



Figure 4-6. Twentynine Palms Planned Base Expansion (Blue Areas).

4.1.6 Percent of Proxy Projects Identified in CREZs

In certain CREZs, a large fraction of the projects modeled are “proxy” projects. This indicates that there is limited *known* commercial interest in the CREZ, and the viability of development within these areas should be further reviewed. A summary of the percent of the total generation potential in each CREZ from proxy projects is shown in Table 4-11.

It should be cautioned that the presence of a high number of proxy projects in a given area should not automatically preclude that area from further consideration. Proxy projects, by their definition, indicate areas that appear to be technically viable for development. It may be that private development is actually occurring in a proxy area, but the developer has chosen not to make this information public as part of the RETI process. For example, during the course of the RETI project, two very large solar PV projects were announced in the Carrizo South CREZ in “proxy” project locations.

In contrast, however, there may not be any developer interest in certain proxy project areas for other unidentified reasons. The Stakeholder Steering Committee has directed that Phase 2 of RETI place a higher priority on areas with demonstrated commercial interest.

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