



desert conservation
PROGRAM

November 30, 2016

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:
ELDORADO DESERT TORTOISE MONITORING (YEARS 1 AND 2)
2013-GBI-1451A

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:

The purpose of this project was to provide pre and post translocation monitoring of the desert tortoise in the Eldorado Valley.

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

The major accomplishments of this project:

- Three years of survey data was collected on four 5 km² plots. Eighty-eight tortoise were detected in the first year, 85 in year 2, and 102 in year three.
- Telemetered tortoise were tracked during the surveys with 12 tortoise being tracked the first year with an average of 36.5 observations a day, 15 tortoise the second year with 42.2 observations a day, and 15 tortoise the third year with 42.9 observations per day.
- During The first year of the study 56 tortoise received health assessments with 6 registering as positive for disease and 5 other suspected individuals.

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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Desert Conservation Program Interested Parties List
Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Implementing Agencies
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