

**Interim Review Process Meeting With U.S Fish and Wildlife Service and
Department of Fish and Game for projects within Draft East and North County
MSCP**

Date: June 27, 2013

Project Name: Soitec Solar Development

Project Number: P12-007, P12-010, REZ12-005, AP77-046, P12-002, GPA 12-010,
ER120005

Name of Note Taker:

Name of County Staff Presenting Case: Ashley Gungle

Name of USFWS Staff: ~~Michelle Moreno~~ Eric Porter, Doreen Stadlander

Name of DFG Staff: Randy Rodriguez, Eric Weiss

Other Attendees: please see sign up sheet

1. Where is the project located (Identify street location, community, APN, etc.)?
The projects are located throughout the Boulevard Community Plan area, within unincorporated San Diego County.
 - **Rugged- north of Interstate 8 between McCain Valley Road and Ribbonwood Road.**
 - **Tierra Del Sol- adjacent to the US Mexico border and south of Tierra Del Sol Road.**
 - **LanWest and LanEast- directly south of Interstate 8 and directly north of Old Highway 80**
2. What is the total acreage of the project site?
1,480 acres
3. Does the project site support any rare, threatened or endangered species?
No
4. Is the Project in East or North County MSCP? Current MSCP designation? And County Habitat Evaluation?
The project site is located within the draft East County MSCP and is designated as Agriculture or Natural Upland within FCA and Agriculture or Natural Upland outside FCA.

5. List of concerns related to negative impacts on the biological resources which the Wildlife Agencies believe could occur from the project as proposed, and the agency's assessment as to whether those impacts have the potential to conflict with the preliminary conservation objectives in the Planning Agreement.

- Need to quantify numbers of data for species of special concern to verify mitigation
- Identify and mitigate significant populations of sensitive species.
- Quantify suitable habitat for individual sensitive species.

6. List of any additional studies on specific species which the Wildlife Agencies believe are necessary.

- Quino surveys should be kept up to date.
- Golden Eagle - look at methodology used for surveys as it compares to current guidelines
 - ↳ need more info on Rugged as foraging habitat (Rugged supports high amount of prey species)
- Focused raptor surveys (Rugged) ~~on Rugged~~
- Henp surveys - ~~need~~ need focused survey on Rugged
 - ↳ nesting, foraging, migratory

7. List of any project alternatives, mitigation measures, or studies which the Wildlife Agencies believe should be considered in the environmental review process.

8. Guidance on anticipated Wildlife Agency permits required for the project including permit requirements and processing guidance.

9. **Yes/No** Were there specific concerns raised by the USFWS?

- Quino - surveys should be kept up to date
- Need to look at how impacts on species may affect ECMSCP species coverage
- Concerns addressed with preservation of FCA areas based on LanW/E ~~road~~ and Rugged project locations.
- Need to justify why lack of connectivity to FCA would not preclude movement.
- USFWS to do further review of Golden Eagle study

10. **Yes/No** Were there specific concerns raised by DFG?

- Higher mitigation ratios may be recommended based on higher value of habitat
- Impact neutral areas may need to be considered impacted and be mitigated
- Rugged Corridors will need to be looked at for specific species using them.
- 50' wetland buffers should be 100' or additional information should justify 50' buffers

11. **Yes/No** Were determinations made?

- Field trip w/ agencies (September)
- Want to see complete biology report (surveys, addressing County comments) and information on mitigation site

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