



desert conservation
PROGRAM

Date: December 16, 2015

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:
**VEG DATA FOR DESERT TORTOISE COVARIATE MONITORING
2009-KLA-811H**

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 is to collect ephemeral vegetation data that will be used later to develop a fine-scale predictive model to understand and predict the occurrence of the desert tortoise in the Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE) and similar landscapes.

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

- Conducted preliminary site visits to help determine the start of the vegetation sampling season.
- Aligned transect lines and quadrats with previous year.
- Collected ephemeral plant species richness and cover data within quadrats.
- Collected species richness data in subplots.
- Performed data verification, validation and management.
- Recorded incidental tortoise data and priority species observations.

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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- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Board of County Commissioners (7)
- Permittees' Executive Committee
- Permittees' Process Management Group
- Thomas Boldt, Purchasing
- Catherine Jorgenson, District Attorney – Civil Division
- Desert Conservation Program Community Advisory Committee
- Desert Conservation Program Interested Parties List
- Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Implementing Agencies
- Science Advisor
- SNPLMA Office (for SNPLMA projects)
- Congressional Office
- DCP Staff