# Appendix A Mitigation and Monitoring Plan

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#### **Appendix A: Mitigation Monitoring Plan**

The purpose of this Mitigation Monitoring Plan is to ensure effective implementation of mitigation measures identified by the Initial Study and imposed as part of Project approval.

This Mitigation Monitoring Plan includes:

- The mitigation measures that the Conservancy must implement as part of the proposed Project;
- The actions required to implement these measures;
- The monitoring requirements; and
- The timing of implementation for each measure.

#### **Minor Project Refinements**

The Conservancy will ensure that any project variance or deviation from the procedures identified under the monitoring program is consistent with CEQA requirements; no project variance will be approved by the Conservancy if it creates new significant impacts. A variance should be strictly limited to minor project changes that will not trigger other permit requirements, that does not increase the severity of an impact or create a new impact, and that clearly and strictly complies with the intent of the mitigation measure. If a proposed change to the project has the potential for creating significant environmental effects, it will be evaluated to determine whether supplemental CEQA review is required. In some cases, a variance may also require approval by a CEQA responsible agency.

Impact	Mitigation Measure	Timing of Action
<b>Biological Resources</b>		
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife 5.4(f) – Habitat Conservation Plans	described in Section 4.4 of the CVMSHCP will be observed during trail and trailhead development and O&M activities. For O&M activities the Conservancy shall ensure that	
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife 5.4(b) – Sensitive Vegetation	<b>BIO-2: Limit Disturbance Areas.</b> At all work areas, mechanical disturbance of previously undisturbed habitats (including soils) will be limited to the minimum area necessary. Project disturbance areas will be sited on previously disturbed areas to the extent feasible.	<ul><li>During trail and trailhead development</li></ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	BIO-3: Assign Project Biologist. The Conservancy will assign one or more acceptable biologists (according to CVMSHCP requirements) to conduct pre-trail and trailhead development surveys and trail and trailhead development monitoring at all Project work areas where ground disturbance would occur, as described in Mitigation Measures BIO-4 and BIO-5. An "acceptable biologist" means a biologist whose name is on a list, maintained by the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC), of biologists who are acceptable to CVCC, CDFW, and USFWS for purposes of conducting surveys for Covered Species.	<ul> <li>Prior to trail and trailhead development</li> </ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife 5.4(d) – Native or Migratory Wildlife	<b>BIO-4: Preconstruction Surveys.</b> An acceptable biologist (according to CVMSHCP requirements) will conduct pre-activity clearance surveys for desert tortoise and their burrows, burrowing owls (year-round), nesting birds (at trail and trailhead sites where construction activities are scheduled from January 1 to August 31), Peninsular bighorn sheep, and other special-status species. Construction activities outside of the breeding season for nesting birds would not require nesting bird surveys. Surveys for desert tortoise, Peninsular bighorn sheep, burrowing owl, Le Conte's thrasher, and crissal thrasher will be conducted according to the avoidance and minimization measures in Section 4.4 of the CVMSHCP. Pre-activity surveys will be conducted no more than 7 days in advance of any ground- or vegetation-	<ul> <li>Within 7 days of initiating ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing trail and trailhead development activities</li> <li>Within 7 days of initiating ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing maintenance activities</li> </ul>

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	disturbing activities in any location. For construction activities planned between February 15 and November 15 at the Biskra Palms.		
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife 5.4(d) – Native or Migratory Wildlife	BIO-5: Construction Monitoring. An acceptable biologist (according to CVMSHCP requirements) will monitor construction activities, provide worker education programs, and supervise or perform other related actions. The Biological Monitor will be authorized to temporarily halt construction activities if needed to prevent potential harm to these and any other special-status species. Project activities may not disturb an active bird nest. If an active bird nest is located on or adjacent to the work site, a Biological Monitor will designate and flag an appropriate buffer area around the nest where construction activities will not be permitted. The buffer area will be based on the bird species and nature of the construction activity. The work supervisor will coordinate with the Biological Monitor on planned or ongoing construction activities and any specific pre-activity surveys or monitoring requirements for each activity in those areas.	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> <li>During ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing maintenance activities</li> </ul>	
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	BIO-6: Special-Status Species Avoidance and Minimization Measures. The Project Biologist(s) and all workers shall regularly observe the work areas for desert tortoise and burrowing owl. The Project will adhere to avoidance and minimization measures for sensitive species as described in Section 4.4 of the CVMSHCP. For desert tortoise, installing exclusionary fencing per CVMSHCP guidelines for trailhead trail and trailhead development would be infeasible. Instead, if a desert tortoise is observed, it will be left to move away from the work site on its own. Burrowing owl measures include establishing appropriate buffers, depending on the season, where no trail and trailhead development or maintenance activities may occur; and coordinating with Wildlife Agencies on appropriate eviction/passive relocation procedures.	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> <li>During ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing maintenance activities</li> </ul>	
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	BIO-7: Worker Training. Employees will be trained to ensure that all workers on site (including contractors) are aware of all applicable mitigation measures for biological resources. Specifically, workers will be required to (1) limit all activities to approved work areas; (2) report any desert tortoise, burrowing owl, or other special-status species, or bird nest observation in the work areas and access routes to the supervisor or Project Biologist; (3) avoid contact with any wildlife that may approach a work area, and be aware of potential venomous reptile bites from carelessness or unnecessary harassment; (4) pick up and properly dispose of any food, trash, or trail and trailhead development refuse; and (5) report any spilled materials (oil, fuel, solvent, engine coolant, raw concrete, or other material potentially hazardous to wildlife) to the supervisor or on-site Project Biologist(s). During the training, the instructor will briefly discuss special-status species that may occur in the work areas, their habitats, and requirements to avoid or minimize impacts. In	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> <li>During ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing maintenance activities</li> </ul>	

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	addition, all workers will be informed of civil and criminal penalties for violations of the federal Endangered Species Act, California Endangered Species Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, relevant sections of the California Fish and Game Code, and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.	
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	<b>BIO-8: Wildlife Avoidance.</b> Workers will not be permitted to feed, harm, approach, harass, or handle wildlife at any time, except to move animals out of harm's way, and only as directed by a supervisor. Listed species will not be handled; if a desert tortoise enters a work area, it will not be disturbed and will be allowed to leave on its own. This condition will not exempt workers, including the Project Biologist(s), from any safety policies with regard to venomous reptiles.	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> <li>During ground-disturbing or vegetation-clearing maintenance activities</li> </ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	BIO-9: Trash, Refuse, Concrete, and Other Trail and trailhead development Materials. All trash and food materials will be properly contained within vehicles or closed refuse bins while on any site, and will be regularly removed from the site (at least on a weekly basis) for proper disposal. All refuse from trail and trailhead development or maintenance activities will be removed from each work site upon completion of work. No raw cement, concrete or washings thereof, asphalt, paint, oil, solvents, or other petroleum products, or any other substances that could be hazardous to vegetation or wildlife resources, shall be disposed of on-site or allowed to spill onto soil. Cleanup of any spilled material shall begin immediately.	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> <li>During maintenance</li> </ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	<b>BIO-10: Minimize Standing Water.</b> Water applied to dirt roads and trail and trailhead development areas for dust abatement shall use the minimal amount needed to meet safety and air quality standards, to prevent the formation of puddles, which could attract wildlife to trail and trailhead development sites.	<ul><li>During trail and trailhead development</li><li>During maintenance</li></ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	<b>BIO-11: Water Storage.</b> All water containers (i.e., tanks or trailers) will be securely covered to prevent wildlife from entering the containers and becoming trapped.	<ul><li>During trail and trailhead development</li><li>During maintenance</li></ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife	<b>BIO-12: Speed Limit.</b> To minimize potential impacts to special-status wildlife, no vehicles will be permitted to exceed 25 mph while traveling on dirt access roads.	<ul><li>During trail and trailhead development</li><li>During maintenance</li></ul>
5.4(a) – Special-Status Plants and Wildlife 5.4(c) - Wetlands	<b>BIO-13: Operations Monitoring.</b> A qualified biologist or hydrologist will identify the jurisdictional boundaries of the washes, ephemeral drainages, and wetlands located at the site. If jurisdictional areas are found to located within the impact area, permits will be obtained from CDFW, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Colorado River Regional Water Control Board.	■ During operation

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<b>Cultural Resources</b>		
	<b>CR-1: Cultural Resource Public Education.</b> Trailhead signage and other public educational materials would be provided for all trails to inform the public about the need to respect and not disturb potential cultural resources found in the vicinity of these trails.	<ul><li>During operation</li></ul>
	<b>CR-2:</b> Inadvertent Discovery of Archaeological Resources. In the event of the unanticipated discovery of archaeological materials, the project contractor will immediately cease all work activities in the area (within approximately 50 feet) of the discovery until it can be evaluated by the qualified archaeologist. Construction will not resume until the qualified archaeologist has conferred with the landowner on the significance of the resource.	<ul><li>During trail and trailhead development</li><li>During operation</li></ul>
	If it is determined that the discovered archaeological resource constitutes a historic property under Section 106 of the NHPA, or a historical resource under CEQA, avoidance and preservation in place is the preferred manner of mitigation. If preservation in place is determined to be infeasible and data recovery through excavation is the only feasible mitigation available, a Cultural Resources Treatment Plan will be prepared and implemented by the qualified archaeologist in consultation with the landowner. The Cultural Resources Treatment Plan will provide for the adequate recovery of the scientifically consequential information contained in the archaeological resource.	
5.5(c) – Human Remains	CR-3: Assess and Treat Inadvertent Discovery of Human Remains. All human remains discovered are to be treated with respect and dignity. Upon discovery of human remains, all work within 50 feet of the discovery area must cease immediately, nothing is to be disturbed, and the area must be secured. The County Coroner's Office must be notified within 24 hours. The Coroner has two working days to examine the remains after notification. The appropriate land manager or owner of the site is to be called and informed of the discovery. If the remains are located on federal lands, federal land managers, federal law enforcement, and the federal archaeologist must be informed as well, due to complementary jurisdiction issues. It is very important that the human remains, and the area around them, are undisturbed and the proper authorities called to the scene as soon as possible, as it could be a crime scene. The Coroner will determine if the remains are archaeological, historic or are of modern origin, and will determine if there are any criminal or jurisdictional needs to be addressed.	<ul> <li>During trail and trailhead development</li> </ul>
	If upon examination the Coroner determines that the remains are archaeological or historic-era, the Coroner will make recommendations concerning the treatment and disposition of the remains to the person responsible for the excavation, or to his or her authorized representative. If the Coroner believes the remains to be those of a Native	

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	American, he/she shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) by telephone within 24 hours. The NAHC will immediately notify the person it believes to be the most likely descendant (MLD) of the remains. The MLD has 48 hours to make recommendations to the landowner for treatment or disposition of the human remains. If the descendant does not make recommendations within 48 hours, the landowner shall reinter the remains in an area of the property secure from further disturbance. If the landowner does not accept the descendant's recommendations, the owner or the descendant may request mediation by the NAHC. According to the California Health and Safety Code, six (6) or more human burials at one (1) location constitute a cemetery (Section 8100), and willful disturbance of human remains is a felony (Section 7052).	

