

Geography, geology, climate, and culture shape Arizona and provide a diverse and inspiring mix of recreation and cultural opportunities. Stunning scenery is abundant from the lush Sonoran Desert to the ponderosa pine forests. The topography is dramatic and temperatures can fluctuate over 30 degrees from low to high elevations and between day and night. Whether you are heading out for a scenic drive or preparing for a backpacking trip, know what to expect <u>before</u> you go.

Use this map as an introduction to the variety of recreation and cultural sites across federal, state, and tribal lands. The front indicates the location and management agency for each site, while the back offers additional contact information, elevation, and things to do at each site. Contact the appropriate agency for site conditions and regulations. Current road conditions are available at AZ511.gov, and visit arizonaguide.com for statewide travel information.

This map is brought to you by the Arizona Council for Enhancing Recreation and Tourism (ACERT), a partnership between federal, state, universities and nonprofit organizations. They work toward the common goals of advancing awareness of tourism and recreation opportunities on Arizona's public lands and in small towns and tribal communities, while marketing these opportunities in an environmentally and culturally sensitive manner.

#### **Arizona Game and Fish Department**

The Arizona Game and Fish Department manages and conserves the state's wildlife resources and manages wildlife-related and other outdoor recreational opportunities. The Department owns 35 wildlife areas and six fish hatcheries throughout the state which provide habitat for various wildlife species and wildlife watching opportunities for the public. For more information on Arizona's outdoor recreational opportunities, visit www.azgfd.gov.

## **Arizona State Parks**

Arizona's State Parks welcome visitors from around the world and feature camping (RV, tent, trailer) and activities such as hiking, fishing and learning about the history of Arizona. Arizona State Parks also offers programs including the State Historic Preservation Office, the Off-Highway Vehicle program, the State Trails system and many grant programs, www.azstateparks.com

mercial, scientific, and cultural interests for long-term management of range, timber, mineral, recreation, watershed, fish and wildlife, wilderness, scenic, scientific, and cultural resources. www.blm.gov/az/en/st.htm

### USDA Forest Service

The Forest Service manages public land in national forests and grasslands to help people share and enjoy the forest, while conserving the environment for generations yet to come. Arizona offers six national forests ranging from the sky islands along the U.S.-Mexico border to the rims of the Grand Canyon. www.fs.usda.gov/r3

### **National Park Service**

Since 1916, the American people have entrusted the National Park Service with the care of their national parks. With the help of volunteers and park partners, National Parks are proud to safeguard these more than 400 places and to share their stories with more than 275 million visitors every year. Arizona offers 22 National Parks and Monuments, and welcomes 10 million visitors each year. Find out more at www.nps.gov.

# U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead Federal agency responsible for conserving and managing the nation's fish and wildlife resources. Arizona offers 9 National Wildlife Refuges and 2 National Fish Hatcheries. Learn more about each refuge and hatchery at www.fws.gov/southwest.

Vast, beautiful terrain, ancient architectural ruins, and charming contemporary towns dot Arizona's American Indian landscape, where the rich traditions of the past are as alive as they are welcoming. With five distinct regions containing dozens of tribes of historical and cultural significance, Arizona's American Indian reservations are full of adventure.