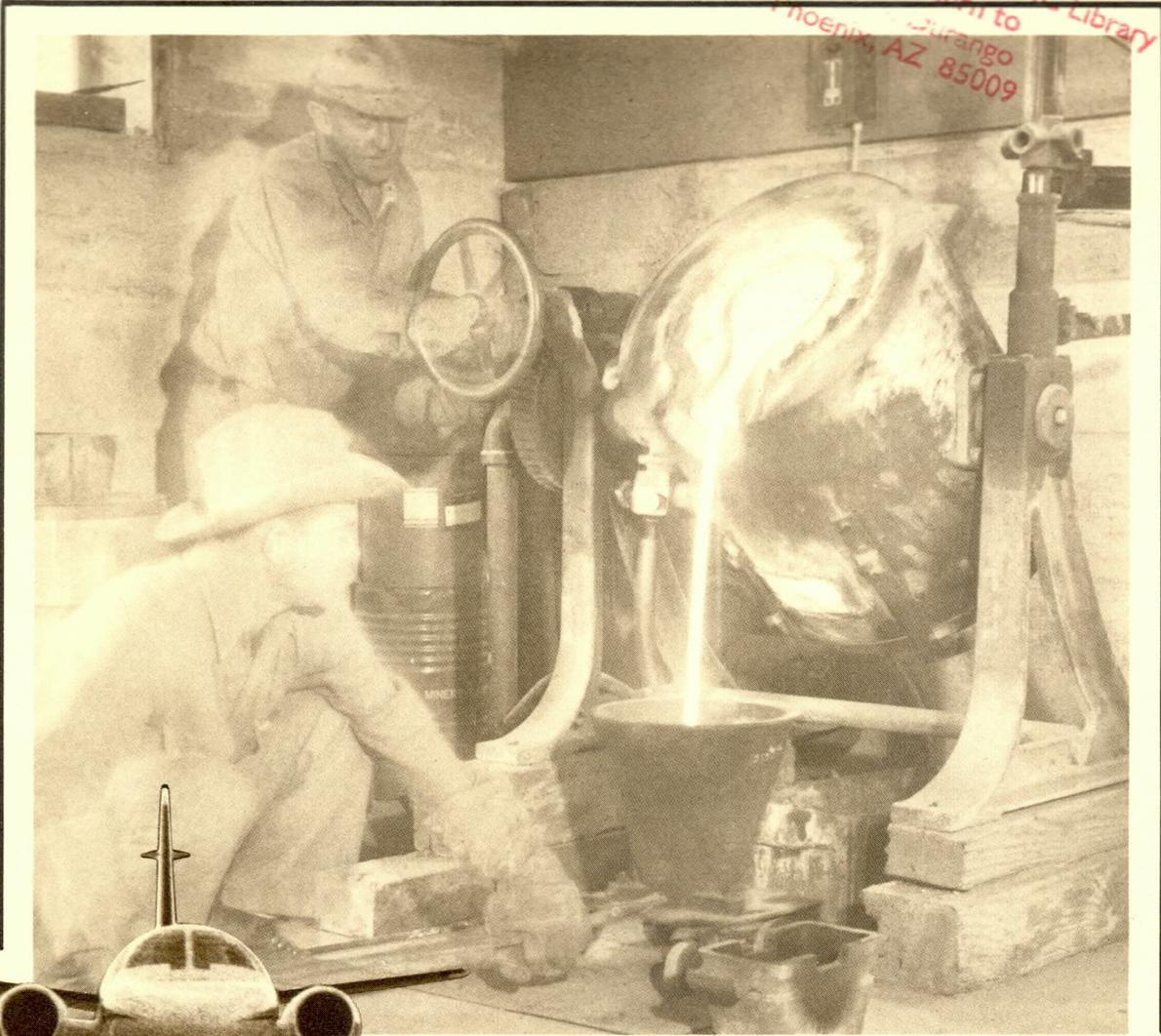


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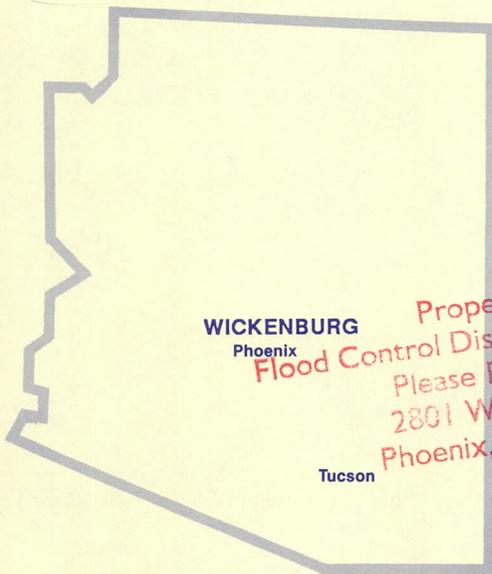


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WICKENBURG, ARIZONA

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# Wickenburg Community Profile



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## INTRODUCTION

Wickenburg is located fifty miles northwest of Phoenix at an elevation of 2,100 feet. Nestled in the foothills of the Bradshaw Mountains, and along the banks of the Hassayampa River, Wickenburg boasts a rich Western history which is still evident today.

In 1863, Henry Wickenburg discovered the Vulture Mine which in time, became the richest gold producing mine in Arizona's history. In the early 1900's as the mine played out, ranching and tourism took over as economic mainstays in the area. In 1909 Wickenburg incorporated.

Today, Wickenburg offers a relaxing Western life style with a full range of services.

## WICKENBURG EMPLOYMENT STRUCTURE

	Percent of Total
Agriculture & Mining	4.8%
Construction	10.2
Manufacturing	2.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	2.4
Wholesale Trade	1.3
Retail Trade	29.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	6.4
Services	38.8
Public Administration	4.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1980

LABOR FORCE DATA	1980	1987	1988
Civilian Labor Force	1,141	1,522	1,563
Employed	1,105	1,480	1,521
Unemployed	36	42	42
Unemployment Rate	3.2%	2.8%	2.7%

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

## GROWTH INDICATORS

	1986	1987	1988
Taxable Sales (\$)	60,922,600	63,142,015	63,134,700
Postal Receipts (\$)	438,383	479,410	509,368
New Building Permits Issued*	29	38	33
School Enrollment**	1,200	1,201	1,165
Net Assessed Valuation (\$)	14,965,515	17,340,623	17,457,840

\* Arizona Business, Arizona State University

\*\* Wickenburg Unified District

## PROPERTY TAX RATE PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUATION

	1986	1987	1988
Unified School District	\$4.82	\$5.49	\$4.56
Community College	.74	.68	.72
County	1.67	2.26	2.26
State of Arizona	.38	.38	.47
Total Outside Town	7.61	8.81	8.01
Town	1.30	.22	1.25
Total	8.91	9.03	9.26

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation

## WEATHER\*

Month	Average Temperature (°F)		Average Total Precipitation (Inches)
	Daily Max	Daily Min	
January	63.3	30.0	1.00
February	67.2	33.0	0.88
March	71.5	37.1	1.09
April	80.8	43.3	0.50
May	90.1	49.9	1.12
June	99.0	57.9	0.85
July	103.6	69.7	1.21
August	100.6	68.3	2.24
September	96.4	59.3	1.04
October	86.0	47.5	0.58
November	73.3	36.5	0.75
December	65.3	30.8	1.16
Year	83.1	46.9	10.77

Average Total Snow, Sleet and Hail Annually: 0.1 inches

\*Based on a thirty year average

## PRINCIPAL WICKENBURG ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

Traditionally, tourism, cattle ranching and agriculture have been the main economic activities in Wickenburg. There has also been a small amount of gold mining, but this is done more as a tourist attraction than as a profitable enterprise. In 1964, Wickenburg began to diversify its economic base by developing an industrial park to encourage manufacturing enterprises to locate in the town. Today four light industrial users occupy the space. Hoping to encourage more diversification the town is currently developing Phase I (15 acres) of an industrial park adjacent to the established manufacturers.

Tourism is the most important activity in Wickenburg's economy. Currently 117 firms provide services to tourists. The combined sectors of service and retail trade have approximately 68 percent of the total number of employees in the Wickenburg area.

## POPULATION

	1980	1988	1980-1988 Compound Percentage Change
Wickenburg	3,535	4,065	+1.8%
Maricopa County	1,509,052	2,035,500	+3.8
Arizona	2,718,215	3,548,400	+3.4

\* Local sources estimate the population of the contiguous developed area to be 8,600, and the trade area to range from 18,000 to 20,000 people.

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security  
U.S. Census Bureau



Arizona  
Department of Commerce

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## FINANCE

Community Bank: 2 offices  
First Interstate Bank: 1 office  
Valley National Bank: 2 offices  
Mera Bank: 1 office

Maricopa County businesses are eligible for assistance in financing fixed assets through the Development Finance Division, Arizona Department of Commerce. Information on availability of industrial development bonds within the County may be obtained from the same source or from the Industrial Development Authority of Maricopa County; c/o Meyers and Greger; 3003 N. Central, Suite 2110; Phoenix, Arizona 85012.

## TRANSPORTATION

Highways: U.S. 60, 89 and 93  
Railroads: Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe  
Bus: Greyhound, Continental Trailways and Reno-Las Vegas Bus Line  
Truck: Snyder Transfer, United Parcel Service (interstate)  
Airport: Wickenburg Municipal Airport - paved and lighted 5,000 foot runway. Paved parking, hangers, fuel - regular and jet, and repair service available. Served by Unicom radio. Capable of accommodating most corporate jets.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers: Daily: Arizona Republic, Phoenix Gazette (Phoenix)  
Weekly: The Wickenburg Sun; Shopper News  
Radio: 1 local station, 12 stations from Phoenix  
Television: 5 stations from Phoenix and Cable TV

## UTILITIES

Electricity: Municipal & Arizona Public Service  
Natural Gas: Southwest Gas  
Telephone: U.S. West, AT & T  
Water & Sewer: Municipal

## MEDICAL FACILITIES

Hospital: 1 [34 beds]  
Nursing Home: 1 [40 beds]  
Physicians: 6 Ophthalmologist: 1  
Surgeon: 1 Optician: 1  
Internist: 1 Optometrist: 1  
Dentists: 4  
Drug/alcohol treatment center: 1  
Custodial care center: 1

Specialists from the Phoenix metropolitan area serve as a consulting staff. The town operates a 24 hour ambulance service with 2 units, EMT, and paramedics. Two helicopter ambulance services are readily available.

## GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Local Government: Mayor, 6 Council Members, Town Manager  
Police Department: 9 officers, 4 civilians, 4 reserve  
Sheriff's Department: 12 deputies  
Fire Department: 26 volunteers  
Underwriters Rating: Grade 6A  
Community Action Program (County): 6 staff members

## EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

	No.	Faculty	Enrollment
Public Elementary	1	17	331
Public Junior High	1	24	386
Public High School	1	31	448
Private School	2	11	41

The Wickenburg area is served by Maricopa County Community College and Yavapai Community College.

## CHURCHES

1 Catholic  
3 Baptist  
6 Other  
1 Church of Jesus Christ LDS  
7 Protestant

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Community Center: 1 Art Galleries: 5  
Museum: 1 Library: 1  
Parks: 5 Pool: 1  
Youth Center: 1  
Golf Courses: 2 (1-18 hole & 1-9 hole)  
Tennis Courts: public 2  
private 17

## SCENIC ATTRACTIONS

Visitors and residents can find a wide range of activities in the Wickenburg area. The ghost towns of Stanton, Congress and Weaverville and abandoned gold mines like the Abe Lincoln, the Monte Cristo, and the Vulture bear testimony to Arizona's gold rush days. One can also visit the grave of the German refugee who found the Vulture Gold Mine and from whom the town coins its name, Henry Wickenburg. A well near the dry bed of the Hassayampa River gives visitors the opportunity to test the legend "one who drinks of this water never tells the truth again." The Desert Caballeros Western Museum showcases an acclaimed collection of western art and artifacts and offers downtown visitors a landscaped park and rest area with statuary. A walking tour of historic buildings is also a highlight of the downtown area. The Hassayampa River Preserve provides a self-guided nature trail along spring-fed Palm Lake, and a home to over 220 species of birds. Unique natural features, including the Saguaro Forest, Joshua Tree Forest, and Ocotillo Flat, are nearby, as is Lake Pleasant, with swimming, boating, and fishing. A variety of activities (theater, shopping and sports like baseball, basketball, football and soccer) can be found in Phoenix, 50 miles away.

## INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES

Parks: 1, - 15 developed acres of 160 acre total for light industry, air and highway access  
Current information available from the Town of Wickenburg.

## HOUSING

Current information on housing availability can be obtained from the Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce.

## LODGING AND MEETING FACILITIES

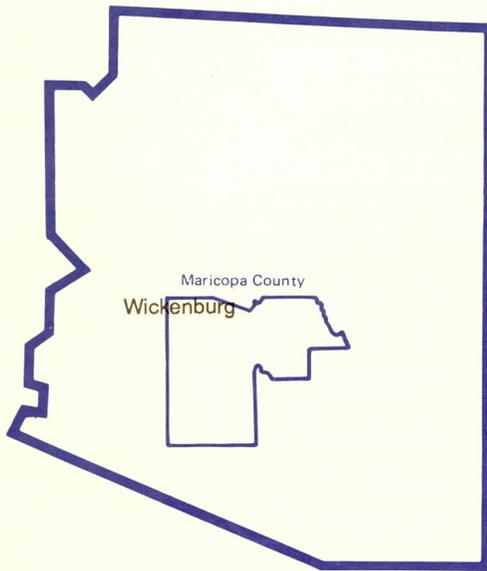
Motels: 8 with 183 rooms  
Guest Ranch/Resorts: 5 (209 rooms)  
Meeting Facilities: 3 with the largest seating 400 persons  
Mobile Home Parks: 11 (with hookups; 2 R.V. Parks)  
Community Center: Full hookups for R.V.'s with conference facilities, including kitchen (for organized groups)  
Campgrounds: 1

This profile was prepared in cooperation with the Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce.

For further information, contact:

Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce  
Town of Wickenburg  
Box 1269  
P.O. Drawer CC  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
215 Frontier Street  
(602) 525-4672  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
(602) 684-5479

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# Wickenburg

## Maricopa County

### Arizona Industrial Profile

#### INTRODUCTION

Wickenburg is located approximately 50 miles northwest of the Phoenix metropolitan area. Historically, it has been a service center for surrounding mining, agriculture and cattle ranching. Today, tourism, retirement living and small industry contribute to a diversifying economy.

The area offers developers and investors: 1) an abundant, high quality water supply; 2) adequate transportation access and close proximity to major markets. Wickenburg is served by Highway 60 connecting Phoenix and Los Angeles, and by Highway 89-93 to Las Vegas. The town is also served by the Santa Fe main line and a public use airport. Other advantages include: 3) a 160-acre Industrial Airpark with 15 one-acre lots developed with curb high improvements. The subdivision is adjacent to the airport and U.S. Highway 60, and could be served by rail spur; 4) industrial land costs well below those in metro-Phoenix; 5) highly-skilled population and labor force; 6) a sunny desert climate [night time temperatures well below those in Phoenix]; 7) excellent schools, and 8) a town that successfully combines work with cultural pursuits and outdoor recreation, in an old west setting.

#### EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

Wickenburg	In Thousands
Agriculture and Mining	4.8
Construction	10.2
Manufacturing	2.5
Transportation, Communications, Public Utilities	2.4
Wholesale Trade	1.3
Retail Trade	29.4
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	6.4
Services	38.8
Public Administration	4.2

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security, 1980

#### LABOR FORCE

	1980		1988	
	Wickenburg	Wickenburg Census Div.	Wickenburg	Maricopa County
Labor Supply* (Population 16-65)	1,806	7,046	Official estimates	not Available
% males	46.0	45.8		
% females	54.0	54.2		
Civilian Labor Force*	1,773	3,167	1,522	1,001,104
Unemployment(%)	1.7	4.9	2.8	5.2

\* Labor supply and labor force data are gathered by different methods and are not comparable.

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security and U.S. Census Bureau

#### LABOR SUPPLY GRADUATED 1988\*

Wickenburg Unified School District

High Schools: 1  
Students: 102

#### POPULATION

	1980	1988	1980-1988 Compound Percentage Change
Arizona	2,718,215	3,480,300	+3.4%
Maricopa County	1,509,052	2,035,500	+3.8
Wickenburg			
Census Div.	11,246	N/A	N/A
Wickenburg	3,535	4,065	+1.8

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security  
U.S. Census Bureau

#### Age Distribution - Wickenburg

	% of Total
15 or younger	16.8%
16 - 19	3.9
20 - 44	26.5
45 - 64	21.4
65 or older	31.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985

#### Population Composition

Wickenburg	% of Total
White	99.2%
Black	0.0
Other	0.8
Spanish Heritage	5.6

Source of population data: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985

#### LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT

#### EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Maricopa County	
Professional & Technical	19.1%
Managerial & Administrative	6.6
Sales	12.0
Clerical & Kindred	19.9
Service Workers	16.9
Agriculture/Forestry	0.6
Production, Materials & Maintenance	24.9

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security, 1988



**AVERAGE WAGE RATES, 1988**

Maricopa County

	Employers	
	Large*	Small**
Managerial	\$17.83	\$13.07
Professional	19.60	12.85
Technical	11.02	10.73
Maintenance & Production	8.74	8.66
Clerical	7.90	7.18
All Occupations	12.00	9.29

\*Includes businesses with 300 or more employees

\*\*Includes businesses with 99 or fewer employees.

