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Recreation Management Area (RMA) worksheets are used to develop and document the objective(s), targeted opportunities and outcomes, prescribed setting character, and activity planning framework for designated RMAs. The worksheets are concise outlines of management direction intended for a particular area, as well as the proposed prescribed management actions and uses necessary to achieve those objective(s). From these worksheets, land-use and activity-plan management actions are developed. Following are the RMA worksheets for the five alternative Special Recreation Management Areas (SRMAs) and six Extensive Recreation Management Areas (ERMAs), along with their associated recreation management zones where applicable, as proposed in this plan for the Lower Sonoran and Sonoran Desert National Monument decision areas.

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LOWER SONORAN DECISION AREA SPECIAL RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREA
WORKSHEETS

Buckeye Hills East Trails Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)

For All Alternatives

Rationale: The Buckeye Hills East SRMA (25, 800 acres), has been established to promote motorized and non-motorized recreational opportunities, emphasizing single-track trails. The Buckeye Hills East area is located directly south of the town of Buckeye across the Gila River with scattered private and state land parcels directly to the north and east. The granitic hills have been popular for off-highway vehicle (OHV) use, predominately motorcycles, for the past 40 years providing local visitors natural open spaces close to town for recreational activities including OHV driving, hiking, equestrian, picnicking, camping, photography, target shooting and sightseeing. The area is within a PM₁₀ nonattainment area which will require mitigation measures to be considered and designed into travel management planning, proposed actions and facility development.

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; predominately motorized activities.	To provide recreational opportunities for local residents seeking primarily motorized trail experiences for a range of skill levels and distances in natural open spaces adjacent to the communities of Buckeye, Goodyear and Avondale. Single track trails would be maintained with developed loop opportunities where appropriate.	To provide recreational opportunities for local residents seeking a balanced mix of motorized and non-motorized trail experiences for a range of skill levels and distances in natural open spaces adjacent to the communities of Buckeye, Goodyear and Avondale. Single track trails would be maintained with developed loop opportunities where appropriate.	To provide recreational opportunities for local residents seeking primarily non-motorized trail experiences for a range of skill levels and distances in natural open spaces adjacent to the communities of Buckeye, Goodyear and Avondale. Single track trails would be maintained with developed loop opportunities where appropriate.	Same as B

<u>Buckeye Hills East Trails</u> Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)						
For All Alternatives						
<i>Objective Statement</i>		None	Through the life of the plan, 85% of sampled visitors will respond to a visitor survey that they were satisfied with a recreational use activity in which they were able to participate.			
<i>Activities</i>		OHV driving, hiking, equestrian, picnicking, dispersed camping, photography, target shooting and sightseeing.				
<i>Experiences</i>		No objectives	Enjoy the natural open space; learn how to use and appreciate natural resources; ability to take moderate risks.			
<i>Benefits</i>		No objectives	Enhanced awareness and understanding of nature. Community and social exposure of outdoor lifestyles. Greater community ownership and stewardship of natural resources. Increased local tourism revenue.			
PRESCRIBED RECREATION SETTING CHARACTERISTICS						
<i>Recreation Settings</i>		Semi-primitive motorized with some roaded natural ROS settings.	100% Community Interface	100% Front Country	Same as C	Same as B
<i>Physical</i>	<i>Remoteness</i>	Directly adjacent to communities on the north and east ends. In the north-end, landscape may has high evidence of human change, with mostly natural appearance in the south-end. No facilities.	Directly adjacent to communities. In the north-end, landscape may have high evidence of human change, with mostly natural appearance in the south-end. Facilities mostly small parking areas and interpretive sites with potential for large staging areas.	Not remote, directly adjacent to communities. In the north-end, landscape may have high evidence of human change, with mostly natural appearance in the middle to south-end. Facilities mostly small parking areas, trailheads and interpretive sites with potential for medium to large staging area.	Same as C but with no large staging areas.	Same as B
	<i>Naturalness</i>					
	<i>Facilities</i>					

<p align="center"><u>Buckeye Hills East Trails</u> Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)</p> <p align="center">For All Alternatives</p>						
<i>Social</i>	<i>Contacts Group Size Evidence of Use</i>	Low to moderate level of interaction among users (average 25-50 individuals singly or in groups per day). Visitors may encounter more than 75 people per day during high use season (October through April) but not often..	Potential for high level of interaction among users (average 50-100 individuals singly or in groups per day). Visitors may encounter more than 150 people per day during high use season (October through April) but not often. In local areas (1-5 acres or less) moderate impacts to soil and vegetation.	Potential for moderate to high level of interaction (average 25-75 individuals singly or in groups per day with the occasional group nearing 150 individuals.) during high use season (October through April). In local areas (1 acre or less) minor impacts to soil and vegetation.	Same as C	Same as B
<i>Operational</i>	<i>Mechanized Use Management Controls Visitor Services</i>	Motorized and small amount of mechanized use. No management presence except occasional law enforcement.	Motorized and some mechanized use. Potential for high management presence with volunteer park rangers, campground host and/or law enforcement. Increase in regulatory restrictions and signing likely. Possible on-site assistance at developed recreation sites during seasonal use periods.	Motorized and small amount of mechanized use. Potential for moderate to high management presence with volunteer park rangers and law enforcement. Signing and brochures likely. On-site assistance at developed recreation sites unlikely.	Same as C	Same as B

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Mostly Class II and III with some parcels as IV	Mostly Class IV	Mostly Class III	Same as C	Same as B
<i>All Minerals Activities</i>	Open				
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Avoidance for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs			
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses but emphasizing motorized trail opportunities.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Balanced motorized and non-motorized uses emphasizing trail opportunities.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses but emphasizing non-motorized trail opportunities.	Same as B
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Majority of roads maintained at levels 1 to 3 with access roads maintained at level 5.	Same as B	Same as B. Up to 50% of primitive roads would be converted to non-motorized trails.	Same as B
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites if established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping.			
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized and non-motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros or equestrian endurance rides, would be considered on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Up to six staging, parking and/or training areas may be developed with standard and expanded amenity facilities. Up to two large staging areas could be developed not to exceed 10 acres each.	Up to six staging, parking and/or training areas may be developed with standard and expanded amenity facilities. One large staging area could be developed not to exceed 10 acres.	Up to four staging/parking areas may be developed with standard amenity facilities	Same as C
<i>Fees</i>	None	The RMZ or specific sites would potentially be established as fee sites in accordance with FLREA.			

