



2021 Trail Operations Priorities

Immediate:

Spring Restoration & Water Source Enhancements

- Pigeon Spring restoration (Tonto NF)

Monitoring and Rehabilitation as needed on trail segments affected by recent wildfires:

- Bighorn (Coronado NF)
- Woodbury (Tonto NF)
- Bush (Tonto NF)
- Mangum (Kaibab NF)

Study Proposed Alignments:

- Big Dip (Tonto NF)
- Clear Creek (Coconino NF)

Temporal Gulch Reroute Construction (Coronado NF)

- Complete at least 10 miles of new trail construction utilizing machines, conservation corps, staff and volunteers

Vehicle Barriers (BLM-Tucson)

- Install steel vehicle barriers where motorized trespass is damaging trail resources

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Spring Restoration & Water Source Enhancements:

- Identify locations for future rainwater collectors

Study Proposed Alignments:

- Santa Rita Mountains (Coronado NF)
- Maverick (Coconino NF)
- FR422 (Tonto NF)

Enhancements:

Safe Highway Crossings:

- Work with Departments of Transportation to make highway crossings safer for Arizona Trail users at two high-priority locations:
 - o Highway 87 south of Pine
 - o Highway 87 near Blue Ridge Campground

Study Proposed Alignments:

- Summerhaven (Coronado NF)
- Anderson Mesa (Coconino NF)
- Walnut Canyon (Coconino NF)

Southern Terminus Restoration

- Restore access to the AZT's southernmost mile of trail, and rehabilitate area surrounding southern terminus as soon as a determination is made about border wall and infrastructure at this location

Oak Tree Canyon Trailhead (Coronado NF):

- Develop primitive trailhead to provide access to AZT Passages 5/6
 - o Approximately \$40,000, with funding held in reserves from Rosemont Copper, plus private donations being sought.

Alder Ridge Reroute Construction (Tonto NF):

- Complete trail construction to remove AZT from powerline road

Steward Maintenance:

Sign Removal and Upgrades:

- Engage volunteers to remove non-essential signage from trail corridor
- Replace fiberglass posts with steel or wood signs