

## **Briefing Statement**

**Date:** October 7, 2003

**Title:** **Habitat Restoration Projects**

- **Coachella Valley Weed Management Area**

This summer the Santa Rosa National Monument Manager requested that the possibility of establishing a Coachella Valley Weed Management Area (WMA) be explored. The Mojave WMA covers all of the Mojave and Joshua Tree National Park, a WMA exists in western Riverside County, but no WMA covers eastern Riverside County. California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), NRCS, Santa Rosa National Monument, and BLM Palm Springs support the establishment of a Coachella Valley WMA. A meeting has been set in October to explore the establishment of a Coachella Valley WMA.

**Proposed Action:** Continue to support this ongoing effort.

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- **DMG Restoration Work Group Meeting**

The DMG restoration Coordinator has proposed to host a two-day Restoration Work Group meeting this winter. Goals include sharing of information on current restoration projects/strategies; presentations on demonstration projects and/or new restoration techniques; and networking. The idea is to keep the meeting practical for those doing restoration. The proposed location is the Barstow Ramada, which has quoted a room rate of \$59. The other expected costs for this meeting are less than \$500.

**Proposed Action:** Continue planning for this event.

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