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Buckeye, Goodyear and Avondale, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Arizona OHV Coalition, Arizona Horseman’s Association and local OHV and equestrian clubs.

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

Gunsight Wash Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)

Alternatives B, C and E

Rationale: The Gunsight Wash area south of the town of Ajo (T14S, R5W, Sections 2-4 and 9-11; approximately 2,500 acres) has been a popular overnight camping spot for national and international winter visitors since the 1980s. The adjacent area is Sonoran pronghorn habitat with the Organ Pipe National Monument and Cabeza-Prieta Wildlife Preserve nearby as well. BLM proposes management actions to be responsive to the continued demand for this experience in an area where the surrounding landscapes need to be retained and wildlife protected.

		Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)		Remote, primitive camping area	To provide structured, managed camping where there is a high demand from long distance winter visitors seeking a remote, primitive winter camping experience and access to adjacent public lands.		Non-structured, primitive camping with little management controls.	Same as B and C
<i>Objective Statement</i>		None	Through the life of the plan, 90% of sampled visitors report satisfaction with their camping experience			
<i>Activities</i>		RV and primitive camping, social gathering and hiking with sightseeing/touring, photography and wildlife viewing on the adjacent BLM and other federal lands.				
<i>Experiences</i>		No objective	Enjoy having easy access to natural landscapes, exploring, and participating in group outdoor activities.			
<i>Benefits</i>		No objective	Greater freedom from urban living. Enhanced ability for visitors to find areas providing recreational experiences.			
PRESCRIBED RECREATION SETTING CHARACTERISTICS						
<i>Recreational Settings</i>		Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.	Front Country (100%)		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Physical</i>	<i>Remoteness Naturalness Facilities</i>	Moderately remote setting. There are no facilities on the BLM lands however they may be found in the surrounding area.	Moderately remote setting and moderately natural in appearance with portions of the landscape is subject to high evidence of human change. Provide developed extended stay RV and primitive camping area while maintaining the natural environment at the site. Developed facilities would be moderate.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C

<u>Gunsight Wash</u> Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)					
Alternatives B, C and E					
<i>Social</i>	<i>Contacts Group Size Evidence of Use</i>	During the use season (October to April) there is a moderate level of interaction averaging 25-50/day with group sizes 8 to 12. Almost none in the off season.	Same as A however level of interaction and group size may increase slightly with the addition of amenities. Encounters could reach 75 with group sizes up to 20 during busiest time of use season (December to April).	Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Operational</i>	<i>Mechanized Use Management Controls Visitor Services</i>	Some management presence and on-site host during use season.	Motorized and mechanized use on existing and/or designated routes. Moderate management presence with campground host through most of year. Moderate to high level of visitor services.	Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class IV	Class III			
<i>Locatable Minerals</i>	No restriction	Proposed to withdraw to exploration and development.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Leasable Minerals</i>	No restriction	Closed to leasable minerals and seismic exploration.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	No restriction	Closed to mineral material disposals.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Exclusion for utility-scale renewable energy and major linear LUAs; Avoidance minor linear and non-linear LUAs.		N/A	Same as B and C

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Predominately roads suitable for 2WD access for RVs.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	None	Approximately 80% of roads maintained at levels 3 to 5.	Approximately 40% of roads maintained at levels 3 to 5	N/A	Same as C
<i>Camping</i>	Dispersed	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated individual and group sites when established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping.		Dispersed	Same as B and C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	14 day limit	120 day limit	60 days limit	Same as A	Same as A
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. No competitive motorized or non-motorized speed events.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	No collection within ¼ mile of signed developed site. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard and Expanded; May install amenities such as restroom, ramada area, picnic tables, individual campsites and improved roads.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Fees</i>	None	Potentially establish the campground as a recreation fee site in accordance with FLREA to allow for the collection of use fees.		N/A	Same as B and C
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with adjacent communities, interested agencies, Native American Tribes, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Why and Ajo, Pima County, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Organ Pipe National Park Service, the Tohono O'odham Nation, and the International Sonoran Desert Alliance.					

*Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

Painted Rock Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)

For All Alternatives

Description: The 300 acre Painted Rock Petroglyph Site and Campground has been established for the past 25 years as an interpretive and campground site for national and international winter visitors. The site, approximately 90 miles southwest of Phoenix, Arizona, provides visitors the opportunity to view an ancient archaeological site containing hundreds of symbolic and artistic rock etchings, or "petroglyphs," produced centuries ago by prehistoric peoples. There are also inscriptions made by people who passed through during historic times. Many well-known events in Arizona history occurred near the petroglyph site, including the expedition of Juan Bautista de Anza that founded San Francisco, the Mormon Battalion and the Butterfield Overland Mail. Formerly a unit of the Arizona State Parks system, jurisdiction of Painted Rock Petroglyph Site reverted to the Bureau of Land Management in 1989. The surrounding 9,500 acre area is a large wildlife habitat viewing area as well as a popular recreational area offering hunting opportunities with cultural and historical values as well. BLM proposes management actions to be responsive to the continued demand for this experience in an area where the surrounding landscapes need to be retained and recreational values protected.

		Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	To provide structured, managed camping where there is a high demand from national and international winter visitors seeking a remote, primitive winter camping experience near an adjacent petroglyph site day use area and access to adjacent public lands which provide cultural and historic attractions of regional, national and international interest.					
<i>Objective Statement</i>	None		Through the life of the plan, 85% of sampled visitors report satisfaction with their camping experience			
<i>Activities</i>	RV and primitive camping, social gathering, cultural and historic site viewing, interpretive exhibit viewing, picnicking and hiking					
<i>Experiences</i>	No objective		Enjoy having easy access to natural landscapes, exploring, and participating in group outdoor activities.			
<i>Benefits</i>	No objective		Greater freedom from urban living. Enhanced ability for visitors to find areas providing recreational experiences. Environmental education			
PRESCRIBED RECREATION SETTING CHARACTERISTICS						
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.		Front Country (100%)			
<i>Physical</i>	<i>Remoteness</i> <i>Naturalness</i> <i>Facilities</i>	Moderately remote setting used for both motorized and non-motorized uses. Facilities include restrooms, ramada		Provide developed extended stay RV and primitive camping area while maintaining the natural environment at the site. Facilities include restrooms, ramada areas, individual campsites with picnic tables and grills, and improved roads		

<u>Painted Rock</u> Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)					
For All Alternatives					
		areas, individual campsites with picnic tables and grills, and improved roads			
<i>Social</i>	<i>Contacts Group Size Evidence of Use</i>	During the use season (October to April) there is a moderate level of interaction averaging 25-50/day with group sizes 8 to 12. Almost none in the off season.	Same as A except level of interaction and group size may increase slightly with the addition of amenities such as a dump station, potential water hookups, and electricity for the additional host site. Encounters could reach 75 with group sizes up to 200 during busiest time of use season (December to April).		
<i>Operational</i>	<i>Mechanized Use Management Controls Visitor Services</i>	Motorized and mechanized use on existing routes within campground area. Adjacent area limited to designated and/or signed open routes. Volunteer campground host present October-April.	Motorized and mechanized use on existing routes within campground area. Adjacent area limited to designated and/or signed open routes. At least one campground host throughout most of year, sometimes two hosts during busiest time of January to March. High level of visitor services.		
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class IV	Class III			
<i>Locatable Minerals</i>	No restriction	The day use area and campground areas would be recommended for withdrawal to locatable minerals exploration and development (300 acres). The remaining area would be open (9,500 acres).			
<i>Leasable Minerals in Campground and</i>	No restriction	The day use area and campground areas would be closed to leasable minerals exploration and development (300 acres). Selected public lands adjacent to the campground would be open to leasables			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Adjacent Area</i>		with No Surface Occupancy and closed to seismic exploration (6,100 acres). The remaining lands in the SRMA would be open (3,400 acres).			
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	No restriction	The campground area and selected lands adjacent to the campground would be closed to mineral material disposals (6,400 acres). The remaining lands in the SRMA would be open (3,400 acres).			
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	The day use and campground area (300 acres) would be excluded from utility-scale renewable energy and major linear LUAs; and avoidance areas for minor linear and non-linear LUAs. The remaining portion of the SRMA would be open to all.			
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Predominately roads suitable for 2WD access for RVs.			
<i>Travel in Adjacent Area</i>	Limited to signed open and/or designated routes.	On the approximate 9,800 acres of public lands adjacent to the campground and petroglyph day use area, motorized use would be limited to signed open and/or designated roads, primitive roads and trails.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	None	90% of roads maintained at levels 3 to 5.			
<i>Campground Camping</i>	60 individual and 2 group use designated sites for all alternatives; no plans to increase # of sites although there is room for expansion.				
<i>Length of Stay</i>	7 months maximum from October 1 to April 30; 14 day maximum May 1 to September 30	90 day limit year round			
<i>Camping in Adjacent Area</i>	The public lands adjacent to the campground and petroglyph day use area would remain closed to vehicle-based camping.				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. No motorized or non-motorized competitive speed events.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of signed camping area. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Target Shooting</i>	Prohibited within the signed developed area, within ¼ mile of an occupied structure, and across roads and primitive roads and trails in accordance with state and federal regulations.				
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	Standard and Expanded amenities; may install more amenities such as a second restroom, additional ramada areas, picnic tables, individual campsites and improved roads.				
<i>Fees</i>	The campground was established as a recreation fee site in September 14, 2005 in accordance with FLREA. A business plan for the site has been approved and is in effect.				
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate on-the-ground management actions or changes to the existing Painted Rock Petroglyph Site and Campground Recreation Management Plan, and establish partnerships as needed with interested communities, agencies and other organizations as needed. Potential cooperative parties include the Native American Tribes, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Arizona Game and Fish Department, town of Gila Bend and Arizona Anza NHT Coalition.					

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

**Saddle Mountain Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)
For Alternatives B and C**

Rationale: The Saddle Mountain SRMA (47,500 acres) has been established to promote non-motorized recreational opportunities, provide geologic, cultural, and wildlife interpretive sites, and protect the recreational values associated with the area’s scenic landscapes and vistas. The Saddle Mountain area, approximately 60 miles west of Phoenix, Arizona, provides visitors the opportunity to view outstanding landscapes and recreate in an area that has cultural and wildlife values. The core area is large wildlife habitat area as well as a popular recreational area with cultural and some historical values. BLM proposes management actions to be responsive to the continued demand for this experience in an area where the surrounding landscapes need to be retained and recreational values protected.

		Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	To provide recreational opportunities for local visitors seeking a primarily non-motorized trail experience with limited motorized access to explore, discover and view the outstanding scenic landscapes, unique geologic features, and cultural and wildlife resources of the area.					
<i>Objective Statement</i>	None	Through the life of the plan, at least 85% of visitors will respond to a visitor survey finding satisfaction with the easy access and the opportunities for non-motorized trail experiences in this area.				
<i>Activities</i>	Hiking, mountain biking and equestrian, vehicle-based camping, and picnicking/social gathering					
<i>Experiences</i>	Similar objectives	Enjoy having easy access to natural landscapes, exploring, and enhanced ability for visitors to find areas providing recreational experiences.				
<i>Benefits</i>	Similar objectives	Enjoy self-directed recreation and adventure activities; Enjoying risk-taking adventure; Feeling good about solitude, being isolated, and independent; Enjoying having easy access to natural landscapes				
PRESCRIBED RECREATION SETTING CHARACTERISTICS						
<i>Recreation Settings</i>		Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.	6% Community Interface; 83% Front Country; 11% Back Country; < 1% Passage	54% Front Country; 45% Back Country; 1% Passage	Undesignated Lands (ACEC)	See ERMA
<i>Physical</i>	<i>Remoteness Naturalness Facilities</i>	Moderately remote setting used for both motorized and non-motorized uses.	Moderately remote, mostly natural environment with moderate to high human evidence. Facilities would be moderate to high; mostly trails, designated and interpretive sites are authorized.		Undesignated Lands (ACEC)	See ERMA

<u>Saddle Mountain</u> Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)					
For Alternatives B and C					
<i>Social</i>	<i>Contacts Group Size Evidence of Use</i>	During the use season (October to April) there is a moderate level of interaction averaging 25 to 50. Little in the off season.	Encounters could reach mostly 25 to 75, individuals or groups per day, during October through April and fewer individuals and groups in the Back Country.	Undesignated Lands (ACEC)	See ERMA
<i>Operational</i>	<i>Mechanized Use Management Controls Visitor Services</i>	Motorized and mechanized uses. Minimal level of management control with route signage. No visitor services.	Motorized and mechanized use on existing and/or designated routes. Low to moderate management control with route signage. Low to moderate level of visitor services – interpretation signage and brochures.	Undesignated Lands (ACEC)	See ERMA
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Mostly Class II and III with some parcels as IV	Mostly Class III with some Class II and IV	Mostly Class II and some Class III along corridors and north end	Mostly Class II with some Class III along corridors	ERMA
<i>Locatable and Leasable Minerals</i>	Open	Open		N/A	ERMA
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	Open	Open	Closed	N/A	ERMA
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Avoidance for utility-scale renewable energy and major linear LUAs		N/A	ERMA
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses.		N/A	ERMA

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Majority of roads maintained at levels 3 to 5 with up to 5% maintained at level 5.	Majority of roads maintained at level 1 with up to 10% maintained at level 3.	N/A	ERMA
<i>Camping</i>	Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites when established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.			
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Unlimited	14 day limit			
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. No motorized competitive speed events and motorized technical or specialized uses (such as rock crawling). Non-motorized competitive speed events on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of designated campsites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard for B and C; mostly parking areas, trailheads and interpretive signing as needed.	N/A	ERMA	
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include Tonopah, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Friends of Saddle Mountain along with various local OHV and non-motorized recreational organizations.					

*Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

San Tan Mountains Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)

For Alternative B Only

Rationale: The San Tan Mountain SRMA (6, 800 acres) is established to continue providing a developed, non-motorized park setting, in cooperation with Maricopa and Pinal Counties for residents in Eastern Maricopa and Western Pinal Counties, located southeast of metropolitan Phoenix, seeking recreational and educational benefits and opportunities in pristine lower Sonoran Desert containing quality natural and cultural resources. Activities include hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, picnicking, and organized events. The park is one of 12 in the Maricopa County Parks System and is an integral part of the local communities' and counties' economy.

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	Currently managed under Cooperative Management Agreement with Maricopa County Parks with county having lead operational authority.	To continue providing a developed, non-motorized park setting for local and regional visitors who seek recreational and educational opportunities in the lower Sonoran Desert containing quality natural and cultural resources. The area would be cooperatively managed in partnership with Maricopa and Pinal Counties and other stakeholders.	Managed by Maricopa County through an R&PP lease.		
<i>Objective Statement</i>	None	Through the life of the plan, 90% of sampled visitors will indicate that they are very satisfied with their recreational experience in the area.			
<i>Activities</i>	Hiking, equestrian, mountain biking, picnicking, exploring and sightseeing.				
<i>Experiences</i>	No objectives	Enjoying having easy access to natural landscapes; having a wide variety of environments with a single park or recreation area; Feeling good about how natural resources and facilities are being managed.			

San Tan Mountains Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)**For Alternative B Only**

<i>Benefits</i>	No objectives	Greater freedom from urban living. More informed citizenry about where to go for different kinds of recreation experiences and benefits. Reduced negative human impacts such as litter, vegetative trampling, and unplanned trails. Increased local tourism revenue.
PRESCRIBED RECREATION SETTING CHARACTERISTICS		
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	None	69% Front Country; 31% Back Country
<i>Physical</i>	<i>Remoteness Naturalness Facilities</i>	Within close proximity to large suburban area. Moderately remote, mostly natural environment with moderate to high human evidence in the surrounding area. Facilities would be moderate to high especially around perimeter on adjacent county land; typical park setting infrastructure and amenities including non-motorized trail system and parking.
<i>Social</i>	<i>Contacts Group Size Evidence of Use</i>	High level of interaction among users (average 100-300 individuals singly or in groups per day with some events reaching 1,500 people). Visitors may encounter more than 300 people per day during high use season (October through April). High evidence of use.
<i>Operational</i>	<i>Mechanized Use Management Controls Visitor Services</i>	Mechanized and non-motorized use. High level of regulatory management controls including volunteers, park rangers and law enforcement. High level of visitor services.

