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Fiscal Year 2023 Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund Report Legislative Report

The Arizona State Parks Board, the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD) and the Arizona State Land Department (ASLD) are the managing agencies of the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund [A.R.S. 28-1176 (I)] monies. Of these monies 60% is allocated to ASPT, 35% is allocated to AZGFD, and 5% is allocated to ASLD. Arizona State Parks and Trails received \$3,608,607 in combined Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) and Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund revenue for fiscal year 2023. The following report highlights the statutory reporting requirements.

1. The amount of monies spent or encumbered in the fund during the preceding fiscal year for the purposes of off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities:

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Coconino National Forest, Red Rock Ranger District	\$120,640
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest Springerville Ranger District	\$100,000
Bullhead City	\$100,000
Coconino National Forest Red Rock Ranger District	\$93,040
City of Peoria	\$30,000
Pinal County Sheriff's Office	\$100,000
Show Low, City of	\$100,000
St. Johns Police Department	\$96,000
Tonto National Forest Cave Creek Ranger District	\$100,000
Tonto National Forest Mesa Ranger District	\$96,250
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, Alpine Ranger District	\$68,000
Patagonia Lake State Park	\$80,600
Tonto National Forest; Globe Ranger District	\$98,900
Yavapai County Sheriff's Office	\$100,000
Total Law Enforcement Award	\$1,283,430

2. The amount of monies spent from the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund during the preceding fiscal year for employee services:

- a. The Arizona State Parks Board allocated 12% or \$459,168 of the total revenues of \$3,608,607 for administration of the program in fiscal year 2023. Of this \$459,168, \$381,222 was spent on Personal Services, and Employee Related Expenditures.

3. The number of full-time employees employed in the preceding fiscal year in connection with off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities:

- a. Arizona State Parks and Trails does not perform off-highway vehicle law enforcement therefore, no funds from Arizona State Parks were spent on employees in connection with off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities.

4. The amount of monies spent from the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund during the preceding fiscal year for information and education:

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
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Coconino National Forest, Red Rock Ranger District	\$120,640
Bureau of Land Management, Lake Havasu Field Office	\$72,000
Total Information and Education Award	\$192,640

5. The number and specific location of verbal warnings, written warnings and citations given or issued during the preceding fiscal year.

- a. Arizona State Parks does not perform off-highway vehicle law enforcement therefore, the agency cannot report on violations or their specific locations.

6. A specific and detailed accounting for all monies spent in accordance with this section for, as follows:

- a. **Construction of new off-highway vehicle trails** – expenditures in this category include trail renovation and relocation, addition of support facilities such as staging areas, and restrooms.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Arizona Game and Fish Department	\$70,000
Total New Trails Award	\$70,000

- b. **Mitigation of damages to lands** – expenditures in this category include fencing or pipe railings, installation of “closed area” signs, interpretative signs, and other means to keep OHV operators out of specific areas.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Coconino National Forest, Red Rock Ranger District	\$2,080
Bureau of Land Management, Lake Havasu Field Office	\$45,000
Havasu Side by Side Association	\$13,000
Natural Restorations	\$288,327
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, Lakeside Ranger District	\$4,504
Total Restoration Award	\$352,911

- c. **Revegetation** – expenditures in this category include the costs to transplant cacti and scrubs, seed, and spread ground cover.

- i. Arizona State Parks did not receive any requests for revegetation projects therefore, no funds were spent from the Off-Highway Recreation Fund.

- d. **The prevention and restoration of damages to natural and cultural resources** – expenditures in this category include trail and access road hardening and application of dust suppressant to reduce air pollution.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Arizona Elk Society	\$41,322
Total Restoration Award	\$41,322

- e. **Signage** – expenditures in this category include the costs to install route markers, regulatory and informational signs, and kiosks.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Trail Riders of Southern Arizona	\$11,525
Total Signage Award	\$11,525

- f. **Maps** – are being prepared by the federal land managing agencies in response to mandated motor vehicle travel planning efforts.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Arizona Alpine Trail	\$298,733
Total Map Award	\$298,733

- g. **Necessary environmental, historical and cultural clearance or compliance activities** – expenditures in this category include the costs associated with meeting National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Section 106, and State Historic Preservation Office requirements prior to ground disturbance.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Arizona Alpine Trail	\$17,770
Total NEPA/Cultural Award	\$17,770

- h. **Support facilities** – expenditures in this category include costs associated with the purchase and installation of restrooms, drinking fountains, kiosks, and trailheads amenities.

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
Mohave County	\$267,594
Bullhead City	\$309,944
Total Support Facility Award	\$577,538

In total, a combination of 24 Competitive and Supplemental Motorized Grant Projects received \$2,845,868 in Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund dollars in Fiscal Year 2023. Project sponsors are providing \$ 1,539,058 in match funding to complete these projects.

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