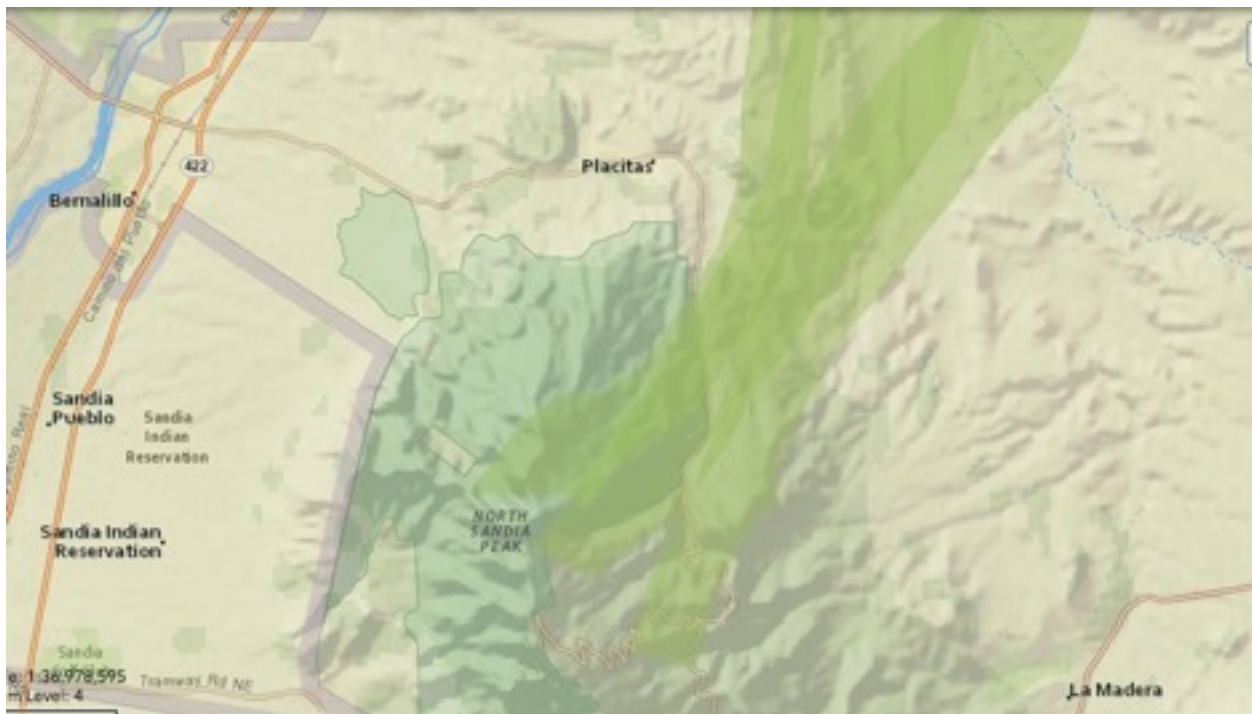


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Pathways vision is to see the mountains of New Mexico connected with protected passage for wildlife of all kinds.

Sandia Mountain is ringed with development - the city of Albuquerque, freeways and subdivisions. There is only one narrow opening to and from the remaining mountain at the North East corner between Placitas and La Madera. Without roads and official trails, this rugged area is designated non-motorized travel within the Forest Service portion. On the Crest of Montezuma, managed by the Bureau of Land Management, official trails and uses of all sorts are being proposed. These uses are not a problem with official oversight, but these Federal agencies do not have funding for law enforcement personnel. Without a ranger at the trail head and on the trails we will see the spider webbing of trails, target shooting and trash - plus the increased access for illegal trapping and poaching of wildlife.

Won't you help protect Sandia Mountain and keep it connected to the other mountains of New Mexico for the safe passage of wildlife? Let officials know that you want this area, the last of its kind, protected from illegal activity and the current laws enforced. Thank you for caring about the life of your mountain!



The light green shaded area is the safest path for wildlife to and from Sandia Mtn.