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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, June 19, 2025 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 1-419-922-9097 and entering the passcode 445 083 977# or via YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/28AxHKHlzDk?feature=share>**

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 April 17, 2025, Board Meeting– The Board will review and may consider action to approve the Board meeting minutes from April 17, 2025.

2. Consideration of Consent Agenda: Item 2(a) through 2(g) 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,

- a. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the Submitted 2026 Land and Water Conservation Fund Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Program Manager)** The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,887,942.00.

2026 ORLP Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/AORCC Recommendation
Yuma	Carver Park Revitalization	\$1,887,942.00	\$1,887,942.00
TOTAL		\$1,887,942.00	\$1,887,942.00

- b. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the Submitted 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator)** The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$9,460.00

2025 Supplemental Motorized Supplemental Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Project Request	Staff/OHVAG/AORCC Recommendation
Public Lands Interpretive Association	Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage	\$9,460.00	\$9,460.00
Totals:		\$9,460.00	\$9,460.00

- c. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator)** The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$435,009.00.

2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation	Score
Greenlee County Sheriff's Office	OHV Law Enforcement and Equipment	\$435,009.00	\$435,009.00	29
Totals:		\$435,009.00	\$435,009.00	

- d. Consideration of Action to Approve Proposed Scope Change and Cost Amendment for Project 552404, Santa Cruz Sheriff OHV Enforcement. (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator).** The Board will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to amend the approved grant.

552404 Santa Cruz Sheriff's Office Scope Change and Cost Amendment			
Original Award	Amendment Increase Request	Amended Request	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation
\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00

- e. **Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s).** (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails) The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,538,990.00

2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Project Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
Chino Valley	Sullivan Canyon Acquisition	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	64
Goodyear	Dog Park Relocation Project	\$1,338,990.00	\$1,338,990.00	55
Total		\$1,538,990.00	\$1,538,990.00	

- f. **Consideration of Action to Approve Proposed Scope Amendment to an approved Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant.** (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). The Board will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to amend the scope of the approved grant.

Land and Water Conservation Fund Cost Amendment 04-00790 City Park Development				
Sponsor	Project	Original Award	Amended Request	Staff Recommendation
Lake Havasu City	City Park Development	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00

- g. **Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s).** (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails) The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,190,283.00

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff	Score
Arizona State Parks	Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Ramp Replacement	\$507,200.00	\$507,200.000	76
City of Yuma	Rescue Watercraft and Equipment	\$497,285.00	\$497,285.00	76
Town of Eagar	Safe Water Equipment Purchase	\$16,998.00	\$16,998.00	41
Navajo County	Rescue Watercraft Purchase	\$170,000.00	170,000.00	41
TOTAL		\$1,191,483.00	\$1,191,483.00	

3. State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. (Presenters: Dawn Collins, Office of

Continuous Improvements/Deb Pryor, CEO, Partners in Brainstorm). Staff will present the final 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. The Board will review and may consider action to approve, modify or deny this plan.

4. Growing Smarter Observatory Mesa Proposed New Trail Construction. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails) The Arizona State Parks Board will consider and may take action on a recommendation to approve the construction of new trails expanding the current system of trails.

5. Deobligation and Reobligation of Recreational Trails Program Funds (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails) Staff will present a report on the deobligation and reobligation of grant funds for a project under the Recreational Trails Program, including the deobligation of funds from two projects that were canceled, 472510 and 472513 and reobligating these funds, \$31,835.00, to an existing approved state park project, 472507, Statewide Trails App. 472507 was originally funded at \$324,344 and is now funded at \$356,179.00. This agenda item is for information only.

6. Report on the FY 2025 Awarded Heritage, State Lake Improvement Fund, Motorized, Non-motorized, Trails Maintenance, American Rescue Plan Act Funding and the Land and Water Conservation Fund Project. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails.) Staff will provide a final report to the Board on awarded grants including awards, matching funding, and locations of all grants. This agenda item is for information only.

7. Legislative Update. (Presenter: Brittany Hudson, Legislative Liaison) The Board will be briefed on the current legislative bills before the 2025 Arizona State Legislature. This agenda item is for information only.

