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Adaptive Management Program August 10, 2010

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Adaptive Management Program: What is it?

• For the MSHCP it is...

...a way of using science-based information and science tools to reduce uncertainty and improve our actions

- Experiments, data analyses, literature searches and expert opinion
- Transparent and accountable
- Relevant to the questions!



Adaptive Management Program: Who is it?

- DCP Staff
- Contractors
 - Science Advisors
 - Peer Reviewers
 - Technical Experts

- Agency Experts
- Academics
- Land Managers
- Decision Makers
- You



Adaptive Management Program: What Do We Do?

- Minimum Obligations
- Raising the Standards
- Transparency and Accessibility of Products
- Reducing Uncertainty with Available Data



- Minimum Obligations as per MSHCP permit
 - Independent, science-based advisor
 - Land use trends
 - Habitat loss
 - Species and ecosystem status
 - Effectiveness of mitigation
 - Recommendations for future implementation

Products:

Adaptive Management Reports

Science-based Implementation Plan & Budget Recommendations



- Raising the Standards
 - Peer reviews
 - Peer reviewers from another agency than author and colleagues
 - Standard questions for final reports
 - Were goals clearly stated and adequately addressed in the report?
 - Are methods clearly described and tied to goals of the project?
 - Are claims made in the final project report supported by the materials presented, and if not, what is lacking?
 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of the approach taken in this project, in the event a similar approach is proposed or considered in the future?



- Raising the Standards
 - Peer reviews
 - Being the annoying science-type in the meeting

Products:

Written peer review comments

- Provided to authors
- Used in DCP contract management and project design

Culture of learning



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Adaptive Management Program: How Do We Do That?

- Transparency and Accessibility of Products
 - Symposia
 - Summarizing species & MSHCP implementation status
 - Digitizing products of older projects
 - Putting MSHCP products on the web
 - Data sharing

Products:

Databases and summary reports This symposium and archives of presentations Website content



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Adaptive Management Program: Current Website

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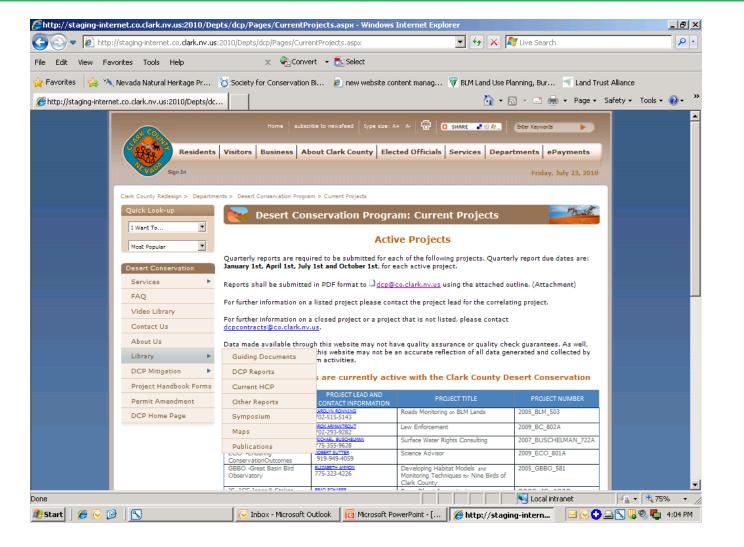


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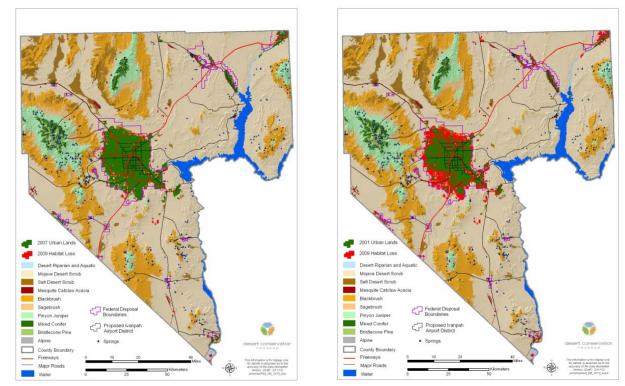
Adaptive Management Program: New Website

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- Reducing Uncertainty with the Available Data
 - Full presentation on data to be provided by Lee Bice





Adaptive Management Program: What Will We Do Next?

- More of the same and...
 - Developing MSHCP-focused monitoring
 - Improve habitat models
 - Reserve lands management planning assistance
 - Follow up on recommendations for increased efficiency in AMP tasks
 - Make products of MSHCP easier to access
 - New website
 - UNLV library
 - State archives



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Questions?

Reports can be found on: http://www.accessclarkcounty.com

Shortcut directly to the DCP reports page: http://bit.ly/CCMSHCP_reports

Adaptive Management Program funding:

-MSHCP Mitigation Fee Section 10 funds

-Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act, Rounds 4 and 6