

Appendix K USFWS/CDFW MSHCP Consistency Determination
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Subject: I-15/Railroad Canyon IC (EA 08-0A440) Request for MSHCP Consistency Determination and a DBESP Finding (FWS/CDFW-WRIV-09B0430-17CPA0181)

Alisha and Craig,

Thank you for your submittal of the revised Natural Environmental Study (NES) and Determination of Biologically Equivalent or Superior Preservation (DBESP), provided in support of the Interstate 15/Railroad Canyon Road & Franklin Avenue Interchange Project. The NES and DBESP was revised to include comments from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, hereinafter collectively referred to as the Wildlife Agencies. Among the changes incorporated into the two documents were:

1. A revision of least Bell's vireo conservation measure language to ensure project related activities avoid a 500-foot area around the San Jacinto River between March 15 and September 1; and
2. Clarification of fairy shrimp conservation measure language, as documented in the email below.

Based edits to the NESMI and DBESP, the Wildlife Agencies find the Interstate 15/Railroad Canyon Road & Franklin Avenue Interchange Project consistent with the Western Riverside Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan. Thank you for coordination on this project. Should you have any questions, please contact either myself or Heather Pert.

Sincerely,

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