## **Appendix B-1**

**CALIFORNIA NATURAL DIVERSITY DATABASE** 

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## California Department of Fish and Wildlife California Natural Diversity Database



#### **Query Criteria:**

Quad<span style='color:Red'> IS </span>(Cathedral City (3311674)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Cottonwood Basin (3311568)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>East Deception Canyon (3311683)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>East Deception Canyon (3311683)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Indian Cove (3411612)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Indian Cove (3411612)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Joshua Tree South (3411613)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Joshua Tree South (3411613)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>La Quinta (3311663)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Malapai Hill (3311681)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Morongo Valley (3411615)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Rorengo Valley (3411615)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Rorengo Valley (3311664)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Rorengo (3311664)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Rorengo (3311664)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Rorengo (3311661)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Washington Wash (3311578)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>West Berdoo Canyon (3311672)<span style='color:Red'> OR </span>Yucca Valley South (3411614))

Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	Rare Plant Rank/CDFW SSC or FP
Abronia villosa var. aurita	PDNYC010P1	None	None	G5T2?	S2	1B.1
chaparral sand-verbena						
Accipiter cooperii	ABNKC12040	None	None	G5	S4	WL
Cooper's hawk						
Acmispon haydonii pygmy lotus	PDFAB2A0H0	None	None	G3	<b>S</b> 3	1B.3
Aimophila ruficeps canescens southern California rufous-crowned sparrow	ABPBX91091	None	None	G5T3	S3	WL
Almutaster pauciflorus	PDASTEL010	None	None	G4	S1S2	2B.2
alkali marsh aster						
Ambrosia monogyra singlewhorl burrobrush	PDAST50010	None	None	G5	S2	2B.2
Anniella stebbinsi Southern California legless lizard	ARACC01060	None	None	G3	\$3	SSC
Antrozous pallidus pallid bat	AMACC10010	None	None	G4	S3	SSC
Aquila chrysaetos golden eagle	ABNKC22010	None	None	G5	S3	FP
Asio otus long-eared owl	ABNSB13010	None	None	G5	S3?	SSC
Astragalus bernardinus San Bernardino milk-vetch	PDFAB0F190	None	None	G3	S3	1B.2
Astragalus hornii var. hornii Horn's milk-vetch	PDFAB0F421	None	None	GUT1	S1	1B.1
Astragalus lentiginosus var. coachellae Coachella Valley milk-vetch	PDFAB0FB97	Endangered	None	G5T1	S1	1B.2
Astragalus preussii var. laxiflorus  Lancaster milk-vetch	PDFAB0F721	None	None	G4T2	S1	1B.1
Astragalus sabulonum gravel milk-vetch	PDFAB0F7R0	None	None	G4G5	S2	2B.2
Astragalus tricarinatus triple-ribbed milk-vetch	PDFAB0F920	Endangered	None	G2	S2	1B.2
Athene cunicularia burrowing owl	ABNSB10010	None	None	G4	S3	SSC





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Atriplex parishii	PDCHE041D0	None	None	G1G2	S1	1B.1
Parish's brittlescale						
Ayenia compacta	PDSTE01020	None	None	G4	S3	2B.3
California ayenia						
Boechera dispar	PDBRA060F0	None	None	G3	S3	2B.3
pinyon rockcress						
Boechera lincolnensis	PDBRA061M3	None	None	G4G5	S3	2B.3
Lincoln rockcress						
Bombus crotchii	IIHYM24480	None	Candidate Endangered	G2	S2	
Crotch bumble bee			Liidangerea			
Buteo regalis	ABNKC19120	None	None	G4	S3S4	WL
ferruginous hawk						
Calileptoneta oasa	ILARAU6020	None	None	G1	S1	
Andreas Canyon leptonetid spider						
Calochortus palmeri var. munzii	PMLIL0D121	None	None	G3T3	S3	1B.2
San Jacinto mariposa-lily						
Calochortus palmeri var. palmeri	PMLIL0D122	None	None	G3T2	S2	1B.2
Palmer's mariposa-lily						
Calochortus striatus	PMLIL0D190	None	None	G3	S2S3	1B.2
alkali mariposa-lily						
Caulanthus simulans	PDBRA0M0H0	None	None	G4	S4	4.2
Payson's jewelflower						
Chaetodipus fallax pallidus	AMAFD05032	None	None	G5T3T4	S3S4	SSC
pallid San Diego pocket mouse						
Chorizanthe parryi var. parryi	PDPGN040J2	None	None	G3T2	S2	1B.1
Parry's spineflower						
Chorizanthe xanti var. leucotheca	PDPGN040Z1	None	None	G4T3	S3	1B.2
white-bracted spineflower						
Corynorhinus townsendii	AMACC08010	None	None	G4	S2	SSC
Townsend's big-eared bat						
Coryphantha alversonii	PDCAC0X060	None	None	G3	S3	4.3
Alverson's foxtail cactus						
Crotalus ruber	ARADE02090	None	None	G4	S3	SSC
red-diamond rattlesnake						
Cymopterus multinervatus	PDAPI0U0Q0	None	None	G4G5	S2	2B.2
purple-nerve cymopterus	1 27 11 1000000	110110	140110	0.00	02	23.2
Cyprinodon macularius	AFCNB02060	Endangered	Endangered	G1	S1	
desert pupfish	711 011002000	Lindangorod	Lindangorod	J.	51	
Cypseloides niger	ABNUA01010	None	None	G4	S2	SSC
black swift	ADMONOTOTO	INOTIC	INOHE	U <del>T</del>	<b>52</b>	550
	CTTeggggg A	None	None	Co	63.3	
Desert Fan Palm Oasis Woodland	CTT62300CA	None	None	G3	S3.2	





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Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	SSC or FP
Dinacoma caseyi	IICOLX5010	Endangered	None	G1	S1	
Casey's June beetle						
Dipodomys merriami collinus	AMAFD03144	None	None	G5T2?	S2	
Earthquake Merriam's kangaroo rat						
Ditaxis claryana	PDEUP080L0	None	None	G3G4	S2	2B.2
glandular ditaxis						
Ditaxis serrata var. californica	PDEUP08050	None	None	G5T3T4	S2?	3.2
California ditaxis						
Dodecahema leptoceras	PDPGN0V010	Endangered	Endangered	G1	S1	1B.1
slender-horned spineflower						
Empidonax traillii extimus	ABPAE33043	Endangered	Endangered	G5T2	S1	
southwestern willow flycatcher						
Eremarionta morongoana	IMGASB9070	None	None	G1G3	S1	
Morongo (=Colorado) desertsnail						
Eremothera boothii ssp. boothii	PDONA03052	None	None	G5T4	S3	2B.3
Booth's evening-primrose						
Eriastrum harwoodii	PDPLM030B1	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
Harwood's eriastrum						
Erigeron parishii	PDAST3M310	Threatened	None	G2	S2	1B.1
Parish's daisy						
Eumops perotis californicus	AMACD02011	None	None	G4G5T4	S3S4	SSC
western mastiff bat						
Euparagia unidentata	IIHYMBC010	None	None	G1G2	S1S2	
Algodones euparagia						
Euphorbia abramsiana	PDEUP0D010	None	None	G4	S2	2B.2
Abrams' spurge						
Euphorbia arizonica	PDEUP0D060	None	None	G5	S3	2B.3
Arizona spurge						
Euphorbia misera	PDEUP0Q1B0	None	None	G5	S2	2B.2
cliff spurge						
Euphorbia platysperma	PDEUP0D1X0	None	None	G3	S1	1B.2
flat-seeded spurge						
Falco mexicanus	ABNKD06090	None	None	G5	S4	WL
prairie falcon						
Gopherus agassizii	ARAAF01012	Threatened	Threatened	G3	S2S3	
desert tortoise	74004000012	rinoatorioa	rindatorida	30	0200	
Grusonia parishii	PDCAC0D2H0	None	None	G3G4	S2	2B.2
Parish's club-cholla	1 00/10002110	None	140110	0004	02	20.2
Heuchera hirsutissima	PDSAX0E0J0	None	None	G3	S3	1B.3
shaggy-haired alumroot	DOMOLOGO	140110	110110	<del></del>	00	10.0
cteria virens	ABDDV04040	None	None	G5	63	990
Cleria virens	ABPBX24010	None	None	G5	S3	SSC





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Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	SSC or FP
Imperata brevifolia	PMPOA3D020	None	None	G3	S3	2B.1
California satintail	NIDMI 1007040	Mana	Mana	0.4	00	00.0
Jaffueliobryum raui	NBMUS97010	None	None	G4	S2	2B.3
Rau's jaffueliobryum moss	NIDAN 1007000	Mana	Mana	0.5	0000	00.0
Jaffueliobryum wrightii Wright's jaffueliobryum moss	NBMUS97020	None	None	G5	S2S3	2B.3
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Junco hyemalis caniceps	ABPBXA5021	None	None	G5T5	S1	WL
gray-headed junco	ADDDD04000	Mana	Mana	0.4	0.4	000
Lanius Iudovicianus	ABPBR01030	None	None	G4	S4	SSC
loggerhead shrike	44440005000	Mana	Mana	0004	0.4	
Lasiurus cinereus	AMACC05032	None	None	G3G4	S4	
hoary bat				0.40-	0.0	
Lasiurus xanthinus	AMACC05070	None	None	G4G5	S3	SSC
western yellow bat						
Lilium parryi	PMLIL1A0J0	None	None	G3	S3	1B.2
lemon lily	PP P/ 1/2222				0.0	
Linanthus jaegeri	PDPLM08030	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
San Jacinto linanthus						
Linanthus maculatus ssp. maculatus Little San Bernardino Mtns. linanthus	PDPLM041Y1	None	None	G2T2	S2	1B.2
Macrobaenetes valgum	IIORT22020	None	None	G1G2	S2	
Coachella giant sand treader cricket						
Marina orcuttii var. orcuttii	PDFAB2F031	None	None	G2G3T1T2	S2?	1B.3
California marina						
Matelea parvifolia	PDASC0A0J0	None	None	G5	S3	2B.3
spear-leaf matelea						
Mentzelia tricuspis	PDLOA031T0	None	None	G4	S2	2B.1
spiny-hair blazing star						
Mesquite Bosque	CTT61820CA	None	None	G3	S2.1	
Mesquite Bosque						
Mojave Riparian Forest	CTT61700CA	None	None	G1	S1.1	
Mojave Riparian Forest						
Monardella robisonii	PDLAM180K0	None	None	G3	S3	1B.3
Robison's monardella						
Muhlenbergia appressa appressed muhly	PMPOA48020	None	None	G4	S3	2B.2
Myiarchus tyrannulus	ABPAE43080	None	None	G5	S3	WL
brown-crested flycatcher						•••
Myotis thysanodes	AMACC01090	None	None	G4	S3	
fringed myotis	, 13 30 1000			<del>.</del> .		
Nemacaulis denudata var. gracilis	PDPGN0G012	None	None	G3G4T3?	S2	2B.2
slender cottonheads	1 51 51105012	. 101.0	. 10110	000+10:	<u>-</u>	





