

HSC Hike Report
Silvery Minnow Habitat - Albuquerque
Tuesday, 02/11/20

Rating B
Hike Miles 6.9
Elevation Gain 16
Hike Time 2:45

Report AGAINST ALL ODDS

The weather forecast was bad. The City had a 2 hour delay including HSC opening. The Center told me on Monday that we would not be able to get a van for the hike because of the weather forecast. Someone from the Center called everyone Monday that was on the list to tell them that the hike was canceled even though I sent an e-mail to everyone that we would either do a shortened version of the hike or take Don's suggestion and do an indoor hike for an hour before going to lunch. In spite of all odds, 3 of us bundled up and decided to do a shortened version of the 8 mile hike. Although there was a strong cold wind out in the open and some snow, the environment inside the Bosque with all the trees greatly reducing the wind so it was really not bad in spite of some mud. We saw massive numbers of small trees that had been chewed on by porcupines but did not see any porcupines in the trees as usual. We figured that they might be sleeping in the ground where they could stay warmer.

We all were glad we had such an enjoyable hike especially when we had a great lunch at the La Fonda del Bosque Restaurant in the Hispanic Cultural Center.

Thanks to Stevie Duram for driving and to Cathy Intemann for her company after her snow skiing trip was canceled due to the cold snowy weather forecast.

Hike Leader Frank Ernst

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