

Appendix I  
Tribal Consultation/Correspondence

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**DEPARTMENT of COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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February 3, 2023

Charles Alvarez  
Gabrieleno-Tongva Tribe  
23454 Vanowen Street  
West Hill, CA 91307

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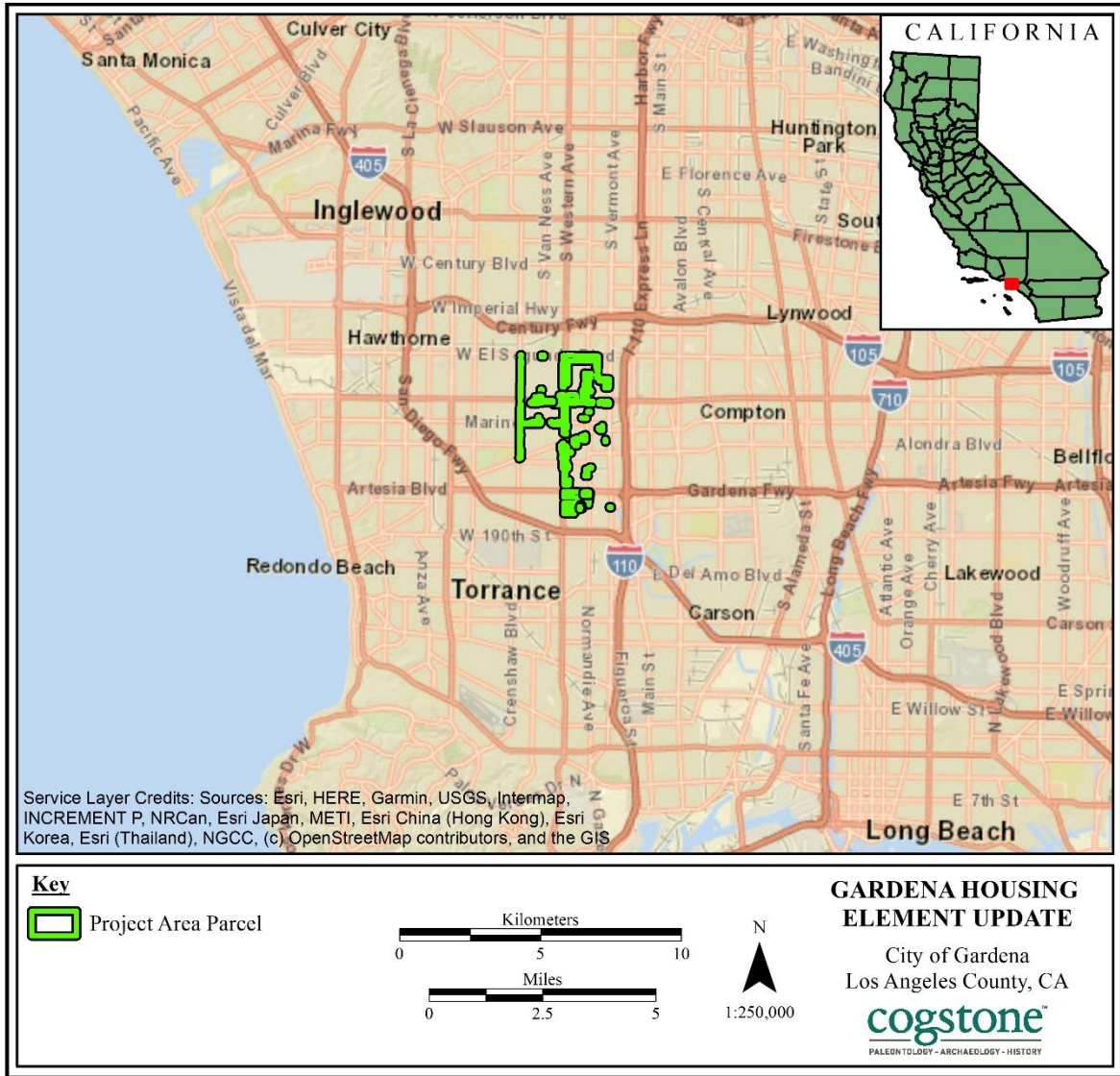


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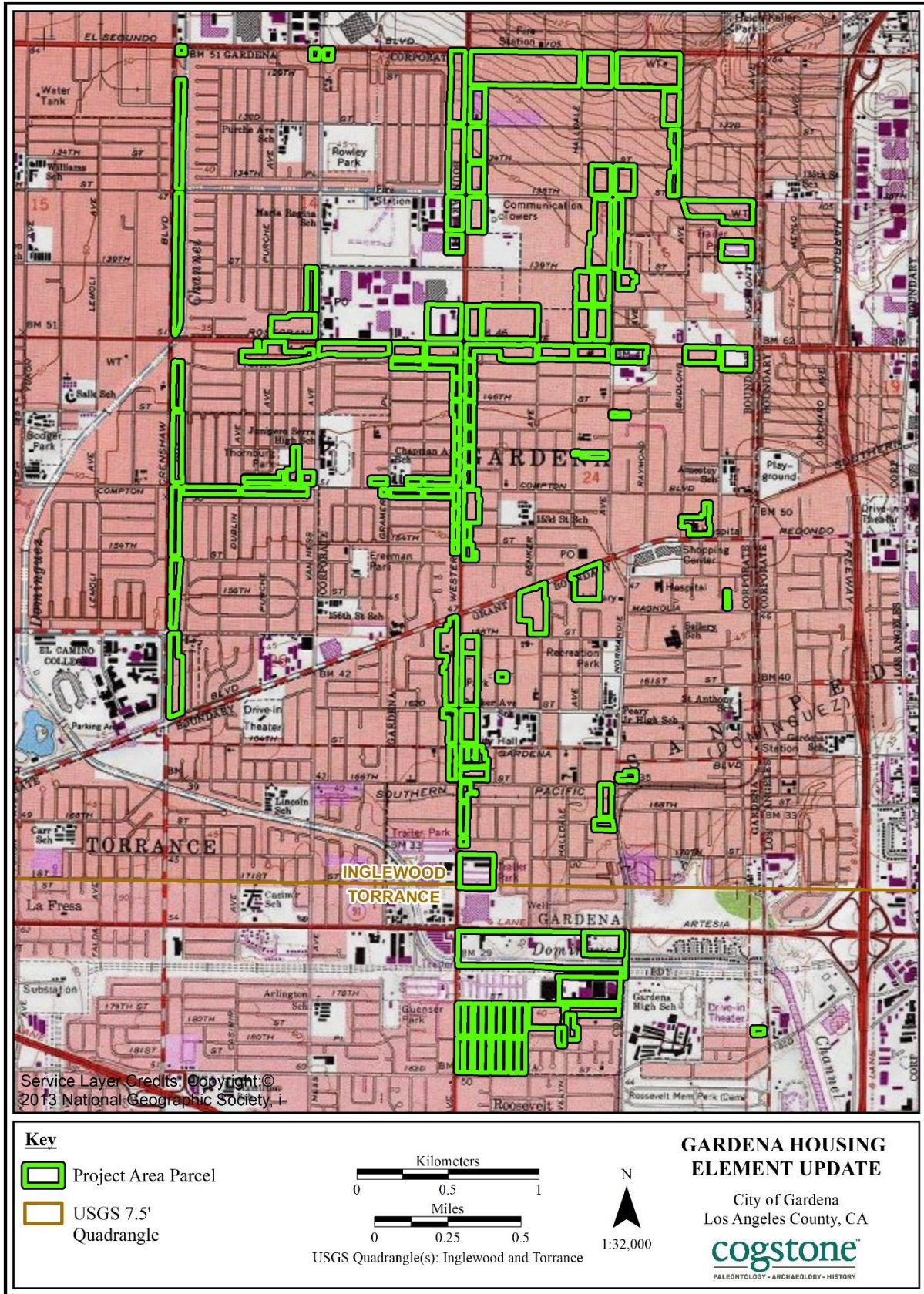


