



desert conservation
PROGRAM

Date: August 29, 2014

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:
WILD DESERT TORTOISE ASSISTANCE LINE
2009-KLA-803A

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 Clark County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) and Section 10(a)(1)(B) Incidental Take Permit require Clark County to provide a hotline and pickup service to manage wild desert tortoises that have been displaced by development or that appear to be in harm's way due to construction activity. The Clark County Desert Conservation Program (DCP) operates the Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line to meet this requirement.

This project provides for the operation of the Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line, including monitoring and responding to calls on the voicemail service, screening calls to determine pickup eligibility, coordinating pickup, and transporting and transferring custody of tortoises to other locations as directed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

The major accomplishments of this project included:

- Received and processed 104 calls on the Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line.
- Picked up from construction sites 19 adult wild desert tortoises and delivered them to the Desert Tortoise Conservation Center.
- Picked up from construction sites 5 hatchling wild desert tortoises and delivered them to the Desert Tortoise Conservation Center.

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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>

If you have any questions, please contact John Brekke at (702) 455-2722.

Sincerely,



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