

PERFORMANCE AUDIT  
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MYER'S PROPERTY  
GRANT 5001329

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# REPORT

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## INTRODUCTION

Gary Gurley, City of Oceanside, Public Works Department submitted an invoice for the City of **Oceanside, Myer's Property Grant 5001329. However, due to insufficient deliverables received with the invoice, a Performance Audit was scheduled with Mr. Gurley for Thursday, February 10, 2011 8:30 a.m. This report documents the compliance of the City of Oceanside's performance with the grant requirement.**

## TASK #1

The following description of Task #1 - Site Visit **was listed in the original Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329:**

Site visits are a continual component of the Myers property management plan. The fall 2009 visits established the existing property conditions and were used to develop the following task descriptions. This task has been completed.

Deliverables: Project finalized scope of work

## Task #1 Confirmation

It was confirmed by Mr. Gurley that a team site visit was completed by sub-contractor **D & D Wildlife Habitat Restoration, Inc. (D & D). This was reflected in D & D's invoice (Attachment 1) to the City of Oceanside's contractor Technology Associates International, Corporation (TAIC).**

## TASK #2

The following description of Task #2 – **Access Control was listed in the original Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329:**

No access to the property is permitted to avoid disturbing biological resources (specifically the California gnatcatcher), damage to the reseeded areas, and erosion control devices. The only allowable access to the property is for maintenance purposes. Temporary access control devices have been installed at all informal ingress points (5-ft.-high chain-link fencing across trails). These have proven to be only partially effective. Task #2 will install 5-ft.-high chain-link fence along the northern, western, and a portion of the southern property lines. The remainder of the southern property line abuts developed cemetery property and the eastern property line abuts undeveloped cemetery property currently undergoing habitat restoration.

Deliverables: Fence installation with photos

## Task #2 Confirmation

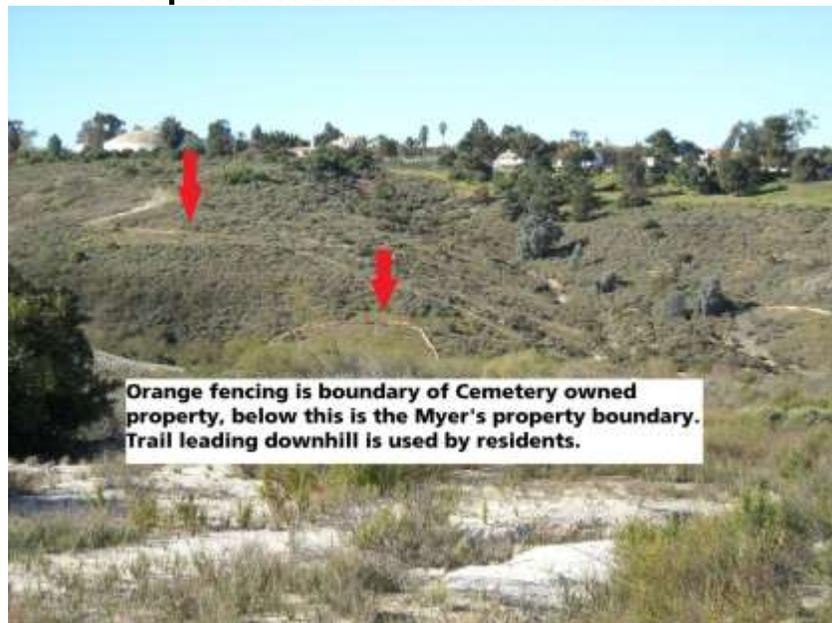
SANDAG staff was able to visually confirm a section of the 5-ft high chain-link fence that was installed along the western property line. **This was reflected in D & D's invoice** (included as an attachment). Mr. Gurley noted that the access control measures have resulted in success with a reduction of unauthorized access for biking and illegal waste dumping.

Figure 1  
Section of Chain Link Fence



However, he stated there is one main issue he continues to observe. Local residents with dogs come down from the top of the hill above the western property line. They are gaining illegal access to the **Myer's property** by walking down the road and crossing the creek at the cemetery owned portion of the southern property line.

Figure 2  
**Top View of Local Residents' Access Route**



### TASK #3

The following description of Task #3 – **Invasive Species Removal** was listed in the original Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329:

Under the supervision of a Biological monitor, invasive species and weeds will be removed from disturbed areas and as necessary from the remaining areas of the property. If required, two applications of Glyphosate herbicide or an equivalent herbicide will be administered by a licensed applicator.

Deliverables: Summary report

#### Task #3 Confirmation

It was confirmed by Mr. Gurley that invasive species removal was completed by both D & D and matching funds sub-contractor Rancho Del Oro Landscape and Maintenance, Inc. (ROL). This was reflected in D & D and **ROL's invoices** ((included as attachments) to TAIC and the City of Oceanside respectively. Per the ROL invoice, there were four days spent by laborers removing invasive species and weeds from disturbed areas. Mr. Gurley stated that herbicide applications were not administered.

### TASK #4

The following description of Task #4 – Stabilization of Unauthorized Trails was listed in the original **Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329**:

Repair and/or replace erosion control devices used to stabilize decompacted trails and any other disturbed areas. Anticipate installing up to 2,000 linear feet of wattles.

