

CITY OF SAN DIEGO RIGHT-OF-ENTRY PERMIT

THIS CITY OF SAN DIEGO RIGHT OF ENTRY PERMIT ("Permit") is entered into by and between THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, a California municipal corporation ("CITY"), and U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (PERMITTEE), to be effective as of the date of execution by CITY (the "Effective Date") when signed by the parties and approved by the San Diego City Attorney, as follows:

DEFINITIONS

As used in this Permit, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

- A. **"Permit Area"** shall mean all or part of that certain CITY-owned real property in City of San Diego, San Pasqual Valley, San Diego County, California, as shown in **Exhibit A: Permit Area**, and comprised portions of assessor parcel numbers as identified in **Exhibit B: Permit Area**, attached hereto.
- B. **"Permit Fee"** Fees under this permit will be waived because of the environmental-related improvements to the City Public Utilities Department's properties.
- C. **"Permit Use"** shall mean the nonexclusive use of the Permit Area for the purpose of evaluating the degree of genetic connectivity among California Gnatcatcher populations in San Diego County. Activities will entail walking around or through the scrub during the morning hours to search for birds and collect genetic samples.

- D. **"PERMITTEE'S Address for Notices"** shall be: Scarlett Howell
US Department of the Interior
USGS - Western Ecological
Research Center San Diego Field
Station
4165 Spruance Rd #200
San Diego, CA 92101-0812

- D. **"Rent"** rent shall be waived with this permit.
- E. **"Term"** shall mean month-to-month up to three (3) years.

FOR VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Occupancy. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Permit, CITY hereby grants permission to PERMITTEE, its officers, employees, agents, contractors, invitees, and guests to enter upon and occupy the Permit Area solely for the purpose of the Permit Use.
- 2. Use of Permit Area. PERMITTEE may use the Permit Area solely for the Permit Use and for no other purpose whatsoever without CITY'S prior written consent in each instance.

3. Governmental Approvals. By entering into this Permit, neither CITY nor CITY'S City Council is obligating itself to any governmental agent, board, commission, or agency with regard to any other discretionary action relating to PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area. Discretionary action includes without limitation re-zonings, variances, environmental clearances, and all other required governmental approvals.
4. CITY'S Consent, Discretion. Whenever required under this Permit, CITY'S consent or approval shall mean the written consent or approval of the San Diego City Manager, or his or her designee ("City Manager"), unless otherwise expressly provided, without need for further resolution by the City Council. CITY'S discretionary acts hereunder shall be made in the City Manager's discretion, unless otherwise expressly provided. All references to "City Manager" herein shall be deemed to refer to the Mayor of San Diego or his or her designee for the duration CITY operates under the mayor-council (commonly referred to as "strong mayor") form of governance pursuant to Article XV of The City Charter of the City of San Diego, California.
5. Term. The Term shall commence on the Effective Date. The Term shall not exceed three (3) years.
6. Revocable License. This Permit is not a lease. It is a license to use CITY-owned property, and may be revoked at will by CITY with 30 days prior written notice, in its sole discretion. CITY shall not be obligated for any loss, financial or otherwise, which may be incurred by PERMITTEE as a result of such revocation or the termination of this Permit. PERMITTEE expressly waives any claim for expense or loss which PERMITTEE might incur as a result of CITY'S revocation or termination of this Permit.
7. No Holdover. If PERMITTEE continues to occupy the Permit Area after the expiration or earlier termination of this Permit, such occupancy shall neither constitute a renewal or extension of this Permit, nor give PERMITTEE any rights in or to the Permit Area. If PERMITTEE continues to occupy the Permit Area after the expiration or earlier termination of this Permit, CITY may demand and receive from PERMITTEE rent for the Permit Area calculated on a per diem basis using up to three (3) times the fair market rental rate to be determined as of the date of the expiration or termination of this Permit by an appraisal prepared by an appraiser selected by CITY in its sole discretion. CITY'S acceptance of such rent shall neither constitute a renewal or extension of the license, nor give PERMITTEE any rights in or to the Permit Area.
8. Termination. PERMITTEE may terminate this Permit at any time and for any reason.
9. Restore and Vacate. Prior to the expiration or PERMITTEE'S earlier termination of this Permit, PERMITTEE shall restore the Permit Area to its condition on the Effective Date, normal wear and tear excepted, and upon such expiration or earlier termination immediately vacate the Permit Area. Upon CITY'S termination of this Permit, PERMITTEE shall immediately cease all operations on the Permit Area and as soon as practicable thereafter restore the Permit Area to its condition on the Effective Date, normal wear and tear excepted, and vacate the Permit Area.

