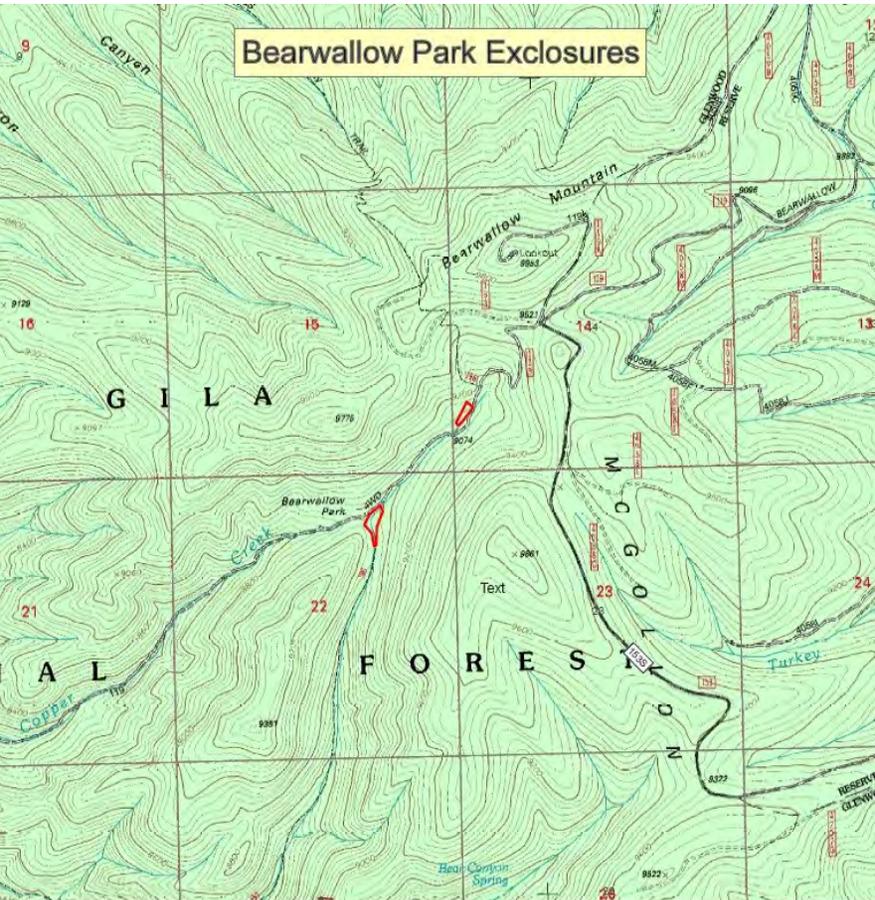


# Bearwallow Park Springs and Wetland Habitat Protection (Pipe Fence)



## Background Information

- Bear Wallow springs is an important wildlife water source and riparian area on the Gila National Forest in an area with substantial populations of elk, turkey, and other wildlife. There is a need to construct a livestock exclusionary fence in order to mitigate grazing impacts.
- This project consists of the removal of an old wire and t-post fence and the installation of a pipe fence around two neighboring wet meadows in the Gila National Forest. The current fence is in disrepair and is no longer protecting the sensitive habitat from cattle.
- A total of five acres will be fenced to protect water and foraging habitat for a variety of wildlife, as well as wallowing grounds for elk.



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## Proposed Management Action

- NMDGF, in collaboration with the USFS, will contract the removal of the old wire and t-post fence and the installation of the new pipe fence.
  - The existing wire and t-post fence will be removed off-site by the contractor
  - The cost of construction is expected to be \$25.00/ft
  - Costs for this fence are estimated at \$100,000.
- [Google earth link](#)

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**Estimated Budget for HSP: \$100,000**

Bearwallow Park Exclosures