Solitude Monitoring
Galiuro Wilderness
High Creek Trail

Monitoring Area

Between the trailhead at the end of Forest Road 159 and the East Divide Trail.

Driving Directions

High clearance 4WD encouraged.

From Willcox, take Exit 340 for Rex Allen Road. There are several gas stations, restaurants, and a Safeway at this exit. Turn to the west side of the interstate onto Fort Grant Road/Brookerson Road and follow it 18 miles as it winds and turns generally to the north out of town, turning occasionally to go around agricultural fields.

Near the Naturesweet Tomato facility and greenhouses, you will turn west onto Ash Creek Road. Continue west 3 miles until coming to a 4 way stop at the intersection of Ash Creek Road and Fort Grant Road. Continue west, leaving the pavement onto a graded dirt road. This is the beginning of the Sunset Loop.

Travel 14.3 miles along the Sunset Loop until it makes a sharp turn north. (Forest Road 660 takes off to the left here to Ash Creek, a separate monitoring area in the same vicinity.) Stay on the Sunset Loop as it turns north for another 3.6 miles, then take a sharp left turn to the west onto High Creek Road. Follow this 1 mile until it angles northwest and becomes Forest Road 693. From this point on, high clearance 4WD may be necessary. Head roughly northwards for 0.7 mile before taking a sharp left turn onto Forest Road 693A (some maps mistakenly show this as 639A).

After 0.9 mile heading west, turn southeast onto Forest Road 699, which ultimately connects 0.8 miles south to Forest Road 159 and completes the convoluted detour around private land previously blocking access to High Creek. Follow Forest Road 159 approximately another 2 miles or as far as you feel comfortable driving—it gets continually worse condition as it gets closer to the Wilderness boundary. The common parking area/trailhead is near Hooker Tank.

Trailhead coordinates: 32.5612, -110.2562