8. Introduction of New Chief of Grants and Trails, Nina Lindsey. (Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails will introduce his replacement, Nina Lindsey)

9. Recognition and Accomplishments of Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants & Trails. (Presenter: Bob Broscheid, Executive Director)

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

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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. 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.

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April 17, 2025

Meeting location: Oracle State Park,

Members present: John Sefton, Dale Larsen, Terri Palmberg

Members participating telephonically: Robyn Sahid

Members absent: Jeff Buchanan and Sarah King

ASPT Staff Present: Bob Broscheid, Sarah Rose Webber, Pamela Cason, Mickey Rogers, Woody Gresko, Athena Sparks, Kristin Brown, Sinda Sutton, Dan Roddy, Kevin Brock, Brittany Hudson

Arizona AG Office: Wesley Gerard, Arizona State Parks Board attorney

YouTube live stream: <https://youtu.be/JNDVX-MR1bY>

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sefton of the Arizona State Parks Board called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Teri Palmberg led Board members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. MEMBER ROLL CALL AND MISSION STATEMENT

Pamela Cason did the role call. All members were present except for member Jeff Buchanan. Chairmen John Sefton read the mission statement.

D. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the January February 20, 2025, Board Meeting-*Member Palmberg motioned to approve the minutes and Vice Chair Larsen seconded the motion to approve the minutes from February 20, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.*

2. Consideration of Consent Agenda: *Items 2(a) through 2(g), are noticed as consent agenda items -Vice Chair Larsen motioned consent agenda items to be approved as presented items 2(a) through 2(g). Member Palmberg seconded the motions. All members at the meeting approved via roll call vote-motion passed unanimously.*

a. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grant Program Manager) *The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$772,699.00*



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2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Project Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
Arizona State Parks	Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Launch Renovation	\$772,699.00	\$772,699.00	66
TOTAL		\$772,699.00	\$772,699.00	

- b. **Consideration of Action to Approve an Amendment to an approved Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Project. (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grant Program Manager).** Arizona State Parks Board will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to amend the scope of the approved grant.

Land and Water Conservation Fund Scope Amendment				
Sponsor	Project	Scope Item(s) removed	Scope Item(s) added	Staff Recommendation
Arizona State Parks	04-00767 - Dead Horse Amphitheater	Amphitheater	Fish Cleaning Station	Approve Scope Change

- c. **Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grant Program Manager)** The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$1,311,250.00.

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff	Score
Lake Havasu City	ADA Accessibility Project	\$969,750.00	\$969,750.00	72
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	Search and Rescue Equipment Purchase	\$341,500.00	\$341,500.00	34
TOTAL		\$1,311,250.00	\$1,311,250.00	

- d. **Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator)** The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$872,843.00.

2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s)					
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff	Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG)	Score
Pinal County Sheriff's Office	OHV Range Unit Expansion	\$746,492.00	\$746,492.00	\$746,492.00	43



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Arizona Peace Trail	Peace Trail Re-Route Design	\$26,351.00	\$26,351.00	\$26,351.00	24
AZDEMA	Site – 4 Fencing	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	17
TOTAL		\$872,843.00	\$872,843.00	\$872,843.00	

3. Consideration of Action-The Board will Consider and May Take Action to Appoint Applicants to the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT).

(Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails.) The Board will review and discuss staff's recommendations to fill two (2) vacancies on ASCOT and may take action to appoint the following individuals to ASCOT.

Mickey Rogers presented the two applicants for approval. Member Palmberg made a motion to move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve Zach MacDonald and Ryane Crary, as new members to the Arizona State Committee On Trails (ASCOT). All members passed the motion by saying aye.

Vice Chair Larsen asked if there were still two vacancies on the board. Mickey Rogers confirmed that there were still two vacancies.

4. 2025 Earth Day Celebrations. (Presenter: Sarah Rose Webber, Deputy Director) This agenda item is for information only.

Sarah Rose Webber gave a brief overview of the upcoming events at the different parks

5. Legislative Update. (Presenter: Brittany Hudson, Legislative Liaison) The Board will be briefed on the current legislative bills before the 2025 Arizona State Legislature. This agenda item is for information only.

