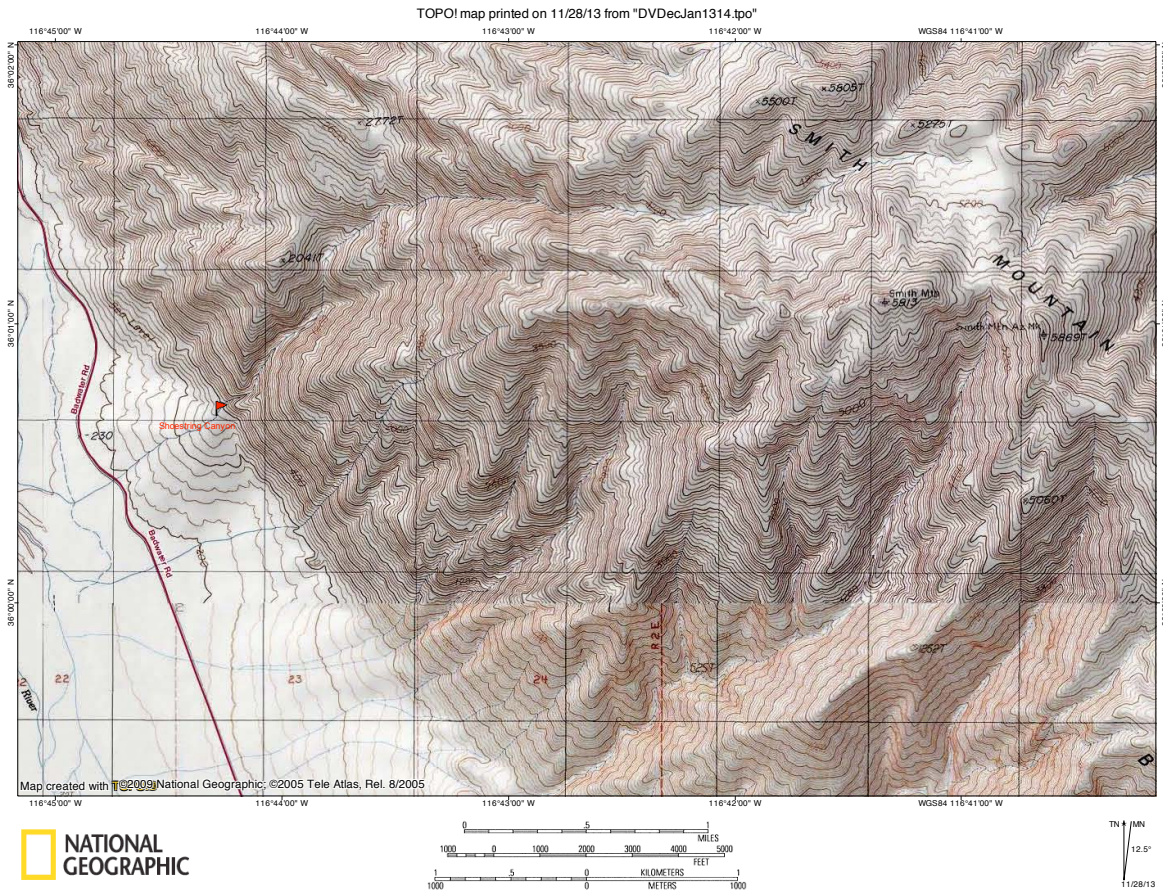


Lower Shoestring Canyon and the area between Sidwinder Canyon and Willow Canyon

TOPO map of Lower Shoestring Canyon:



Google Earth map of Lower Shoestring Canyon:



Approaching the mouth of Shoestring Canyon; note that it is quite possible to scramble up the ridge on the right side to get a view of the canyon, though as the rock is loose one must be very cautious to not launch a boulder (or oneself!) down the ridge and onto a hiker below:



The canyon entrance; as with most (if not all) canyons in this area, we were expecting this canyon to end shortly at a large and unclimbable impasse:



And around the corner we encountered the impasse:



The impasse appears to be climbable on the right side by someone who is more skilled at climbing these obstacles than me (I got up about 25 feet on this 40+ foot impasse and it got too steep for me to continue comfortably at the distance off the ground I was climbing):



Looking up the last steep stretch of the climb:



Drill holes in the rock below the dry-fall:



The ridge which can be scrambled up to get a view into the canyon:



Looking up-canyon:



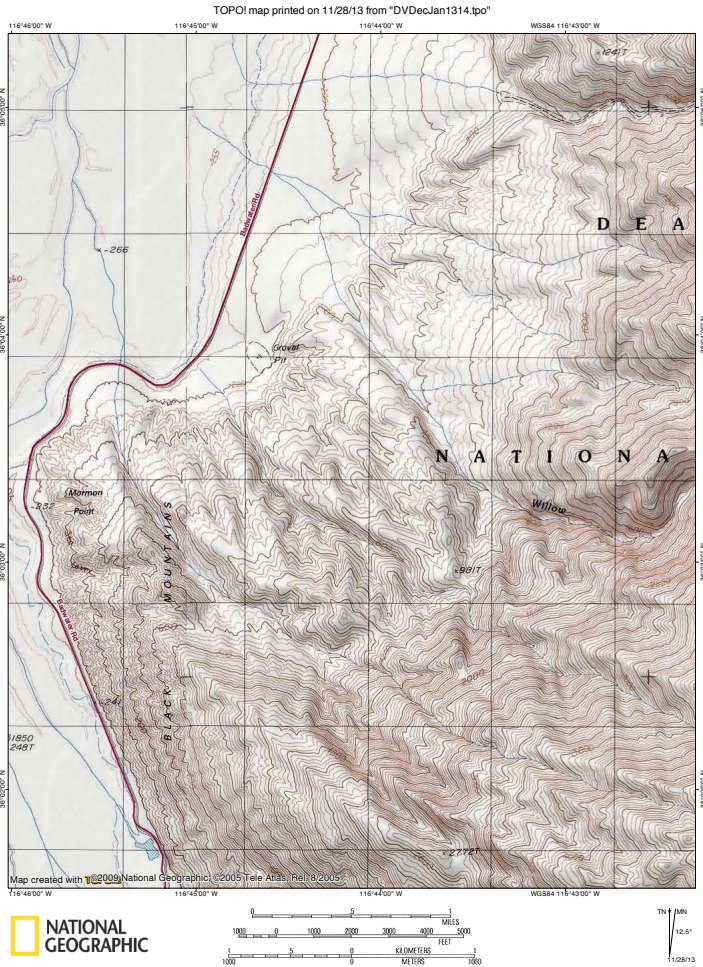
Panorama of the valley from here:



Looking back at this ridge:



TOPO map of the area between Sidewinder Canyon and Willow Canyon:



Google Earth map of the area between Sidewinder Canyon and Willow Canyon:



Panorama of the area between Sidewinder and Willow:



These are the three short canyons of interest in this area:



The leftmost one is short:



We climbed up on the ridge to cross over to the middle canyon:



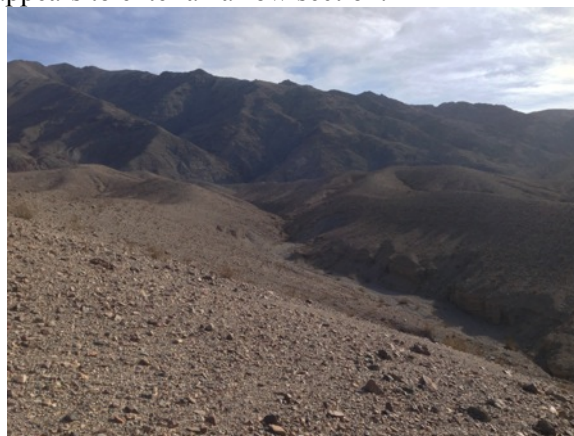
Looking down the middle canyon:



The middle canyon appears to be wide-open from Google Earth maps, so when we encountered a short but crumbly impasse, we gained the ridge between this canyon and the one to the south of it. Looking into this third canyon:



Looking up this canyon to where it appears to enter a narrow section:



Looking into this narrow section from above:

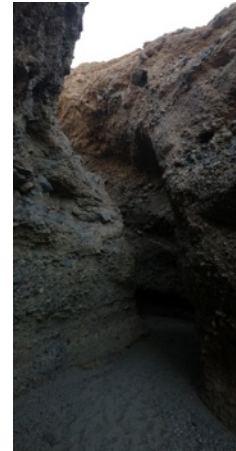


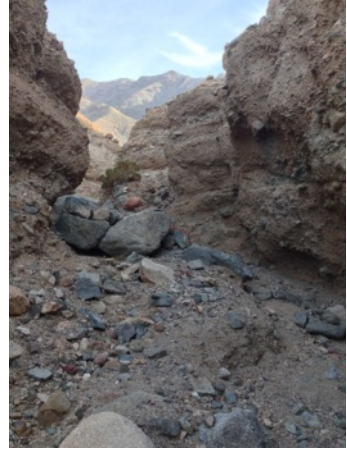
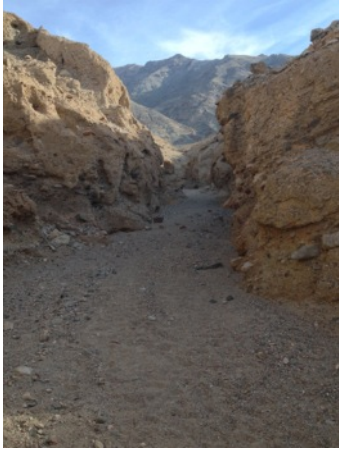
View out towards the valley from here:



The next fifteen photos show these nice narrows, which are not very impressive compared to Sidewinder Canyon and Mormon Point Canyons nearby, but they are still a good hike:







A nice arch/small bridge in the canyon:



The canyon eventually nears the ridge, so we decided to turn around there:



Interesting formation in the canyon on the way back down:



Very nice arch:



There are two more small washes between this third canyon and Sidewinder, both of which have narrow entrances but appear to reach the ridge quickly. This is the first:



This is the second:



Panorama of the valley from here:

