

February 15, 2011

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:

Long Term Conservation Strategy for Palmers Chipmunk SMNRA 2005-USGS-580

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 achieve several of the objectives of the strategy that will provide important data to support and refine monitoring efforts. These objectives include a systematic inventory for Palmer's Chipmunk across the Spring Mountains, correlation of different monitoring methods, recommendations of long-term monitoring sites and development of a monitoring toolbox.

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

- Over 15,000 trapping/tracking days were completed.
- Over 1000 target animals were tagged and released throughout the study area.
- Thirty-nine 1-kilometer transects were completed along the entire lower and upper (elevation) distribution of the species range.
- Over 220 Genetic samples were collected from target animals along transects and analyzed for positive identification.
- Tracking plate methodology was conducted and tracks were identified to species and counted.
- Vegetation surrounding each of the 1,920 trapping sites was measured, entered into a database, and analyzed.
- The ecology and distribution of an important endemic species was established.
- An adaptive monitoring protocol was created and delivered.
- A predictive model of habitat suitability of Tamias palmeri within the Spring Mountains, Nevada was delivered.



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/CurrentProjects.aspx

If you have any questions, please contact Larry Mata, Project Manager at (702) 455-3964.

Sincerely,

Marci D. Henson Program Manager

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Board of County Commissioners (7)
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Desert Conservation Program Interested Parties List
Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Implementing Agencies
Science Advisor
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DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTICE

Date of Issuance: 2/15/2011

General Project Information

Project Category Conservation

Compliance Category 9e-Conservation

Project Level Level 2

Project Title Long Term Conserv Strat for Palmers Chipmunk SMNRA

Project Number 2005-USGS-580

Contractor US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS) -WESTERN ECO RSRCH

Contractor Person of Contact Kathleen Longshore
Contractor Project Manager Kathleen Longshore

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DCP Person of Contact/Contract Manager

Competitive Award or Sole Source

Larry Mata

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Competitive Award

 Contract Start Date
 02/09/2008

 Purchase Order Number
 4800000515-005

 Contract End Date
 12/19/2010

Commissioner & District C Larry Brown

Congressional Rep & District D3 Joe Heck

Financial Breakdown

Funding Source SNPLMA R6

Original Contract Amount \$ 276,447.00

Total Change Request Amount 0.00

Revised Contract Amount
(Original Award plus Change Requests)

Funds Not Used in Contract 0.00

Final Payout Amount \$ 276,447.00

Performance Information

Total Number of Change Requests 5 Number of Change Requests by Contractor 1 Number of Change Requests by DCP 4 **Total Number of Deliverables** 26 Number of Deliverables Accepted 26 0 Number of Deliverables Rejected Number of Delinquent Deliverables 0 Number of Deliverables Re-Accepted 0 10 **Total Number of Milestones Number of Delinquent Milestones** 0 Number of Milestones Met on Time 10 Total Number of Invoices Submitted 6 Number of Rejected Invoices 0