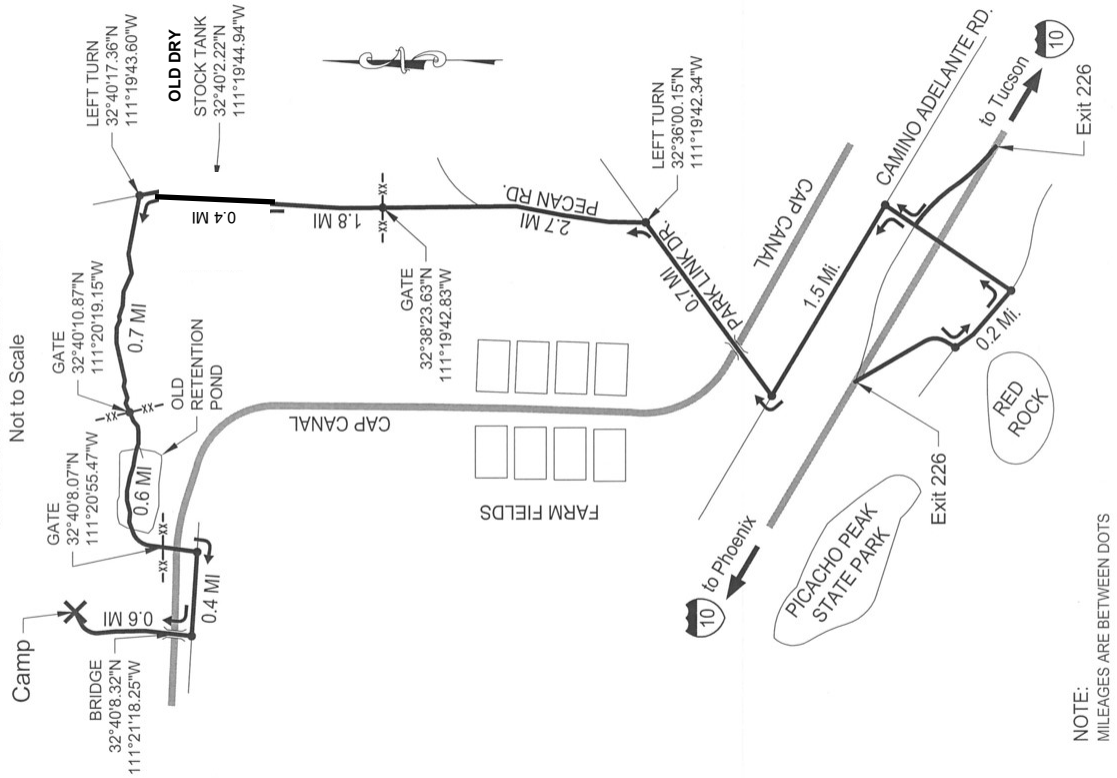


If you haven't done so, please remember to pay your membership dues!

**Newman Peak Catchment
February 15-18, 2018**



2018 AGFD/ADBSS Project Schedule— Mark Your Calendars!

<p>January 6th - Thanksgiving Tank—40A February 17th - Newman Peak—37A March 10th—ADBSS Fundraising Banquet</p>	<p>March 17th - Mescal Ridge — 24A April 14th—Hackberry Canyon—24B April 28th—Steak Fry—South Mountain Park</p>
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ADBSS/AGFD COOPERATIVE WATER PROJECT
AGFD # 981, NEWMAN PEAK CATCHMENT REDEVELOPMENT
FEBRUARY 15-18, 2018

Location:

GMU 37A: Picacho Mountains Approximate GPS coordinates of camp site: 32°40'33.01"N, 111°20'58.79"W Approximate GPS coordinates of catchment: 32°42.05'N, 111°23.745'W

FROM PHOENIX: Take I-10 southeast to EXIT 226 (Red Rock Exit) just past the Picacho Peak State Park. Take EXIT 226 and turn LEFT (toward Tucson) at the stop sign. Head southeast 0.2 miles and turn LEFT at the T intersection toward the I-10 overpass. Cross over I-10 and turn LEFT at the stop sign onto frontage road Camino Adelante Road.