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Neotoma albigula venusta	AMAFF08031	None	None	G5T3T4	S1S2	-
Colorado Valley woodrat						
Neotoma lepida intermedia	AMAFF08041	None	None	G5T3T4	S3S4	SSC
San Diego desert woodrat						
Nyctinomops femorosaccus pocketed free-tailed bat	AMACD04010	None	None	G5	<b>S</b> 3	SSC
Nyctinomops macrotis big free-tailed bat	AMACD04020	None	None	G5	S3	SSC
Oliarces clara	IINEU04010	None	None	G1G3	S2	
cheeseweed owlfly (cheeseweed moth lacewing)						
Ovis canadensis nelsoni	AMALE04013	None	None	G4T4	S3	FP
desert bighorn sheep						
Ovis canadensis nelsoni pop. 2 Peninsular bighorn sheep DPS	AMALE04012	Endangered	Threatened	G4T3Q	S2	FP
Paranomada californica California cuckoo bee	IIHYM82010	None	None	G1	S1	
Parnopes borregoensis	IIHYM73010	None	None	G1G2	S1S2	
Borrego parnopes cuckoo wasp						
Perognathus longimembris bangsi	AMAFD01043	None	None	G5T2	S1	SSC
Palm Springs pocket mouse						
Petalonyx linearis	PDLOA04010	None	None	G4	S3?	2B.3
narrow-leaf sandpaper-plant						
Phrynosoma blainvillii	ARACF12100	None	None	G3G4	S4	SSC
coast horned lizard						
Phrynosoma mcallii	ARACF12040	None	None	G3	S3	SSC
flat-tailed horned lizard						
Piranga rubra	ABPBX45030	None	None	G5	S1	SSC
summer tanager						
Polioptila californica californica coastal California gnatcatcher	ABPBJ08081	Threatened	None	G4G5T3Q	S2	SSC
Polioptila melanura	ABPBJ08030	None	None	G5	S3S4	WL
black-tailed gnatcatcher						
Pseudorontium cyathiferum	PDSCR2R010	None	None	G4G5	S1	2B.3
Deep Canyon snapdragon						
Pyrocephalus rubinus vermilion flycatcher	ABPAE36010	None	None	G5	S2S3	SSC
Rana draytonii	AAABH01022	Threatened	None	G2G3	S2S3	SSC
California red-legged frog		23.004				<b>-</b>
Rana muscosa	AAABH01330	Endangered	Endangered	G1	S1	WL
southern mountain yellow-legged frog		<u>-</u>	Ü			
Saltugilia latimeri	PDPLM0H010	None	None	G3	S3	1B.2
Latimer's woodland-gilia						



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Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	Rare Plant Rank/CDFW SSC or FP
Selaginella eremophila	PPSEL010G0	None	None	G4	S2S3	2B.2
desert spike-moss						
Senna covesii	PDFAB491X0	None	None	G5	S3	2B.2
Cove's cassia						
Setophaga petechia	ABPBX03010	None	None	G5	S3S4	SSC
yellow warbler						
Southern Riparian Forest	CTT61300CA	None	None	G4	S4	
Southern Riparian Forest						
Sphaeralcea rusbyi var. eremicola	PDMAL140L1	None	None	G4T2	S2	1B.2
Rusby's desert-mallow						
Stemodia durantifolia	PDSCR1U010	None	None	G5	S2	2B.1
purple stemodia						
Stenopelmatus cahuilaensis Coachella Valley jerusalem cricket	IIORT26010	None	None	G1G2	S2	
Streptanthus campestris	PDBRA2G0B0	None	None	G3	S3	1B.3
southern jewelflower						
Taxidea taxus	AMAJF04010	None	None	G5	S3	SSC
American badger						
Thelypteris puberula var. sonorensis	PPTHE05192	None	None	G5T3	S2	2B.2
Sonoran maiden fern						
Toxostoma bendirei	ABPBK06050	None	None	G4	S3	SSC
Bendire's thrasher						
Toxostoma crissale	ABPBK06090	None	None	G5	S3	SSC
Crissal thrasher						
Toxostoma lecontei	ABPBK06100	None	None	G4	S3	SSC
Le Conte's thrasher						
Trichinorhipis knulli	IICOLX1100	None	None	G1	S1	
Knull's metallic wood-boring beetle						
Uma inornata	ARACF15010	Threatened	Endangered	G1Q	S1	
Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard						
Vireo bellii pusillus	ABPBW01114	Endangered	Endangered	G5T2	S2	
least Bell's vireo						
Wislizenia refracta ssp. refracta jackass-clover	PDCPP09013	None	None	G5T5?	S1	2B.2
Xerospermophilus tereticaudus chlorus	AMAFB05161	None	None	G5T2Q	S2	SSC
Palm Springs round-tailed ground squirrel	LOI COD JAIVIN	NUILE	NUILE	GUIZQ	32	330
Xylorhiza cognata  Mecca-aster	PDASTA1010	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2

Record Count: 120

# Appendix B-2 Special Status Species of the Coachella Valley

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		Activity	Conservation		Occurrence Pot	tential by Trail		
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception	
PLANTS								
Abronia villosa var. aurita Chaparral sand- verbena	Annual or perennial herb; sand, about 250-5300 ft. elev.; San Jacinto Mtns, Inland Empire, adj. Colorado Des, Orange & San Diego cos; mostly alluvial fans and benches in w Riverside Co; dunes in deserts.	Jan-Sep	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: S2, 1B.1 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; marginally suita geographic range, no	ble habitat present, al t observed.	l trails are likely eas	t of the species	
Astragalus lentiginosus var. coachellae Coachella Valley milk-vetch	Annual/perennial herb; desert dunes, Sonoran Desert scrub; sandy areas; from 130 to 2200 ft. elev.	Feb-May	Fed: <b>END</b> BLM: none CA: S1, 1B.2 MSHCP: covered	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from within 3.5 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity.	•	t observed, no recent	
Astragalus tricarinatus Triple-ribbed milk- vetch	Perennial herb; exposed rocky slopes, canyon walls, alluvial fans; Whitewater Canyon, Mission Creek, and Morongo Canyon; 1500 to 5000 ft. elev.	Feb-May	Fed: <b>END</b> BLM: none CA: S2, 1B.2 MSHCP: covered	the watershed and not expected to occur.			Low; Marginally suitable habitat present, known from upper watershed.	
Ditaxis claryana Glandular ditaxis	Perennial herb. Conflicting info. in literature. Sandy soils below about 350 ft. elev.; or rocky uplands & sandy washes to 3000 ft.; widely scattered, Sonoran Desert, Calif. to Ariz. and Mex.	Oct-Mar	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S2, 2B.2 MSHCP: none	Minimal; no suitable habitat present; not observed, no recent records from vicinity.	observed during surv observation located v	eys. Recent	Minimal; no suitable habitat present; not observed, no recent records from vicinity.	
Euphorbia arizonica Arizona spurge	Perennial herb; sandy flats; Borrego & Coachella Valleys are only Calif. sites; S and E to Texas, mainland Mexico, central Baja; from 160 to 1000 ft. elev.	Mar-Apr	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S3, 2B.3 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; suitable habitat present, not observed during surveys. No recent records located within the vicinity.				
Euphorbia platysperma Flat-seeded spurge	Annual herb; desert dunes, Sonoran desert scrub; sandy areas; from about 210 to 350 ft. elev.	Feb-Sep	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: S1, 1B.2 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; suitable habitat present, not observed during surveys. No recent records located within the vicinity.				
Imperata brevifolia California satintail	Perennial rhizomatous herb; meadows, seeps, and riparian scrub within arid shrublands; about 0 – 3900 ft. elev.	Sep-May	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: S3, 2B.1 MSHCP: none	Low; suitable mesic habitat present, not observed.	habitat present, not			

		Activity Conservation	Conservation		Occurrence Po	tential by Trail	
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
Linanthus maculatus Little San Bernardino Mtns. linanthus	Annual; sandy washes or dunes in desert shrubland habitats; Joshua Tree woodlands; about 600 - 6800 ft. elev.	Mar-May	Fed: none BLM: sensitive CA: S2, 1B.2 MSHCP: covered	<b>Minimal</b> ; outside of geographic range.	Minimal; outside of	geographic range.	Moderate; suitable wash habitat is present, recent observation in region.
Mentzelia tricuspis Spiny-hair blazing star	Annual; sandy or gravelly soil, slopes and washes, Mojavean Desert scrub; 500-4200 ft. elev.; desert mts, east Sonoran Desert, to Utah, Arizona.	Mar-May	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S2, 2B.1 MSHCP: none		able habitat, not obser an 10 miles from Proje		nearest known
Nemacaulis denudata var. gracilis Slender cottonheads	Annual herb; coastal dunes, desert dunes, Sonoran Desert scrub; about 160- 1300 ft. elev.	Apr-May	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S2, 2B.2 MSHCP: none	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from within 6 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity		ot observed, no recent
Narrow-leaf sandpaper-plant	Perennial shrub; sandy and rocky canyons in Sonoran and Mojavean Desert scrubs; below about 4,000 ft. elev.; Riv., San Diego, Imperial Cos., Ariz., Baja, Sonora, Mexico.	Mar-May	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S3, 2B.2 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; suitable habitat On edge of geograph	present, not observe	d during surveys.	Moderate; suitable habitat present, nearest occurrence roughly 5 miles, not observed.
eremophila	Perennial herb; mountainous or hillside rock outcrops and crevices, about 600 - 3000 ft. elev.; lower desert-facing slopes of San Jacinto Mtns and adj. desert, to Texas and Baja	n/a	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S2S3, 2B.2 MSHCP: none	<b>Moderate</b> ; suitable h years.	nabitat present, not ob	oserved, may be pre	sent in good rainfall
Senna covesii Cove's cassia	Low, mostly herbaceous perennial; desert washes; Colorado Desert to Nevada, Arizona, and Baja;740 - 4250 ft. elev.	Apr-Jun	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S3, 2B.2 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; suitable habitat range.	present, not observe	d during surveys. Or	n edge of geographical
Mecca-aster	Perennial herb; creosote bush scrub on slopes and bottoms of deep ravines in clay, rocky sand, and gravel; mostly known from Indio Hills and Mecca Hills; about 65 – 1300 ft. elev.	Jan-Jun	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S2, 1B.2 MSHCP: covered	High; suitable habitat present. Recent record present in area. Possibly present in the area but overlooked.	<b>Minimal</b> ; no suitable records from vicinity		t observed, no recent

