# HIKE: A Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Pyrite Ridge from Entrance Station Parking Lot (PCHC # 13).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** Difficult route finding and some scrambling required. There is a lot of exposure on the ridge. **DESCRIPTION:** This hike is an 8.5 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 2500 feet. Park vehicles just beyond the Skyline Park entrance building. The route heads south over flat land parallel with Watson Road until the start of the Pyrites Ridge becomes visible to the west of 234th Avenue. There are two tricky crossings of dry stream beds before locating the path onto the ridge. The Pyrites Ridge snakes to the northwest approximately 4 miles and goes over several peaks before eventually joining with the Pyrite Trail approximately 1 mile from the summit. Take the trail to the summit of Pyrite Peak to complete the ridge. After reaching Pyrite Peak return via the Pyrite Trail and jeep trails to cutover to where the vehicles were parked.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Rough trailless path over the Pyrite Ridge. Ridge is open and very exposed. Can be overgrown with cholla. Loose footing throughout the trailless section of the hike. Approximately 4 miles of trailless hiking plus 4+ miles of trail hiking of trail hiking.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Skyline Park Entrance Station Parking Lot **TRAILS:** Trailless crossing of the ridge, Pyrite Trail, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls

FEES AND FACILITIES: There is no park fee. Restrooms are at the main trailhead.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive through the entrance station to the stop sign. Park immediately across the road. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4aqnsaZ3ALPhwmwJKA?e=WfEfaV

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 13** 

### HIKE: A Hike - Skyline RP - Skyline Four Peaks Challenge (PCHC # 10).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 15 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 3900 feet. All trail hike around the Skyline Park from Pyrite Summit to Valley Vista to Crest Summit to Javelina Summit.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Long distance. All trails so no bushwhacking. Bring extra food and electrolytes

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Turnbuckle, Pyrite, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Lost Creek, Summit Ridge, Tortuga, Javalina, Tortuga, Quartz Mine.

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Continue to the end of the road close to the park facilities. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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HIKE: B Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Javelina Summit Loop from Skyline Trailhead (PCHC # 575).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** B hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 10.1 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 2550 feet. A strenuous hike to Javelina Summit...great views of the valley and the golf course below.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Tortuga, Javelina Summit, Tortuga, Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4am3hGV\_\_C-3BWe1ML

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 575** 

HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - CounterClockwise Loop QM,LC,MW,TB,GF,CW,GF,TB (PCHC # 642).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9.5 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1700 feet. Counter clockwise loop around Skyline. Includes a long climb up Lost Creek.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-No-Peak-PerimeterLynnW2020-2021 URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-No-Peak-PerimeterLynnW2020-2021/i-wfgSzhV

URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4amyv-fp0RTzN5Wnyp

HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Hidden Waterfall - Two Forks (PCHC # 767).

DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 2000 feet. The route leads to a rocky waterfall accessible only by old jeep roads in Skyline Park. Leave the parking lot on Turnbuckle trail. Turn left on Grant Falls and then left again on the Pyrite Trail. Follow the Pyrite Trail all the way to the summit of Pyrite. From the summit, retrace steps back to the junction with Pyrite Trail and turn left and drop into the valley. Turn left at the junction with the Chuckwalla Trail. This trail will cross old jeep roads several times. Turn left at the fifth jeep road (approximately .5 mile past the Pyrite Trail junction) at the closest point to an obvious ridge next to the trail. Follow the jeep road approximately half a mile to a fork. First take the right fork up into the foothills of Beacon Peak until the jeep road ends. Then retrace steps back to the fork and head up the left hand road contouring around until it crosses a steeply banked dry river bed. Upstream from here is the Hidden Waterfall. This is a great place for lunch.Retrace steps back to Chuckwalla, turn left to Granite Falls and keep left all the way to Turnbuckle. From here turn left and climb to the Turnbuckle Saddle and continue straight on Turnbuckle downhill to the parking lot.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Pyrite, Chuckwalla, Jeep Roads, Turnbuckle

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Continue to the end of the road close to the park facilities. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

**URL PHOTOS:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Pyrite-WaterfallLynnW2021-2022 **URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Pyrite-WaterfallLynnW2021-2022/i-mcr4X5H

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PCHC TRAIL ID: 767

HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Hidden Waterfall (PCHC # 76).

DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.5 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1725 feet. The route leads to a rocky waterfall accessible only by old jeep roads in Skyline Park. Leave the parking lot on Turnbuckle trail. Turn left on Grant Falls and then left again on the Pyrite Trail. Follow the Pyrite Trail all the way to the summit of Pyrite. From the summit, retrace steps back to the junction with Pyrite Trail and turn left and drop into the valley. Turn left at the junction with the Chuckwalla Trail. This trail will cross old jeep roads several times. Turn left at the fifth jeep road (approximately .5 mile past the Pyrite Trail junction) at the closest point to an obvious ridge next to the trail. Follow the jeep road approximately half a mile to a fork. Take the left hand road contouring around until it crosses a steeply banked dry river bed. Upstream from here is the Hidden Waterfall. This is a great place for lunch.Retrace steps back to Chuckwalla, turn left to Granite Falls and keep left all the way to Turnbuckle. From here turn left and climb to the Turnbuckle Saddle and continue straight on Turnbuckle downhill to the parking lot.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Pyrite, Chuckwalla, Jeep Roads, Turnbuckle

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Continue to the end of the road close to the park facilities. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

**URL PHOTOS:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Pyrite-WaterfallLynnW2021-2022 **URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Pyrite-WaterfallLynnW2021-2022/i-mcr4X5H

URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4amRuUGEbYverLau5B

# HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Perimeter Peakless Hike (PCHC # 569).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9.8 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1573 feet. This hike has great views in virtually every direction. It does not include any of the 4 peaks in Skyline Park but goes by all of them.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Pyrite, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash, Lost Creek, Skyline Crest, Quartz Mine

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on 110. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Peakless-PerimeterLynnW2021-2022

URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-HMXTThg

URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4al2vuZs7qc1mmRfVn

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 569** 

# HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Pyrite Summit Long Loop (Turnbuckle Twice) (PCHC # 757).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9.9 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1380 feet. Take Mountain Wash to Turnbuckle over the ridge and down the west side until the junction with Granite Falls. Turn right and Follow Granite Falls to Chuckwalla to the junctions with Pyrite Trail. Turn right on Pyrite and climb steeply to the Pyrite Ridge. Turn right to Pyrite Summit. Return to the Pyrite Ridge junction and continue along the Pyrite ridge, dropping to the junction with Chuckwalla. Turn right and connect to Turnbuckle via Granite Falls. Turn left on Turnbuckle and follow this trail all the way back up and over the Turnbuckle ridge to the junction with Mountain Wash. Continue to the right back to the parking lot.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Pyrite Summit, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on 110. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Pyrite-Loop-12-30LynnW2021-2022 URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-sxRsg9t

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 757** 

# HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Pyrite Summit Short Loop via Turnbuckle (PCHC # 650).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is an 8.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. Take Mountain Wash to Turnbuckle over the ridge and down the west side until the junction with Granite Falls. Turn right and Follow Granite Falls to Chuckwalla to the junctions with Pyrite Trail. Turn right on Pyrite and climb steeply to the Pyrite Ridge. Turn right to Pyrite Summit. Return to the Pyrite Ridge junction and continue along the Pyrite ridge, dropping to the junction with Chuckwalla. Turn right and connect to Turnbuckle via Granite Falls. Turn right back to parking lot.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Pyrite Summit, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

**FEES AND FACILITIES:** No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on 110. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Mt-Wash-Pyrite-Loop-12-29-2022LynnW2022-2023

URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-3MgMQVF

HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle Loop (PCHC # 572).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9.8 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. This hike does a loop around the outer edges of the park (as of Aug 2016). There are lots of views of the west valley.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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**PCHC TRAIL ID: 572** 

# HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Skyline Flat Hike (PCHC # 765).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is an 8.1 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 600 feet. The hike stays on low trails on the Western side of the park. There is minimal climbing for a B Hike.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Parking Lot Connector, Watson Overlook

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **URL MAP:** https://www.smugmug.com/app/library/recent?imageKey=srBfqRw

