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Mr. Luis Benites  
ZAB, LLC  
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Re: Follow up on TT 20450

18 August 2022

Dear Mr. Benites:

This letter is intended to supplement the original report “General Biological Survey and Focused Surveys for Desert Tortoise and Burrowing Owl, with an Evaluation of Habitat for Mohave Ground Squirrel, an Evaluation of Protected Plants on a 10-acre± site (TT20450) in the City of Hesperia, San Bernardino County, California,” produced by Circle Mountain Biological Consultants, Inc. (CMBC) in July of 2021.

At the time of the July 2021 survey, I found a single small Joshua tree near the northeast corner of the site (Exhibit 1). I revisited the location of the Joshua tree (UTM coordinates 11S 466103E, 3807698N, NAD 83) on 17 August 2022. As you indicated to me by telephone, that plant is no longer present on the site. I could find no trace of the plant, which had two clusters of leaves and was only about 10 inches tall in 2021. The area has been subject to vehicle traffic, as seen by the tire tracks in Exhibit 2, but I could not verify how the plant was removed.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Sharon Dougherty, President  
Circle Mountain Biological Consultants, Inc.



**Exhibit 1.** Young Joshua Tree found on Site 7-30-2021



**Exhibit 2.** Former location of Joshua Tree shown in Exhibit 1.