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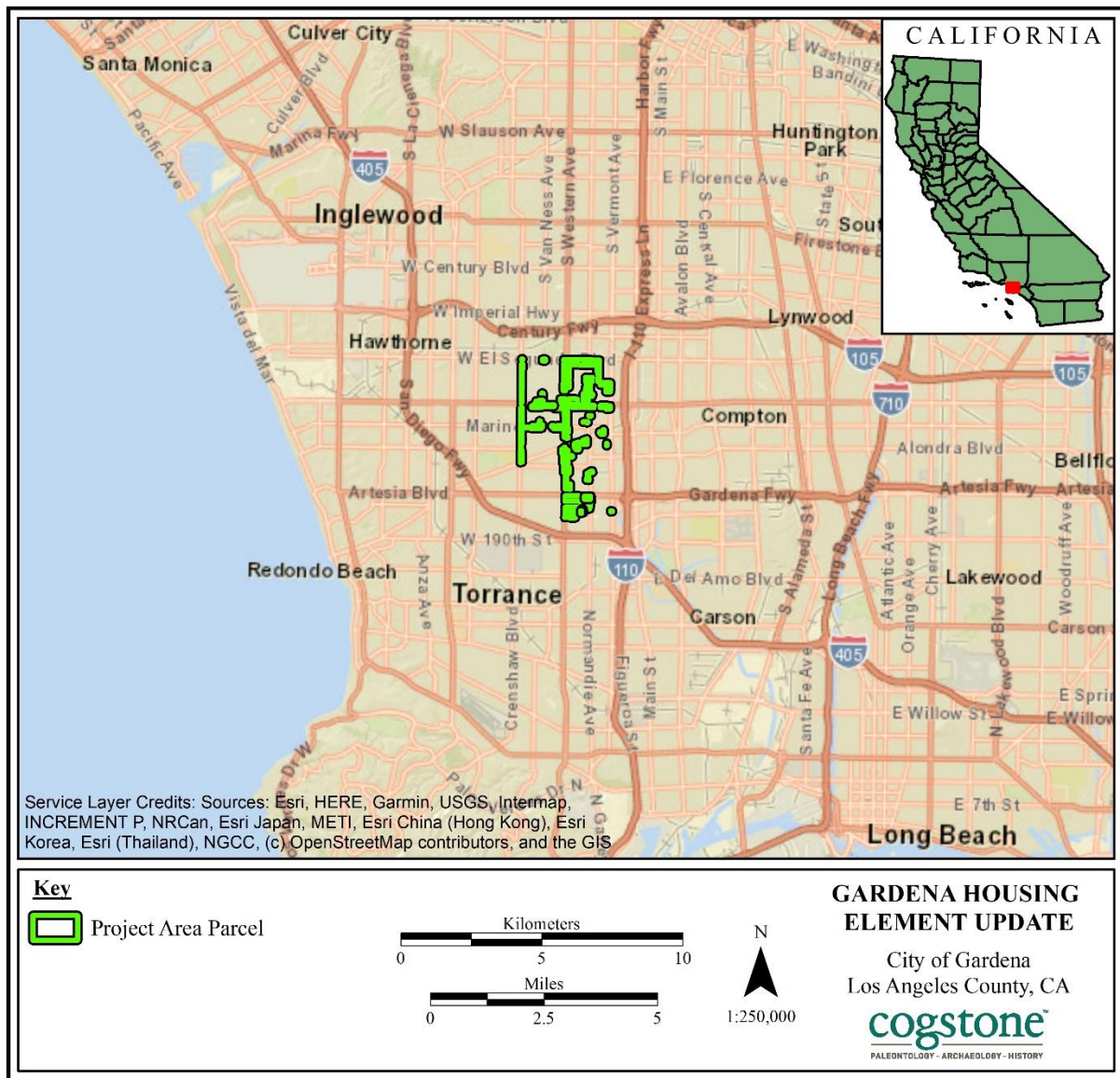


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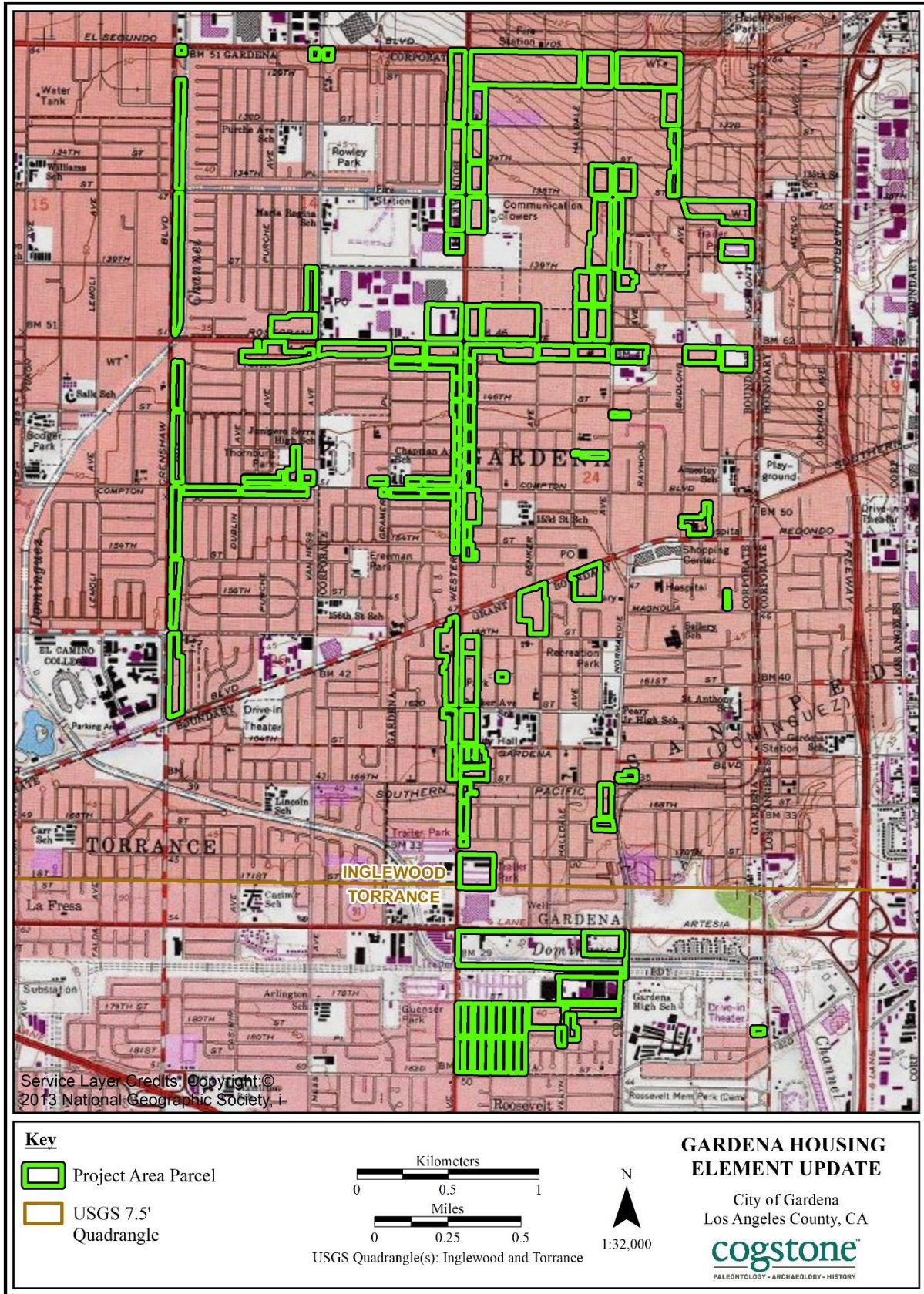


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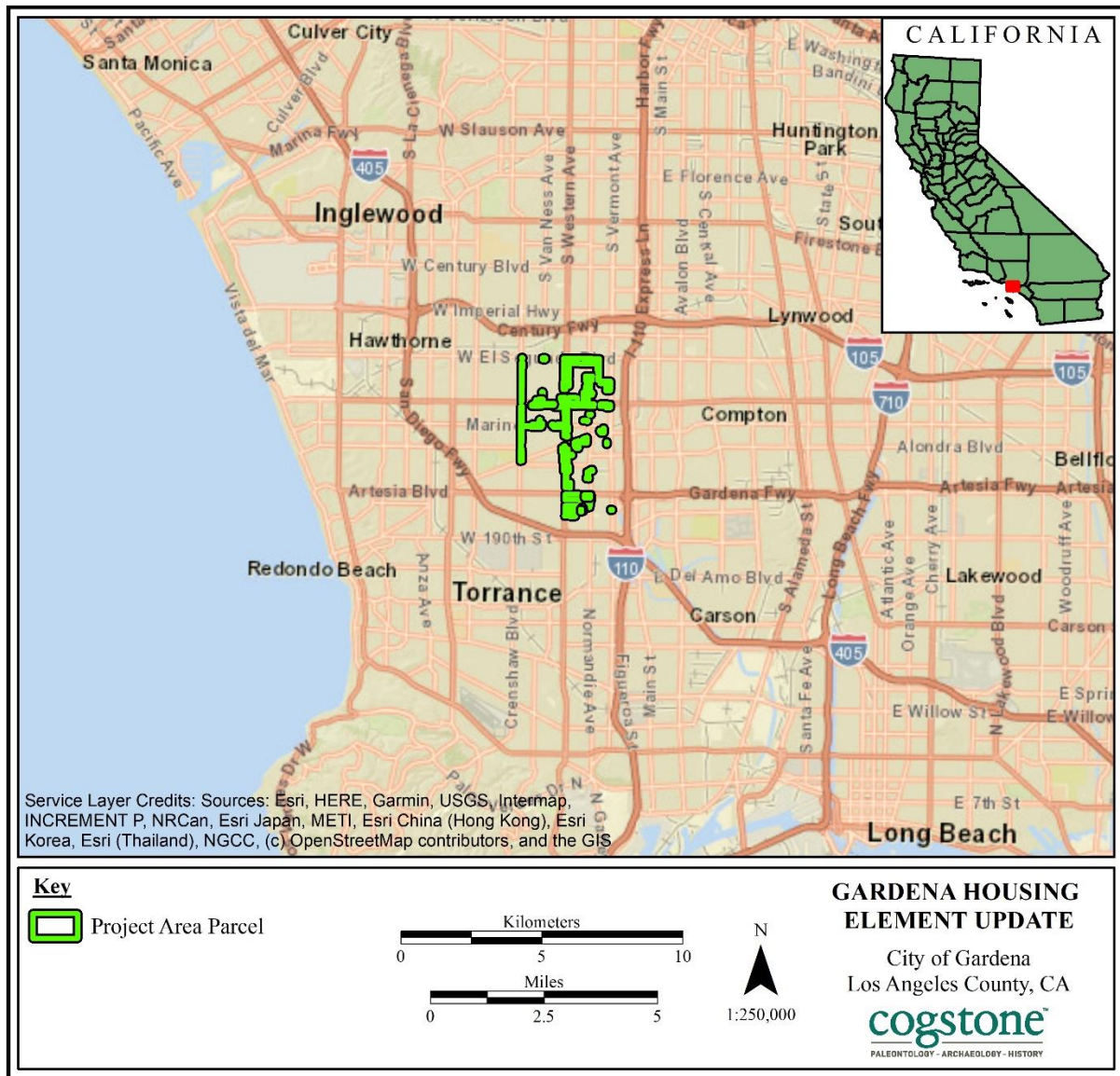


