



Precipitation on Mt. Wrightson in the Santa Rita Mountains provides water to Sonoita Creek winter and summer.

The creek flows southwest from Sonoita into the Santa Cruz River north of Nogales. Along it is 30 miles of riparian habitat dividing the Santa Rita and Patagonia Mountain ranges.



The watershed has diverse geology, seven biomes with a variety of plants and animals, and vast natural beauty.

It is a cultural cross-roads with protected ancient archeology sites, a Spanish colonial past, and mining, ranching, and railroad history.

Reasons to keep the Creek flowing

- Special status species.
- Resident, visitor, & agricultural use.
- Tributary of the Santa Cruz River.
- Recreation.

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