

Results of 2020 Saguaro Census on Plot 27, Tucson Mountains

Tucson Mountain Hiking Group, December 18th, 2019



This Tucson Mountain Hiking Group could not stay away and on December 18th, they joined us on Plot #27 northeast of the Sendero Esperanza Trailhead. The group fought the gusting winds and completed more than half the plot before we decided to let the wind get the better of us. This plot was then completed on December 21st by individual volunteers. After entering the data and checking it twice, the final count was 299 saguaros. The tally in 1990 was 119, in 2006 was 290, and in 2010 was 285. Though the total number of saguaros have not changed much since 2010, we see the total number in each height class shift, moving from the shorter height classes up to the next level. We see this in nearly all the height classes. Other notable things about this plot include the two 11 centimeter saguaros that were found as well as four saguaros over 10 meters!

Saguaro Plot #27

