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# ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS

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Executive Director



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**NOTICE OF MEETING**  
**of**  
**THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD**  
**of**  
**THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 notice is hereby given to members of the Arizona State Parks Board (“Board”) and the public that **the Board will hold a meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2024 beginning at 10:00am. Board members may attend the meeting in person or participate telephonically. The public may attend and listen to the meeting at the Arizona State Parks Trails office located at 1110 W Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Physical access to the meeting place will be fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Members of the public may also listen/view the meeting via telephone by calling 1-419-812-2640 and entering the passcode 155 228 422# or via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HRU1gDw2bzY>**

**In person or telephonic public comment will be taken. If choosing to speak in person, the speaker will be asked to complete a form which will be made available at the Arizona State Parks and Trails office on the meeting day and submit to staff. If choosing to speak via telephone, persons who wish to make statements to the Board will be asked to identify themselves each time they are speaking. Please ensure phones are muted when not speaking.**

This meeting is open to the public; however, the Board may elect to hold an Executive Session for any agenda items at any time during the meeting to discuss or consult with its legal counsel for legal advice on matters listed on this agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3). Items on the agenda may be discussed out of order unless they have been specifically noted to be set for a certain time. Public comment will be taken.

**AGENDA**  
**(The Chair reserves the right to set the order of the agenda.)**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. MEMBER ROLL CALL AND MISSION STATEMENT**

**D. AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the December 21, 2023, Board Meeting** – The Commission will review and may consider action to approve the Board meeting minutes from December 21, 2023.
- 2. Election of 2024 Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman.** The Board will nominate and elect its Chair and Vice-Chair in accordance with Arizona Administrative Code R12-8-202(A)(1)(“At the first meeting following January 1 of each year, the members present shall select by majority vote a Chairman and a Vice Chairman to serve through the first meeting January 1 of the following year.).
- 3. Consideration of Consent Agenda:** Items 3(a) through 3(d), are noticed as consent agenda items to expedite action. Documentation concerning matters on the consent agenda may be reviewed in the Board meeting packet posted at <https://azstateparks.com/board> and at the Arizona State Parks and Trails

Office located at 1110 W Washington Street, Suite #100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. The Board may take one vote to act on all the items on the consent agenda or may remove items for further discussion. Items not removed from the consent agenda will be considered in one motion. Items removed for clarification or discussion by the Board will be acted on as appropriate.

**3(a) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Park (LRSP) Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$964,519.00.

<b>2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Parks Grant Application(s)</b>				
<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC)/Staff Recommendation</b>	<b>Score</b>
Town of Snowflake	Bike and Trails Park Acquisition	\$464,519.00	\$464,519.00	69
Town of Pima	Sports Complex Phase I	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	70.2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$964,519.00</b>	<b>\$964,519.00</b>	

**3(b) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,464,519.00.

<b>2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)</b>				
<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC)/Staff Recommendation</b>	<b>Score</b>
Town of Snowflake	Bike and Trails Park Acquisition	\$464,519.00	\$464,519.00	69
Town of Pima	Sports Complex Phase I	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	70.2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,464,519.00</b>	<b>\$1,464,519.00</b>	

**3(c) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding an Amendment to The Land and Water Conservation Budget for the Quartzsite Town Park Project. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)**

<b>Amendment Request(s)</b>				
<b>Project/Sponsor</b>	<b>Original Award</b>	<b>Amended Increase Request</b>	<b>New Award</b>	<b>Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC)/Staff Recommendation</b>
Quartzsite	\$485,654.00	\$14,346.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00

**3(d) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding an Amendment to Heritage Local, Regional and State Park Budget for the Quartzsite Town Park Project. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)**

Amendment Request(s)				
Project/Sponsor	Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC)/Staff Recommendation
Quartzsite	\$485,654.00	\$14,346.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00

4. **State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan.** (Presenter: Dawn Collins, Ph.D, Office of Continuous Improvements) Staff will be given an update on the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. This agenda item is for information only.
5. **Legislative Update.** (Presenter: Brittany Hudson, Legislative Liaison)  
The Board will be briefed on the current legislative bills before the 2024 Arizona State Legislature. This agenda item is for information only.
6. **Arizona Game & Fish Department Update** (Presenter: Board Member Jeffrey Buchanan)

#### E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board members may identify items or issues they wish to be considered for inclusion on a future agenda.

#### F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

The Executive Director may present a summary of current events and /or recent experiences of interest to the outdoor recreation community and/or the status of any projects with which they may be involved. The Board will not discuss or take any action on any current event summary.

