



NATIVE TO THE SONORAN DESERT IN THE SOUTHWESTERN UNITED STATES AND NORTHERN MEXICO, SAGUAROS (PRONOUNCED "SAH-WAH-ROH") ARE SLOW-GROWING AND TAKE UP TO 75 YEARS TO DEVELOP A SIDE SHOOT. THEY ARE ALSO SLOW AT PROPAGATING, AND THE GIANT SAGUARO CACTUS IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST. HARMING A SAGUARO CACTUS IN ANY MANNER IS ILLEGAL IN ARIZONA, AND DURING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS MUST BE TAKEN TO MOVE EVERY SAGUARO AFFECTED.