



desert conservation

PROGRAM

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Quarterly Administrator Update

April through June 2014





**Desert Conservation Program
Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan
Quarterly Administrator Update
July 2014**

Contract & Interlocal Agreement Management

- Contracted with L.J. McCormick Enterprises for soil and fill work at the Muddy River properties, Project 915F
- Contracted with 702 Graphics for various signage at the Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE), Projects 802K and 802L
- Contracted with Zee Designs for redesign of the Mojave Max website, Project 1430B
- Contracted with Logo Fusion for acquisition of water bottles to be used for promotional items at outreach events, Project 1430D
- Contracted with Paper Zombies to purchase Mojave Max cut-outs for outreach events, Project 916X
- Contracted with The Great Basin Institute for desert tortoise translocation recipient site surveys on the BCCE, Project 719T

Project Management

The Program currently shows an approximate dashboard of:

| Project Status | # of Projects |
|----------------|---------------|
| Green | 20 |
| Yellow | 0 |
| Red | 0 |

Four metrics are tracked: 1) budget, 2) schedule, 3) scope, and 4) quality. Green indicates that the project is currently within accepted tolerances for each metric. Yellow signifies there may be or is a problem, but is recoverable. Red signifies that a problem exists that requires immediate attention. For more information on our projects, please visit our website at:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/dcp/Pages/CurrentProjects.aspx>

Other Administrative Accomplishments

- Processed vendor payments. 59 invoices: 54 accepted (92%), 5 rejected (8%).
- Fiscal Year (FY) 15 budget loaded by Clark County Finance and made available to spend.



- Two new staff members hired. Principal Environmental Specialist, Kimberley Jenkins and Biologist, Corrin Floyd.
- Continued process development for centralized fee collection of tortoise fees – County has selected a potential vendor for credit card and electronic payments processing and is currently in contract negotiations. It is going slower than expected a vendor may not be selected until late fall.
- Continued wait for the desert tortoise specialty license plate application to make it to the top 5 (now 7th on Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) waiting list).
- Received Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Executive Committee approval for two Round 14 proposals totaling \$473,150. Approved by the Secretary of Interior. Work Plans were submitted to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to facilitate Implementation Agreements and currently the Implementation Agreements are with BLM contracting to finalize and submit the agreements.
- Received reimbursement for SNPLMA projects: Round 6: 1 draw down (\$49,369.14), Round 8: 2 draw downs (\$41,458.13) and Round 12: 2 draw downs (\$9,430.00).

Document Reviews & External Agency Coordination

- Provided BCCE GIS datasets to Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
- Provided Las Vegas Bearpoppy habitat and occurrence maps to Nevada Department of Forestry (NDF)
- Provided BLM Areas of Environmental Concern map to Southern Nevada Builders Association
- Provided analysis and maps of the Moapa Tribal Expansion to Clark County
- Provided Desert Conservation Program (DCP) northeast Clark County GIS datasets to United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- Provided maps and GIS datasets to BLM for their Resource Management Plan update
- Attended Clark County Comprehensive Planning Department's Enterprise Open House on May 7, 2014
- Attended BLM Dry Lake South solar lands auction, June 30, 2014
- Reviewed and provided comments to the BLM on the West-Wide Energy Corridor Review (Section 368 Corridors)



- Reviewed the Moapa Solar Final Environmental Impact Statement
- Reviewed BLM's Mitigation for Dry Lake South Solar Preliminary Environmental Impact Statement

Acquisition & Management of Acquired Easements, Property, Grazing Rights & Water Rights

- Riparian Property (Muddy River and Virgin River) management activities for the quarter can be viewed on this webpage:
<http://bit.ly/1qkJ2MK>

Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE)

- BCCE management activities for the quarter can be viewed on this webpage:
<http://bit.ly/WioJSB>

Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line

- There were five calls logged during this reporting period.
- No desert tortoises were picked up from construction sites during this reporting period. Currently only wild tortoises from construction sites are being picked up.

Public Information and Education (PIE)

- **Mojave Max Education Program**
 - Continued contract with Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association and continued education programs.

Desert Tortoise Fencing

- There was no desert tortoise fencing installed during this reporting period.

Financial

- See attached financial summary.

Land Disturbance and Mitigation Fees

- See attached summary.