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

**WAGE RATES FOR SELECTED OCCUPATIONS**

Maricopa Counties

	Hourly Average
Accounting Clerk	\$8.06
Carpenter	13.28
Computer Programmer	10.94
Custodial Worker	6.97
Data Entry Operator	7.12
Electrician	15.26
Electronic Technician	10.65
Equipment Operator	11.23
Laboratory Technician	9.26
Secretary	8.72
Welder	15.27

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security, 1988

**MAJOR EMPLOYERS, 1988**

Employer	Product/Service	Employees
Wickenburg Unified		
Schools	Education	119
Town of Wickenburg	Government	79
Bear Car Manufacturing	Asphalt Spreaders	45
Benner-Nawman, Inc.	Telephone Booths	35
Foam Critters Mfg.	Foam Toys	22
Guest Ranches	Tourist Accommodations	150
Woody's Petroleum Corp. Hdqt.	Petroleum	145

**HOUSING AND AMENITIES**

	Wickenburg	Wickenburg LMA
Housing Units	2,156	7,800
Vacancy Rates (%)	4.0%	5.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985

**COST OF EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING**

	Monthly Rent	Purchase Price
High	\$1,100	\$225,000
Medium	550-800	110,000
Low	---	60,000

Average Cost of Housing Construction in Wickenburg: \$40 per square foot.

**RETAIL FACILITIES**

Wickenburg has a mainstreet downtown area, and, at the Town's outskirts, a shopping center anchored by a major food chain. A second shopping center in Historic downtown has been recently constructed and includes a supermarket, department store and drugstore. Sears maintains a catalog office downtown. In addition, there are four convenience/neighborhood markets.

**LODGING AND MEETING FACILITIES**

Guest ranches/resorts 5 (209 rooms)  
 Motels: 8 183 rooms)  
 Meeting Facilities: Numerous, with facilities for up to 600 available.  
 For further information on community amenities, see the Arizona Community Profile for Wickenburg issued by the Arizona Department of Commerce.

**UTILITIES**

**ELECTRICAL SERVICE**

Distributors

Local Offices:

Town of Wickenburg	Arizona Public Service
Public Works Department	125 E. Apache
Town Hall	Wickenburg, AZ 85358
(602) 684-5451	(602) 684-5471

Commercial/Industrial Energy Rate Summary:

Town of Wickenburg

Base charge of \$11.46 plus 9.5cents/kwh first 3,000 kwh; 7.5 cents/kwh next 17,000 kwh; 7.0 cents/kwh in excess of 20,000 kwh

Arizona Public Service

June-October

\$15.00	Basic service charge, plus
1.84	for each kw in excess of 5, plus
0.112096	per kwh for the first 2,500* kwh
0.077456	per kwh next 42,000 kwh
0.049571	per kwh all additional kwh

November-May

\$15.00	Basic service charge, plus
1.67	for each kw in excess of 5, plus
0.101201	per kwh for the first 2,500* kwh
0.069800	per kwh for the next 42,000 kwh
0.044525	per kwh for all additional kwh

\* Add 100 kwh per kw for each kw over 5 kw.

**NATURAL GAS SERVICE**

Supplier: El Paso Natural Gas

Distributor: Southwest Gas Co.  
 Corporate Hq.  
 10851 N. Black Canyon Hwy.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85029  
 (602)942-0888 861-1555

Local Office:

335 Tegky Lane  
 Box 1517  
 Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
 (602) 684-5474

Commercial/Industrial Rate Summary\*

Small Commercial (less than 50 mcf per day)  
 \$15.00 Basic Service Charge, plus \$0.52522 per therm

Large Commercial (more than 50 mcf per day)  
 \$100.00 Basic Service Charge, plus \$0.42006 per therm

Small Industrial  
 \$100.00 Basic Service Charge, plus \$0.42242 per therm

Large Industrial  
 \$2,275.00 Basic Service Charge, plus \$0.38671 per therm

**PROPANE AND BUTANE**

Doxol Propane (Ferrell Gas)

Phoenix Highway-89	J & J Propane
Box PP Phoenix Hwy.	89 - Box 779
Wickenburg, AZ 85358	Wickenburg, AZ 85358
(602) 684-2181	(602) 684-5179

**WATER**

Distributors:

Town of Wickenburg  
 Public Works Department  
 Source: Wells. Water table generally located only 12 feet below the surface near river.

Industrial/Commercial Rate Summary:

In Town:	\$7.20 first 3,000 gal.
	.72 each additional 1,000 gal.
Outside Town:	\$14.40 first 3,000 gal.
	1.44 each additional 1,000 gal.
Connection Fees:	\$10.00 plus \$15.00 deposit

## PAYROLL TAXES

Generally, all firms with one or more employees (except certain agricultural firms), are required to pay both unemployment compensation and workers' compensation insurance. A newly located firm contributes at a rate of 2.7% on the first \$7,000 of employees' compensation per year. After the first twelve months this may be reduced by experience to a rate between 5.4% and 0.1%. A contribution rate of 2.9% up to 5.4% is reserved for employers with deficit reserve accounts. Quarterly payments are made and reports filed with the Arizona Department of Economic Security.

Under the Arizona workers' compensation program, firms may choose to insure their employee through one of three methods: self-insurance, private carrier policy, or the State Compensation Fund policy. The rate charges in the latter two categories are identical for each job classification. The National Council of Compensation Insurance is the official rating organization for Arizona workers' compensation insurance.

## OTHER TAXES

Arizona imposes no corporate franchise tax.

The state allows an exemption on income paid to parent companies when 50 percent or more of the subsidiary is owned by the parent company.

Arizona statutes specify that net operating losses may be carried forward five years. Capital losses may be carried forward until exhausted.

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## FOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE CONTACT:

### State

For Locations, Referrals and Data Service:  
Arizona Department of Commerce  
Business and Trade  
1700 W. Washington, 5th Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
(602) 542-5374

### Regional/Metropolitan

For Referrals and Data:  
Maricopa County  
Community Development Agency  
111 South 3rd Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85003  
(602) 261-5901

### For Low Interest Loan Financing Information:

The Industrial Development Authority of the  
County of Maricopa, Arizona  
c/o Law Offices of Donald D. Meyers  
3003 N. Central, Suite 2110  
Phoenix, AZ 85012  
(602) 264-2571

### Local

For location assistance and further information contact:

Economic Development Advisory Commission  
Town of Wickenburg  
P.O. Box 1269  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
(602) 684-5451

Town of Wickenburg  
120 East Apache  
P.O. Box 1269  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
(602) 684-5451

Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Drawer CC  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
(602) 684-5479

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Water Supply Capacity:

Million Gallons

Maximum Pumping Capacity	3,500/minute
Average Usage (Winter)	400,000/day
Peak Usage (Summer)	500/minute
Storage Capacity	3,300,000
Planned Delivery Capacity	4,000/minute
Hardness of Tap Water	185 milligrams/liter

SEWER

Supplier: Town of Wickenburg  
Public Works Department

Commercial/Industrial Rate Summary:

\$2.90 plus \$0.45/1,000 gallons of water consumed.  
Percent Community Coverage - 90%

TREATMENT FACILITY

Activated sludge

Million Gallons  
per Day

Capability	1.0
Average Load	0.3
Peak Hourly Demand	0.5

SOLID WASTE

Collection Service: Town of Wickenburg  
Public Works Department  
Disposal: In Town of Wickenburg landfill

Commercial/Industrial Monthly Rate Summary:

	Weekly	Monthly	Charge
Cans to 1/3 Number	Cubic Yds.	Pickup	
Bins			
1	1	2	2* \$33
2	3	2	40
3	3	2	80
4	3	2	159

\* More frequent pickups may be arranged.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

A comprehensive disposal site is being developed in Rainbow Valley, Maricopa County, by the State of Arizona. It is expected to be operational by late 1985 and to provide for the land disposal, reclamation and destruction appropriate to various hazardous wastes, excluding nuclear wastes.

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Suppliers: U.S. West  
3033 N. Third St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85012  
(602) 255-6411 - New Service  
(602) 235-5670 - Marketing Dept.  
  
FAX Service  
Your Secretary  
355 Whipple  
Box D  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358  
(602) 684-5466

A variety of communication lines appropriate to business needs, are supplied in the metropolitan Phoenix area. These include PBX, data lines, and dedicated private lines.

TRANSPORTATION

HIGHWAYS

U.S. Routes 60 and 89, State Route 93  
Travel distance to nearest Interstate is 35 miles  
Transit time to major destinations, are shown on map, page 6.

MOTOR FREIGHT CARRIERS

Wickenburg is serviced by 2 interstate carriers: Hopper-ONC and United Parcel Service.

TAXI SERVICE

2 companies in the area.

BUS LINES

Inter-city, Inter-state service from Greyhound Bus Lines and Trailways Bus System.

RAIL SERVICE

Passenger: AMTRAK serves the Metro Area in Phoenix, 1-800-872-7245.

Freight: Two transcontinental railroads, Southern Pacific and Santa Fe, serve Maricopa County. The two lines connect for reciprocal switching in Phoenix. Avondale is served by the Southern Pacific Railroad. Carload shipments only. (602) 234-0218.

Representative rail transit time to major destinations from Phoenix:

Eastbound

2-4 days	Albuquerque, El Paso
3-5 days	Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Oklahoma City
4-6 days	Kansas City, Denver, St. Louis
5-7 days	Minneapolis, St. Paul
6-8 days	Atlanta, Cincinnati, Cleveland
7-9 days	Buffalo, Pittsburgh
8-10 days	Baltimore, Boston, New York, Philadelphia

Westbound

2-3 days	Los Angeles
4-5 days	San Francisco
5-6 days	Portland
6-7 days	Seattle

Source: Southern Pacific Railroad, 1988

AIR SERVICE

AIRPORTS: Sky Harbor International  
Location: Southeast Phoenix  
Distance: 59 miles from Wickenburg  
Runway: 11,000 feet (longest)  
Major Airlines: Alaska Airlines, America West, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Mesa, Midway, Northwest, Southwest Airlines, Trans World Airlines, United, U.S. Air  
Commuter Airlines: Skywest (D.B.A. Delta Connection), StatesWest  
Services: Air Taxi, flight instruction, small package delivery, air cargo service, complete aircraft maintenance facility, rental cars, meals, lodging (in airport hotel)  
New terminal under construction (completion date 1991).  
Further information: (602) 273-3300

Wickenburg Municipal Airport Public use  
Location: 3 miles west of Wickenburg  
Runway: 5,050 feet, beacon lighted and asphalt  
UNICOM  
Services: Fuel, minor repairs, rental cars  
Attended: from 8 am to 5 pm  
Further Information: (602) 684-7789

**CAPITAL**

**COMMERCIAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

	Offices
Valley National Bank	2
First Interstate Bank	1
Community Bank	2
Mera Bank	1

**FEDERAL FINANCING FOR INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL INVESTORS**

Small Business Administration programs  
Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA)  
Community Development Block Grant

**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE**

Wickenburg Town Manager  
Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES**

The Industrial Development Authority of the County of Maricopa, Arizona

**I.D.A. REVENUE BOND ISSUES (In millions)**

12/73-4/85

Industrial	0
Commercial	\$2,695,000

Locations of housing financed with I.D.A. bond issues are distributed Countywide. Over \$275 million has been issued for residential development, most for owner-occupied housing. Maricopa County IDA has closed 140 bond issues with a total calculated value of \$1.25 billion between 1975-85.

**BUILDINGS AND LAND**

**AVERAGE BUILDING COST PER SQUARE FOOT**

	Monthly Rent	New Construction
Manufacturing		
Shell/Warehouse	\$0.20-.30	\$38
Commercial/ Professional Space	\$0.50	\$42

**VACANCY RATE**

	Percent
Commercial	5%
Industrial	1

**WICKENBURG SITES**

	Zoned	Partially Improved	Fully Improved
Industrial			
Number of Sites	25	1	16
Total Acres	225	30	15
Av. Cost/Acre	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$35,000
Commercial			
Av. Cost/front ft. 85 acres		\$250-270	\$275-300

Commercial and/or Industrial Site Data and Ownership Information available from (602) 684-5451.  
Location Assistance available from: Town Manager's Office.

**CONSTRUCTION TRENDS**

	Permits		Value
	1986	1987	1987
Industrial	1	2	\$264,000
Commercial	3	6	398,000
Residential	25	30	1,159,000

Source: Arizona State University, Arizona Business

**GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

**Wickenburg**

**Inside Corporate Limits:**

Wickenburg is designated by the State of Arizona as a "full-service" town. It provides residents with electricity, water and sewer, refuse collection, streets, parks, library, community center, police protection, fire (volunteer) protection, ambulance, R.V. park, rodeo arena, cemetery and landfill. Fire Underwriter's Rating 6A.

Outside Corporate Limits: Water, sewer (negotiable), fire protection and ambulance.

**LOCAL PLANS AND REGULATIONS**

	Year Established
General Plan	1988
Zoning Ordinance	1985
Subdivision Ordinance	1984
Five-year Airport Plan	1985
Water Master Plan	1970
Airport Master Plan	1985

**INDUSTRIAL PLANS APPROVED BY:**

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**TAXES**

**INCOME TAXES**

Personal Income Tax Progressive 2-8% scale. Federal taxes are deductible from gross income.

**CORPORATE INCOME TAX**

Taxable Income*	
0 to \$1,000	2.5%
\$1,000 to \$2,000	\$25.00 plus 4.0% over \$1,000
\$2,000 to \$3,000	\$65.00 plus 5.0% over \$2,000
\$3,000 to \$4,000	\$115.00 plus 6.5% over \$3,000
\$4,000 to \$5,000	\$180.00 plus 8.0% over \$4,000
\$5,000 to \$6,000	\$260.00 plus 9.0% over \$5,000
Over \$6,000	\$350.00 plus 10.5% over \$6,000

\*Excludes federal and state corporate taxes

**SALES TAXES**

Arizona has a 5% state sales tax exempting food, drugs and sales of machinery and equipment used directly in manufacturing and processing. Wickenburg adds a 1% local sales tax.

**PROPERTY TAX**

Class 3, commercial and industrial property assessment ratio is 25% of full cash value. Merchants' and Manufacturers' inventories are exempt from taxation. Class 4, Vacant Land, is assessed at 16%. And Class 5, Residential, is assessed at 10% of cash value.

**PROPERTY TAX LEVIES PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUATION**

Unified School District	\$4.56
Community College	.72
State	.47
County	2.26
Total Outside City	8.01
City	1.25
Fire District	.20
Total	9.46

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 1988

## PAYROLL TAXES

Generally, all firms with one or more employees (except certain agricultural firms), are required to pay both unemployment compensation and workers' compensation insurance. A newly located firm contributes at a rate of 2.7% on the first \$7,000 of employees' compensation per year. After the first twelve months this may be reduced by experience to a rate between 5.4% and 0.1%. A contribution rate of 2.9% up to 5.4% is reserved for employers with deficit reserve accounts. Quarterly payments are made and reports filed with the Arizona Department of Economic Security.

Under the Arizona workers' compensation program, firms may choose to insure their employee through one of three methods: self-insurance, private carrier policy, or the State Compensation Fund policy. The rate charges in the latter two categories are identical for each job classification. The National Council of Compensation Insurance is the official rating organization for Arizona workers' compensation insurance.

## OTHER TAXES

Arizona imposes no corporate franchise tax.

The state allows an exemption on income paid to parent companies when 50 percent or more of the subsidiary is owned by the parent company.

Arizona statutes specify that net operating losses may be carried forward five years. Capital losses may be carried forward until exhausted.

