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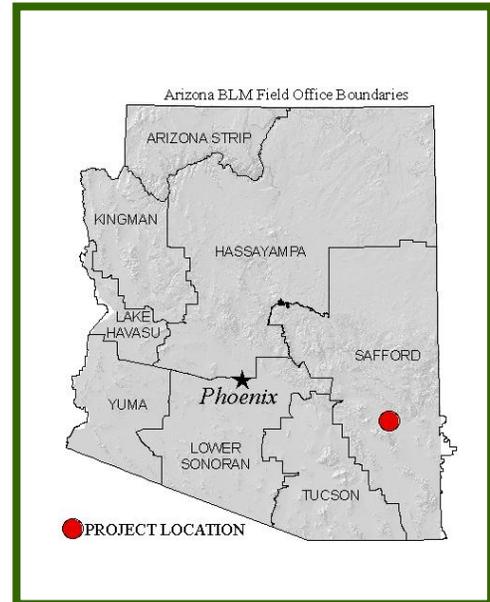


## Sky Islands and Desert Seas Restoration, Phase II: Wildlife/Riparian Exclosure Repair and Maintenance

### Need

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Safford Field Office has installed numerous exclosures over the last 40-45 years. These exclosures were constructed to protect springs, riparian areas, and wildlife water developments. They also provide a baseline for vegetation monitoring. Due to a shortage of staff and funds, most of these exclosures have not been routinely maintained in the last 20 years. As a result, most are now in disrepair and not serving their purpose.

This project will consist of repairing ten exclosures encompassing 7.1 miles. Work on this project is expected to take place September through December 2010.



### Recovery Act Funding

The contract for this BLM-Arizona American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project was awarded to N & B Fence Co. LLC for \$49,974.65.

### Benefits

Restoring the exclosures will enhance wildlife habitat and protect valuable water sources. The project will also provide much needed employment opportunities.



### More Information

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