		Activity	Activity Conservation	Occurrence Potential by Trail			
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
INVERTEBRATES							
Bombus crotchii Crotch bumble bee	Occurs in open grassland and scrub habitats. This species is a ground nesting species. Food plant genera include Antirrhinum, Phacelia, Clarkia, Eschscholzia, and Eriogonum. Coastal California, south into Mexico.	Feb-Oct	Fed: none BLM: none CA: CAN, S1S2 MSHCP: none	Moderate; suitable habitat present, not observed during surveys, known within 5 miles.	Low; suitable habitat recent occurrences in		ved during surveys, no
Dinacoma caseyi Casey's June beetle	Found in sandy soils in desert wash and Mojavean desert scrub. Found only in two populations in a small area of southern Palm Springs.	Spring	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S1 MSHCP: covered	Minimal; no suitable habitat present. Outside of geographical range.	Low; suitable habitat present, not observed during surveys.	<b>Minimal</b> ; no suitab Outside of geograp	
Macrobaenetes valgum Coachella giant sand treader cricket	Active dunes and windblown sand; apparently absent from stabilized sand; nocturnal; endemic to Coachella Valley area.	Spring	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S1S2 MSHCP: covered	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from 3.5 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity	•	t observed, no recent
Parnopes borregoensis Borrego parnopes cuckoo wasp	Known from San Diego, San Bernardino, and Inyo counties.	Spring- Summer	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S1S2 MSHCP: none	<b>Low</b> ; suitable habitat in region.	present; not observe	d during surveys, no	recent observations
Stenopelmatus cahuilaensis Coachella Valley Jerusalem cricket	Dunes, stabilized sand, sometimes gravelly sand or vacant lots with remnant native plants; endemic to western Coachella Valley area; active mostly nocturnally or during wet conditions after rains.	Year-around (when humid or moist)	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S1S2 MSHCP: covered	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from 3.5 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity		t observed, no recent
REPTILES							
Crotalus ruber Red-diamond rattlesnake	Chaparral, woodland, grassland, desert areas; prefers rocky areas with dense vegetation; Coastal CA east to Whitewater Canyon.	Spring- Summer	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: none	Minimal; no suitable habitat present, likely outside of geographic range.	Moderate; suitable h sign observed during from vicinity.		Minimal; no suitable habitat present, likely outside of geographic range.
Gopherus agassizii Mojave Desert tortoise	Colorado River west through California and Nevada; desert shrublands where soil is suitable for burrows.	Spring- Summer	Fed: <b>THR</b> BLM: none CA: <b>THR</b> , S2 MSHCP: covered	Moderate; some suitable habitat, no sign observed during surveys, very	Minimal; area is isola populations by devel		Moderate; some suitable habitat present, potential burrows were

		Activity	Conservation	Occurrence Potential by Trail			
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
				low densities in vicinity.			observed, very low densities in vicinity.
Phrynosoma blainvillii Coast horned lizard	Species requires loose, fine soils with a high sand fraction, abundance of native ants or other insects, low, dense shrubs for refuge. Pacific coast to the deserts, south into Baja CA.	Spring- Summer	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S3S4 MSHCP: none		abitat, no sign observ Ige of geographic rang		ery low densities in
Phrynosoma mcallii Flat-tailed horned lizard	Sandy desert washes, flats, and dunes; Coachella Valley southward to N Baja Calif.	Spring- summer	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S2 MSHCP: covered	Minimal; no suitable	habitat, species likely	extirpated from Coa	achella Valley.
Uma inornata Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard	Sand, especially dunes, sandy hummocks, washes, stabilized sand flats; southern Colorado Desert, endemic to the Coachella Valley.	Warm season	Fed: <b>THR</b> BLM: none CA: <b>END</b> , S1 MSHCP: covered	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from 3.5 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity	•	t observed, no recent
BIRDS							
Accipiter cooperii Cooper's hawk	Species is most common in forests and woodland habitats but can be found nesting and hunting in suburban parks and neighborhoods; will nest in dense patches of large pines, oaks, or Douglasfirs.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: WL, S4 MSHCP: none	throughout the regio	suitable foraging hab n. o nesting habitat prese	·	cent observations
Aimophila ruficeps canescens Southern California rufous- crowned sparrow	Resident in southern California coastal sage scrub and sparse mixed chaparral. Frequents relatively steep, often rocky hillsides with grass and forb patches.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: WL, S3 MSHCP: none	Minimal; no nesting habitat present, outside of species range.	<b>Moderate</b> ; suitable r recent records from	-	Minimal; no nesting habitat present, outside of species range.
Aquila chrysaetos Golden eagle	Nests in remote trees and cliffs; forages over shrublands and grasslands; breeds throughout W N America, winters to E coast.	Year-around	Fed: BGEPA BLM: Sensitive CA: FP, S3 MSHCP: none		suitable foraging hab o nesting habitat prese	•	
Athene cunicularia Burrowing owl	Nests mainly in rodent burrows, usually in open grassland or shrubland; forages in open habitat; increasingly uncommon in S Calif.; through W US and Mexico.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: covered	<b>High</b> ; suitable foragir throughout the regio	ng and nesting habitat n.	present, multiple re	ecent observations

		Activity	Conservation	Occurrence Potential by Trail			
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
Buteo regalis Ferruginous hawk	Winters in open grasslands, sagebrush flats, desert scrub, low foothills and fringes of pinyon and juniper habitats.	Winter	Fed: none BLM: none CA: WL S3S4 MSHCP: none	Low; (foraging only)	suitable foraging habit	at present, winters i	n region.
Falco mexicanus Prairie falcon	Nests on high cliffs, forages primarily over open lands; occurs throughout arid western US and Mexico.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: WL, S4 MSHCP: none	High (foraging); suitable foraging habitat present, multiple recent records throughout the region.  Minimal (nesting); no suitable nesting habitat present.			nt records
Lanius Iudovicianus Loggerhead shrike	Woodlands, shrublands, open areas with scattered perch sites; widespread in N America; valley floors to about 7000 ft. elev.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC S4 MSHCP: none	<b>High</b> ; suitable foraging and nesting habitat present, multiple recent records throughout the region.			cent records
Polioptila melanura Black-tailed gnatcatcher	Desert shrublands, gen. nests in shrub thickets along washes; occas. in open scrub (esp. in winter); Calif. Deserts, to W Texas, Baja, and central Mexico.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S3S4 MSHCP: none	High; suitable foragir throughout the regio	ng and nesting habitat n.	present, multiple re	cent records
Toxostoma bendirei Bendire's thrasher	Joshua tree woodland, desert scrub; high cactus cover; mainly E Mojave Des in Calif. (scarce in W Mojave); American SW and mainl. Mexico; winters in S Arizona, New Mexico, and mainl. Mexico.	Spring - summer	Fed: none BLM: sensitive CA: S3 MSHCP: none	Low; marginal suitable foraging or nesting habitat present.	Minimal; no suitable habitat present.	nesting or foraging	Low; marginal suitable foraging or nesting habitat present.
Toxostoma crissale Crissal thrasher	Nests in dense brushy thickets of mesquite or other desert riparian shrubs; foraging in surrounding area; E Calif. To Texas, W mainland Mexico.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: covered	Low; marginal suitable nesting habitat present.	Low; marginal suitab present.	le nesting habitat	Moderate; suitable nesting and foraging habitat. nearby recent eBird records.
Toxostoma lecontei Le Conte's thrasher	Calif. Deserts, SW Central Val. & Owens Val., east to Utah, Arizona; open shrubland, often sandy or alkaline flats.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: covered	<b>High</b> ; suitable habitat	t throughout, known f	rom the Project vicir	nity.
MAMMALS							
Antrozous pallidus Pallid bat	Rock outcrops of shrublands, mostly below about 6000 ft. elev.; Calif, SW N Amer through interior Oregon and Washington; hibernates in winter.	Warm season	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: none		; suitable foraging hab no suitable roosting sit	•	erved.

		Activity Conservation	Occurrence Potential by Trail				
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
Chaetodipus fallax pallidus Pallid San Diego pocket mouse	Open shrublands and sandy areas; deserts and desert-facing foothills, LA Co. south to N Baja Calif.	Spring and Fall	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3S4 MSHCP: none	High; suitable habitat present, not observed. CNDDB record adjacent to site.	High; suitable habitat observed. CNDDB red site.	•	Moderate; suitable habitat present, not observed. No records within vicinity.
Corynorhinus townsendii Townsend's big- eared bat	Many habitats throughout Calif. And W N America, scattered populations in E; day roosts in caves, tunnels, mines; feed primarily on moths.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: CAN, S2 MSHCP: none		o caves, tunnels, or m suitable foraging hab	•	served.
Dipodomys merriami collinus Earthquake Merriam's kangaroo rat	Interior mtns and valleys near desert margin (Aguanga, San Felipe Valley, etc.), sage scrub, chaparral, and grassland vegetation in upland areas, sandy soils.	Spring- Summer	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S1S2 MSHCP: none		ole habitat present, no I outside of geographi		confirmed records in
Eumops perotis californicus Western mastiff bat	Lowlands (with rare exceptions); cent. and S Calif., S Ariz., NM, SW Tex., N Mexico; roost in deep rock crevices on high cliffs, forage over wide area	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S3? MSHCP: none	Minimal (roosting); r Moderate (foraging),	o high cliffs present. suitable foraging hab	itat present, not ob	served.
Lasiurus cinereus Hoary bat	Prefers open habitats or habitat mosaics, with access to trees for cover and open areas or habitat edges for feeding. Roosts in dense trees. Feeds on moths and requires water.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: S4 MSHCP: none		o large trees present suitable foraging hab	-	served.
Lasiurus xanthinus Western yellow bat	Mexico and Cent. Amer., to S AZ; Riv., Imperial and San Diego Cos.; desert riparian and wash habitats; roosts in trees; evidently migrates from Calif. During winter.	Spring- summer	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: covered		o desert riparian habi suitable foraging hab	•	served.
Myotis thysanodes Fringed myotis	Occurs in a wide variety of habitats. Habitats include pinyon–juniper, valley foothill hardwood and hardwood-conifer woodlands. Forms maternity colonies and roosts in caves, mines, buildings, and crevices.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: S3 MSHCP: none		o caves, tunnels, or m suitable foraging hab	•	served.