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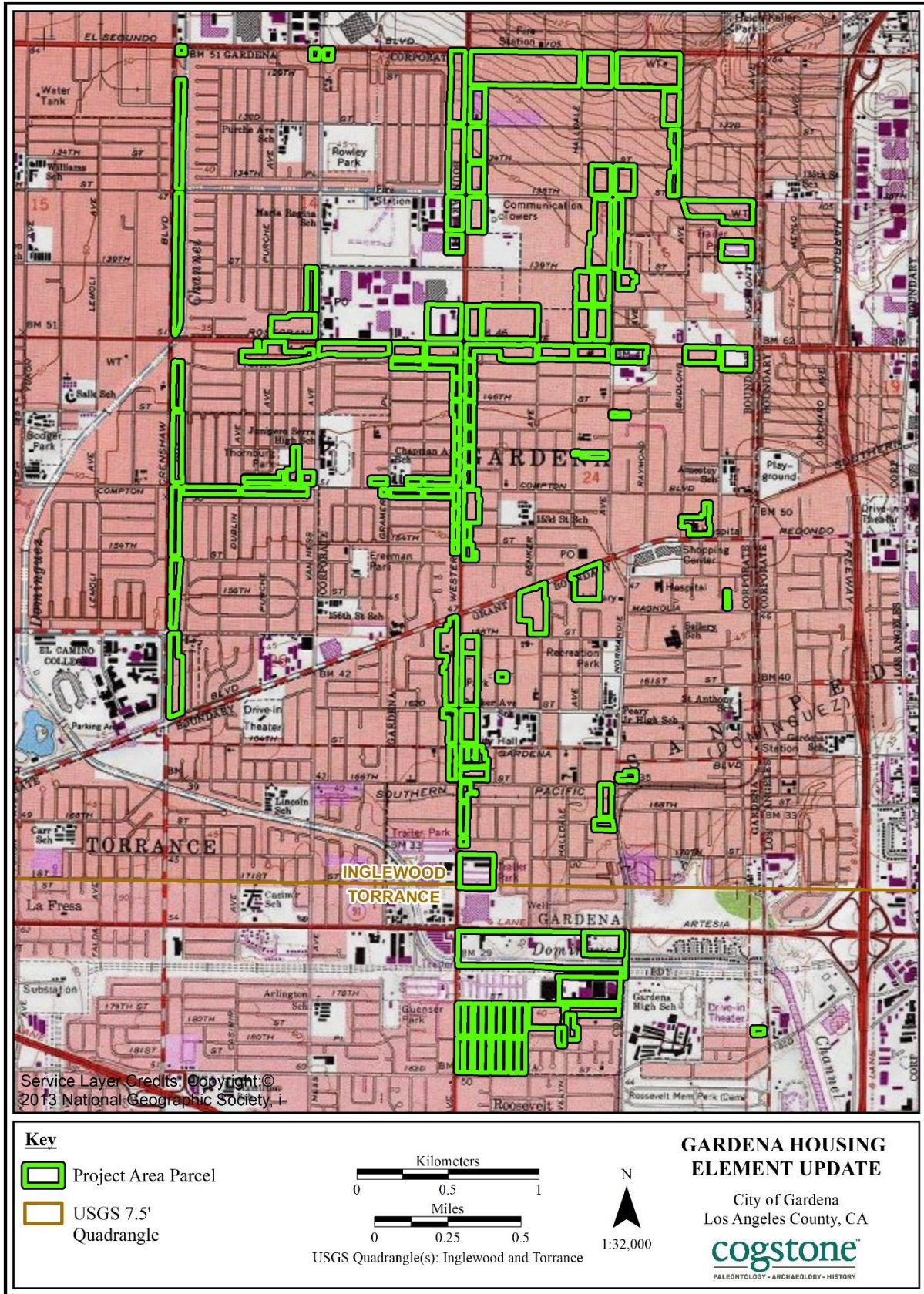


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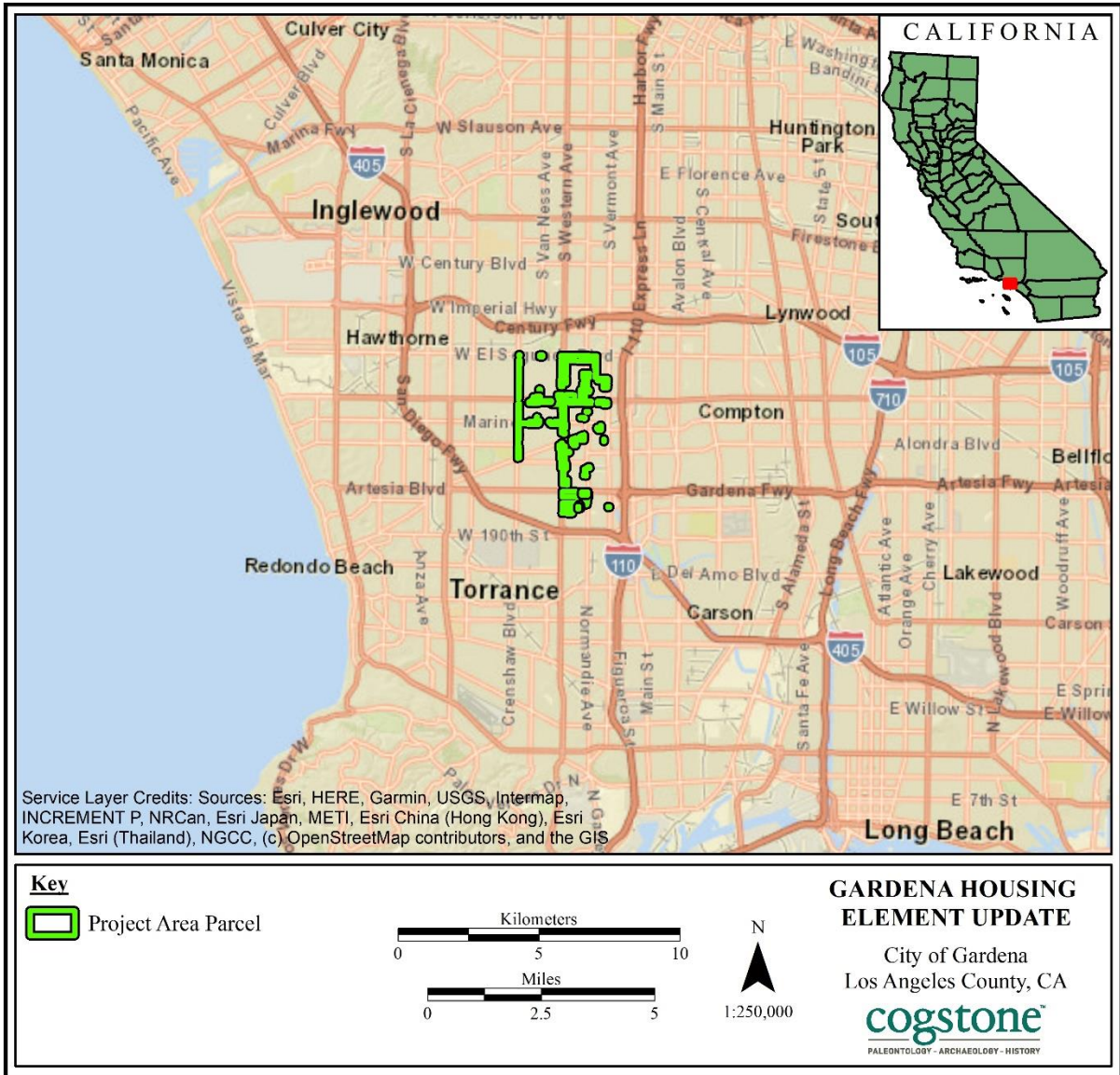


