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Tule Springs Monument Fence 2019-JNJ-1975A

The work for the above referenced project has been completed. Below is a summary of project related information.

The purpose of the above referenced project was:

The purpose of this project is to construct fence lines using two different fence configurations to prevent Desert Tortoises from crossing Hwy. 95 to the west of the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument. The fencing will preserve the tortoises to their natural sites and avoid unnecessary harm or killing of protected desert tortoises from vehicles and humans.

The major accomplishments or findings of this project include:

Fencing was completed along the road, with desert tortoise guards, gates, and tortoise shade structures added. During construction one instance of desert tortoise "take" occurred, but the tortoise was determined to be in good health. After the completion of the fencing, a desert tortoise clearance survey was conducted outside the fence area between the US95 N shoulder and the barrier fence line. No recent desert tortoise sign or any live desert tortoises were observed.

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If you have any questions about this project, please contact DCP Project Manager John Ellis, at (702) 455-3964.