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class III		N/A		
<i>All Minerals Activities</i>	Withdrawn from mining entry and activities.		N/A		
<i>Lands Actions</i>	Withdrawn from all lands actions.	Avoidance area for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs.	N/A		
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited area for non-motorized uses only. New trails allowed in accordance with County Master Plan.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Non-motorized uses only.	N/A		
<i>Camping</i>	Closed to camping.		N/A		
<i>SRPs</i>	Organized group use and events authorized per County regulations and Master Plan.	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros, would be prohibited.	N/A		
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Not permitted.		N/A		
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	Standard and Expanded as needed in accordance with Master Plan.		N/A		

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Fees</i>	Established by county under Master Plan guidance.	The RMZ would be designated as a Special Management Area and established as a fee site in accordance with FLREA and subsequent business plan.	N/A		
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with the cities and towns near the Park located southeast of Phoenix metropolitan area, interested agencies, and interested user groups to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Queen Creek and Florence, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, the Gila River Indian Community, the Pinal Regional Park Council, Friends of San Tan Regional Park and various local and state non-motorized focused organizations and clubs.					

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

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<u>Ajo Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)</u> <u>Ajo Desert Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)</u> For Alternatives B, C and E					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; motorized and non-motorized recreation activities.	The Ajo Desert RMZ is designated for local and regional visitors to engage in predominately undeveloped, primitive, and self-directed recreational experiences without provisions for motorized or mechanized access, except for identified routes. Activities include OHV driving, mountain biking, hiking and equestrian activities.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Acres</i>	N/A	150,400	157,300	Undesignated Lands	149,800
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.	15% Front Country; 81% Back Country; 4% Passage	16% Front Country; 81% Back Country; 3% Passage	Undesignated Lands	15% Front Country; 82% Back Country; 3% Passage
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class III and IV	Coffeepot-Batamote Mountains Class II and remainder Class III	Coffeepot-Batamote Mountains and SE Cuerda de Lena area Class II ,and remainder Class III	Mostly Class II	Same as B
<i>All Minerals Activities</i>	Open				

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Avoidance for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs. Back country settings are exclusion areas for utility-scale renewable energy projects and major linear ROWs.			
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated primitive roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Majority of roads maintained at levels 1 to 3 with access roads and pullouts maintained at level 5.			
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.			
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit	7-day limit in consecutive 28 day period	Same as A	Same as B and C	
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized speed events would be prohibited. Competitive non-motorized speed events, such as equestrian endurance rides would be considered on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard, primarily trailheads and interpretive signing as needed.			
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with adjacent communities, interested agencies, Native American Tribes, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Why and Ajo, Pima County, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Organ Pipe National Park Service, the Tohono O'odham Nation and the International Sonoran Desert Alliance.					

*Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

**Ajo Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)
Ajo Gateway Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)**

For Alternatives B, C and E

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; motorized and non-motorized recreation activities.	The Ajo Gateway RMZ is designated for local and regional visitors to enjoy intensive recreational use consisting of predominately motorized activities as well as non-motorized opportunities on public lands bordering the Ajo community, but natural in appearance. Activities include motocross bike riding, mountain biking and hiking in a system of primitive roads and trails just outside of town.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Acres</i>	N/A	27,100	20,300	Undesignated Lands	Same as B
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Rural and semi-primitive motorized ROS settings.	100% Community Interface		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class III and IV	Mostly Class IV with some Class III	Balance of Class III and IV with small amount of Class II	Balance of Class II and III	Same as B
<i>All Minerals</i>	Open				
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Avoidance for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs.			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	<p>Limited to existing or designated primitive roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. The Ajo Scenic Loop road could be designated during travel management planning to interpret and educate local and seasonal visitors on adjacent public lands.</p> <p>Alt B Only: A 40-acre open area for motorized opportunities, such as unrestricted motocross bike riding, would be established with the provision that local partners would be sought to monitor and provide on-site management and educate users in environmental stewardship.</p>			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Majority of roads maintained at levels 1 to 3 with access roads and pullouts maintained at level 5.			
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.			
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit	7-day limit in consecutive 28 day period	Same as A	Same as B and C	
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard; primarily trailheads and interpretive signing as needed.			
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with adjacent communities, interested agencies, Native American Tribes, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Why and Ajo, Pima County, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Organ Pipe National Park Service, the Tohono O'odham Nation and the International Sonoran Desert Alliance.					

*Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

Arlington Trails Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)

For Alternatives B and E

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; predominately motorized and hunting activities.	Arlington Trails ERMA (60,600 acres) is designated for local and regional visitors seeking a dispersed or family-oriented motorized recreation experience including off-highway vehicle driving for various vehicle types and skill levels, camping, exploring and sightseeing in a remote Sonoran Desert landscape.			
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized and roaded natural along Agua Caliente Road.	100% Front Country	Undesignated Lands		Same as B
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class III and IV	Mostly Class IV	N/A		Same as B
<i>All Minerals</i>	Open		N/A		Same as A and B
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Avoidance for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs.	N/A		Same as B
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Up to 25 miles of new roads may be constructed as needed to connect loop routes to provide opportunities for a family riding experience. Existing roads could be re-aligned to improve resource management or public safety.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	None	Maintain at levels 1-3 with up to 10% maintained at level 3. Up to 30% maintained at level 5.	N/A		Same as B

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites if established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	N/A		Same as B
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized and non-motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros or equestrian endurance rides, would be considered on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within 1/4 mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard amenities as needed. Up to 2 staging areas would be developed with standard and expanded amenity facilities limited to a maximum of 10 acres each.	N/A		Same as B
<i>Fees</i>	None	The RMZ, or specific sites, could be established as fee sites as needed in accordance with FLREA.	N/A		Same as B

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Arlington, Buckeye and Tonopah, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department, the Arizona OHV Coalition, and local OHV clubs.

