



EXPLANATION

Major drainage divide

Minor drainage divide separating distinct units of a large basin

"Dry" playas
(The water table generally lies at a depth of more than 10 feet below these playas. Except during and after rains these playas are dry, hard, and smooth. Little or no alkali is visible at the surface)

"Moist" or discharging playas
(The water table is within 10 feet of the surface, the soil is moist below a depth of a few inches, and there is more or less continuous capillary movement and evaporation. The surface generally exhibits puddles, "self-rising" ground and is covered with more or less alkali)

"Crystal body" of practically pure salts extending to considerable depth, with the interstices filled with brine
(Searles Lake contains only important body. Smaller bodies occur in Fremont, Bristol, Cadiz, and Ward Valleys)

Playas, character unknown

MAP OF THE MOHAVE DESERT REGION SHOWING BOUNDARIES OF DRAINAGE BASINS AND CHARACTER OF PLAYAS
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