

APPENDIX 8.2A

Resume of Biology Staff

Linda Anton

Biological Resources

Education

B.S., Biology, California State University Bakersfield, 2000

M.S., California State University Northridge, in progress

Relevant Experience

Ms. Anton has worked in a wide capacity as a resource biologist, with expertise in issues pertaining to special-status species, landscape ecology and conservation planning, impact analysis and mitigation, and habitat restoration.

Representative Projects

- ✓ **Edwards Air Force Base (AFB), Environmental Management Program, California. (2000-2004).** Since 2000, served as a wildlife biologist/field supervisor for this program that included providing biological technical support to maintain base compliance with the *Endangered Species Act*, the *Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)*, the *Clean Water Act (CWA)*, Executive Order 11988 for Floodplain Management, the *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*, the Environmental Impact Analysis Process, and all Federal, State, and local legislation. Provided expertise to scientists, engineers and program managers on project planning as well as analysis and recommendations to interdisciplinary teams regarding environmental impacts of management actions to wildlife species and habitats, with emphasis on threatened and endangered species. Provided status briefings and project oversight to our Air Force customer and provided quality assurance and technical support on all NEPA documents, including biological, environmental, and damage assessments, as well as annual reports to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) (i.e., Biological Opinion and MBTA Annual Reports). Coordinated and conducted biological surveys, inventories and monitoring.
- ✓ **Net Environmental Benefit Analysis (NEBA), Edwards AFB, California (2003-2005).** Provided task management and biological support for drafting three NEBA Reports for the Edwards AFB Environmental Restoration Program. The NEBA is used to analyze the potential risks and value associated with remedial alternatives.
- ✓ **NEBA, Seal Beach, California (2005).** Provided task management and biological support for drafting a NEBA Report for the Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach Installation Restoration Program. The NEBA was used to analyze the potential risks and values associated with the remedial alternatives at Site 74, which includes a portion of the Nation Wildlife Refuge.
- ✓ **Wetland Delineation, Camp Pendleton, California (2004).** Conducted wetland delineation surveys for the Marine Corps Base at Camp Pendleton. This project involved delineating the boundaries of watercourses as well as soil sampling and vegetation mapping to aid in the determination of jurisdictional waters.

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- ✓ **AES Highgrove Application for Certification (AFC) Permitting, Grand Terrace, California (2004).** Provided biological support for the licensing of a 300-megawatt (MW) peaking facility consisting of three natural-gas-fired turbines and associated equipment. This project involved conducting biological surveys for all of the alternative gas line routes and the power plant site to determine potential project impacts to sensitive species for the preparation of the biological section of the AFC.
- ✓ **Dominguez Gap Wetlands/Recreation Environmental Impact Report, Long Beach, California (2005).** Provided biological support by drafting the biological section of the Environmental Impact Report for the Dominguez Gap Wetlands/Recreation Project. The project involves flow improvements, basin restructuring, vegetation removal and planting, and the addition of passive recreational features to the Dominguez Gap Spreading Grounds located along the Los Angeles River.
- ✓ **Hill Canyon Mitigation Bank, Camarillo, California (2004-2005).** Provided task management, biological support, and agency coordination for the Hill Canyon Mitigation Bank. The Hill Canyon Mitigation Bank was proposed by the City of Thousand Oaks as an opportunity to implement biological resource planning for preservation, habitat creation, and enhancement in the Hill Canyon region. The Mitigation Bank will provide potential mitigation for environmental effects of future City projects and other projects within Ventura County by third party purchasers, including impacts to streambed and bank, impacts to “waters of the United States” including wetlands under Section 404 of the CWA, impacts under Section 401 of the CWA; and impacts to special-status species including southwestern pond turtle (*Clemmys marmorata pallida*).
- ✓ **Biological Assessment for the Open Burn Open Detonation Unit, Edwards AFB, California (2005).** Provided biological support to evaluate the effects of increasing the amount of unserviceable munitions and propellant treated at the Open Burn Open Detonation Unit on potentially occurring sensitive species. This assessment was conducted to make a determination regarding the effects of the proposed action on the status of these species and to determine whether formal or informal consultation or conference with the USFWS is required.
- ✓ **State Route 79, Hemet, California (2005).** Conducted rare plant and wetland delineation surveys for the proposed State Route 79 road realignment project. These surveys were conducted to identify project constraints associated with the proposed project.