

Summary of Resource Information Report - Potential Wild, Scenic, Recreation River Designation. National Forests of Arizona. September 1993

	Document Page #	PDF Page #	Basin	Segment Description	Location	General River Character	Total River Length	Segment Miles	Free Flowing?	Impoundments?	1993 ORVs	1993 Classification	Other Notes	References
Canyon Creek	91	101	Salt River Basin	Canyon Creek Spring to Fort Apache Reservation Boundary	T10N R15 E, Section 2, 3, 21, 22, 27, 28, 34; T11N R14E Section 35, 36	Pleasant perennial stream in timber country	32.4	5.1	Yes	None	Wildlife, Ecological	Recreational		
Cherry Creek - Segment #1-a	97	107	Salt River Basin	Segment 1-a, FR329 to Billy Lawrence Creek	T6N R14E Sec 2, 3, 10, 11; T7N R14E Sec 1, 2, 3, 10, 14, 15, 22, 23, 27, 34, 35; T8N R14E Sec 25, 26, 35, 36	Narrow canyon just north of Sierra Ancha Wilderness	51.7	14.3	Yes	None	Scenic, Fish, Wildlife	Wild		
Cherry Creek - Segment #1b	105	115	Salt River Basin	Segment 1-b, Billy Lawrence Creek to north boundary of Ellison Ranch (private land)	T5N R15E Sec 5; T6N R14E Sec 11, 12, 13, 14, 24, 25, 36; T6N R15E Sec 19, 30, 21, 32	Long canyon with diverse wildlife	51.7	51.7	Yes	None	Scenic, Fish, Wildlife	Scenic		
Lower Salt River - Segment #1	111	121	Salt River Basin	Boundary of Primary Jurisdiction Area below Stewart Mountain Dam to the boundary of the Salt River Indian Reservation	T2N R7E Sec 1, 2, 3, 4; T2N R8E Sec 4, 5, 6; T3N R7E Sec 33, 34, 35, 36; T3N R8E Sec 31, 32, 33, 34	Dam-controlled river, summer-long flows, excellent riparian areawith expectional recreation opportunities	89	8.7	Yes	None	Recreational, Wildlife, Cultural, Ecological, Riparian	Recreational		
Lower Salt River - Segment #2	115	125	Salt River Basin	Boundary of Salt River Indian Reservation to just above Granite Reef Dam Impoundment	T2N R7E Sec 4, 5, 6, 7; T3N R7E Sec 32, 33	Dam-controlled river, summer-long flows, excellent riparian areawith expectional recreation opportunities	89	2.6	Yes	None	Recreational, Wildlife, Cultural, Ecological, Riparian	Recreational		
Parker Creek	119	129	Salt River Basin	Rock Spring to confluence with Cottonwood Creek	T4N R13E Sec 2, 3; T5N R13E Sec 1, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, 34, 35; T5N R14E Sec 5, 6, 7, 8;	Riparian habitat supports wildlife and migratory birds	8.5	8.2	Yes	Small weirs	Scenic, Wildlife, Riparian, Ecological	Scenic		
Pinto Creek	125	135	Salt River Basin	North of Layton Ranch (private property) northward to the Lower end of the Pinto Box	T2N R13E Sec 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25; T3N R13E Sec 26, 35, 36	Scenic perenial stream in low country with good riparian habitat	28	8.4	Yes	None	Scenic, Riparian, Ecological	Scenic		
Salome Creek	131	141	Salt River Basin	Confluence of Turkey Creek south to FR60 (north of Tin Hat Ranch - private land)	T5N R12E Sec 2, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 27, 28, 3; T6N R12E Sec 24, 25, 26, 35, 36; T6N R13E Sec 5, 8, 9, 17, 18, 19, 20, 30; T7N R13E Sec 21, 22, 27, 29, 32, 33	Topographic terrain (200' deep gorge)	26.7	19.6	Yes	None	Scenic, Wildlife	Wild		
Spring Creek - Segement 1	137	147	Salt River Basin	FR486 to Hellsgate Wilderness Boundary	T8N R12E Sec 1, 12; T8N R13E Sec 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 20, 21, 28, 29; T9N R12E Sec 10, 11, 14, 15, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35, 36	premium Gila roundtail chub habitat	19.4	12.4	Yes	None	Fisheries, Riparian, Ecological	Recreational		
Spring Creek - Segment 2			Salt River Basin	Hellsgate Wilderness Boundary to confluence of Tonto Creek	T9N R11E Sec 1; T9N R12E Sec 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10; T10N R11E Sec 36; T10 N R12E Sec 31, 32	premium Gila roundtail chub habitat	20.4	6.4	Yes	None	Fisheries, Riparian, Ecological	Wild		
Tonto Creek - Segment #2*	147	157	Salt River Basin	North boundary of Hellsgate Wilderness to the south boundary of Hellsgate Wilderness	T9N R11E Sec 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18; T10N R11E Sec 25, 26; T10N R12E Sec 2, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 30, 31; T10 1/2N R12E Sec 23, 24, 25, 26, 34, 35	Preserved example of Tonto National Forest with Wilderness	62.9	21.5	Yes	None	Scenic, Geological, Fish and Wildlife, Riparian	Wild		
Tonto Creek - Segment #3*	151	161	Salt River Basin	Mouth of Cocomunga Creek to mouth of Gun Creek	T7N R10E Sec 1, 2; T8N R10E Sec 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35, 36; T9N R10E Sec 19; T9N R10E Sec 36	Significant perennial stream in deep canyons. Good riparian habitat	62.9	9.1	Yes	None	Wildlife, Riparian, Ecological	Scenic		
Upper Salt River - Segment 1-a	159	168	Salt River Basin	West boundary of San Carlos Indian Reservation to northeast boundary of the Salt River Canyon Wilderness	T4 1/2N R16E Sec 16, 21; T5N R16E Sec 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32; T5N R17E Sec 7, 8, 9, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22	Spectacular canyons & commerial grade whitewater	100	15.1	Yes	None	Scenic, Geological, Wildlife, Recreational, Ecological	Scenic		
Upper Salt River - Segment 1-b	167	177	Salt River Basin	Northeast boundary of the Salt River Canyon Wilderness to the west boundary of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation	T4N R15 1/2E Sec 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14; T4N R16E Sec 6, 7; T4 1/2 N R15 1/2E Sec 36; T4 1/2 N R16E Sec 16, 17, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33	Spectacular canyons & commerial grade whitewater	100	9.2	Yes	None	Scenic, Geological, Wildlife, Recreational, Ecological	Wild		
Upper Salt River - Segment 2-a	159	168	Salt River Basin	West boundary of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation to the southwest boundary of the Salt River Canyon Wilderness	T3N R14E Sec 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12; T3N R15E Sec 1, 2, 5, 6; T4N R14E Sec 6; T4N R15E Sec 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36; T4N R15 1/2E Sec 11, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24	Spectacular canyons & commerial grade whitewater	100	32.1	Yes	None	Scenic, Geological, Wildlife, Recreational, Ecological	Wild		

