

**San Diego Association of Governments
West Bernardo Mountain HMA
Enhancement & Restoration
San Dieguito River Park, JPA.
Quarterly Progress Report
Reporting Period: **OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2025**
Submission Date: **JANUARY 2026**
SANDAG Contract Number: **SI125509****

Quarterly Status Report Overview

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SANDAG has developed a standardized grant monitoring and tracking program for the Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP) Land Management Grant Program. The purpose is to collect information on individual projects and the grant program as a whole for reporting to the Regional Habitat Conservation Taskforce, SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees, and the SANDAG Board of Directors. SANDAG monitors grantees through invoices, progress reports, performance measures, and designated photograph points. These standardized reporting templates and instructions for submittal are included below.

Work Performed this Period:

1. **Task 1- INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL: 10% done year 3**
 - a. Monitoring for invasive species control work.
 - b. Two sites: 15.33 acres.
 - i. 2.83 acres: West/planting site.
 - ii. 12.5 acres: Original site.
 - c. Scheduled weed control – Jan 2nd 2026 first day of herbicide treatment. January 19-23 finish West site.

2. **Task 2- HARVEST, GROW, DELIVER CACTI : 58% done year 3**
 - a. 800 cacti delivered October 22, 2025.
 - b. 575 cacti being grown for delivery in February 2026.

3. **Task 3 – INSTALL ROOTED CACTUS (2,775 project total). 58% done year 3**
 - a. West Site: primary planting site.
 - i. 1800 cacti installed.
 1. 763 installed in November and December 2024.
 2. 237 installed in January 2025
 3. 800 installed October and November 2025.
 4. 575 to be installed February 2026
 - b. Original Site.
 - i. 400 cacti installed in the original site in April (upper section) and December (dethatched area) 2024.

4. **TASK 4 – Maintain and Monitor**
 - a. Watering
 - i. No water was imported to the site in October, November, or December 2025.
 - ii. SDRP last watered September 18th.
 - iii. The site received adequate rainfall.
 1. October - .40 inch.
 2. November – 2.38 inches.
 3. December – 1.34 inches.
 - iv. Logistics and technique.
 - a. Water source.
 - i. No large (+500 gallons) quantities of water available in the area.
 - ii. For future watering, SDRP will:
 1. Pump water from Lake Hodges.

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2. **Transport water from lake with 2000-gallon water tender and/or SDRP equipment.**
3. **Utilize fire hoses then reduced to garden hose.**
4. **Hand water.**

b. Some hoses will need replacement in 2026.

Provide the exact work start date, a description of the work completed under each task, and percent complete. Add additional tasks as necessary

Work Anticipated Next Period

This does not need to be task specific but should include a short paragraph or bullet point list of activities anticipated for next quarter.

- **Next work period: January, February, March 2026. 3rd quarter. Year 3.**
- **Monitor invasive species and cactus health.**
- **Invasive plant species control January 2 and 19-23rd.**
- **Deliver 575 cacti. February.**
- **Install 575 cacti. February and March.**
- **Water if needed.**

Issues to Note

Please provide a brief description of any issue(s) encountered during the reporting period and any steps taken to address the issue(s).

Photographs & Figures

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SDMMP Project Page
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Performance Measures

Please include the Project's Performance Measures for each Quarterly Invoice and Progress Report in order to receive reimbursement.

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October 22nd, 2025 Cacti stored on the side of the trail below where they were installed. Existing mature cactus can be seen upslope and set to thrive as the habitat is restored. No container cacti were installed in close proximity since the mature cactus is a source of pads that can be planted adjacent to the host plant. 800 cacti were delivered to an accessible area and SDRP utilized off road utility vehicles to transport cacti to the restoration site (.40 miles +/-).

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October 28th, 2025 Black Sage Environmental installed cacti in an area that was not planted last season. This area is difficult to water because of the distance from the water source (water truck). The trail is called the Bernardo Mountain Lake View Trail and is a secondary, and less used, trail to the Coast to Crest Trail which is down slope from the restoration site. Trail users, like the bicycle rider pictured here, often asked about the project. SDRP used these opportunities to educate the trail users as to the purpose of the project.

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October 22, 2025 Cacti installed last season.

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OCTOBER 28th San Dieguito River Park staff and volunteers installed cacti. In general, the experienced SDRP crews have done exceptional work planting and caring for cacti.