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## DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION SUMMARY Mojave Max Education Program 2019-OLVF-1915H

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 was to provide Public Information and Education to Clark County School District students and Clark County residents, regarding the Mojave Desert, desert tortoise biology and the importance of responsible desert recreation and desert conservation. This was done in accordance with the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan. The project contracted with Get Outdoors Nevada (GON) to provide staff and logistical support that allows for the completion of Mojave Max Elementary School Assemblies, Tortoise Talk presentations, and public outreach at various community events.

## The major accomplishments or findings of this project include:

- Conducted-Tortoise Talk Classroom Programs. In Year 6 of the program, we conducted 94 in-person programs at various elementary schools, reaching 1,929 students throughout Southern Nevada
- Conducted-Elementary School Assemblies. In Year 6 of the program we conducted 20 school assemblies at various elementary schools, reaching 2,515 students throughout Southern Nevada.
- Assisted-Outreach Events. Assisting with outreach events with the Mojave Max mascot and an interpretive table are important parts of public education. In Year 6 of the project, Get Outdoors Nevada assisted with eight outreach events that reached 3,080 individuals.





- Conducted-Emergence Contest. During Year 6 of the program, 4,583
   Southern Nevada elementary school students entered the Mojave Max
   Emergence Contest, and we completed an emergence announcement and field trip to the winning school--Richard Rundle Elementary.
- Updated Tortoise Talk Materials. Two updated versions of the Tortoise Talk presentation were developed by GON and piloted in classrooms.
- Created pre- and post- education materials. Tortoise Talk program piloted preand post- lesson worksheets for elementary students. These have been used by teachers and reviewed as helpful to prepare students to participate in scheduled school assemblies as well as for follow-up and emphasis on presentation topics after the fact.

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 Audrie Locke at (702) 455-2705.