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Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
Neotoma lepida intermedia San Diego desert woodrat	Arid shrublands, esp. around rocky outcrops & crevices; cismontane Calif from San Luis Obispo to San Diego Co, and NW Baja Calif.	Year- around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3S4 MSHCP: none	High; likely to be pres	sent, middens observe	ed.	
Nyctinomops femorosaccus Pocketed free- tailed bat	Deserts and arid lowlands, SW US, Baja Calif., mainland Mexico; Roost mainly in crevices of high cliffs; forage over water and open shrubland.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: none	Minimal (roosting); no high cliffs present.  Moderate (foraging); suitable foraging habitat present, not observed.			served.
Nyctinomops macrotis Big free-tailed bat	Roosts in crevices of rocky cliffs, scattered localities in W N. Amer. Through Cent. Amer.; ranges widely from roost sites; often forages over water.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: none	Minimal (roosting); r Moderate (foraging);	no high cliffs present. ; suitable foraging hab	itat present, not obs	served.
Ovis canadensis nelsoni Desert bighorn sheep	Open shrublands and conifer forest, remote mountains; scattered populations in desert mountains and surrounding ranges, incl. San Bernardino Mtns. To the north.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: FP, S3 MSHCP: none	High; suitable habitat is present and is assumed to be occupied. Numerous records in the immediate vicinity of the trail alignments.	Minimal; suitable ha is within the range of Peninsular bighorn sl	the DPS, see	High; suitable habitat is present and is assumed to be occupied. Numerous records in the immediate vicinity of the trail alignments.
Ovis canadensis nelson pop. 2 Peninsular bighorn sheep DPS	Open shrublands and conifer forest, San Jacinto Mountains in Riverside Co., south into the Peninsular Rages in San Diego Co.	Year-around	Fed: <b>END</b> BLM: none CA: <b>THR</b> , FP, S2 MSHCP: covered	Minimal; suitable habitat is present but is outside of the range of the DPS.	High; suitable habita assumed to be occup ords in the immediat trail alignments.	ied. Numerous rec-	Minimal; suitable habitat is present but is outside of the range of the DPS.
Perognathus longimembris bangsi Palm Springs pocket mouse	Desert shrubland; Coachella Valley, Joshua Tree NM, to Borrego Valley.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S2S3 MSHCP: covered	Low; marginal suitab	le habitat, known kno	wn records in the va	lley floors.
<i>Taxidea taxus</i> American badger	Mountains, deserts, interior valleys where burrowing animals are avail as prey and soil allows digging; throughout cent and W N America.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: SC, S3 MSHCP: none	<b>Moderate</b> ; suitable h	abitat present; no pol	ential badger burro	ws observed.

		Activity	ctivity Conservation	Occurrence Potential by Trail			
Species Name	Habitat Requirements	Season	Status	Biskra Palms	Cathedral Cove	Chuckwalla	West Deception
	Widespread, open desert lands; constructs below-ground dens; requires soil suitable for burrowing; primarily nocturnal; preys on small mammals.	Year-around	Fed: none BLM: none CA: FP MSHCP: none	Moderate; suitable h	abitat present, no kit	fox burrow complex	es observed.
Xerospermophilus tereticaudus chlorus Palm Springs round-tailed ground squirrel	Wind-blown sand and stabilized sand flats in Coachella Valley lowlands.		BLM: Sensitive CA: SC, S1S2 MSHCP: covered	Low; minimally suitable sand habitat present in valley floor, known from 3.5 miles.	Minimal; no suitable records from vicinity.	•	t observed, no recent

General references (botany): Baldwin et al. 2012; CDFW 2023; CNPS 2023; CCH 2023,

General references (wildlife): American Ornithologists Union, 1998 (including supplements through 2013); Barbour and Davis 1969; Feldhammer et al., 2003; Garrett and Dunn, 1981; Hall, 1981; Jennings and Hayes, 1994; Stebbins, 2003; Wilson and Ruff, 1999, CDFW 2023, eBird 2023, iNaturalist 2023.

#### **Conservation Status**

Federal designations (Fed): (federal ESA, USFWS).

END: Federally listed, endangered.

THR: Federally listed, threatened.

Candidate: Sufficient data are available to support federal listing, but not yet listed.

Proposed: Formally proposed for federal status shown.

BGEPA: Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act

#### State designations (CA): (CESA, CDFW)

END: State listed, endangered.

THR: State listed, threatened.

CAN: Candidate for State Listing

RARE: State listed as rare (applied only to certain plants).

SC: California species of special concern. Considered vulnerable to extinction due to declining numbers, limited geographic ranges, or ongoing threats.

WL: Species that were either previously listed as SC and have not been state listed under CESA; or were previously state or federally listed and now are on neither list; or are on the list of "Fully Protected" species.

FP: Fully protected. May not be taken or possessed without permit from CDFG.

CDFW Natural Diversity Data Base Designations: Applied to special-status plants and sensitive plant communities; where correct category is uncertain, CDFG uses two categories or question marks.

- S1: Fewer than 6 occurrences or fewer than 1000 individuals or less than 2000 acres.
- S2: 6-20 occurrences or 1000-3000 individuals or 2000-10,000 acres (decimal suffixes same as above).
- S3: 21-100 occurrences or 3000-10,000 individuals or 10,000-50,000 acres (decimal suffixes same as above).
- S4: Apparently secure in California; this rank is clearly lower than S3 but factors exist to cause some concern, i.e., there is some threat or somewhat narrow habitat. No
- S5: Demonstrably secure or ineradicable in California. No threat rank.
- SH: All California occurrences historical (i.e., no records in > 20 years).
- SX: Presumed extirpated in California.

California Native Plant Society (CNPS) Rare Plant Rank designations. Note: According to CNPS (http://www.cnps.org/cnps/rareplants/ranking.php), plants ranked as CRPR 1A, 1B, and 2 meet definitions as threatened or endangered and are eligible for state listing. That interpretation of the state Endangered Species Act is not in general use.

- 1A: Plants presumed extinct in California.
- 1B: Plants rare and endangered in California and throughout their range.

2A:Plants presumed extinct in California but more common elsewhere in their range.

- 2B: Plants rare, threatened or endangered in California but more common elsewhere in their range.
- 3: Plants about which we need more information; a review list.
- 4: Plants of limited distribution; a watch list.

#### California Rare Plant Rank Threat designations:

- .1 Seriously endangered in California (over 80% of occurrences threatened / high degree and immediacy of threat)
- .2 Fairly endangered in California (20 80% occurrences threatened)
- .3 Not very endangered in California (<20% of occurrences threatened, or no current threats known)

Definitions of occurrence probability: Estimated occurrence probabilities are based on literature sources cited earlier, field surveys, and habitat analyses reported here.

Present: Observed on the site by qualified biologists.

High: Habitat is a type often utilized by the species and the site is within the known range of the species.

Moderate: Site is within the known range of the species and habitat on the site is a type occasionally used.

Low: Site is within the species' known range but habitat is rarely used, or the species was not found during focused surveys covering less than 100% of potential habitat

or completed in marginal seasons.

Minimal: No suitable habitat on the site; or well outside the species' known elevational or geographic ranges; or a focused study covering 100% of all suitable habitat,

completed during the appropriate season and during a year of appropriate rainfall, did not detect the species.

*Unknown:* No focused surveys have been performed in the region, and the species' distribution and habitat are poorly known.

# **Appendix B-3 Species Not Considered**

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Appendix B-3. Special-Status Species Not Addressed<sup>1</sup>

Latin Name	Common Name	Reason for Exclusion
PLANTS		
Acmispon haydonii	Pygmy lotus	No suitable dune habitat present
Almutaster pauciflorus	Alkali marsh aster	Outside of geographic range.
Ambrosia monogyra	Singlewhorl burrobrush	Outside of geographic range, previous waif occurrences extirpated from Coachella Valley.
Astragalus bernardinus	San Bernardino milk-vetch	No suitable Joshua tree, pinyon, or juniper woodland habitat present.
Astragalus hornii var. hornii	Horn's milk-vetch	Outside of geographic range.
Astragalus preussii var. laxiflorus	Lancaster milk-vetch	Outside of geographic range, only known from Lancaster and Edwards Air Force Base.
Astragalus sabulonum	Gravel milk-vetch	West of geographical range.
Atriplex parishii	Parish's brittlescale	No vernal pool or playa habitat present.
Ayenia compacta	California ayenia	Well outside of geographic range.
Boechera dispar	Pinyon rockcress	Outside of elevational range of species. No suitable Joshua tree, pinyon, or juniper woodland habitat.
Boechera lincolnensis	Lincoln rockcress	Outside of elevation range of species.
Calochortus palmeri var. munzii	San Jacinto mariposa-lily	No montane coniferous forest or chaparral present.
Calochortus palmeri var. palmeri	Palmer's mariposa-lily	No montane coniferous forest present.
Calochortus striatus	Alkali mariposa-lily	Outside of geographic range.
Caulanthus simulans	Payson's jewelflower	Outside of geographic range.
Chorizanthe parryi var. parryi	Parry's spineflower	No chaparral, cismontane woodland, or coastal scrub habitat present.
Chorizanthe xanti var. leucotheca	White-bracted spineflower	No coastal scrub alluvial fan habitat present.
Coryphantha alversonii	Alverson's foxtail cactus	West of the geographic range.
Cymopterus multinervatus	Purple-nerve cymopterus	South of geographic range.
Ditaxis serrata var. californica	California ditaxis	North and west of the geographic range.
Dodecahema leptoceras	Slender-horned spineflower	No suitable chaparral, cismontane woodland or coastal scrub habitat present.
Eremothera boothii spp. boothii	Booth's evening-primrose	No suitable Joshua tree, pinyon, or juniper woodland habitat present.
Eriastrum harwoodii	Harwood's eriastrum	Outside of geographic range.
Erigeron parishii	Parish's daisy	No suitable pinyon or juniper habitat present.
Euphorbia abramsiana	Abrams' spurge	No suitable silty clay soils present
Euphorbia misera	Cliff spurge	No suitable rocky, coastal bluff scrub habitat present.
Grusonia parishii	Parish's club-cholla	No suitable Joshua tree woodland habitat present.
Heuchera hirsutissima	Shaggy-haired alumroot	Well outside of elevation range, above 4000 ft
Jaffueliobryum raui	Rau's jaffueliobryum moss	Outside of elevation range of species.

