

As we enjoy the long summer days, let us prepare for the wildfire season with insights from Kerwin Dewberry of the Coronado NF. Learn about our upcoming project along Arnett Creek, support local businesses that support AWC, and read the latest agency plans for Tonto NF and the San Pedro.

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Greetings!,

We're celebrating the Solstice and the time of year when light dominates, a great time to get out and enjoy our wonderful wilderness! It's also the time before monsoons when wild areas are extremely vulnerable to wildfire. To shed light on this hot topic, **we interviewed Kerwin Dewberry, Supervisor of the Coronado National Forest, where regular wildfires challenge agency resources.** His observations are well worth the read.



MULE RIDGE FIRE
CORONADO NF INCIWEB 6/2016

KERWIN DEWBERRY, SUPERVISOR
CORONADO NF

AWC is also assembling an exciting calendar of volunteer projects for the upcoming Stewardship season. In preparation for an extensive restoration project along Arnett Creek this fall, we consulted with Tucson Audubon Society (TAS) to conduct ecological surveys. **Read more about leaping leopard frogs and project goals from TAS Conservation Director, Jonathan Horst.**



LOWLAND LEOPARD FROG
ARNETT CREEK

JONATHAN HORST, CONS DIR
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Summer's also a great time to support local businesses, whether you're enjoying a holiday at home, or traveling our great state. We're especially thankful for those businesses that support our work - like **Raven Cafe** in Prescott, who recently honored AWC as the beneficiary of Raven's 10th Anniversary celebration. And for Tucson-area folks, please patronize **Yoga Connection**, where AWC will benefit as June's Charity of the Month (PDF).



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Action is what ensures wilderness areas will be there for us when we seek their respite, whether from summer heat or too-busy schedules. Watch for alerts through the summer as key agency actions unfold, including revisions of major plans for the **Tonto National Forest** and San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area (SPRNCA). **The Bureau of Land Management recently released SPRNCA's reports for Wild and Scenic River eligibility and Lands with Wilderness Characteristics**, so stay tuned for ways to get involved and support preservation in this ecological hot spot.



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Yours in wilderness,



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