PCHC TRAIL ID: 765

### HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - Skyline Summit and Valley Vista Circuit (PCHC # 657).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9.8 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. Start at the Skyline parking lot and follow Quartz Mine until the junction with Skyline Crest Trail. Turn left and climb steeply to the saddle junction with Skyline Summit Trail. Turn left again and climb the 13 switchbacks to Skyline Summit. Retrace steps to the saddle and go straight on the Skyline Crest Trail over the ridge to the junction with Lost Creek. Go straight and follow the trail downhill to its junction with Mountain Wash. Turn right uphill on Mountain Wash. This will merge into the Turnbuckle trail continuing uphill until the junction with Valley Vista. Climb Valley Vista and return to Turnbuckle. Turn left on Turnbuckle steeply downhill and continue back to the parking lot.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** A slight variation on the usual loops to two peaks with great views of the valley.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Skyline Crest, Skyline Summit, Skyline Crest, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Valley Vista, Turnbuckle

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Peakless-PerimeterLynnW2021-2022 URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-HMXTThg

HIKE: B Hike - Skyline RP - West Loop from Entrance Station Parking Lot (PCHC # 55).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 9 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1500 feet. The route starts in the southwestern part of Buckeyes Skyline Regional Park. The route starts at the park entrance station and climbs to Valley Vista via Mountain Wash and Turnbuckle trails. The route continues west down into the valley and climbs to Pyrite Peak via the Granite Falls and Chuckwalla trails. Finally the route loops back to the entrance station via the Turnbuckle trail and Watson Overlook social trail.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Parking Lot Connector, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Valley Vista, Granite Falls, Pyrite, Chuckwalla

**FEES AND FACILITIES:** There is no park fee. Restrooms are at the main trailhead after the Parking Lot Connector Trail. **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead. Go west on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive through the entrance station to the stop sign. Park immediately across the road. The hike begins on the Parking Lot Connector (PLC) Trail. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 55** 

HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle Loop (PCHC # 573).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** C hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7.5 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. This hike has one long uphill section to a high point in the park and then circles back through a valley. There are lots of views of the west valley.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-645bD49

PCHC TRAIL ID: 573

HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite Lollipop Loop (PCHC # 578).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** Pyrite Peak Elevation. Steep ascent from Chuckwalla.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 6.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 950 feet. This hike is in the southwestern part of the park. The trails meander through typical desert terrain. Pyrite goes up to the ridgeline in the southwestern corner of the White Tank Mountains. There is an optional summit trail that goes .3 miles with 170 feet of elevation gain. **TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-3rj9RR3

URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4amnj4ja5VKltJsLlz

HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite Summit Lollipop Loop (PCHC # 579).

REASON FOR CHALLENGE: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7.3 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1350 feet. This hike is in the southwestern part of the park. The trails meander through typical desert terrain. Pyrite goes up to the ridgeline in the southwestern corner of the White Tank Mountains. There is an optional summit trail that goes .3 miles with 170 feet of elevation gain. **TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Pyrite Summit, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4aoRSD07ZpjzFh7xyW?e=p7xvq4

**PCHC TRAIL ID:** 579

HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash Loop (PCHC # 580).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** C hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. This is one of the loops in the park. There are great views of the area from the saddle. There are several optional trails to the tops of the ridges providing excellent views, but also adding hundreds of feet of elevation.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash Trails

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **PCHC TRAIL ID:** 580

HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Watson Overlook Quartz Mine Skyline Crest Loop (PCHC # 778).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. Additional challenges include: C hike parameters exceeded for elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7.7 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 2070 feet. Begin on the Quartz Mine trail by immediately going left to the in and out Watson Overlook. Proceed east on Quartz Mine to the Skyline Crest trail and ascend to the saddle. Hike south up to the Crest summit and descend, continuing on Skyline Crest to the intersection with Mountain Wash. Turn right and ascend to Turnbuckle, again truning right until you reach the turnoff to the Valley Vista. Once you complete this ascent, return to Turnbuckle and continue back to the parking lot. this hike has great views of the Buckeye and Verrado area. If you elect to delete the Crest summit and Valley Vista, the hike length shrinks to 6.5 miles but still retains 1560 of elevation.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Steep climb up from Quartz Mine to the saddle on Skyline Crest.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Watson Overloo/Quartz Mine/Skyline Crest/Crest Summit/Mountain Wash/Turnbuckle/Valley Vista **TRAILS:** Watson Overlook, Quartz Mine, Skyline Crest, Crest Summit, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Valley Vista **FEES AND FACILITIES:** There is no park fee. There are restrooms at trail head.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** Head south on Pebblecreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Exit north (right) on Watson Rd. Drive to the end of the road and the trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

