

Agency/Organization: Tortoise Group

Project Name: Road Warriors 2024-2025

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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?

Tortoise Group completed 10 miles of road mortality surveys. These accomplishments help to reach the goal of 20 miles of road mortality surveys per year (10 miles each season) conducted when desert tortoises are most likely to be active.

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

Tortoise Group needed an amendment to our Nevada Department of Transportation permit in order to conduct work clearing out tortoise guards. The process to receive the amendment was delayed resulting in having to reschedule dates for a third time.

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.

The clearing out of tortoise guards was not completed due to the delay in the amendment of the permit to conduct this work. Tortoise Group is on scheduled to complete this work the weekend of January 10-12 as well as start fence inspections.

QUESTION 4: What is the calculated percent of work completed? 7.14% (10 miles completed from 10 miles total (40 road mortality survey miles/100 fence inspection survey miles)

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

I do not foresee any upcoming problems with future project activities. Everything is on track to start fence inspection surveys in January and clear out tortoise guards.

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

Not applicable at this time.

QUESTION 7: What was produced during the reporting period?

Road mortality surveys were completed and data was submitted already in the amended due date. No new data has been collected while waiting for the amendment to Tortoise Group's NDOT permit.