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

Buckeye Hills West Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)

For All Alternatives

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E	
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; predominately motorized and hunting activities.	The Buckeye Hills West ERMA (25,800 acres) would be designated for dispersed recreational opportunities adjacent to the Maricopa County Buckeye Recreation Area Regional Park and the Robbins Butte State Wildlife Area. The RMZ would be managed for motorized and non-motorized recreational activities including off-highway vehicle (OHV) touring, hiking, sightseeing, wildlife viewing, photography and hunting.				
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.	100% Front Country	40% Front Country; 59% Back Country; 1% Passage	98% Back Country; 2% Passage	Same as B	
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS						
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E	
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class IV; Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands Class III	Class III	Mostly Class II	Same as C	Same as B	
<i>Locatable Minerals</i>	Open with the exception of closed to Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands, adjacent Buckeye Hills Maricopa County Park and Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (contain BLM subsurface minerals).					
<i>Leasable Minerals</i>	Open with the exception of closed to Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands, adjacent Buckeye Hills Maricopa County Park and Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (contain BLM subsurface minerals).					
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	Open with the exception of closed to Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands, adjacent Buckeye Hills Maricopa County Park and Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (contain BLM subsurface minerals).				All closed (due to Gila Bend Wildlife Habitat Area)	Same as A-C
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction with exception of exclusion area in Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands.	Avoidance for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs with exception of exclusion area in Fred J. Weiler PLO 1015 lands.				
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to existing or designated primitive roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses.				

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Majority of roads maintained at levels 1 to 3 with access roads maintained at level 5.	Same as B	Primitive roads maintained at level 1.	Same as B
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites if established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Overnight camping prohibited unless specifically authorized.	Same as B	Same as C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized and non-motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros or equestrian endurance rides, would be prohibited.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Standard amenities as needed.	Same as B	None	Same as B and C
<i>Fees</i>	None	The RMZ would be established as Special Management Area and potential fee sites established as needed in accordance with FLREA.		None	Same as B and C

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Buckeye, Arlington and Tonopah, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Arizona OHV Coalition.

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security
Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services*

Gila Bend Mountains Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)

For Alternatives B, C and E

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; predominately non-motorized and hunting activities.	The Gila Bend Mountains ERMA would be designated to provide local and regional visitors dispersed, self-directed recreation opportunities and experiences in a remote and undeveloped Sonoran Desert landscape which includes two wilderness areas. Activities include off-road vehicle driving, camping, hiking, hunting and sightseeing.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized and semi-primitive non-motorized and primitive ROS settings in wilderness.	15% Front Country; 83% Back Country; 2% Passage	Same as B	Undesignated Lands	Same as B
<i>Acreege</i>	N/A	253,800	314,800	Undesignated Lands	259,800
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class I, III and IV	Woolsey Peak/Signal Mountain Wildernesses Class I and remainder Class II - IV	Woolsey Peak/Signal Mountain Wildernesses Class I and remainder Class II and III	Woolsey Peak/Signal Mountain Wildernesses Class I and remainder Class II and III	Same as B
<i>Locatable Minerals</i>	Open except in wilderness areas which are withdrawn				
<i>Leasable and Mineral Minerals</i>	Open except in wilderness areas which are closed			All closed (wilderness and Gila Bend Wildlife Habitat Area)	Same as A-C
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction with exception of wilderness	Exclusion in wilderness areas and back country settings. Avoidance remaining area for all LUAs, including utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs.			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
	areas.				
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails outside of wilderness; closed in wilderness to motorized and mechanized uses.	Limited to existing or designated primitive roads and trails outside of wilderness. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Closed in wilderness to motorized and mechanized uses.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Maintain 90% at level I with up to 3% maintained at levels 3-5 to allow for two-wheel drive access.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites if established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.		Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Same as B and C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros, would be prohibited. Competitive non-motorized speed events such as endurance rides, would be analyzed on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Minor investments in visitor facilities. Standard amenities at the Sundad public use site.	Same as B	N/A	Same as B and C

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include the towns of Buckeye, Arlington and Tonopah, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and the Arizona OHV Coalition. The town of Agua Caliente would also be a potential partner when the historic mining site of Sundad is developed as a recreation/Public Use Site.

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

<i>Lower Gila Historic Trails Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA)</i>					
For Alternatives B, C and E					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	None; Dispersed recreation uses; predominately motorized, hunting and viewing cultural sites.	The Lower Gila Historic Trails ERMA (42,600 acres) would be designated to provide recreation and educational opportunities and experiences to local, regional and national visitors who seek to discover, tour, and learn about the Juan Bautista de Anza NHT, the historic Butterfield Overland Stage Route and Mormon Battalion trails that intersect the NHT corridor, in addition to the area's rich cultural and natural history and resources.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Roaded natural ROS setting.	100% Front Country		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class IV	Class III	Class II		Same as B
<i>Locatable Minerals</i>	Open	Recommend for withdrawal to exploration and development		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Leasable Minerals</i>	Open	Closed to geophysical exploration; Open to leasables with No Surface Occupancy.		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	Open	Closed		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	Exclusion for utility-scale renewable energy and major linear ROWs; Avoidance for minor linear and non-linear LUAs.			
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails.	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses.			

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	Maintain at levels 1 to 3, with up to 10% of the route network maintained at level 5		N/A	Same as B and C
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites if established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.		Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Same as B and C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Standard 14-day limit				
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. Competitive motorized speed events, including motorcycle enduros, would be prohibited. Competitive non-motorized speed events such as endurance rides, would be analyzed on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	Facility infrastructure modest in scope and scale, but may include expanded amenities as needed. Standard amenities at the Butterfield West public use site.	Same as B	N/A	Same as B and C

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, interested user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include Native American Tribes, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Arizona Game and Fish Department, town of Gila Bend and Arizona Anza NHT Coalition.

