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Status Update on Bouquet Canyon Creek

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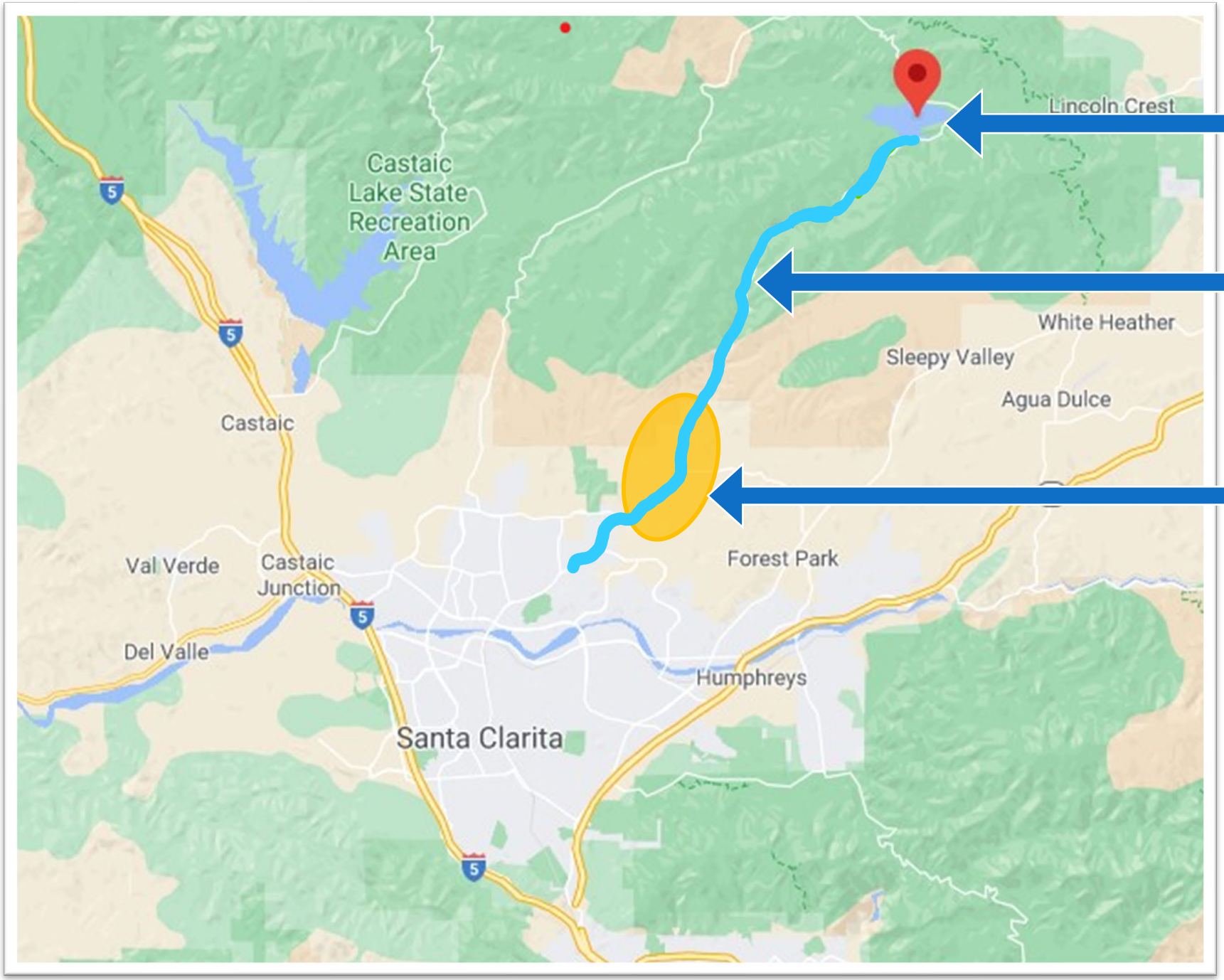
October 20, 2021