10. Superior Interests. This Permit is subject to all liens, encumbrances, covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, contracts, permits and licenses, easements, and rights-of-way pertaining to the Permit Area, whether or not of record. PERMITTEE shall obtain all licenses, permits, and agreements from such third parties as may be or become necessary or reasonably advisable to allow its use of the Permit Area, relative to any such superior interest. If PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area is or becomes inconsistent or incompatible with a preexisting, superior interest, PERMITTEE shall take such actions and pay all costs and expenses necessary to remove such inconsistency or incompatibility to the satisfaction of the holder of the superior interest.
11. Maintenance of the Permit Area. CITY shall at no time during the Term be required to make any improvements or repairs to the Permit Area. PERMITTEE shall keep the Permit Area free and clear of rubbish, debris and litter caused by the Permit Use.
12. Inspection. CITY may at all times enter and inspect the Permit Area.
13. Utilities. PERMITTEE shall order, obtain, and pay for all utilities and service and installation charges in connection with its use of the Permit Area.
14. Improvements/Alterations. PERMITTEE shall not construct any improvements, structures, or installations on the Permit Area, and shall not alter the Permit Area without the express written consent of CITY. Except as required by law, CITY shall not be obligated to make any repair or assume any expense for any improvements or alterations to the Permit Area.
15. Insurance. Permittee certifies that it is self-insured against public liability and property damage claims for at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000) combined single limit liability per occurrence.
16. Indemnification. PERMITTEE shall protect, defend, indemnify, and hold CITY and its elected officials, officers, employees, representatives, and agents harmless from and against any and all claims asserted or liability established for damages or injuries to any person or property, including injury to PERMITTEE'S officers, employees, invitees, guests, agents, or contractors, which arise out of or are in any manner directly or indirectly connected with this Permit or PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area, and all expenses of investigating and defending against same, including without limitation attorney fees and costs; provided, however, that PERMITTEE'S duty to indemnify and hold harmless shall not include any claims or liability arising from the gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct of CITY and its elected officials, officers, employees, representatives, and agents.
17. PERMITTEE'S Risk. PERMITTEE shall bear all risks and liability to PERMITTEE arising out of or in any manner directly or indirectly connected with the PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area, and any damages to the improvements on, under, or in the vicinity of the Permit Area resulting directly or indirectly thereby.