Brittany presented on current legislation.

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Vice Chair Larsen wanted to discuss philanthropy. He would like to have a strategy session with the board to get some ideas and maybe the staff could come up with some best practices. He feels like there is a gap and missed opportunities.

Chair Sefton agrees if we don't ask, we don't get. With the amazing marketing staff and everything we do to market our parks we have an opportunity to leverage corporate donation dollars.

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

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projects with which they may be involved. The Board will not discuss or take any action on any current event summary. *Director Broscheid updated on the following items:*

- *Federal Funding update*
- *Budget update*
- *Staffing update-FTE count, 253. vacancies, 18*
- *Del Rio Update*
 - *Acquisition Jan 2024*
 - *TPL funded the taking down the moldy house and one of the dilapidated Turkey Barns*
 - *ASPT Development has planned for cultural survey and drilling a well near the residential area*
 - *Hank has been attending the PEAVINE trail extension meetings and Greater Chino Valley Collaborative Meetings*
 - *Chino valley acquired the strip of land that includes the Fred Harvey buildings*
 - *We are hoping to put a caretaker on property eventually for upkeep on the property*
- *Arizona Forward Awards*
 - *The Kids on the Colorado River program received the Crescordia Award in the Environmental Education and Communication category*
 - *Artist in Residence program received the Award of Distinction in the Art in Public Places category.*
- *SECC Charity Hike-Huge Success*
 - *151 attendees at the three parks LAHA, RORI, ORAC*
 - *\$3465.00 to charities-St. Mary's Food Bank and Wild at Heart*
- *Historic Brewing Event-SLRO*
 - *100 tickets sold, 97 showed and all attendees outside parks and historic brewing had never visited the park before!*
 - *10% of beer sales to ASPT*
 - *Strong reception during the Tasting Event at Indian Gardens on 4/10 when people learned 10% of the sales benefit us—the cafe nearly sold the entire keg and cans that Indian Gardens had stocked!*
 - *No less than 25% of event proceeds to the Friends of Slide Rock State Park (still tallying numbers raised)*
- *Staff “Crushing It” Awards!*
- *Parks celebrating big anniversaries*
 - *Patagonia-50th anniversary on April 1, 2025*
 - *Lake Havasu-60th anniversary on Feb 1*
 - *Roper Lake-50th anniversary on March 1*



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J. ADJOURNMENT: *The meeting adjourned at __11:37__ am.*

2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Application(s)

Sponsor: Town of Chino Valley

Project: Upper Sullivan Canyon Acquisition

Grant Request: \$200,000.00

Match: \$200,000.00

Total: \$400,000.00



Upper Sullivans Canyon is a 10.5-acre parcel on the Upper Verde River lying between (and adjacent to) Arizona Game and Fish's Upper Verde River Wildlife Area and Arizona State Parks' new Verde River Headwaters State Park land at Sullivan Lake.

The property is already a popular rock-climbing area on the Verde River. For decades, many groups have used the property and its unique canyon for rock climbing, climbing instruction, and search & rescue training. The parcel also contains petroglyph sites, nesting owls, and a historic railroad bridge crossing the river gorge. The parcel would connect the new state park land to the Upper Verde Wildlife Area. Overall, this project would maximize opportunities for outstanding outdoor recreation and habitat protection including rock climbing at Upper Sullivans Canyon.

Sponsor: City of Goodyear

Project: Goodyear Community Park Dog Park Relocation Project

Grant Request: \$1,338,990.00

Match: \$1,338,990.00

Total: \$2,667,980.00



Goodyear's original Community Park opened in 2005 and is located at Litchfield Road and Indian School Road. This park annually attracts nearly 300,000 annual visitors and includes 36-acres of recreation amenities including: ballfields, splash pad, playgrounds, tennis courts, pickleball courts, sand volleyball courts, walking paths, skate park, interim dog park, restroom buildings, and maintenance building. Following an outreach process that gathered input from staff, stakeholders, user groups, and thousands of residents, the 2023 Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified relocating and expanding the interim dog park as a top priority.

