

**NEGATIVE CULTURAL RESOURCES  
SURVEY REPORT  
for the  
North County Environmental Resources (NCER) Recycling  
Facility,  
SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

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## **NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA BASE INFORMATION**

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**Report Date:** 1/19/2017

**Report Title:** Negative Cultural Resources Survey Report for North County Environmental Resources Recycling Facility Project, San Diego County, California

**Type of Study:** Cultural Resources Inventory

**New Sites:** None

**Updated Sites:** None

**USGS Quad:** Valley Center 7.5-minute

**Acreage:** 1.5 acres

**Key Words:** Negative survey; prehistoric, disturbed; Luiseño

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Karl Gailey  
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807 East Mission Road  
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**RE:***North County Environmental Resources Recycling Facility Access Road;  
Cultural Resources Survey Report - Negative Findings*

Dear Mr. Gailey:

Please be advised that a cultural resource survey has been conducted on the above referenced project. It has been determined that there are no cultural resources present on this property. The Project has been plotted on the attached USGS 7.5 minute topographical map for your reference (Figure 1; Figure 2).

## **PROJECT LOCATION**

**County:** San Diego  
**USGS 7.5' Quad:** Valley Center, California (1996)/Township: 11S, Range: 2W, Section 32  
**Address:** 25529 Mesa Rock Rd  
Escondido, California 92026  
**Assessor Parcel Number(s):** APN 187-100-33  
**UTM:** 489283.16 mE/ 3670878.28 mN – (North East Corner of Parcel; NAD 83, Zone 11s).  
**Elevation:** 965 ft. amsl.  
**Owner and Address:** Hilltop Group  
1530 Industrial Ave  
Escondido, California 92029  
**Survey Type:** Intensive Pedestrian  
**Date of Survey:** 1/19/2017  
**Field Crew:** Patrick Hadel  
**Native American Monitor:** Gabe Kitchen (Red Tail Monitoring and Research, Inc.)

*Mr. Gailey*

*RE: North County Environmental Resources Recycling Facility Access Road; Cultural Resources Survey Report - Negative Findings*

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## **SURVEY DESCRIPTION**

This project proposes to improve an access road from Mesa Rock Road into the North County Environmental Resources (NCER) Recycling Facility. Primary project access is off Mesa Rock Road through a proposed gated entrance. The NCER Recycling Facility was surveyed in 2008 (Smith and Clowery-Moreno 2009) and did not identify any cultural resources in the survey area. Tribal outreach efforts and records searches also did not identify any resources in the project area at that time. That survey encompassed the majority of the access road improvements, as well as the facility itself. The current survey covered 1.5 acres along the west side of Mesa Rock Road in APN 187-100-33, which was not included in the 2009 study.

An intensive pedestrian field survey was conducted using standard archaeological procedures and techniques. Continuous parallel transects (10 meter intervals) were walked in a north/south direction. Pedestrian survey methodology was altered as necessary to inspect clearings, rodent burrows, and other ground surface exposures, and to facilitate the inspection of bedrock outcrops. Survey conditions in the site were good, as ground surface has been disked to remove native vegetation. Some grass had grown over the project site, but overall visibility was good. All undisturbed sections along the west side of the survey area are almost completely obscured by dense vegetation (chaparral) and leaf litter. The parcel is strewn modern debris left by dumping and other recent activity. No artifacts or features were identified during this survey.

Neither the Native American Heritage Commission nor local Native American tribes were contacted at this time. As noted above, Gabe Kitchen of Red Tail Monitoring and Research, Inc. participated in the survey.

## **SUMMARY AND RECCOMENDATIONS**

This letter has provided the results of a cultural resources survey conducted for the North County Environmental Resources Recycling Facility Access Road. No cultural resources were identified during the survey. Based on the absence of resources, disturbed condition of the project site, and the limited extent of grading planned for the access road, there is a low potential to impact cultural resources during access road construction. No further archaeological work is recommended. In the unlikely event that a resource is discovered during construction, ground disturbing activities in the vicinity should be halted and a County approved archaeologist should be retained to assess the significance of the discovery and determine treatment, in consultation with the County.