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## FOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE CONTACT:

### State

For Locations, Referrals and Data Service:  
Arizona Department of Commerce  
Business and Trade  
1700 W. Washington, 5th Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
(602) 542-5374

### Regional/Metropolitan

For Referrals and Data:  
Maricopa County  
Community Development Agency  
111 South 3rd Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85003  
(602) 261-5901

### For Low Interest Loan Financing Information:

The Industrial Development Authority of the  
County of Maricopa, Arizona  
c/o Law Offices of Donald D. Meyers  
3003 N. Central, Suite 2110  
Phoenix, AZ 85012  
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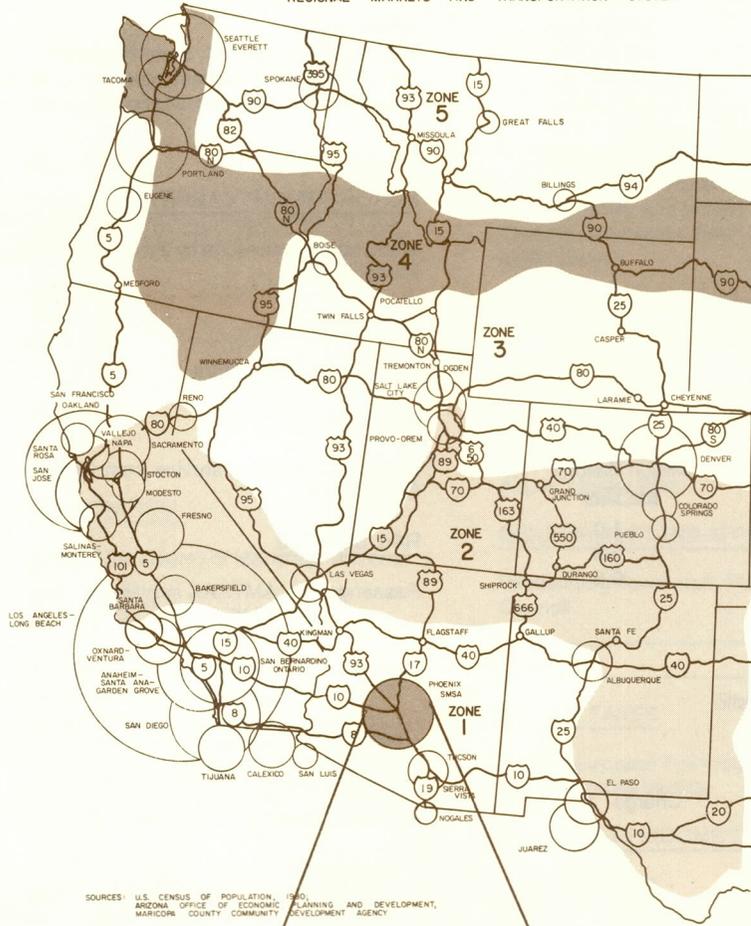
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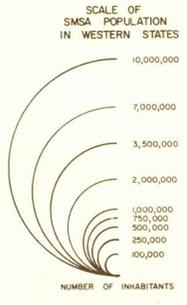
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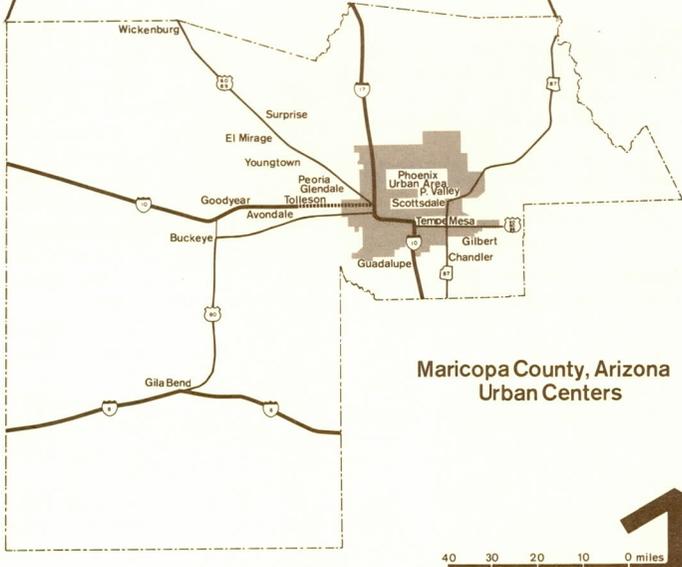
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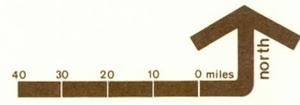
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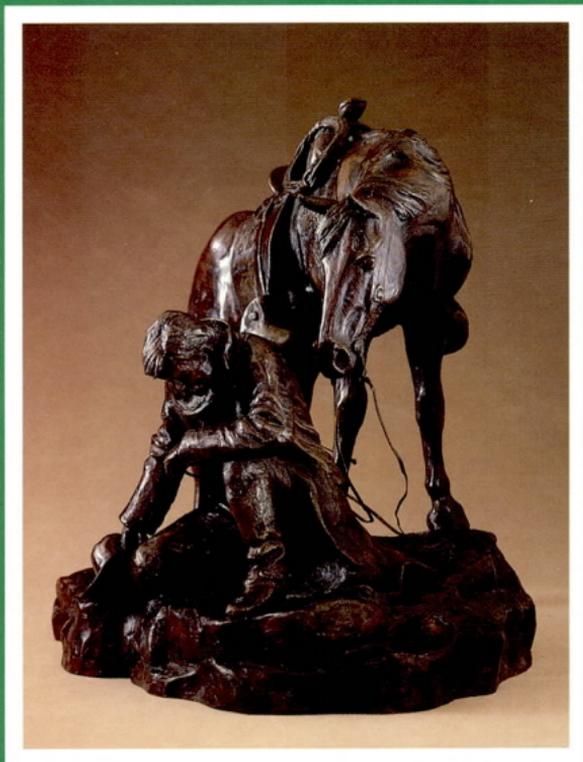


Maricopa County, Arizona  
Urban Centers



DESERT CABALLEROS

# Museum Park



WICKENBURG, ARIZONA  
MARICOPA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## THE MUSEUM PARK...a celebration of volunteer spirit

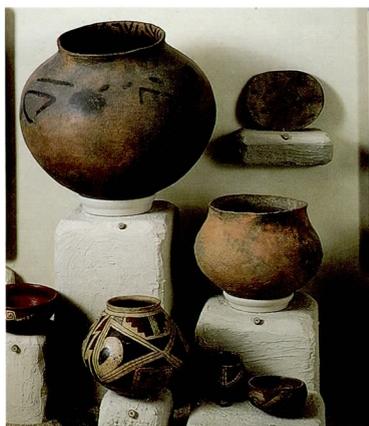


A Period Room

The Desert Caballeros Western Museum, restored in 1972 by community volunteers following a devastating fire, showcases the rich history of Wickenburg and its environs. Displayed within are remnants of prehistoric Southwestern cultures, tools of courageous pioneers, specimens from the natural environment and an outstanding collection of fine western art.

**The Indian Room** chronologically presents unique examples of Southwestern Indian arts, crafts and artifacts.

**The Period and Special Exhibit Rooms** recreate life in the early 1900's and provide a nostalgic step back in time.

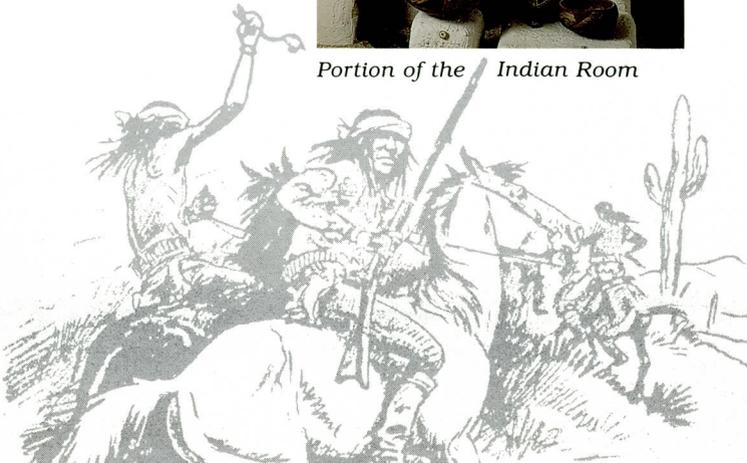
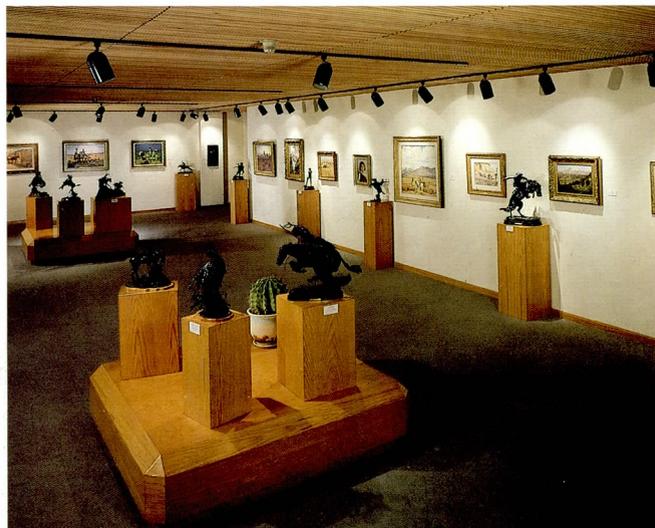


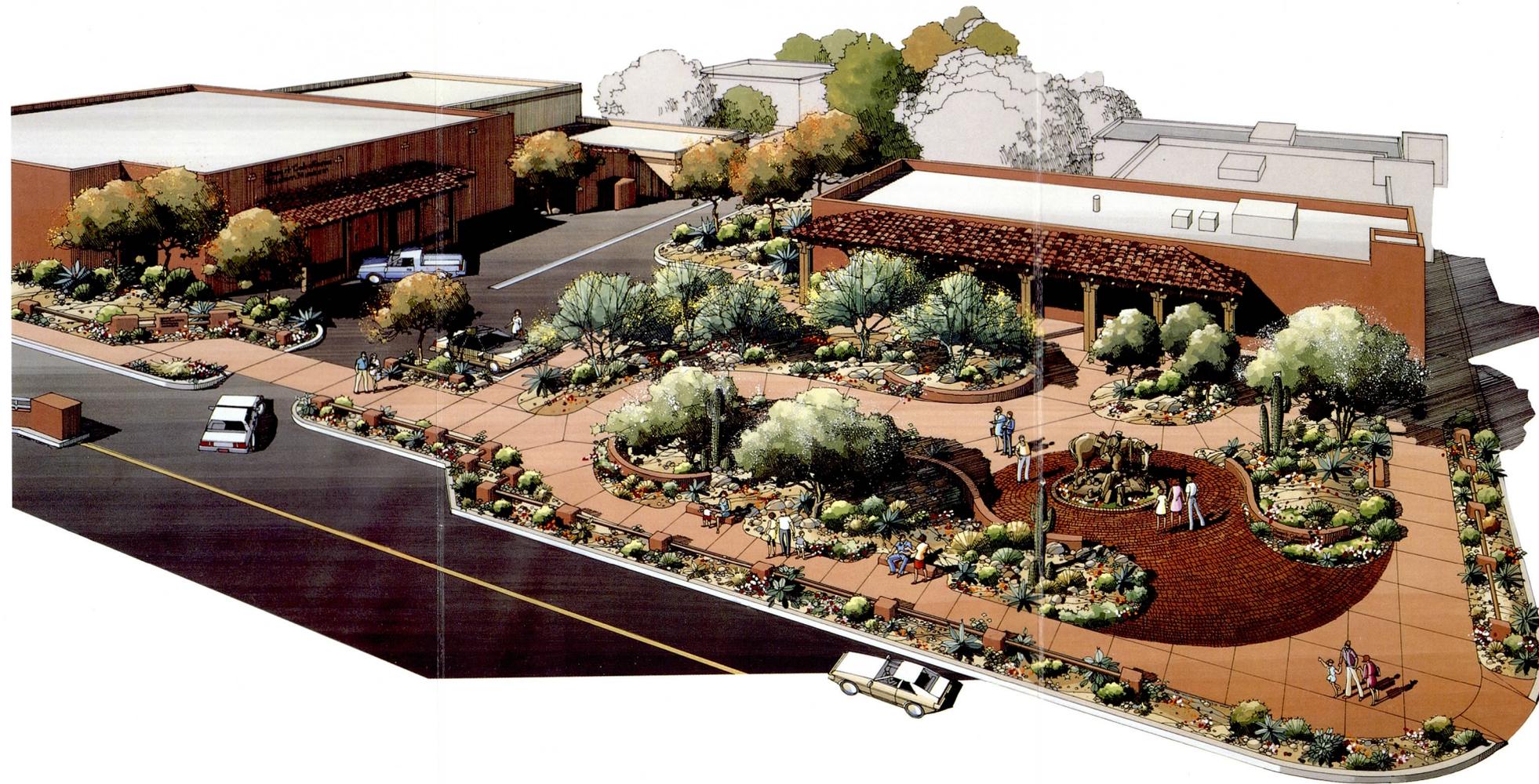
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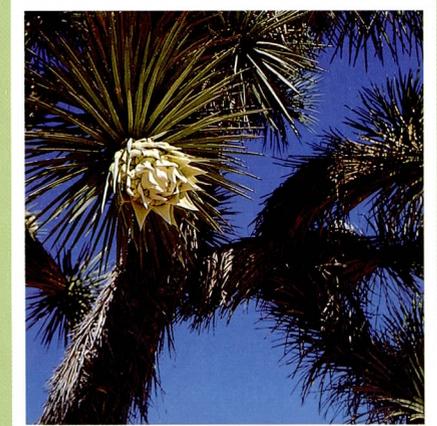
Local Minerals

**The Western Fine Arts Gallery** features an outstanding permanent collection. In addition, premier traveling and special exhibits are displayed periodically in the recently expanded gallery area. A dazzling collection of local minerals and gemstones fill innovative display cases in the **Mineral Room**.





*The Museum Park*, dedicated to the hundreds of volunteers who created and maintain the Desert Caballeros Western Museum, will officially open on November 26, 1988. The focal bronze statue, "Thanks for the Rain," by Joe Beeler emphasizes the cowboy's dependence on God's bounty as the park highlights the traditions of western hospitality. The park will welcome visitors to the Museum as well as providing an added dimension for outdoor exhibits and displays.

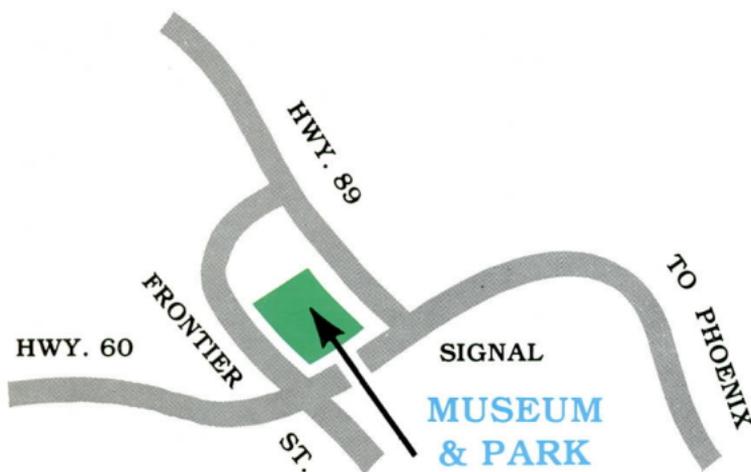


*Joe Beeler's* intimate working knowledge of all facets of cowboy life brings reality to his sculptures and paintings and marks him as a leader in contemporary western art. Part Cherokee Indian, he grew up among the Indian tribes of northeastern Oklahoma, participating in and observing the rich heritage of native tradition. Joe Beeler's insight transcends mere representation and translates into paintings and sculptures that accurately illustrate and preserve western history.

*I am an American living in the 20th Century obsessed with our rich heritage and history. Even today, the West is the last stronghold of our rugged American individualism, where we can still find old customs and traditions being followed. The cowboy and the Indian are still colorful characters, and there are places in the West that are yet unspoiled."*

Joe Beeler, Preface to "Cowboys and Indians"

The museum and the park combine to provide the visitor with an experience that goes beyond the commonplace.



Monday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Admission is charged

## Membership

Your membership in the Maricopa County Historical Society supports many projects and activities we sponsor. It also represents an understanding of the importance of preserving history.

As a member you will receive our quarterly newsletter which includes articles of historical interest and information on museum and volunteer activities. Membership also entitles you and the members of your immediate family to free admission to the museum. (Membership dues are deductible from federal and state income tax to the full extent allowed by law.)

### PERSONAL MEMBERSHIP

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor | \$500 and over | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor    | \$25 to \$99 |
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### COMMERCIAL MEMBERSHIP

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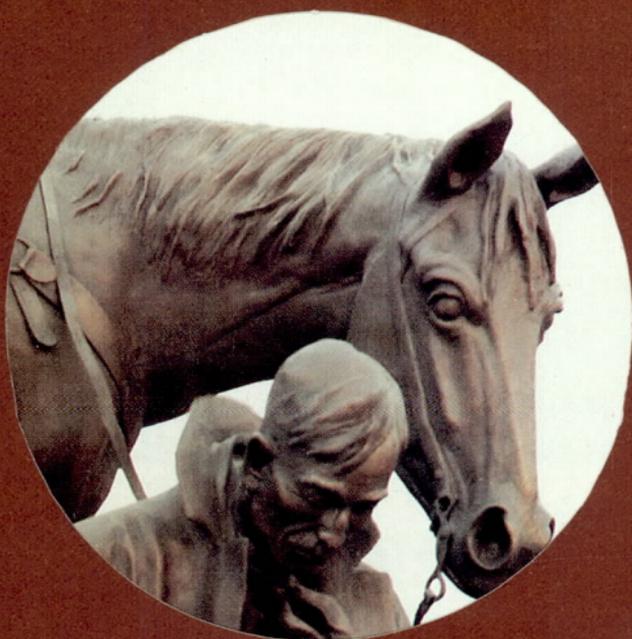
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# WICKENBURG ARIZONA



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In cooperation with Arizona Office of Tourism



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**THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
WELCOMES YOU TO WICKENBURG**



**DESERT CABALLEROS WESTERN MUSEUM PARK  
FEATURING ARTIST JOE BEELER'S  
"THANKS FOR THE RAIN"**

To spend long hours in the warm sunshine.  
To get back to simple and quiet living.