Latin Name	Common Name	Reason for Exclusion
Jaffueliobryum wrightii	Wright's jaffueliobryum moss	Outside of geographical range.
Lilium parryi	Lemon lily	Well outside of elevation range, above 4000 ft
Linanthus jaegeri	San Jacinto linanthus	Well outside of elevation range, above 7000 ft
Marina orcuttii var. orcuttii	California marina	Well outside of elevation range, above 3000 ft
Matelea parvifolia	Spear-leaf matelea	Lower limits of range, no records within 15 miles, no rocky canyon habitat.
Monardella robisonii	Robison's Monardella	No suitable pinyon or juniper woodland habitat present.
Muhlenbergia appressa	Appressed muhly	Outside of geographic range.
Pseudorontium cyathiferum	Deep Canyon snapdragon	Known in California only from the Deep Canyon area.
Saltugilia latimeri	Latimer's woodland-gilia	No chaparral, pinyon or juniper woodland habitat present.
Sphaeralcea rusbyi var. eremicola	Rusby's desert-mallow	Outside of geographic range.
Stemodia durantifolia	Purple stemodia	No suitable mesic habitat present, outside of geographic range.
Streptanthus campestris	Southern jewelflower	No chaparral, pinyon or juniper woodland, or coniferous forest habitat present.
Thelypteris puberula var. sonorensis	Sonoran maiden fern	No meadows or seeps present.
Wislizenia refracta ssp. refracta	Jackass-clover	Outside of geographic range and no suitable playas present.
INVERTEBRATES		
Calileptoneta oasa	Andreas Canyon leptonetid spider	Locally endemic to Andreas Canyon.
Eremarionta morongoana	Morongo (=Colorado) desertsnail	No suitable talus habitat present
Euparagia unidentata	Algodones euparagia	No suitable dune habitat
Oliarces clara	Cheeseweed moth lacewing	No suitable streams or open water sources present.
Paranomada californica	California cuckoo bee	Outside of geographical range of species.
Trichinorhipis knulli	Knull's metallic wood- boring beetle	Outside of geographical range of species.
FISH		
Cyprinodon macularius	Desert pupfish	No natural streams or springs present.
AMPHIBIANS		
Rana draytonii	California red-legged frog	Outside of geographic range.
Rana muscosa	Southern mountain yellow- legged frog	Outside of geographic range.
REPTILES		
Anniella stebbinsi	Southern California legless lizard	Outside of geographic range.

Latin Name	<b>Common Name</b>	Reason for Exclusion
BIRDS		•
Asio otus	Long-eared owl	No suitable nesting habitat present
Cypseloides niger	Black swift	No cliffs or waterfalls present.
Empidonax traillii extimus	Southwestern willow flycatcher	No dense riparian willow habitat present.
Icteria virens	Yellow-breasted chat	No dense riparian scrub and woodland present.
Junco hyemalis caniceps	Gray-headed junco	No suitable montane conifer forest present.
Myiarchus tyrannulus	Brown-crested flycatcher	No riparian habitat present.
Piranga rubra	Summer tanager	No riparian habitat present.
Polioptila californica	Coastal California gnatcatcher	Outside of geographical range of species.
Pyrocephalus rubinus	Vermilion flycatcher	No riparian habitat present.
Setophaga brewsteri	Yellow warbler	No riparian habitat present.
Vireo bellii pusillus	Least Bell's vireo	No dense riparian willow habitat present.
MAMMALS		
Neotoma albigula venusta	Colorado Valley woodrat	Outside of geographic range.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Special-status species reported from the region but not addressed in this report due to habitat or geographic range.

## **Appendix B-4**

## **OBSERVED SPECIES LIST**

JANUARY 2024 DRAFT IS/MND

Latin Name	Common Name
VASCULAR PLANTS	
DICOTYLEDONS	
SELAGINELLACEAE	SPIKE-MOSS FAMILY
Selaginella bigelovii	Bigelow spike moss
EPHEDRACEAE	EPHEDRA FAMILY
Ephedra californica	Desert tea, California ephedra
Ephedra nevadensis	Nevada ephedra, desert tea
AMARANTHACEAE	AMARANTH FAMILY
Tidestromia suffriticosa var. oblongifolia	Honeysweet
APOCYNACEAE	DOGBANE FAMILY
Asclepias subulata	Rush milkweed
ASTERACEAE	ASTER FAMILY
Acamptopappus sphaerocephalus	Rayless goldenhead, desert goldenhead
Ambrosia acanthicarpa	Annual bur-sage, annual sandbur
Ambrosia dumosa	White bur-sage, burrobush
Ambrosia salsola	Common burrobrush, cheesebush
Baccharis sarothroides	Broom baccharis
Bebbia juncea	Sweetbush
Brickellia atractyloides	Pungent brickellbush, spear-leaved brickellia
Chaenactis fremontii	Fremont pincushion
Chaenactis xantiana	Fleshy pincushion, Xantus's pincushion
Encelia farinosa	Brittlebush
Isocoma acradenia	Alkali goldenbush, desert isocoma
Lepidospartum squamatum	Scale-broom
Malacothrix glabrata	Desert dandelion
Monoptilon bellioides	Desert star
Palafoxia arida	Spanish needles
Perityle emoryi	Emory's rock daisy
Peucephyllum schottii	Pygmy-cedar
Pluchea sericea	Arrow-weed
Rafinesquia neomexicana	Desert chicory
Stephanomeria pauciflora	Wire-lettuce, desert straw
Xylorhiza tortifolia var. tortifolia	Mojave-aster
BORAGINACEAE	BORAGE OR WATERLEAF FAMILY
Amsinckia tessellata	Checker fiddleneck
Cryptantha intermedia	Common cryptantha
Cryptantha maritima	Guadalupe cryptantha, white hair cryptantha

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Latin Name	Common Name
Emmenanthe penduliflora	Whispering bells
Heliotropium curassavicum	Alkali heliotrope, salt heliotrope
Phacelia campanularia	Desert bluebells
Phacelia crenulata	Heliotrope phacelia
Phacelia distans	Common phacelia
Phacelia minor	Wild Canterbury bells
Tiquilia palmeri	Palmer's tiquilia
Tiquilia plicata	Fan-leaved tiquilia
BRASSICACEAE	MUSTARD FAMILY
* Brassica tournefortii	Sahara mustard, wild turnip
Caulanthus lasiophyllus	California mustard
* Sisymbrium irio	London rocket
CACTACEAE	CACTUS FAMILY
Cylindropuntia bigelovii	Teddy-bear cholla
Cylindropuntia echinocarpa	Silver cholla
Cylindropuntia ramosissima	Pencil cholla
Echinocereus engelmannii	Engelmann hedgehog cactus
Ferocactus cylindraceus	California barrel cactus
Opuntia basilaris var. basilaris	Beavertail cactus
CHENOPODIACEAE	GOOSEFOOT FAMILY
Atriplex canescens	Four-wing saltbush
Atriplex hymenelytra	Desert holly
Atriplex polycarpa	Allscale saltbush
* Chenopodium album	Lamb's quarters
* Salsola tragus	Russian thistle
CRASSULACEAE	STONECROP FAMILY
Crassula connata	Pygmy-weed
EUPHORBIACEAE	SPURGE FAMILY
Croton californicus	California croton
Ditaxis lanceolata	Narrow-leaved ditaxis
Euphorbia albomarginata	Rattlesnake sandmat
Euphorbia micromera	Sonoran sandmat
* Ricinus communis	Castor bean
FABACEAE	LEGUME FAMILY, PEA FAMILY
Acmispon glaber	Deerweed
Acmispon strigosus	Strigose lotus
Dalea mollis	Silk dalea

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Latin Name	Common Name
Dalea mollissima	Rust dalea
Hoffmannseggia microphylla	Small-leaved caesalpinia
Lupinus arizonicus	Arizona lupine
* Melilotus indicus	Sourclover, India sweetclover
Olneya tesota	Desert ironwood
Parkinsonia florida	Blue palo verde
Prosopis glandulosa var. torreyana	Honey mesquite, mesquite
Psorothamnus arborescens	Indigo-bush
Psorothamnus emoryi	Emory indigo-bush, dye-weed
Psorothamnus schottii	Indigo-bush
Psorothamnus spinosus	Smoke tree
Senegalia greggii	Catclaw, catclaw acacia
GERANIACEAE	GERANIUM FAMILY
* Erodium cicutarium	Redstem filaree
KRAMERIACEAE	RHATANY FAMILY, KRAMERIA FAMILY
Krameria bicolor	White rhatany
LAMIACEAE	MINT FAMILY
Condea emoryi	Desert lavender
Salvia columbariae	Chia
LOASACEAE	LOASA FAMILY, STICK-LEAF FAMILY
Mentzelia involucrata	Sand blazing star
Petalonyx thurberi	Sandpaper plant
MALVACEAE	MALLOW FAMILY
Eremalche rotundifolia	Desert fivespot
Sphaeralcea ambigua	Globemallow, desert mallow
NYCTAGINACEAE	FOUR O'CLOCK FAMILY
Mirabilis laevis var. crassifolia	California four o'clock
Mirabilis laevis var. retrorsa	Wishbone bush
ONAGRACEAE	EVENING-PRIMROSE FAMILY
Camissoniopsis pallida	Pale suncup
Chylismia cardiophylla	Heart-leaved camissonia
Chylismia claviformis	Clavate evening primrose
Eremothera boothii	Woody bottle-washer
Eulobus californica	California false mustard
PAPAVERACEAE	POPPY FAMILY
Eschscholzia californica	California poppy
Eschscholzia minutiflora	Small-flowered poppy

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Latin Name	Common Name
Eschscholzia parishii	Parish's gold poppy
PLANTAGINACEAE	PLANTAIN FAMILY
Antirrhinum confertiflorum	Ghost flower
Plantago ovata	Desert plantain
POLEMONIACEAE	PHLOX FAMILY
Aliciella latifolia	Broad leaf gilia
Eriastrum eremicum	Desert woolly-star
Gilia sp.	Unid. annual
Loeseliastrum matthewsii	Desert calico
POLYGONACEAE	BUCKWHEAT FAMILY
Chorizanthe brevicornu	Brittle spineflower
Eriogonum deflexum	Skeleton weed
Eriogonum fasciculatum var. polifolium	Mojave Desert California buckwheat
Eriogonum gracile	Slender wild buckwheat
Eriogonum inflatum	Desert trumpet
Eriogonum pusillum	Yellow turbans, puny buckwheat
Eriogonum thomasii	Thomas' wild buckwheat
Eriogonum thurberi	Thurber's wild buckwheat
Eriogonum trichopes	Little desert trumpet
RUBIACEAE	MADDER FAMILY, COFFEE FAMILY
Galium stellatum	Starry bedstraw
SOLANACEAE	NIGHTSHADE FAMILY
Datura wrightii	Jimsonweed, tolguacha
Lycium andersonii	Anderson box-thorn
Physalis crassifolia	Thick-leaf ground-cherry
TAMARICACEAE	TAMARISK FAMILY
* Tamarix aphylla	Athel tree
* Tamarix ramosissima	Saltcedar, tamarisk
VISCACEAE	MISTLETOE FAMILY
Phoradendron californicum	Desert mistletoe
ZYGOPHYLLACEAE	CALTROP FAMILY
Fagonia laevis	Smooth-stem fagonia
Larrea tridentata	Creosote bush
MONOCOTYLEDONS	
AGAVACEAE	CENTURY PLANT FAMILY, AGAVE FAMILY
Agave deserti	Desert agave