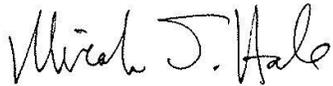
*Mr. Gailey*

*RE: North County Environmental Resources Recycling Facility Access Road; Cultural Resources Survey Report - Negative Findings*

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Should you have any questions relating to this report and its findings please contact Brad Comeau or me at Dudek.

Respectfully Submitted,

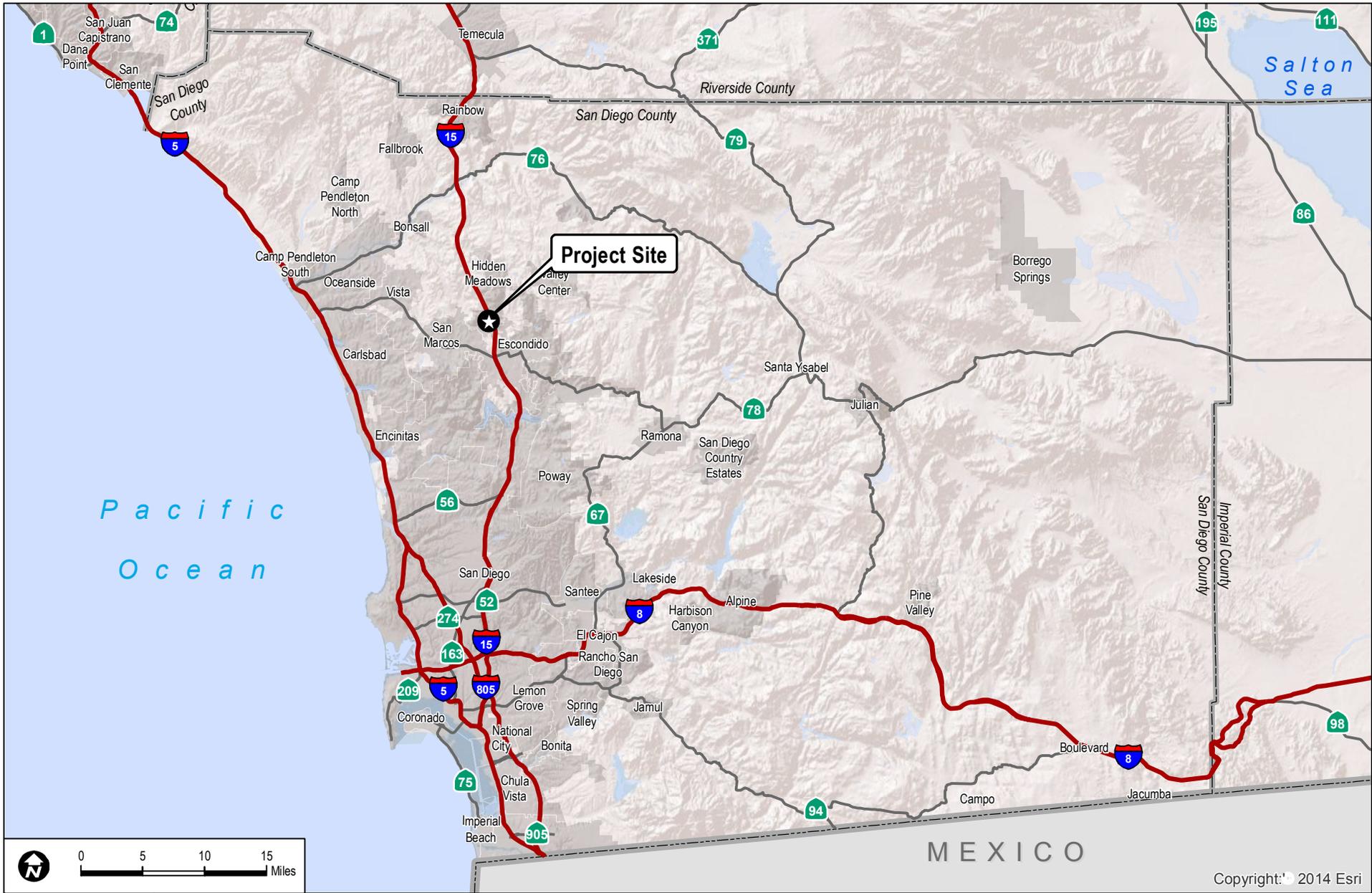


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*Att: Figure 1. Regional Map  
Figure 2. USGS Topographic Map*





