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Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Overview and Progress

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Presentation Overview

- MSHCP
Background/Overview
- Mitigation Fees/Land
Disturbance
- Budget
- Compliance
- Website
- Wild Desert Tortoise
Assistance Line
- Desert Tortoise
Fencing
- Project/Contract
Management
- Permit Amendment
- Posters



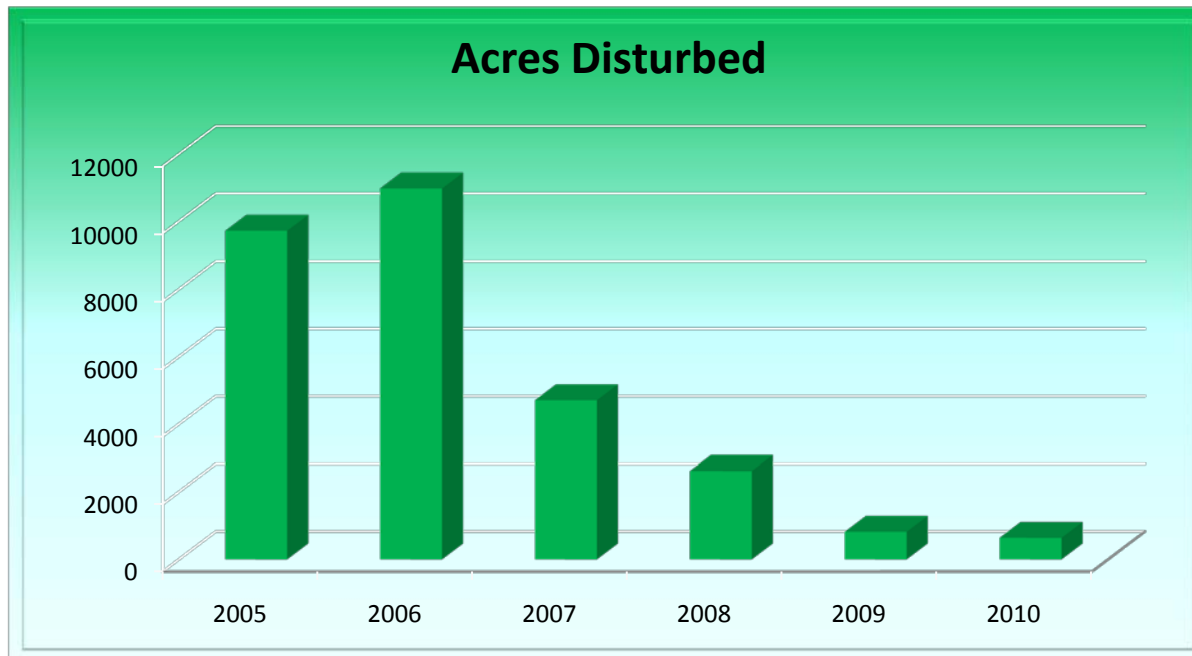
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- MSHCP Background/Overview
 - Provides compliance with federal Endangered Species Act





- Mitigation Fees/Land Disturbance
 - July 2010 to June 2011
 - 640.91 acres disturbed
 - \$347,737 revenues generated





- Budget/Finance – SNPLMA funding
 - Round 6
 - 40 cooperative agreements, 20 are complete
 - \$25 million awarded, \$18.9 million spent
 - ~76% complete (based on spending)
 - Round 8
 - Three cooperative agreements, zero are complete
 - \$4.2 million awarded, \$1.8 million spent
 - ~43% complete (based on spending)
 - Round 12
 - Two nominations submitted
 - Executive Committee recommends funding both
 - Awaiting Secretary of Interior decision



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- 2011-2013 Implementation Plan and Budget
 - Prepared and approved by BCC and USFWS

- Compliance Reporting
 - 2009-2011 Biennium Progress Report
 - Due October 2011

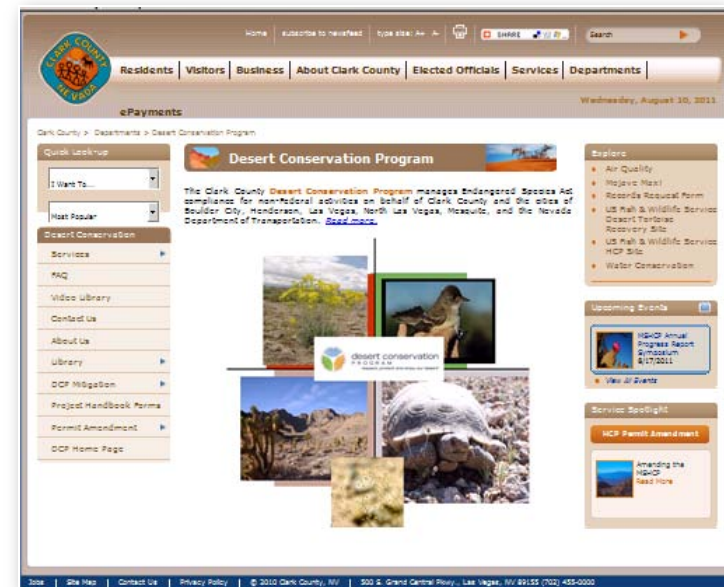




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- Website –
<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/depts/dcp/Pages/default.aspx>
- New look and format implemented in 2010
- Items of interest:
 - Developer page (mitigation fee payment and what to do when they come across a wild tortoise)
 - Permit Amendment information page with CAC materials
 - Numerous project reports added





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- Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line
 - Successfully transitioned pick up of pet tortoises to the San Diego Zoo (December 2009)
 - Collected 31 desert tortoises since transition, 14 in last fiscal year



Desert Tortoise



- Desert Tortoise Fencing
 - Since 1991:
 - ~\$4.1 million spent on fencing activities
 - 222 miles of new fencing installed
 - 202 miles of fencing retrofitted
 - NDOT assuming monitoring and maintenance activities for fencing
 - NDF Contract in place to conduct monitoring and repairs, as needed



□ Project and Contract Management

- 29 outsourced projects/contracts
 - 341 invoices received
 - 445 deliverables received
 - 42 change requests received
- 41 in-house projects/activities
- Three pre-award projects



Las Vegas bearpoppy



- Permit Amendment – completed to date
 - Held Public Scoping meetings
 - Initiated Environmental Impact Analysis
 - Received recommendations report from Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
 - Analyzed Impacts
 - Drafted chapters of MSHCP
 - Completed Economic Analysis





- Permit Amendment – next steps
 - Meetings with permittees, stakeholders and CAC - ongoing
 - Permittees are weighing options
 - Status quo (defer amendment)
 - Proceed with additional acres at additional cost
 - Proceed with additional acres and attempt to phase-in additional costs



□ Project Posters:

- What is the MSHCP?
- Riparian Properties on the Virgin and Muddy Rivers
- Desert Tortoise Occupancy Sampling Pilot Study
- Ecosystems Indicators (UNR 578)
- Boulder City Conservation Easement
- MSHCP Permit Amendment
- Public Information, Education and Outreach
- Bird Habitat Monitoring/Modeling Projects
- MSHCP Adaptive Management Program



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Questions?