

EDUCATION

2004 B.A., Anthropology, Minor: Cultural Anthropology, University of Nevada, Reno

SUMMARY QUALIFICATIONS

Ms. Porras is a qualified archaeologist and cross-trained paleontologist with over six years of professional and academic experience. Her experience includes large scale surveys, monitoring, excavations, artifact recovery and lab work. She has completed more than 80 hours of intensive paleontological field training.

SELECTED PROJECTS

SR-138, High Desert Corridor Improvements, On-Call Environmental Services (07A3145), Caltrans District 7, Los Angeles, CA. Intensive-level pedestrian survey to support a Historic Property Survey Report, Historical Resources Evaluation Report, Archaeological Survey Report, Extended Phase I Testing Report, and Finding of Effect and a combined Paleontological Identification and Evaluation Report. Phase II/III testing and data recovery at the three sites that will be directly impacted by the project. Sub to Parsons. Field Technician. 2014-2015

Perris Valley Line, Metrolink, Riverside County Transportation Commission, Riverside County, CA. The project is a 24-mile extension of the Metrolink 91 Line. Conducting paleontological and archaeological monitoring for construction of four new stations, upgrading associated track and utility relocations to extend the Metrolink connection from Riverside through Moreno Valley to Perris. Sub to HDR Engineering. Field Technician. 2013-2015

Dune Palms Bridge PD/ED, Caltrans District 8, La Quinta, Riverside County, CA. The project involved replacing a low water crossing spanning the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel at Dune Palms Road with an all-weather access bridge. Conducted survey to support HPSR/ASR. Sub to Parsons Brinckerhoff. Archaeology Technician. 2015

SR 99 Arboleda Drive, Caltrans District 10, Merced County, CA. Conducted paleontological resources monitoring, fossil recovery, and fossil preparation for a 5 mile segment south of Merced. Paleontology Field & Lab Technician. 2012

SR 91 HOV Project, Caltrans District 8, Riverside, CA Conducted paleontological monitoring of sensitive sediments during HOV lane construction along a 6-mile segment of State Route 91 in the City of Riverside. Sub to Applied Earthworks. Paleontology Technician. 2012-2013

Fort Irwin, U.S. Army National Training Center/GSA Region 9, San Bernardino County, CA. Class III Cultural Resources Inventory Survey and National Register Evaluation of Archaeology Sites on 9,309 acres. Conducted literature reviews and updated research designs. The project involves field evaluation guidelines, survey, site recording and site evaluation to Section 106 standards. The contract also involves biological surveys being performed by Newfields and Louis Berger Group. Archaeology Technician. 2014-2015

Sentinel Power Plant, Southern California Edison, Riverside County, CA. Performed archaeological and paleontological monitoring services during ground disturbing activities north of the City of Palm Springs. Archaeological/Paleontological Monitor. 2012

Eldorado-Ivanpah Transmission Project, Southern California Edison, Eldorado, NV to Ivanpah, CA. Performed paleontological survey and monitoring for project that involves construction of 195 miles of new transmission lines and associated fiber optic lines across BLM and private lands. Paleontology Technician. 2010-2013

Ground Water Regional Replacement and Recharge Project (R3), Mojave Water Agency, Hesperia, San Bernardino County, CA. Performed survey of roughly 4,345 acres for installation of new water systems. Performed mitigation monitoring for both archaeological and paleontological resources during construction activities. Sub to RBF. Archaeologist and Cross-Trained Paleontologist. 2011-2012