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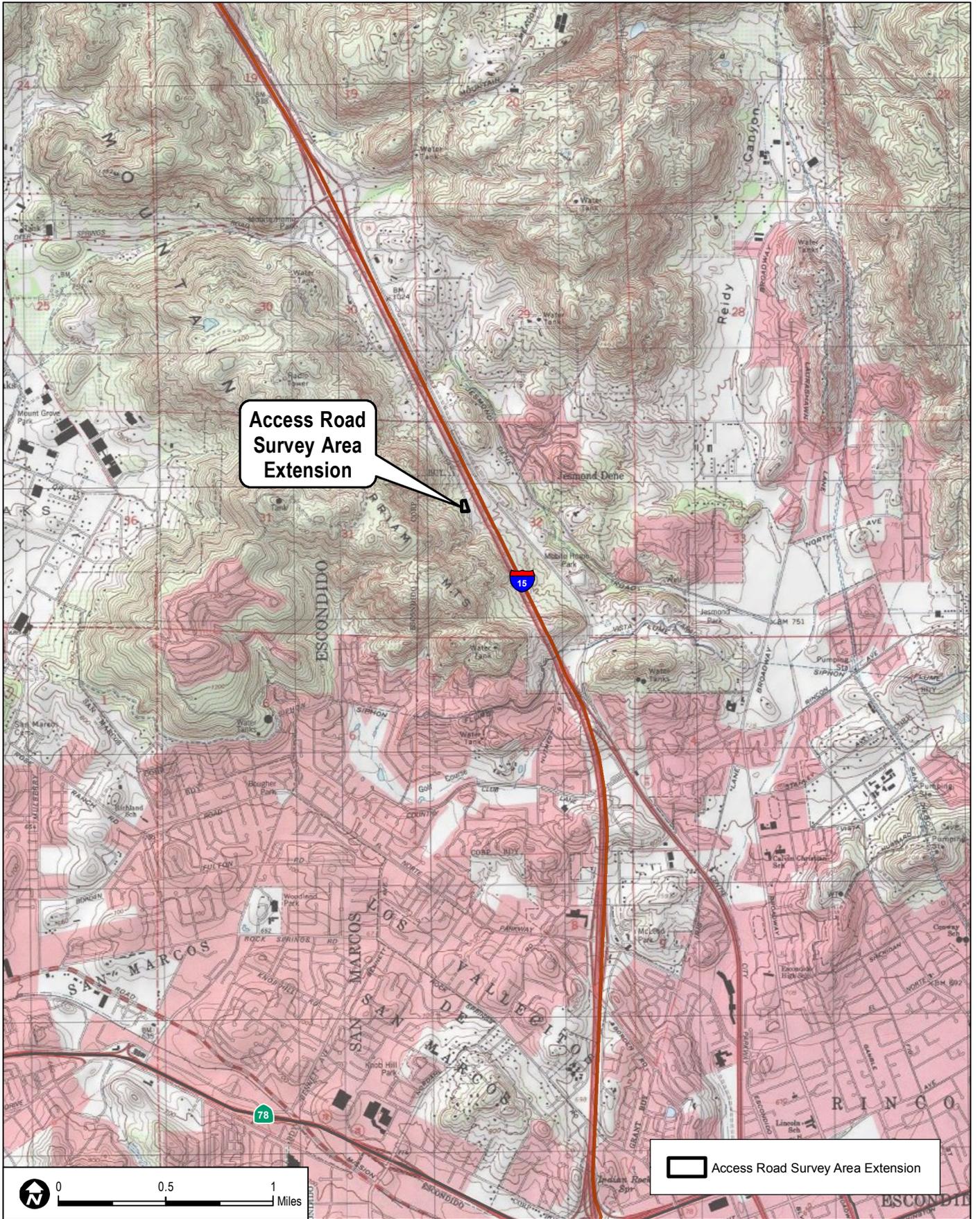
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**FIGURE 1**  
**Regional Map**

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NORTH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES RECYCLING FACILITY PROJECT





SOURCE: USGS 7.5-Minute Series Quadrangle: Valley Center

**FIGURE 2**  
**Vicinity Map**

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