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#### H. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The Chair will recognize those wishing to address the Board. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization and the time allotted by the Chair. Action taken because of acknowledgement of comments and suggestions from the public will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

#### I. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Arizona State Parks Board Tentative 2024 Meeting Schedule	
Date	Location
March 21, 2024	Central Office
April 18, 2024	Central Office
May 16, 2024	Central Office
June 20, 2024	Central Office
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**J. ADJOURNMENT:**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-509 Board member conflict of interest forms are available for public inspection along with a copy of this agenda and any background material provided to Board members at Arizona State Parks and Trails, 1110 W. Washington Street, Suite #100., Phoenix, AZ 85007. For additional information, contact Mickey Rogers at (602) 542-6942. Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Arizona State Parks & Trails does not discriminate based on a disability regarding admission to public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting the ADA Coordinator Thomas Beranek at (602) 542-7389; or email [tberanek@azstateparks.gov](mailto:tberanek@azstateparks.gov). Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. For technical difficulties during the teleconference meeting, please contact Pamela Cason at 480-622-4559 or via email [pcason@azstateparks.gov](mailto:pcason@azstateparks.gov).

Posted at: Arizona State Parks and Trails  
1110 West Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007

And at: <https://azstateparks.com/arizona-state-parks-board>




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## DRAFT MINUTES

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THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD  
of  
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS  
December 21, 2023

**Meeting location:** Arizona State Parks and Trails, 1110 W Washington St., Suite #100, Phoenix, AZ 85007

**Members present:** Dale Larsen, John Sefton, Jeff Buchanan, Terri Palmberg

**Members participating telephonically:** Sarah King

**Members absent:** Robyn Sahid

**ASPT Staff Present:** Bob Broscheid, Sarah Rose Webber, Cora Winans, Mickey Rogers, Matt Eberhart, Jeff Schmidt, Vince Schiavitti, Kelley Santillanes

**Arizona AG Office:** Nancy Jasculca, Arizona State Parks Board attorney, participating telephonically

**YouTube live stream:** [https://youtube.com/live/C\\_pMmClCh0A?feature=share](https://youtube.com/live/C_pMmClCh0A?feature=share)

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Larsen of the Arizona State Parks Board called the meeting to order at 8:59am.

### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Terri Palmberg led Board members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### C. MEMBER ROLL CALL AND MISSION STATEMENT

Dale Larsen read the Arizona State Parks Board Mission Statement.

### D. AGENDA ITEMS

#### 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the September 21, 2023 Board

**Meeting.** Jeff Buchanan moved to approve the minutes from the September 21, 2023 meeting. Terri Palmberg seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Jeff Buchanan approved. Sarah King approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.

#### 2. Consent Agenda. Items 2(a) through 2(i) were grouped together and noticed as consent agenda items to expedite action on routine matters.

**2(a) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s).** (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator) Grant applications totaling \$396,107.00

**2(b) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Off-Highway Vehicle Supplemental Grant Application(s).** (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle



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**Coordinator)** Grant applications totaling \$82,996.00.

**2(c) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Safety and Environmental Education (SEE) Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Program Coordinator)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$46,179.00.

**2(d) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Non-Motorized Trails Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$440,500.00.

**2(e) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Park (LRSP) Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,670,287.00.

**2(f) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,689,762.00.

**2(g) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Environmental Education Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$629,426.00.

**2(h) Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Historic Preservation Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)** The following grant applications have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,189,777.12.

**2(i) Consideration of Action to Approve Amendment to the Budget for Pima County's Tucson Mountain Park, Juan Santa Cruz Campground Historic Preservation Grant. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails.)**

Pima County Amendment Request				
Project/Sponsor	Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission



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				(AORCC)/Staff Recommendation
Pima County	\$190,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00

*Jeff Buchanan requested to remove consent agenda items 2(e) iv. Tohono O'odham Wa:k Community Park and 2(f) ii. Tohono O'odham Wa:k Community Park.*

*Terri Palmberg moved to approve consent agenda items D2(a), D2(b), D2(c), D2(d), D2(e) i. City of Tucson, ii. City of Avondale, iii. Town of Duncan, D2(f) i. Town of Duncan, D2(g), D2(h) and D2(i) as presented. John Sefton seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Jeff Buchanan approved. Sarah King approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.*

*Agenda items D2(e)iv. Tohono O'odham Wa:k Community Park and D2(f) ii. Tohono O'odham Wa:k Community Park,: Debbie Johnson, Planner, Tohono O'odham Tribe gave the Board an overview of the first community park project in the San Xavier District: Wa:k Community Park. The completed park will provide play and exercise facilities, shaded family/community gathering spaces, splash pad and a trail to connect recreational and heritage resources. The park is the culmination of decades of community planning, meetings with elders and families with children. It represents a significant advancement of outdoor community recreation for San Xavier District.*

