

# What is a DETENTION BASIN?



A detention basin is a giant artificial pond that is used to contain floodwaters & protect neighborhoods downstream from rushing stormwater. Since these basins are only used in times of heavy rains, people design them to have other uses, such as ball fields, dog parks & golf courses. Bigger detention basins are used as riparian habitats for animals that need ponds to live and to capture rainwater for later use.

**Randolph Park Detention Basin** is used as a Golf Course.

The **Kino Environmental Restoration Project** is used as a Riparian Habitat and for Water Harvesting.

The **Arroyo Chico Cherry Field Basin** will be used as a sports facility when it is completed.

**Meadow Brook** near Shannon & La Cholla is used as a ballfield and neighborhood park!



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"Don't play or swim in flooded basins!"