FROM TUCSON: Take I-10 northwest to EXIT 226 (Red Rock Exit). Take EXIT 226 and turn RIGHT at the stop sign and then immediately turn LEFT at the "T" intersection stop sign onto frontage road Camino Adelante Road.

CONTINUED FROM CAMINO ADELANTE ROAD: Head northwest along I-10 on Camino Adelante Road for 1.5 miles to Park Link Drive and turn RIGHT (32°35'31.20"N, 111°20'14.84"W). Head northeast 0.7 miles to the intersection with Pecan Road and turn LEFT (32°36'0.15"N, 111°19'42.34"W). Head north 2.7 miles to a ranch gate (32°38'23.63"N, 111°19'42.83"W). Go thru the ranch gate and continue 1.8 miles to an old dry dirt stock tank. Continue through the stock tank and northbound on Pecan Road for 0.4 miles and turn LEFT at the "Y" intersection (32°40'17.36"N, 111°19'43.60"W). Continue westbound 0.7 miles to another ranch gate (32°40'10.87"N, 111°20'19.15"W). Go thru the ranch gate and STAY RIGHT to continue westbound 0.6 miles thru an old retention basin to another gate at the CAP canal (32°40'8.07"N, 111°20'55.47"W). Turn RIGHT and head westbound along the CAP canal 0.40 miles to a bridge on your right (32°40'8.32"N, 111°21'18.25"W). Turn RIGHT and head northbound over the CAP canal and 0.60 miles to camp.

Project Description:

Early volunteer assistance will be needed on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to remove the current fiberglass tank and float valve and prepare the site for the new development in a very tight ravine. New development will consist of 2 new HDPE 2500 gallon storage tanks, 24' x 24' metal collection apron and a 4' deep walk in trough.

Difficulty of Hike:

Moderate and short but very steep and rocky in some places.

Special Advisories:

- 1) All project participants need to participate and check in during the morning safety briefings.
- 2) Please bring charcoal, firewood, or propane stoves for cooking/heating. Do not use or destroy native vegetation.
- 3) Road to campsite is accessible by two wheel drive vehicles, short motor homes, and trucks pulling trailers but can turn to powder and become quite dusty and silty.
- 4) We must all clean up after ourselves and haul our own trash out. While on site please dispose of all water bottles, cans and other trash in garbage bags.
- 5) As we will be staying out all day on the respective work site please bring plenty of water, lunch, sunscreen and appropriate protective clothing and footwear for the conditions and work.
- 6) Please bring your own work gloves, safety glasses, tape measure and marking pen to the project if you have them. A limited number will be available on site but we sometimes run short.
- 7) All campsites must be within the designated camping area. There should be sufficient space for all vehicles. To minimize impact please keep spacing tight and more of a group camp. Ports-Johns may or may not be provided.
- 8) Please minimize disturbance to soils and existing vegetation and respect the natural beauty of the area. Haul out all trash (do not burn trash). Fire rings and vehicle tracks should be raked out when leaving the area.
- 9) This project is being accomplished in cooperation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Bureau of Land Management and is funded by the bighorn sheep Special Tag Fund and the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

General Advisories:

This is remote desert area and the possibilities of life threatening injuries exist. Volunteers should have a reliable vehicle, be in good physical condition and comfortable hiking and working in rugged terrain. Volunteers should bring and wear protective clothing, a sack lunch, rain gear, sunscreen, and water (enough for the whole day) to the project site. Project site is unsafe for young children due to the steep terrain and the use of construction equipment. Parents or guardians must maintain direct control and supervision of any minors on the project site at all times. Pets are discouraged. Projects will take place regardless of local weather conditions. All ADBSS projects feature a catered Saturday evening meal and Sunday breakfast. Membership in the ADBSS will put you on the mailing list to receive project flyers and maps.

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