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## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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September 21, 2009

Cynthia T. Martinez Complex Manager Desert National Wildlife Refuge Complex 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive Las Vegas, NV 89130-5450

Subject: Desert National Wildlife Refuge Complex Comprehensive Conservation Plan,

Clark, Lincoln, and Nye Counties, Nevada (CEQ #20090291)

Dear Ms. Martinez:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced document pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act.

EPA reviewed the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and provided comments to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services on September 9, 2008. We rated the DEIS as LO, *Lack of Objections* and requested that a few clarifications be included in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). These clarifications have been included and we have no objections to the proposed project.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this FEIS. When the ROD is signed, please send one copy to the address above (mail code: CED-2). If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Mulvihill of my staff at 415-947-3554 or <a href="mulvihill.carolyn@epa.gov">mulvihill.carolyn@epa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

/c/

Kathleen M. Goforth, Manager Environmental Review Office (CED-2)