This project will relocate and expand the existing dog park amenity to enhance safety and improve the overall user experience. Currently located adjacent to a ballfield, the dog park is being moved to the

northeast end of the park to eliminate safety concerns related to fly balls entering the dog area. Relocating the dog park not only addresses these safety issues but also allows for significant expansion. The new design will feature a larger space for dogs and their owners to enjoy, as well as the addition of amenities such as a dog agility course. This relocation and expansion will create a more enjoyable and secure environment for both dog park and ballfield users.

2025 Supplemental Motorized Grants

Sponsor: Public Lands Interpretive Association

Project: Eastern Santa Rita Mountains OHV Signage Project

Request Amount: \$9,460.00 **Match:** \$499.00

Award Total: \$9,958.00



The eastern Santa Rita Mountains, part of Coronado National Forest, are a popular and high-use OHV area. In the 1990s, multiple OHV-related improvements in the Santa Ritas were implemented through AZ State Parks and Trails Grants. The decades-old signage is now missing, outdated, worn out, and/or illegible. With documented increase in OHV use since 2010 combined with the fact that Tucson and vicinity ranked highly in a survey of OHV users' favorite trails, it is essential to provide high-quality, on-site maps, as well as safety and responsible recreation information, for motorized recreationists in the Santa Ritas.

This grant proposal focuses on two specific locations (pre-selected by Coronado National Forest) with existing single-panel steel frames (see photos in attached document), which will be restored to support new sign panels. Grant funds will be used to: (1) restore the existing steel kiosk frames; (2) develop a new, up-to-date map of the eastern Santa Ritas OHV routes; (3) develop bilingual, site-specific safety and responsible recreation information; (4) layout of both panels; (5) fabrication of new panels; and (6) panel installation.

2025 Competitive Motorized Grants

Sponsor: Greenlee County Sheriff's Office

Project: Law Enforcement and Equipment Purchase

Request Amount: \$435,000.00 **Match:** \$10,800.00

Award Total: \$445,900.00



Greenlee County has a population of approximately 9500 citizens. the county is approximately 120 miles from north to south and approximately 20 miles west to east, bordering the State of New Mexico. There are parts of many areas in the county that can only be accessed on foot, horseback, or OHV. From the beginning of spring through summer, at times during the weekends and Holidays, these areas get between 400 to 1000 OHV's entering and using these recreation areas. Greenlee County Sheriff's Office proposes to purchase OHV vehicles and equipment, to assist with enforcement of OHV laws, Game and Fish laws and Arizona traffic laws, for violations such as of driving under the influence (DUI), reckless driving, speed enforcement, criminal damage, trespassing, registration and licensing. It would also allow us to promote safety and education on the use of seat belts, helmets, eye protection, child restraints during active patrols of these areas. The funding requests also includes overtime to be paid to deputies for times of heavy OHV use in all areas throughout Greenlee County. Greenlee County Sheriff's Office would also attend events and fairs, providing literature and promoting safety and proper use of OHV's.

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Applications

Sponsor: Town of Eagar

Project: Operation Safe Waters

Grant Request: \$16,998.00

Match: \$2,318.00

Total: \$19,316.00



The town of Eagar's Round Valley Fire and Medical Department (RVFMD) determined that acquiring water rescue equipment is the department's top priority. Its service area includes multiple lakes, rivers, and reservoirs, making it critical to have the appropriate equipment to respond to water emergencies quickly and safely. To support RVFMD's mission statement—to protect and enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors through fire suppression, emergency medical services, and public safety education—the department seeks funding to purchase essential water rescue equipment. This will include a rescue boat, towing trailer,

personal flotation devices (PFDs), rescue bags, throw ropes, and other necessary tools to support safe and effective rescue operations.

The department will cover all costs associated with training and ongoing equipment maintenance to ensure both readiness and safety. Lakes and rivers in RVFMD's jurisdiction include Becker Lake, Lyman Lake, Nelson Reservoir, and Big Lake, which allow motorized use. With this investment, RVFMD will enhance its ability to protect lives and improve outcomes during water-related incidents.

