

2024 AGFD/ADBSS Project Schedule– Mark Your Calendars!

Dry Mtn. Catchment GMU 28—Jan 13-14	Bill Holoboff/Hancock GMU 12BE—Apr 6-7
Sanmaniego Hills GMU 37A—Feb 10-11	Steak Fry–Cave Creek Rec Park– Apr 27
Van Deeman Redev GMU 15C—Mar 9-10	ADBSS Fundraiser—Camelback Inn—May 11



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ADBSS/AZGFD/BLM COOPERATIVE WATER PROJECT Sanmaniego Hills #1 Catchment Redevelopment (#730) February 9-11, 2024

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Location:	GMU 37A: Sanmaniego Hills (north Silver Bell Mtns) Approximate GPS coordinates of camp site: N32.52068 W111.45127 Approximate GPS coordinates of project site: N32.51654 W111.45015
	From Phoenix or Tucson take the Red Rock exit 226 on I-10. Proceed west 0.2. miles on Sasco Rd. and take a left at the Dollar General store and Aguirre Rd. After another 0.1 miles take a right to get back on the Sasco Rd. Proceed southwest on Sasco Rd. 2.3 miles to the feed lot, another 1.4 miles to a cattleguad and then another 4.3 miles (total of 8.0 miles) to the project turn off. Turn left and proceed on a good two track road 0.7 miles to camp. The Sasco Rd. is partially paved and an all-season dirt road. Camp should be easily accessible with RV's and trucks towing camp trailers unless inclement weather in experienced.
Project Description:	This is a redevelopment of an existing concrete apron/vault catchment that is functional but lacking in storage and apron size capacity. Early volunteer assistance would be helpful on Friday to prepare the site and set posts for the new development. The new development will consist of 4 new HDPE 2500-gallon storage tanks, a 24' x 96'' metal collection apron, a 4' deep walk-in trough, a new pipe rail exclosure fence and the new system will overflow into the existing system.
Difficulty of Hike: Special	The project site is 0.2 miles from camp and is accessible by vehicle with plenty of parking. We will either hike or drive to the site.
Advisories:	Midwest Chapter Youth Group - The Midwest Chapter of WSF and their Youth Waterhole Program will be attending and participating in this project. Please offer them a warm welcome.
	AZGFD Volunteer Website – All volunteers wishing to participate in one of our projects will need to access the new AZGFD Volunteer Website located at <u>http://volunteer.azgfd.gov/adbss/</u> to create a Volunteer Account and password, join the ADBSS User Group and access and sign the Volunteer Registration Form (including the Parental Consent Form if applicable). After the project is complete (and within 5 days) all volunteers should return to this website to record and log in the volunteer hours they worked on the project including the commuting time. For your convenience this flyer contains a QR code to access the AZGFD Volunteer Website with your mobile device. A hyperlink to the AZGFD Volunteer Website is also posted on our website (<u>www.adbss.org</u>) under the Projects Tab or alternatively you may type in the bolded address above into your browser. If you have any questions or issues regarding the use of this website you may contact Megan Young, AZGFD Volunteer Success Program Manager at 623-236-7311 (office), 602-526-2004 (cell) or <u>my-</u>
	 <u>oung@azgfd.gov</u>. 1)All project participants need to attend 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 high clearance two-wheel drive vehicles but 4x4 is recommended if inclement weather is encountered. A) Please bring up up to prove all of your track
General	 4) Please bring your own water and remove all of your trash. 5) Please follow the map and do not drive off existing roadways. 6) Please be respectful of the area and do not destroy native vegetation. 7) Campsites should not be located more than 50 feet from existing two track roads in and around the camp area. Fire rings and vehicle tracks leading to camp spots should be raked out when leaving the project.
Advisories:	This is a remote desert area and the possibility of life threatening injuries exists. Volunteers should have a reliable vehicle, be in good physical condition and comfortable hiking and working in rugged terrain. Volunteers should bring and wear pro- tective clothing and footwear, 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 guardi- ans must maintain direct control and supervision of any minors on the project site at all times. Pets are discouraged. Pro- jects will take place regardless of local weather conditions. All ADBSS projects feature a catered Saturday evening meal and Sunday breakfast. ADBSS Member receive project flyers and maps through the US mail.

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