Lake Elsinore Communication Site

Overview

The site is located adjacent to an existing cellular communication tower on a low hill approximately 0.75 mile northeast of Lake Elsinore and 0.50 mile southwest of Interstate 15. The proposed project would place a tower and equipment shelter adjacent to the existing cellular communication tower.

Latitude ¹	Longitude ¹	Elev ²	Address	T/R/S ³	APN⁴	USGS Quadrangle
33°40'04.0"	117°19'07.5"	1,558	488 Elsinore Heights, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530	6S, 4W, Sec. 8	373-121-002 thru 007	Lake Elsinore
 1 – All coordinates utilize NAD83 datum 2 – All elevations in feet above mean sea level 3 – Township/Range/Section (San Bernardino Base Meridian) 				4 – All Assessors Parcel Numbers are located in Riverside County, unless noted: OC = Orange County; SD = San Diego County; SB = San Bernardino County		

Table 1: Lake Elsinore	Communication Site
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Surrounding Land Uses

Land use in the vicinity consists of Lake Elsinore to the west, an existing communication facility to the east, open space followed by residential development to the north, and an east-west, aboveground utility line followed by open space to the south. All the surrounding open space is confined by residential development to the north, south, and west, and by Interstate 15 to the east.

Topography and Vegetation

The site is located atop a low hill to the east of Lake Elsinore. The site itself is highly disturbed and sparsely vegetated, as it is subject to disturbance from off-road vehicle use and maintenance of the existing communication facility. It is dominated by bare ground with sporadic patches of ruderal plant species such as short-podded mustard. A row of mature, Peruvian pepper trees occurs along the northern portion of the site. A stand of coastal sage scrub occurs on the downward slopes of the ridge to the north and the south of the site, and is comprised predominantly of brittlebush, but also includes short-podded mustard. Much of the area is subject to regular disturbance and presumably frequent fire events, and has thus converted to non-native vegetation.

Land Ownership and Applicable Habitat/Land Management Plan

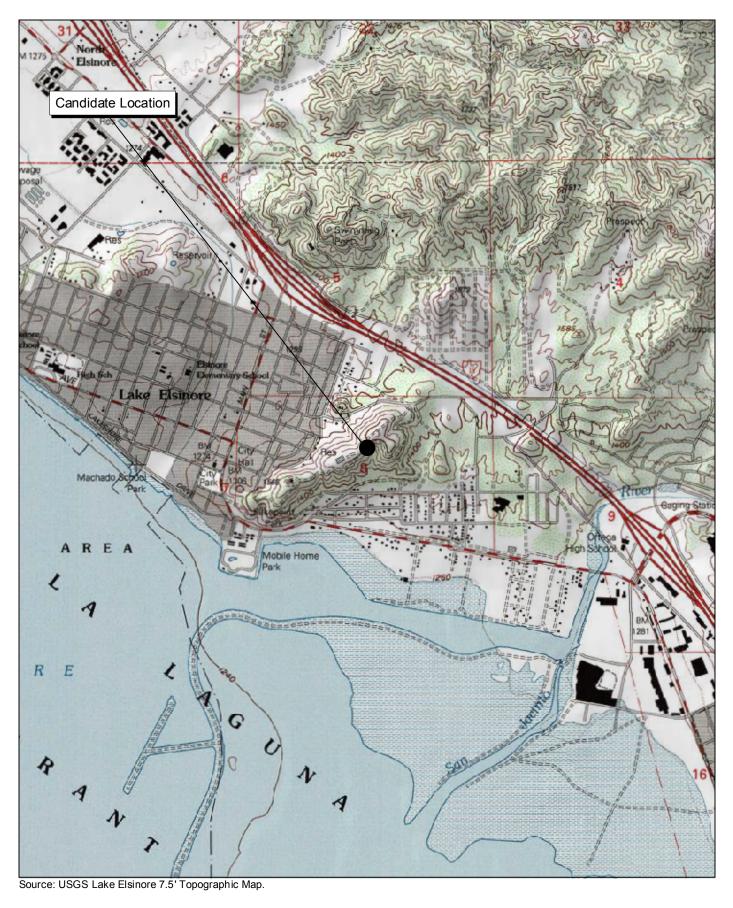
The site is privately owned and managed and subject to the WRMSHCP. The County will purchase several long and narrow parcels for placement of its site. The site is located within the "Elsinore" Area Plan," but is not within a Criteria Cell. Additionally, the site is located within a fee area under the Western Riverside County SKRHCP.

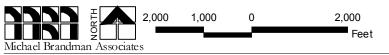
Road Access

A dirt road accesses the site from East Franklin Street at the base of the hill.

Commercial Power Access

Commercial power is available at the site and serves the existing cellular facility.

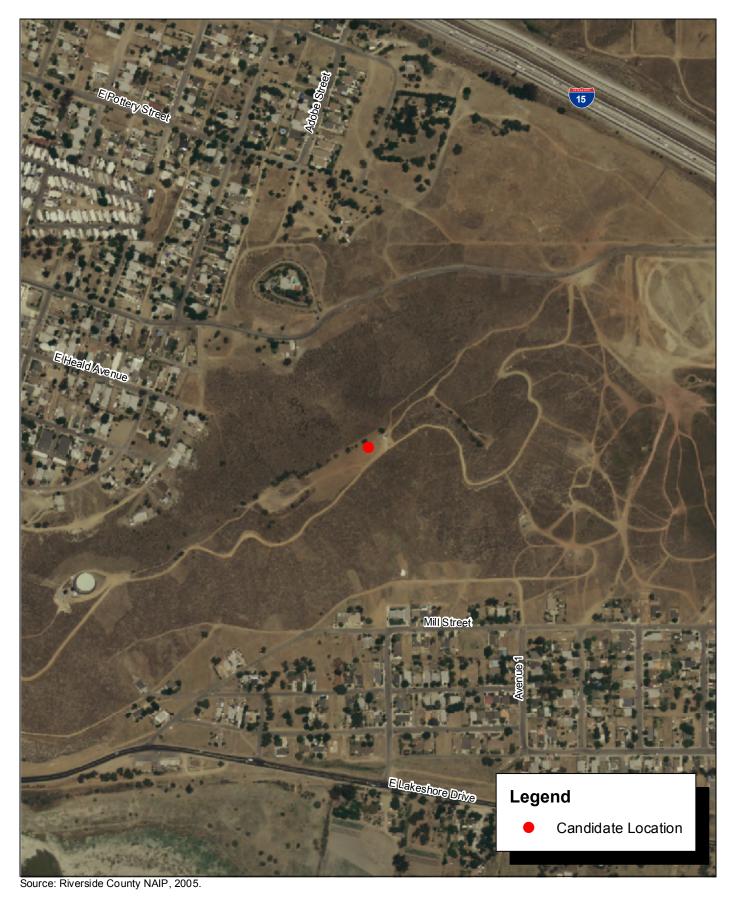




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Lake Elsinore Communication Site Local Vicinity Topographic Map

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Michael Brandman Associates 500 250 0 500 Lake Elsinore Communication Site Local Vicinity Aerial Map

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Photograph 1: Overview of Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing east.



Photograph 3: View toward Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing west.

Source: Michael Brandman Associates, 2008.



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Photograph 2: Overview of Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing south.



Photograph 4: View toward Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing north.

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Photograph 5: View from Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing northeast.



Photograph 7: View from Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing southeast.

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Photograph 6: View from Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing northwest.



Photograph 8: View from Lake Elsinore candidate location, facing southwest.

Lake Elsinore Candidate Photographs 5 to 8 PSEC Project