



ADBSS/AZGFD/BLM COOPERATIVE WATER PROJECT

Masada Catchment Redevelopment (#1173)

April 17-19, 2026

Location: GMU 16A, Castenada Hills

Approximate GPS coordinates of camp site: N34.33976, W113.84576

Approximate GPS coordinates of project site: N34.33792, W113.8445

DIRECTIONS FROM PHOENIX: Head northwest on Hwy. 60 to Wickenburg, from Wickenburg go northwest on Hwy. 93 to Wikieup, turn west onto Chicken Springs Rd. MP 123.70 (100 ft. north of Chevron gas station), continue west on Chicken Springs Rd. 14.75 miles to Alamo Rd., turn north onto Alamo Rd., go 1.6 miles to Planet Ranch Rd. turn left and head southwesterly 10 miles to the Gas Pipeline Rd., turn south and go 11.2 miles to large wash, turn west and go .50 miles in wash to camp. Watch for signs and flagging along route. **(NOT SUITABLE FOR TRAVEL TRAILERS)**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is a redevelopment of an existing 1986/2008 catchment that involves the construction of a new 24' x 24' rain apron, the installation of (3) new 3150-gal HDPE tanks, a new walk-in drinker and reworked surface collection point and feedlines, construct an 16' x 24' steel platform to set tanks on, modify pipe-rail fence. Volunteers able to work on Thursday and Friday would be greatly appreciated.

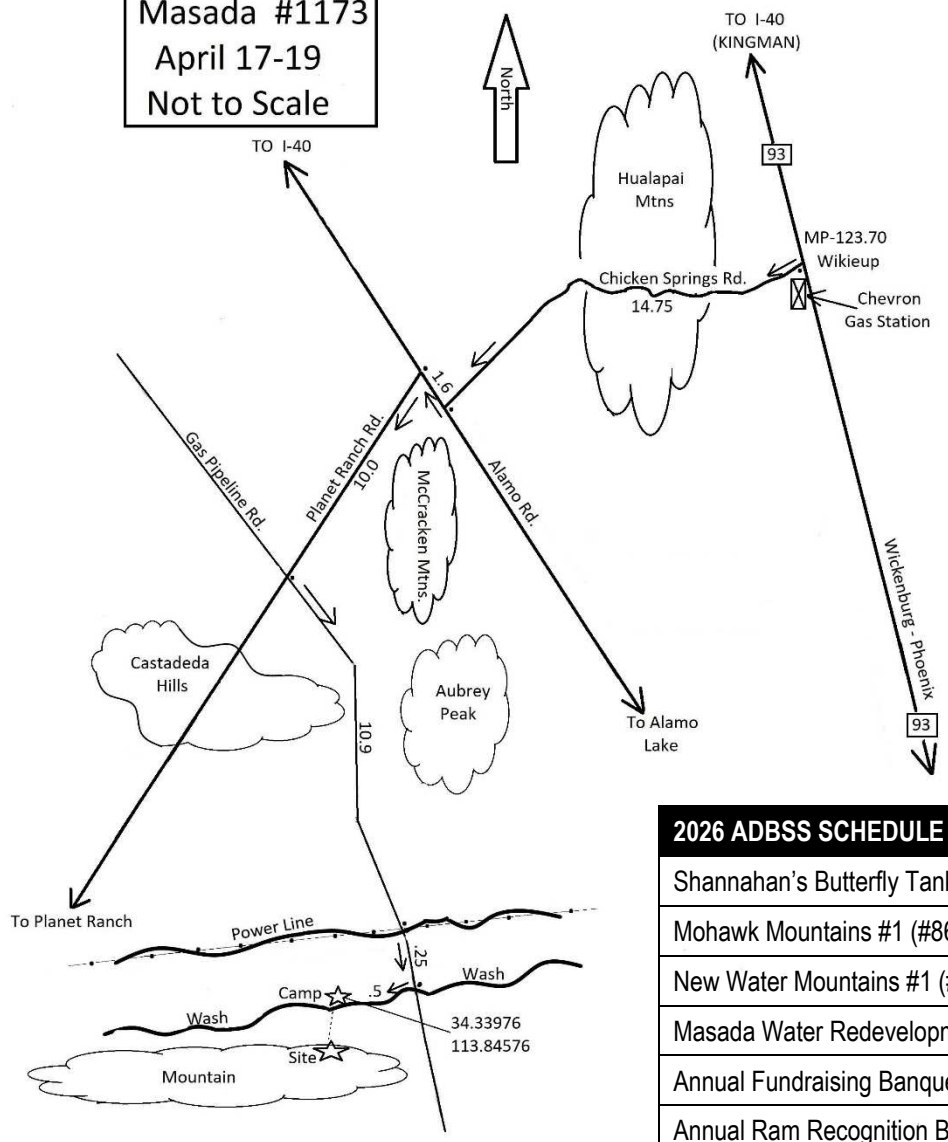
DIFFICULTY OF HIKE: EZ short hike.

SPECIAL ADVISORIES: AZGFD Volunteer Website – All volunteers wishing to participate in one of our projects should access the AZGFD Volunteer Website located at <http://volunteer.azgfd.gov/adbss/> to create a Volunteer Account and password, join the ADBSS User Group, access and sign the Volunteer Registration Form waiver (including the Parental Consent Form if applicable) and then register for the project/season. After the project is complete (and within 7 days) all volunteers should return to this website to record and log in the volunteer hours they worked on the project including their travel/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 (www.adbss.org) 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 myoung@azgfd.gov.

- 1) All project participants need to attend and check in during the morning safety briefings and be familiar with the Helicopter Safety Protocol posted on our website
- 2) Please bring charcoal, firewood, or propane stoves for cooking/heating. Avoid the use of dead or down native vegetation.
- 3) Road to campsite is accessible by high clearance two-wheel drive vehicles but 4x4 is recommended especially if inclement weather is encountered.
- 4) Please bring your own water and remove all your trash.
- 5) Project is funded by the Bighorn Sheep Special Tag Fund, ADBSS, Federal Aid to the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
- 6) Please follow the map and do not drive off existing roadways.
- 7) Please be respectful of the area and do not harm or destroy native vegetation.
- 8) 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.

GENERAL ADVISORIES: This is a 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, gloves and footwear, a sack lunch, rain gear, sunscreen, and water (enough for the whole day) to the project site. Project sites are unsafe for young children due to the steep terrain and the use of construction equipment. Parents or guardians must always maintain direct control and supervision of any minors on the project site. 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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 Volunteer Website



2026 ADBSS SCHEDULE – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!	
Shannahan's Butterfly Tank (#808)	January 10, 2026
Mohawk Mountains #1 (#863)	February 14, 2026
New Water Mountains #1 (#518)	March 21, 2026
Masada Water Redevelopment Project (#1173)	April 18, 2026
Annual Fundraising Banquet	May 9, 2026
Annual Ram Recognition Banquet & Sheep Clinic	October 3, 2026



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