

Papago and Tempe (Hayden) Butte Preserves Management Plan

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Introductions

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Agenda

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- Purpose of the meeting
- Intent of the Management Plan
- Brief presentation on the Project (10-15 minutes)
 - History of Papago and Hayden Butte Preserves
 - Selected features and facilities
- How to provide your thoughts
- Q&A

Purpose of Meeting

To hear from you about:

- What is the most important aspect of the Preserves
- What challenges should we be aware of
- What are appropriate current or future uses
- How can the Preserves further enhance the community
- What are your expectations for the Preserves' maintenance and management

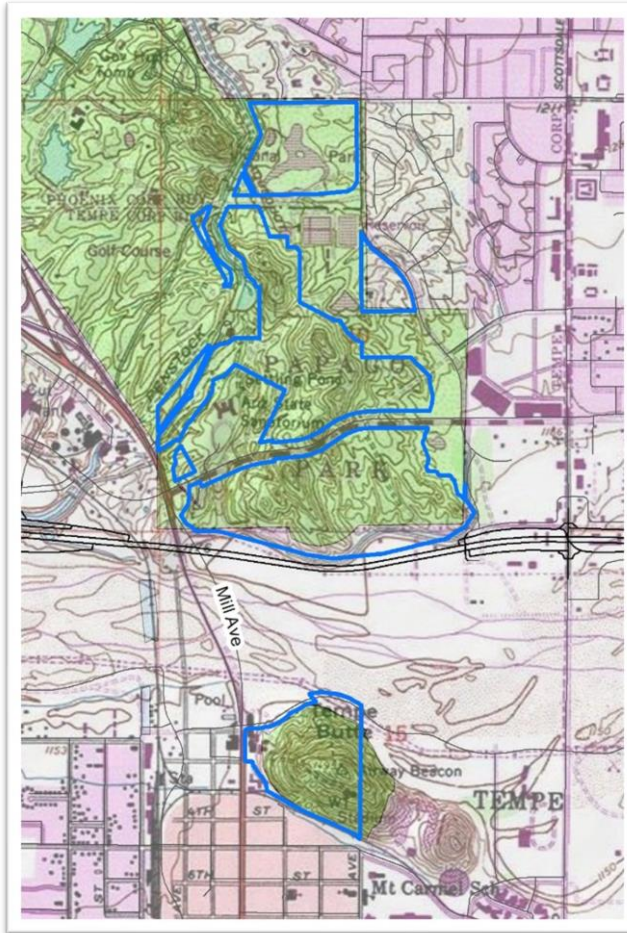


Intent of the Management Plan

- To update goals and objectives for the Preserves to guide current and future decision-making on uses and operations
- To incorporate strategies that conserve and maintain a healthy native ecosystem in addition to preserving existing assets
- To identify management areas, including use areas and resources needing protection and/or restoration
- To integrate environmentally sustainable recreation and education opportunities and experiences
- To specify best management practices and operating procedures to be implemented over the near and long term
- To identify and evaluate potential funding and partnership opportunities



The Preserves



Papago

Tempe (Hayden) Butte

Tempe (Hayden) Butte Preserve

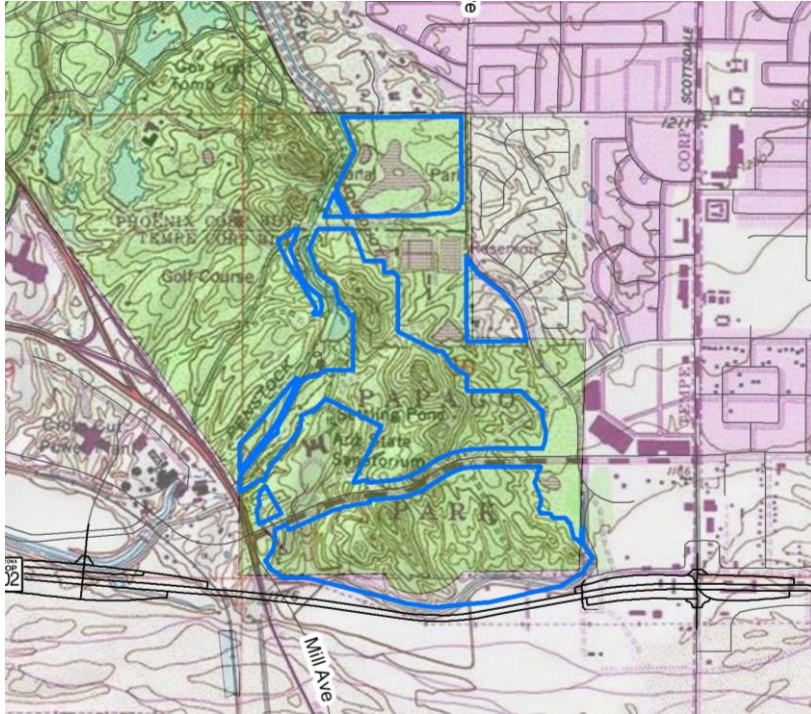


- +/- 27 acres
- Designated as Preserve in 2002
- Previously studied (2017)

Tempe (Hayden) Butte Preserve



Papago Preserve



- +/-227 acres
- Originally part of the Papago Saguaro National Monument (1914 -1930)
- Designated as Preserve in 2018

Papago Preserve (north of Curry)



Papago Preserve (south of Curry)



Cultural Resources

The Preserves include lands that are significant to the O’Odham (Pima) and Piipash (Maricopa) communities. Logan Simpson has been tasked with identifying and fully understanding the cultural resource considerations in advance of developing management recommendations. Work that is also occurring as part of the Management Plan includes:

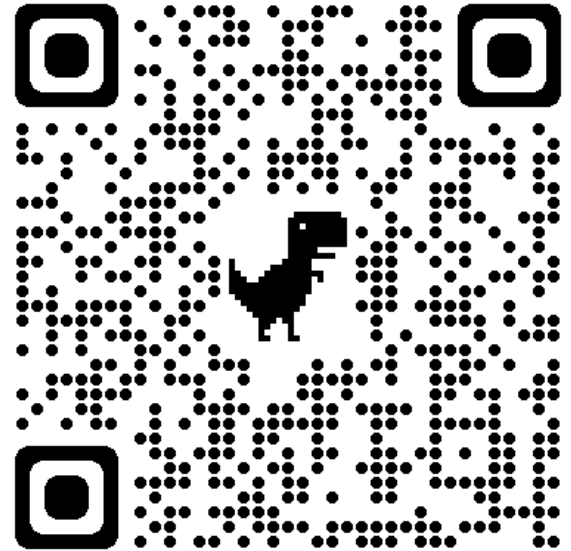
- Class III Survey
- Tribal Outreach
 - Planning meetings with Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and Gila River Indian Community
- Traditional Cultural Property (TCP) Study
 - Visits to archaeological sites with Tribal experts and elders
 - Interviews with Tribal members and cultural experts

We Need Your Insights

- What uses or facilities should be added, modified, or eliminated?
- How should the desert environment be protected and preserved?
- What are some ways we could educate the public about the natural and cultural resources of the Preserves?
- Are there improvements to be made in the Preserves' maintenance?
- Do you have other suggestions for operation of the Preserves?

How to Provide Your Thoughts

Provide input Nov. 13 – 27 at
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Questions?