*Jeff Buchanan moved to approve agenda items D2(e) iv. Tohono O'odham, Wa:k Community Park in the amount of \$500,000.00 and D2(f) ii. Tohono O'odham, Wa:k Community Park in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. Sarah King seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Jeff Buchanan approved. Sarah King approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.*

**3. The Board Will Consider and May Take Action to Appoint Applicants to the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Program Coordinator.)**

The Board will review and discuss staff's recommendations to fill ten (10) vacancies on ASCOT and may take action to appoint the following individuals to ASCOT.

*Terri Palmberg moved to appoint the following ten (10) applicants to the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT): Linda Slay, Justin Inglis, Paul King, Bev Showalter, Hezekiah Allen, Cynthia Nemeth, Eric Nielson, Keri Konold, Michael Harris and Heather Vague. Jeff Buchanan seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Jeff Buchanan approved. Sarah King approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.*

**4. The Board Will Consider and May Take Action to Appoint Applicants to the Off - Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG). (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator.)** The Board will review and discuss staff's recommendations to fill four (4) vacancies on OHVAG and may take action to appoint the following individuals to OHVAG.





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*Jeff Buchanan moved to appoint the following individual to OHVAG: Nena Barlow, Mike Cook, Tom Murphy and Jeff Olson to the Off- Highway Vehicle Advisory Group. John Sefton seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Jeff Buchanan approved. Sarah King approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.*

- 5. Presentation from the Friends of San Rafael Valley group.** (Presenter: Carol Bonchalk, President, Friends of San Rafael Valley) *Carol Bonchalk gave the Board an overview of the newly formed Friends of San Rafael Valley group. She provided background information on the San Rafael Valley's natural terrain and ecosystem and the risks facing the area. The group is dedicated to protecting not only the San Rafael historic home located on the San Rafael State Natural Area property but the rich history surrounding the estate. The team recently discovered a number of perfectly preserved sample of the native prairie shortgrass in a file cabinet. The group will partner with many local entities dedicated to preserving this amazing area. Collaboration with Arizona State Parks and Trails is crucial to the success of their group.*

*Jeff Buchanan gave a brief summary of the importance of preserving the home and surrounding area. The area is unique with the head waters of the Santa Cruz river as well as one of the largest shortgrass prairies in the country. He, along with the Friends of San Rafael Valley, are committed to the ethics of conservation and saving and preserving this beautiful area.*

## **E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*The Board discussed the following future agenda items: Maintenance deep dive, Game and Fish overview and January 2024 Arizona State Parks Board election of officers.*

## **F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS**

*The Director updated the Board on the following events: Rockin' River State Park grand opening on February 2, the next San Rafael Stakeholders meeting February 1, Glassford Dells Regional Park land auction, the Arizona State Parks and Trails Emerging Leaders Cohort II graduation and the upcoming 2024 Arizona Legislative session.*

## **G. CURRENT EVENTS**

*Jeff Buchanan discussed his recent experience of finding cattle grazing in Sonoita Creek while horseback riding.*

## **H. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

*No members of the public requested to address the Board.*

## **I. FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Arizona State Parks Board Tentative 2024 Meeting Schedule	
Date	Location
January 18, 2024	Central Office
February 15, 2024	Central Office





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**J. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:13am.*



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**Date:** February 15, 2024

**To:** Dale Larsen, Chair, Arizona State Parks Board  
**From:** Bob Broscheid, Executive Director, Arizona State Parks and Trails

**Subject:** 2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Park Grant Applications

**Background:**

The Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Park (LRSP) funding provides matching grants for the development of public outdoor recreation facilities. A total of \$3,000,000 was appropriated for the LRSP program during the 2023 Arizona State Legislative session. All LRSP grants require a 50/50 match.

A project sponsor may apply up to \$500,000.00 per project.

**Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff and the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Commission (AORCC) reviewed the following LRSP application(s) and made recommendations based on the 2023-2027 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and funding available.

2024 Heritage Local, Regional, and State Park (LRSP) Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/AORCC Recommendation	Score
Town of Snowflake	Bike and Trails Park Acquisition	\$464,519.00	\$464,519.00	69
Town of Pima	Sports Complex Phase I	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	70.2
TOTAL		\$964,519.00	\$964,519.00	

**Recommended Motion:**

I move that that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the 2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional and State Park Program grant application(s) as follows: \_\_\_\_Town of Snowflake, Bike and Trails Park Acquisition in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ and the Town of Pima, Sports Complex Phase I Project in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_.

