



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Los Angeles District Corps of Engineers
CORPS OF ENGINEERS LOS ANGELES DISTRICT
Regulatory Division, Carlsbad Field Office
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September 17, 2012

Regulatory Division

Mr. Thomas Duffy
County of San Diego
Department of Public Works, ESU
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410
San Diego, California 92123

Dear Mr. Duffy:

This is in reply to your application (File No. SPL-2012-00267-MBS) dated June 15, 2012, for a Department of the Army Permit to discharge fill material into the Oak Country II Trails channel facility (Facility Number OCII-001), in association with the County of San Diego Annual Regional General Permit (RGP) 53 2012-2013 Maintenance Year. The proposed work would take place in facility OCII-001, which was recently added to the RGP 53 Master Maintenance List on September 11, 2012. Facility OCII-001 is located in an unnamed tributary to Santa Maria Creek within the unincorporated community of Ramona, just east of the intersection of Highland Valley Road and Archie Moore Road, San Diego County, California (Figure 1). This authorization is in addition to the routine maintenance of 285 stream channels, authorized on June 26, 2012.

Based on the information you have provided, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that your proposed activity complies with the terms and conditions of RGP 53-County of San Diego Routine Flood Control Maintenance.

As long as you comply with the general permit conditions of RGP 53, an individual permit is not required.

Specifically, you are authorized to conduct the following regulated activities:

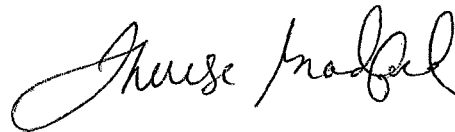
1. Conduct annual stream channel sediment and debris removal activities at the OCII-001 channel facility (Figure 1); and
2. Permanently impact 200 square feet of waters of the U.S.

A general permit does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges. Also, it does not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others or authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project. Furthermore, it does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law.

Thank you for participating in our regulatory program. If you have any questions, please contact Meris Bantilan-Smith at 760-602-4836 or via e-mail at Meris.Bantilan-Smith@usace.army.mil.

Please be advised that you can now comment on your experience with Regulatory Division by accessing the Corps web-based customer survey form at:
<http://per2.nwp.usace.army.mil/survey.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Therese Bradford". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "B".

Therese O. Bradford
Chief, South Coast Branch

Enclosure



Legend

- Biological Study Area
- Proposed Project Area
- Staging Area
- Proposed Project**
- 6-foot-wide trail (proposed)
- 8-foot-wide trail (existing)
- 6-foot-wide trail (proposed under Cultural Resource Variation)
- USFWS Critical Habitat
- USFWS Species Occurrence
- Arroyo Toad
- San Diego Fairy Shrimp
- Stephens' Kangaroo Rat
- County of San Diego Species Findings
- Vernal Pool
- Arroyo Toad
- California Gnatcatcher

Source: DigitalGlobe 2006; County of San Diego; EDAW 2008; USFWS 2008; CNDDB 2006

1,000 500 0 1,000 Feet

Scale: 1:12,000; 1 inch = 1,000 feet

FIGURE 1
Listed Species within the Proposed Project