



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

February 14, 2008

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Mr. David Mayer
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Dear Mr. Zoutendyk and Mr. Mayer:

Subject: Final 2007 MSCP Annual Report

Enclosed is the City of San Diego's Final 2007 MSCP Annual Report. In developing this report, the City of San Diego has utilized Habitrak, the GIS extension developed by SANDAG for tracking loss and gain of habitat. Each project that was issued a grading permit within the year 2007 was evaluated for impacts to environmentally sensitive lands, and all impacts were entered as loss projects for the 2007 calendar year. The updated digital data for habitat loss and gain within the City of San Diego through 2007 is attached.

The regional and project specific maps that are generated by Habitrak are currently of little use and costly to print. The digital data supplied to your offices may be used to generate maps through Habitrak, if desired.

As the enclosed Summary of Habitat Losses and Gains table shows, to date the City has conserved a total of 33,146.0 acres inside the MHPA. This represents 57.6 percent of the City's conservation target in the MSCP Subarea Plan. In 2007, a total of 0.61 acres were lost inside the MHPA and 1.51 acres were conserved.

The documents submitted in this report were generated by Habitrak and are generally consistent with our own records. We would like to note that there are some inconsistencies that arise each year due to the use of Habitrak, and are hopeful that the upcoming migration to a web-based Habitrak application will alleviate this issue in future years.

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I look forward to your comments on the enclosed information, and hope to have an opportunity to discuss the results and future needs of the City of San Diego and the Wildlife Agencies as they pertain to Habitrak and the annual report requirements. Your timely review of the annual report is appreciated.

Please call me at (619) 236-6361 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W Anderson', is written over the typed name.

William Anderson, FAICP
Deputy Chief Operating Officer
Executive Director of City Planning and Development

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Enclosure: CD of 2007 Annual Report

cc: Sue Carnavale, SANDAG