

**DRAFT REPORT**  
from  
**PEER REVIEW PANEL**  
on

**THE TERRESTRIAL  
COMPONENT**

of the  
**BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES PROGRAM**  
of  
**THE GRAND CANYON MONITORING**  
and  
**RESEARCH CENTER**

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**OVERVIEW OF TODAY'S TALK**

- ◆ **THE PANEL & ITS CHARGE**
- ◆ **OUR 'FACT FINDING' PROCESS**
  - **MATERIALS PROVIDED**
  - **THE TRIP**
  - **SUBSEQUENT MATERIALS**
- ◆ **SKETCH OF FINDINGS**
- ◆ **THE MAJOR FINDING, ONLY A PREVIEW**
- ◆ **OTHER FINDINGS**
- ◆ **QUESTIONS ASKED OF THE PANEL**
- ◆ **THE MAJOR FINDING - IN SOME DETAIL**
- ◆ **DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR**

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**THE PANEL**

- ◆ **MEMBERSHIP**
  - **N. Scott Urquhart, Statistics, Monitoring Design, Chair**
  - **Gregor T. Auble, Riparian Ecology**
  - **John G. Blake, Avian Ecology and Community Ecology**
  - **Douglas T. Bolger, Conservation Biology,  
Landscape Ecology, Birds**
  - **Timothy Gerrodette, Monitoring Design**
  - **Scott G. Leibowitz, Landscape Ecology**
  - **David C. Lightfoot, Desert Ecology, Entomology**
  - **Alan H. Taylor, Geography, Conservation Biology**

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**THE PANEL'S CHARGE**

- ◆ **WAS MORE OPEN ENDED THAN MANY**
  - **QUESTIONS WERE POSED, BUT**
  - **PANEL WAS ENCOURAGED TO CONSIDER THE  
ENTIRE TERRESTRIAL PROGRAM**
- ◆ **IN CONSULTATION WITH BARBARA RALSTON,  
ACTING DIRECTOR, BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES,  
THE PANEL HAS**
  - **EVALUATED THE CURRENT PROGRAM**
    - **IDENTIFIED SOME SUBSTANTIAL OBSTACLES**
  - **SUGGESTS FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE  
TERRESTRIAL PART OF THE BIOLOGICAL  
PROGRAM, MONITORING IN PARTICULAR**

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