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# A PHASE I CULTURAL RESOURCES ASSESSMENT OF THE 6.14-ACRE LAS TERRAZAS HOUSING PROJECT LOCATED NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF WEST VALLEY BOULEVARD AND NORTH CYPRESS AVENUE, COLTON, UNINCORPORATED SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

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KEYWORDS: Survey, (P# 36-025580), W. Valley Blvd., N. Cypress Ave., Colton, San Bernardino Co.

The undersigned certifies that the attached report is a true and accurate description of the results of a PHASE I CULTURAL RESOURCES assessment described herein.

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#### MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

At the request of AMCAL Multi-Housing, Inc., Eilar Associates, Inc. has undertaken a Phase I Cultural Resources Assessment of the Las Terrazas Housing project site. The subject property comprises 6.14-acres of partially developed land located on the north side of West Valley Boulevard immediately west of North Cypress Avenue in Colton, San Bernardino County. The study area, identified as APNs 0274-182-34, 0274-182-43, and 0274-182-46, comprises partially developed land occupied by a 1950 California Ranch style house that carries the address of 291 N. Cypress Avenue.

The purpose of this assessment was to identify all potentially significant cultural resources situated within the boundaries of the subject property. Additionally, determinations of significance for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) were made for the Cypress Avenue residence. Current development plans call for demolishing the house prior to the construction of a two-story, Mediterranean style multi-family housing complex.

The results of the records search conducted at the Archaeological Information Center at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands indicated that no prehistoric or historic resources have been recorded within the boundaries of the subject property. The records search also indicated that the Cypress Avenue residence has not been evaluated for historical and/or architectural significance. A subsequent historical and architectural evaluation of the building has shown that it does not appear eligible for either the NRHP or CRHR.

As a matter of course, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523A (Primary Record) and 523B (Building, Structure, and Object Record) forms were completed for the residence (Primary # 36-025580) and submitted to Archaeological Information Center at the San Bernardino County Museum (Appendix E). No prehistoric finds of any kind were identified during the course of the field investigation. Furthermore, research has indicated that it is very unlikely that any buried deposits of prehistoric or historic finds exist within the boundaries of the study area.. Consequently, no additional work in conjunction with archaeological resources, including monitoring of future earth-disturbing activities, is warranted or recommended.

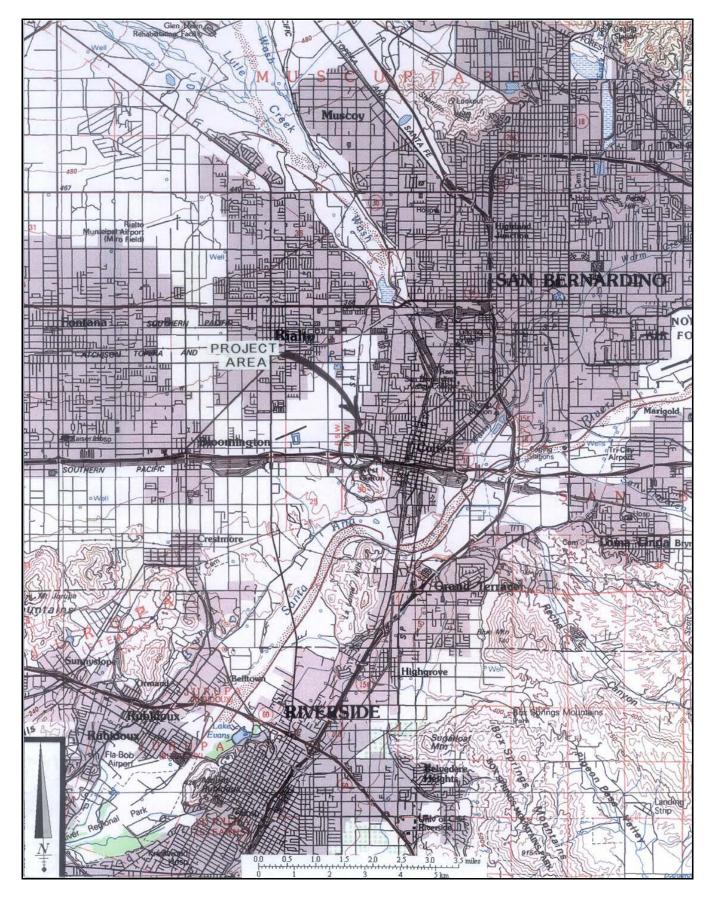
#### I. INTRODUCTION

The following report was written for AMCAL Multi-Housing, Inc. by Eilar Associates, Inc. It describes the results of a Phase I Cultural Resources Assessment of the 6.14-acre Las Terrazas Multi-family housing project. The study area, identified as APNs 0274-182-34, 0274-182-43, and 0274-182-46, comprises partially developed land situated on the westerly edge of Colton, unincorporated San Bernardino County. Current plans entail constructing a multi-family/senior apartment complex with associated parking, swimming pool, child care/learning center, 2 community rooms, a neighborhood service building, and community open space.

The purpose of this study was to identify all potentially significant cultural resources situated within the boundaries of the study area. This information is needed since adoption of the proposed plan could result in adverse effects upon locations of archaeological or historical importance. Our assessment consisted of: (1) a records search conducted to determine whether any previously recorded historic or prehistoric material is present on the parcel, (2) archival research, (3) a field reconnaissance intended to identify any previously unrecorded cultural resources, and (4) determinations of historical and architectural significance for the standing residence. The study described herein was conducted in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it pertains to the management of cultural resources.

#### II. STUDY AREA LOCATION AND ENVIRONMENT

Regionally, the study area is situated on the western edge of the urban core of Colton in San Bernardino County. Slover Mountain and the San Bernardino Freeway (Interstate 10) lie to the south while the City of Rialto is situated to the northwest (fig. 1). More specifically, the project is located immediately northwest of the intersection of West Valley Boulevard and North Cypress Avenue (fig. 2). Access to the property can be achieved from a dedicated easement stemming from N. Cypress Avenue (figs. 3 and 4). The southern property boundary is bordered by West Valley Boulevard while the western boundary abuts Budget Mini Storage (1189 W. Valley Boulevard). The northern boundary adjoins single-family residential development and the eastern boundary by both single family homes North Cypress Avenue. Legally, the subject property is situated in



**Figure 1**. Regional location of the project area as indicated on a portion of the USGS *San Bernardino* 1:100,000 scale Topographic Map Sheet (1982).

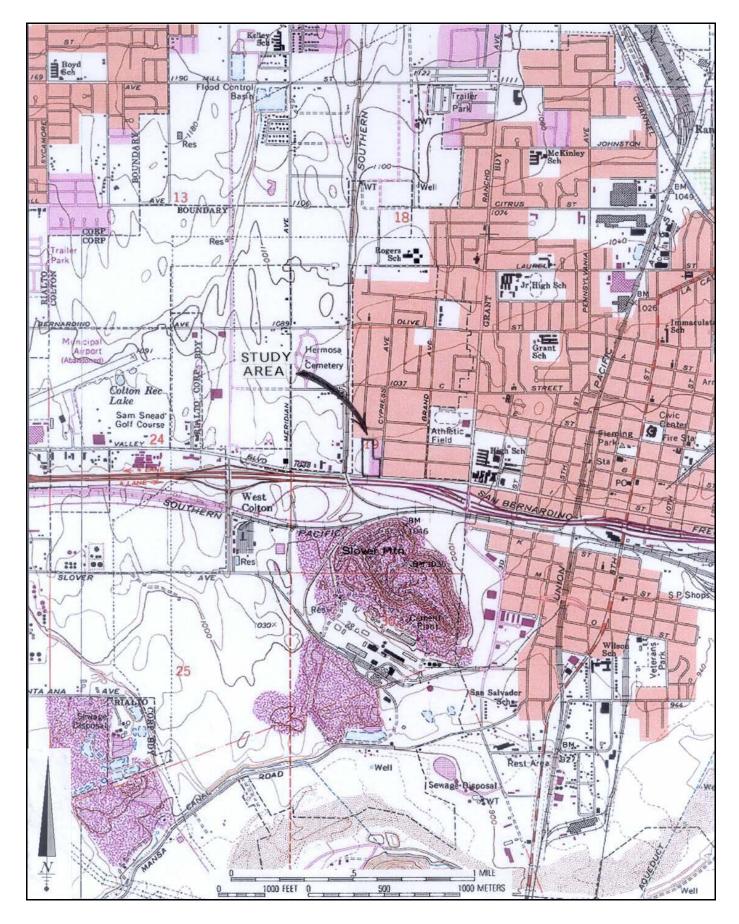


Figure 2. Study area plotted on a portion of the San Bernardino South USGS 7.5' Topographic Quadrangle (1980).

in *fractional* Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 4 West, San Bernardino Base Meridian as shown on a portion of the USGS *San Bernardino South* 7.5' Topographic Quadrangle (fig. 2).

Topographically, the study area is flat and devoid of any significant relief. Elevations range from a maximum of 1022 feet above mean sea level in the northwest property corner to a minimum of 1017 feet in the southeast corner. The majority of on-site vegetation comprises seasonal grasses, weeds and exotic forbes that are disced seasonally for weed abatement (fig. 3). Trees have been introduced into the southeast quarter of the property around the existing and former house locations. Some of the more readily identifiable trees and plants observed included Black Walnut, yellow pine, Deodar cedar, a single palm tree, orange and grapefruit, an immature oak, foxtail and Blue Dicks. Fauna encountered were limited to ravens and numerous lizards.

Soils are composed of silty sand and sand that contains small angular stones. The geotechnical investigation for the undertaking has indicated that much of the surface soil represents imported fill (Geocon West, Inc. 2012:2). No bedrock exposures or sources of natural surface water were encountered anywhere within the boundaries of the property. Disturbance within the study area is widespread due to: 1) residential development in the southeast quarter of the property, 2) the importation and spreading of the aforementioned fill soil, 3) discing for weed abatement, 4) numerous geotechnical borings, 5) buried gas lines and AT&T cables, 6) a water line oriented eastwest through the center of the property, and 7) numerous homeless camps in the southeast property corner and along the southern boundary.

