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Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Overview and Progress

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The Desert Conservation Program serves as the Administrator of the Clark County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) and incidental take permit

Permittees:

- City of Las Vegas
- City of North Las Vegas
- City of Henderson
- City of Mesquite
- City of Boulder City
- Clark County
- Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)

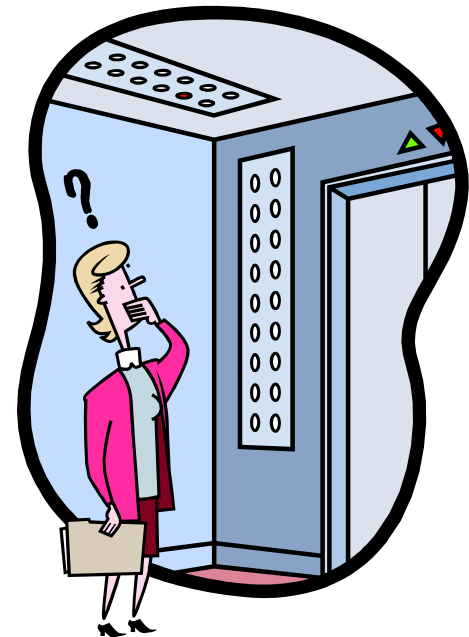




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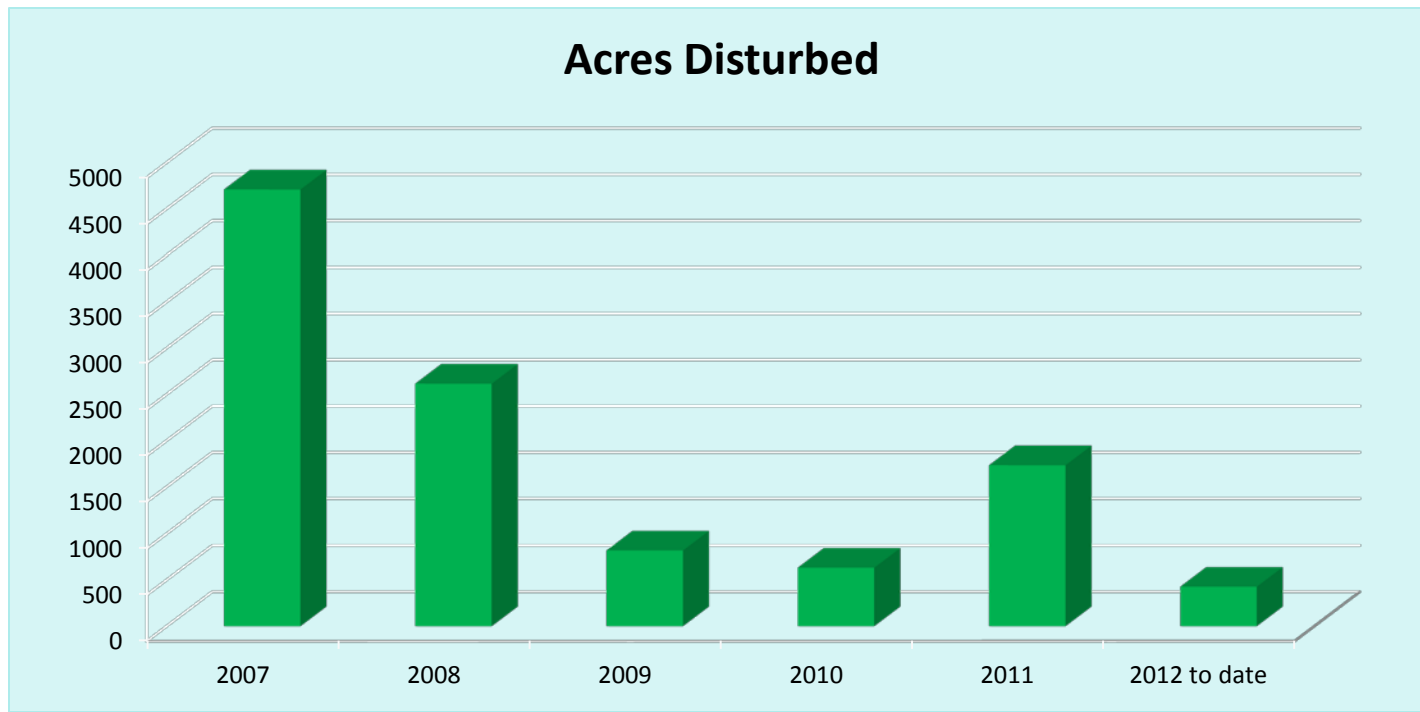
□ Reorganization

- Moved back to Clark County Comprehensive Planning from Department of Air Quality and Environmental Management
 - Nancy Lipski, Director



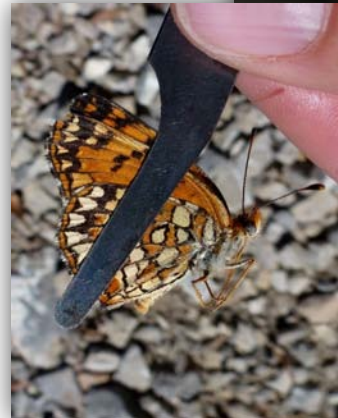


- Mitigation Fees/Land Disturbance
 - July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012
 - 1,525.31 acres disturbed
 - \$840,514.00 revenues generated





- Project and Contract Management
 - July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012
 - Up to 17 outsourced projects/contracts
 - 210 invoices received
 - 235 deliverables received
 - 21 change requests received
 - 32 projects closed
 - Up to 41 in-house projects/activities





Status on SNPLMA-funded projects

- Round 6
 - 39 Cooperative Agreements, 38 are complete
 - \$25.5 million awarded, \$21.3 million spent; \$3.9 de-ob
 - 98% complete (based on spending)
- Round 8
 - Three Cooperative Agreements, zero are complete
 - \$4.1 million awarded, \$2.0 million spent
 - 49% complete (based on spending)
- Round 12
 - Two Cooperative Agreements, zero are complete
 - \$92,000 awarded, \$0 spent (awaiting GMO processing)



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□ Audits

- FY11 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) audit
 - Zero exceptions
- Mitigation Fee Exempted Acres
 - Five findings
 - Pursuing consolidated fee collection as corrective measure



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- Compliance Reporting
 - 2009-2011 Biennium Progress Report submitted to USFWS October 2011
- 2013-2015 Implementation Plan and Budget
 - Under development
 - Currently available for public comment (posted on web)
 - Next step is Board of County Commission approval





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- Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line
 - Conducted a request for proposals for service
 - Knight & Leavitt Associates was awarded the contract
 - July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012
 - 55 calls received
 - 20 presumed wild desert tortoises picked up
- Pet Desert Tortoise Working Group
 - Participation continues
 - Awaiting USFWS determination on management of pet desert tortoises



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- Desert Tortoise Fencing
 - NDOT has assumed monitoring and maintenance activities for fencing
 - Contract maintained with Nevada Division of Forestry to provide emergency assistance and conduct monitoring and repairs, as needed



- Document Reviews and External Agency Coordination
 - Monitored 46 Federal/State/Local/Private documents or public requests
 - Submitted formal or informal comment on 23
 - Currently monitoring nine items





□ Project Posters:

- What is the MSHCP?
- Muddy River Restoration and Property Management
- Desert Tortoise Occupancy and Habitat Covariates Sampling Pilot Study
- Boulder City Conservation Easement – 2012 and Beyond
- Too Many Desert Tortoises?
- Southern NV Public Lands Management Act Funding and the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan





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Questions?

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/depts/dcp/Pages/default.aspx>