



Date: November 14, 2017

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:  
**ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF A REGIONAL HCP**  
**2013-AA-1460B**

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 Desert Conservation Program is preparing a major amendment to the Clark County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP). To support this process, an independent evaluation of the economic impact of the plan was commissioned to examine the overall impact of the MSHCP on economic development activity. The results of this study will be used in discussion with local business and development communities, government decision-makers, regulatory agencies, and residents in the development of the MSHCP amendment.

**The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:**

The findings of this analysis indicate that the MSHCP has been key in facilitating economic growth in southern Nevada. Since the plan was adopted in 2001, the MSHCP has been responsible for an estimated annual average of 1,974 jobs (31,587 cumulative person-years of employment) as well as \$1.6 billion (in current dollars) of labor income and \$4.7 billion of economic output. The per-acre disturbance fee has generated \$56.7 million since 2001. With \$2.7 billion added to regional gross domestic product (GDP) as a result of the MSHCP, the amount of developer fees paid have translated into an over forty-fold increase in economic activity. Assuming the remainder of land available under the MSHCP is developed, the plan is anticipated to support an additional 16,041 person-years of employment, nearly \$0.8 billion of labor income, \$2.4 billion of economic output, and nearly \$1.4 billion of GDP.

The plan has also generated significant qualitative, or non-quantifiable, impacts. Project-by-project compliance with the Endangered Species Act would involve increased risk and likely higher costs compared to the streamlined approach provided under the MSHCP. The plan provides certainty for developers that would otherwise be absent. Additionally, the continuous open space provided by the MSHCP improves property values, provides educational outreach to school children, and allows for vital research on the natural environment. Large habitat conservation plans like the MSHCP have also proven to have very effective outcomes in preserving endangered and threatened species. The southern Nevada community is expected to continue to reap the benefit of the program's implementation and its planned amendment well into to the foreseeable future as the region is expected to outpace population growth and investment averages.

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

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberley Jenkins at (702) 455-2134.

Sincerely,



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Director, Air Quality  
Administrator, MSHCP

cc:

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

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Date of Issuance: 11/14/2017

## General Project Information

Project Category	Administration
Compliance Category	3b-Permit Amendment-Admin
Project Level	Level 4
Project Title	Economic Analysis of a Regional HCP
Project Number	2013-AA-1460B
Contractor	Applied Analysis
Contractor Person of Contact	Jeremy Aquero
Contractor Project Manager	Jeremy Aquero
DCP Project Manager	Kimberley Jenkins
DCP Person of Contact/Contract Manager	Heather Green
Competitive Award or Sole Source	Competitive Award
Contract Start Date	03/07/2017
Purchase Order Number	4800008002-012
Contract End Date	08/31/2017
Commissioner & District	G James B. Gibson
Congressional Rep & District	D Dina Titus

## Financial Breakdown

Funding Source	S10 13-15
Original Contract Amount	\$49,100.00
Total Change Request Amount	0.00
Revised Contract Amount	\$49,100.00
<small>(Original Award plus Change Requests)</small>	
Funds Not Used in Contract	0.00
Final Payout Amount	\$49,100.00

## Performance Information

Total Number of Change Requests	0
Number of Change Requests by Contractor	0
Number of Change Requests by DCP	0
Total Number of Deliverables	6
Number of Deliverables Accepted	6
Number of Deliverables Rejected	1
Number of Delinquent Deliverables	0
Total Number of Milestones	2
Number of Delinquent Milestones	2
Number of Milestones Met on Time	0
Total Number of Invoices Submitted	4
Number of Rejected Invoices	0