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## 2025 AGFD/ADBSS Project Schedule— Mark Your Calendars!

Marquette Pass GMU 43A Jan 10-13  
North Gila and Sheep  
Mtn Catchments GMU 40B Jan 25-26  
Gonzalez Pass GMU 24B Feb 22-23

Rinehart/Newlon GMU44A Mar 8-9  
Slurry Tank GMU 15D Apr 5-6  
Annual Fundraiser May 10  
Ram Recognition Banquet Oct 4



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# ADBSS/AZGFD/USFS/AWC Youth Group COOPERATIVE WATER PROJECT Gonzales Pass #2 New Catchment (#77) February 21-23, 2025

## Location:

GMU 24B: Superstition Mtns.      Approximate GPS coordinates of camp site: N33.29579°, W111.25890°  
Approximate GPS coordinates of material staging zone: N33.29270°, W111.251283°  
Approximate GPS coordinates of project site: N32.283822°, W111.237183°

From Phoenix take US Hwy. 60 east to Florence Junction. Proceed east another 2.2 miles to the Queen Valley Rd. Turn left (north) and proceed northeast 1.9 miles to the Hewitt Station Rd. Turn right (east) and proceed 2.1 miles along the main Hewitt Station Rd. and crossing the adjacent RR tracks twice. At 2.1 miles turn left (north) and proceed 0.1 miles to camp. Road to camp is good but wash boarded in spots.

## Project Description:

The Gonzales Pass #2 (#77) project is a new catchment intended to discourage wildlife from crossing the nearby Highway 60. The project consists of four (4) 2500-gallon HDPE tanks, a 24' x 72' collection apron over the tanks, an adjacent equilibrium trough and an enclosure fence around the approximately 150' x 150' project site. As the project is up on a ridge the tank pad will likely require a significant cut/fill effort. Early arrivals will be critical on Friday to help with the pad and to set the vertical posts for the apron and the fence.

## Difficulty of Hike:

Moderate. We will carpool in vehicles 0.6 miles to the material staging zone. From there the project site is a 1.1 mile hike up a wash and then a short 200 yd scramble up a small ridge.

## Special Advisories:

The **Alliance for Wildlife and Conservation (AWC) Youth Group** from the Midwest 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 <http://volunteer.azgfd.gov/adbss/> 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 log in the volunteer hours they worked on the project including the commuting time. 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](http://www.adbss.org)) under the Projects Tab or 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](mailto:myoung@azgfd.gov).

- 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
- 4) Please bring your own water and remove all of your trash.
- 5) Project is funded by the Bighorn Sheep Special Tag Fund, ADBSS and Federal Aide to the AZ Game & Fish Dept.
- 6) Please follow the map and do not drive off existing roadways.
- 7) Please be respectful of the area and do not 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 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 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.

**SEE MAP ON REVERSE**