#### III. RECORD SEARCHES

On December 12, 2011, the County of San Bernardino Land Use Services Department contracted with the Archaeological Information Center (AIC) at San Bernardino County Museum to perform a Historical Resources Review (aka "quick check") of the project area. The review was conducted by Ms. Robin Laska, Acting Coordinator of the Information Center. It included an inventory of all known historical resources (prehistoric and historic archaeological resources, historic structures, cultural landscapes and ethnic resources) located within or adjacent to the study area. The results of the quick check indicated that no known resources existed within or adjacent to the project area (see Appendix B).



Figure 3. Study area as shown on aerial photograph (scale unknown).



Figure 4. Footprint of proposed project as depicted on conceptual site plan.

Subsequently, formal record searches of the study area were conducted in person by Ms. Laura S. White, M.A.(RPA) at the Archaeological Information Center (AIC) housed at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands on February 1, 2012 and February 26, 2013. The searches entailed a review of all previously recorded prehistoric and historic archaeological sites situated on or within a one-mile radius of the project area. Additionally, the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), California Historical Landmarks (CHL), California Points of Historical Interest (CPHI), and the Office of Historic Preservation's Directory of Properties (DOP) were reviewed for the purpose of identifying any historic properties.

#### A. Previously Recorded Archaeological Sites

The results of the search indicated that no prehistoric or historic archaeological sites have been recorded within the boundaries of the study area. However, outside the study area, twelve archaeological sites (2 prehistoric, 10 historic) have been recorded within a one-mile radius. Seven of these sites comprise linear alignments for railroads, water transportation routes, and electrical power. SBR-13700H (Primary # 36-021326; railroad) is the closest site to the study area and lies approximately 400 feet to the west. The reader is referred to Table 1 for more site information.

#### B. Heritage Properties

No listed National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), California Historical Landmarks (CHL), or California Points of Historical Interest (CPHI) properties have been recorded within the study area. However, outside the study area one heritage property has been recorded within a mile. It comprises Slover Mountain situated approximately 1,000 feet to the south and recognized as a California Point of Historical Interest (SBR-018). The California State Directory of Properties (DOP) also failed to list any historic structures in this area as having been previous evaluated for historical significance.

#### C. Previous Surveys

The results of the search indicated that the subject property has not been previously surveyed for cultural resources. However, outside the study area approximately 35% of the surrounding

Table 1. Archaeological Sites within a One-mile Radius of the Study Area.

Site Number/Primary # (36-)	Site Description
P1074-4	Scatter of cherty flakes. Largest chunks resembling cores. Survey record prepared by David Bixler in 1986.
P1074-5	Scattered flakes, somewhat ovoid, with larger cores. Chalcedony looking rock. Survey record prepared by David Bixler in 1986.
Р1074-107Н	Unconfirmed location of the Meek and Daley Ditch constructed in 1887 (Scott 1976).
P1074-108H	Unconfirmed location of the Stockman connection flume constructed in 1895 (Scott 1976).
SBR-4314H/36-004314	Slover Mountain- In 1842 the 700' hill called El Cerrito Solo was the natural landmark used as the starting place for laying out the boundaries for the Lugos' Rancho San Bernardino. Site recorded by G. Teal in 1980. Named after Isaac Slover, former mountain man who came west with Agua Masa New Mexicans in 1843. Site recognized as Point of Historical Interest No. SBR-018.
SBR-6847H	The Old Kite Route. Completed in 1892 the former Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe line ran from Los Angeles along the foothills to Redland, and looped back into Los Angeles via the Santa Ana Canyon and Fullerton Valley. The route was primarily intended to transport citrus fruits to and from packing houses in the area but soon became a popular weekend excursion for tourists. Site recorded by Caprice D. Harper of SWCA Environmental Consultants in 2008.
SBR-7976H/36-007976	Remains of a portion of historical California Portland Cement plant known as "Mill A". Mill construction began in 1892 with operations commencing in 1894. It is not known when the plant was abandoned. Extant features include two concrete and masonry structures and a railroad siding. The site was recorded by June and James Schmidt of Greenwood and Associates in 1994.
SBR-10330H	Multi-mile Union Pacific Railroad (historically the Southern Pacific Railroad) which dates to the 1870s and passes through the Los Angeles area. Site recorded by S. Askar of Jones & Stokes in 1999.
SBR-12613H/36-013627	Electrical power line right-of-way and historic towers that emanate from a historic substation in San Bernardino. The power line ROW runs from the substation through the northeast corner of Riverside County, back into San Bernardino County and across the Chino Hills to Orange County. The ROW appears on 1940s topographic maps. Site recorded by Michael Dice of Michael Brandman Associates in 2007.
SBR-13700H/36-021326	1,945 foot segment of the UPRR Company's Colton-Palmdale Cutoff (single track) and UPRR bridge over Institution Road. Both features date to 1960s. Site recorded by Joan George of Applied Earthworks, Inc. in 2009.
SBR-25455H/36-025455	Historic age power transmission right-of-way exhibiting lattice style towers. Alignment originally indicated on the 1942 San Bernardino 15' Quadrangle. Site recorded by J.M. Sanka and W. Gillean of Atkins in 2012.
SBR-16175H/36-025457	Historic age row of ornamental pepper trees which partially form the eastern boundary of Hermosa Gardens Cemetery. Trees visible on 1930 aerial photograph of region. Site recorded by J.M. Sanka and W. Gillean of Atkins in 2012.

region has been previously investigated. These studies comprise small (40 acres or less) and large (more than 40 acres) acreage surveys, linear investigations (i.e. pipeline and railroad alignments), and cellular phone sites. Of the twenty surveys, the largest archaeological investigation conducted in the immediate area included an 80-acre survey of selected plots within the boundaries of the West Valley Redevelopment Project (Bixler 1986). This study resulted in the discovery of the two lithic scatters identified as P1074-4 and 1074-5 in Table 1.

#### IV. HISTORIC MAP AND AERIAL PHOTO RESEARCH

In addition to the records search, supplementary archival research included a review of early USGS topographic maps. This work was carried out at: 1) the Map Room in the Science Library at the University of California at Riverside, and 2) the Archaeological Information Center housed at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands. In addition, Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Colton, San Bernardino County were also reviewed on-line with the Los Angeles Central Library.

Although several Sanborn maps are available for Colton, none provide coverage of the study area. Therefore, the map research relied upon United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps. Specific maps examined included: 1) the 1896 *San Bernardino* 15' USGS Quadrangle, 2) the 1901 *San Bernardino* 15' USGS Quadrangle, 3) the 1942 U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers, War Department *San Bernardino* 15' Quadrangle, 4) the 1954 *San Bernardino* 15' USGS Quadrangle, 5) the 1967 *San Bernardino South* 7.5' USGS Topographic Quadrangle, and 6) the 1967 *San Bernardino South* 7.5' USGS (Photorevised 1980) Topographic Quadrangle.

A review of these maps was performed for the purpose of identifying locations of potential historic resources. Both the 1896 and 1901 maps failed to show any structures or man-made features within the study area. In 2011, Environmental Data Resources (EDR) conducted aerial photo research for Andersen Environmental's (AE) Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the property. Early aerial photographs of the property included 1930 and 1938 views. According to AE, both photographs appeared to show the property utilized for agricultural purposes (an orchard field; 2011:11).

Inspections of both the 1942 and 1954 maps show a single building within the study area located northwest of the intersection of W. Valley Boulevard and N. Cypress Avenue. According to building records obtained from the San Bernardino County Assessors Office, a former residence

(275 N. Cypress Avenue) was constructed at the location in 1939. It comprised a small, 2 bedroom, 1 bath (964 sq. ft.) home with a detached garage (548 sq. ft.). The structures were demolished on May 14, 2008.

In 1950, a second residence was constructed within the study area just north of the 275 Cypress Avenue home. The building record indicates that it was the home of the Rowley family (see Section V below). Presently, this structure still stands and carries the address of 291 N. Cypress Avenue (see Section X.B.2. for further description). For unknown reasons, neither residence is indicated on the subsequent 1967, or photorevised 1980 *San Bernardino South* Quadrangles.

#### V. INTERVIEWS

During AE's 2011 investigation of the study area, a survey questionnaire pertaining to the site history was prepared by the current property owner (Fran McCarroll, one of the Trustees of the Harce Thompson Family Trust). Information included on the survey form indicated that the property was previously owned by Fran's mother (Amy Beryl Thompson McDuffee [deceased] and her mother's sister, Hazel Fern Zieman [also deceased]). Prior to this, the property was owned by her grandparents-Mr/Mrs.Harry Rowley. Ms. McCarroll indicated that to the best of her knowledge, there were never any buildings constructed on the property. Rather, sometime prior to 1953 until approximately 1964, the property was utilized as pasture land for dairy cows.

A small cash and carry milk store was located several houses south of the intersection of Cypress Avenue and Jackson Street along Cypress Avenue. The west side of the milk store reportedly abutted the northeast corner of the subject property where a shed was located for milking the cows (Andersen Environmental 2011:1).

#### VI. LAND PATENTS

Archival research also included a review of land patents on file with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Sacramento. The subject parcel is situated within the western ½ of Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 4 West, San Bernardino Base Meridian. The section lies within a portion of the old Rancho San Bernardino which ultimately included the Cities of San Bernardino,

Redlands and Colton. The rancho was established by Mission San Gabriel and comprised over 35,500 acres in both the San Bernardino and Yucaipa Valleys.

In 1839 following secularization of Mission lands, several members of the Lugo family under the direction of José del Carmen Lugo set out to colonize the two valleys. Here they grazed several thousand head of cattle and built an adobe in the vicinity of the present downtown county courthouse. As a result of their colonization efforts, Governor Juan B Alvarado in 1842 granted the San Bernardino Rancho to the Lugo brothers (José del Carmen Lugo, Jose Maria Lugo, Vicente Lugo), and their cousin Diego Sepulveda.