To escape the tempestuous and hurried bustle that marks the life of the big city.

To enjoy horseback rides in a country untouched by the tempo of too modern civilization.

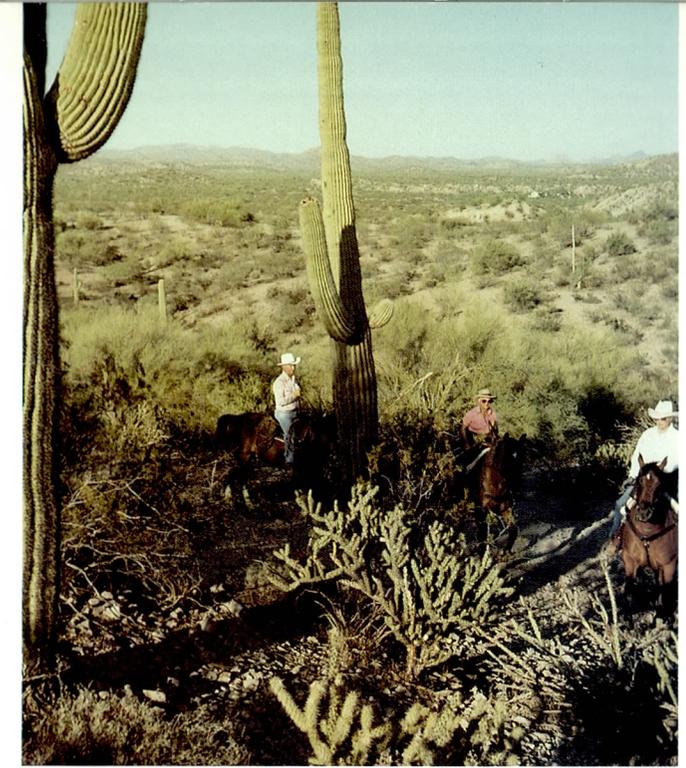
To have your blood quicken to the symphony of all-out-doors, deep blue skies by day and moon-drenched hills by nights.

To experience sunsets unsurpassed in grandeur.

To enjoy out-of-doors all winter long while other climes are held in icy grip.

To headquarter at the very hub of Arizona's scenic wheel.

To build a home or invest in a community where the future is promising. . . . *THEN* —



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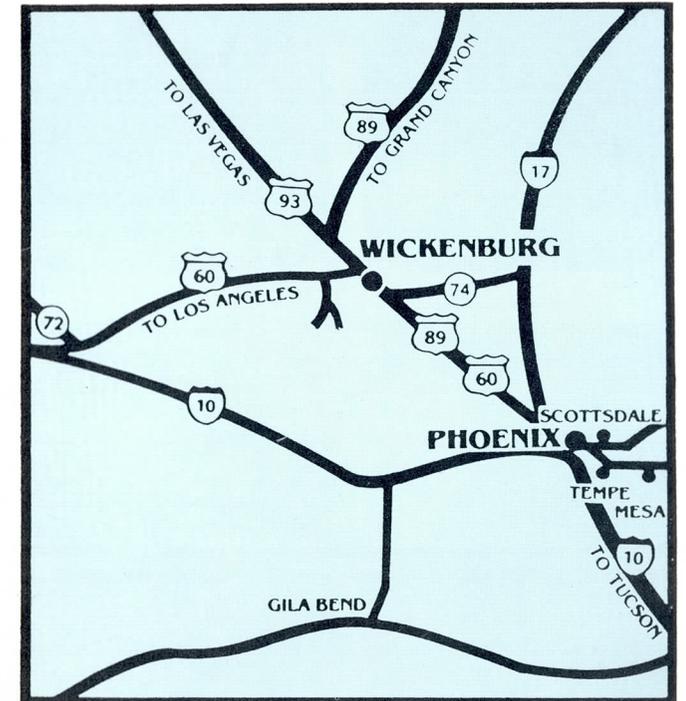
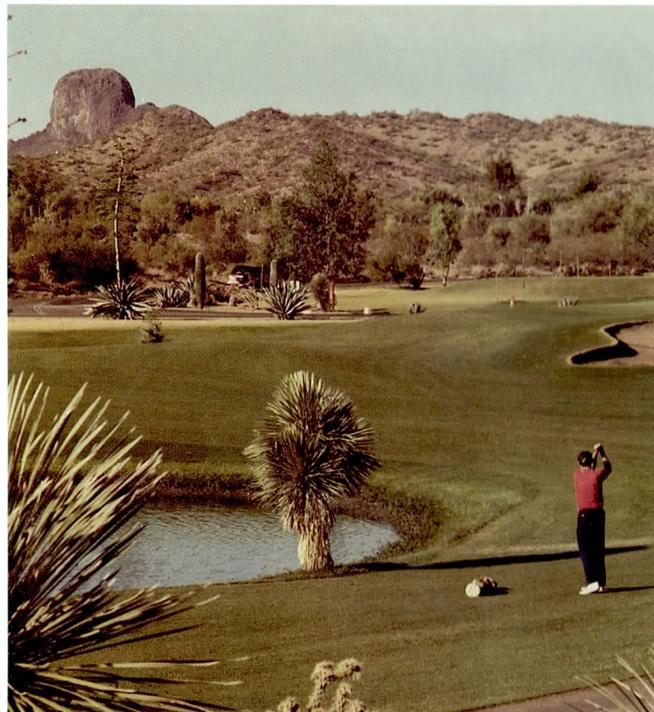
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***YOU'LL FIND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR . . . "OUT WICKENBURG WAY"***

However, there's more to Wickenburg than beautiful weather and friendliness. There are several top-rated resorts here, one with a large new conference center. There are two golf courses, one rated in the top 75 in the country. All guest ranches boast outstanding tennis facilities. We have one of the most outstanding western art museums in the country with a collection of paintings, bronzes, Indian artifacts and memorabilia that are the envy of many big city museums. That's the Desert Caballeros Western Museum.

There are 5 excellent art galleries, 320 very comfortable hotel rooms and over 20 fine restaurants in Wickenburg. An industrial park for manufacturing enterprises is ideally located to attract new enterprises. Wickenburg's private airport with a 5000 foot paved runway with jet and aviation fuel is near by.

But come ***"OUT WICKENBURG WAY"***



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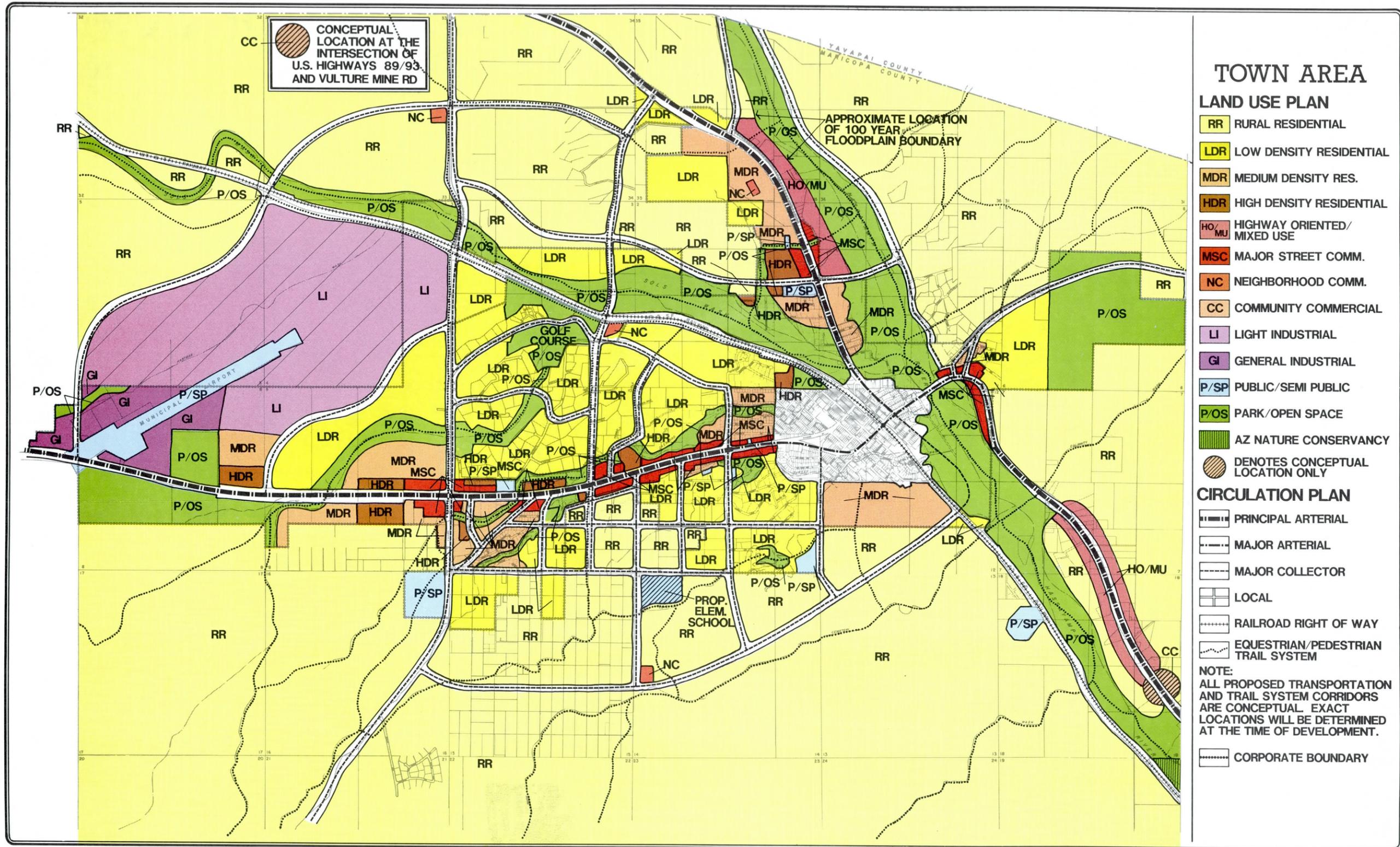
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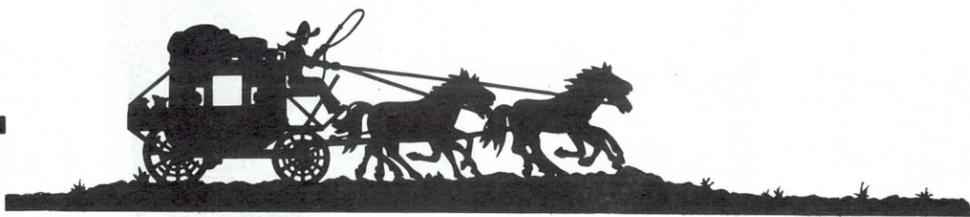
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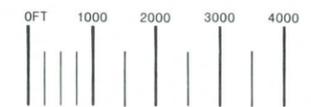


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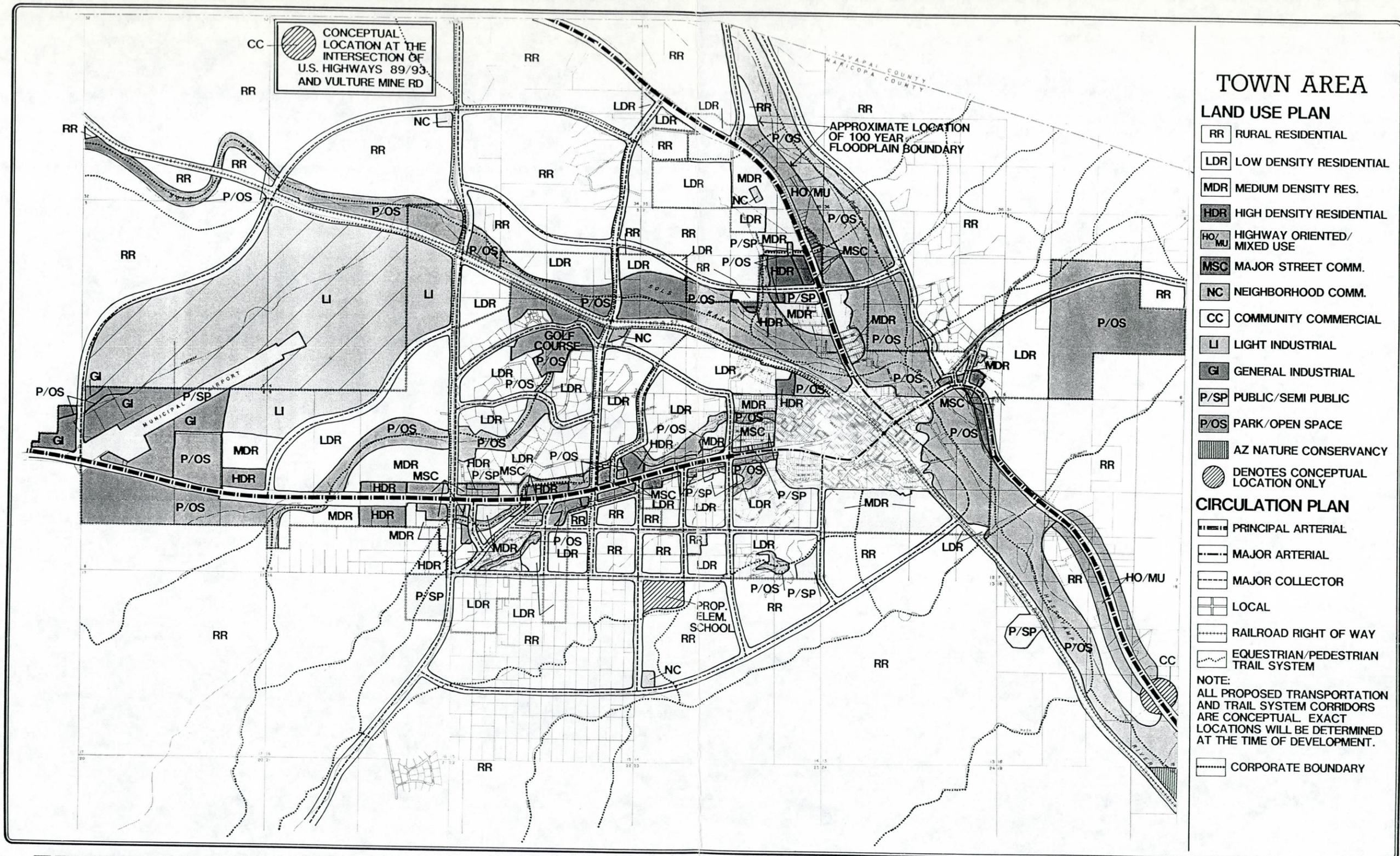
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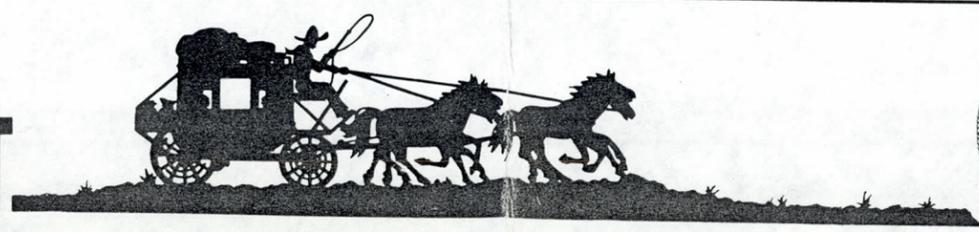
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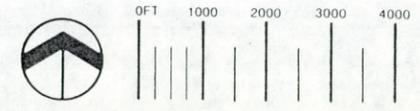


