

<b>PROJECT</b>	ON-CALL CULTURAL RESOURCE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PROJECTS
<b>CLIENT</b>	LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER (LADWP)
<b>LOCATION</b>	LOS ANGELES, CA
<b>INDUSTRY</b>	GOVERNMENT
<b>SERVICES</b>	CONSULTING
<b>WEBSITE</b>	WWW.LADWP.COM

## THE CHALLENGE

LADWP's primary challenge was to meet the required standards of various federal, state and local government agencies with which they had highly adversarial relationships. LADWP needed a trusted and reliable partner to be available for a variety of projects as needed. As a lead agency for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance – with responsive staff, direct project management, local presence, and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)-related expertise – FirstCarbon Solutions (FCS) was selected by LADWP as its on-call environmental compliance partner. Our skilled staff helped smooth out discrepancies, while simultaneously fulfilling CEQA and NEPA requirements.

## OUR SOLUTION

During the course of the project, FCS' cultural resources team analyzed six different locations, including the Olancho Overcrossing Site and the Rovana Gaging Station site in Los Angeles. As deemed by our pre-construction evaluations, both locations exhibited historic era facilities on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land. The historic era facilities found were existing structures and water control features which could have been more than 50 years old. Following NEPA guidelines, these structures and features qualify as historically significant.

FCS' experienced team generated the necessary Class III surveys and Section 106 documents for BLM review. Our reports met the various federal, state and local governments' standards, and saved the LADWP management team valuable time and money. The Rovana Gaging Station project documents were delivered to the BLM and LADWP in the summer of 2012, and the Olancho Overcrossing project documents were delivered the following summer.

FCS works closely with clients on a daily basis, through every step of the project. In this case, the bond formed between FCS and LADWP increased the quality of reports, and spurred a continuing technical relationship.

## THE FCS ADVANTAGE

FCS recognizes the myriad of challenges and opportunities that organizations face in an increasingly sustainability-conscious environment. We focus on providing clients with a clear picture of their environmental performance through the work of our compliance experts that will allow them to serve as a role model for sustainability. FCS fully integrates consulting, software, and program management with back office data processing to optimize budgets and resources for the public good.

## DELIVERABLES AND RESULTS

- Saved time and money by quickly producing required reports
- Documented pre-construction recommendations
- Fulfilled CEQA and NEPA requirements
- Completed project-specific mitigation monitoring work effort
- Delivered daily reports to LADWP