BLM General Land Office records indicate that the entire 35,509.42-acre San Bernardino Spanish/Mexican Land Grant (document # PLC 481 and accession/serial # CACAAA 072999) was officially issued to the Lugos and Sepulveda on November 24, 1865 under authority of the Spanish/Mexican Grant Act of March 3, 1851 (9 Stat. 631). A second land patent on file with the BLM comprised the E ½ of the W ½ of Section 19. Although this section is much smaller than a standard 640 acre section, we believe that the study area also falls within the limits of this patent. The patent (identified as document # 2 and accession/serial # CACAAA 073484) was issued to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company on April 4, 1879. All together, the patent covers a total of 51,318 acres that was granted by authority of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Act of July 27, 1866 (14 Stat. 292).

#### VII. SACRED LANDS FILE CHECK

On January 16, 2012, a Sacred Lands File Check for the project area was requested by Ms. Laura S. White. The search was conducted by Mr. Dave Singleton, Program Analyst for the Native American Heritage Commission in Sacramento. The results of the search indicated that no sacred Native American sites have been recorded within the boundaries of the study area. A list of both individual and Native American groups was also provided for further correspondence (Appendix C).

#### VIII. NATIVE AMERICAN CORRESPONDENCE

At the suggestion of the NAHC, letters of inquiry were sent to all eight Native American individuals and groups included on the NAHC contact list. To date, only one response has been

received. The reader is referred to Appendix D for written correspondence.

#### IX. FIELD STUDIES

A field reconnaissance of the study area was conducted by Laura S. White (Principal Investigator, RPA) and Robert S. White (Project Director) on February 3, 2012 (see Appendix A for qualifications). The survey began in the southwest corner of the property and proceeded in a northerly direction. Surface visibility was generally good, approaching 80% depending on the density of the low-lying vegetation. The pedestrian survey was conducted by walking parallel transects spaced at 5-10 meters across the property. Where encountered, backdirt piles resulting from rodent excavations were examined for any signs of buried archaeological deposits.

A second field study was conducted on February 18, 2013 by Laura and Robert White which focused on the newly acquired acreage in the southeastern portion of the property. The field methods employed for the second field study were the same as the first. By employing these techniques, a thorough field reconnaissance of the updated project area was accomplished.

#### X. FINDINGS

#### A. Prehistoric Resources

No prehistoric resources of any kind were discovered during the course of the investigation.

#### B. Historic Resources

#### 1. Former 275 N. Cypress Avenue Residence

Based upon notations written on the County building record for 275 N. Cypress Avenue, it appears that the house and garage were completely demolished on May 14, 2008.

#### 2. Architectural Description of 291 Cypress Avenue

According to the San Bernardino County Assessors Office, the residence located at 291 N. Cypress Avenue was constructed in 1950. As the home is over 50 years in age, it merits consideration as a potentially significant historic building. An architectural analysis of the residence was performed by David Van Horn, Ph.D.(architectural historian) to determine if the building should be considered architecturally important. Dr. Van Horn meets the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards for Architectural History (see Appendix A for qualifications). A description of the residence is provided in the following paragraphs.

Building records obtained from the County indicate that the 291 N. Cypress Avenue home comprises 1670 sq. ft. and includes 3 bedrooms, 2 bath with a kitchen, living room, dining room, and attached garage. One ancillary structure is located on the property which comprises a woodframe, gabled-roof shed. The single story, wood-frame residence is L-shaped in plan with an attached garage. The building rests on a concrete foundation (sill) while the garage is on a slab. Crawlspace registers are visible along the lower walls of the house. With the exception of an addition on the west elevation, all exterior walls are clad with stucco. The house has a cross-gable roof that is moderately pitched and covered with red, concrete tiles. Fenestration consists of modern, single-hung sashes.

A wide band of tongue-and-groove horizontal boards painted green separate the two windows on the east elevation. A central picture window flanked by modern, single-hung sashes lies midway along the south elevation. Immediately to the east of the window is the residence main entrance which consists of a glass and wood paneled door. An exterior red brick chimney is centrally located on north elevation.

A poorly executed addition has been attached to the northwest corner of the west elevation. It comprises a wood-framed family room that sits upon a concrete slab. The virtually flat shed roof is covered with composition paper. The southwest corner of the addition is constructed from cement block to accommodate an interior chimney. The balance of the exterior walls are clad in T-111 siding. Fenestration consists of aluminum sliders and a sliding glass door opens onto a small patio. Ancillary buildings comprise a wood frame shed with gable roof and composition shingles. Roof ventilator turbine. The rectangular shed is sided with a combination of tongue-and-groove horizontal boards, fiberglass panels, and T-111. This structure lies adjacent to the garage and is in poor condition.

#### XI. DETERMINATIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

The residence at 291 N. Cypress Avenue (Primary #36-025580) was evaluated for significance under two separate legislative sources: 1) the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), which includes criteria for eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places

(NRHP), and 2) the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) which includes criteria for California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) eligibility.

#### A. National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) Evaluation

The residence was evaluated for significance under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), which includes criteria for eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). In order for an historic resource to be significant pursuant to Federal law, it must be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Generally, listing in the NRHP requires that a building or structure be at least 50 years old and that it possess "The quality of significance in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, and culture ... present in districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that possess integrity of location, design, setting, material, workmanship, feeling, and association ..." and ...

- (A) That are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history or
- (B) That are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or
- (C) That embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- (D) That have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history."

#### B. California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) Evaluation

According to California law, only *significant* historic resources require consideration beyond the identification stage in the environmental review process. Significant historical resources "are resources which are listed in the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR: Ca. Code of Regs. §15064.5). In addition, "Any object, building, structure, site, area, place, record, or manuscript which a lead agency determines to be historically significant or significant in the architectural, engineering, scientific, economic, agricultural, educational, social, political, military,

or cultural annals of California may be considered to be an historical resource"...if the resource meets the criteria for listing in the CRHR. An eligible resource is one which:

- (A) It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of local or regional history, or the cultural heritage of California or the United States.
- (B) It is associated with the lives of persons important to local, California, or national history;
- (C) It embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master or possesses high artistic values; or
- (D) It has yielded, or has the potential to yield, information important to the prehistory or history of the local area, California, or the nation.

### C. NRHP and CRHR

#### Criterion A

Fairly extensive research has indicated that the 291 N. Cypress Avenue residence is not associated with any historic event important in the regional history of California or the United States. Consequently, the residence does not appear eligible for listing in either the NRHP or the CRHR under Criterion A.

#### Criterion B

Research has also failed to identify any person associated with the 291 N. Cypress Avenue residence as important or prominent to National or California history. Therefore, the residence does not appear eligible for listing in the NRHP or CRHR under Criterion B.

#### Criterion C

Criterion C posits eligibility on the basis of style or artistic merit. The 291 N. Cypress Avenue residence is not the work of a master architect or builder. Furthermore, it does not possess high artistic value and is not a distinctive example of the California Ranch style. For this reason, this house does not appear to embody the kind of architectural distinction which would qualify it for inclusion into the NRHP or CRHR under Criterion C.

#### Criterion D

Under Criterion D, the 291 N. Cypress Avenue residence is not likely to yield information about the history or prehistory of the area as this criterion primarily pertains to archaeological sites. Therefore, it does not appear eligible for listing in the NRHP or CRHR under Criterion D.

#### XII. RECOMMENDATIONS

#### A. Mitigation Measures

#### 1. Archaeological Resources

The results of the record searches and field study were completely negative for archaeological resources. Furthermore, research has indicated that it is very unlikely that any buried deposits of prehistoric or historic finds exist within the boundaries of the study area. Consequently, no additional work in conjunction with archaeological resources, including monitoring of future earth-disturbing activities, is warranted or recommended.

#### 2. Historic Resources

The residence at 291 N. Cypress Avenue comprises an historic resource that does not appear significant within the meaning of CEQA. Therefore, no further work in conjunction with cultural resources is recommended for the residence. As a matter of course, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523A (Primary Record) and 523B (Building, Structure, and Object Record) forms were completed for the residence (Primary # 36-025580) and submitted to the Information Center at the San Bernardino County Museum (Appendix E). As proposed, the residence will be demolished to make way for the new multi-family housing project.

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**Plate I. Top**: Southeasterly view across study area from the northwest property corner. **Bottom**: Looking west from N. Cypress Avenue through property entry easement.





**Plate II. Top**: Southeasterly view across study area from the northwest property corner. **Bottom**: Looking west from N. Cypress Avenue through property entry easement.





**Plate III. Top**: Northwesterly view of 291 N. Cypress Ave. residence. **Bottom**: Northeasterly (rear) view of the 291 N. Cypress Ave. residence.

# **APPENDIX A: Personnel Qualifications**

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- \* Member of the Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA)
- \* Riverside County Certified Archaeologist (#165)
- \* Orange County Certified Archaeologist
- \* San Diego County Certified Archaeologist
- \* 27 years of full-time experience conducting cultural resource management projects in southern California.

#### ROBERT S. WHITE, PROJECT DIRECTOR

- \* 1987 B.A. in Liberal Studies with emphasis in Anthropology, California State University, Long Beach.
- \* 1977 A.A. Degree in Liberal Arts, Los Angeles Harbor College.
- \* Riverside County Certified Archaeologist (#164)
- \* Orange County Certified Archaeologist
- \* 28 years of full-time experience conducting cultural resource management projects in southern California.

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES

## ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

DAVID M. VAN HORN, PH.D.

#### Education

B.A. in Art History (1969) University of California at Santa Barbara (with honors). Studies

> included classical, medieval, renaissance, Spanish, and modern architecture. Independent study with Prof. David Gebhard, noted

southern California architectural historian.

Ph.D. in Classical University of Pennsylvania. Bronze Age to Hellenistic classical Archaeology (1976)

architecture. Studied Athenian topography (urban growth and

architectural development) with Prof. Rodney S. Young, noted

classical architectural historian.

#### Professional Historic/Architectural Affiliations

Member, Register of Professional Historians (2006-present)

#### Architectural/Historical Experience

As a professional cultural resource management consultant since 1977, Dr. Van Horn has researched, evaluated and reported on literally hundreds of architectural and historical properties. These have included buildings of all dates, from 19th century adobe ruins to modern Los Angeles residences; and structures of all types, consisting of canals, bridges, resorts, schools, community facilities, commercial buildings and industrial plants. This research has been conducted for various types of projects including bridge construction, surface and subway transit facilities, and road improvement projects.

