



July 21, 2023

Amy Henderson
California Desert Conservation Program
Wildlife Conservation Board
715 P. Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Henderson,

On behalf of The Morongo Basin Conservation Association (MBCA), I am writing to support the Mojave Desert Land Trust (MDLT) in their application to acquire land in the Morongo Basin known as the Corridor Spring Site. This property is in a wildlife movement corridor and contains water sources vital to support wildlife populations. MDLT is preparing an application to the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) to protect this area and has requested a letter of support from our organization.

The mission of MBCA is to advocate for the healthy desert environment that nurtures our rural life, cultural wealth and economic well-being.

We want to express strong support for MDLT's acquisition of the Corridor Spring Site. MDLT is a well-respected conservation organization and has been responsible for conserving over 110,000 acres of ecologically significant lands across the California desert. This acquisition will make a lasting difference to wildlife as the property is adjacent to Sand to Snow National Monument and contains an intact spring that is an important resource for wildlife in this time of a rapidly changing climate. MDLT has successfully completed applications, acquired lands, and implemented land management strategies that have led to the protection of critical linkages in the desert. As a valued partner of MDLT, we urge you to support their efforts to protect the biodiversity of the Mojave and Colorado deserts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

President
Morongo Basin Conservation Association

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