Adaptive Management Program (AMP)

- Attended the Northeast Mojave Recovery Implementation Team (RIT) meeting, June 25, 2014



- Attended habitat restoration webinar from June 10-12 and June 17-19, 2014
- Attended a Bio Blitz in the McCullough range put on by Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) and United States Geological Survey (USGS)
- Aided USFWS and the San Diego Zoo with tortoise translocation into Trout Canyon, April 30, 2014
- Finished protocols for pre-translocation surveys on the BCCE and Stump Springs

Permit Amendment

- There was no activity regarding permit amendment during this reporting period.

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2003-2005 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$4,468,203.00

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|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|
| S10 Administrative Expenditures | \$241,519.91 | | |
| Amount Spent: | \$241,519.91 | % Spent: | 5.41% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$4,226,683.09 | % Remaining: | 94.59% |

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$14,410,215.00

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| SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures | \$9,195.00 | | |
| SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures | \$4,972,826.46 | | |
| Amount Spent: | \$4,982,021.46 | % Spent: | 34.57% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$9,428,193.54 | % Remaining: | 65.43% |

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$18,878,418.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$5,223,541.37

% SPENT: 27.67%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$13,654,876.63

% REMAINING: 72.33%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2005-2007 BIENNIUM**

Section 7

Allocated to spend: \$2,952,883.50

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| S7 Conservation Project Expenditures | \$1,325,336.79 | | |
| Section 7 Refunds | \$111,602.58 | | |
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| Amount Spent: | \$1,436,939.37 | % Spent: | 48.66% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$1,515,944.13 | % Remaining: | 51.34% |

Section 10

Required to spend: \$3,817,775.00

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|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------|
| S10 Administrative Expenditures | \$1,284,533.98 | | |
| S10 Conservation Project Expenditures | \$2,754,660.52 | | |
| Section 10 Refunds | \$20,545.50 | | |
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| Amount Spent: | \$4,059,740.00 | % Spent: | 106.34% |
| Amount Remaining: | (\$241,965.00) | % Remaining: | -6.34% |

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$22,034,036.00

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| SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures | \$4,490,892.62 | | |
| SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures | \$17,279,170.00 | | |
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| Amount Spent: | \$21,770,062.62 | % Spent: | 98.80% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$263,973.38 | % Remaining: | 1.20% |

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$28,804,694.50

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$27,266,741.99

% SPENT: 94.66%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$1,537,952.51

% REMAINING: 5.34%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2007-2009 BIENNIUM**

Section 7

Allocated to spend: \$0.00

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| Section 7 Refunds | \$10,469.04 | | |
| Amount Spent: | \$10,469.04 | % Spent: | 0.00% |
| Amount Remaining: | (\$10,469.04) | % Remaining: | 100.00% |

Section 10

Required to spend: \$4,500,000.00

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| S10 Administrative Expenditures | \$2,985,593.11 | | |
| S10 Conservation Project Expenditures | \$1,879,804.85 | | |
| Section 10 Refunds | \$39,701.70 | | |
| Amount Spent: | \$4,905,099.66 | % Spent: | 109.00% |
| Amount Remaining: | (\$405,099.66) | % Remaining: | -9.00% |

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$4,237,487.00

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| SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures | \$1,231,215.67 | | |
| SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures | \$1,160,061.76 | | |
| Amount Spent: | \$2,391,277.43 | % Spent: | 56.43% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$1,846,209.57 | % Remaining: | 43.57% |

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$8,737,487.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$7,306,846.13

% SPENT: 83.63%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$1,430,640.87

% REMAINING: 16.37%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2009-2011 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$7,179,827.00

S10 Administrative Expenditures \$2,619,289.42

S10 Conservation Project Expenditures \$2,277,521.70

Amount Spent: \$4,896,811.12 % Spent: 68.20%

Amount Remaining: \$2,283,015.88 % Remaining: 31.80%

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$7,179,827.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$4,896,811.12

% SPENT: 68.20%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$2,283,015.88

% REMAINING: 31.80%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2011-2013 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$10,033,502.50

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| S10 Administrative Expenditures | \$3,450,517.77 | | |
| S10 Conservation Project Expenditures | \$459,302.01 | | |
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| Amount Spent: | \$3,909,819.78 | % Spent: | 38.97% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$6,123,682.72 | % Remaining: | 61.03% |