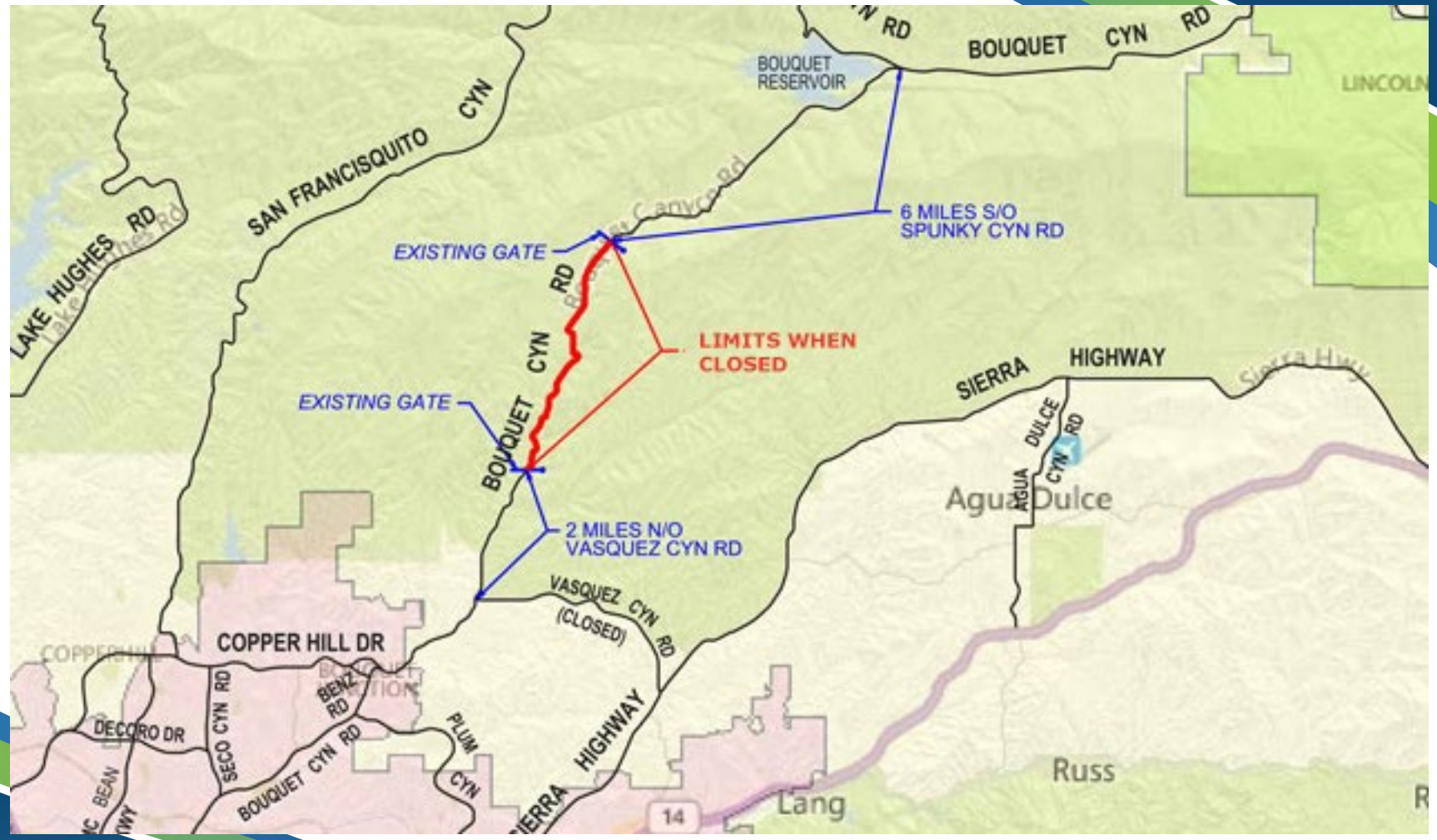
Previous Updates

- October 2020 to SCV GSA
  - Described history and administrative constraints
  - Your Board provided direction to raise this issue to SCV Water's BoD for additional discussion.
- January 2021 to SCV Water



- Bouquet Reservoir
- Bouquet Canyon Road and Creek
- Approximate area of impacted wells

Intermittent Road Closures



New Stakeholder-Developed Approach

- Recent field meeting with a Bouquet Canyon Resident
- Review of concerns
  - Public Safety
  - Groundwater Recharge
  - Degraded creek
    - Invasive species
    - Overgrowth
    - Trash

Invasive Species (Yellow Iris)

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Invasive Species Removal (Yellow Iris)

Overgrowth

Dumping and Overgrowth

Water from Bouquet Creek on Road

Key Points from Field Meeting

- Relatively simple solutions appear to exist for restoration of the creek, flows, and habitat.
  - Removal of Yellow Iris can be done by hand
  - Trash removal can be largely be done by hand
  - Some chain saw work to remove fallen trees/overgrowth would be needed
- These relatively simple efforts may be used to restore a portion of streamflow, habitat, and stream grade.
  - Like any restoration, creek maintenance would be needed going forward

Follow up After Field Meeting

- Reviewed AB 353 Lackey that allows for CDFW to issue an incidental take permit for Bouquet Creek restoration
  - ✓ Requires habitat restoration plan
- Continue to collaborate with project lead LA County
  - ✓ Working towards a design for an interim solution
- Reach out to resource agencies (CDFW)
  - ✓ Collaborate on potential project to pursue grant funding

- Questions?