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DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION SUMMARY
Thermal Refugia Restoration
2021-ECOCULTURE-2050J

The work for the above referenced project has been completed. Below is a summary of project related information.

The purpose of the above referenced project was:

The Clark County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) and the associated Incidental Take Permit requires that the Clark County Desert Conservation Program (COUNTY) acquire, restore, and manage riparian property along the Muddy and Virgin Rivers to preserve, enhance, and protect habitat for several rare and/or listed birds. The County is working towards the restoration and/or enhancement of riparian habitat on County properties to benefit the federally endangered southwestern willow flycatcher and threatened yellow-billed cuckoo. The project will restore and enhance habitat for the covered species in the MSHCP through the planting of native species and installing photo monitoring points.

The major accomplishments or findings of this project include:

1,300 County-provided plants were planted over an area of approximately 1.6 acres located within the Bunkerville West parcels. The plants were watered after planting. Photo points were established with before and after photos taken and sent to the County. Observations two months after planting show cattails regrowing rapidly, which is a concern that they will engulf the restoration plants. The contractor recommends avoiding planting in areas with thick cattails and follow-up surveys are recommended. The surrounding areas have potential for further restoration planting.

For more information about this project and/or for other Project Reports or Symposium Reports, please visit our [website](#).

If you have any questions about this project, please contact Caryn Wright, at (702) 455-2972.