



A CUPA GIS MAP

CalEPA is creating a statewide CUPA GIS map in two phases: first, validating boundaries for CUPAs whose jurisdiction matches the county and/or city lines; and second focusing on CUPAs that require additional boundary edits. CalEPA will implement a CUPA GIS Boundary Map to allow CUPA Managers with no GIS expertise to review, validate, and modify their jurisdictional boundaries.



CalEPA sent a survey link on August 25, 2022, to gather information about awareness of the CUPA GIS Project, CUPAs' existing boundaries, and the support needed to prepare CUPAs to use the Boundary Map. Please take a moment and respond as the information gathered will be used to develop training and communication to help the CUPAs navigate the new Portal!

About the CUPA GIS Project

This project responds to the challenges of determining CUPA and PA jurisdiction based on zip codes. Using zip codes to determine jurisdictional boundaries is problematic in densely populated areas and does not account for facilities that cross boundaries. This results in confusion about which agency has jurisdiction, potentially causing delays in coordinating emergency response activities. CalEPA will incorporate the **CUPA GIS Boundary Map** created by this project into the CERS NextGen application, and other applications sponsored by CalEPA and its boards, divisions, and offices, to track jurisdictional assignments and to coordinate emergency responses.

CalEPA is working with a software vendor, "Esri", to create a simple web application enabling CUPAs to propose boundary changes at the Accessor's Parcel Number (APN) level. CalEPA plans to finish the Boundary Map in fall 2022. CalEPA recently sent a survey link to CUPAs on 8/25/2022. The link was sent by Jennifer Rhode. If you have not already, please respond to the survey. CalEPA will use the survey information to improve our communication and develop training materials for CUPAs. CUPA representatives will receive training before accessing and navigating the CUPA GIS Boundary Map to review existing boundaries and request proposed boundary updates. We look forward to working with you to make this project a success!

STAY TUNED FOR MORE...

LOOK FOR THE CUPA GIS PROJECT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS) FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT!

If you have questions about the CUPA GIS Project, we invite you to contact the CUPA GIS Project OCM Team at: Ivan.parra@calepa.ca.gov or Michelle.kirwan@calepa.ca.gov