




Essex Environmental, Inc.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE STATUS REPORT

### City of Oakland – Leona Quarry

<b>Date:</b>	June 24, 2005; 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	
<b>Inspector:</b>	Matthew Weinand (Essex Environmental)	
<b>Weather:</b>	Partly cloudy, approximately 65 degrees Fahrenheit, and winds approximately 0 to 5 mph.	

#### **ACTIVITY:** Coordination

Met with Jeff Dreier and Bill Martin (WRA), Jun Osalbo (City of Oakland), Steve Bachelder (Arborist) and others. We briefly discussed the results of Steve's site inspection. Overall the site looked good, but Steve recommended performing some maintenance to a handful of trees that were originally slated for removal, but can now possibly be saved. For specific details please refer to the Arborist report dated June 24, 2005.

Also discussed with Jeff the plans for slope stabilization in the upper north slope repair area. This area is protected to the extent possible with Alameda whipsnake protection fencing, but has previously been monitored during construction for additional protection. Slope stabilization work has now been underway for about a week. Up to this point WRA has monitored all construction activity in this location. Due to the realization of the minimal amount of ground disturbance caused by this type of work, we discussed and agreed that spot check monitoring of slope repair work in the upper north slope repair area was sufficient, and that spot checking would only be allowed in this area. Spot checks of the area will be performed prior to the start of work and during the workers' lunch break.

#### **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 with Jeff Dreier. Overall the fencing complied with the requirements of the project's Special Status Species Mitigation and Monitoring Plan. Recent maintenance to the protection fencing in the upper quarry at Campus Drive was noted, including fencing extension and clearing back of encroaching vegetation. Although some new fencing was added to the northern section of fence, the new portion is not long enough and additional fencing is still needed. The extent of the fencing to be installed was detailed to Jeff and marked with orange paint. Also observed that the southern section of fencing had been damaged and needs to be repaired where it crosses the equestrian trail.

**ACTIVITY:** Clearing

Jeff and I noted that previously cleared vegetation within the Ridgemont Basin area has begun to grow back. Jeff stated that he would speak with a DeSilva Gates representative and recommended that the area be cleared again due to the potential for the vegetation to attract breeding birds. We also observed a felled oak tree upslope and west of the Ridgemont Basin area that needs to be removed from the site.