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**DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION SUMMARY:
DESERT TORTOISE CONNECTIVITY ACROSS ROADWAYS
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The work for the above reference 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 was to collect data to estimate tortoise population densities and examine tortoise movement in relation to culverts along portions of US-93 and US-95 north of Las Vegas in order to gain an understanding of how to maintain connection between populations separated by anthropogenic features such as highways.

The major accomplishments or findings of this project include:

All desert tortoises on the 36 plots located on either side of 18 culverts along Highways 93 and 95 north of Las Vegas, Nevada were located and marked. In addition, observed tortoise sign was recorded, which will be used in future analysis to determine relative abundance estimates. These data can be employed by the County, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Land Management to contribute to their ongoing efforts to gain a better understanding of tortoise population connectivity throughout the range.

For more information about this project and/or for other Project Reports or Symposium Reports, please visit our [website](#)

If you have any questions about this project please contact DCP Project Manager Scott Cambrin at (702) 455-3859.