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Saguaro Springs development — 2,500 homes — rising in Marana

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Construction of the latest large-scale housing development in Marana is in full swing.

If you haven't seen it yet, that means you haven't driven over Rattlesnake Pass recently.

The 2,500-home Saguaro Springs community is going up on the north side of West Twin Peaks Road, just west of where that road crosses over the northern edge of the Tucson Mountains. That area is known as Rattlesnake Pass.

The homes are being built by KB Home through a partnership with a California-based land development outfit called The Empire Companies.

Marana Deputy Town Manager Gilbert Davidson said when Saguaro Springs is completed it will be similar in size and design to the Gladden Farms development that lies along West Moore Road a few miles to the northwest.

Some sections of Saguaro Springs could be available for people to move into within the next six months, said Linda Perry, public relations director for KB Home.

Included in the plans for Saguaro Springs is a community park, which when completed will be turned over to Marana's Parks and Recreation Department. The town recently took over control of a 16-acre park in Gladden Farms that was built by that community's developer.

"We require that with all our new projects," Davidson said. "We work very hard with developers to provide open space and park space."

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