HIKE: C Hike - Skyline RP - Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla Loop (PCHC # 567).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. The hike is in the Western part of Buckeyes Skyline Regional Park with the Granite Falls and Chuckwalla Trails on the west side of the park. There is an option to add 2/3 mile and do the Valley Vista summit.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash Loop

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4amnXWg-TDBLAE3YQh

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 567** 

HIKE: C Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Tortuga Trails (PCHC # 574).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 6.7 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1315 feet. This hike goes to the eastern most point in the park and then returns. There are lots of views of the west valley.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Quartz Mine Trailhead TRAILS: Quartz Mine, Tortuga

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4aoH8vjwUkJwkbS-1d?e=GQHSHF

**PCHC TRAIL ID: 574** 

HIKE: C Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Tortuga, Old Road, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle Loop (PCHC # 571).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. This hike does a loop up to a high point in the park and then circles back through a valley. There are lots of views of the west valley. Trail condition: average hiking trail with two uphill sections.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Quartz Mine Trailhead **TRAILS:** Quartz Mine, Tortuga, old road, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

**URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-GdW6pg8

URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4avn01Gm3I5pUbrS7y?e=KZAKiY

HIKE: C Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla Lollipop Loop (PCHC # 577).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 5.8 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. This hike is in the western part of the park, including parts of the Granite Falls Trail and Chuckwalla Trail that are accessed from Turnbuckle Trail. The trails meander through several areas with minimal elevation gain.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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**PCHC TRAIL ID: 577** 

HIKE: C Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla Loop from Entry Station (PCHC # 794).

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 7.5 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 960 feet. From the Entry Station to the park, take the parling lot connector trail to the main parking area. Then take Mountain Wash to the Turnbuckle trail and go in a clockwise direction. Turn left at the junction with Granite Falls. Take the Chuckwalla trail left and follow this trail all the way until it rejoins Granite Falls. Turn left on Granite Falls back to Turnbuckle. Turn right and follow this back to the parking lot and continue back on the connector trail back to the entry station

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Parking lot connector, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Parking lot connector.

**FEES AND FACILITIES:** No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **URL MAP:** https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-jj9nhsv

PCHC TRAIL ID: 794

HIKE: D Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Mountain Wash, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle Loop (PCHC # 568).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** D hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 4.4 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. The hike climbs up Mountain Wash and follows Lost Creek for a short distance to Turnbuckle, and loops back down to the trailhead.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **PCHC TRAIL ID:** 568

HIKE: D Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash Loop (PCHC # 570).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** D hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 4.6 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 950 feet. The hike gradually climbs Quartz Mine to Lost Creek Trail, which connects to Mountain Wash for the descent back to the trailhead. Starting on the Parking Lot Connector adds .2 miles

TRAILHEAD NAME: Quartz Mine Trailhead TRAILS: Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **PCHC TRAIL ID:** 570

HIKE: D Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle Loop Trail (PCHC # 576).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 3 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 600 feet. This hike has great views of the area from the saddle. There are several optional trails to the tops of the ridges.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles **PCHC TRAIL ID:** 576

HIKE: D Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls and Red Tailed Hawk Trails (PCHC # 677).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** Deep washes.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 4.3 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 600 feet. Start clockwise on the Turnbuckle Trail. Turn left onto Granite Falls and follow this trail up and down through the deep dry washes on the floor of the valley. Bear right to continue on Granit Falls at the junction with the Chuckwalla and Pyrite trails. Continue on Granite Falls all the way until the junction once again with Turnbuckle. Turn right and continue on Turnbuckle. Just before the bridge to the parking lot turn left on Red Tailed Hawk trail and enjoy the short loop before returning to the parking lot.

TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Red Tailed Hawk

FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee, No water

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. **DRIVING DISTANCE:** 30 miles

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HIKE: D Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla Small Circuit from Entry Station (PCHC # 672).

**REASON FOR CHALLENGE:** D hike rating exceeded: Elevation.

**DESCRIPTION:** This hike is a 4.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 650 feet. This hike is in the western part of the park, including parts of the Granite Falls Trail and Chuckwalla Trail that are accessed from Turnbuckle Trail. Start from the Entry Station parking area and use the Parking Lot connector Trail.

**TRAILHEAD NAME:** Mountain Wash Trailhead **TRAILS:** Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Turnbuckle **FEES AND FACILITIES:** Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL GPX: https://ldrv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4anFceQz8abR5-q8IB