**Prepared by:** Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trail, Arizona State Parks and Trails

**Approved:**

Bob Broscheid: Executive Director



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**Date:** February 15, 2024

**To:** Dale Larsen, Chair, Arizona State Parks Board

**From:** Bob Broscheid, Executive Director, Arizona State Parks and Trails

**Subject:** 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Applications

**Background:**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) provides matching grants for acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation facilities. All LWCF funding requires a minimum 50/50 match. Once LWCF funding has been used, a project area must remain open to outdoor recreation creating a legacy of outdoor recreation opportunities for generations to come.

**Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff and the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) reviewed the following Land and Water Conservation Fund application(s) and made recommendations based on the 2023-2027 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and funding available.

2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/AORCC Recommendation	Score
Town of Snowflake	Bike and Trails Park Acquisition	\$464,519.00	\$464,519.00	69
Town of Pima	Sports Complex Phase I	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	70.2
TOTAL		\$1,464,519.00	\$1,464,519.00	

**Recommended Motion:**

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: Town of Snowflake, Bike and Trails Park Acquisition in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the Town of Pima, Sports Complex Phase I Project in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Prepared by:** Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trail, Arizona State Parks and Trails

**Approved:**

Bob Broscheid: Executive Director

## 2024 Heritage Fund Local, Regional, and State Park (LRSP) Grant Application(s)

**Sponsor: Town of Snowflake**

**Project: Bike and Trails Park Land Purchase**

**Grant Request: \$464,519.00**

**Match: \$464,519.00**

**Total: \$929,038.00**



The Town of Snowflake has a local mountain bike riding group that we have worked with to build single track trails. Additionally, we have a large active group of individuals that have expressed interest in trails and have expressed their support for our project. We have done a marketing video with Navajo County at the site and was promoted through Navajo County and received positive outcomes.

**Sponsor: Town of Pima**

**Project: Sports Complex Phase I**

**Grant Request: \$500,000.00**

**Match: \$500,000.00**

**Total: \$1,000,000.00**



The proposed project involves creating new soccer fields, implementation of a new restroom building, a new concession building, new playground, gazebos, basketball courts, volleyball courts, pickleball courts, sidewalk fencing and lighting. Additional support is requested for repairing the Pima Pool by replacing interior surfacing, tile and pumps. This project will serve rural residents of the diverse Pima, AZ community, facilitating spaces for year- round sports, recreation, and providing greater capacity for youth leagues and physical activity on a year-round basis.



## **2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)**

**Sponsor: Town of Snowflake**

**Project: Bike and Trails Park Land Purchase**

**Grant Request: \$464,519.00**

**Match: \$464,519.00**

**Total: \$929,038.00**



The Town of Snowflake has a local mountain bike riding group that we have worked with to build single track trails. Additionally, we have a large active group of individuals that have expressed interest in trails and have expressed their support for our project. We have done a marketing video with Navajo County at the site and was promoted through Navajo County and received positive outcomes.

**Sponsor: Town of Pima**

**Project: Sports Complex Phase I**

**Grant Request: \$1,000,000.00**

**Match: \$1,000,000.00**

**Total: \$2,000,000.00**



The proposed project involves creating new soccer fields, implementation of a new restroom building, a new concession building, new playground, gazebos, basketball courts, volleyball courts, pickleball courts, sidewalk fencing and lighting. Additional support is requested for repairing the Pima Pool by replacing interior surfacing, tile and pumps. This project will serve rural residents of the diverse Pima, AZ community, facilitating spaces for year- round sports, recreation, and providing greater capacity for youth leagues and physical activity on a year-round basis.



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## **2024 GENERAL LEGISLATION:**

### **HB 2021: conservation easements; in lieu payments:**

**Summary:** The holder of a conservation easement shall make an annual payment of monies in lieu of taxes on the reduction of value of the original parcel caused by the placement of the conservation easement. Payments shall be paid to the county treasurer of the county in which the real property burdened by the easement is located. Payments shall be distributed by the county treasurer to the county and to school districts, cities and towns in the county in the same manner as other property tax revenues. Retroactive from Dec. 31 to present.

Assigned to the House Land, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs committee and meeting on 2/12/24.

### **HB 2319: appropriation; heritage fund:**

**Summary:** The sum of \$10,000,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Arizona state parks heritage fund. The Legislature intends that the appropriation made be considered ongoing funding in future years. This appropriation is exempt from lapsing.

Assigned to the House Appropriations committee.