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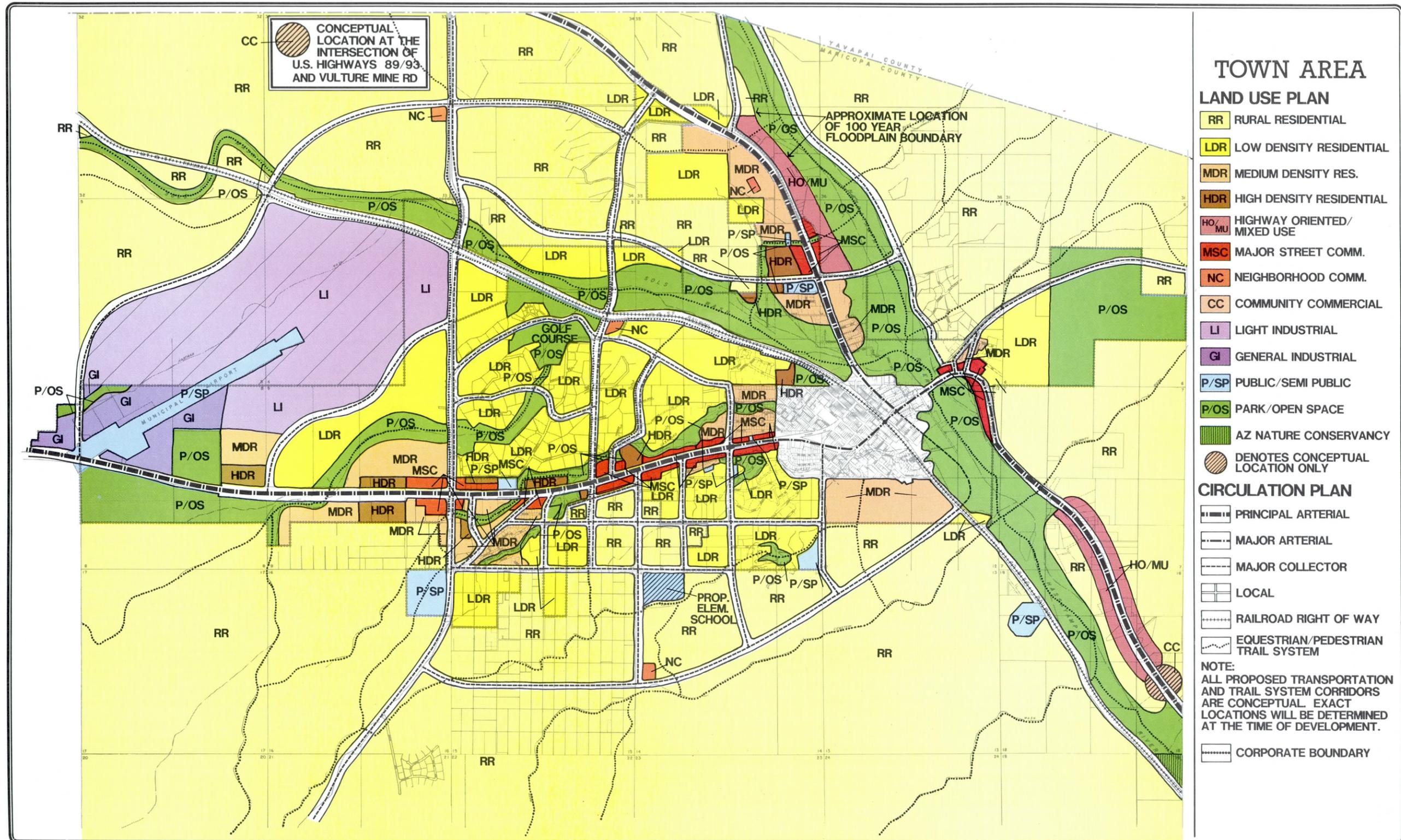
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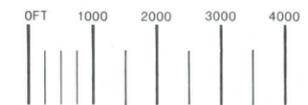


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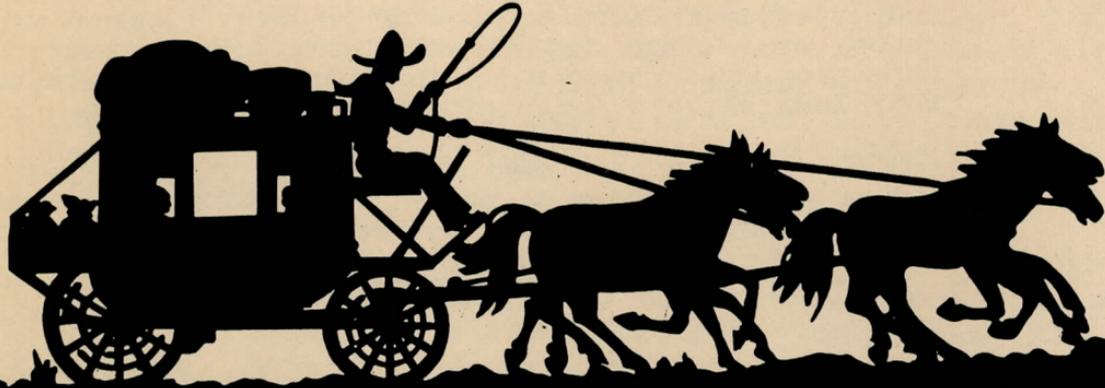
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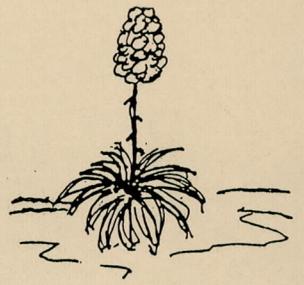


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**WICKENBURG, ARIZONA**

# WICKENBURG

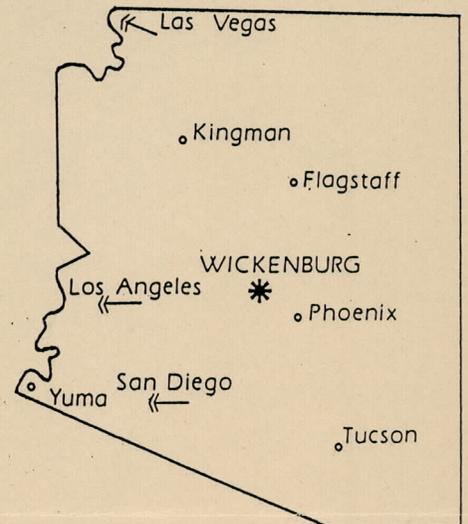
In Wickenburg, Arizona the traditions of the Old West welcome modern technology. If your company is considering expansion or relocation, Wickenburg offers an unparalleled western lifestyle, location and transportation advantages, the beauty of the high desert, and developed industrial property at very competitive rates. The Wickenburg Industrial Airpark provides a rare opportunity to mix business and the pleasures of a true western lifestyle.



## WHERE

Wickenburg is centrally located in Arizona, only 55 miles northwest of downtown Phoenix and 30 miles from the metro area...less than an hour's drive away.

In fact, Wickenburg is less than a day's drive away from many major markets, with overnight access to the following metropolitan areas: Los Angeles, San Diego, Las Vegas, and Albuquerque. Highway access to many urbanized areas averages about two hours. U.S. Highway 60, U.S. Highway 89 and U.S. Highway 93 pass directly through Wickenburg, providing commercial frontage and direct access to Phoenix, Las Vegas, and southern California.



## MILES FROM WICKENBURG

PHOENIX	55
LOS ANGELES	352
SAN DIEGO	390
LAS VEGAS	235
FLAGSTAFF	156
YUMA	173
TUCSON	170
ALBUQUERQUE	475

## WHY

Wickenburg has more to offer than location and market access. Along with a pleasant year-round climate, friendly people, and a unique western setting, exciting development opportunities exist at the new Wickenburg Industrial Airpark. Key features of the airpark include:

- .complete curb high infrastructure and Town services
- .average lot size - one (1) acre
- .competitive land costs at approximately \$35,000/acre
- .accommodations for corporate aircraft
- .industrial zoning
- .sites adjacent to U.S. Highway 60
- .possible service by rail spur

## WICKENBURG HIGHLIGHTS

- .semi-skilled work force
- .competitive wage structure
- .abundant high quality water supply
- .competitive tax structure
- .affordable energy costs

- .excellent public schools with new campuses
- .ASU West and Glendale Community College less than one hour away
- .wide variety of cultural and recreational pursuits: 5 art galleries, 5 parks, 2 golf courses, rock-hounding, Desert Caballeros Western Museum, countless equestrian activities, and an annual free concert series, featuring artists of international acclaim
- .over 60 clubs and organizations

- .community center suited for conventions - seats 500
- .world-class guest ranches with meeting and recreational facilities
- .complete health and medical facilities
- .beautiful high desert setting
- .rich western heritage

## WHEN

Right now. Whenever you are ready to relocate, the Town of Wickenburg is ready to welcome you. We're prepared to help you in every step of relocation, beginning with preliminary fact-finding. For additional information or to arrange a visit, please call or write Ben Nardelli, Town Manager, at the number and address below.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - CONTACT BEN J. NARDELLI AT (602) 684-5451 OR WICKENBURG TOWN HALL, P.O. BOX 1269, WICKENBURG, AZ 85358

DISCOVER..... THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES THAT EXIST FOR YOU IN  
WICKENBURG, ARIZONA

If you're on the move, Wickenburg is the right place for you. The frontier spirit has never died here -- the business climate and community thrive on exciting visions of tomorrow. Our attitude of progress and commerce have carried over from Wickenburg's first settlers - men and women with bold ideas and the energy to see them through.

Wickenburg offers dynamic opportunities for quality development in many areas - industrial, commercial, resort, and residential. Prime industrial sites are now available at the Town's new airpark, served by U.S. Highway 60. Town Staff will welcome your inquiries and are prepared to help you with relocation needs or questions.

Discover for yourself why Wickenburg is the best place to be. Find out why our town is growing - we've got more than a great climate and a beautiful setting. We're on the move, so come and join us "Out Wickenburg Way". It's a great place to raise your family and your profits.





## Hassayampa River Preserve

Property of  
Box 1162, Wickenburg, Arizona 85358, (602) 684-2772  
Flood Control District of MC Library

Please Return to  
RESOURCES FOR "Creating a Native Landscape" April 29, 1989  
200 W. Orange  
Phoenix, AZ 85009

The following list presents the species native to the Wickenburg area and available through commercial outlets or personal salvage. It does not contain every species found in our area as some are not available or are very difficult to get. The numbers listed after the species name refer to the retail outlets at the end of this list. An \* indicates that you may purchase the seeds from one of the seed companies listed, or you may consider gather the seeds yourself. (Please see "Gathering Wild Seeds"). We have included the botanical names so you are sure to receive the proper species. For example, in the Wickenburg area we have three native species of mesquite trees. There are two exotic species from South America that are commonly used in urban landscapes and are not appropriate in a truly native landscape. They can be difficult to distinguish from the natives if you are not familiar with their botanical names.

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	AVAILABILITY
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### TREES

Ash, Velvet	<i>Fraxinus velutina</i>	2
Cottonwood, Fremont	<i>Populus fremontii</i>	1
Desertwillow	<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Elderberry, Desert	<i>Sambucus mexicana</i>	1,4,5,6
Hackberry, Nettleaf (Canyon or Western)	<i>Celtis reticulata</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Ironwood	<i>Olneya tesota</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Mesquite, Honey	<i>Prosopis juliflora</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Mesquite, Velvet	<i>Prosopis velutina</i>	3
Mesquite, Screwbean	<i>Prosopis pubescens</i>	1,3,4,5,6
Palm, Desert fan	<i>Washingtonia filifera</i>	2
Palo verde, Blue	<i>Cercidium floridum</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Palo verde, Foothill	<i>Cercidium microphyllum</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Willow, Gooddings	<i>Salix gooddingii</i>	1

### SHRUBS

Acacia, catclaw	<i>Acacia greggii</i>	7,8,9*
Acacia, whitethorn	<i>Acacia constricta</i>	1,4,5,6
Arrowweed	<i>Pluchea sericea</i>	7,8,9*
Bladdersage (Paperbag bush)	<i>Salazaria mexicana</i>	7,8,9*
Brittlebush	<i>Encelia farinosa</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i>	1,4,5,6
Burrobrush	<i>Hymenoclea</i> sp.	7,8,9*
Cliffrose	<i>Cowania mexicana</i>	1,4,5,6
Creosote bush	<i>Larrea tridentata</i>	1,4,5,6
Desertbroom	<i>Baccharis sarothroides</i>	1,2,4,5,6

COMMON NAME Shrubs (Cont.)	BOTANICAL NAME	AVAILABILITY
Desertholly	<i>Atriplex hymenelytra</i>	1,4,5,6
Desertlavender	<i>Hyptis emoryi</i>	7,8,9*
Fairyduster	<i>Calliandra eriophylla</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Greythorn	<i>Ziziphus obtusifolia</i>	2,4,5,6
Hackberry, Desert	<i>Celtis pallida</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Hopbush	<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Jojoba	<i>Simmondsia chinensis</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Ocotillo	<i>Fouquieria splendens</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Saltbush, Desert	<i>Atriplex polycarpa</i>	1,4,5,6
Saltbush, Fourwing	<i>Atriplex canescens</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Quailbush	<i>Atriplex lentiformis</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Seepwillow	<i>Baccharis glutinosa</i>	7,8,9*
Wolfberry	<i>Lycium fremontii</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Yucca, Soaptree	<i>Yucca elata</i>	1,2,3,4,5,6
Yucca, Banana	<i>Yucca baccata</i>	1,4,5,6

CACTUS

Barrel cactus	<i>Ferocactus acanthodes</i>	SEE NOTE AT
Cereus, Night-blooming	<i>Peniocereus greggii</i>	END OF LIST
Cholla, Staghorn	<i>Opuntia acanthocarpa</i>	REGARDING
Cholla, Teddybear	<i>Opuntia bigelovii</i>	CACTUS
Fishhook (Pincushion)	<i>Mammillaria microcarpa</i>	AVAILABILITY
Hedgehog, Strawberry	<i>Echinocereus engelmannii</i>	
Hedgehog, Claretcup	<i>Echinocereus triglochidiatus</i>	
Pricklypear, Sprawling (Engelmann's)	<i>Opuntia phaeacantha</i> var. <i>discata</i>	
Pricklypear, Pancake	<i>Opuntia chlorotica</i>	
Pricklypear, Beavertail	<i>Opuntia basilaris</i>	
Saguaro	<i>Cereus giganteus</i>	

FORBS--broad-leaved herbaceous (non-woody) annual and perennial plants.

Aster, Mohave	<i>Aster abatus</i>	7,8,9*
Baileya, Desert (Desertmarigold)	<i>Baileya multiradiata</i>	1,4,5,6
Bladderpod	<i>Lesquerella gordonii</i>	7,8,9*
Eveningprimrose, Dune's	<i>Oenothera deltoides</i>	7,8,9*
Eveningprimrose, Desert Yellow (Sundrops)	<i>Oenothera primiveris</i>	7,8,9*
Globemallow	<i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i>	1,4,5,6
Gooddings verbena	<i>Verbena gooddingii</i>	1,2,4,5,6
Lupine	<i>Lupinus sparsiflorus</i>	7,8,9*
Mariposa lily	<i>Calochortus kennedyi</i>	7,8,9*
Owl clover	<i>Orthocarpus purpurascens</i>	7,8,9*
Paperflower	<i>Psilostrophe cooperi</i>	7,8,9*
Penstemon, Parry's	<i>Penstemon parryi</i>	2,4,5,6

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	AVAILABILITY
<u>Forbs (cont.)</u>		
Penstemon, Palmer's	Penstemon palmeri	7,8,9*
Phacelia (Scorpionweed)	Phacelia crenulata	7,8,9*
Phlox, Desert	Phlox tenuifolia	7,8,9*
Poppy (Mexican gold)	Eschscholtzia mexicana	7,8,9*
Prickly poppy	Argemone platyceras	7,8,9*
Senna, Desert	Cassia covesii	7,8,9*
Wild cucumber	Marah gilensis	7,8,9*
Coyote melon	Cucurbita digitata	7,8,9*

GRASSES

Big Galleta	Hilaria rigida	7,8,9*
Fluff Grass	Erioneuron pulchellum	7,8,9*
Littleseed muhly	Muhlenbergia microsperma	7,8,9*
Purple three-awn	Aristida purpurea	7,8,9*
Sand dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus	7,8,9*
Tobosa-grass	Hilaria mutica	7,8,9*

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Availability: The following list is by no means meant to be comprehensive. It represents those retail facilities relatively near the Wickenburg area and/or those that offer specialized materials hard to obtain from other sources. Various species, while usually available from the sources below, can be difficult to find at certain times of the year. Please let us know at the preserve if there are other outlets that should be listed or that you have found to be particularly helpful and conscientious in their efforts to help locate certain native species. The listing below does not represent an endorsement of services or materials provided, by The Nature Conservancy or the Hassayampa River Preserve.

Retail outlets

1. Squash Blossum Nursery  
Wickenburg 684-7966
2. Desert Tree Nursery  
Cave Creek & Union Hills roads  
569-1300
3. Beardsley Nursery  
on Grand Ave. between Johnson & Meeker  
975-2111 or 975-2180
4. Sun City Nursery  
9715 W. Peoria Ave  
Peoria 933-1592

Retail Outlets (cont.)

5. Paradise Nursery  
4949 W. Peoria Ave  
Peoria 939-1481
6. Baker Nursery  
3414 N. 40th Street  
Phoenix 955-4500
7. Desert Enterprises  
Judy Clement  
388-2448
8. Hubb Brothers Seed Company  
Collectors of Seed Native to Arizona  
267-8132
9. Wildseed  
P.O. Box 27751  
Tempe, AZ 85282

The retail nurseries listed above are supplied by a variety of wholesale nurseries. They will occasionally have native species not listed in their plant lists or may be able to offer advice or assistance in locating unusual or particularly difficult species to find. They will also sometimes have cactus or be able to refer you to someone who does.

Wholesale distributors

MOUNTAIN STATES WHOLESAL NURSERY  
P.O. Box 33982  
Phoenix, AZ 85067 247-8509

DESERT TREE FARM  
2744 E. Utopia  
Phoenix, AZ 85024

SONORA NURSERY SALES  
935-4313

**CACTUS AVAILABILITY:** The best way to get mature native cactus is through the process of salvage. The regulations that govern the salvage process are currently under review, and when complete, will make it simpler to utilize those cactus that otherwise would be destroyed in development projects. The existing Native Plant laws are administered by the Arizona Commission of Agriculture and Horticulture. Their phone number is 542-4373. Call them for an update on the permit process and what you must do in order to transplant the native species. Both the Squash Blossom Nursery and the Cactus Nursery (see other Resources) carry specimen cacti.

GATHERING WILD SEED: It is legal to gather seed of wildflowers and other plants on private property with the property owners permission. The gathering of seeds on state or federal land is allowed provided there is no damage to the living plant, and that the seeds are gathered for personal use only. This is an activity where great discretion should be exercised so as to not affect the local area's ecology. If in doubt, check with the Arizona Commission of Agriculture and Horticultural at 542-4373.

#### OTHER FACILITIES/ORGANIZATIONS

The DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN is an excellent facility displaying most of our native species. They offer various educational programs, several with the focus of landscaping with native species. The Garden is located in Papago Park at 1201 N. Galvin Parkway, Phoenix, 85008. Their phone number is 941-1225.

The BOYCE THOMPSON SOUTHWESTERN ARBORETUM maintains a variety of native species among others. Potential use in the home landscape is a focus of the Arboretum's work, the result of such research can be found in DESERT PLANTS, published by the University of Arizona. The Arboretum is located east of Superior. Write: P.O. Box AB, Superior, AZ 85273. Their phone number is 689-2811.

The ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM, near Tucson represents a tremendous resource for residents and visitors to the desert. A variety of classes and special programs, many on the subject of landscaping with native species, are offered. If you haven't visited the Desert Museum, it is a must! For information write: ASDM, 2021 N. Kinney Rd., Tucson, 85743.

THE ARIZONA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY, P.O. Box 41206, Tucson. 85717

#### Additional Resources

Judy Clement of Desert Enterprises  
Morristown 388-2448

Consultant on cultivating native species, erosion control, re-vegetation and general use of native species in your home landscape.

Squash Blossom Nursery 684-7966  
1101 W. Whipple, Wickenburg

Wickenburg Nursery and Irrigation 684-7165  
579 Whipple, Wickenburg

Cactus Nursery 388-2224  
At the junction of Hwys 74 & 60/89/93--Morristown  
A wonderful variety of seed-grown cactus.

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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TREES AND SHRUBS OF THE SOUTHWESTERN DESERTS, Lyman Benson and Robert A. Darrow, University of Arizona Press, Tucson, 1981.

SHRUBS AND TREES OF THE SOUTHWEST UPLANDS, Francis H. Elmore, Southwest Parks and Monuments Association, Tucson, 1976.

GRASSES OF THE SOUTHWEST UNITED STATES, Frank W. Gould, University of Arizona Press, Tucson, 1951.

## EROSION CONTROL FABRICS & MATERIALS

### HILLSLOPES

| <u>Slope Steepness:</u>     | <u>Material:</u>                                 | <u>Approx. Cost:</u> | <u>Supplier:</u>                       |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Gentle<br>(5:1 or less)     | Straw mulch                                      | \$3.75/bale          | Double D Farms<br>684-5821             |
| 4:1                         | Saxolin-X<br>(light jute netting)                | \$0.64/sq.yd.        | Hobbs & Hopkins<br>(800)345-3925       |
| 3:1                         | Soil Saver<br>(heavy jute netting)               | \$0.70/sq.yd.        | Arizona Bag & Burlap<br>272-1333 (Phx) |
| 3:1                         | S-150 Erosion Blanket<br>(North American Green)  | \$0.89/sq.yd.        | Border Products<br>437-1900 (Phx)      |
| 2:1                         | SC-150 Erosion Blanket<br>(North American Green) | \$1.23/sq.yd.        | Border Products<br>437-1900 (Phx)      |
| Steep<br>(greater than 2:1) | Miramat<br>(Mirafi, Inc)                         | \$11.90/sq.yd.       | Border Products<br>437-1900 (Phx)      |

### GULLIES AND WASHES

|                | <u>Material:</u>          | <u>Approx. Cost:</u> | <u>Supplier:</u>                  |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Small channels | Miramat<br>(Mirafi, Inc.) | \$11.90/sq.yd.       | Border Products<br>437-1900 (Phx) |
| Large channels | Riprap rock               | \$5.50/ton           | Wickenbg. Concrete<br>684-3402    |

\*Note: slope steepness is denoted in terms of run:rise: therefore, a 3:1 slope would rise 1 foot in 3 feet of distance

# Along the River

8/25/88

By Holly Richter  
*Special to The Sun.*

Imagine the Sonoran desert without saguaros, or the coast of northern California without redwoods. The native plants of these areas provide distinctive character to the landscapes of which they are a part, just as vividly as geology contributes to the landscape of the Grand Canyon.

Within our country alone, the diversity of different "plant communities," or groups of individual species that are commonly associated with one another, is astounding. Every one of these communities tells us a story about the unique set of environmental conditions to which the plant community has adapted: soils, geology, climate, elevation, drainage patterns, just to name a few!

By using native plants in our man-made "landscapes" we save a lot of time (and money!) by not having to simulate the growing conditions of another region, thus minimizing our use of fertilizers, pesticides, soil amendments and irrigation; as a result, the end product aesthetically reflects the character of the region within which we live.

Unfortunately, in the past 25 years or so our culture seems to have converted a diversity of natural areas into homogeneous towns and cities, many of which now appear to be one in the same.

It is sad to think that given a picture of downtown Los Angeles and one of downtown Detroit one could not tell them apart. Or that someone's backyard in New York might be indistinguishable from one in Colorado. Regretfully, our country today has become monotonously homogeneous in many respects...the "Anywhere, USA" syndrome.

## Retaining the 'flavor'

How can we assure that our country will retain its flavor? There are probably many ways.

As one example, next time you are thinking about planting a tree in your front yard, why plant one whose "home turf" is Australia when there are native species that require less irrigation and maintenance and are visually more harmonious with our spectacular desert backdrop. The use of native plants also provides habitat for our birds and mammals, who do not have a clue of

what to do with a tree from Australia!

We should take great pride in the unique attributes of our region. Wickenburg should be proud of both its cultural history and natural inheritance. The two go hand in hand; the Sonoran desert is the living stage upon which our rich Western history was developed.

The cottonwood-willow forest at the Hassayampa River Preserve is a very unusual, yet still native, plant community of the desert. Because there is so little of these riparian, or streamside habitats left (less than 10 percent of what there used to be in the state) the preserve is in fact a type of "living museum."

Today the preserve contains the best example of Fremont cottonwood-Goodding willow forest left in Maricopa County. We are protecting one component of our "natural heritage" of the American southwest which will always be present for future generations to enjoy.

## Preserve what is best

The native Americans, pioneers and early settlers in Arizona all depended heavily on what the natural environment could offer them for water, food, clothing and shelter. Does it not make sense to preserve a few of the best remaining examples of the land, as they saw it? Is not this as important as preserving cultural artifacts?

We are only now beginning to rediscover many of the ways these Americans before us utilized these natural resources for medicines, clothing and food. And there are many new discoveries awaiting us in the frontiers of modern science, which will surely rely upon our natural gene pools.

In closing, I would like to recognize the fine job that the Desert Caballeros Western Museum has done landscaping their new park with native plants. Although a park is a different type of place than a nature preserve, this one does a wonderful job of displaying our beautiful native flora. By working together, we can all contribute to these efforts to keep our community's character alive, and protect our precious natural resources at the same time!

PLANTS NATIVE TO WICKENBURG AREA

A: TREES

*Acacia constricta* - White Thorn Acacia. 6 - 8' tall x 8' wide. Small tree with 1/4" long compound leaves. Flowers in spring with yellow puff-balls. Large white thorns on new growth.

*Cercidium floridum* - Blue Palo Verde. 25' tall x 25' wide. Rounded crown, usually multi-trunked. Blue-green bark and stems. Masses of yellow flowers in the spring.

*Chilopsis linearis* - Desert Willow. 30' tall x 30' wide. Drops willow-like leaves in cold weather. Has large pink-to-purple flowers from April to August.

*Prosopis juliflora* - Arizona Honey Mesquite. 20 - 30' tall x 30' wide. Deciduous in cold winters. Yellow catkin flowers in spring.

B: SHRUBS

*Ambrosia deltoidea* - Triangle-leaf Bursage. 2' tall x 2' wide. Small shrub with gray-green leaves.

*Ambrosia dumosa* - White Bursage. 2' tall x 2' wide. Small mounding shrub with fine gray foliage.

*Baccharis sarothroides* - Desert Broom. 6 - 9' tall x 6 - 9' wide. Large round shrub with bright green foliage. Female plants produce white fluffy seeds. Male plants without messy seeds are available.

*Calliandra eriophylla* - Fairy Duster. 3 - 4' tall x 3 - 4' wide. Small shrub with tiny fern-like leaves and open growth habit. Pale to dark pink flowers in the spring.

*Celtis pallida* - Desert Hackberry. Up to 10' tall x 10' wide. Large round, dense shrub with spiny branches. Small orange berries attract birds. Good for screening.

*Encelia farinosa* - Brittle Bush. 3' tall x 4' wide. Low mounding shrub with soft gray-green foliage. Masses of yellow flowers in the spring.

*Ericameria laricifolia* - Turpentine Bush. 2 1/2' tall x 3' wide. Small, evergreen shrub with bright green needle-like foliage. Produces masses of tiny yellow flowers at branch tips in the fall.

*Larrea tridentata* - Creosote Bush. 8' tall x 8' wide. Evergreen shrub with open form. Produces small yellow flowers in early spring. Difficult to transplant.

*Simmondsia chinensis* - Jojoba. 3 - 6' tall x 3 - 6' wide. Evergreen dense rounded shrub with oval leathery leaves. Inconspicuous flowers.

*Sphaeralcea ambigua* - Globe Mallow. 3' tall x 3' wide. Small shrub with long stems of gray-green leaves. Blooms in the spring and fall with showy flowers ranging from pale orange to pink and red.

C: GROUND COVERS

*Aristida purpurea* - Red Three Awn. 18" tall x 18" wide. Clumping grass with attractive purple tassels in the fall. re-seeds readily.

C: GROUND COVERS (Continued)

*Baileya multiradiata* - Desert Marigold. 18" tall x 18" wide. Perennial wildflower with erect, clump-like growth habit. Has gray-green foliage and bright yellow daisy-like flowers in the spring and summer. re-seeds readily.

*Melampodium leucanthum* - Blackfoot Daisy. 12 - 18" tall x 12 - 18" wide. Small, perennial shrub with dense groundcover appearance. Produces masses of white daisy-like flowers from March to November. Very brittle branches.

*Mimulus cardinalis* - Red Monkey Flower. 1 - 2' tall x 2' wide. Low-growing shrub with lush green foliage and floppy stems. Unusual scarlet flowers in the spring and fall. Requires part shade and ample water.

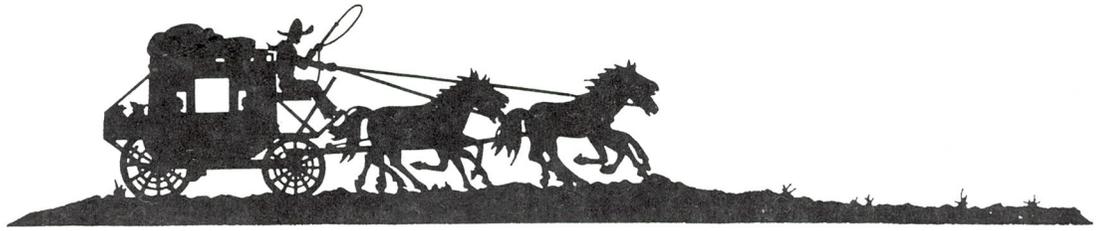
*Penstemon eatoni* - Red flowers.

*Penstemon palmeri* - Pale pink flowers.

*Penstemon parryi* - Fuschia flowers. Perennials producing colorful spikes of flowers in the spring. Allow to re-seed before cutting back dead flower stalks.

*Psilostrophe cooperi* - Paper Flower. 12" tall x 12" wide. Small perennial shrub that produces yellow flowers in the spring. Re-seeds readily.

*Verbena gooddingii*. 1 1/2' tall x 2 - 3' wide. Sprawling ground covers with soft green leaves and bright lavender flowers in the spring and summer.



# TOWN HALL DISPATCH

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## MAYOR INTRODUCES THE "DISPATCH" APPLAUDS CITIZEN SUPPORT

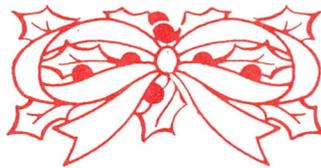
HAPPY HOLIDAYS! It is my pleasure to introduce the first issue of the Town's quarterly Newsletter, the *Town Hall Dispatch*. The Council has initiated the Newsletter at the request of the Community Forum to help keep Wickenburg residents informed about the activities of the Town Council and at Town Hall.

With this inagural edition, I wish to express my thanks to the citizens of the community for the support they have shown for the programs

and projects completed by the Town Council. Citizen support has allowed the community to move forward into the reality of the 1990's while maintaining the western character of Wickenburg.

Over the last several years, the Council has paved the streets in the Reed and Collins Addition with Community Development Block Grant funds. With the able assistance of the Town

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# SEASONS GREETINGS



# PROUD TO IMPLEMENT COUNCIL'S VISION

SEASONS GREETINGS! This Holiday Season is my seventh as Wickenburg's Town Manager. During that period, the changes in the community have been dramatic, as growth in Maricopa County has had an increasing impact on Wickenburg. Banking facilities have increased by 33%, four new restaurants and a motel, as well as numerous new commercial buildings, have been constructed in the community. The population of the Town has increased by as many as 2,700 people according to some estimates.

Growth in the community is inevitable. I am personally proud to have served a Town Council with the vision to plan for the economic, infrastructure, and land use demands which will continue to impact the Town as growth accelerates.

If the inevitability of growth is ignored, growth will shape the community instead of the community shaping the growth. By acknowledging the inevitability of growth, the community can maintain its own standards as indicated by public input.

The Town Council has listened to the community's needs and goals and has directed my office to find solutions to problems and the means to effectively manage growth. To this end, Staff and Council have developed creative financing programs to provide adequate water to the Industrial Airpark and developed Phase II of the Industrial Airpark with complete curb high infrastructure in an effort to provide jobs for our



B.J. "Ben" Nardelli

young people; developed a Capital Improvement Program which will, upon completion, pave every street in Town, as well as providing water line extensions, ballfield lighting and downtown improvements.

The Capital Improvement Program and the Program which rebates an amount equal to the property tax to all property owners within Town limits is financed by a utility windfall profit. We are buying electricity from sources other than APS at a significant savings and utilizing the windfall to benefit the entire community.

The Wickenburg General Plan has been adopted to help guide growth and preserve the lifestyle of the residents and the character of the community.

Your Town government is dedicated to serving the residents of Wickenburg. Town Hall Staff is available to discuss your comments or answer your questions about the Town's programs and policies regarding growth or any other municipal matter.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS,

B.J. (Ben) Nardelli, Town Manager

## Mayor Introduces Continued From Page 1

Manager and his Staff, the Town Council has developed the Capital Improvement Program which will ultimately provide paved and/or reconstructed streets throughout the community. Paving the Town's streets has long been an important issue to many residents. Existing dust levels created a health problem which would only be aggravated by the inevitability of future growth. Phase II of the Capital Improvement Program is on track and will provide the improvements indicated on page 3 of this Newsletter.

The Council has focused attention on economic development in an attempt to enhance the standard of living in the community and provide jobs for local youth. Programs in this regard include the development of fifteen (15) fully improved lots at the Industrial Airpark. These lots are well suited to the needs of small industrial users who, at build out, should provide a significant employment base and aid in diversifying the local economy.

The Council has also approved several projects which expand the range and variety of housing opportunities available to Wickenburg residents on both a rental and purchase basis.

The Council has squared off and faced the inevitable growth which will occur in the community and adopted the award winning Wickenburg General Plan which indicates the Goals and Objectives of Wickenburg's citizens who want to "Keep Wickenburg Western."

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your Mayor. I will be reporting to you each quarter in this Newsletter about issues which effect all of our lives in the 1990's.

WISHING YOU AND YOURS A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

James M. Mason, Mayor



## New Computer System To Automate Utility Billing

The Town is currently in the process of installing a new computer system. The computer will upgrade the Planning, Budgeting, Personnel, Payroll, General Ledger and Utilities systems into one networked unit. The hardware and software has been installed and the tedious and time-consuming process of learning the software information input requirement and evaluating the data available to meet these requirements, is in progress.

We anticipate that the new computer system will automate most of the information to an on-line status which automatically updates the information as soon as it is entered into the system. This will provide fast, factual and up-to-date information to in-house and customer inquiries.

The utility department is eagerly awaiting computerized meter reading with automated utility meter reading and automated utility data entry into the system. This ability is part of the new system and will be initiated during the year 1990. The meter read will be entered into a hand held computer which will be programmed to alert the meter reader to a variety of possible problems which can be corrected on the spot. When a particular route has been read, the hand held computer is hooked up to the main system and the stored information is automatically fed in the system for processing of the accounting and billing information. This automated system will save considerable personnel time by reducing the time required to return to verify questionable reads by utilizing the "on the spot" verification ability, and will end manual meter read data entry via the automatic data input.

Changing computer systems is a big undertaking, but we are working diligently to have the system in operation during the fiscal year 1989-90.



# WICKENBURG DOES IT RIGHT FUTURE IS BRIGHT

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! As we enter the decade of the nineties, it is an opportune time to reflect on the Council's accomplishments of the last several years, but more importantly, look ahead to where we are going.

During my tenure as Vice Mayor, I have had the opportunity to attend several conferences and obtain information and insights into community growth and development.

One of the most significant statements that I have heard was made at the last Governor's Conference on Rural Economic Development by a comedian, dressed in a tuxedo and sneakers, who provided after dinner entertainment and concluded that when all is said and done, he hoped Prescott's legacy would be "that this is one Town that did things right and didn't screw it up."

From my perspective on the Council, Wickenburg has been doing things right and looks forward to a bright future which is conducive to the health and prosperity of its citizens.

The Council has been able to implement numerous projects and programs which address the goals of the community. The Capital Improvement Program is providing paved streets, improvements and extensions to the water and sewer systems, lighting for additional ballfields, downtown improvements such as decorative lighting, brick pavers, and landscaping. The Program appears to be quite popular with most residents of the Town, and the bid for Phase II of the Street Paving Program was accepted by the Council on November 20, 1989.

The Council has also been pursuing economic development to help create conditions which are conducive to raising the standard of living of the residents of the community as well as providing jobs for our young people.

The Town has developed the Industrial Airpark and joined the Maricopa County Procurement Program which matches government contracts with local businesses in Wickenburg. Applications for this program are available at Town Hall and bid preparation assistance is available to those businesses that participate.

As Vice Mayor, I believe that the Town has an obligation to provide services for our residents and to make every effort to make sure we do it right! With the help of all Wickenburg residents, we can continue to grow and prosper while still maintaining the character of Wickenburg, which is so important to all of us.

With Best Wishes For A Happy Holiday Season,  
James R. McArthur, Vice Mayor



James McArthur

# INDUSTRIAL LOTS NOW AVAILABLE

The Planning and Building Department wishes you all a happy holiday season. The Department is currently involved in a number of activities which may be of interest to you.

The revisions to the Zoning Ordinance are under review by the Planning Commission and certain sections have been forwarded to the Town Council. The initial public meetings identified problem areas with the Ordinance which have been addressed by the Planning Commission and Staff. Public comments are encouraged and welcomed at any stage of the review process. The Planning Commission meets on the first Thursday of the month and the Thursday following the third Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

The Downtown Revitalization Advisory Commission has initiated a specific plan for downtown Wickenburg. The plan may propose certain aesthetic improvements to the public rights-of-way including streetlighting, street furniture, and landscaping to enhance the image of downtown Wickenburg as a tourist destination point. The Commission meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. at Town Hall. The public is invited to attend and participate in the important process of determining the future of downtown Wickenburg.

The Economic Development Advisory Commission is pursuing economic development in the context of attracting industrial users to the Industrial Airpark as well as the retention and expansion of existing businesses. Information on lots at the Industrial Airpark which are one acre in size with complete curb-high improvements may be obtained by calling Ben Nardelli, Town Manager, or Jerry Stricklin at 684-5451. The Town is participating in the Maricopa County Procurement Program which matches local businesses with government contacts. Call Ed Zuk at 684-5451 for more information. The Commission meets at 7:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Town Hall. Public participation is encouraged and welcome.

The 1990 Census will be conducted in April. An accurate count of Wickenburg's residents is important in terms of State and Federal revenue-sharing programs and political representation. The Complete Count Committee has been established to encourage and ensure an accurate count. Please plan to participate in the census so your voice is heard and you don't get short-changed. For more information, please contact Ed Zuk at Town Hall, 684-5451.

The Department enjoys working with builders and the public to "Keep Wickenburg Western." Your participation in the planning process is encouraged and welcomed. If you would like additional information on Planning and Zoning issues or the planning process, feel free to call Jerry Stricklin, Town Planner, at 684-5451.

## Imbibers Get Free Ride On New Years

The holiday season is upon us once again. It is this time of year that is very busy for us with an increase of winter visitors and holiday travelers; the number of accident victims we see increases as well. We would like to remind everyone to drive carefully, try to be patient and NEVER drink and drive.

This year the Ambulance Department will host OPERATION SAFE RIDE. This program is for people who have had too much to drink on New Year's Eve. Free rides home will be provided within a five (5) mile radius of Wickenburg between 9:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve and 3:00 a.m. on New Year's Day by calling 684-5411. There is NO CHARGE for the ride home; however donations will benefit the Ambulance Equipment Fund.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season.

# PHASE II IMPROVEMENTS

| STREET            | FROM           | TO                | PAVING | WATER | SEWER |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| POPPY STREET      | ROSE LANE      | HONEYSUCKLE       | Y      | E     | Y     |
| ROSE LANE         | TEGNER         | POPPY             | Y      | Y     | E     |
| PALM LANE         | TEGNER         | HOSPITAL WASH     | Y      | E     | Y     |
| OLEANDER STREET   | ROSE LANE      | SOLS WASH         | Y      | Y     | Y     |
| BUENA VISTA       | CAVANESS       | TO NORTH          | Y      | Y     | E     |
| CONSTELLATION RD. | JACK BURDEN RD | EL RECREO         | Y      | Y     | E     |
| JACK BURDEN RD.   | HIGHWAY 60     | CONSTELLATION RD. | Y      | E     | E     |
| BASS ROAD         | EL RECREO      | TO EAST           | Y      | E     | E     |
| EL RECREO CT.     | EL RECREO      | TO EAST           | Y      | Y     | E     |
| FRONTIER STREET   | COCHISE        | TO SOUTH          | Y      | E     | E     |
| ADAMS STREET      | WICKENBURG WAY | HENDERSON         | Y      | E     | E     |
| VIA CORTA         | AVISPA         | TO WEST           | Y      | Y     | E     |
| TEGNER STREET     | CAVANESS       | TO NORTH          | E      | E     | Y     |
| VISTA DRIVE       | ZUNI           | HOPE LANE         | Y      | E     | E     |
| VISTA DRIVE       | YUCCA          | TO EAST           | Y      | Y     | N     |
| ZUNI AVENUE       | AIRCLETTA      | VISTA             | Y      | E     | N     |
| PIMA CIRCLE       | VISTA          | TO NORTH          | Y      | E     | N     |
| YAQUI DRIVE       | VISTA          | PAPAGO DRIVE      | Y      | E     | N     |
| HOPI LANE         | VISTA          | TO NORTH          | Y      | E     | E     |
| AQUILA DRIVE      | AIRCLETTA      | YAQUI             | Y(C&G) | E     | N     |
| YUMA DRIVE        | AQUILA         | TO NORTH          | Y(C&G) | E     | N     |
| KACHINA DRIVE     | AGUILA         | TO NORTH          | Y(C&G) | E     | N     |

Y = YES  
N = NO  
E = EXISTING  
C&G = CURB AND GUTTER

Construction related problems may be reported to Coney Orosco, Public Works Director at 684-2761



## HOME REPAIR SCAM ADVISORY

With this, the inaugural edition of the *Town Hall Dispatch* Newsletter, there are several items I would like to mention.

As Police Chief, I want to thank all the citizens of Wickenburg for their support towards the Police and Ambulance Service. We are here to protect and serve, and my door is always open to the public.

I would like to explain the unique situation with the telephone numbers and the hours that the Police Department building is open. The Administrative office of the Police Department is located at 553 West Wickenburg Way, with office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The telephone numbers are 684-3152, 684-7341, 684-7144. These telephone numbers should only be used for non-emergency use, and only during business hours. For all emergency calls, use 9-1-1, or if non-emergency, but you need assistance or information, call 684-5411. These calls are received at the Dispatch Center, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Substation, and are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

As the winter season approaches, Wickenburg has an influx of visitors. The majority are welcomed and we enjoy their presence, but some come only to prey on our citizens. One such group is commonly called the "Williamson Gang." They come into town for a short period and offer home repair work at an extremely low price. They are normally neat in appearance, dressing as workmen, and, most always, driving newer model pick-ups. They will want their money paid up front, explaining they have many other jobs to get to. They usually return to do the work, but historically use inferior materials, and many times leave the work incomplete. Just remember, if you need home repairs, you should always initiate the contact, check for State and Town/City Business Licenses, and if you do not personally know the company/contractor, ask for references.

Also, during the holiday season, there is an increase in thefts and burglaries. A parked vehicle, full of Christmas presents, is a tempting target for a thief. So, lock your packages in the trunk of your car whenever possible. Never leave your purse or wallet laying in an unlocked vehicle while you just run in the Post Office or convenience store for a second. That's all it takes.

Extra precautions must also be taken at home. With all those valuables stacked in one pile, it does not take long for a burglar to get in and out of your house. Take precautions--lock your doors and windows, and be a good neighbor, watch out for each other and call the Police on anything that looks suspicious.

Cops Who Care will again be playing Santa Claus this year, so anyone interested in helping to make Christmas a little more special for some kids in our area, please contact any local law enforcement officer you see, even if he sees you first!





## COMMUNITY GOALS

The following are the Goals of the Wickenburg General Plan as recommended by local residents and adopted by the Town Council.

- A: Control and Carefully Manage Future Development to Achieve Orderly Municipal Growth that will Maintain the Lifestyle and Theme of Wickenburg.
- B: Encourage the Development of High Quality, Stable and Environmentally Compatible Residential Areas.
- C: Maintain and Promote Economically Viable and Compatible Commercial Development that is Centralized and Consistent with the Western Theme of Wickenburg.
- D: Maintain and Promote Economically Viable and Functional Industrial Districts that are Compatible with Adjacent Land Uses.
- E: Maintain and Develop a Functional, Efficient and Cost Effective Community Facilities and Services System to Adequately Serve Current and Future Population Growth.
- F: Improve Vehicular Circulation Throughout the Town of Wickenburg.

## HOME RULE MEANS LOCAL CONTROL

In 1980, Arizona voters approved a constitutional amendment to, among other things, control expenditures by cities and towns and limit future increases in spending to adjustments for inflation/deflation and population growth. Provisions were included, however, to allow voters to establish an alternative expenditure limitation for their respective communities. The Town of Wickenburg asked voters to approve such a home rule alternative.

"Home Rule" means using the local resources in the best possible manner to continue all local services as determined by the community as necessary for the health and welfare of all residents of Wickenburg.

In 1982, 22 communities sought Home Rule, 21 were successful. The one community that did not pass the Home Rule Option was prevented, by the State imposed limitation, from providing necessary services for their

community and citizens even though the revenues were available to provide the services.

Voters approved the Wickenburg Alternative Expenditure Limitation in 1982 by more than a 2-to-1 margin and in 1986 by almost a 4-to-1 margin. State law requires that any Home Rule Option to the State's expenditure limitation can only be in effect for four years. Wickenburg's formula expires June 30, 1990.

All expenditures for the Town, including utilities, are included in calculating the State limitation. Wickenburg is one of the few communities that provides all services including electric. Even though all are self-supporting, without the Home Rule Option, either some would have to be sold or all other services greatly curtailed or eliminated to meet the annual State imposed expenditure limitation which is approximately one-half of the actual Town budget amount.

G: Promote Non-Vehicular Circulation Opportunities within the Town and Planning Area.

H: Develop a Strong Positive Image for the Town of Wickenburg as a Basis for Future Growth and Development.

I: Based on the Data and Analysis in the General Plan's Economic Base Study, Adopt a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Designed to Promote an Expanded Mix of Skilled and Semi-Skilled Employment Through new Business Investment; to be Implemented in Conjunction with the **Wickenburg General Plan**.

J: Carefully and Fully Explore and Utilize Alternative Methods and Incentives for Financing Infrastructure Capital Costs to Support Economic Growth and Development.

K: Increase the Employment Base in the Town of Wickenburg.

L: Create and Maintain a High-Level of Environmental Quality Consistent with a Healthy, Safe and Enjoyable Living Environment in Wickenburg.

## NEW COURSES PLANNED PLAYGROUND SAFETY ESSENTIAL

Our Community Services Department consists of numerous facilities to assist you in enjoying the Town of Wickenburg. Included are the Community Center, Library, Parks and Recreation, Youth Center, playgrounds, and swimming pool.

We are considering numerous changes for each of our areas of responsibility, many of which have been suggested by supporters of each facility. Improvements are made through our increased knowledge of operations of each facility as well as input from you.

It is also that time of year for the Community Services Department's winter recreation program. We'll see some innovative and exciting new classes as well as the return of some old favorites. Already confirmed for January is Conversational Spanish. This course includes basic structure and pronunciation along with tailor-made help for specific needs and situations. Instructed by Joe Bennet, this class was our most popular last winter, and will surely fill up quickly this year.

A carryover from fall will be Kathy Kessler's Basic Drawing and Design class. Covering shape, value, composition, texture and perspective, this class shows you how to apply it to what you see and want to capture on paper. Ms. Kessler's style of teaching has garnered numerous compliments from her students. We are happy to once again offer this class.

We have received numerous requests for a Beginner Computer Class and we are proud to announce that Don Nagel, Wickenburg High School's Computer Instructor, has agreed to teach a class that is now tentatively scheduled for the end of February. This course is for anyone who has never used a computer but wants to learn how. No need to feel embarrassed in this class since everyone will have the same amount of experience--NONE!

Also confirmed for the winter program will be separate classes for teens and seniors on skin care and make-up. Each class is tailored to its specific age group, and participants should complete this class with a healthier and more attractive feeling about themselves.

Classes "under construction" but not confirmed at the time of publication include calligraphy, arts & crafts, photography, graphic arts, and possibly some "community" trips. Another idea being tossed around is a "parade of businesses"; using an hour or so for each merchant, residents could see firsthand how different Wickenburg businesses are set-up and how much effort it takes to successfully manage such companies. Not only could this experience be interesting, but it may give residents and business owners a chance to get to know one another on a more personal basis. How about it merchants -- are you interested? If so, please call the Recreation Coordinator at 684-5451.

Please -- Please, anyone with ideas for classes, whether education, artistic, or just plain fun, call and let us talk about it. We will do everything possible to get those classes for you as soon as possible.

Watch for the Winter Recreation Update which is due out in late December. Remember, classes are on a first-come, first-serve basis, so sign up early.

The Community Services Department is working hard on updating playground equipment to ensure a safe environment for children when playing in these areas. We do, however, recommend and strongly urge parents to remain in the area and supervise their children on using the equipment as it is intended. Most accidents, throughout the country, involving playground equipment are due to improper use and lack of supervision. Please help us to keep our playground safe.