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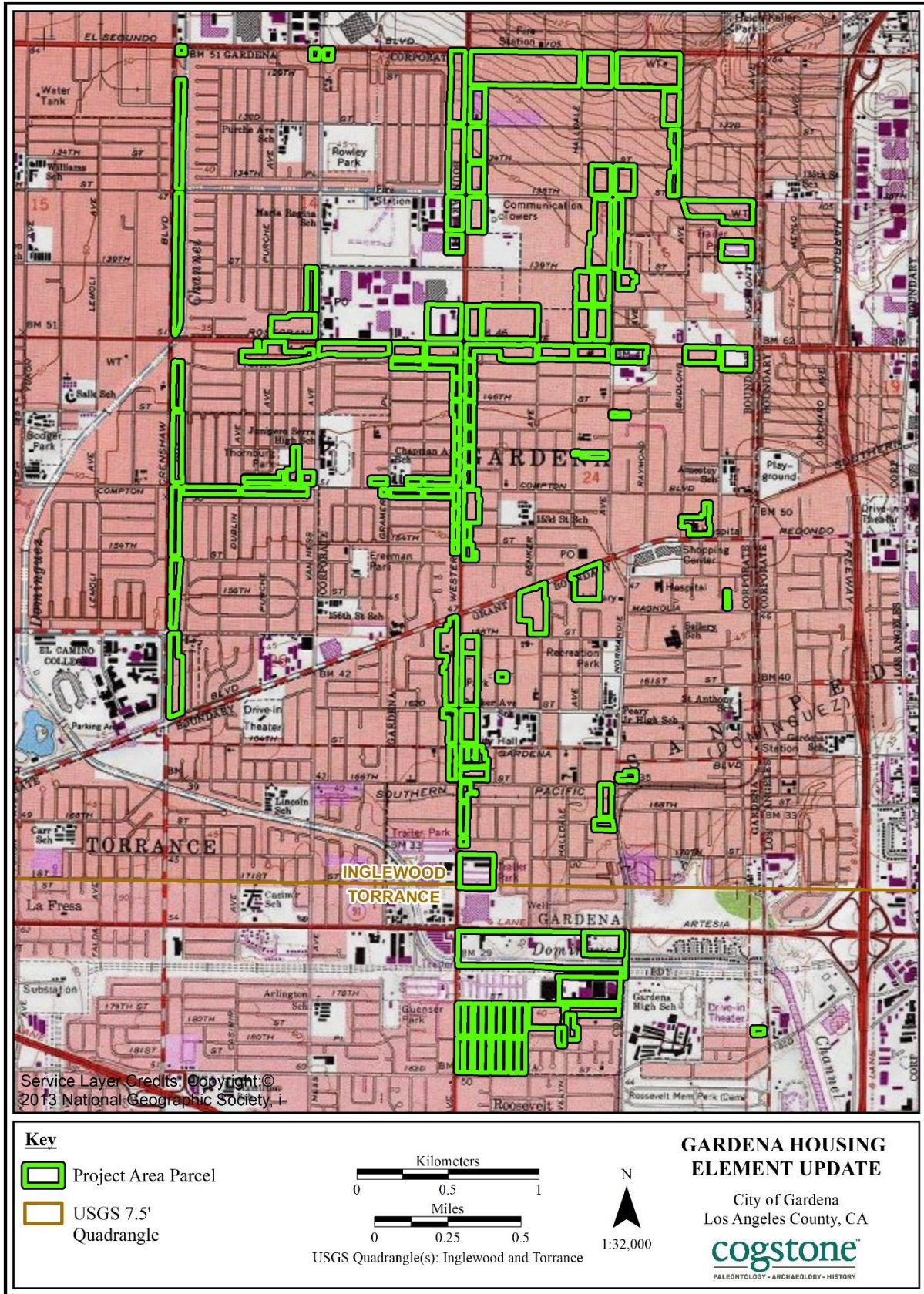


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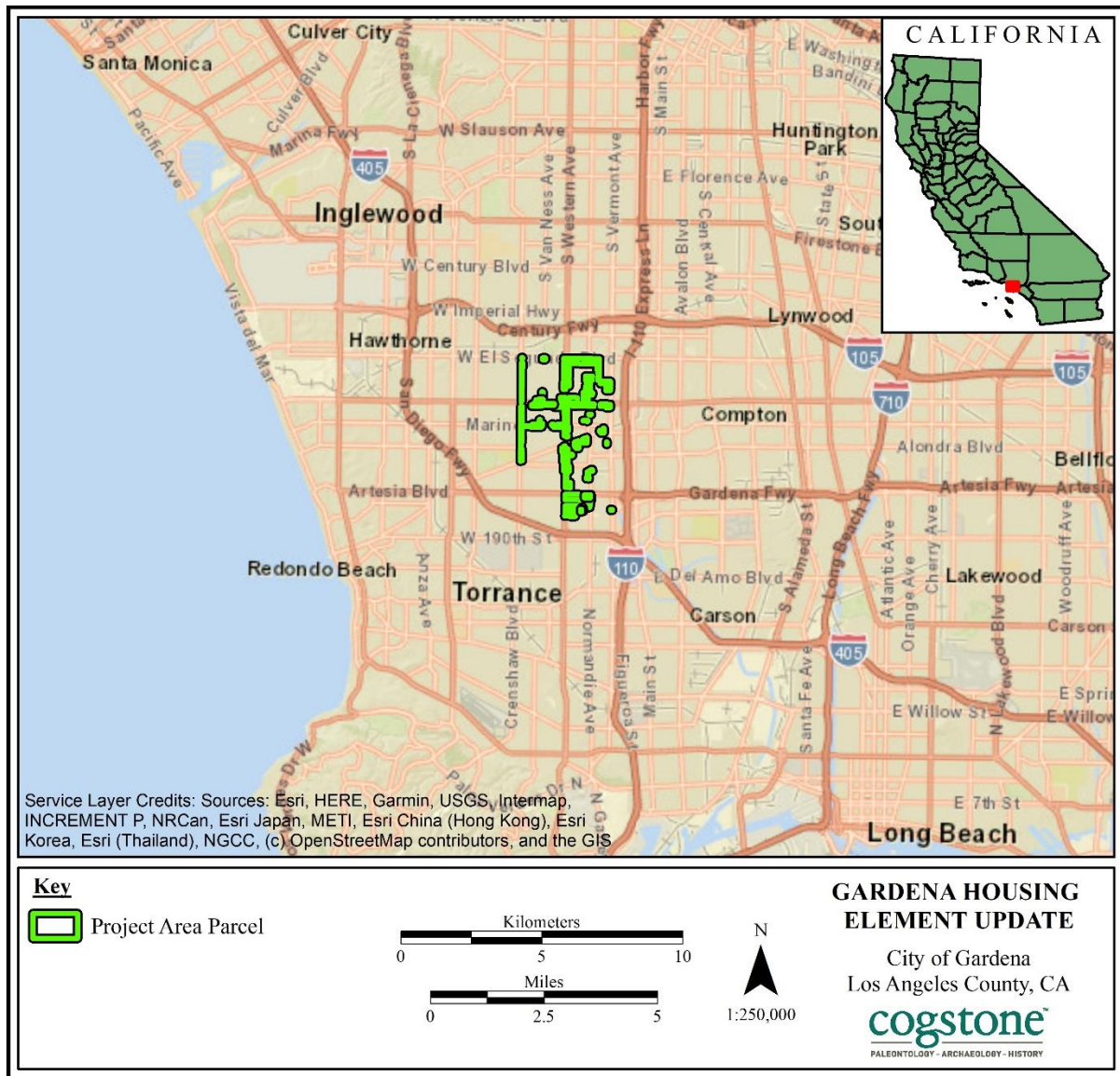


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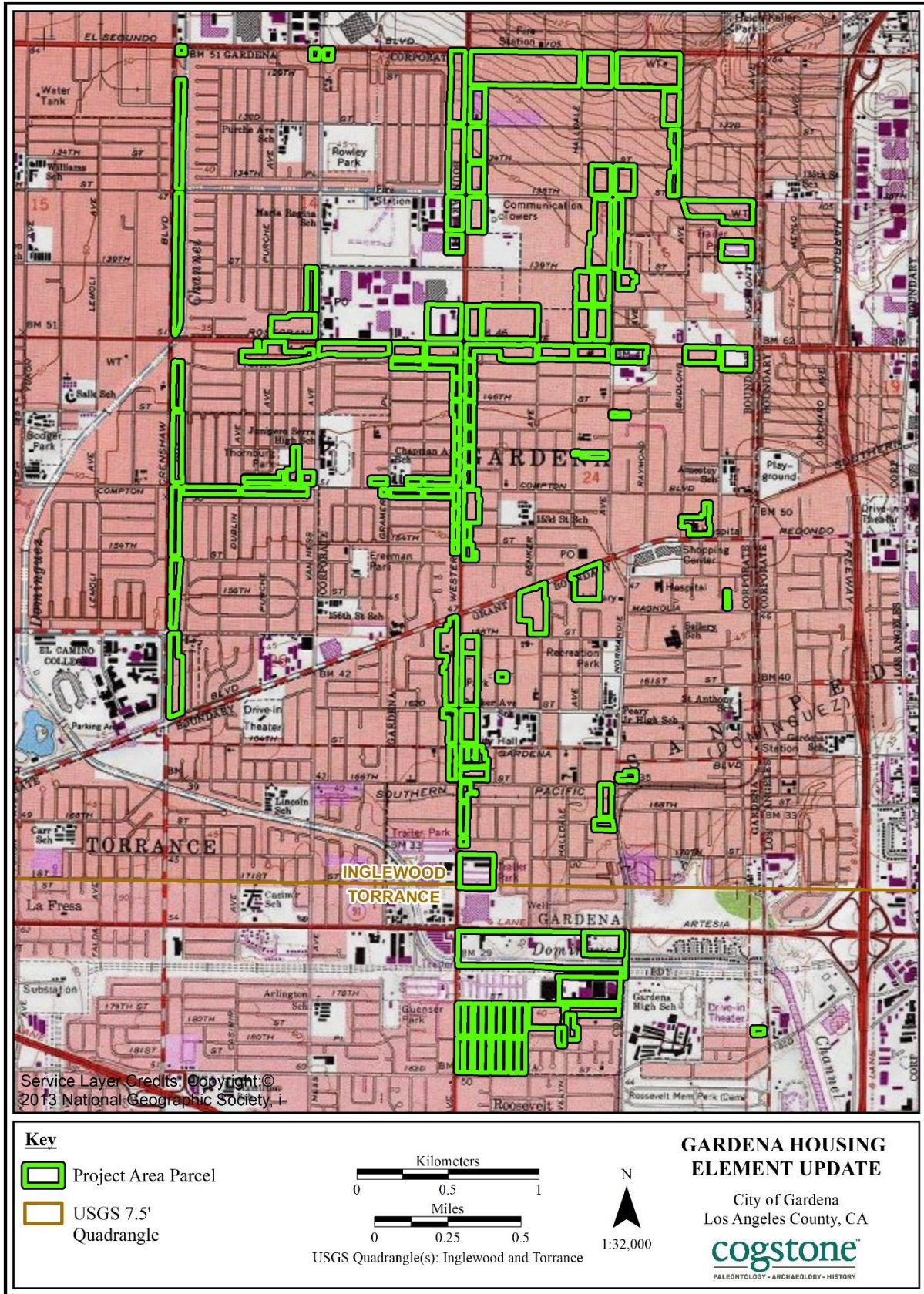