18. No Nuisance. PERMITTEE shall not use the Permit Area in any manner which creates a nuisance or unreasonably disturbs the quiet enjoyment of persons in and to the surrounding area.
19. Assignment and Sublicense. PERMITTEE shall not assign or sublicense any rights granted by this Permit or any interest in this Permit without CITY'S prior written consent.
20. Signs. PERMITTEE shall not erect or display any banners, pennants, flags, posters, signs, decorations, marquees, awnings or similar devices or advertising without CITY'S prior written consent. If any such unauthorized item is found on the Permit Area, PERMITTEE shall remove the item at its expense within twenty-four (24) hours after notice by CITY, or CITY may thereafter remove the item at PERMITTEE'S cost.
21. Encumbrances. PERMITTEE shall keep the Permit Area and any CITY-owned property of which the Permit Area is a part free from all encumbrances and liens of any nature which arise out of or are in any manner directly or indirectly connected with this Permit or PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area. PERMITTEE shall protect, defend, indemnify, and hold CITY harmless from and against any and all such encumbrances and/or liens, and from and against any claim, liability, cost or expense, including without limitation all attorney fees and costs, relating to or charged against the Permit Area pursuant to and in the manner provided under Paragraph 16.
22. Compliance with Laws. PERMITTEE shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all the requirements of all rules, regulations, ordinances, laws and direction of governing authorities now in effect or which may hereafter be in effect, which pertain to PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area.
23. Taxes. PERMITTEE shall pay, before delinquency, all taxes, assessments, and fees assessed or levied upon PERMITTEE or the Permit Area by reason of PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area, including without limitation licenses and permits. PERMITTEE'S payment for such taxes, fees, and assessments shall not reduce any payment due CITY.
24. Hazardous Substances. PERMITTEE shall not allow the installation, storage, utilization, generation, sale or release of hazardous or otherwise regulated substances in, on, under, or from the Permit Area. PERMITTEE and PERMITTEE'S agents and contractors shall not install, store, utilize, generate, or sell any hazardous substance on the Permit Area without CITY'S prior written consent. PERMITTEE shall, prior to initiating any operations, obtain all required permits from applicable regulatory agencies, including without limitation the San Diego County Department of Environmental Health, local fire agencies, the San Diego County Department of Weights and Measures, the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District, and the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board. Installing, utilizing, storing, or any other presence of a hazardous substance includes boxes, bags, bottles, drums, cylinders, above or below ground tanks, equipment with tanks, or any other type of container, equipment, or device which holds or incorporates a hazardous substance or hazardous waste.

- 24.1 **Release.** For the purposes of this provision, a release shall include without limitation any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or otherwise disposing of hazardous substances. "Hazardous substances" shall mean any hazardous liquid, solid, or gaseous material substances listed by the Environmental Protection Agency or the State of California as a hazardous substance, and any type of petroleum-related substances and their chemical constituents. A copy of the presently effective EPA and the State lists is on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document 769704 and is hereby incorporated into this Permit.
- 24.2 **Remediation.** If PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area results in a release of a hazardous substance, or petroleum related substance or its chemical constituents, PERMITTEE shall pay all costs of remediation and removal to the CITY's satisfaction for unrestricted reuse of the Permit Area, and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations of governmental authorities.
- 24.3 **Removal.** If PERMITTEE or PERMITTEE's contractor or agent has received approval and permits to store, utilize, generate, or install, or otherwise bring hazardous materials or hazardous wastes to the Permit Area, PERMITTEE and/or PERMITTEE's contractor or agent shall remove all hazardous substances and hazardous wastes in any type of container, equipment, or device from the Permit Area immediately upon or prior to the expiration or earlier termination of this Permit. CITY reserves the right to conduct inspections of the Permit Area and/or request documentation demonstrating the legal removal and/or disposal of the hazardous materials, wastes or other containers, equipment, or devices from the Permit Area. PERMITTEE shall be responsible for any and all costs incurred by CITY to remove any container, equipment, or device requiring disposal or removal as required by this provision.
- 24.5 **Indemnity.** PERMITTEE shall protect, defend, indemnify, and hold CITY harmless from any and all claims, costs, and expenses related to environmental liabilities resulting from PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area, including without limitation costs of environmental assessments; costs of regulatory remediation oversight; costs of remediation and removal; any necessary CITY response costs; all fines, penalties or fees assessed by any regulatory agency; damages for injury to natural resources, PERMITTEE'S elected officials, officers, employees, invitees, guests, agents, or contractors, or the public; and all costs of any health assessments or health effect studies.
- 24.6 **Notice of Release.** If PERMITTEE knows or has reasonable cause to believe that a hazardous substance or petroleum related substance or its chemical constituents has been released on, from, or beneath the Permit Area, PERMITTEE shall immediately notify CITY and any appropriate regulatory or reporting agency per California Administrative Code Title 19 and any other applicable laws or regulations. PERMITTEE shall deliver a written report thereof to CITY within three (3) days after receipt of the knowledge or cause for belief and submit any required written

reports to regulatory or reporting agencies as required by regulation or law. If PERMITTEE knows or has reasonable cause to believe that such substance is an imminent release or is an imminent substantial danger to public health and safety, PERMITTEE shall take all actions necessary to alleviate the danger. PERMITTEE shall immediately notify CITY in writing of any violation, notice to comply, or notice of violation received or the initiation of environmental actions or private suits related to the Permit Area.

