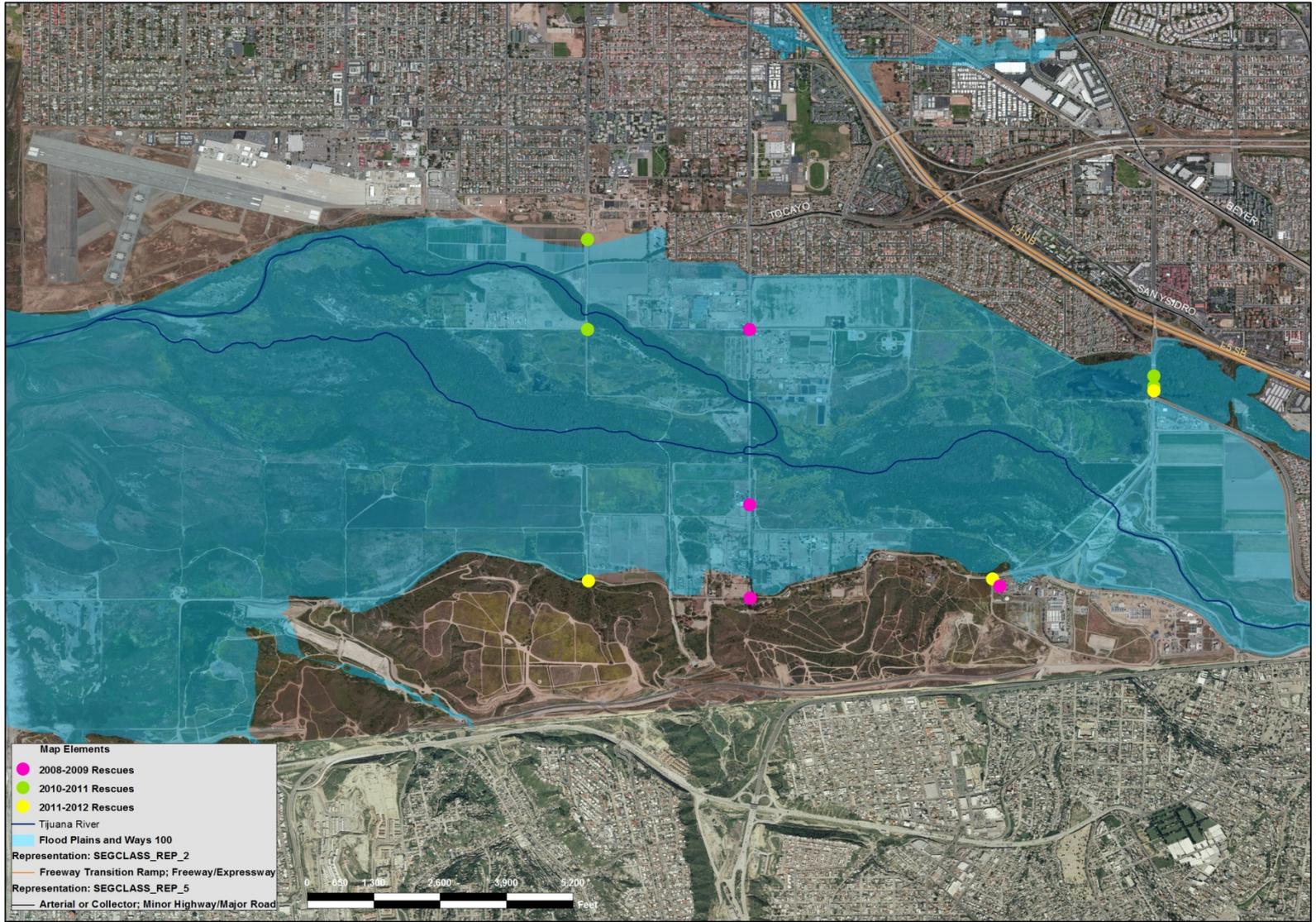
- River Hazards**
- * low head dam
 - ◆ innundated road crossing
 - ◆ road w/ tunnels



SD RRT Rescue Locations: Mission Valley



SD RRT Rescue Locations: Tijuana River Valley



Urban Rescue & Animal Assists



Hazards

Man-made Hazards



Environmental Hazards



Flood Awareness for 2015-16

- Community Outreach

- ✓ Community Meetings
- ✓ Safety Messages
- ✓ Early Notification, Coordinated Closures

Swiftwater Safety Tips

- Do not enter or drive a vehicle into flooded areas
- Obey all barricade and road closures
- If your vehicle is trapped or surrounded by water, stay with your vehicle
- Stay where you are if trapped - wave or call for assistance
- If caught in a river, face downstream. Keep your feet forward and at the water surface.
- Dial 911 if you witness or encounter a water emergency