Sponsor: City of Yuma

Project: Rescue Watercraft and Equipment

Grant Request: \$497,285.00

Match: \$5,000.00

Total: \$502,285.00



The City of Yuma Fire Department is requesting funding for an emergency response equipment package to enhance firefighting, emergency medical, hazardous materials, and search and rescue activities along the lower Colorado River. The package includes, a fire suppression capable jet boat, two personal watercrafts with trailers, and a tethered Unmanned Aerial System (UAS). The jet boat and PWCs enable YFD to respond to the variable and shallow-water environments encountered along the Colorado River and its navigable waterways. Both are instrumental in locating and rescuing lost and distressed civilians. Similarly, they enable the fire district to locate and access areas of high fire risk along the river, with the ability to extinguish them using the jet boat's suppression system. The UAS requested platform is similarly essential to guiding fire suppression and search and rescue efforts along the river. The UAS would provide elevated observation with Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) capability to enhance situational awareness during emergency operations on the river. The UAS would also enable greater operational efficiency in monitoring fire conditions along or on the river.

Sponsor: Navajo County

Project: Rescue Watercraft and Equipment

Grant Request: \$170,000.00

Match: \$0

Total: \$170,000.00



This project aims to enhance boating law enforcement and safety on the waterways of Navajo County by acquiring two fully operational patrol boats. The initiative will improve public safety, ensure compliance with boating regulations, and provide rapid response capabilities for emergencies. The grant funding will be used to purchase essential equipment required to make the patrol boat operational. This includes: Watercraft (boat),

Trailer, Motor, Radios, Lights, and Basic first-aid supplies This action is being proposed to address the growing need for effective law enforcement and safety measures on Navajo County's waterways. Increased boating activity has highlighted the importance of having a dedicated patrol boat to ensure public safety, enforce regulations, and respond to emergencies.

Sponsor: Arizona State Parks

Project: Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Launch Renovation

Grant Request: \$507,200.00

Match: \$1,039,398.00

Total: \$1,546,598.00



Arizona State Parks is applying for funding in order to renovate an existing boat ramp located at Buckskin Mountain State Park. The ramp has been closed for public use as it is unsafe for launching boats. In addition to renovating the launch ramp, funding will also be used to expand the existing parking area. The expansion will include additional ADA and boat trailer parking. The project will also develop an accessible path that will connect new ADA parking to lower beach area and new launch ramp.



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2025 ASPT SUMMARY OF GENERAL LEGISLATION:

HB 2223: wind farms; construction; policy; procedures

Summary: Establishes requirements to approve, permit, construct and operate a wind farm. Requires the owner of a wind farm to obtain the approval of the state historic preservation office. The state historic preservation office shall issue an approval after review of all potential ground disturbances and proposed mitigations, including an assessment of any adverse effect or impact to cultural properties, national registered historic districts, archaeological sites and unmarked burial sites associated with the proposed wind farm project.

Update: The bill has not passed out of House, but it is still being amended.

HB 2275: income tax credit; historic preservation

Summary: Requires that the state historic preservation officer receive applications and evaluate and certify the substantial rehabilitation of a certified historic structure for the purpose of income tax credits.

Update: The bill did not receive a hearing.

HB 2775: community colleges districts; historic preservation

Summary: Currently, the statute does not make provisions for special governing districts- just state agencies. This Bill would add community college governing boards to the list of agencies required to consult with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Update: The bill did not receive a hearing.

HB 2868: preferential treatment; discrimination; policies

Summary: Expands prohibitions on preferential treatment and discrimination on the basis of race or ethnicity in public education, spending and hiring practices. Outlines prohibitions for the state or a state agency, a city or town, county, community college district governing board and a state university relating to diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Requires the state or a state agency, a city or town, county, community college district governing board and a state university to adopt policies that appropriately discipline an employee or contractor that engages in conduct that violates the prohibitions relating to DEI.

Update: The Governor has vetoed this bill.



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[HCM 2012: Antiquities Act; exception](#)

Summary: Urges the U.S. Congress to enact legislation exempting Arizona from the Antiquities Act.