**Standard recreation site amenity examples - picnic tables, trash receptacles, toilets, developed parking, interpretive signing, and security*

Expanded amenities examples: services such as hookups, dump stations, special tours, access roads or transportation systems and reservation services

Saddle Mountain Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA)

For Alternative E

Rationale: The Saddle Mountain SRMA (47,500 acres) has been established to promote non-motorized recreational opportunities, provide geologic, cultural, and wildlife interpretive sites, and protect the recreational values associated with the area's scenic landscapes and vistas. The Saddle Mountain area, approximately 60 miles west of Phoenix, Arizona, provides visitors the opportunity to view outstanding landscapes and recreate in an area that has cultural and wildlife values. The core area is large wildlife habitat area as well as a popular recreational area with cultural and some historical values. BLM proposes management actions to be responsive to the continued demand for this experience in an area where the surrounding landscapes need to be retained and recreational values protected.

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	To provide recreational opportunities for local visitors seeking a primarily non-motorized trail experience with limited motorized access to explore, discover and view the outstanding scenic landscapes, unique geologic features, and cultural and wildlife resources of the area.				
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Semi-primitive motorized ROS setting.	See SRMA		Undesignated Lands (ACEC)	5% Community Interface; 77% Front Country; 17% Back Country; < 1% Passage
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Mostly Class II and III with some parcels as IV	See SRMA		See SRMA	Mostly Class III with some Class II and IV
<i>Locatable and Leasable Minerals</i>	Open	See SRMA		N/A	Open
<i>Mineral Materials</i>	Open	See SRMA		N/A	Closed
<i>Lands Actions</i>	No restriction	See SRMA		N/A	Avoidance for utility-scale renewable energy and major linear LUAs

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; motorized and non-motorized uses.	See SRMA		N/A	Limited to existing or designated roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Non-motorized routes would be developed to meet demand for hiking, equestrian and mountain biking activities.
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	Undesignated	See SRMA		Undesignated Lands	Majority of roads maintained at level 1 with up to 10% maintained at level 3.
<i>Camping</i>	Dispersed primitive camping allowed.	Vehicle-based within 100 feet of centerline of existing or designated routes, or limited to designated sites when established in subsequent activity planning. Dispersed primitive camping allowed.			
<i>Length of Stay</i>	Unlimited	14 day limit			
<i>SRPs</i>	Case by case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930. Vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP. Organized groups over 75 people requires permit. No motorized competitive speed events and motorized technical or specialized uses (such as rock crawling). Non-motorized competitive speed events on a case-by-case basis.			
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A with the exception of no collection within ¼ mile of designated campsites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	None	See SRMA		Undesignated Lands	Standard amenities; mostly parking areas, trailheads and interpretive signing as needed.

Administrative Actions

Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include Tonopah, Maricopa County, Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Friends of Saddle Mountain along with various local OHV and non-motorized recreational organizations.

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SONORAN DESERT NATIONAL MONUMENT DECISION AREA EXTENSIVE RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREA WORKSHEETS

Sonoran Desert National Monument Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA) Desert Back Country Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)

For Alternatives B, C and E

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	Dispersed recreation uses; motorized and non-motorized recreation activities in accordance with Monument Proclamation.	Through the life of the plan the 433,600 acre Desert Back Country RMZ would be established for visitors seeking an undeveloped, back country experience with resource-dependent activities such as hunting, camping, hiking, sightseeing and four-wheel touring.		Undesignated	Same as B and C
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Mostly semi-primitive motorized with rural and roaded-natural along I-8, semi-primitive non-motorized south of I-8 and primitive ROS settings in wilderness.	16% Front Country; 84% Back Country; <1% Passage	9% Front Country; 91% Back Country; <1% Passage	Undesignated	12% Front Country; 88% Back Country; <1% Passage
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Combination of all classes, I, II, III and IV	Mostly Class I and II with some Class III	Mostly Class I and II	Almost all Class I	Mostly Class I and II with some Class III
<i>All Minerals</i>	Closed per Proclamation				
<i>Lands Actions</i>	Exclusion area for utility-scale renewable energy development and major linear ROWs; exclusion area for minor linear and non-linear LUAs in the designated wilderness areas, and avoidance area everywhere else.				

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; both motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to designated roads, primitive roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Consists primarily of primitive roads.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	None	Maintain at levels 1-3 with up to 5% maintained at level 5 to provide two-wheel-drive passenger car access to public use cultural sites, day use areas and camping facilities.			
<i>Camping</i>	Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas. No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.	Dispersed vehicle-based camping allowed. No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.	Dispersed vehicle-based camping would be allowed on existing or suitable sites. No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping. Over the life of the plan, designated sites would be established as needed.	Vehicle-based camping allowed at designated sites only. Maximum of 100 sites could be designated in the SDNM over the life of the plan. No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.	Same as C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	14-day limit within consecutive 28-day period.	Same as A unless changed in subsequent planning.			
<i>SRPs</i>	Case-by-case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930 and vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP and monument objects are protected. Organized groups over 25 people requires permit. Permits will not be issued for organized groups of more than 200 participants at one site. Certified weed-free feed required for all equestrian and stock animal use authorized under SRPs. Competitive motorized and non-motorized speed events would not be authorized.			
<i>Individual SRPs</i>	The Sand Tanks Mountains area of the SDNM commonly known as "Area A" would be designated and managed as a Special Management Area that requires a Barry M. Goldwater Air Force Range entry and public safety permit for access.				