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Latin Name	Common Name
ARECACEAE	PALM FAMILY
Washingtonia filifera	California fan palm
CYPERACEAE	SEDGE FAMILY
Schoenoplectus americanus	Olney's three-square bulrush
JUNCACEAE	RUSH FAMILY
** Juncus acutus ssp. leopoldii	Southwestern spiny rush
POACEAE	GRASS FAMILY
* Arundo donax (?)	Giant reed
* Bromus madritensis ssp. rubens	Red brome
* Bromus tectorum	Cheat grass
* Cynodon dactylon	Bermuda grass
Distichlis spicata	Salt grass
* Hordeum murinum	Foxtail barley
* Pennisetum setaceum	Crimson fountain grass, African fountain grass
Phragmites australis	Common reed
* Polypogon monspeliensis	Rabbitfoot grass
* Polypogon viridis	Water bentgrass
* Schismus barbatus	Mediterranean schismus
Stipa capensis	Cape ricegrass
Stipa speciosa	Desert needle grass
VERTEBRATE ANIMALS	
REPTILES	
IGUANIDAE	IGUANID LIZARDS
Dipsosaurus dorsalis	Desert iguana
Sceloporus magister	Desert spiny lizard
Uta stansburiana	Side-blotched lizard
TEIIDAE	WHIPTAILS
Aspidoscelis tigris tigris	Great Basin whiptail
VIPERIDAE	VIPERS
Crotalus mitchellii	Speckled rattlesnake
BIRDS	
CATHARTIDAE	VULTURES
Cathartes aura	Turkey vulture
ACCIPITRIDAE	HAWKS, EAGLES, HARRIERS
Buteo jamaicensis	Red-tailed hawk
FALCONIDAE	FALCONS
Falco sparverius	American kestrel

JANUARY 2024 B.4-5 DRAFT IS/MND

Latin Name	Common Name
PHASIANIDAE	GROUSE AND QUAIL
Callipepla gambelii	Gambel's quail
COLUMBIDAE	PIGEONS AND DOVES
Streptopelia decaocto	Eurasian collared-dove
Zenaida macroura	Mourning dove
APODIDAE	SWIFTS
Aeronautes saxatalis	White-throated swift
TROCHILIDAE	HUMMINGBIRDS
Calypte costae	Costa's hummingbird
TYRANNIDAE	TYRANT FLYCATCHERS
Myiarchus cinerascens	Ash-throated flycatcher
Sayornis saya	Say's phoebe
Tyrannus verticalis	Western kingbird
CORVIDAE	CROWS AND JAYS
Corvus corax	Common raven
REMIZIDAE	VERDINS
Auriparus flavipes	Verdin
TROGLODYTIDAE	WRENS
Salpinctes obsoletus	Rock wren
MIMIDAE	MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS
Mimus polyglottos	Northern mockingbird
PTILOGONATIDAE	SILKY FLYCATCHERS
Phainopepla nitens	Phainopepla
EMBERIZIDAE	SPARROWS, WARBLERS, TANAGERS
Setophaga coronata	Yellow-rumped warbler
Pipilo crissalis	California towhee
Amphispiza bilineata	Black-throated sparrow
Zonotrichia leucophrys	White-crowned sparrow
FRINGILLIDAE	FINCHES
Haemorhous mexicanus	House finch
Spinus psaltria	Lesser goldfinch
MAMMALS	
LEPORIDAE	HARES AND RABBITS
Lepus californicus deserticola	Black-tailed jackrabbit
SCIURIDAE	SQUIRRELS
Ammospermophilus leucurus	Antelope ground squirrel

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Latin Name	Common Name
CRICETIDAE	RATS AND MICE
Neotoma sp.	Wood rat
CANIDAE	FOXES, WOLVES AND COYOTES
Canis familiaris	Domestic dog
Canis latrans	Coyote

Species introduced to California are indicated by an asterisk. Special-stats species are indicated by two asterisks. This list includes only species observed on the site. Other species may have been overlooked or unidentifiable due to season (amphibians are active during rains, reptiles during summer, some birds (and bats) migrate out of the area for summer or winter, some mammals hibernate, many plants are identifiable only in spring). Plants were identified using keys, descriptions, and illustrations in Baldwin et al. (2012). Plant taxonomy and nomenclature generally follow Baldwin et al. (2012). Wildlife taxonomy and nomenclature generally follow Stebbins (2003) for amphibians and reptiles, AOU (1998) for birds, and Wilson and Ruff (1999) for mammals.

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# APPENDIX B-5 PHOTO EXHIBIT

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Photo 1: Desert fan palm oasis woodland habitat present at the proposed Biskra Palms trail.



Photo 3: Desert dry wash woodland habitat present at the proposed Biskra Palms trail.



Photo 2: Sonoran mixed woody and succulent scrub habitat present at the proposed Biskra Palms trail.



Photo 4: Desert dry wash woodland habitat present at the proposed Cathedral Cove trail.



Photo 5: Desert dry wash woodland habitat present at the proposed Cathedral Cove trail.



Photo 7: Mojave mixed woody scrub habitat at the proposed West Deception Canyon Tail.



Photo 6: Sonoran creosote bush scrub habitat at the proposed West Deception Canyon Trail.

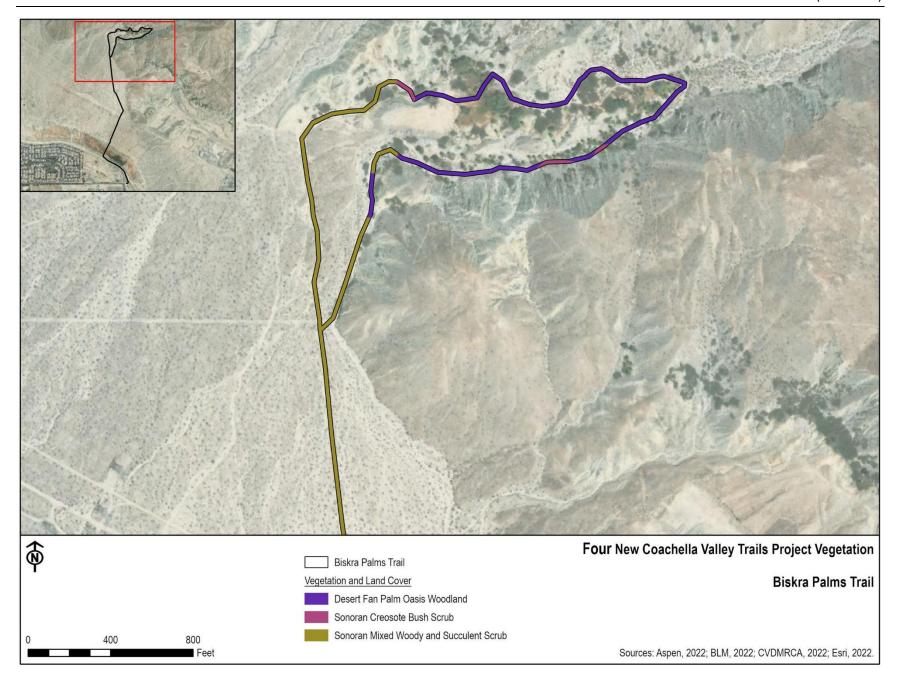


Photo 8: Developed land cover at the proposed Chuckwalla-Overlook Connector Trail.