Deliverables: Summary report

#### Task #4 Confirmation

It was confirmed by Mr. Gurley that stabilization of unauthorized trails was completed by both D & D and ROL. **This was reflected in D & D and ROL's invoices** (included as attachments) to TAIC and the City of Oceanside respectively. SANDAG staff observed evidence of both damaged and intact straw and coconut fiber wattles that were placed as erosion control devices prior to the Winter 2010 storms. The damaged erosion control devices are currently being replaced and SANDAG staff observed D & D laborers with straw wattles supplies, Figure 4. In Figure 5 – Intact Erosion Control, the growth of native plants on the slope behind the straw wattles indicated that with these measures, natural erosion control is developing. Mr. Gurley stated that repairs are usually made to erosion control devices twice a year in the Spring and Fall. However, due to the heavy Winter 2010 storms, repair has started earlier this year.

Figure 3  
Damaged Erosion Control Device



Figure 4  
D & D Vehicle



Figure 5  
Intact Erosion Control Device



## TASK #5

The following description of Task #5 – Reseeding of Unauthorized Trails was listed in the original **Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329**:

All previously seeded areas will be reseeded as necessary.  
Deliverables: Summary report

## Task #5 Confirmation

It was confirmed by Mr. Gurley that reseeded of previously seeded unauthorized trails was completed by D & D and was reflected in their invoice (included as an attachment) to TAIC. Additionally, SANDAG staff observed an unauthorized trail which exhibited indicators of growth occurring as a result of reseeded measures.

Figure 6  
Reseeding of Unauthorized Trails



## TASK #6

The following description of Task #6 – **Log Dam Repair** was listed in the original Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329:

Repair scoured out areas around the long dams to restore their ability to function as a sediment stabilizer and to slow down flows from the upstream water shed.

Deliverables: Summary report

## Task #6 Confirmation

Mr. Gurley guided SANDAG staff to visually examine log dam repair that was completed by both D & D and ROL. There were multiple points along the accessible rill erosion area where gravel bags were observed and one point where the fortified log dam was viewed. This was also reflected in **D & D and ROL's invoices to TAIC and the City of Oceanside respectively.**

Figure 7  
Log Dam Repair-Gravel Bags



Figure 8  
Log Dam Repair



#### TASK #7

The following description of Task #7 – Summary Report was listed in the original Myer's Property Grant Agreement 5001329:

A summary report of all activities funded through the TransNet Environmental Mitigation Program Funds. Report will include a detailed account of what the funds were expended on by task, remediation actions, and photographic documentation as appropriate.

Deliverables: The summary report will be delivered to SANDAG at project completion.

### Task #7 Confirmation

Thus far, there were two diagrammatic documents from D & D submitted with the invoice for all work completed **to date at the Myer's Property**. However, a detailed summary report by task has not yet been received and as of February 28, 2011, Mr. Gurley stated that this was still in progress.

XXX = Gravel Bag Check Dam and Planting Zones  
 [Red box with 'S'] = Up to 3 acres of Hydro-seeding of open soil areas

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 September 2010

- Fenced Desilting Basin
- Property Line
- Wood Check Dam Repair Area
- Access Road
- Walking Trail Area Including Access Road



Figure 1  
 Myers Property Restoring Conditions

- F = Tee post with three strand barb-wire (12 to 40 feet in length)
- FS = Tee post with three strand barb-wire including 1 sign post, 1 No-Trespassing and 1 Rattlesnake Caution Sign
- S = Sign post with 1 No-Trespassing and 1 Rattlesnake Caution Sign



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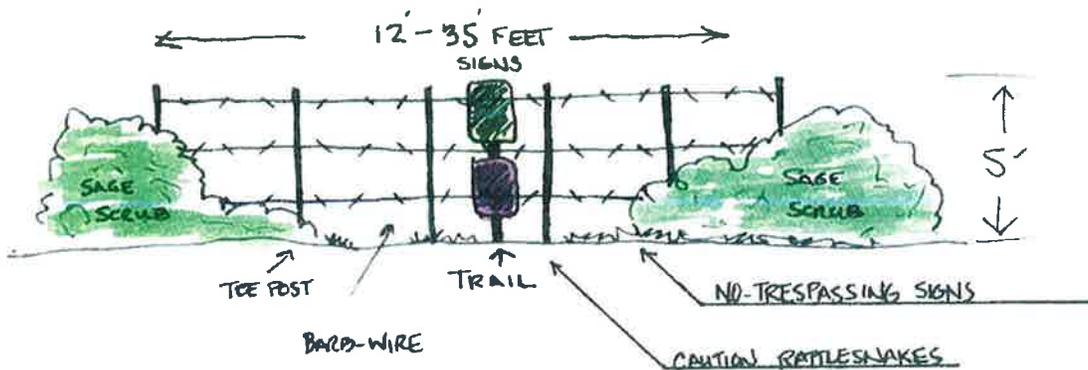
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Myers Property

### Rill Erosion Repair:



### Fencing and Sign Detail:



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