NORTH AMERICAN WARM DESERT PAVEMENT

Nature Serve ID: CES302.750

Geology: Often Quaternary alluvium and colluvium.

Landform: Level to gently rolling surfaces.

Soils: Gravelly sites.

Description: Unvegetated to very sparsely vegetated sites on level to gently rolling, gravelly landscapes. These sites are often characterized by harsh, high temperature conditions often leading to the development of gravels coated with "desert varnish." This system may occur on alluvial flats or the level portions of bajada fans at low elevations. *Larrea tridentata* (creosotebush) often occurs as widely scattered shrubs.



ECOLOGICAL MAPPING SYSTEMS:

TRANS-PECOS: DESERT PAVEMENT

Mapping System ID: 11800

EMS Description: As described for system.

Distribution Map:









Public Land Occurrence:

Big Bend National Park: US National Park Service Big Bend Ranch State Park: Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Black Gap Wildlife Management Area: Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Fort Leaton State Historic Site: Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Guadalupe Mountains National Park: US National Park Service