- 24.7 Environmental Assessment. Upon reasonable cause to believe that PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area ("PERMITTEE'S Operations"), resulted in any hazardous substance being released on, from or beneath the Permit Area, CITY may cause an environmental assessment under regulatory oversight of the suspect area to be performed by a professional environmental consultant registered with the State of California as a Professional Engineer, Certified Engineering Geologist, or Registered Civil Engineer. The environmental assessment shall be obtained at PERMITTEE'S sole cost and expense, and shall establish what, if any, hazardous substances have more likely than not been caused by PERMITTEE'S Operations on, in, from or under the Permit Area, and in what quantities. If any such hazardous substances exist in quantities greater than allowed by city, county, state, or federal laws, statutes, ordinances, or regulations, or require future restricted re-use of the Permit Area, then the environmental assessment shall include a discussion of such substances with recommendations for remediation and removal necessary to effect unrestricted re-use and in compliance with those laws or statutes, and estimates of the cost of such remediation or removal. PERMITTEE shall cause, or if PERMITTEE fails to do so within a reasonable period of time, as determined by CITY in its sole discretion, CITY may cause the remediation and/or removal recommended in the environmental assessment such that unrestricted re-use of the Permit Area and compliance with environmental law and regulations are achieved, and PERMITTEE shall pay all costs and expenses therefor.
- 24.8 Waiver. The property constituting the Permit Area is publicly owned and held in trust for the benefit of CITY'S citizens. CITY'S failure to insist upon the strict performance of any of PERMITTEE'S obligations under this Permit, in one or more instance, shall not be construed as a waiver of any such obligation, and the same shall remain in full force and effect. CITY'S waiver of a breach shall not be a waiver of any other breach. Any waiver of a breach must be in a writing executed by CITY to constitute a valid and binding waiver. CITY'S delay or failure to exercise a right or seek a remedy shall not be deemed a waiver of that or any other right or remedy under this Permit, at law or in equity. The exercise of any particular right or the use of any particular remedy for any breach shall not waive the use of any other right or remedy for the same breach or for another or later breach. CITY'S acceptance of any rents shall not be a waiver of any breach preceding the rent payment. CITY'S failure to discover a breach or take prompt action to require the correction of any breach shall not result in an equitable estoppel, but CITY may at any and all times require the correction of the breach.

25. Cumulative Remedies. CITY'S rights and remedies under this Permit are cumulative and shall not limit or otherwise waive or deny any of CITY'S rights or remedies at law or in equity.
26. Survival. Any obligation which accrues under this Permit prior to its expiration or termination shall survive such expiration or termination.
27. Joint and Several Liability. If PERMITTEE is comprised of more than one person or legal entity, such persons and entities, and each of them, shall be jointly and severally liable for the performance of each and every obligation of PERMITTEE under this Permit.
28. No Affiliation. Nothing contained in this Permit shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership, joint venture, or other affiliation between CITY and PERMITTEE or between CITY and any other entity or party, or cause CITY to be responsible in any way for the debts or obligations of PERMITTEE or any other party or entity.
29. Entire Agreement. This Permit constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, warranties and agreements between them pertaining to this Permit and PERMITTEE'S use of the Permit Area. Any modification, alteration, or amendment of this Permit shall be in writing and signed by all the parties hereto.
30. Legal Proceedings. If any party brings an action or proceeding against another party under this Permit, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party all reasonable costs and expenses thereof, including without limitation reasonable attorney fees and costs. The "prevailing party" shall be that party who obtains substantially the result sought, whether by settlement, dismissal, or judgment. If, as a result of an action brought by or against PERMITTEE in connection with this Permit, CITY intervenes therein, becomes a party, or is made a party thereto, PERMITTEE shall pay all of CITY'S costs and expenses thereof, including without limitation reasonable attorney fees and costs.
31. Notices. Any notice required or permitted to be given under this Permit shall be in writing and may be served personally or delivered by United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to PERMITTEE at PERMITTEE'S Address for Notices, and to CITY as follows:

