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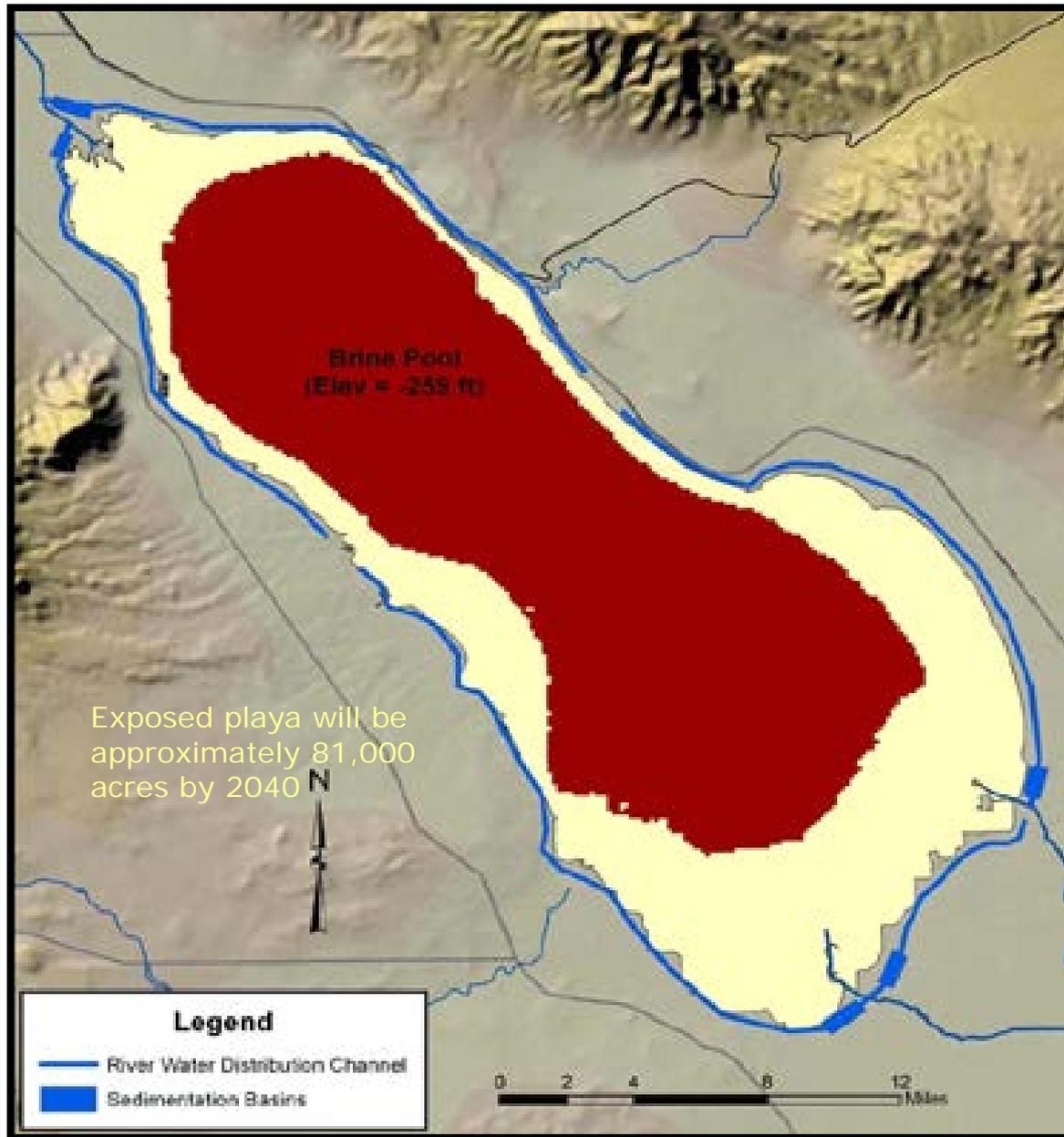
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Greetings from

