




Essex Environmental, Inc.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE STATUS REPORT

City of Oakland – Leona Quarry

Date:	July 22, 2005; 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	
Inspector:	Matthew Weinand (Essex Environmental)	
Weather:	Sunny, approximately 77 degrees Fahrenheit, and winds approximately 0 to 5 mph.	

ACTIVITY: Whipsnake Fence Inspection

Inspected the entire continuous line of fence in the lower quarry as well as the two separate fences in the upper quarry at Campus Drive. Overall the fencing complied with the requirements of the project's Special Status Species Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (SSSMMP). Work underway in the Ridgemont Basin has damaged a portion of the fence that needs to be repaired. An old felled tree located northwest of the Ridgemont Basin still needs to be removed from the site. Although repaired since my last report, fencing has again pulled apart where it turns at a 90-degree angle at the bottom of the slope near the gravel access road parallel to Highway 580. Noted that many small holes along the entire length of fence had been patched with duct tape. Encroaching vegetation along the northern section of fencing in the upper quarry at Campus Drive has been effectively cleared back.

ACTIVITY: Clearing and Coordination

Observed that some clearing had taken place near the southern fence in the upper quarry at Campus Drive. Although this cleared area is not potential Alameda whipsnake habitat, clearing has come very close to the edge of a potential habitat area. I spoke with Jeff Dreier (WRA) and requested that he coordinate with the contractor to determine what the plan is for the area. If clearing of potential Alameda whipsnake habitat is necessary, coordination with WRA will be necessary to meet all requirements of the SSSMMP (i.e., hand clearing, surveys, etc.). If the clearing that has already taken place now marks the extent of the construction footprint in this area, additional fence should be installed along the edge of the potential habitat. The contractor should coordinate with WRA prior to clearing or fence installation in this or any other new areas.