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## Notice of Completion / Notice of Availability

**SUBJECT:** Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel Improvement Project (Avenue 54 to Thermal Drop Structure) Draft Environmental Impact Report.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Coachella Valley Water District is the Lead Agency having prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the subject project. The public is encouraged to review and provide comment on the proposed project and the Draft EIR, project alternatives and mitigation measures set forth in the Draft EIR. Pursuant to Public Resources Code 21092.6(a), none of the project facilities would be located on a hazardous waste site enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (Cortese List). A copy of the EIR and supporting documents are available for public review at CVWD's office at: 75515 Hovley Lane East, Palm Desert, CA 92211 and on CVWD's website at: [www.cvwd.org](http://www.cvwd.org)

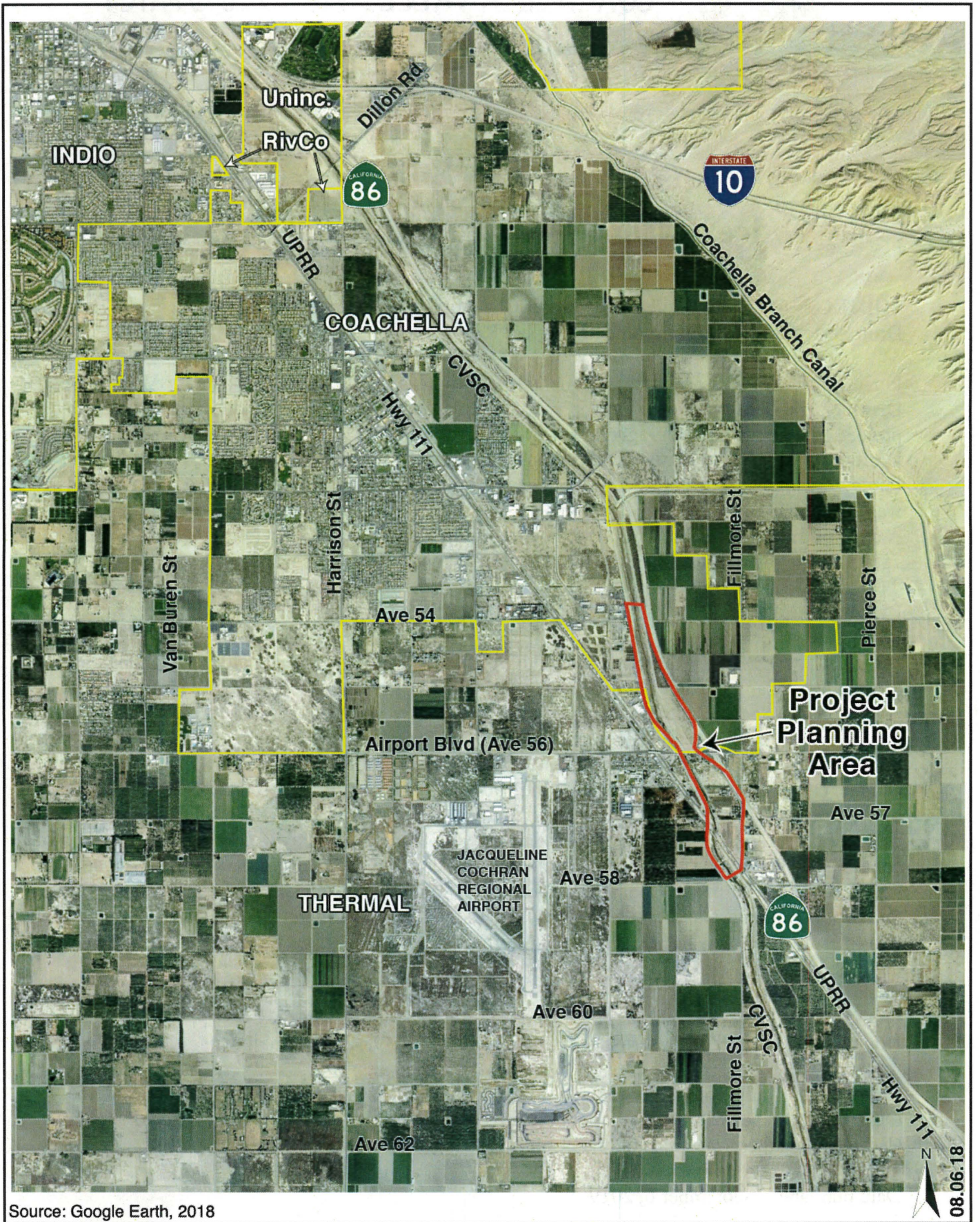
**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** September 6, 2019 through October 21, 2019

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:** This segment of the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel extending from Avenue 54 to the Thermal Drop Structure (located north of Avenue 58), is located within the city of Coachella in Riverside County. The project area includes and is focused upon a 2± mile segment of the existing trapezoidal stormwater channel. The project involves improvements to the existing stormwater channel facilities and is required to: 1) restore channel capacity to contain and convey the 100-year flood and provide requisite freeboard, and 2) remove the existing threat of flooding during a 100-year storm event to the parcels within the area of benefit. The project includes channel improvements including excavation for the placement of concrete-lined slope protection and limited utility relocations are also a part of this project. This segment of the stormwater channel is crossed by reinforced concrete bridges carrying Avenue 56/Airport Boulevard and State Highway 111, as well as two concrete and steel bridges carrying two lines of the Union Pacific Railroad. Alternative design solutions have also been evaluated in the EIR.

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This EIR and any comments received during the public review period will be considered by CVWD's Board of Directors at a publicly advertised, future CVWD Board of Directors meeting. CVWD holds these meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month.

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Source: Google Earth, 2018

**Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel Improvement  
 Avenue 54 to Thermal Drop Structure  
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