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$92,000.00

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| SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures | \$5,000.00 | | |
| SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures | \$83,138.50 | | |
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| Amount Spent: | \$88,138.50 | % Spent: | 95.80% |
| Amount Remaining: | \$3,861.50 | % Remaining: | 4.20% |

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$10,125,502.50

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$3,997,958.28

% SPENT: 39.48%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$6,127,544.22

% REMAINING: 60.52%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2013-2015 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$8,404,941.00

S10 Administrative Expenditures \$1,296,919.42

S10 Conservation Project Expenditures \$421,272.04

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| Amount Spent: | \$1,718,191.46 | % Spent: | 20.44% |
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| Amount Remaining: | \$6,686,749.54 | % Remaining: | 79.56% |
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DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$8,404,941.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$1,718,191.46

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$6,686,749.54

% SPENT: 20.44%

% REMAINING: 79.56%

LAND DISTURBANCE - TORTOISE MITIGATION ACREAGE/FEE REPORT

7/21/2014

| | CC-Civil | CC-Dev Svcs | Boulder City | Henderson | Las Vegas | Mesquite | NDOT | NLV | Yr Totals |
|--|--------------|----------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2001 Acres | 152.70 | 3,171.52 | 36.18 | 1,030.84 | 1,064.33 | 89.49 | 6.85 | 740.55 | 6,292.46 |
| 2001 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 2001 Fees | \$84,041.60 | \$1,727,378.56 | \$19,919.00 | \$566,948.47 | \$585,436.00 | \$28,543.66 | \$3,767.50 | \$402,055.50 | \$3,418,090.29 |
| 2002 Acres | 251.95 | 3,296.95 | 19.68 | 1,299.75 | 1,848.38 | 162.51 | 11.40 | 1,584.96 | 8,475.58 |
| 2002 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 2002 Fees | \$137,603.40 | \$1,802,376.26 | \$10,824.00 | \$709,254.00 | \$1,013,806.15 | \$89,382.00 | \$6,270.00 | \$871,757.00 | \$4,641,272.81 |
| 2003 Acres | 382.62 | 3,374.55 | 17.63 | 1,391.89 | 1,492.50 | 364.17 | 4.12 | 2,105.20 | 9,132.68 |
| 2003 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.75 | 11.69 |
| 2003 Fees | \$209,642.75 | \$1,855,402.45 | \$8,944.50 | \$774,022.15 | \$710,889.83 | \$171,940.68 | \$2,266.00 | \$1,157,870.50 | \$4,890,978.86 |
| 2004 Acres | 412.01 | 4,062.93 | 9.81 | 1,856.55 | 1,621.89 | 518.21 | 0.00 | 2,039.21 | 10,520.61 |
| 2004 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,644.95 | 0.00 | 110.97 | 13.41 | 0.00 | 8.28 | 1,777.61 |
| 2004 Fees | \$225,165.31 | \$2,239,261.90 | \$5,381.50 | \$1,005,598.05 | \$891,828.23 | \$265,492.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,121,631.05 | \$5,754,358.04 |
| 2005 Acres | 243.27 | 4,339.36 | 12.36 | 1,995.51 | 1,175.01 | 408.62 | 46.80 | 1,498.52 | 9,719.45 |
| 2005 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.65 |
| 2005 Fees | \$127,892.06 | \$2,392,014.00 | \$6,798.50 | \$959,898.90 | \$636,019.43 | \$198,824.62 | \$25,740.00 | \$824,191.50 | \$5,171,379.01 |
| 2006 Acres | 105.41 | 3,365.42 | 530.50 | 3,831.64 | 1,157.47 | 1,244.43 | 0.00 | 739.65 | 10,974.52 |
| 2006 Exempt | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 71.26 | 37.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 108.60 |
