

**APPENDIX A**  
**SITE PHOTOS**

## U.S. Highway 550 Subreach



**Photo A.1:** Looking west from the riverbank at 550\_1i. Note the vegetation density and height of the shrubs and trees on this island, indicating the permanence of this river feature. June 2006.



**Photo A.2:** Looking south from the northeast end of 550\_1ch. Notice the abundance of non-native vegetation (tamarisk) established on the island. June 2006.

## Paseo del Norte to Montaña Subreach



**Photo A.3:** Looking south at PDN\_7i. Notice the young vegetation in the foreground, indicating recent disturbance, and the more permanent vegetation in the background. The restoration effort will focus on destabilizing the vegetation and sediment on the southern half of the island. April 2006.



**Photo A.4:** Looking south along the western riverbank at the PDN\_3b proposed restoration site. Notice the establishment of tamarisk along the elevated bank. June 2006.

## I-40 to Central Subreach



**Photo A.5:** Looking south from the north end of I-40\_1i. Notice the tall, woody vegetation on the interior of the island, indicating that the island is not prone to regular disturbance and has become a permanent channel feature. June 2006.



**Photo A.6:** Looking north at a variety of native shrubs and trees in the vicinity of the I\_40\_1ch restoration site. The proposed backwater channel would be constructed in the clearing between the cottonwood trees. June 2006.

## South Diversion Channel Subreach



**Photo A.7:** Looking northwest at the unvegetated exterior (foreground) of SDC\_5i and the heavily vegetated island interior. The large woody vegetation present on the island interior indicates that the island is not prone to regular disturbance and has become a permanent river feature. June 2006.



**Photo A.8:** Looking south at the heavily vegetated riverbank at SDC\_5b. Notice the abundance of non-native Russian olive trees along the riverbank. This area has been disconnected from the historic floodplain and is no longer prone to overbank flooding. June 2006.