

**Agency/Organization:** Tortoise Group

**Project Name:** Road Warriors 2024-2025

**Project Number:** 2023-TORTGRP-2335A

**Reporting Period:** Quarterly Progress Report (October 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025)

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**QUESTION 1: What did you accomplish during this reporting period?  
How did these accomplishments help you reach the goal of your project?  
If relevant, what indicators or benchmarks were used to determine your progress?**

During this reporting period the Tortoise Group was able to complete 32.5 miles of fence inspections along US-93 between US-93/I-15 Interchange to Mile Post 75.25 (end of exclusion fence) northbound; and between Mile Posts 66 and 75.25 southbound. Tortoise Group also completed 10 road miles of road mortality surveys in US-93 Coyote Springs area between Mile Post 75.5 and 85.5 northbound and southbound (equaling 20 transect miles).

These mileages allowed Tortoise Group to complete the remaining contracted mileage for both fence inspections and road mortality surveys.

We were able to use our volunteer network to coordinate the assistance of several volunteers with biology backgrounds to complete the target mileage within the survey time.

**QUESTION 2: What, if any, problems were encountered? Briefly describe those problems and the manner in which they were dealt.**

In some areas of the fence inspections location we lost phone reception so some volunteers were not able to submit their data for fence repairs at the time of observation, so volunteers wrote a hard copy of data which had to be input manually after the survey by Tortoise Group staff. This issue was discussed with Kristi Holcomb and NDOT will work on the issue to either allow volunteers to input all data (no autofill) or allow an offline version of the map to be downloaded (currently not possible).

**QUESTION 3: What, if any, proposed activities were not completed? Briefly describe those activities, the reasons they were not completed and your plans for carrying them out.**

All proposed activities were completed – no further outstanding activities to complete.

**QUESTION 4: What is the calculated percent of work completed?** 100% (of fence inspections and road mortality surveys)

**QUESTION 5: Do you foresee any upcoming problems with future project activities?  
If so, how do you propose to overcome those problems?**

No outstanding project activities remaining on this contract, other than final reporting tasks.

**QUESTION 6: Is there anything else you want to tell the DCP about this project?**

Not applicable.

**QUESTION 7: What was produced during the reporting period?**

Data deliverable for field work during this reporting period which includes both fence inspections and road mortality data (to be submitted by 1/8/26). The Quarterly Progress Report and data deliverable for the third quarter was submitted.