



Ironwood Forest National Monument Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement



Draft Goals and Objectives – Visual Resources

Goal: Preserve the monument’s natural scenic and visual values, and where appropriate rehabilitate disturbed areas with visual impacts.

Objectives:

1. Manage visual resources in the monument by assigning Visual Resource Management (VRM) Classes to consider the importance of visual values, present resource conditions, and current and potential future uses and activities.
2. Maintain or enhance opportunities to view those landscapes of the monument that may be valued for scenic, cultural, biological, recreation, or other reasons. Preserve the visual quality of those landscapes visible from important viewing areas, which may include:
 - specific scenic road corridors
 - recreational sites and areas (perhaps as characterized by Recreational Opportunity Spectrum zones), including motorized and non-motorized trails
 - cultural and historic areas
 - residences in and near the monument
 - other sites/areas with identified place-based values



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Draft Goals and Objectives – Recreation

Goal: Manage recreation for enhanced recreation experiences and quality of life, while protecting resources, minimizing conflicts with other users, and promoting safety.

Objective:

1. Implement a comprehensive visitor services and use supervision program that addresses resource, facility, and visitor management actions required to produce desired experiences and quality of life outcomes for various user and user groups and consistent with the monument Proclamation.



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Draft Goals and Objectives – Recreation

Goal: Manage recreation resources to provide a variety of appropriate opportunities, quality experiences, and enjoyment for which there is public demand, consistent with the purposes of the monument.

Objective:

1. Use recreation management zones on an ongoing basis as a tool to inventory, plan, and manage recreation opportunities. The recreation opportunity zones and management objectives established in the RMP to enhance recreation experiences and benefits and reduce conflicts among users consistent with the monument Proclamation will be managed by:
 - establishing standards for maintaining the desired future conditions in recreation management zones (activities and settings), within a year.
 - developing a multi-faceted adaptive management process, within a year.