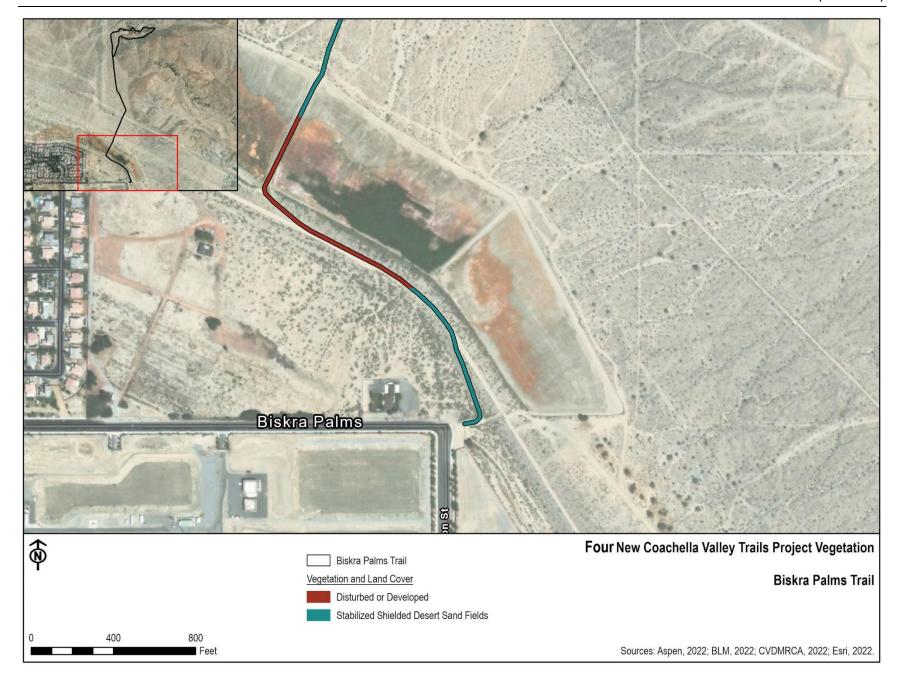
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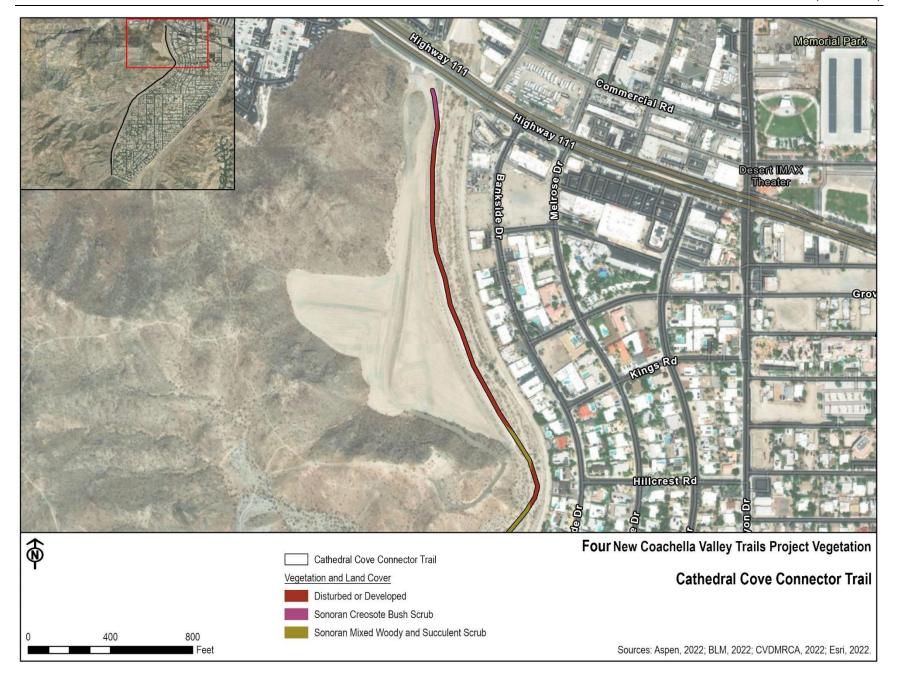
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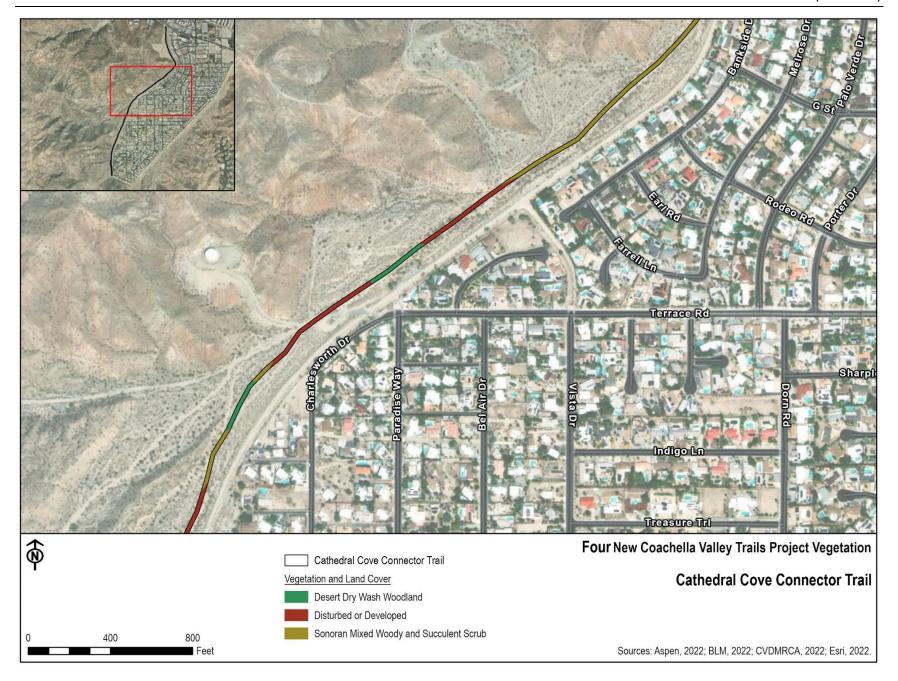
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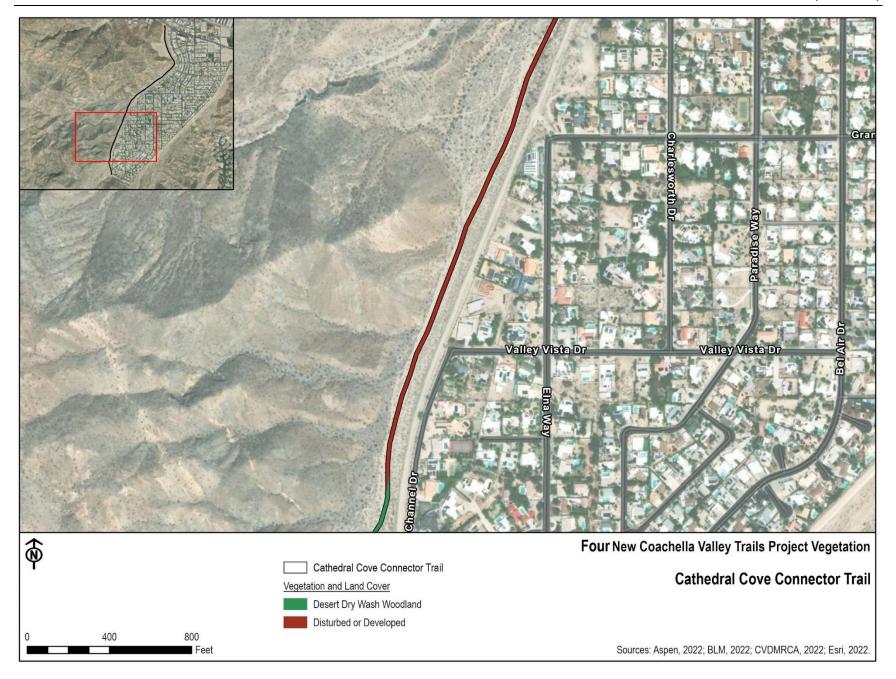




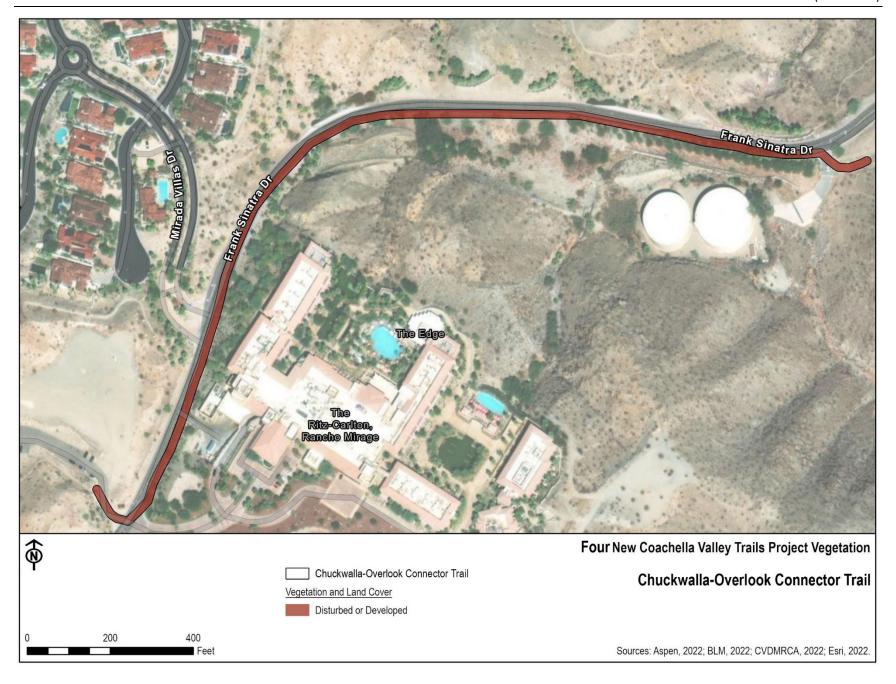


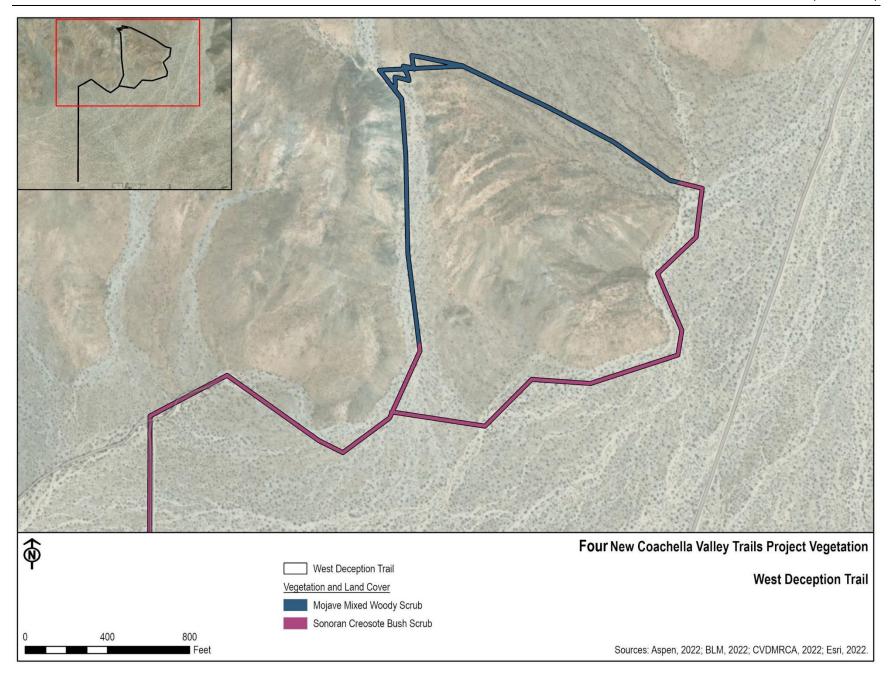














### **Appendix C**

## REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT CONSTRUCTION AGGREGATE RESOURCE AREAS

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#### State Mining and Geology Board Designation Report No. 13

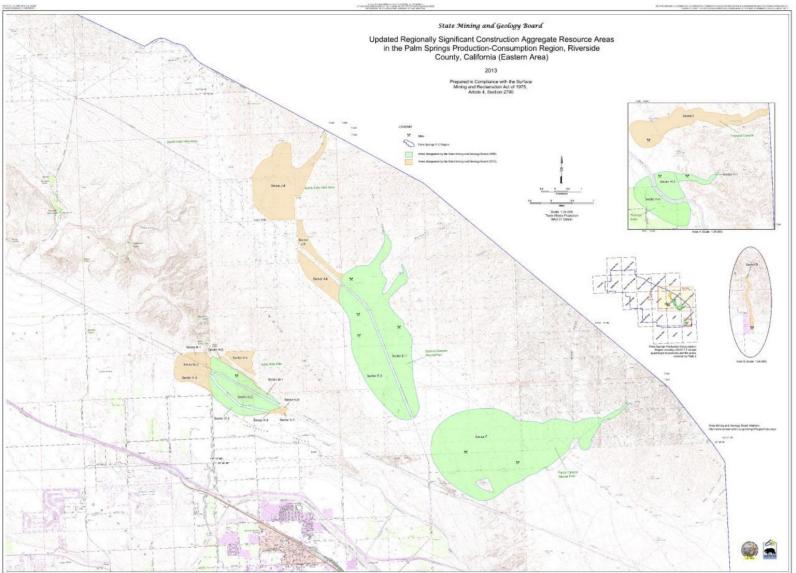


Figure 5. Updated regionally significant construction aggregate resource areas in the Palm Springs P-C Region, Eastern Area, Riverside County (Plate 2 in pocket). Shown are previously designated areas (light green), newly designated areas (light tan) and terminated designations (dark green).