



desert conservation
PROGRAM

Date: March 01, 2012

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:
DESERT TORTOISE PICK UP SERVICE
2007-KLA-719M

The work for the above referenced project has been completed. Please see the attached for all project related information.

The purpose of the above referenced project was:

To provide a hotline and pickup service to deal with wild desert tortoises which are displaced by development or appear to be in harm's way within the urban areas.

- To provide a Desert Tortoise hotline and pickup service on behalf of the DCP in an effective, responsive and cost efficient manner.
- Provide an ongoing and continuous Desert Tortoise Pickup Service which operates 365 days a year without interruption and has sufficient staff resources available to meet the pickup response time of 24 to 48 hours at any time of the year including times of both high and low seasonal demands.
- Maintain a database for pickup service activities including the locations of pickups and the number of tortoises picked up
- Provide humane care for the desert tortoises handled as part of the pickup service.

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

During the two years of this contract approximately 21 wild desert tortoises were picked up each year. Two wild desert tortoises were returned to their native habitat after they were checked for disease and deemed healthy.

For more information about this project and/or for other Project Reports or Symposium Reports, please visit our website at: <http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/dcp/Pages/default.aspx>

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Sincerely,



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Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Implementing Agencies
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