Arthur Pack Regional Park has roughly 250-acres in its southern half that serves as an open space park with trails, and is known as the Maeveen Behan Desert Sanctuary. The entire 505-acre park was acquired from the Bureau of Land Management in 1977 through the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. The southern portion of the park is intended to protect the habitat of diverse wildlife species while providing a wide range of benefits to the community, including recreational trails for hikers, equestrians, mountain bikers, trail runners, hand cycles, and other users of non-motorized trails. The 4.7-mile trail system was created with beginners in mind. These trails are a great place to learn off-road cycling, practice hand cycle skills, or just take a leisurely walk.

The creation of the Maeveen Behan Desert Sanctuary is the result of Pima County's Urban Parks Unit partnering with the Department's Planning Unit. The Maeveen Behan Trailhead is the centerpiece of the trail system. All trail users must use trail etiquette and be courteous to other users to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Maeveen Behan was the leader of Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation plan, and she gave the plan her all, authoring more than 100 complex volumes that describes the natural setting of our community. The Maeveen Behan Desert Sanctuary is a terrific trails park that provides natural-surface trails close to where people live and work.

Help maintain its terrific quality by observing the following rules:

- The park is open from dawn to dusk.
- Alcohol is prohibited.
- Stay on designated trails.
- Motorized vehicles are not allowed in the park.
- It is illegal to remove or disturb any natural or cultural resources.
- Do not feed wildlife.
- Dogs must be leashed at all times. Please pick up after your dog.
- No geocaching.
- No loitering at trailheads or in other areas.
- Trailheads are for access only. Park only in the designated parking area.

Please be aware that all Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation park rules, as well as state and federal regulations, will be enforced.

Safety Checklist

- Take an ample supply of water with you.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat or a helmet if you are a cyclist or equestrian.
- Use plenty of sunscreen.
- Wear sturdy, comfortable walking shoes.
- Know your route.
- Hike or ride with a friend.
- Inform someone of where you are going and when you expect to return.
- Know your limitations.
- Carry a cell phone with you but be aware that reception may not always be available.
- ♦ Do not litter. Pack it in, pack it out.
- Be aware of cacti and venomous creatures.

Trail Courtesy

- All trail users should yield to people with disabilities.
- Always practice trail courtesy: yield to horses first, then pedestrians, then cyclists.





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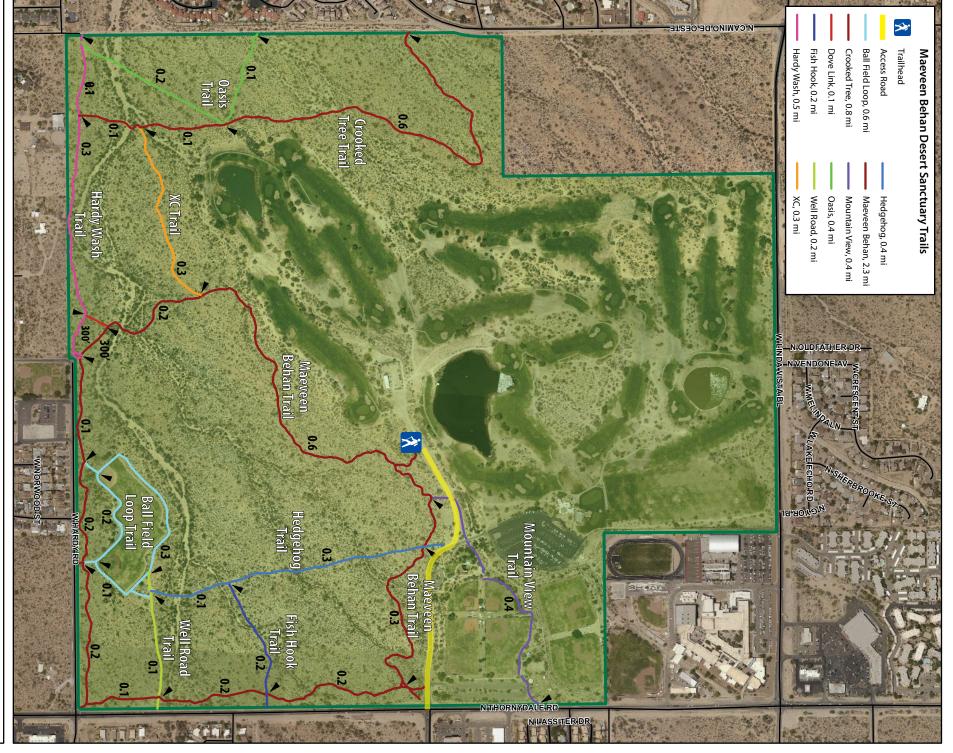
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