

BLM Authorized Officer Weekly Report

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Weekly Project Update

Project: Desert Sunlight Solar Farm

Week Ending on: October 8, 2011

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Executive Summary of Current Issues

The following construction activities were observed onsite:

The construction conducted for this period consisted of clearing vegetation and grading of portions of Phase IA; installation of fencing around staging and parking areas within the Move-On Area; installation of project fencing along the southern perimeter of Phase II, the western perimeter of Phase IB and the northern edge of the southern section of Phase IB; surveying of portions of Phase IB, Phase II, and Tortoise Translocation Areas for sensitive species, including desert tortoise; relocation of several salvage species, including *Koeberlinia* and *Ocotillo*; installation of solar posts within Phase IA; drilling of pilot hole for well within the Move-On Area; and excavation of the long-term evaporation pond within the Move-On Area.

Cultural, biological, dust, UXO/MEC, and compliance monitoring was conducted by on-site representatives during this period, and reported no significant compliance issues not previously mentioned above.

Rattlesnakes, on and off-site vehicle safety, personal protective equipment (PPE), UXO procedures, and heavy equipment safety procedures are the ongoing safety concerns.

BLM Authorized Officer NOTE:

All construction-related safety, compliance conditions, and WEAP levels were acceptable during this period, with continued discussion regarding dust emissions aimed at maintaining compliance in this area. Appropriate spill containment for several fuel container and generators is pending and is being coordinated with Dave Pappicco and Chuck Anderson. Potential future compliance issues include dust control, appropriate spill containment of fuel containers, and overnight lighting requirements.



Plan Review Submittal Items

1. Inspection

Submittal Type	Description
Received, Review Pending	None
Reviewed and Approved / Conditionally Approved	None
Reviewed and Correction List Issues	None

2. General Activities Occurring at the Project Site

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Completion Percentage of Overall Construction

WEEK Ending On	PERIOD OF PROJECTION	% COMPLETE (PROJECTED)	% COMPLETE (UPDATED) -
08/19/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
08/26/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
09/02/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
09/10/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
09/17/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
09/24/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
10/01/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1
10/08/2011	Three Weeks	0.1	0.1

3. Issues of Concern with or by the Applicant

None

4. Compliance Issues with Applicable LORS and Applicable Conditions of Certification (e.g., areas out of compliance, interpretational disagreements, etc.)

None

5. Status of Interconnections (e.g., Fuel Gas, Water Connections, Electricity to Grid, etc.)

Not applicable

6. Scheduled Activities for Next Week

Continue site preparation.

7. Potential Delays to the Online Date of the Project

None

8. Project Photographs from Week

See below.





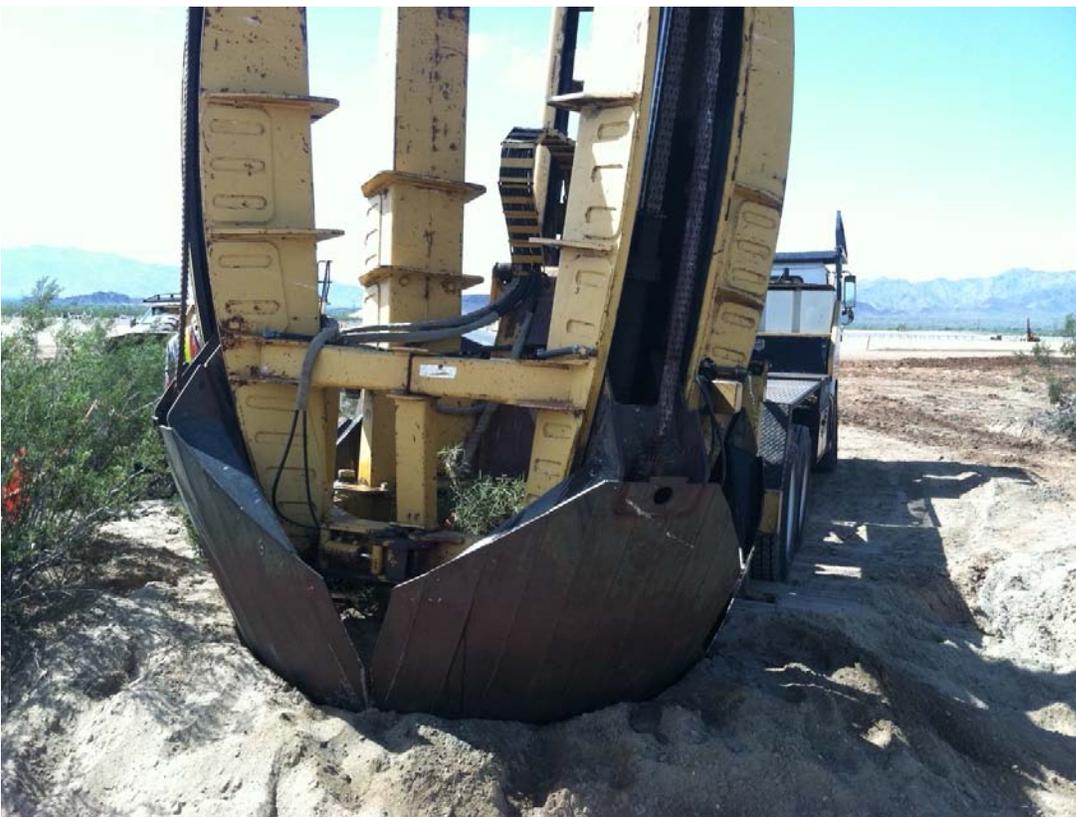
Leaking water truck parked within the Move-On Area.



Biologists putting the finishing touches on the relocation of a large *Ocotillo*



Installation of water pipe that will transfer water from the well to the long-term pond



Tree spade during relocation of *Koeberlinia* sp.