| 2006 Fees | \$54,970.45 | \$1,851,016.68 | \$291,643.50 | \$2,092,211.09 | \$636,955.65 | \$680,664.35 | \$0.00 | \$406,807.00 | \$6,014,268.72 |
| 2007 Acres | 107.63 | 2,275.45 | 32.11 | 798.60 | 664.51 | 395.72 | 0.00 | 435.20 | 4,709.22 |
| 2007 Exempt | 0.00 | 115.84 | 0.00 | 89.77 | 2.16 | 27.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 235.70 |
| 2007 Fees | \$58,373.80 | \$1,251,497.50 | \$17,661.00 | \$439,047.95 | \$365,470.08 | \$191,207.00 | \$0.00 | \$219,627.65 | \$2,542,884.98 |
| 2008 Acres | 27.75 | 949.71 | 34.10 | 847.39 | 218.83 | 148.26 | 0.00 | 390.10 | 2,616.14 |
| 2008 Exempt | 0.00 | 193.66 | 0.00 | 19.30 | 23.75 | 41.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 277.90 |
| 2008 Fees | \$15,269.95 | \$521,653.88 | \$18,756.50 | \$473,711.70 | \$120,356.50 | \$74,585.50 | \$0.00 | \$214,553.35 | \$1,438,887.38 |
| 2009 Acres | 5.64 | 173.33 | 419.54 | 57.81 | 72.53 | 28.82 | 43.70 | 17.85 | 819.22 |
| 2009 Exempt | 0.00 | 18.50 | 28.23 | 41.19 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88.62 |
| 2009 Fees | \$3,102.00 | \$95,331.50 | \$230,747.00 | \$31,795.50 | \$39,291.50 | \$15,851.00 | \$24,035.00 | \$9,817.50 | \$449,971.00 |
| 2010 Acres | 1.02 | 397.06 | 0.00 | 84.42 | 46.82 | 1.85 | 0.00 | 101.31 | 632.48 |
| 2010 Fees | \$561.00 | \$218,383.00 | \$0.00 | \$46,431.00 | \$25,751.00 | \$1,017.50 | \$0.00 | \$55,720.00 | \$347,863.50 |
| 2011 Acres | 9.09 | 381.99 | 726.41 | 82.55 | 64.27 | 83.83 | 45.00 | 340.66 | 1,733.80 |
| 2011 Fees | \$4,999.50 | \$210,044.50 | \$399,525.50 | \$45,402.50 | \$35,348.50 | \$46,106.50 | \$24,750.00 | \$187,363.00 | \$953,540.00 |
| 2012 Acres | 2.89 | 684.21 | 0.00 | 453.92 | 85.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 111.06 | 1,337.85 |
| 2012 Fees | \$1,589.50 | \$376,315.50 | \$0.00 | \$249,656.00 | \$47,173.50 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$61,083.00 | \$735,817.50 |
| 2013 Acres | 0.00 | 404.22 | 1,301.06 | 277.16 | 122.53 | 5.50 | 0.00 | 306.80 | 2,417.27 |
| 2013 Fees | \$0.00 | \$222,321.00 | \$715,583.00 | \$152,438.00 | \$67,391.50 | \$3,025.00 | \$0.00 | \$168,740.00 | \$1,329,498.50 |
| 2014 Acres | 0.89 | 538.68 | 9.80 | 253.53 | 120.46 | 0.20 | 30.00 | 99.04 | 1,052.60 |
| 2014 Fees | \$489.50 | \$296,274.00 | \$5,390.00 | \$139,441.50 | \$66,253.00 | \$110.00 | \$16,500.00 | \$54,472.00 | \$578,930.00 |
| Total acres disturbed to date= | | | 70,433.88 | | | | | | |
| Total fee Exempt acres disturbed to date (reconciled)= | | | | 2,513.77 | ** | | | | |
| Total fees collected to date= | | | | \$38,267,740.59 | | | | | |
| **15,000 acres is exempt from the \$550 per acre mitigation fee for government use. | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of acres allowed for disturbance under current multiple species permit | | | | | | 145,000.00 | | | |
| Less number of acres reported for which fees have been paid under current permit | | | | | | 70,433.88 | | | |
| Less number of fee exempt acres under current permit ** | | | | | | 15,000.00 | ** | | |
| Number of disturbable acres remaining under current permit | | | | | | 59,566.12 | | | |

**** Note: Clark County Department of Internal Audit has conducted an audit of the exempt acreage in January of 2010 and as a result, fee exempt acres for public purpose is no longer allowed. Amount shown (15,000) is the maximum number of fee exempt acres allowed under the current permit.**

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