The following selected projects are intended to illustrate Dr. Van Horn's experience with architectural history and historic archaeology.

#### ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL EVALUATION EXPERIENCE

#### HABS/HAER Projects

- \*Replica House, Pomona College, Claremont, Los Angeles County (2012). Project included an Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) for the campus building known as Replica House (1938). The project entailed an extensive architectural assessment, hand-measured scale drawings, detailed history and archival photographs (large and medium format). Lead agency-Facilities Management, Pomona College.
- \* West Adobe, City of La Quinta, County of Riverside (2010-2012). Project includes an Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) for the West Adobe (1926). The undertaking entails an extensive architectural assessment of the adobe, hand-measured scale drawings, detailed family history and archival photographs (large and medium format). Lead agency-City of La Quinta.
- \* Kraemer House, City of Placentia, County of Orange (2003-2004). Undertaking comprised an Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) for the Gilbert Kraemer House (1920). The project entailed an extensive architectural assessment of the estate house, hand-measured scale drawings, detailed family history and archival photographs (large and medium format). Lead agency-City of Placentia.
- \* KEHE/KFI Radio Broadcast Studio Building, 141 N. Vermont Avenue, City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County (2002). The project included a HABS/HAER study of the National Register eligible Radio Broadcast Studio Building (1936). The project entailed an extensive architectural assessment of the facility, hand-measured scale drawings, archival photographs, as well as a detailed history of Earle C. Anthony and radio station KFI. Lead agency-Los Angeles Unified School District.
- \* Vega Building, East Los Angeles, Los Angeles County (1993). HABS/HAER recordation of a three-story commercial building listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Lead agency- Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

#### Section 106 Caltrans Projects

\* Metrolink Parking Structure Project, City of San Bernardino, San Bernardino County (2009). This parking structure project lies within Viaduct Park adjacent to the historic Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Passenger and Freight Depot. Section106 compliance included HPSR, HRER, and FOE reports prepared for *Caltrans* District 8.

- \* Ranchero Road and BNSF Grade Separation Project, City of Hesperia, San Bernardino County (2007). This road improvement project included Section 106 compliance for all residential and commercial properties located along a 7700-foot portion of roadway. HPSR and HAER documents prepared for *Caltrans* District 8.
- \* Ramona Avenue Grade Separation Project, Montclair, San Bernardino County (2000). Historic Properties Survey Report (HPSR). Section 106 compliance on 1/2-mile street widening program. City of Montclair and *Caltrans* District 8.
- \*Imperial Highway-Orangethorpe/Esperanza Grade Separation Project, City of Yorba Linda, Orange County (1999-2000). Grade separation project for Imperial Highway over the BNSF tracks and Orangethorpe Avenue/Esperanza Road. Undertaking comprised architectural/historical analysis of all buildings and structures over 50-years of age and determinations of eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places and the California Register of Historical Resources. An extensive field survey resulted in the discovery of a surviving portion of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Scully Adobe, a component to the Don Bernardo Yorba Rancho complex. Consultation for the project was through Caltrans District's 12 & 7 as well as Caltrans Headquarters in Sacramento. City of Yorba Linda.
- \*Foothill Boulevard (Route 66) Improvement Project, Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County (1993). Historic Properties Survey Report (HPSR). Section 106 compliance on a 1.5 mile street widening program. City of Rancho Cucamonga and *Caltrans* District 8.
- \* Turnbull Canyon Road Improvement, City of Industry, Los Angeles County (1992). Historic Properties Survey Report (HPSR). Section 106 compliance on a 1.5 mile street widening program. Los Angeles County of Public Works/*Caltrans* District 7.

#### Section 106 Municipal Projects

- \* TERI Project, San Marcos, County of San Diego (2003-2008). Project entailed an initial survey of the 20-acre Merriam Ranch and subsequent determinations of eligibility for both the National Register of Historic Places and the California Register of Historical Resources. A total of six buildings and structures were assessed for this project including the 1889 Merriam Ranch House "La Mesita".
- \* Cultural Resources Assessment for the Cerritos College 2003 Master Plan, Norwalk, Los Angeles County (2004). Tasks performed included a records search, history of the school and surrounding region, biographical sketch of the architectural firm, architectural evaluations of seven campus buildings for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR), completion of historic building records (DPR 523 series forms), and report.

- \* Spring Mountain Ranch, Highgrove, Riverside County (2002). Project entailed a focused survey, history and subsequent determinations of eligibility for the Eureka and Vivienda Ranch complexes. A total of six buildings and structures (early 20<sup>th</sup> century) were evaluated for both the NRHP and CRHR. Several of the buildings were constructed by Ethan Allen Chase, noted early 20<sup>th</sup> century citrus rancher in Riverside County.
- \* Fay Jackson Residence, 1325 S. Van Ness Avenue, City of Los Angeles (2002). Los Angeles Unified School District and Chattel Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Inc. Conducted determinations of eligibility for the National Register and the California Register of Historical Resources for the residence of this important African-American journalist.
- \* Casa Ramona School, City of San Bernardino, San Bernardino County (1999). Determinations of eligibility for the National Register of Historical Resources. Research on architecture of David Witmer, chief architect of the Pentagon and noted early 20<sup>th</sup> century southern California school architect. City of San Bernardino.
- \* Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) Metro Red Line Mid-City Project, Los Angeles (1996-1999). Historic and architectural evaluations of approximately 600 buildings and structures that lay above and adjacent to three alternative subway routes in the Mid-City section of Los Angeles. Of the 600 buildings and structures within the project area, approximately 450 required full historic and architectural evaluations in order to make determinations of eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. The project was conducted in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), *Caltrans* District 7, the Federal Transit Authority, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the MTA.
- \* Aquatics/Teen Center/Maintenance Facility/Parking Project, City of El Monte, Los Angeles County (1999). Section 106 consultation intended to ascertain National Register Eligibility of several structures prior to demolition. City of El Monte Department of Parks, Recreation and Transportation and SHPO.
- \* Riverside Cement Oro Grande Facility, Victorville, San Bernardino County (1998). Archaeological survey for prehistoric resources and determinations of eligibility for all historic structures within the 150-acre facility. Evaluation of architecture of 20<sup>th</sup> century industrial structures and 19<sup>th</sup> century lime kilns. San Bernardino County Planning Department.
- \* Master Campus Development Plan of Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, Los Angeles County (1993). Historic and architectural evaluations, and determinations of NRHP eligibility of approximately 30 campus buildings. City of Claremont.
- \* Downtown Business District Specific Plan Area, City of La Puente, Los Angeles County (1992). Historical reconstruction, architectural evaluations, and determinations of NRHP eligibility of six downtown city blocks. City of La Puente.

\* El Pueblo State Historic Park, Los Angeles County (1984). Compiled reconstructions of all structures on several blocks of the El Pueblo District, the oldest part of Los Angeles. The reconstructions, which were based upon archival research at many southern California Institutions, were arranged in eras beginning with Los Angeles' pueblo days and ending with the modern city. California Department of Parks and Recreation.

#### Historic Archaeological Projects

- \* Mission San Juan Capistrano Zanja, City of San Juan Capistrano, County of Orange (2002). Undertaking comprised initial identification, excavation, and documentation of the Mission San Juan Capistrano's Trabuco aqueduct (early 19<sup>th</sup> century). This buried feature was exhaustively researched and documented by the excavation of certain sections of the aqueduct complete with detailed drawings, photographs and narrative report.
- \* Buena Vista Coal Generating Plant and Coal Terminal (1990-1991). Directed a survey and Phase II excavation program. Uncovered and evaluated a segment of the old North River Navigation (canal). Research with Dr. W.E. Trout (Va. Canals & Navigations Society) and Mr. Mike Barber (prehistory). Report on file with the Virginia Dept. of Historic Resources; reviewed and accepted by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- \* Chapin Adobe, City of Indian Wells, Riverside County (1989). Conducted both test and salvage archaeological investigations of the Chapin Adobe. This interesting structure, which belonged to one of Indian Well's first white immigrant families, existed only as "melted" foundations at the time the study commenced. Based upon the archaeological evidence and historical information and photographs acquired with the help of the Chapin family, Van Horn was able to reconstruct the entire building on paper. This study provided some surprising data on adobe building techniques employed by the early settlers of the Coachella Valley. City of Indian Wells.
- \* Peralta Adobe, Anaheim Hills, Orange County (1983-84). This mid-19th century adobe was a ruin at the outset of the investigation, the second floor having been burned out and many of the doors and windows altered or removed altogether. Van Horn studied the remaining architectural features intensively, often removing elements of late remodeling in order to expose evidence of the original construction. He also conducted archaeological excavations in and around the adobe which resulted in the recovery of many period artifacts. Today, the Ramon Peralta Adobe stands as a renovated structure which contains exhibits of photographs and artifacts acquired during my investigation. The entire project was conducted under the auspices of the Orange County Historical Commission and the Orange County Department of Parks and Recreation.

#### Publications in Architecture and History

#### Van Horn, David and John Elliott

2003 *Investigations at the Ramón Peralta Adobe*. Pacific Coast Archaeological Society Occasional Paper Number 3. Contains a complete architectural reconstruction, history of, and historical archaeology of one of southern California's few surviving 19<sup>th</sup> century adobe residences.

#### Van Horn, David

2003 A Brief History of Penobscot Bay. Robert's Press. Castine, ME. Short history of some of the earliest European settlements in the Penobscot Bay region from Rockland to Bar Harbor.

#### Van Horn, David M.

1993 A Brief Early History of Castine: Prehistory to 1815. Robert's Press. Castine, ME. This brief account is intended to give the reader a convenient synopsis of Castine's early history. Few places can boast a history as lengthy, complex, and colorful as the small town of Castine, Maine.

## **APPENDIX B: Historical Resources Review**

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INFORMATION CENTER

San Bernardino County Museum

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San Bernardino County

# HISTORICAL RESOURCES REVIEW FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO LAND USE SERVICES DEPT

Invoice/Reference Number: 11-12-07-03

Planning Number: Proposed Colton Housing Project

Acres/Miles: approx 10 Acre(s)

USGS Quad (s): San Bernardino South 7.5' quad

<u>Previously Inventoried Historical Resources (that is, resources older than 45 years in age including prehistoric and historic archaeological resources, historic resources, cultural landscapes and ethnic resources)</u>

None known to exist within or adjacent to the project area.