### TOWN OF WICKENBURG PHONE NUMBERS

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Airport.....            | 5690      |
| Ambulance.....          | 3152/5413 |
| Community Center.....   | 7656      |
| Fire (Report).....      | 2101      |
| Fire Station.....       | 7702      |
| Library.....            | 2665      |
| Police (Report).....    | 5411      |
| Police Building.....    | 3152      |
| Pool (Summer Only)..... | 5113      |
| Park Maintenance.....   | 3266      |
| Sewer Plant.....        | 2873      |
| Town Hall.....          | 5451      |
| Town Shop.....          | 2761      |
| Youth Center.....       | 3121      |

### OTHER COMMONLY NEEDED NUMBERS

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| A.P.S.....                 | 5471       |
| Chamber of Commerce.....   | 5479       |
| Post Office (Main).....    | 2138       |
| Post Office (Annex).....   | 7136       |
| Social Services (CAP)..... | 7894       |
| Southwest Gas.....         | 5474       |
| <b>EMERGENCY.....</b>      | <b>911</b> |

# PRIMARY ELECTION SCHEDULE

The 1990 Primary Election will be held on March 20, 1990 to nominate candidates for three (3) Council seats. The schedule for seeking nomination to a Council seat is indicated below. For further information, please contact Edna Grieves, Town Clerk, at 684-5451, or at Town Hall located at 120 East Apache Street

## SCHEDULE FOR SEEKING NOMINATION

|                   |                                                                                               |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| December 20, 1989 | Nomination papers available for candidates seeking election.                                  |
| January 19, 1990  | Deadline for candidates to file nomination papers.                                            |
| January 29, 1990  | County voter registration closes for the Primary Election.                                    |
| February 15, 1990 | Absentee Ballots will be available for the Primary Election.                                  |
| March 20, 1990    | PRIMARY ELECTION DAY - both Wickenburg Precincts will vote at the Wickenburg Community Center |

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**TOWN COUNCIL**  
MAYOR: JAMES M. MASON  
VICE MAYOR: JAMES McARTHUR  
Councilmembers  
MARY LOU CARTER  
ALAN ECKHART  
JULIE HILL  
KIRK HORSWILL  
BILL NEWTON

**TOWN MANAGER**  
B.J. (BEN) NARDELLI

Town of Wickenburg  
P.O. Box 1269  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358

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Permit No. 33

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85358



# TOWN OF WICKENBURG

P.O. Box 1269 Wickenburg, Arizona 85358 (602) 684-5451

DATE: November 30, 1988  
TO: Gerald Stricklin, Planning Director  
FROM: Skip Blunt, Building Inspector  
RE: Corp of Engineers 404 Permit

Any development that occurs within the Town Limits, or in the jurisdiction of Wickenburg involving more than one (1) acre of ground, must be analyzed by the Corp of Engineers to determine whether a 404 Permit is required.

It is our responsibility to inform the developer or applicant that they must contact:

Robert J. Dummer, Biologist  
Arizona Area Office  
3636 N. Central Avenue, Suite 740  
Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1936  
Telephone No.: (602) 241-5385

# WICKENBURG INDUSTRIAL AIRPARK



- Total Acreage \_\_\_\_\_ 160
- Developed Lots \_\_\_\_\_ 15  
*(with complete curb high infrastructure)*
- Average Lot Size \_\_\_\_\_ 1 acre
- Approximate Price Per Acre — \$35,000.00

## An exciting opportunity:

Phase One of the Industrial Airpark is developed as fifteen (15) one-acre lots with curb-high improvements, consisting of paved streets with curb and gutter, underground electrical service, water and sewer.

The per acre price may be subject to discount or negotiation depending on when the parcel is purchased, size of the parcel purchased, and possibly based on the number of potential employees.

With direct access to U.S. Highway 60, the Industrial Park has unique access to markets in Phoenix, Las Vegas and Southern California. The nearby rail line may serve the needs of certain users.

The adjacent Municipal Airport is a modern facility with a 5,050 foot paved runway which will accommodate corporate jets. The Airport is identified by beacon and operations are assisted by pilot activated landing lights, a precision approach

path indicator and UNICOM Communications. Fuel and repairs are available through the terminal attendant. Airport telephone: (602) 684-5690.

**Wickenburg Industrial Airpark** is uniquely situated to maximize potential profits and minimize the aggravations associated with living and doing business in the Phoenix metro area.

### Contact:

Ben Nardelli, Town Manager  
(602) 684-5451 or 252-4672  
P.O. Box 1269  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358

# HOUSING



*The Wickenburg area has a variety of single and multi-family accommodations. The current market offers a good supply of housing over a wide price range.*

Median Sales Price of Homes \_\_\_\_\_ \$81,000

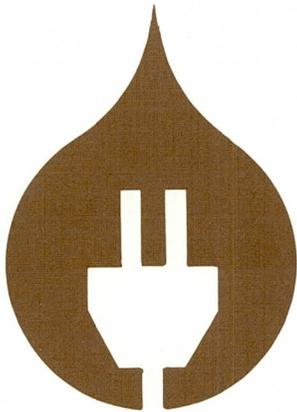
Average Rent Per Month:

1/1 \_\_\_\_\_ \$275-350

2/1 \_\_\_\_\_ \$350-400

## Total Home Sales — 1987

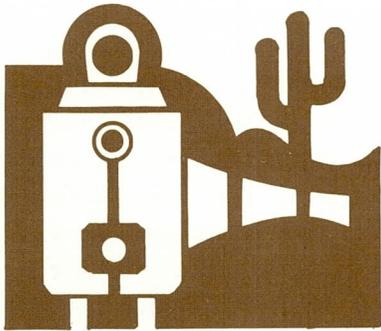
| Price Range               | Number Sold |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| \$0 — 70,000 _____        | 37          |
| \$70,000 — 140,000 _____  | 44          |
| \$140,000 — 210,000 _____ | 7           |
| \$210,000 — 700,000 _____ | 5           |



*Wickenburg has an ample supply of quality water for industrial users and to ensure fire protection. Adequate electricity is available as well as natural gas and complete sewer and sanitation services.*

## UTILITY RATES (Commercial/Industrial)

| Service                            | Basic Service Charge/Month                |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>Water</b>                       |                                           |
| Town of Wickenburg<br>684-5451     | _____ \$7.20                              |
| <b>Sewer</b>                       |                                           |
| Town of Wickenburg<br>684-5451     | _____ \$2.90                              |
| <b>Electricity</b>                 |                                           |
| Town of Wickenburg<br>684-5451     | _____ \$11.46                             |
| Arizona Public Service<br>684-5471 | _____ \$15.00                             |
| <b>Gas</b>                         |                                           |
| Southwest Gas Company<br>684-5474  | _____ varies                              |
| <b>Sanitation</b>                  |                                           |
| Town of Wickenburg<br>684-5451     | _____ \$65.00<br>(2 bins/8x<br>per month) |
| <b>Propane/Butane</b>              |                                           |
| Ferrelgas<br>684-2181              | _____ varies                              |



## Miles from Wickenburg

|             |       |     |
|-------------|-------|-----|
| Phoenix     | _____ | 55* |
| Los Angeles | _____ | 352 |
| San Diego   | _____ | 390 |
| Las Vegas   | _____ | 235 |
| Tucson      | _____ | 170 |
| Yuma        | _____ | 173 |
| Flagstaff   | _____ | 156 |
| Albuquerque | _____ | 475 |

\* 30 miles to metro area

Wickenburg is centrally located in Arizona, only 55 miles northwest of downtown Phoenix and 30 miles from the Phoenix-metro area.

Many major markets are less than a day's drive from Wickenburg. Wickenburg's unique location offers overnight access to several metropolitan areas, such as Los Angeles, San Diego, Las Vegas, and Tucson. U.S. Highways 60, 89 and 93 pass directly through Wickenburg, providing commercial frontage and direct access to Phoenix, Las Vegas, and southern California. With a highway network accessing many urban areas, an airport, and freight and rail service, Wickenburg meets many transportation needs.

## Air Service

### Wickenburg Municipal Airport — Public Use

- adjacent to Industrial Airpark
- 5,050 foot asphalt runway, beacon lighted
- UNICOM
- P.A.P.I.
- services include fuel, repair, and rental cars
- corporate jet accommodations

### Sky Harbor International Airport (Phoenix)

- one hour from Wickenburg
- 11,000 foot runway (longest)
- 16 major airlines, 5 commuter airlines
- full services including air cargo service and small package delivery

(over)

## **Rail Service**

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad serves Wickenburg for carload shipments. The industrial airpark is located just south of the Santa Fe line and could be serviced by rail spur. Both Santa Fe and Southern Pacific Railroad serve Maricopa County and connect for reciprocal switching in Phoenix.

## **Delivery Service and Trucking**

United Parcel Service, Hopper-ONC, Frontier Freightways, and AR Pfluger Trucking service the area as interstate carriers.

## **Moving and Storage**

Allied Van Lines, U-Haul, and Ryder trucks are available locally. Providing service out of Phoenix are Mayflower, Chambers Moving and Storage, and Kachina Moving and Storage.

Warehouse and mini-storage space is available in Wickenburg at several sites. Sites for warehouse construction are available at the industrial airpark.



## Employment By Industry

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Construction _____          | 10.2% |
| Manufacturing _____         | 2.5%  |
| Retail Trade _____          | 29.4% |
| Services _____              | 38.8% |
| Public Administration _____ | 4.2%  |
| Other _____                 | 14.9% |

## Average Wages for Selected Occupations (Maricopa County)

| Occupation                  | \$ Per Hour |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Accounting Clerk _____      | 7.38        |
| Carpenter _____             | 11.03       |
| Computer Operator _____     | 10.27       |
| Data Entry Operator _____   | 8.22        |
| Electronic Technician _____ | 16.47       |
| Equipment Operator _____    | 8.56        |
| Lab Technician _____        | 10.61       |
| Secretary _____             | 7.58        |
| Welder _____                | 9.31        |

*NOTE:* Arizona is a right to work state and wages in Wickenburg are lower than those indicated which include the entire Phoenix metro area.

## Labor Force

Wickenburg has a stable labor force of semi-skilled workers. Low turnover in the manufacturing section is partially attributed to high quality of life and a pleasant climate. Excellent community amenities and schools and a unique Western setting have contributed to a steady population growth and increased labor force.

Wickenburg's current estimated work force of 1,600 is supplemented by labor available from surrounding communities such as Congress, Aguila, Yarnell, and Phoenix.

(over)

## Labor Force Data

|                      | 1980  | 1988  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 1,141 | 1,568 |
| Employed             | 1,105 | 1,526 |
| Unemployed           | 36    | 42    |
| Unemployment Rate    | 3.2   | 2.7   |

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

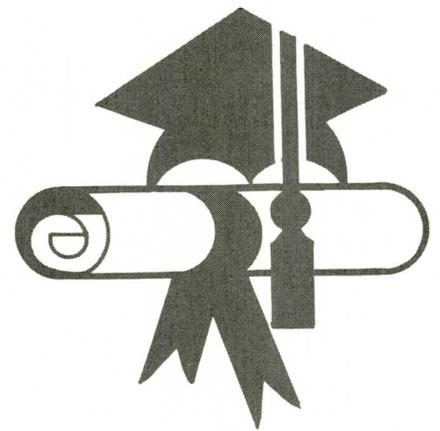
## Population Character

The Wickenburg service area currently has a population estimated at 18,000. A substantial portion of the Wickenburg population is in the 25-59 working population age bracket. The proportion of working age population is anticipated to increase as younger families continue to move to the area, and additional employment opportunities become available for graduating high school students.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

## Education and Training

The Wickenburg Unified School District continues its tradition of educational excellence with the achievements of its students and graduates. A variety of vocational programs are available. Wickenburg High School's policies and high academic standards ensure an orderly atmosphere in which students are encouraged to learn and achieve. The school is also recognized for a superior sports program. Wickenburg's high school graduates average 100 in number per year.



Wickenburg's location also offers access to a wide variety of higher education. Several universities and colleges, among them Phoenix College and Glendale Community College are less than a hour's drive away in Phoenix. The west campus of Arizona State University and the American Graduate School of International Management are only 45 minutes away. Also within an hour's drive are Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott College, Arizona Business College, and the Arizona Academy of Medical and Dental Assistants.



Town government in Wickenburg is committed to improving the community in every possible way. With a well-trained and qualified staff, the Town promotes a receptive and cooperative administration that is prepared to accommodate the relocation and expansion needs of industry.

Wickenburg is designated as a "full-service" Town. Within its corporate limits, the Town provides residents with electricity, water and sewer, refuse collection, streets, parks, library, community center, airport, police protection, fire protection, ambulance, rodeo arena, cemetery and landfill.

## Government Structure

Council/Manager form of government. Incorporated in 1909, Wickenburg is one of the oldest municipalities in Arizona.

The Town Council is comprised of the Mayor and six Council members elected at large.

Town Commissions and Boards include the following bodies: Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission, Economic Development Advisory Commission, Downtown Revitalization Advisory Commission, Airport Advisory Commission, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, Board of Adjustment, and the Wickenburg Public Library Board.

Other Town Departments: Planning and Zoning, Finance, Library, Public Works, Clerk, Parks and Recreation, and Water and Sewer Utilities.

Development controls are limited to those which preserve property values and lifestyle considerations.

- General Plan 1988
- Zoning Ordinance 1983
- Subdivision Ordinance 1984
- Uniform Building Code

Industrial Plans are approved by Wickenburg Town Staff, Planning and Zoning Advisory Commission, and/or Town Council.



## Fire and Police Protection

The Police Department includes: 9 officers, 4 civilians, 4 reserve. The Fire Department includes: 26 volunteers (ISO Protection Grading is 6A).

## Taxes

**Sales Tax:** Sales Tax in Wickenburg totals 6.5% or .2% less tax than Phoenix (exempted are food, drugs, and sales of machinery and equipment used directly in manufacturing and processing).

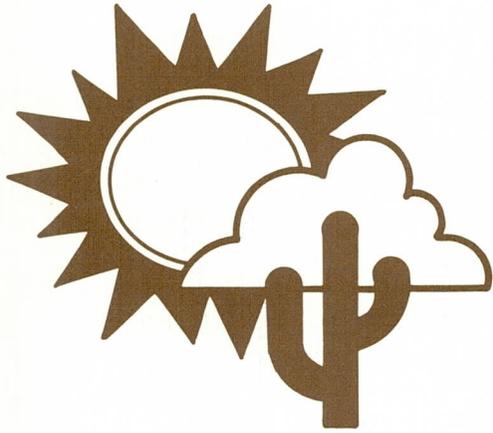
**Property Tax:** Class 3, Commercial and Industrial Property, assessment ratio is 25% of full cash value. Merchants and manufacturers' inventories are exempt from taxation. Class 4, Vacant Land, is assessed at 16%. Class 5, Residential, is assessed as 10% of cash value. (over)

### **State Taxes**

No property taxes are levied against inventory. No corporate franchise tax is imposed. The State allows an exemption on income paid to parent companies when 50% or more of the subsidiary is owned by the parent company.

### **Payroll Taxes**

Firms with at least one employee pay both unemployment compensation and workers' compensation insurance. For unemployment compensation, a newly located firm contributes at a rate of 2.7% on the first \$7,000 of employees' compensation per year. After the first twelve months this may be adjusted by experience to a rate between 5.4% and 0.1%. A contribution rate of 2.9% up to 5.4% is reserved for employers with deficit reserve accounts. Quarterly reports are filed with the Arizona Department of Economic Security.



## Climate

Wickenburg's clear skies, warm sun and low humidity create a balmy atmosphere, free of the smog found in the Phoenix metropolitan area. With a near perfect winter climate, summer temperatures are much cooler than those in the Phoenix area and high desert breezes quickly cool Wickenburg in the late afternoon and evenings. Nestled in the foothills of the Bradshaw Mountains at an average elevation of 2275 feet, Wickenburg has a reputation for clean air and a pleasant sunny climate.

## Average Temperature (°F) 1986-1987

|           | Wickenburg |      | Phoenix |      |
|-----------|------------|------|---------|------|
|           | Low        | High | Low     | High |
| January   | 27         | 63   | 38      | 64   |
| February  | 34         | 67   | 49      | 70   |
| March     | 40         | 70   | 52      | 70   |
| April     | 48         | 86   | 66      | 89   |
| May       | 51         | 89   | 70      | 94   |
| June      | 63         | 102  | 80      | 108  |
| July      | 61         | 98   | 80      | 106  |
| August    | 65         | 99   | 81      | 104  |
| September | 53         | 88   | 72      | 95   |
| October   | 43         | 81   | 60      | 85   |
| November  | 38         | 74   | 55      | 76   |
| December  | 35         | 65   | 47      | 65   |

## Recreation

Wickenburg's climate and unique location afford an abundant variety of recreational and cultural pursuits. Among the Town's many amenities are two golf courses, the highly acclaimed Desert Caballeros Western Museum and Park, 5 parks, a rodeo arena, countless equestrian activities and trails, 5 art galleries, and an annual free concert series featuring internationally acclaimed performers.

Wickenburg, the "Dude Ranch Capital of the World" is home to several guest ranches that offer world class golf and tennis facilities, trail rides, arts and crafts, swimming, hay-rides, and cook-outs. The nearby Arizona Nature Conservancy also offers several acres of unspoiled unique riparian environment along the Hasayampa River. Only thirty miles away is Lake Pleasant, a very popular water recreation and camping facility. Rock-hounding and exploring ghost towns are other popular pursuits in the Wickenburg area.



Wickenburg's mining history and equestrian tradition combine to create a series of community events that attract tourists from around the world. Wickenburg hosts colorful events such as Gold Rush Days, the Desert Caballeros Ride, Horse-thieves Market, and a Bluegrass Festival. Wickenburg has something for everyone with over 60 clubs and organizations.

## Community Facilities

- **A 34 bed modern-care hospital with emergency facilities and helicopter ambulance**
- **Community Center, seating 500**
- **Library of 18,000 volumes**
- **Four banks**
- **Eighteen churches**



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