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
Attention: Nicole McGinnis, Public Utilities Department
Address: 600 B Street, Suite 600 (MS 906)
San Diego, California 92101
Phone (619) 533-4101

With a copy by First Class Mail to: **SAN DIEGO CITY ATTORNEY**
Attn: Real Property Section
1200 Third Avenue, Suite 1100
San Diego, California 92101-4106

32. **Authority to Contract.** Each individual executing this Permit on behalf of another person or legal entity represents and warrants that they are authorized to execute and deliver this Permit on behalf of such person or entity in accordance with duly adopted resolutions or other authorizing actions which are necessary and proper and under such legal entity's articles, charter, bylaws, or other written rules of conduct or governing Permit, and that this Permit is binding upon such person or entity in accordance with its terms. Each person executing this Permit on behalf of another person or legal entity represents and warrants such entity is a valid, qualified corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or other unincorporated association in good standing in its home state and that such entity is qualified to do business in California.

33. **Acceptance of Permit Area.** By signing this Permit, PERMITTEE represents and warrants that it has independently inspected the Permit Area and made all tests, investigations, and observations necessary to satisfy itself as to the condition of the Permit Area and its suitability for the Permit Use. PERMITTEE further represents and warrants that it is not relying on any representation by CITY as to the condition of the Permit Area or its suitability for the Permit Use, and that PERMITTEE is relying solely on its own and independent inspections, tests, investigations and observations of the Permit Area in entering into this Permit. PERMITTEE accepts the Permit Area in its current condition, and acknowledges and agrees that CITY has fulfilled all obligations it may have had to improve, modify, repair, replace, alter, or otherwise develop the Permit Area prior to the Effective Date. PERMITTEE shall not hold CITY responsible for any defects in the Permit Area. PERMITTEE accepts and assumes all risk of harm to all persons and property, including without limitation PERMITTEE'S employees, from any defects in the Permit Area, and shall be solely responsible therefore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Permit is executed to be effective as of the Effective Date.

Date: 10/17/12

Entity: US Department of Interior - USGS

BY: _____

Name: Scarlett Howell

Title: Project Manager

Date: 10/23/12

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, a California municipal corporation

BY: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

James F. Barwick, CCIM
Director, Real Estate Assets

Environmental Analysis Section Environmental Clearance:

- 1) This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15306.

Date: 10/22/12

BY: _____

Name: NICOLE MCGINNIS

Title: Senior Planner

Approved as to Form and Legality:
JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