Upper Salt River - Segment 2-b	159	168	Salt River Basin	Southwest boundary of the Salt River Canyon Wilderness the State Highway 188 bridge	T3N R14E Sec 9, 10	Spectacular canyons & commerical grade whitewater	100	0.1	Yes	None	Scenic, Geological, Wildlife, Recreational, Ecological	Scenic			
Workman Creek - Segment 1	179	189	Salt River Basin	Workman Falls to Salome Wilderness boundary	T6N R13E Sec 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 25; T6N R14E Sec 19, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33		9.7	6	Yes	None	Scenic, Wildlife, Ecological, Riparian	Recreational			
Workman Creek - Segment 2	185	195	Salt River Basin	Salome Wilderness boundary to confluence with Salome Creek	T6N R13E Sec 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15		9.7	2.7	Yes	None	Wildlife, Ecological, Riparian	Wild			
Upper Verde River #2, Segment 2a**	235	245	Verde River Basin	Mouth of Red Creek to southern boundary of Mazatal Wilderness	T9 1/2N R6E Sec 34, 35; T9N R6E Sec 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27	Significant desert river riparian habitat	195	8.8	Yes	None	Recreational, Riparian, Ecological	Wild			
Upper Verde River #2, Segment 2b**	235		Verde River Basin	Southern boundary of the Mazatal Wildernes to Sheep Bridge	T9N R6E Sec 26, 27, 34, 35	Significant desert river riparian habitat	195	1.1	Yes	None	Recreational, Riparian, Ecological	Wild			
East Verde River - Segment #2*	243	257	Verde River Basin	Approximatley 9 miles below the headwaters at the west boundary of the "East park Estates" (private land) to west boundary of L.F. Ranch (private land)	T10N R8E Sec 11, 12, 13; T10N R9E Sec 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18; T11N R9E Sec 13, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 33, 34; T11N R10E Sec 18, 19	Major stream course with large areas of riparian habitat	41.9	20	Yes	None	Wildlife, Riparian	Recreational			
East Verde River - Segment #3*	253	263	Verde River Basin	West boundary of L.F. Ranch (private land) to the Verde Wild River Area boundary	T10N R7E Sec 1; T10N R8E Sec 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11; T11N R7E Sec 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35, 36; T11N R8E Sec 31, 32	Major stream course with large areas of riparian habitat	41.9	12.7	Yes	None	Wildlife, Riparian	Scenic			
Fossil Creek - Segment 1	257	267	Verde River Basin	Below the Arizona Public Service dam and flume to the Mazatal Wilderness boundary	none provided	Large narrow canyon with special areas of geologic and historic interest	13.5	6			Geologic, Fishery, Wildlife, Historic, Riparian	Recreational	Included in the WSR system - Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009	Additional information in fossil-creek-resource-assessment.pdf	
Fossil Creek - Segment 2			Verde River Basin	Matazal Wilderness boundary to the confluence with the Verde River	none provided	Large narrow canyon with special areas of geologic and historic interest	13.5	6.6			Geologic, Fishery, Wildlife, Historic, Riparian	Wild	Included in the WSR system - Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009	Additional information in	
Arnett Creek	323	383	Upper Gila River Basin	FR4 to the center of T2S R12E Section 7	T2S R12E Sec 7, 8, 9, 16, 17	Unique cottonwood/ willow riparian communities in the Sonoran Desert	?	9.5	Yes	None	Scenic, Riparian, Ecological	Scenic			
Telegraph Creek			Upper Gila River Basin	FR4 to confluence with Arnett Creek	T2S R12E Sec 7, 8, 17, 19, 20	Unique cottonwood/ willow riparian communities in the Sonoran Desert	?	4.1	Yes	None	Scenic, Riparian, Ecological	Scenic			
Total Miles Found Eligible for Inclusion in 1993 Study							289.4								

* Indicates 1985 Forest Plan Direction to Evaluate for WSR eligibility - what is the spatial difference between East Verde River and Upper Verde River? Are they different sections of the same river?

**The Arizona Wilderness Act of 1984 designated a portion of the Verde River as Wild and Scenic River Area. The Wild River Area ends at Red Creek. These potential River Areas (Upper Verde #2 and 3) would extend the Wild River Area an additional 9.8 miles downriver. These areas did meet eligibility and classification requirements of the WSR Act of 1968, however they were dropped from designation in 1984 due to probability of becoming part of a water impoundment flood control project - the project was dropped in 1988.

Designated WSR	Classification
Fossil Creek	Wild (9.2 miles), Recreational (7.5 miles)
Verde River	Wild (22.2 miles) Scenic (29.5 miles)

**Evaluated in January
1993 Preliminary Study
and found ineligible**

Campgain Creek
Cherry Creek -Segment
#2
Coon Creek
East Verde Creek -
Segment #1
Tonto Creek - Segment
#1
Cave Creek
Red Creek
Reynolds Creek
Sycamore Creek
West Fork Pinto Creek