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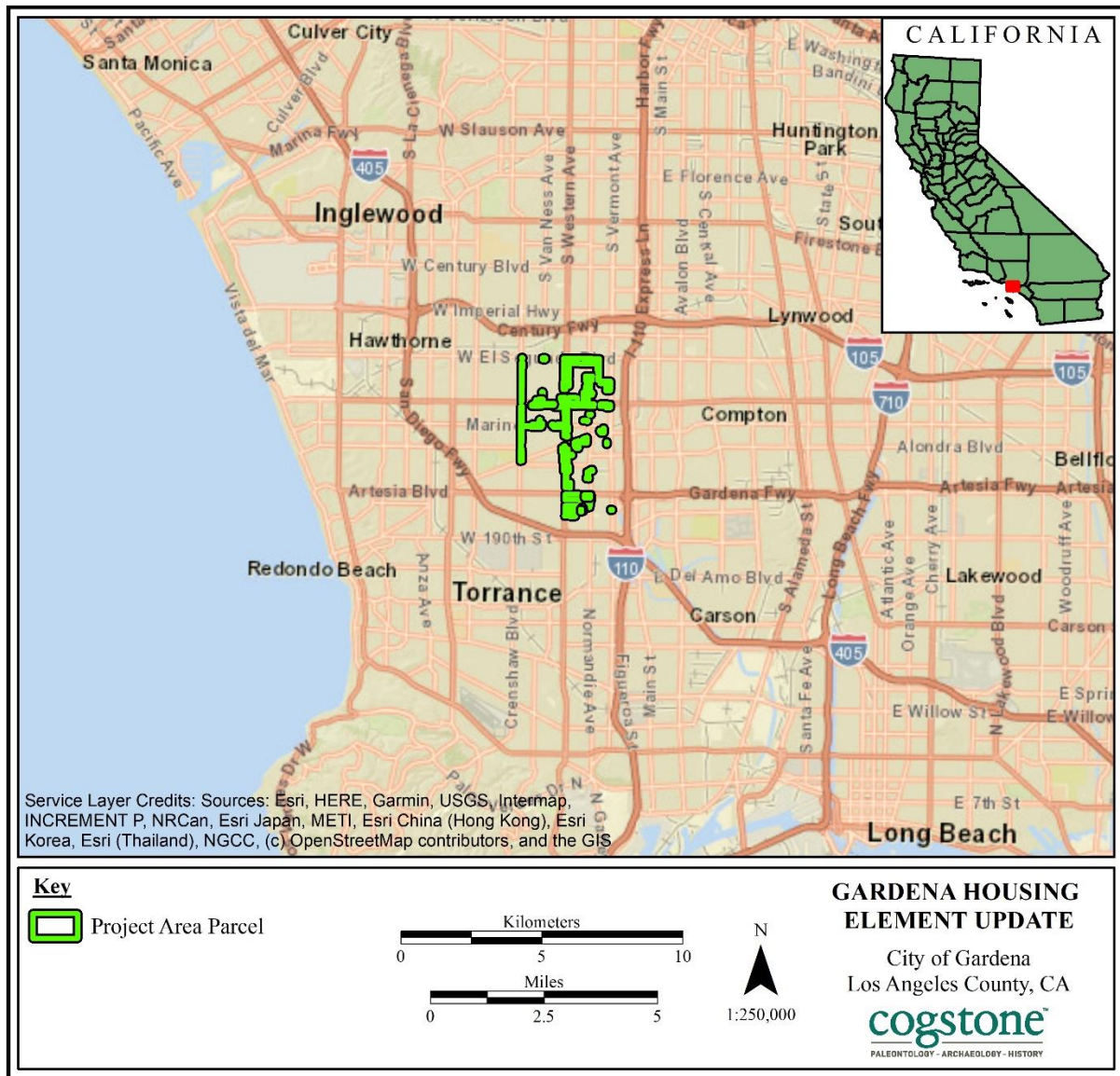


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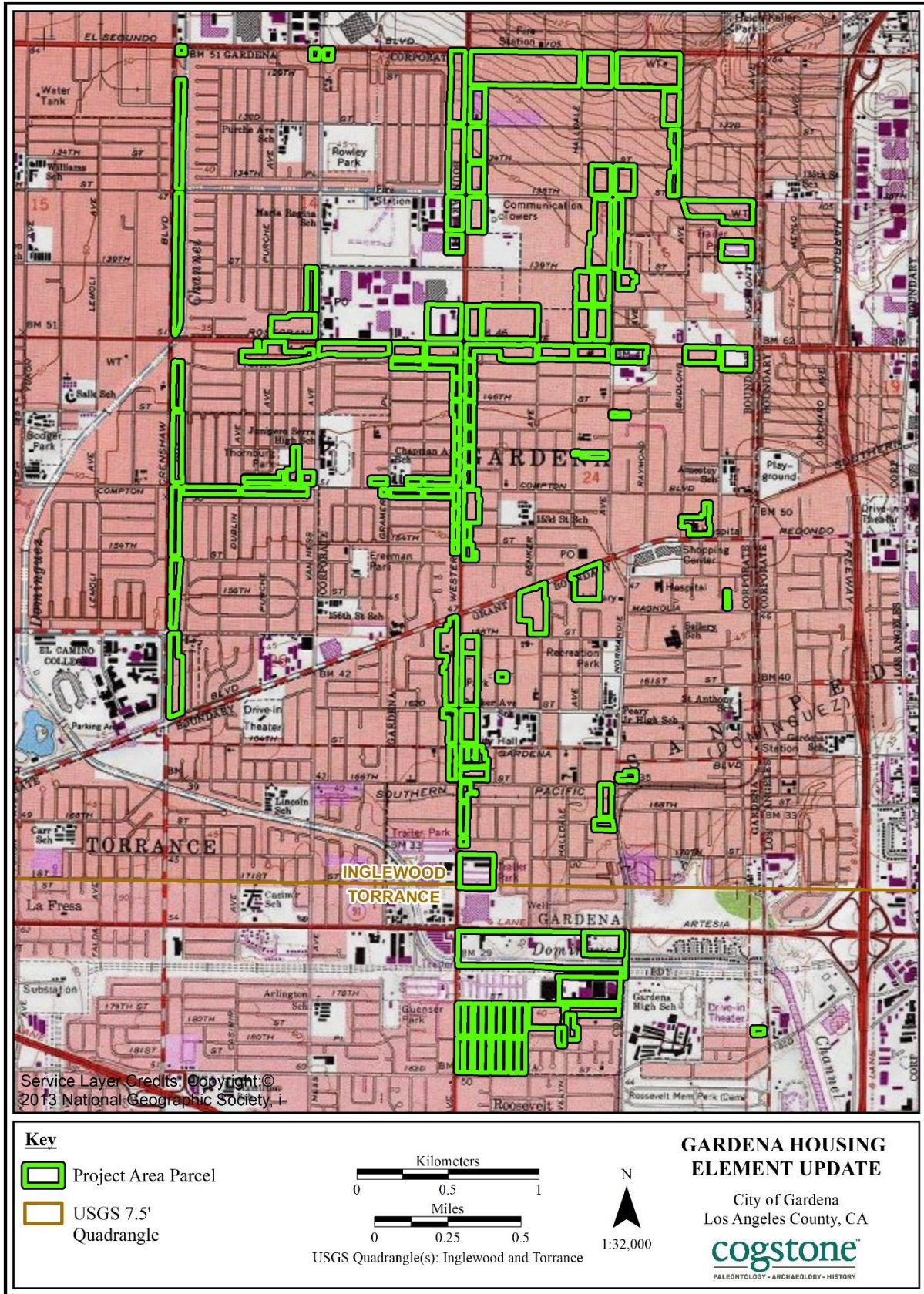


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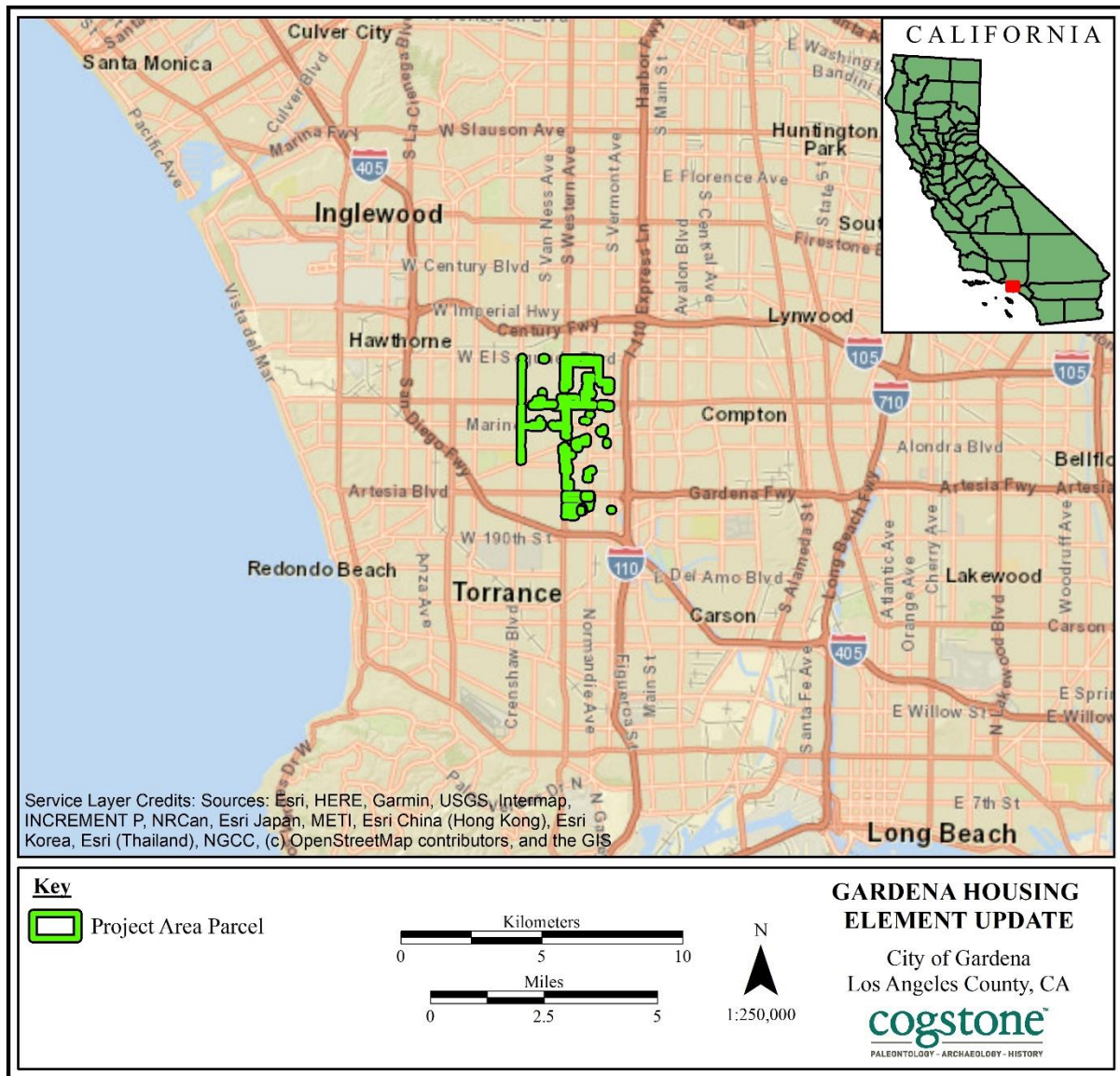