Date: 10/22/12

BY: _____

Name: Mark M. Meyer

Title: Deputy City Attorney

Exhibit A: Permit Area

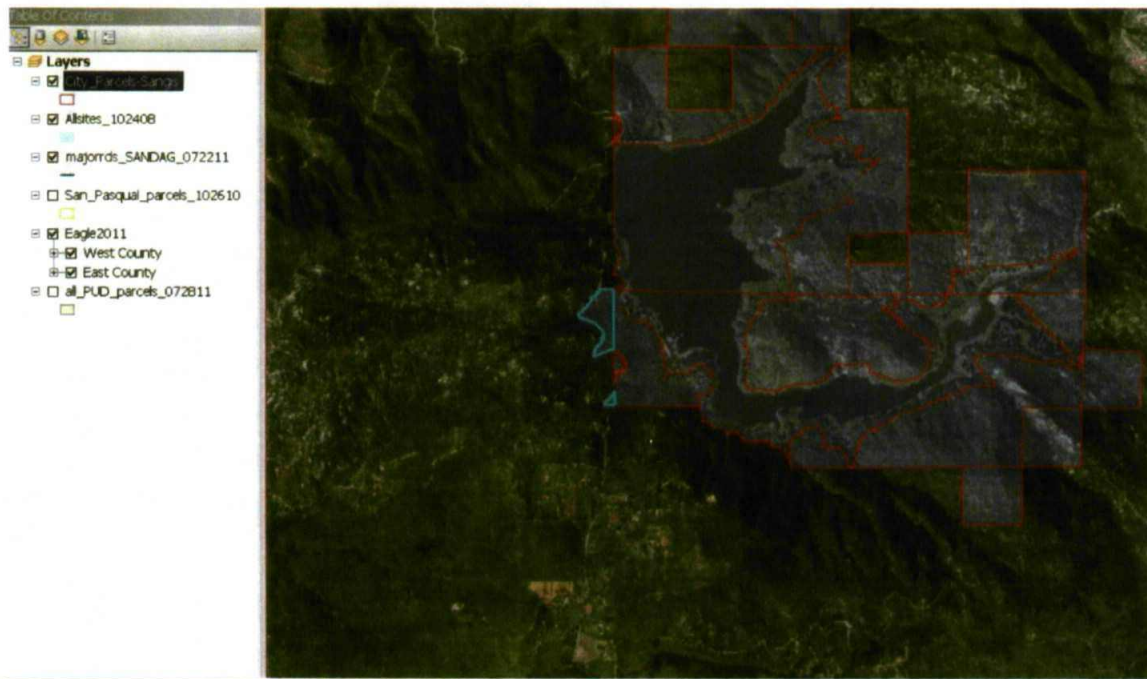
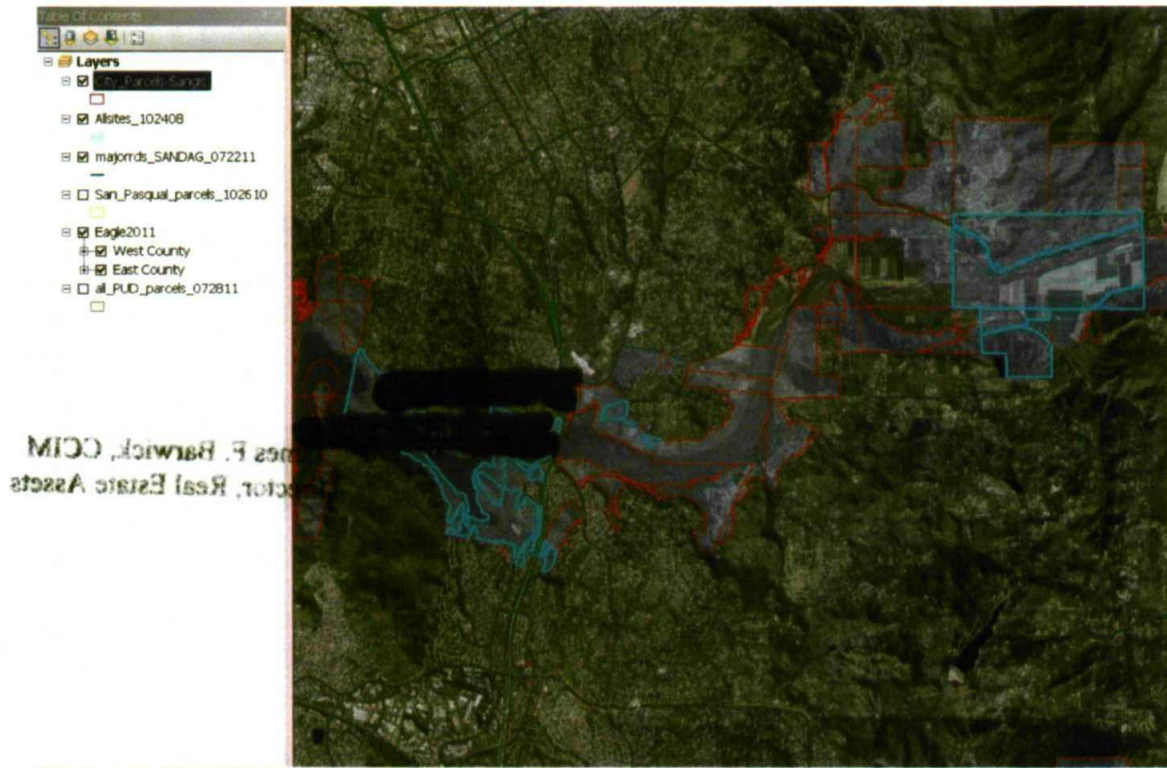


Exhibit B: Parcel Numbers

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