Update: The bill passed the Senate 17-12 and was transmitted to the Secretary of State's office.

[HCR 2011: Arizona state parks heritage fund](#)

Summary: Allows for \$10,000,000 to be deposited in the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund from the lottery fund. Exempt from rulemaking for one year.

Update: The bill did not receive a hearing.

[SB 1024: state agencies; payments; cryptocurrency](#)

Summary: Effective January 1, 2026, authorizes a state agency to enter into an agreement with a cryptocurrency service provider to accept cryptocurrency as a payment method for any amount due to the state agency or the state. Allows tax payments to be made in cryptocurrency if the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) enters into an agreement with a cryptocurrency service provider to accept cryptocurrency as a payment method.

Update: This bill passed out of the House 31-26 and was transmitted to the Governor. Governor vetoed the bill.

[SB 1237: state employees; remote work; prohibition](#)

Summary: Prohibits full-time state employees from working remotely.

Update: This bill passed out of Senate 17 ayes to 12 nays and is currently moving through the process in the House. Passed the House Regulatory Oversight Committee. Bill has stopped moving through the process.

[SB 1243: open meetings; call to public](#)

Summary: Requires that if a public body makes an open call to the public, the open call must be made at the beginning of the meeting and before the public body conducts any official business. If an open call to the public at the beginning of the meeting exceeds thirty minutes, the public body may choose to continue the remainder of the open call at a later time during the meeting. If a public body requires individuals to submit a request to speak before addressing the public body during an



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open call to the public, the public body shall allow individuals to submit requests to speak until the open call to the public has concluded. If a public body posts a meeting agenda that only includes an open call to the public, that meeting may not be scheduled before or after another meeting of the same public body.

Update: This bill did not get a hearing at the House.

[SB 1256: diversity; equity; inclusion; training; prohibition](#)

Summary: Prohibits any state or an agency, board, commission or department of this state from using diversity, equity and inclusion programs for hiring, training or promotion purposes; or requiring an employee to engage in a diversity, equity and inclusion programs; or requiring, as a condition of a contract, participation in a diversity, equity and inclusion programs.

Update: This bill passed through the House 33-25 but was vetoed by the Governor.

[SB 1267: veterans; lifetime state park pass](#)

Summary: Requires ASPT to give free lifetime park passes to veterans who are currently residents of this state and have been for a year, submits evidence that they are veterans, and passes are also free for their passengers.

Update: This bill was assigned to Senate Government and Appropriations Committees but never received a hearing.

[SB 1278: department of natural resources](#)

Summary: Establishes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to oversee the acquisition and management of all non-trust state lands acquired after the bill's enactment, excluding any lands owned by a state university or the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT). The proposed DNR would have authority over any state permit relating to the extraction of natural resources.

Update: This bill has been stopped moving through the process.

[1285: appropriation; wildfire readiness and response](#)

Summary: Appropriates the sum of \$12,500,000 from the state general fund in fiscal year 2025-2026 to the Arizona department of forestry and fire management to award grants and an amendment was added in committee to appropriate \$250,000 from the state general fund in fiscal year 2026 to the Arizona Trail Fund.



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Update: This bill will be considered in budget negotiations from the Senate.

SB 1418: outdoor-based therapy programs; grants

Summary: Establishes the outdoor RX program in the department of Health 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 to establish an advisory committee to assist and advise the department of health services in developing and administering the outdoor RX program.

Update: This bill was assigned to the Senate Natural Resources and Appropriations committees but never received a hearing.

SB 1517: off-highway vehicles; weight

Summary: Allows the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to issue a temporary general use registration, that allows an off-highway vehicle (OHV) to be operated for not more than 30 days, to a person who is a nonresident who owns an OHV titled in another state and otherwise meets OHV requirements. Extends the OHV study committee (study committee) by two years.

Update: This bill passed out of the House 41-11 and will be sent to the Governor's office.

SB 1678: state agencies; tribal liaison

Summary: Requires 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.

Update: This bill was assigned to the Senate Government committee but never received a hearing.