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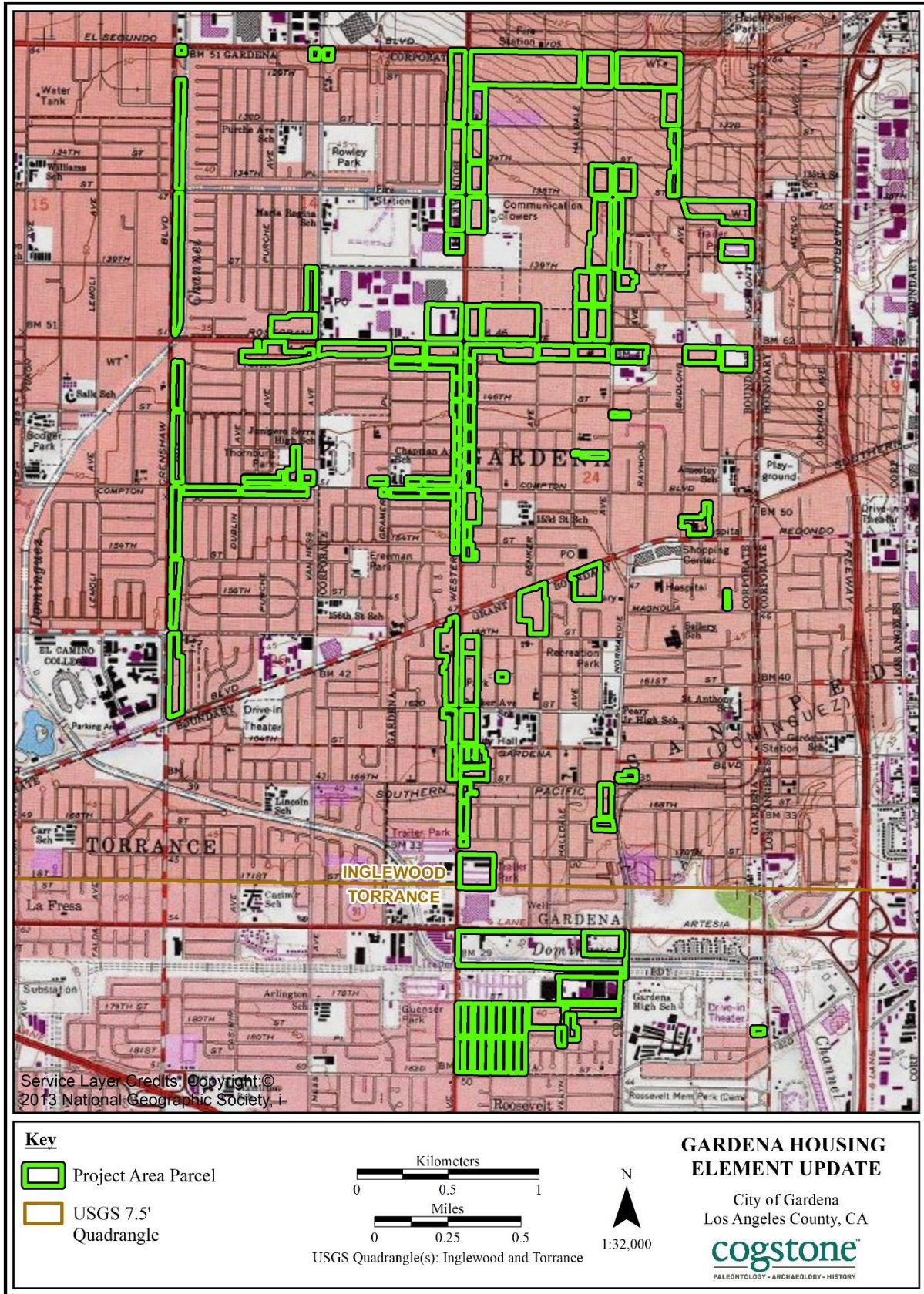


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February 3, 2023

Lovina Redner  
Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Tribal Chair  
P.O. Box 391820  
Anza, CA, 92539

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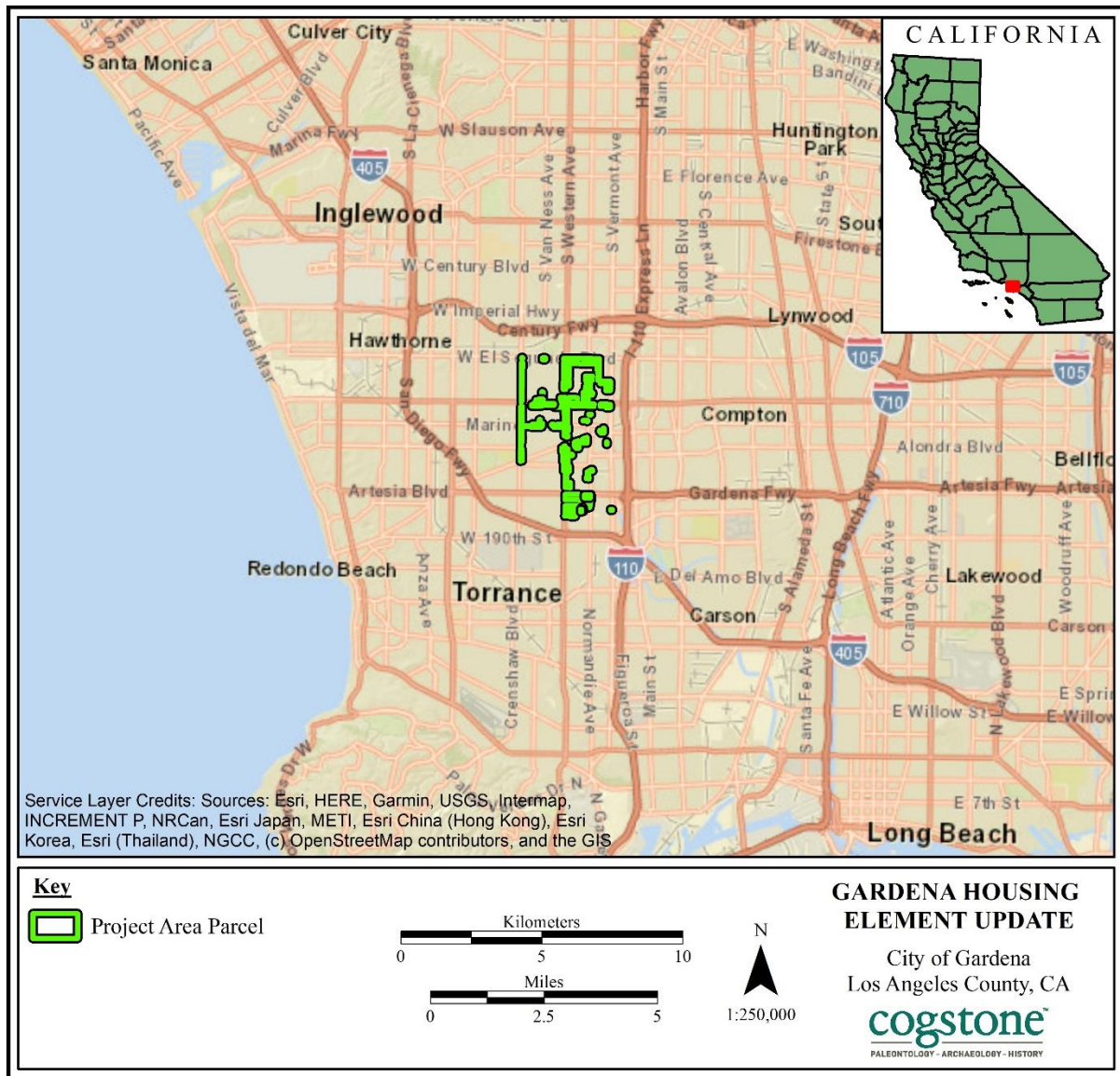


