



August 14, 2006

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RE: **Leona Quarry, Weekly Biological Summary Report**
ER 01-33 SCH No. 1999042052

Dear Mr. Uzegbu:

This report clarifies the monitoring summary letter prepared by WRA on August 11. Whipsnake fence inspections were conducted by the biological construction monitor at Leona Quarry on July 26 and August 11, 2006

On the July 26 visit, the inspection of the north fence found that nearby construction activities had inadvertently pushed soil against portions of the fence. The monitor informed DeSilva Gates of the maintenance need on July 26. The fence was completely repaired on July 27, and was in compliance with the Leona Quarry Special Status Species Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (SSSMMP).

During the August 11 monitoring visit, it was discovered that the fence material had separated from a couple of stakes, possibly as a result of wind damage. This was reported to DeSilva Gates and the minor repairs were initiated immediately. On August 14, WRA returned to inspect the fence and found it to be effective and in compliance with the SSSMMP.

According to DeSilva Gates, heavy equipment operations near this remaining section of whipsnake fence will likely be completed by the end of August. When heavy equipment work is complete, the fence will be removed. To date, there have been no sightings of Alameda whipsnakes at the Leona Quarry site despite hundreds of hours of monitoring.

Sincerely,

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