



March 4, 2005

Marcel Uzegbu, P.E.  
City of Oakland  
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RE: **Leona Quarry, Weekly Biological Summary Report  
ER 01-33 SCH No. 1999042052**

Dear Mr. Uzegbu:

This report summarizes all construction monitoring activities and inspections conducted by the biological construction monitor at Leona Quarry for the period of February 25 through March 4, 2005 during ongoing construction activities. No grading work occurred outside the exclusion fence during this period.

On March 4, WRA continued a pre-construction breeding bird survey and Alameda whipsnake visual search in the northeast habitat area near Campus Drive, and in the Ridgemont basin area. These surveys were conducted in anticipation of April vegetation removal in accordance with the SSSMP. No special status or common birds were found to be nesting in the area of the proposed vegetation clearing. Burrows were also inspected for evidence of whipsnake occupancy. No whipsnakes were observed in the area to be cleared of vegetation. No further hand-clearing was conducted during this period.

The herp exclusion fence was inspected on March 4. Repairs that required remediation were reported to the foreman following inspection. These maintenance actions included stapling down the fence fabric on very steep slopes to improve integrity, improving fence angle along portions of the older fence, height, replacing duct tape, removing overhanging vegetation, and improving seam closure. Recent rain on March 4 had washed out portions of the Ridgemont Basin fence. Repairs to this area will be completed after the high flows recede. On February 25, the north slope portion of the herp fence was relocated to the bench upslope from its original location. The entire herp fence was inspected by WRA on March 4, and was found to be in compliance with SSSMP requirements.

No Alameda whipsnakes or nesting special status bird species were observed during the monitoring activities described above.

Sincerely,

Michael Josselyn  
President

cc: Kent Peyton  
Peter Helseth

David Chapman  
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