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Target Shooting</i>	Open	Open on 55,500 acres; Prohibited on 378,100 acres	Open on 1,100 acres; Prohibited on 432,500 acres	Prohibited in all SDNM.	Same as D
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A except collection of native vegetation as firewood prohibited in Front Country and Passage settings. No collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	As needed	Visitor and management infrastructure would be constructed and maintained to achieve the management objectives. Facilities would be constructed and maintained to accommodate visitation in balance with protection of Monument objects; would be modest in scope and scale; and would be designed to blend with the dominant features of the landscape. They would be placed on non-Monument lands where possible.			
<i>Paintball and Geocache Activities</i>	Allowed	Paintball activities prohibited.		Paintball and geocache activities prohibited.	Same as B and C
<i>Other</i>	None	Activities, vehicles, and group sizes would be limited to designated sites and lengths of stay; types and speeds; and numbers as deemed necessary to protect Monument objects.			
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include towns of Gila Bend, Mobile, Maricopa, Buckeye and Goodyear, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and the Friends of the Sonoran Desert National Monument along with various OHV and non-motorized recreational organizations.					

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<p align="center"><u>Sonoran Desert National Monument</u> Extensive Recreation Management Area (ERMA) <u>Juan Bautista de Anza NHT</u> Recreation Management Zone (RMZ) For Alternatives B, C and E</p>					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
Management Focus (RMZ Objectives)	Dispersed recreation uses; motorized and non-motorized recreation activities in accordance with Monument Proclamation.	Through the life of the plan the 52,800 acre Juan Bautista de Anza ERMA offers visitors the freedom to participate in a variety of motorized and non-motorized recreation activities, with an emphasis on camping, four-wheel drive sightseeing and hiking to enjoy scenic and cultural heritage educational opportunities relating to the historic Anza, Butterfield and Mormon Battalion trail corridor and foster stewardship of cultural and natural resources.		Undesignated Lands	Same as B and C
<i>Recreation Settings</i>	Mostly semi-primitive motorized with roaded-natural along SR 238 and semi-primitive non-motorized and primitive ROS settings in wilderness.	72% Front Country; 28% Back Country; <1% Passage	31% Front Country; 68% Back Country; <1% Passage	Undesignated Lands	45% Front Country; 55% Back Country; <1% Passage
MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>VRM Class</i>	Class II, III and IV	Mostly Class III with some Class II	Class II	Mostly Class I	Mostly Class II with some Class III
<i>All Minerals</i>	Closed per Proclamation				
<i>Lands Actions</i>	Exclusion area for utility-scale renewable energy development and major linear LUAs; exclusion area for minor linear and non-linear LUAs along the Anza NHT corridor, and avoidance area everywhere else.				

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Travel Management</i>	Limited to existing roads and trails; both motorized and non-motorized uses.	Limited to designated roads, primitive roads and trails. Both motorized and non-motorized uses. Consists primarily of primitive roads. In Alternative D, the Anza-Butterfield high potential route segment would be limited to non-motorized uses.			
<i>Road Maintenance</i>	None	Maintain at levels 1-3 with up to 20% maintained at level 5 to provide two-wheel-drive passenger car access to public use cultural sites, day use areas and camping facilities.			
<i>Camping</i>	<p>Vehicle-based limited to previously disturbed areas.</p> <p>No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.</p>	<p>Dispersed vehicle-based camping allowed.</p> <p>No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.</p>	<p>Vehicle-based camping allowed at designated sites only.</p> <p>Up to 100 sites would be designated in the RMZ over life of plan.</p> <p>No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.</p>	<p>Vehicle-based camping allowed at designated sites only.</p> <p>Maximum of 100 sites could be designated in the SDNM over the life of the plan.</p> <p>No restrictions for dispersed primitive camping.</p>	Same as C
<i>Length of Stay</i>	14-day limit within consecutive 28-day period.	Same as A unless changed in subsequent planning.			
<i>SRPs</i>	Case-by-case basis	Authorized on a case-by-case basis in accordance with 43 CFR 2930 and vendor permits allowed if meets criteria established in the RMP and monument objects are protected. Organized groups over 25 people requires permit. Permits will not be issued for organized groups of more than 200 participants at one site. Certified weed-free feed required for all equestrian and stock animal use authorized under SRPs. Competitive motorized speed events would not be authorized.			
<i>Target Shooting</i>	Open	Open on 18,700 acres; Prohibited on 34,100 acres	Prohibited on all acres of RMZ.	Prohibited in SDNM.	Same as D

MANAGEMENT ACTIONS & ALLOWABLE USE DECISIONS					
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D	Alternative E
<i>Firewood Collection</i>	Reasonable amounts of dead and down wood.	Same as A except collection of native vegetation as firewood prohibited in Front Country and Passage settings. No collection within ¼ mile of developed recreation sites. Saguaro skeletons and wood pallets prohibited.			
<i>Amenities*/Facilities</i>	As needed	Visitor and management infrastructure would be constructed and maintained to achieve the management objectives. Facilities would be constructed and maintained to accommodate visitation in balance with protection of Monument objects; would be modest in scope and scale; and would be designed to blend with the dominant features of the landscape. They would be placed on non-Monument lands where possible.			
<i>Paintball and Geocache Activities</i>	Allowed	Paintball activities prohibited.	Paintball and geocache activities prohibited.	Same as B and C	
<i>Other</i>	None	Activities, vehicles, and group sizes would be limited to designated sites and lengths of stay; types and speeds; and numbers as deemed necessary to protect Monument objects.			
Administrative Actions					
Coordinate and establish partnerships with communities adjacent to the area, interested agencies, user groups and individuals to produce a collaborative recreation management plan. Potential partners include towns of Gila Bend, Mobile, Maricopa, Buckeye and Goodyear, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, Arizona Game and Fish Department, the Friends of the Sonoran Desert National Monument, the Arizona Anza NHT Coalition, Boy Scouts of America-East Valley Stake, Mormon Battalion Association along with various other OHV and non-motorized recreational organizations.					

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