



**Saturday
December 10, 2016**

Black Canyon Sheep Trail, New River, AZ

Approximately 30 Miles and 1/2 Hours from Central Phoenix "stack",

Type: Day Hike	Max Rating/Points: 3/1	Elev. Change: 200 ft	Length: 13.3 Miles
Start Time: 0830	Duration: 6-8 Hrs	Max No of Part: N/A	Last Scouted: Nov 2006

- Major Hike:
- Cross-Country:
- Exploratory:
- Individual Effort:
- Options:
- Pass/Fees Rqd.:

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Required Equipment: 100 oz water, wide brim hat, trail snack

Recommended Equipment: sturdy hiking foot ware, trekking poles

Cautions and Special Preparations: Water Crossings, Winter Weather, Cancelled in event of rain

Description:
 Map; <http://www.bctaz.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/emery-henderson-segment.jpg>
<http://www.bctaz.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/windmill.jpg>
 Back in 2006 a few members of the club started out to hike this trail from the Henderson Trailhead but because of trek obscurity and a mountain lion siting we didn't make it to the Table Mesa Trailhead. From the 2006 Activity Notice; *"The Black Canyon Trail is provided by the Bureau of Land Management in corporation with the Maricopa and Yavapai County Parks and Recreation Departments. The Emery Henderson trailhead provides a restroom, information kiosk and picnic. The Black Canyon Trail traces its roots to 1919, when the Department of the interior laid out the route as a livestock driveway. It was used mainly by valley woolgrowers to herd sheep to and from their summer range to the mountains. Many segments of the trail roughly parallel the old Black Canyon Stagecoach road between Phoenix and Prescott."*
 My plan is to hike from the Table Mesa Trailhead to the Henderson Trailhead. A shuttle of vehicles will be required. Option; turn around any time but will need to drive to Table Mesa Trailhead.

Driving Directions: North on I-17 to New River Exit 232. Go southwest on the New River Rd approximately 3.1 miles to the Henderson Trailhead located on the NW side of the road. For anyone traveling from the West Valley, north on the Lake Pleasant Rd (99 Ave), then west for about 250 feet on the Morrystown Rd to the New River Rd. Drive about 9 miles to the Trailhead parking. From here we will shuttle to the Table Mesa Trailhead and hike north to south. Meeting time will be 0830 with hike start time around 0900.