### **HB 2637: state lake improvement fund; drones:**

**Summary:** The State Lake Improvement Fund should also be used to: fund the purchase of drones to clean plastic, algae, biomass and other floating trash from lakes and waterways. the drones shall be equipped with the following specifications: (a) time stamped and GPS locating data sensors to provide constant monitoring of lakes and waterways. (b) collision avoidance.

Assigned to the House Land, Agriculture and Rural Affairs committee and meeting on 2/12/24.

### **HB 2804: tribal land acknowledgment:**

**Summary:** Requires each public school, public university, community college, state or local park or library or other state or local government building in this state, in consultation with native American tribes, to display a native American tribal land acknowledgment plaque in a clearly visible location in a public area of the building that is readily accessible to the public.

Has not been assigned to a committee yet.



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## **HB 2879: income tax credit; historic preservation:**

**Summary:** Requires the state historic preservation officer to receive applications and evaluate and certify the substantial rehabilitation of a certified historic structure for the purpose of income tax credits. This is similar to the federal tax credit.

Assigned to the House Ways and Means committee.

## **SB 1005: public monies; ideology training; prohibition:**

**Summary:** A public entity shall not: require an employee to engage in a diversity, equity and inclusion program. Spend public monies on a diversity, equity and inclusion program. Enter into or renew a contract with a company that participates in a diversity, equity and inclusion program. Spend public monies to acquire services, supplies, information technology or goods for a diversity, equity and inclusion program. Establish, support, sustain or employ an office or individual whose duties include coordinating, creating, developing, designing, implementing, organizing, planning or promoting diversity, equity and inclusion programs.

Was assigned to the Senate Government committee. Passed committee and passed the Senate floor with a 16-13 vote. Bill has been transmitted to the House.

## **SB 1045: public restrooms; feminine hygiene products:**

**Summary:** Ensures that feminine hygiene products are provided at no cost in all women's and gender-neutral restrooms that are open to members of the public at each state park and historical monument in this state. Feminine hygiene products must be provided in a convenient and discreet manner. For the purposes of this paragraph, "feminine hygiene products" includes tampons, sanitary napkins and underwear liners.

Assigned to the Senate Government committee.

## **SB 1052: all-terrain vehicles; definition:**

**Summary:** Increases, from 2,500 to 3,500 pounds or less, the maximum unladen weight of an all-terrain vehicle.

Passed out of Senate Transportation, Technology, and Missing Children committee and passed through House caucus.





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## **SB 1055: off-highway vehicle study committee; extension:**

**Summary:** Continues the OHV study committee for another year. Repeals on May 31, 2025.

Passed out of Senate Transportation, Technology, and Missing Children committee and Senate caucus.

## **SB 1128: state agencies; payments; cryptocurrency:**

**Summary:** A state agency may enter into an agreement with a cryptocurrency service provider to provide a method to accept cryptocurrency as a payment method of fines, civil penalties or other penalties, rent, rates, taxes, fees, charges, revenue, financial obligations and special assessments to pay any amount due to that agency or this state.

Passed out of Senate Finance committee and Senate caucus.

## **SB 1176: appropriation; Arizona trail fund:**

**Summary:** Appropriates \$250,000 from the state general fund in fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Arizona trail fund. The appropriation made is exempt from lapsing.

Passed through the Senate Natural Resources committee and Senate Appropriations committee.

## **SB 1365: state agencies; cash payment; acceptance:**

**Summary:** Each state agency or authorized agent of a state agency must accept cash and money orders to pay any amount due to that agency or agent or this state.

Assigned to Senate Finance committee.

## **SB 1552: outdoor-based therapy programs; grants:**

**Summary:** An outdoor RX program is established in the department of health services to provide grants for outdoor environmental, ecological, agricultural or natural resource-based or outdoor-based therapy programs serving the citizens of this state. Requires the Arizona state parks board shall establish an advisory committee to assist and advise the department of health services in developing and administering the outdoor RX program.

Assigned to Senate Natural Resources, Energy and Water committee.



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## **SB 1725: state agencies; tribal liaison:**

**Summary:** The Governor shall require all state agencies in this state to employ a tribal liaison from a recognized tribe in this state to represent and facilitate communications between each state agency and tribal communities in this state.

Assigned to the Senate Government committee.

## **SCR 1038: Arizona state parks heritage fund:**

**Summary:** Allows this referendum to go to the voters and on proclamation of the Governor. 10,000,000 shall be deposited in the state parks heritage fund from the lottery. The Arizona state parks board is exempt from the rulemaking requirements for one year after the effective date of this act. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters at the next general election.

Assigned to the Senate Natural Resources and Senate Appropriations committees.