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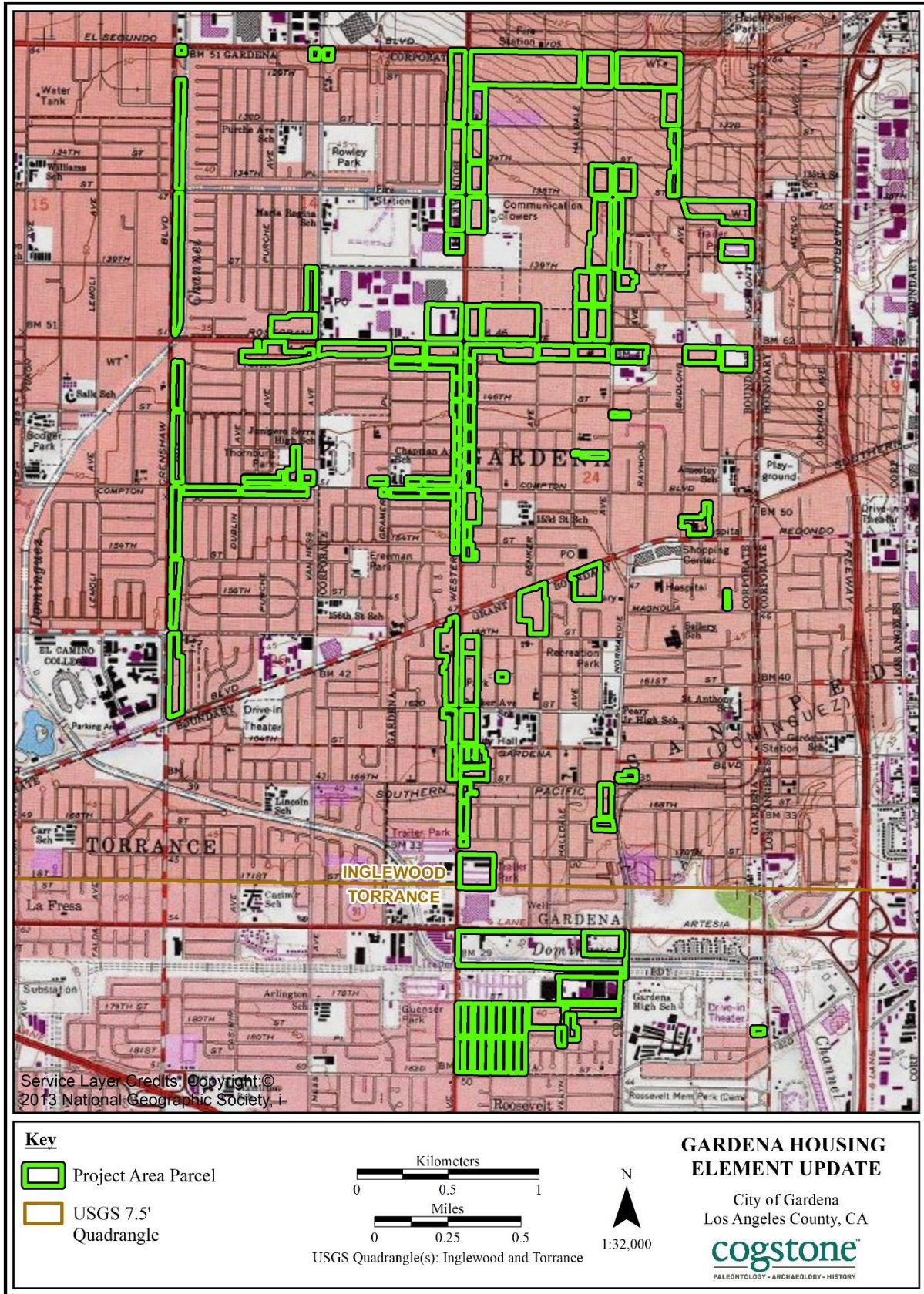


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Andrew Salas  
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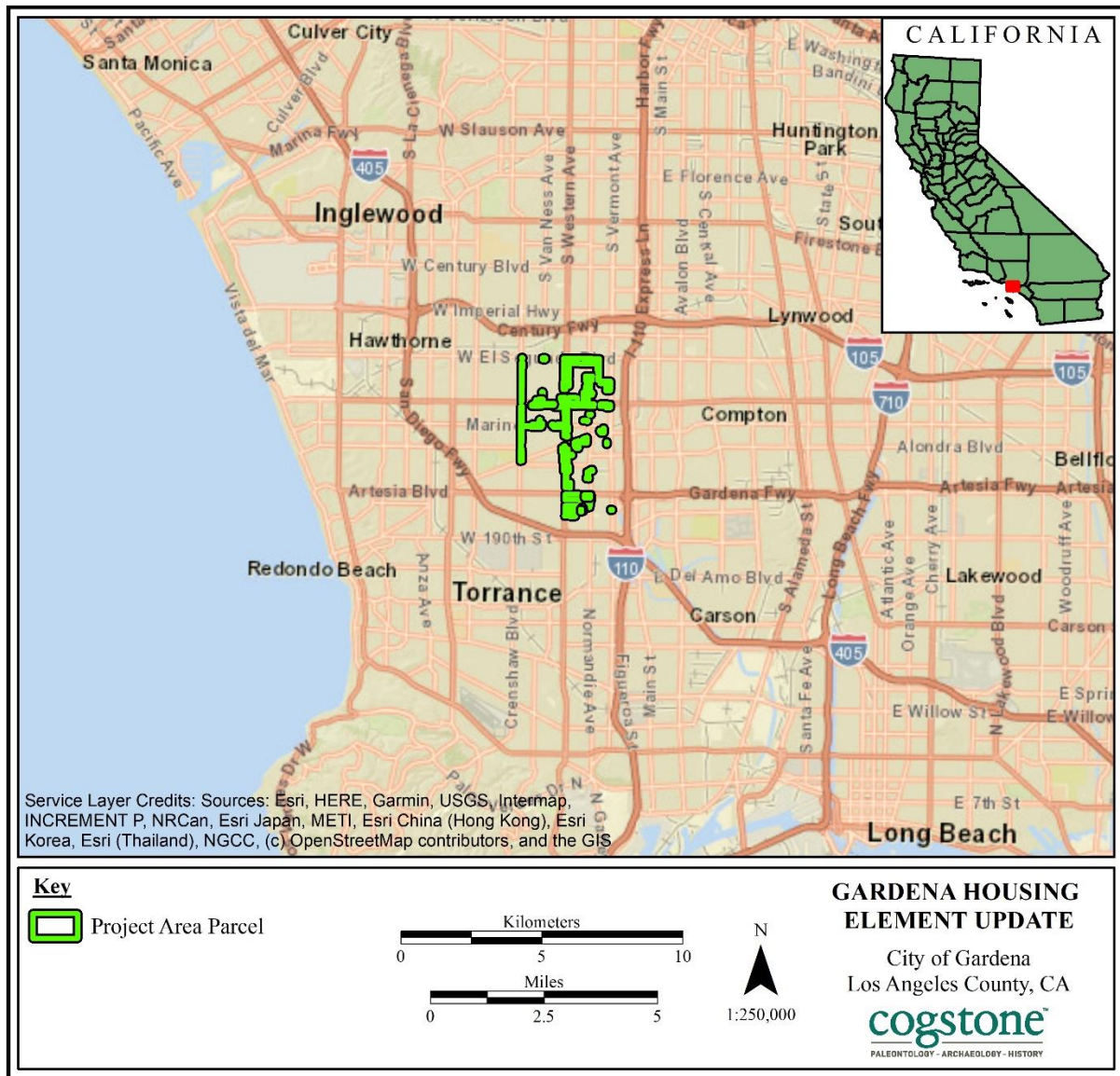


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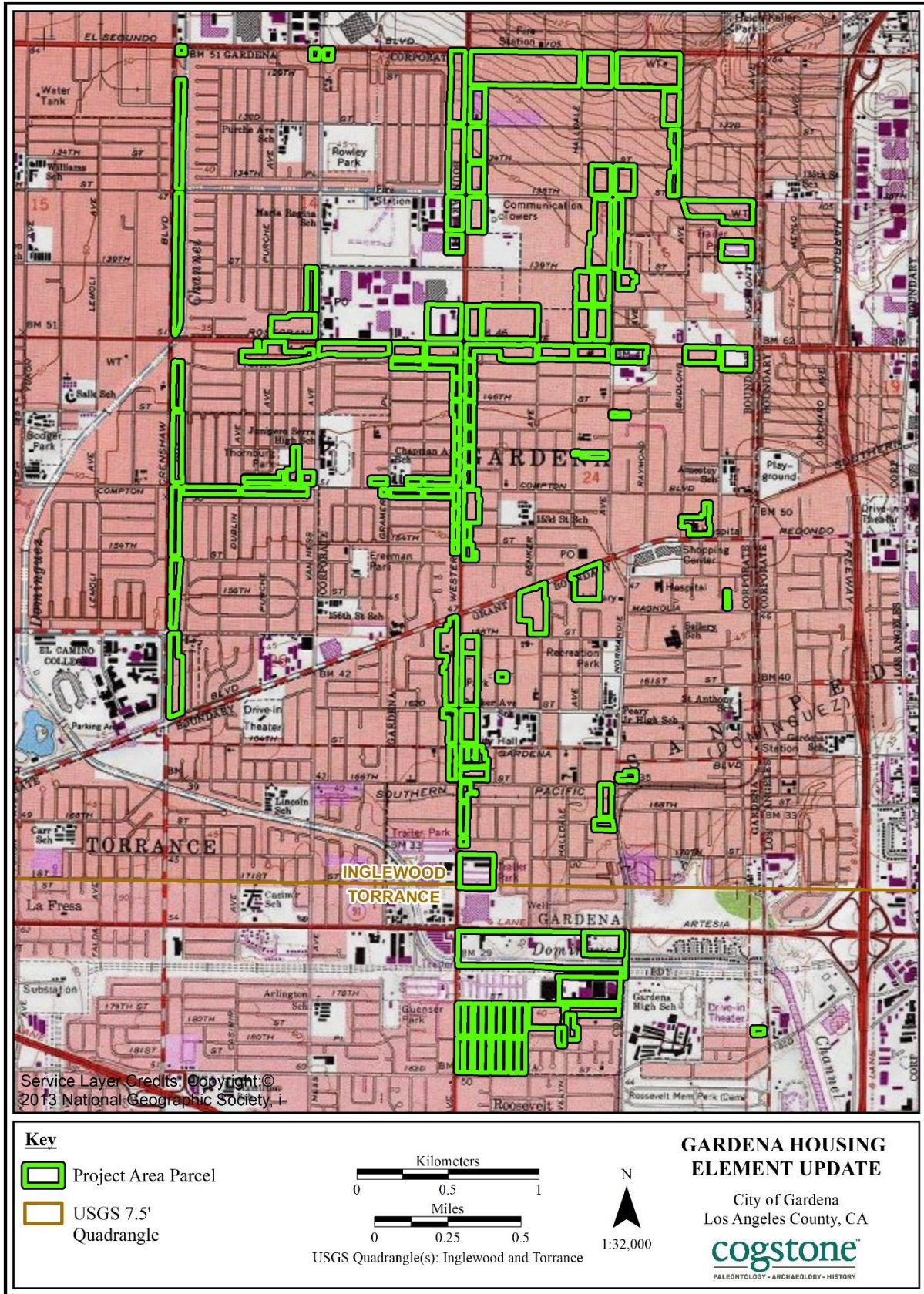


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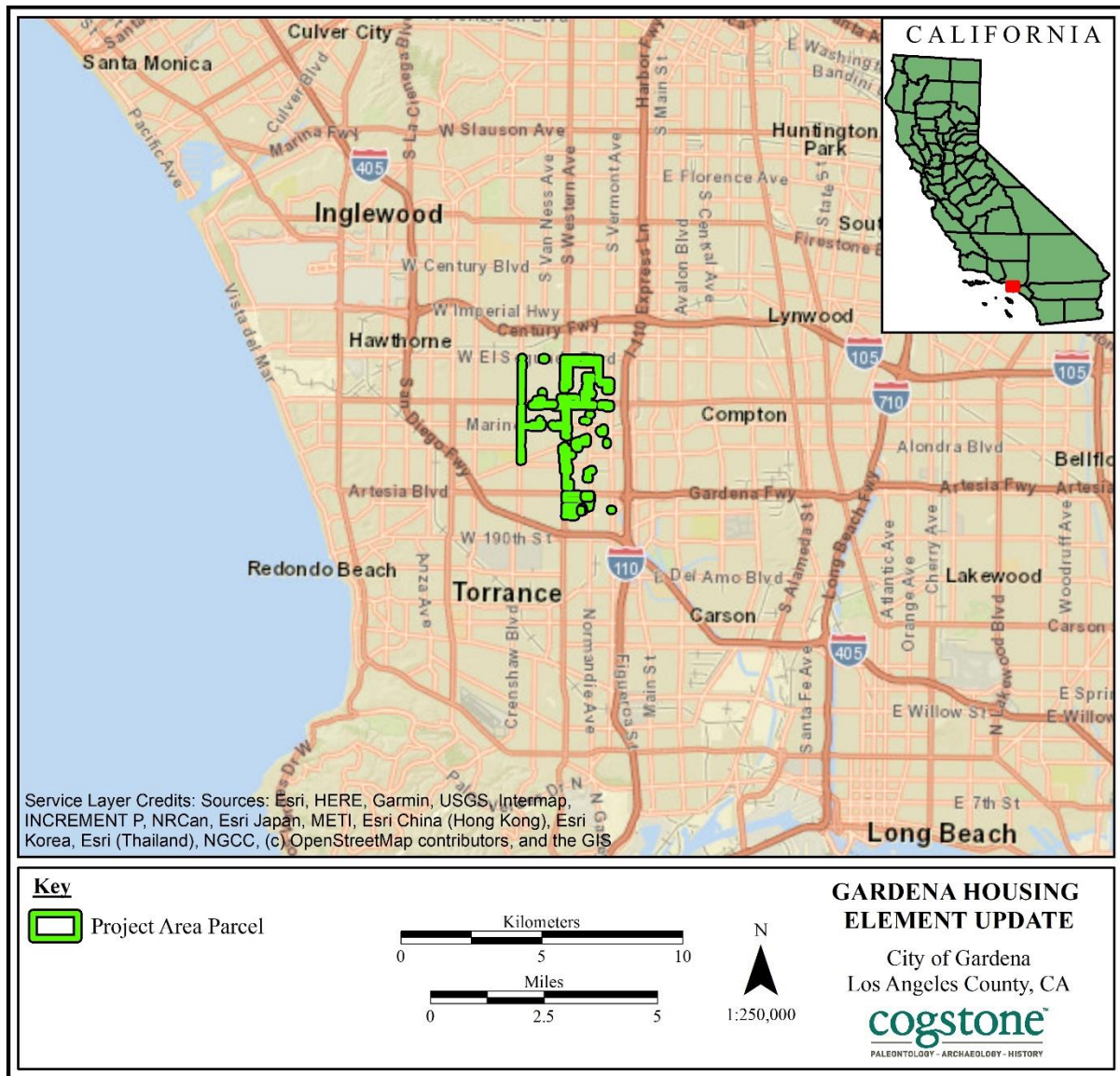


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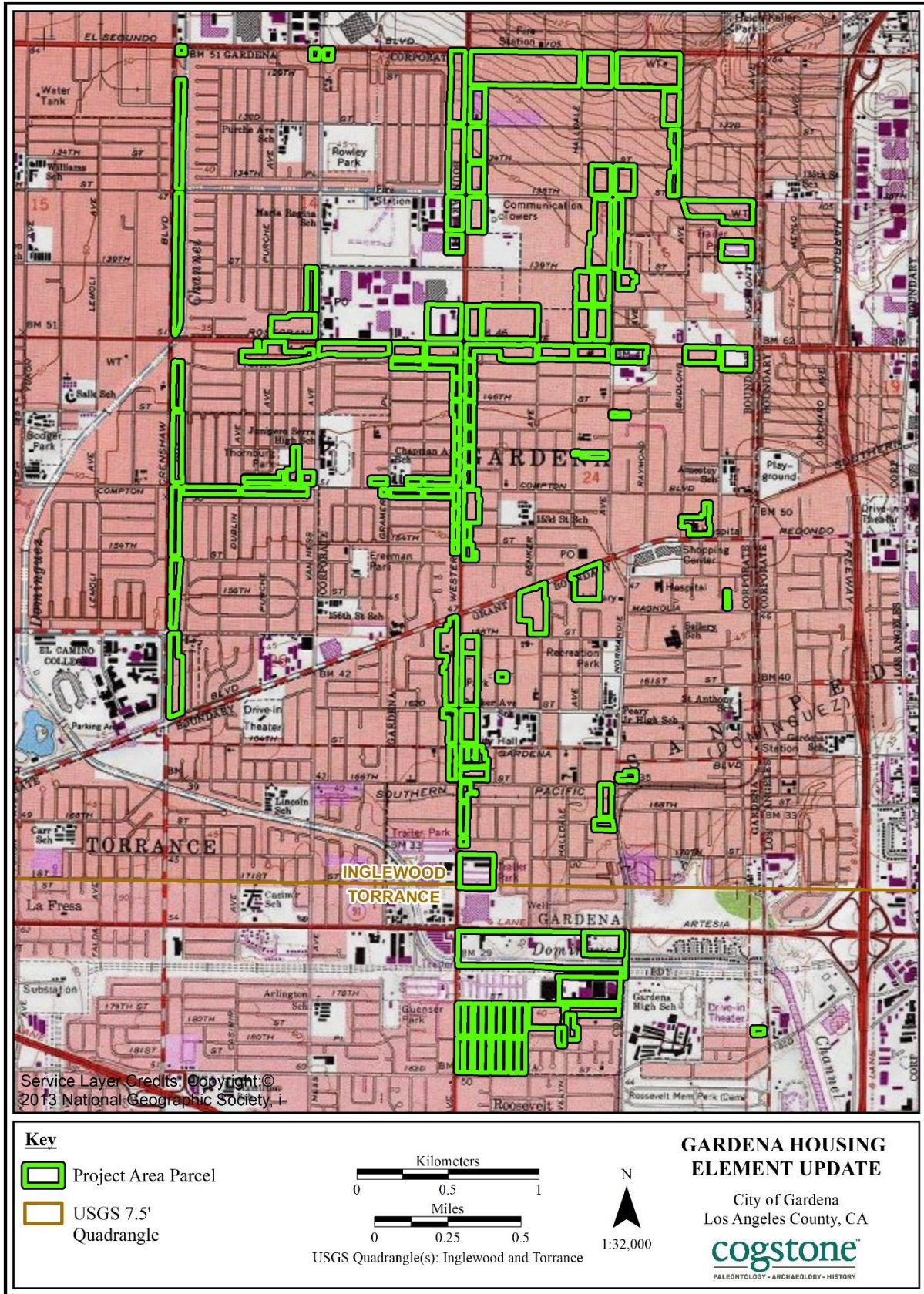


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GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION  
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Project Name: City of Gardena General Plan, Zoning Code & Zoning Map Amendment Project, CA

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Andrew Salas, Chairman  
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