#### Reported to exist within or adjacent to project area:

- 3+ Prehistoric Archaeological Resources: Lithic scatters and groundstone pieces on the Hermosa Cemetery Property and the Sam Sneed Golf Course Property.
- O Historic Archaeological Resources:
- 0 Historic Resources:
- O Cultural Landscapes:
- O Ethnic Resources:
- 7+ Resources shown on historic maps: 2 structures on the property, 3 streets, Hwy 99 (around the edges of the property & telephone & powerlines adjacent to the property. The property is labeled "Orange L&W Co, Addition to Colton" on Hall's Irrigation Map.

<u>Historic Maps Examined</u>: Blackburn, 1932; USGS Colton, 1936/38; USGS San Bernardino, 1893/4, 1954; US Army San Bernardino,1940/1; USGS San Bernardino South, 1954; Beasley, 1892; AAA-various; Hall, 1888; Lippencott, 1898.

<u>Previous Field Surveys for Resources:</u> There are no previous surveys on the property. 1063917, 1063932 & 1064325 are for a cell site on the SE corner of the adjacent parcel to the west, & 1091558 & 1061635 cover the Hermosa Cemetery property where artifacts were found.

#### Comments:

CURRENT PLANNING

Planning Number: Proposed Colton Housing Project

Potential for the Presence of Historical Resources:

Based on available information, the potential for the presence of historical resources within the project area is:

Prehistoric Archaeological Resources:

High

Historic Archaeological Resources:

High

Historic Resources:

Moderate

Cultural Landscapes:

Unknown

Ethnic Resources:

Unknown

Comments: Potential for Prehistoric Archaeological Resources based on sites on the adjacent property. Potential for Historic Archaeological Resources associated with the structures shown on historic maps and travel along Hwy 99—the Ocean to Ocean Highway.

Recommendations: (following CEQA and NEPA guidelines)

- 1) In order to minimally comply with CEQA & NEPA, an archaeological survey by a qualified archaeologist is recommended to inventory all resources, to evaluate their significance and integrity and, if necessary, to propose appropriate mitigation measures.
- 2) Submission of a historical resources management report by the professional to document the survey, to any subsurface testing, to document archival research, to evaluate resource significance and integrity, and, if necessary, to evaluate project impacts and propose mitigation measures to mitigate potential adverse impacts in accordance with the appropriate laws.

If human remains are encountered on the property, then the San Bernardino County Coroner's Office MUST be contacted within 24 hours of the find, and all work halted until a clearance is given by that office and any other involved agencies. Contact the County Coroner at 175 South Lena Road, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0037 or (909) 387-2543.

For a list of qualified archaeologists, go to <a href="http://chrisinfo.org/">http://chrisinfo.org/</a>.

If you have any further questions, please, contact me at (909) 307-2669  $\times$  255, Monday through

Friday between 8 AM and 4 PM.

Robin E. Laska

Assistant Center Coordinator

7 December 2011

Date

Document No.: 1061558

BIXLER, DAVID

Unpublished Report

1986 ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY: WEST VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF COLTON. MOHAVE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS. SUBMITTED TO CITY OF COLTON. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 06/09/1989 Cataloged by: WRO-CA-03 on 06/09/1989

Document No.: 1061635

Unpublished Report

BIXLER, DAVID

1987 ARCHEOLOGICAL SURFACE SURVEY: COLTON DUNE SITE. DAVID BIXLER. SUBMITTED TO UNKNOWN. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 06/23/1989 Document No.: 1063917

Cataloged by: WRO-CA-03 on 06/23/1989

Unpublished Report

BRECHBIEL, BRANT

1998 CULTURAL RESOURCE RECORDS SEARCH AND LITERATURE REVIEW REPORT FOR A PBMS FACILITY: CM 014-12, IN THE CITY OF COLTON, CA. 4PP. CHAMBERS GROUP. SUBMITTED TO PBMS. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 05/25/2005 Document No.: 1063932

Cataloged by: WRO-CA-03 on 05/25/2005

Unpublished Report

DUKE, CURT

2001 CULTURAL RESOURCE ASSESSMENT FOR AT&T FIXED WIRELESS SERVICES FACILITY BC\_538a, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, CA. 7PP. LSA. Submitted to AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES. Unpublished report on file at S.B. CO. MUSEUM,

2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 06/13/2005 Document No.: 1064325

Cataloged by: WRO-CA-03 on 06/13/2005

Unpublished Report

BUDINGER, FRED E.

2002 PROPOSED WIRELESS DEVICE COLOCATE & EQUIPMENT CABINET, SLOVER MOUNTAIN SITE, 295 N. HERMOSA AVE, COLTON, CA. 15PP. TETRA TECH. SUBMITTED TO VERIZON WIRELESS. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 07/22/2008

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#### **APPENDIX C: NAHC Sacred Lands File Check**

January 16, 2012

Mr. Dave Singleton Associate Governmental Program Analyst Native American Heritage Commission 915 Capital Mall, Room 364 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Sacred Lands File Check for a 4.64 acre parcel (APN 0274-182-43) located northwest of West Valley Boulevard and North Cypress Avenue in Colton, San Bernardino County.

Dear Mr. Singleton:

I am writing to you to request a Sacred Lands File Check for the above-referenced project. Briefly, Archaeological Associates has been requested to provide information with regard to prehistoric and historic resources in the vicinity of the project. Thus, the reason for contacting your organization.

Presently, project proponents plan to construct a 72-unit apartment complex on the parcel. The study area is bounded by West Valley Boulevard on the south, a storage facility on the west, and residential development on the north and east. Legally, the project is situated within Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 4 West, San Bernardino Base Meridian (San Bernardino South 7.5' USGS Topographic Quadrangle).

We look forward to hearing from you. In the meantime, if you have any questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (951) 244-1783.

Very truly yours,

Laura S. White, M.A.

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Field Director

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Governor

#### **NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**

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January 18, 2012

Ms. Laura S. White, M.A., Field Director

#### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES**

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Sent by FAX to

951-244-0084

No. of Pages:

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Re:

Sacred Lands File Search and Native American Contacts list for the "Development Project;" located on 4.64-acres in the City of Colton; San Bernardino County, California

Dear Ms. Whiote:

The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) conducted a Sacred Lands File search of the 'area of potential effect,' (APE) based on the USGS coordinates provided and Native American cultural resources were not identified in the project area of potential effect (e.g. APE): you specified. Also, please note; the NAHC Sacred Lands Inventory is not exhaustive and does not preclude the discovery of cultural resources during any project groundbreaking activity.

California Public Resources Code §§5097.94 (a) and 5097.96 authorize the NAHC to establish a Sacred Land Inventory to record Native American sacred sites and burial sites. These records are exempt from the provisions of the California Public Records Act pursuant to. California Government Code §6254 (r). The purpose of this code is to protect such sites from vandalism, theft and destruction.

In the 1985 Appellate Court decision (170 Cal App 3rd 604), the court held that the NAHC has jurisdiction and special expertise, as a state agency, over affected Native American resources, impacted by proposed projects including archaeological, places of religious significance to Native Americans and burial sites

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA – CA Public Resources Code §§ 21000-21177, amendments effective 3/18/2010) requires that any project that causes a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource, that includes archaeological resources, is a 'significant effect' requiring the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) per the CEQA Guidelines defines a significant impact on the environment as 'a substantial, or potentially substantial, adverse change in any of physical conditions within an area affected by the proposed project, including ... objects of historic or aesthetic significance." In order to comply with this provision, the lead agency is required to assess whether the project will have an adverse impact on these resources within the 'area of potential effect (APE), and if so, to mitigate that effect. CA Government Code §65040.12(e) defines "environmental justice" provisions and is applicable to the environmental review processes.

Early consultation with Native American tribes in your area is the best way to avoid unanticipated discoveries once a project is underway. Local Native Americans may have knowledge of the religious and cultural significance of the historic properties of the proposed project for the area (e.g. APE). Consultation with Native American communities is also a matter of environmental justice as defined by California Government Code §65040.12(e). We urge consultation with those tribes and interested Native Americans on the list the NAHC has attached in order to see if your proposed project might impact Native American cultural resources. Lead agencies should consider avoidance as defined in §15370 of the CEQA Guidelines when significant cultural resources as defined by the CEQA Guidelines §15064.5 (b)(c)(f) may be affected by a proposed project. If so, Section 15382 of the CEQA Guidelines defines a significant impact on the environment as "substantial," and Section 2183.2 which requires documentation, data recovery of cultural resources.

The 1992 Secretary of the Interiors Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties were revised so that they could be applied to all historic resource types included in the National Register of Historic Places and including cultural landscapes. Also, federal Executive Orders Nos. 11593 (preservation of cultural environment), 13175 (coordination & consultation) and 13007 (Sacred Sites) are helpful, supportive guides for Section 106 consultation. The aforementioned Secretary of the Interior's Standards include recommendations for all 'lead agencies' to consider the historic context of proposed projects and to "research" the cultural landscape that might include the 'area of potential effect.'

Partnering with local tribes and interested Native American consulting parties, on the NAHC list, should be conducted in compliance with the requirements of federal NEPA (42 U.S.C 4321-43351) and Section 106 4(f), Section 110 (f)(k) of federal NHPA (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq), 36 CFR Part 800.3 (f) (2) & .5, the President's Council on Environmental Quality (CSQ, 42 U.S.C 4371 et seq. and NAGPRA (25 U.S.C. 3001-3013) as appropriate. The 1992 Secretary of the Interiors Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties were revised so that they could be applied to all historic resource types included in the National Register of Historic Places and including cultural landscapes. Also, federal Executive Orders Nos. 11593 (preservation of cultural environment), 13175 (coordination & consultation) and 13007 (Sacred Sites) are helpful, supportive guides for Section 106 consultation. The NAHC remains concerned about the limitations and methods employed for NHPA Section 106 Consultation.

Also, California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98, California Government Code §27491 and Health & Safety Code Section 7050.5 provide for provisions for accidentally discovered archeological resources during construction and mandate the processes to be followed in the event of an accidental discovery of any human remains in a project location other than a 'dedicated cemetery', another important reason to have Native American Monitors on board with the project.

To be effective, consultation on specific projects must be the result of an ongoing relationship between Native American tribes and lead agencies, project proponents and their contractors, in the opinion of the NAHC. An excellent way to reinforce the relationship between a project and local tribes is to employ Native American Monitors in all phases of proposed projects including the planning phases.

Confidentiality of "historic properties of religious and cultural significance" may also be protected under Section 304 of he NHPA or at the Secretary of the Interior discretion if not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The Secretary may also be advised by the federal Indian Religious Freedom Act (cf. 42 U.S.C., 1996) in issuing a decision

on whether or not to disclose items of religious and/or cultural significance identified in or near the APE and possibility threatened by proposed project activity.

If you have any questions about this response to your request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) §53-6251.

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Attachment:

Dave Singletør

Native American Contact List

#### California Native American Contacts

San Bernardino County January 18, 2012

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This list is current only as of the date of this document.

Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of the statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resources Code and Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

Gabrielino Tongva

This list is applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources for the proposed Development Project; located on 4.64-acres nrothwest of West Valley Boulevard and North Cypress Avenue in the City of Colton; San Bernardino County, California for which a Sacred Lands File search and Native American Contacts list were requested.

### **APPENDIX D: Native American Correspondence**

February 23, 2012

Mr. Paul Macarro Acting Director, Cultural Resources Pechanga Band of Mission Indians P.O. Box 1477 Temecula, CA 92593

RE: Native American Scoping for a 4.64 acre parcel (APN 0274-182-43) located northwest of the intersection of N. Cypress Avenue and W. Valley Boulevard, Colton, San Bernardino County.

Dear Mr. Macarro:

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A records search conducted at the Archaeological Information Center at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands indicated that the property has not been previously surveyed. In addition, no prehistoric or historic resources have been recorded within the boundaries. A sacred lands file check has been conducted with the NAHC.

We are seeking input from the tribe with regards to places of importance that may or may not have been previously identified. In particular, if the tribe is aware of the presence of prehistoric resources within or adjacent to the project area, we would very much like to hear from you. In the meantime, if you have any questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (951) 244-1783.

Very truly yours,

Laura S. White, M.A.

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Field Director

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Mr. Joseph Hamilton, Chairman Ramona Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians P.O. Box 391670 Anza, CA 92539

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LSW:file;eilarcolton

by mail

February 23, 2012

Mr. Anthony Morales, Chairperson Gabrielino/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians P.O. Box 693 San Gabriel, CA 91778

RE: Native American Scoping for a 4.64 acre parcel (APN 0274-182-43) located northwest of the intersection of N. Cypress Avenue and W. Valley Boulevard, Colton, San Bernardino County.

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Mr. Michael Contreras Cultural Heritage Program Morongo Band of Mission Indians 12700 Pumarra Road Banning, CA 92220

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Ms. Ann Brierty Cultural Resources Department San Manuel Band of Mission Indians 26569 Community Center Drive Highland, CA 92346

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Joseph Ontiveros Cultural Resources Manager Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians P.O. Box 487 San Jacinto, CA 92581

RE: Native American Scoping for a 4.64 acre parcel (APN 0274-182-43) located northwest of the intersection of N. Cypress Avenue and W. Valley Boulevard, Colton, San Bernardino County.

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February 7, 2012

Attn: Laura S. White, M.A., Field Director Archaeological Associates P.O. Box 180 Sun City, CA 92586



Re: APN 0274-182-74, located at the intersection of Cypress Ave and W. Valley Blvd., in the City of Colton, San Bernardino County

The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. The information provided to us on said project(s) has been assessed through our Cultural Resource Department, where it was concluded that although it is outside the existing reservation, the project area does fall within the bounds of our Tribal Traditional Use Areas. At this time the Soboba Band wishes to defer to the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

[SPECIAL NOTE (for projects other than cell towers): If this project is associated with a city or county specific plan or general plan action it is subject to the provisions of SB18-Tradtional Tribal Cultural Places (law became effective January 1, 2005) and will require the city or county to participate in formal, government-to-government consultation with the Tribe. If the city or county are your client, you may wish to make them aware of this requirement. By law, they are required to contact the Tribe.

Sincerely,

Joseph Ontiveros

Soboba Cultural Resource Department

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San Jacinto, CA 92581

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Cell (951) 663-5279

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APPENDIX E: DPR 523 forms for 291 N. Cypress Ave. (Primary #36-025580)

State of California — The Re	esources Agency		Primary #	36-025580
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS A			HRI #	
PRIMARY RECOR			Trinomial _	
I KIMAKI KECOK			NRHP Status	s Code: 6Z
			Other Listings	
		Review Code	Reviewer	
		ACVIEW COUR	- I VOVIEWEI	Date
*Resource Name or #:	Colton-1	Ca	ltrans Map Re	eference No.: N/A
P1. Other Identifier:				
*P2. Location: *a. County	San Bernardino	County/Route/Post	mile: N/A	
b. Address	291 N. Cypress Avenue		7.	
City	Colton		Zip 9232	
*c. UTM: USGS Quad:	San Bernardino South 7.5'		468510mE/ 37	
*e. Other Locational Data (A *P3a. Description: (Briefly description)		ated southwest of inte	ersection of N. (	Cypress Avenue & W. "H" Street.
. Ja. Description. (Diletty desc	onse resource below)			
(sill) while the garage is on a addition on the west elevation	a slab. Crawspace registers are van, all exterior walls are clad with	visible along the lower stucco. The house leads to the stucco.	er walls of the has a cross-gab	nce rests on a concrete foundation house. With the exception of an ole roof that is moderately pitched see continuation sheet for further
	Elements of District	Other		
			*P6. <u>X</u> + *P7.	Amcal Las Terrazas Fund, LP 30141 Agoura Road, Suite 100 Agoura Hills, CA 91301
			*P10.	Date Recorded: February 25, 2013  Type of Survey: X Intensive Reconnaissance Other  Describe: Phase I Cultural Recourses
*P11. Report Citation: Pl	hase I Cultural Resources Assessi	ment of the 6+-Acre I	 La Terrazas Ho	Phase I Cultural Resources our project located Northwest of
*Attachments: NONE Linear Resource Record Artifact Record	ne Intersection of W. Valley Blvd.  Map Sheet X Continuat Archaeological Record	i. & N. Cypress Ave., tion Sheet XDistrict Record Other (List):	Colton, San Be	ernardino, Co. White et al. 2013 ucture and Object Record

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State of California — T	he Resources Agency:	Primary #	36-025580
	KS AND RECREATION	HRI#:	
<b>BUILDING, STI</b>	RUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD		
See Office of Historic Pre	eservation Recording Historical Resources for instructions.		
*Resource Identifier:	Colton-1	Map Reference No.: N/A *NRHP Status Code: 6Z	

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B1. Historic Name:	Collon 1			
B2. Common Name:		County/Route/Postmile: N/A		
B3. Original Use:	Single family residential	B4. Present Use: Single family residential		
*B5. Architectural Style				
*B6. Construction Histo	Addition on west elevation cons	structed mid 1970s-early 1980s. House fenestration recently replaced.		
* <b>B7. Moved?</b> X No		Original Location:		
tongue-and-groove h condition.  B9a. Architect: Unknown		and T-111. Structure located adjacent to garage and is in poor  B9b. Builder: Unknown		
*B10. Significance: The		Area: Colton		
Period of Significant	6 ,	gle family property  Applicable Criteria: N/A		
It may be observed associated with any		elighible for the CRHR under Criteria (A) or (B) because it is not		

style home does not represent the work of a master nor is it unique in setting or appearance. It lacks any unique architectural features and no special materials or building techniques have been used in its construction. Consequently, the building is not

considered significant within the meaning of CEQA and does not appear elibgible for the CRHR under Criterion C.

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: None

#### B12. References:

San Bernardino County Assessor/Appraisals Office

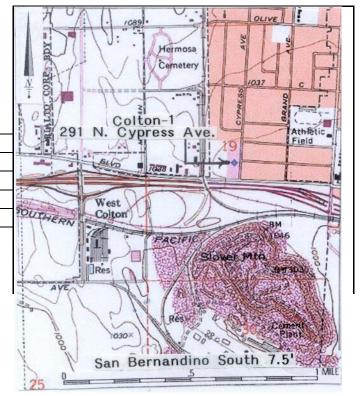
#### B13. Remarks:

The house is in fair condition. However, the addition on the west is in poor condition.

**B14. Evaluator:** David M. Van Horn, Ph.D.

Archaeological Associates
P.O. Box 180
Sun City, CA 92586

**Date of Evaluation:** February 18, 2013



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State of California — The Resources Agency	Primary #:	36-025580
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION	HRI #/Trinomial	
CONTINUATION SHEET		

See Office of Historic Preservation Recording Historical Resources for instructions. X Continuation Update

Caltrans Map Reference No.: N/A

Resource Identifier: Colton-1 County/Route/Postmile: N/A

#### **P2.** Location: e. Other Locational Data (Continued)

Residence is located within fractional Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 4 West, SBBM.

#### P3a. Description: (Continued)

A wide band of tongue-and-groove horizonal boards painted green separate the two windows on the east elevation. A central picture window flanked by modern, single-hung sashes lies midway along the south elevation. Immediately to the east of the window is the residence main entrance which consists of a glass and wood paneled door. An exterior red brick chimney is centrally located on north elevation.

A poorly executed addition has been attached to the northwest corner of the west elevation. It comprises a wood-framed family room that sits upon a concrete slab. The virtually flat shed roof is covered with composition paper. The southwest corner of the addition is constructed from cemet block to accommodate an interior chimney. The balance of the exterior walls are clad in T-111 siding. Fenestration consists of aluminum sliders and a sliding glass door opens onto a small patio.



Northeasterly view of the the west elevation (rear of house) depicting addition in far left of photo.

