

Metropolitan Bakersfield Habitat Conservation Plan

MBHCP GROUND-DISTURBANCE COMPLIANCE FORM

PROJECT or MAP NO. _____ GRADING PERMIT NO. (if applicable) _____

CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE NO. _____

SITE ADDRESS (or general location) _____

PROJECT TYPE/DESCRIPTION _____

THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL GROUND-DISTURBANCE ACTIVITIES:

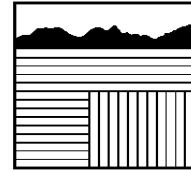
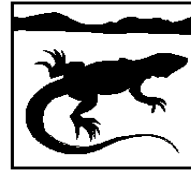
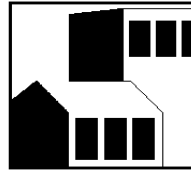
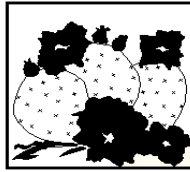
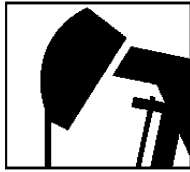
1. A Biological Clearance Survey is required on all projects no more than 30 days prior to grading or other ground-disturbance activities by a Qualified Biologist (see Exhibit A). The Survey Area includes: 1) all areas to be permanently (e.g., buildings, hardscapes, landscape, etc.) and temporarily (e.g., staging areas, utility undergrounding footprints, etc.) disturbed as well as 2) a 50-foot buffer of both the permanent and temporary disturbance areas. If ground disturbance ceases for over 30 days or has occurred for more than one year and the month is January, then an additional Biological Clearance Survey is required.
2. The Qualified Biologist shall map the Survey Area onto the grading plan or other ground-disturbance plan, and include the map in the Biological Clearance Survey Report. The Survey Area Map shall include: 1) total gross acres of disturbance, 2) bearings and distances, 3) extent of permanent and temporary ground disturbance, and 4) extent of Survey Area.
3. If survey results find Covered Species (see Exhibit B) within the Survey Area, a written Notice of Grading Start is required at least five business days prior to any ground-disturbance activities (excludes weekends and holidays) (see Exhibit C). The Notice of Grading Start shall only be submitted AFTER all required minimization measures are implemented (see Exhibit D).
4. The Qualified Biologist shall email the Biological Clearance Survey Report to the proper agencies. The Survey Report shall include: 1) Survey Area Map and 2) signed Biological Clearance Statement. Please save or print your email as proof of notification.

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EMAIL SUBJECT LINE: "MBHCP CLEARANCE SURVEY - GRADING PERMIT NO. _____" OR "MBHCP CLEARANCE SURVEY - PROJECT OR MAP NO. _____"

(Development in Unincorporated Area of Kern County)

County of Kern	MBHCP Staff Phone (661) 862-8618; or (661) 862-8641 Fax (661) 862-8601	MBHCPsurvey@kerncounty.com
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Patricia Cole and Justin Sloan Phone (916) 414-6600 Fax (916) 414-6712	patricia_cole@fws.gov justin_sloan@fws.gov
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Jennifer Giannetta, John Battistoni, and Janice Yoshioka Phone (559) 243-4014 ext. 247 Fax (559) 243-4020	Jennifer.Giannetta@wildlife.ca.gov John.Battistoni@wildlife.ca.gov Janice.Yoshioka@wildlife.ca.gov



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The Biological Clearance Statement shall be found on the cover page of the Biological Clearance Survey Report and signed and dated by the Qualified Biologist. It shall read:

I certify under penalty of law, based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, that the submitted documents accurately depict the proposed Biological Clearance Survey Area, and that the statements contained herein are true, accurate, and complete.

A hard copy of the Biological Clearance Survey Report shall also be submitted when filing this Compliance Form to County of Kern, Planning and Natural Resources Department, Permit Assistance Center Attn: Roque Nino, 2700 M Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301.

5. Please check the following that applies to your project and provide payment of Habitat Mitigation Fee (if not exempt) (see Exhibit E) when filing this MBHCP Compliance Form:

Habitat Mitigation Fee (currently \$2,145.00 per gross acre)

Gross acreage (all disturbed areas) = _____ acres

HCP Fees Due = \$ _____ Staff Initials _____ Date Paid _____

Project is exempt from Habitat Mitigation Fees (attach Exhibit E)

Required fees previously paid (Habitat Mitigation Fees) are NOT due (attach proof of payment and map and acreage of previously-paid permanent disturbance area)

Note: Only gross acreage that is permanently disturbed shall pay the Habitat Mitigation Fee. Temporary disturbance areas shall be included in the Biological Clearance Survey, but do not pay the Habitat Mitigation Fee. If a project site is less than or equal to 2.5 acres, then the Habitat Mitigation Fee shall apply to the entire gross-acreage of the site regardless of disturbance area.

6. During construction, the developer shall implement all standard and required Covered Species Protection Measures (see Exhibit F).

The County has the authority to immediately stop any activity that does not comply with the MBHCP, impose penalties, and require additional measures to avoid the unauthorized take of Covered Species.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: In consequence of the City/County having complied with the terms of the Section 10(a)(1)(B) Permit issued pursuant to the Federal Endangered Species Act and the Section 2081 Permit issued pursuant to the California Endangered Species Act, and the City and County having issued the Urban Development Permit, the Urban Development Permit holder, its successors, assignees and agents acting as beneficiaries of the Metropolitan Bakersfield Habitat Conservation Plan Implementation Management Agreement and ITP No. 2081-2013-058-04 are permitted to construct, operate and maintain the project identified above, which may result in a legally permitted take of State Protected Species and Federally Protected Species which are listed in the City's and County's Section 10(a)(1)(B) and 2081 Permits. The take authorization applies only to activities on the parcels which are carried out in full compliance of the 10(a)(1)(B) and 2081 Permit Conditions, including the City/County complying with the cumulative mitigation requirements of Section 3.1.8 of Metropolitan Bakersfield Habitat Conservation Plan Implementation/Management Agreement and ITP No. 2081-2013-058-04. (This acknowledgement is in accordance with MBHCP Implementation/Management Agreement Sections 3.13 and 3.1.4).

STAFF: _____ **DATE COMPLETED:** _____