

**SUBMITTAL TO THE FLOOD CONTROL AND
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: General Manager-Chief Engineer

SUBMITTAL DATE:
September 2, 2008

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) Setting Forth Obligations for Acquisition of Corridor/Habitat within the Morongo Wash Special Provisions Area of the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP)

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

1. Approve the MOU between the District and CVCC.
2. Authorize the General Manager-Chief Engineer to execute the MOU on behalf of the District.

BACKGROUND:

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WARREN D. WILLIAMS
General Manager-Chief Engineer

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. District Cost:	N/A	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. County Cost:	N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net District Cost:	N/A	For Fiscal Year:	N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:
Alex Gann

County Executive Office Signature

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY:
LARISA R-MCKENNA
DATE: 8/14/08
Departmental Concurrence

Policy
 Consent
 Dept't Recomm.:
 Policy
 Consent
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: 5th

Agenda Number:

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The CVMSHCP is a comprehensive, multi-jurisdictional Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) focusing on conservation of species and their associated habitats in Eastern Riverside County. The final recirculated CVMSHCP and Implementing Agreement were adopted by the Board on October 30, 2007 (Resolution Number F2007-27).

The Morongo Wash Special Provisions Area is an area that has been delineated, within the Upper Mission Creek/Big Morongo Canyon Conservation Area, to address a future potential Morongo Wash flood control facility and its associated mitigation, as well as conservation for a wildlife habitat corridor and additional habitat necessary to accomplish the Conservation Goals and Objectives of the CVMSHCP. In general, this area will include a minimum of 1,200-foot wide suitable habitat corridor, plus 300 acres of refugia outside of the suitable habitat corridor.

The CVMSHCP requires the CVCC and the District to enter into a mutually acceptable agreement to share in the funding of the Morongo Wash Special Provisions Area.

On October 30, 2007, the Board directed the District staff to negotiate a MOU with CVCC to establish obligations for acquisition related to the Morongo Wash Special Provisions Area and return said MOU to the Board for approval.