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San Bernardino County

#### HISTORICAL RESOURCES REVIEW FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO LAND USE SERVICES DEPT

Invoice/Reference Number: 11-12-07-03

Planning Number: Proposed Colton Housing Project

Acres/Miles: approx 10 Acre(s)

USGS Quad (s): San Bernardino South 7.5' quad

Previously Inventoried Historical Resources (that is, resources older than 45 years in age including prehistoric and historic archaeological resources, historic resources, cultural landscapes and ethnic resources)

None known to exist within or adjacent to the project area.

#### Reported to exist within or adjacent to project area:

- 3+ Prehistoric Archaeological Resources: Lithic scatters and groundstone pieces on the Hermosa Cemetery Property and the Sam Sneed Golf Course Property.
- 0 Historic Archaeological Resources:
- 0 Historic Resources:
- 0 Cultural Landscapes:
- 0 Ethnic Resources:
- 7+ Resources shown on historic maps: 2 structures on the property, 3 streets, Hwy 99 (around the edges of the property & telephone & powerlines adjacent to the property. The property is labeled "Orange L&W Co, Addition to Colton" on Hall's Irrigation Map.

Historic Maps Examined: Blackburn, 1932; USGS Colton, 1936/38; USGS San Bernardino, 1893/4. 1954; US Army San Bernardino, 1940/1; USGS San Bernardino South, 1954; Beasley, 1892; AAAvarious; Hall, 1888; Lippencott, 1898.

Previous Field Surveys for Resources: There are no previous surveys on the property, 1063917, 1063932 & 1064325 are for a cell site on the SE corner of the adjacent parcel to the west, & 1091558 & 1061635 cover the Hermosa Cemetery property where artifacts were found.

#### Comments:

Planning Number: Proposed Colton Housing Project

#### Potential for the Presence of Historical Resources:

Based on available information, the **potential** for the presence of historical resources within the project area is:

Prehistoric Archaeological Resources:

High

Historic Archaeological Resources:

High

Historic Resources:

Moderate

Cultural Landscapes:

Unknown

Ethnic Resources:

Unknown

Comments: Potential for Prehistoric Archaeological Resources based on sites on the adjacent property. Potential for Historic Archaeological Resources associated with the structures shown on historic maps and travel along Hwy 99—the Ocean to Ocean Highway.

Recommendations: (following CEQA and NEPA guidelines)

- 1) In order to minimally comply with CEQA & NEPA, an archaeological survey by a qualified archaeologist is recommended to inventory all resources, to evaluate their significance and integrity and, if necessary, to propose appropriate mitigation measures.
- 2) Submission of a historical resources management report by the professional to document the survey, to any subsurface testing, to document archival research, to evaluate resource significance and integrity, and, if necessary, to evaluate project impacts and propose mitigation measures to mitigate potential adverse impacts in accordance with the appropriate laws.

If human remains are encountered on the property, then the San Bernardino County Coroner's Office MUST be contacted within 24 hours of the find, and all work halted until a clearance is given by that office and any other involved agencies. Contact the County Coroner at 175 South Lena Road, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0037 or (909) 387-2543.

For a list of qualified archaeologists, go to <a href="http://chrisinfo.org/">http://chrisinfo.org/</a>.

If you have any further questions, please, contact me at (909) 307-2669 x 255, Monday through

Friday between 8 AM and 4 PM.

Robin E. Laska

Assistant Center Coordinator

7 December 2011

Date



Document No.: 1061558

BIXLER, DAVID

Unpublished Report

1986 ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SURVEY: WEST VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF COLTON. MOHAVE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS. SUBMITTED TO CITY OF COLTON. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 06/09/1989 Document No.: 1061635

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1998 CULTURAL RESOURCE RECORDS SEARCH AND LITERATURE REVIEW REPORT FOR A PBMS FACILITY: CM 014-12, IN THE CITY OF COLTON, CA. 4PP. CHAMBERS GROUP. SUBMITTED TO PBMS. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

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DUKE, CURT

2001 CULTURAL RESOURCE ASSESSMENT FOR AT&T FIXED WIRELESS SERVICES FACILITY BC\_538a, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, CA. 7PP. LSA. Submitted to AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES. Unpublished report on file at S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 06/13/2005 Document No.: 1064325

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BUDINGER, FRED E.

2002 PROPOSED WIRELESS DEVICE COLOCATE & EQUIPMENT CABINET, SLOVER MOUNTAIN SITE, 295 N. HERMOSA AVE, COLTON, CA. 15PP. TETRA TECH. SUBMITTED TO VERIZON WIRELESS. UNPUBLISHED REPORT ON FILE AT S.B. CO. MUSEUM, 2024 ORANGE TREE LANE, REDLANDS, CA 92374.

Last Update: 07/22/2008

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From: Prusch, David - LUS <David.Prusch@lus.sbcounty.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, June 15, 2012 4:22 PM

**To:** Jay Ross; Candida Neal (cneal@planning-environmental.com)

**Subject:** FW: Colton project: Revised site

FYI.

From: Laska, Robin

Sent: Friday, June 15, 2012 3:28 PM

To: Prusch, David - LUS

Subject: RE: Colton project: Revised site

Whatever I said for his original is good for this one. Have a great weekend!

#### Robin Laska

-----Original Message-----From: Prusch, David - LUS

Sent: Friday, June 15, 2012 2:35 PM

To: Laska, Robin

Cc: Candida Neal (cneal@planning-environmental.com)

Subject: FW: Colton project: Revised site

Hi Robin,

You previously-reviewed this project site. However, the applicant is proposing to add APN: 0274-182-46 to the project. Do you have any concerns with this additional parcel?

Thanks for your review.

#### Dave

From: Jay Ross [mailto:Jay@AmcalHousing.com]

**Sent:** Friday, June 15, 2012 1:53 PM

To: Prusch, David - LUS

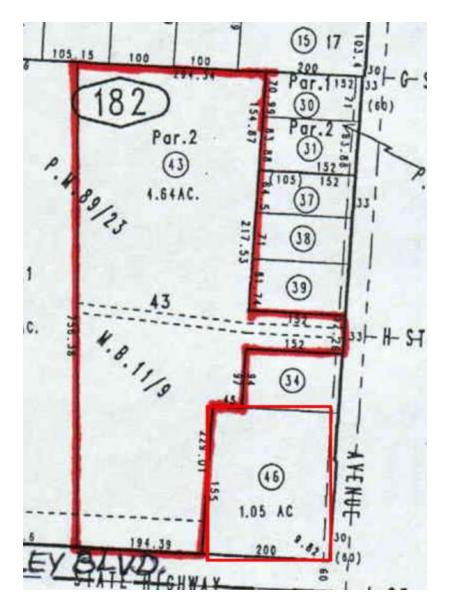
Subject: Colton project: Revised site

Hi David,

We likely will acquire another parcel for our Colton project and revise the site plan.

It is the parcel on the NW corner of Valley/Cypress, with a red box around it. It is vacant.

Do you need to go to the Museum again to get this letter updated?



Thank you,

Jay Ross AMCAL Multi-Housing, Inc. 30141 Agoura Rd., Ste. #100 Agoura Hills, CA 91301-4332

P: (818) 706-0694 x128 F: (818) 706-3752

C: (310) 494-1115 (I rarely keep it on, only call it if I tell you to)

Jay@AmcalHousing.com

# PRE-CONSTRUCTION PALEONTOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF THE 6.14-ACRE LAS TERRAZAS HOUSING SITE LOCATED NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF WEST VALLEY BOULEVARD AND NORTH CYPRESS AVENUE, COLTON, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

by

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> > for

AMCAL Multi-Housing, Inc. 30141 Agoura Road, Suite 100 Agoura Hills, California 91301-4332

REVISED
March 29, 2013

John A. Minch, PhD. Principal Investigator

The undersigned certifies that the attached report is a true and accurate description of the results of a PALEONTOLOGICAL assessment described herein.

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Pre-construction Paleontological Survey Report documents the findings of a paleontological site investigation conducted by John A. Minch, Ph.D. for AMCAL Multi-Housing's Las Terrazas housing project in Colton, San Bernardino County. The study area, identified as APNs 0274-182-34, 0274-182-43, and 0274-182-46, is 6.14-acres in size and located on the north side of West Valley Boulevard just west of North Cypress Avenue. Presently, it is desired to construct two-story, Mediterranean style multi-family housing with associated parking.

The survey investigation included a literature review, field reconnaissance, and report. The survey was completed using currently accepted paleontologic methods that satisfy mitigation requirements for paleontological resources. The initial field reconnaissance was conducted on February 3, 2012. A second field study was undertaken on February 18, 2013 when additional acreage was added in the southeast corner of the study area. Both field studies were performed in order to: 1) evaluate existing paleontological resources, 2) determine the impact to identified and/or anticipated paleontological resources resulting from the proposed development project, and 3) to determine appropriate mitigation measures necessary to minimize anticipated adverse impacts to paleontological resources resulting from construction (if any).

Although no paleontologic resources were encountered during either of the field reconnaissances, the study area may contain Paleontological resources from Pleistocene sedimentary units. However, the rock units exposed on the site are considered to be of low paleontologic sensitivity. Consequently, no additional mitigation measures are necessary prior to the initiation of grading operations. If planned construction of the site will not result in deep excavations beyond 10-feet, there is no need for additional paleontological mitigation measures. Alternatively, if the excavations will exceed 10-feet the site can be developed and still protect the paleontological resources of the area by following the mitigation measures contained herein.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

At the request of AMCAL Multi-Housing, Inc., Eilar Associates has undertaken a Preconstruction Paleontological survey for a proposed multi-family residential project located in Colton, unincorporated San Bernardino County, California (fig. 1). The survey was performed in order to: (1) evaluate existing paleontological resources at the site and surrounding area, (2) determine if the proposed development poses any significant adverse impact to existing paleontological resources, and (3) to outline appropriate mitigation measures in order to minimize adverse impacts to the paleontological resources (if any).

The subject property comprises 6.14-acres of undeveloped land identified as APNs 0274-182-34, 0274-182-42 and 0274-182-46. It is located a short distance northwest of the intersection of W. Valley Boulevard and N. Cypress Avenue. Legally, the subject property lies within Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 4 West, SBBM as shown on a portion of the *San Bernardino South* USGS 7.5' Topographic Quadrangle (fig. 2).

