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Project Name: Los Angeles County, CA - 2017 CDBG-DR, Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation and

Reconstruction

Subject: Updated list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed

project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, and proposed species, designated critical habitat, and candidate species that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2) (c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm; http://www.towerkill.com; and http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

Official Species List

Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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This project's location is within the jurisdiction of multiple offices. Expect additional species list documents from the following offices, and expect that the species and critical habitats in each document reflect only those that fall in the office's jurisdiction:

Sacramento Fish And Wildlife Office

Federal Building 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2605 Sacramento, CA 95825-1846 (916) 414-6600

Ventura Fish And Wildlife Office

2493 Portola Road, Suite B Ventura, CA 93003-7726 (805) 644-1766

Project Summary

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Los Angeles County, CA - 2017 CDBG-DR, Owner-Occupied Project Name:

Rehabilitation and Reconstruction

Project Type: Federal Grant / Loan Related

Project Description: The 2017 CDBG-DR program will provide grants to owner occupied

homeowners to rehabilitate or reconstruct homes damaged or destroyed in the October 2017 disaster. The Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Program (the "program") objective is to provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the areas affected by the disasters. The program is designed to ensure that the housing needs of very-low, low- and moderate-income (LMI) households and vulnerable populations, including individuals that were made homeless as a result of the disaster, are addressed to the greatest extent feasible. Reconstruction is defined as the rebuilding of a structure on the same site in substantially the same manner. A reconstructed property must not increase the number of dwellings on site, although the number of rooms may increase or

decrease.

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is the lead and responsible agency for administering the CDBG-

DR funds allocated to the State of California.

This is for the preparation of a Broad Level Tiered Environmental Review (Tier 1), Sonoma County. The number of potential grant applicants is not currently known.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https:// www.google.com/maps/place/34.03567812635907N118.33685440300377W



Counties: Los Angeles, CA

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 41 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Fisher <i>Pekania pennanti</i>	Endangered
Population: SSN DPS	
No critical habitat has been designated for this species.	
Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3651	
Pacific Pocket Mouse <i>Perognathus longimembris pacificus</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8080	Endangered
San Bernardino Merriam's Kangaroo Rat <i>Dipodomys merriami parvus</i> There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2060	Endangered
Santa Catalina Island Fox <i>Urocyon littoralis catalinae</i> There is final critical habitat for this species. However, no <i>actual</i> acres or miles were designated	Threatened

due to exemptions and/or exclusions. See Federal Register publication for details.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6763

Birds

NAME **STATUS** California Condor *Gymnogyps californianus* Endangered Population: U.S.A. only, except where listed as an experimental population There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8193 Endangered California Least Tern Sterna antillarum browni No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8104 Coastal California Gnatcatcher Polioptila californica californica Threatened There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8178 Endangered Least Bell's Vireo Vireo bellii pusillus There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5945 Light-footed Clapper Rail Rallus longirostris levipes Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6035 Marbled Murrelet *Brachyramphus marmoratus* Threatened Population: U.S.A. (CA, OR, WA) There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4467 San Clemente Loggerhead Shrike *Lanius ludovicianus mearnsi* Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5142 San Clemente Sage Sparrow *Amphispiza belli clementeae* Threatened No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6588 Endangered Southwestern Willow Flycatcher *Empidonax traillii extimus* There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6749 Western Snowy Plover Charadrius nivosus nivosus Threatened Population: Pacific Coast population DPS-U.S.A. (CA, OR, WA), Mexico (within 50 miles of Pacific coast) There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8035

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Reptiles

NAME **STATUS**

Desert Tortoise *Gopherus agassizii*

Threatened

Endangered

Threatened

Endangered

Population: Wherever found, except AZ south and east of Colorado R., and Mexico There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4481

Amphibians

NAME **STATUS**

Arroyo (=arroyo Southwestern) Toad *Anaxyrus californicus*

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3762

California Red-legged Frog Rana draytonii

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2891

Mountain Yellow-legged Frog Rana muscosa

Population: Southern California DPS

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8037

Fishes

NAME **STATUS**

Santa Ana Sucker Catostomus santaanae

Population: 3 CA river basins

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3785

Unarmored Threespine Stickleback *Gasterosteus aculeatus williamsoni*

There is **proposed** critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not

available.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7002

Endangered

Threatened

Insects

NAME

Delhi Sands Flower-loving Fly Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1540

Endangered

Endangered

El Segundo Blue Butterfly Euphilotes battoides allyni

There is **proposed** critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not

available.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3135

Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly Glaucopsyche lygdamus palosverdesensis

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8535

Endangered

Crustaceans

NAME STATUS

Riverside Fairy Shrimp Streptocephalus woottoni

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8148

Vernal Pool Fairy Shrimp Branchinecta lynchi

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/498

Threatened

Endangered

Flowering Plants

NAME **STATUS** Braunton's Milk-vetch *Astragalus brauntonii* Endangered There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5674 California Orcutt Grass Orcuttia californica Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4923 Endangered Catalina Island Mountain-mahogany Cercocarpus traskiae No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5671 Gambel's Watercress Rorippa gambellii Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4201 Lyon's Pentachaeta Pentachaeta lyonii Endangered There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4699 Endangered Nevin's Barberry *Berberis nevinii* There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8025 Salt Marsh Bird's-beak *Cordylanthus maritimus ssp. maritimus* Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6447 San Clemente Island Bush-mallow Malacothamnus clementinus **Endangered** No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6714 San Clemente Island Larkspur *Delphinium variegatum ssp. kinkiense* Endangered No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4274 San Clemente Island Lotus (=broom) *Acmispon dendroideus var. traskiae* Threatened (=Lotus d. ssp. traskiae) No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1891 San Clemente Island Paintbrush *Castilleja grisea* Threatened No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3335 San Clemente Island Woodland-star *Lithophragma maximum* Endangered

Endangered

Endangered

NAME STATUS

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5682

Santa Cruz Island Rockcress Sibara filifolia

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7424

Slender-horned Spineflower *Dodecahema leptoceras*

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4007

Thread-leaved Brodiaea *Brodiaea filifolia* Threatened

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6087

Ventura Marsh Milk-vetch Astragalus pycnostachyus var. lanosissimus Endangered

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1160

Critical habitats

There are 10 critical habitats wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction.

NAME	STATUS
Arroyo (=arroyo Southwestern) Toad <i>Anaxyrus californicus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3762#crithab	Final
Braunton's Milk-vetch Astragalus brauntonii https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5674#crithab	Final
Coastal California Gnatcatcher <i>Polioptila californica californica</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8178#crithab	Final
Desert Tortoise <i>Gopherus agassizii</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4481#crithab	Final
Mountain Yellow-legged Frog Rana muscosa https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8037#crithab	Final
Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly <i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus palosverdesensis</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8535#crithab	Final
Santa Ana Sucker <i>Catostomus santaanae</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3785#crithab	Final
Southwestern Willow Flycatcher Empidonax traillii extimus	Final

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https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6749#crithab

Thread-leaved Brodiaea Brodiaea filifolia
https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6087#crithab

Western Snowy Plover Charadrius nivosus nivosus
https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8035#crithab