

**August 2006**

**Applicant:** California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

**Project Name:** Geotechnical Subsurface Investigation for Cactus City Material Site

**Receiving Water:** Pinkham Wash, a tributary to Box Canyon Wash and the Salton Sea

**Location:** 33.6816° N Latitude by 115.9465° W Longitude  
Section 4, T6S, R1W of the Thermal Canyon 7.5' USGS  
Quadrangle

**Project Description:** Caltrans is planning to find additional material sites to lessen the transportation costs for construction of roads in the eastern Riverside County area. Caltrans has identified Cactus City as a potential site and must conduct subsurface sampling to determine the usability of the material. Drill fluids and cuttings from the test borings will be contained and transported away from the site. All borings will be sealed by backfilling with bentonite chips or grout slurry. No grading will occur and vegetation removal will be kept to a minimum. Access to the drilling site will be through an established access road from a prior mining site adjacent to the proposed site.

**Action:** Pending

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