The property is essentially flat comprising partially developed land (fig. 3). Historically, the property has been used for single family homes, an orchard, and cattle grazing (Andersen Environmental 2011:1). No vestiges of the orchard remain today. A scant cover of seasonal grasses and exotic weeds presently cover the study area. Elevations vary from a maximum of 1022 feet above mean sea level in the northwest corner of the parcel to a minimum of 1017 feet midway along the eastern boundary. Primary access to the property is from a dedicated entry stemming from N. Cypress Avenue (figs. 3 and 4).

#### II. METHODOLOGY

#### Tasks completed during field survey:

- 1. A walkover and inspection of each geologic unit mapped and/or exposed on-site, by a Certified Vertebrate Paleontologist/State Professional Geologist (No. 3269).
- 2. Review of available geologic and paleontologic literature pertinent to the site, including existing lists of fossils and fossil localities.
- 3. Knowledge of the significance of paleontological localities on or near the site.
- 4. Review of available environmental impact and/or geotechnical reports pertinent to development of the site.

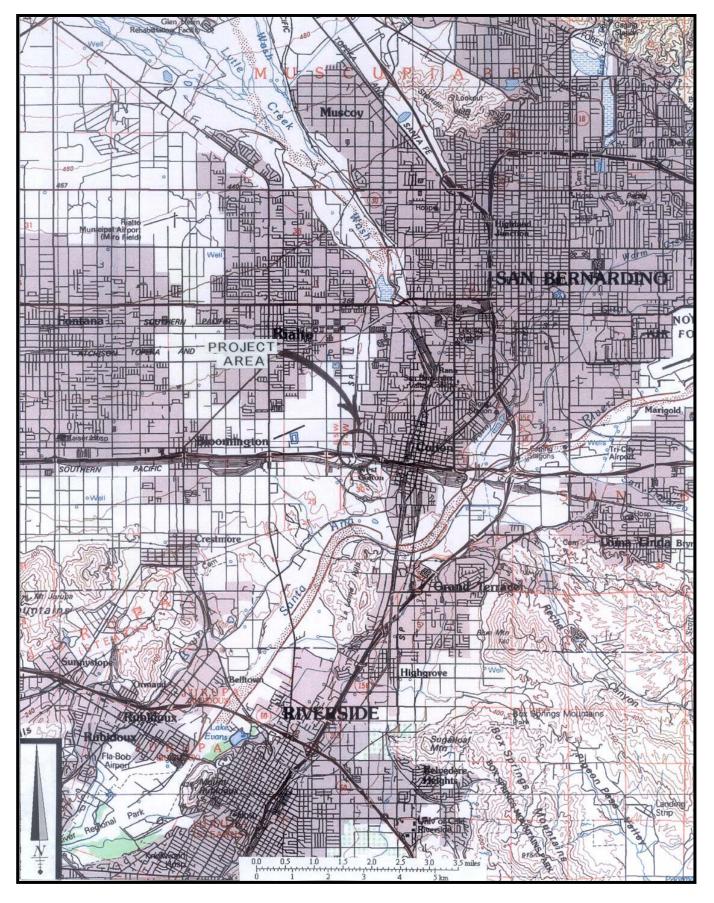
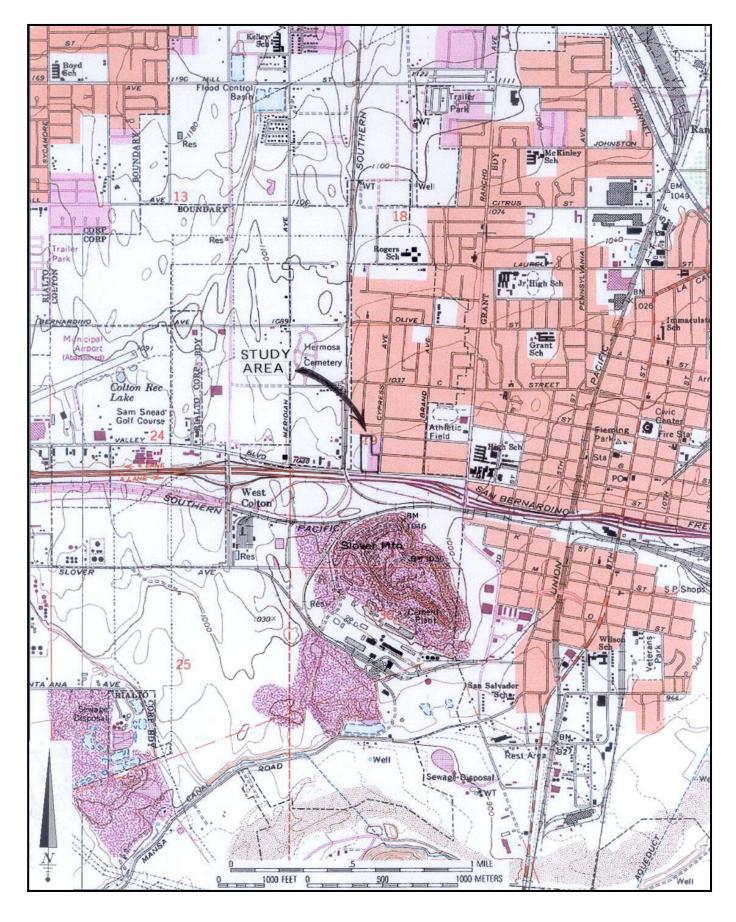


Figure 1. Regional location map (USGS San Bernardino 1:100,000 scale Topographic Map Sheet).



**Figure 2.** Study area plotted on a portion of the *San Bernardino South* USGS (1980) 7.5' Topographic Quadrangle.

#### III. LITERATURE SEARCH

All available literature considered pertinent to the site, including previously recorded lists of fossils and paleontological fossil localities recorded for the general site vicinity, was reviewed. The purpose of the literature search was to determine: (1) pertinent geologic and paleontologic site information, and (2) the paleontologic sensitivity of identified and/or anticipated geologic units underlying the site.

In addition, other pertinent data consulted included environmental reports, professional geological publications, paleontological consultant reports, and other unpublished documents related to regional and/or detailed geologic studies. No recorded fossil localities, fossil lists, published or unpublished literature within the boundaries of the project site were located during any of these searches.

#### IV. GEOLOGY/BIOSTRATIGRAPHY

The area is underlain by Pleistocene to Recent sedimentary rocks and varying thicknesses of artificial fill (Geocon West, Inc. 2012:2). The sedimentary rock unit consists of unnamed Alluvium (Pleistocene to Recent). Alluvium (Pleistocene to Recent) generally consists of brown to yellowish brown poorly graded sand, silty sand, and sandy silt with varying amounts of gravel. This unit is known to be locally fossiliferous in other parts of the Chino Basin and in southern California.

#### V. FIELD RECONNAISSANCES

A pedestrian survey of the study area was conducted by Dr. John A. Minch and Robert S. White on February 3, 2012. Dr. Minch is a Certified Vertebrate Paleontologist and a State of California Professional Geologist (No. 3269). The field survey was conducted to investigate and make visual observations of each geologic unit present on the surface of the site. No paleontologic resources were encountered during the field reconnaissance. A second field study was performed on February 18, 2013 as additional acreage was added to the southeast corner of the project site. The results of the second field investigation were as negative as the first.



Figure 3. Study area as shown on aerial photograph.



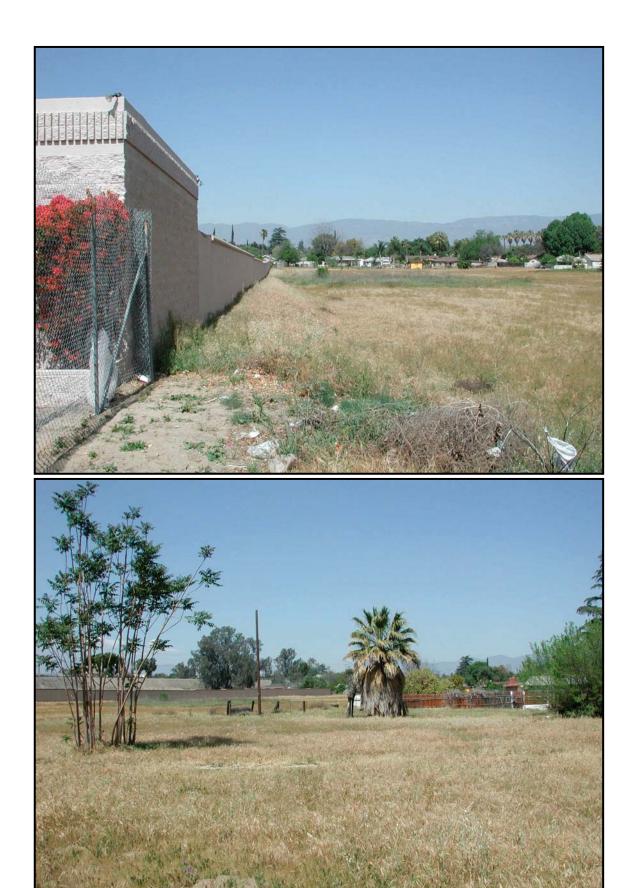
Figure 4. Footprint of proposed project as depicted on conceptual site plan.

#### VI. CONCLUSIONS

The study area may contain Paleontological resources from Pleistocene sedimentary units. The rock units exposed on the site are considered to be of low paleontologic sensitivity. Careful development of this parcel may increase our knowledge of the deposition of the rock units in this area and add to the fossil assemblages. The site can be developed and still protect the paleontological resources of the area if the following mitigation measures are followed.

#### VII. MITIGATION RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. No additional mitigation measures are necessary prior to the initiation of grading operations.
- 2. If the planned construction of the site will not result in deep excavations beyond 10-feet there is no need for additional paleontological mitigation measures.
- 3. A paleontological grading observation schedule consisting of spot-checking by a Certified Paleontologist should be maintained if grading is planned below the surface ten feet to further evaluate the fossil resources of the site.
- 4. Salvage operations should be initiated and coordinated with the developer if significant concentrations of fossils are encountered.



**Plate I. Top:** Looking north along the western boundary from the southwest property corner. **Bottom:** Looking northwest across study area from the new southeast property corner.

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