



desert conservation
PROGRAM

February 5, 2016

TO: DISTRIBUTION

RE: DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION NOTIFICATION:
DESERT TORTOISE HABITAT
2007-LVVWD-719Q

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 purpose of this project was to create a desert tortoise habitat at The Springs Preserve to serve as a refugium for a controlled population of desert tortoises and increase public awareness and interest in desert tortoise recovery.

The major accomplishment or findings of this project include:

The major accomplishment of this project was the creation of a 15-acre tortoise habitat site designed to house up to 6 desert tortoises located at the northwestern corner of the Las Vegas Springs Preserve. This was accomplished by:

- Installation of desert tortoise exclusion fencing and access gates that follow approved U.S. Fish and Wildlife specifications.
- Interpretative signage for public education, equipping tortoises with radio telemetry transmitters to monitor and report on their health and movements.
- Other sites enhancements include planting native food sources.

The Springs Preserve's tortoise habitat will help in expanding public knowledge in the support for the recovery of the desert tortoise.

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

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Sincerely,



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