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****CONSTRUCTION UPDATE****

RILLITO RIVER LINEAR PARK:

ALVERNON WAY TO CRAYCROFT ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Pima County, Arizona- October 28, 2008, the Regional Flood Control District and their contractor, The Ashton Company will be continuing to work on the north bank walking path along the Rillito River Linear Park from Alvernon Way to Craycroft Road.

The walking pathway along the Rillito River is still under construction and heavy equipment is still along the area. Once the construction of the pathway is completed and the pathway is paved, it will then be open to the public. Work is expected to be completed within the next three (3) weeks from Alvernon Way to Swan Road then switching to Swan Road to Craycroft Road where again the walking path will be shut down for improvements. Work is expected to be completed in this area in December 2008. The south bank trail and River Road should be used as alternative routes.

All other trail users should expect closures, detours, and temporary earthen trails in various areas throughout the construction area. Users should obey all detours and signing for safety purposes.

Additional amenities include two parking/staging areas with restroom facilities, public art, landscaping with irrigation, and additional access to the local river parks and drainage improvements that will provide long-term protection to the park improvements. This area will provide Americans with Disability Act (ADA) park access trails, post and cable fencing, park signing and public art elements.

The project is expected to be complete in the spring of 2009. The total construction cost for this project is approximately \$3.3 million and is funded by 2004 River Parks and Flood Control Improvement Bonds.

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