Salton Sea
Desert Shores





The Related Problem

- Salinity rises until the Salton Sea is a Dead Sea

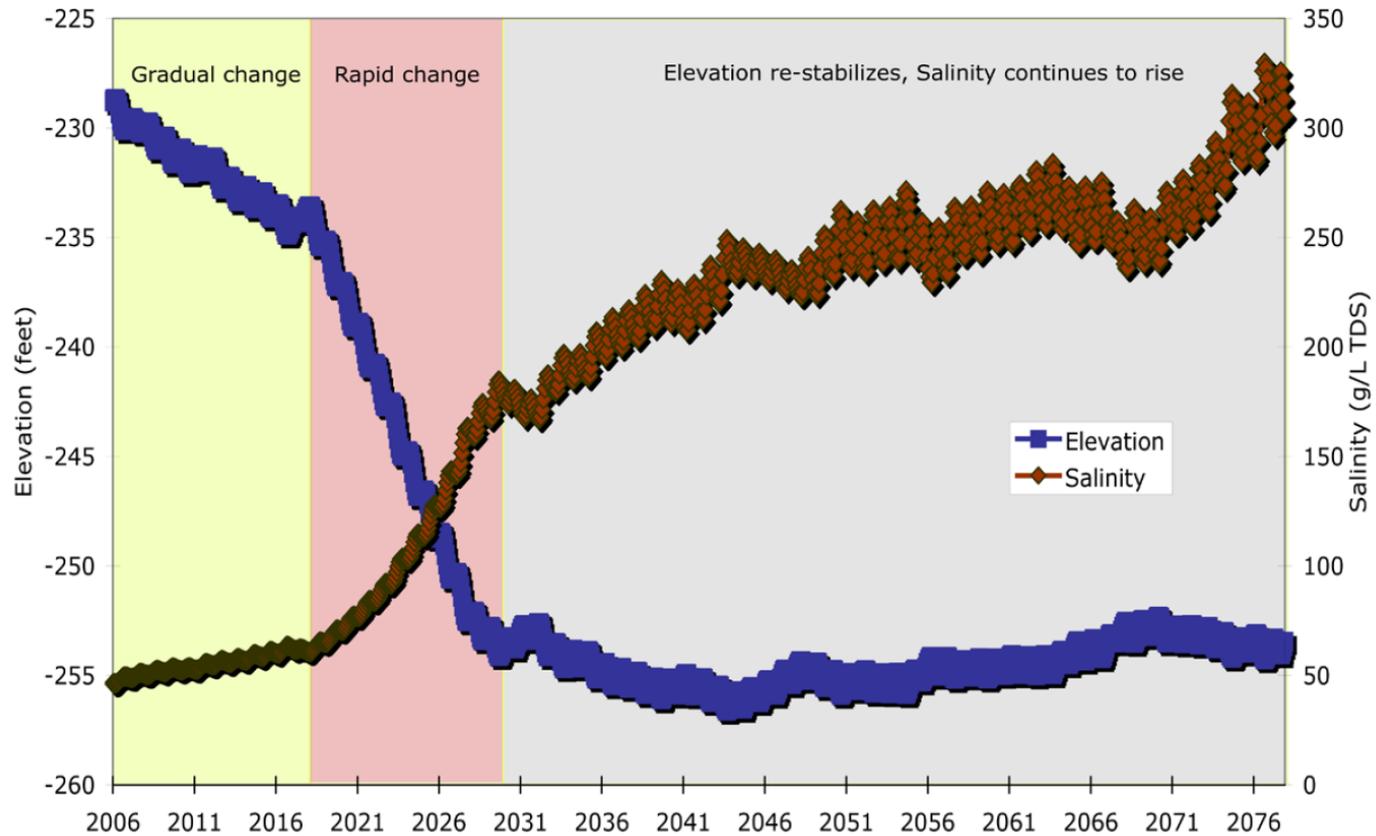


Figure ES-2. Elevation and salinity of the Salton Sea, Jan. 2006 – Dec. 2077.

The Borrego Valley



Borrego Springs is also a popular tourist destination.



But let's not forget what the natural environment looks like.



Botanists at UC Irvine study our iconic
desert flora.





Fouquieria splendens



Sauromalus ater



Ovis canadensis nelsoni

Big Horn Sheep

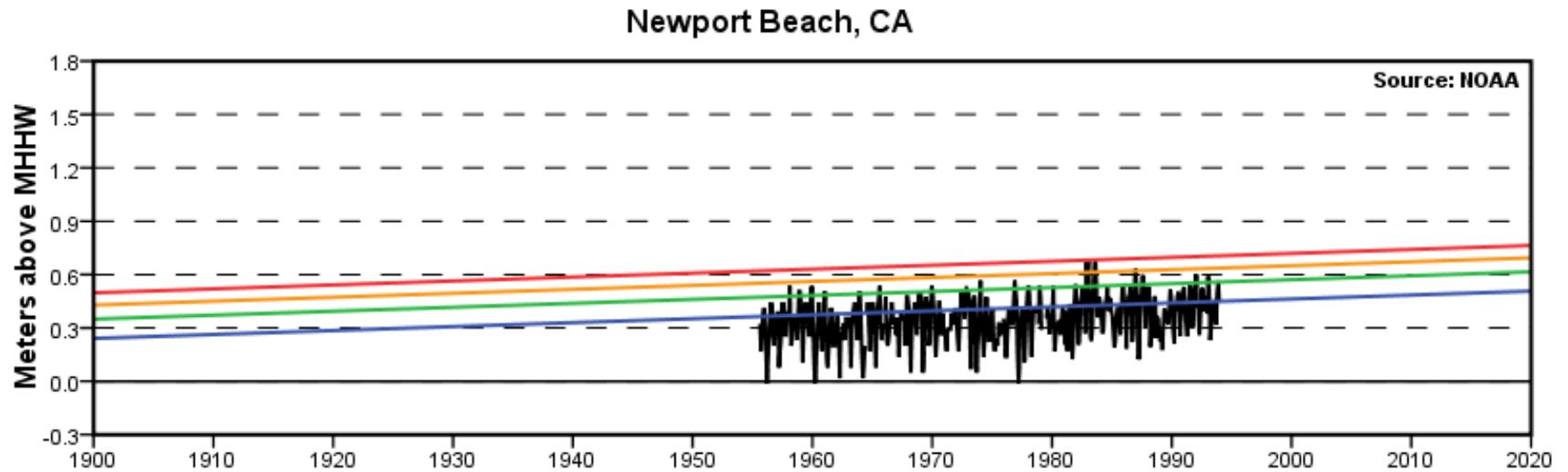


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Closer to home we are studying sea level rise.



Effects of a 1.25 meter rise



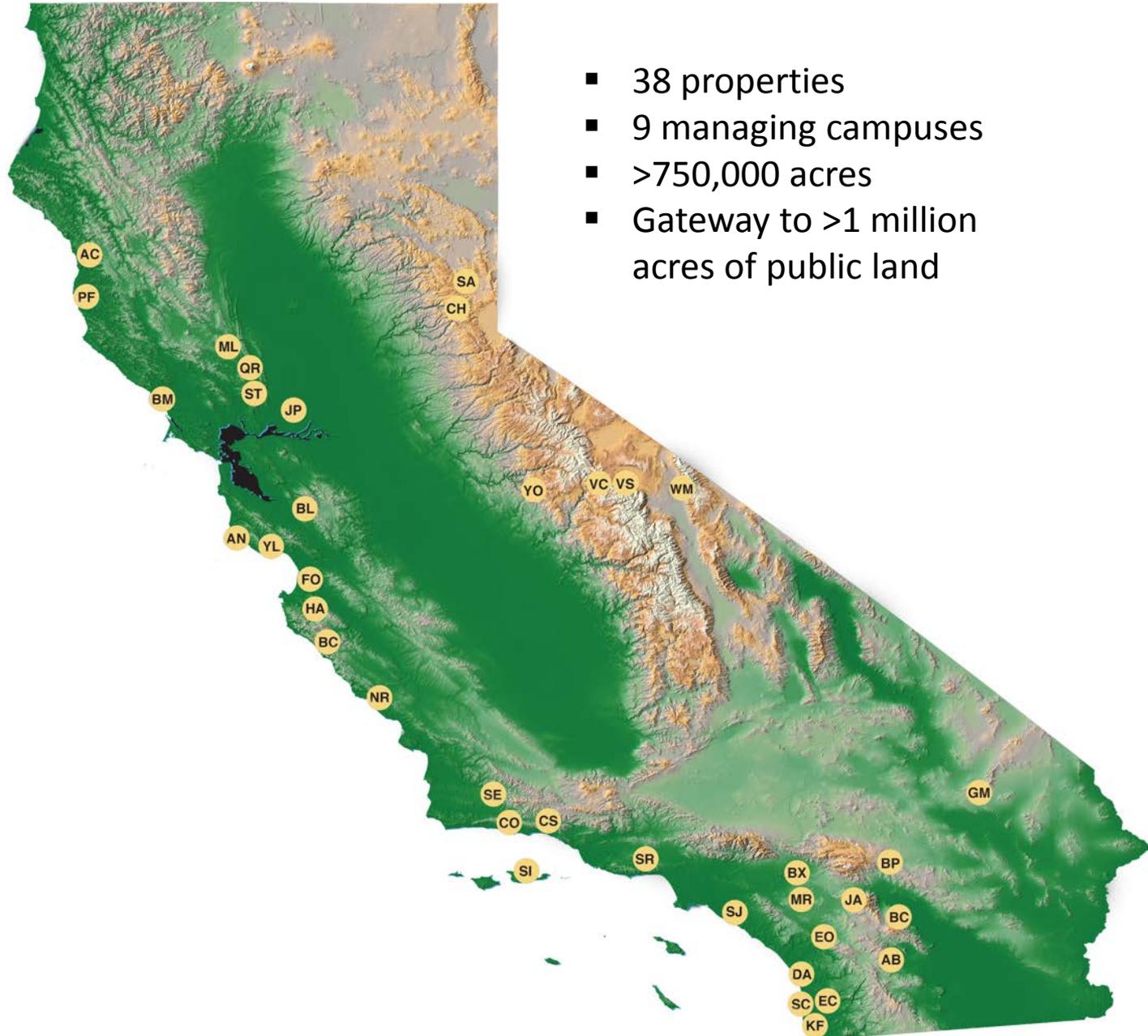
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