



Bob Broscheid Executive Director



#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

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## THE ARIZONA OUTDOOR RECREATION COORDINATING COMMISSION of

#### THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 and A.R.S. § 41-511.25 notice is hereby given to members of the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission ("AORCC" or "Commission") and the public that AORCC will hold a meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, beginning at 10:00 am. **AORCC 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 at 1110 W Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Physical access to the meeting will be fifteen minutes before the start of the meeting. Members of the public may also listen/view the meeting via telephone by calling 1 832-821-6759 and entering the passcode PIN: 967 279 081# or via Google Meet: meet.google.com/wxi-nimp-cuc

In person or telephonically 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 AORCC 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 Commission 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
- D. AGENDA ITEMS
  - 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the December 4, 2024, AORCC Meeting. The Commission will review and may consider action to approve the AORCC meeting minutes from December 4, 2024.
  - 2. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s).

The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$2,287,500.00.

2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Project Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
City of Willcox	Quail Park Development Phase II	\$623,500.00	\$623,500.00	73
City of Willcox	Keiller Park Development Phase II	\$689,000.00	\$689,000.00	72
White Mountain Apache Tribe	Whiteriver Skatepark Development	\$975,000.00	\$975,000.00	66
TOT	FAL	\$2,287,500.00	\$2,287,500.00	

3. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding an Amendment to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Budget for Requested Projects. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). AORCC will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to increase the previously approved grant award amount due to increased expenses and available funding.

	Land and Water Conservation Fund Awarded Projects Amendment Request(s)					
Sponsor	Project	Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation	
Pinal County	Palo Verde Regional Park	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	
	TOTAL	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	

4. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny an Amendment to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant to remove Significant Scope Items for Requested Projects. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). AORCC will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to reduce the scope of the approved grant award amount due to increased expenses.

Land and Water Amendment Request(s) for Removal of Significant Scope Items				
Sponsor Project Scope Item(s) removed Staff Recommendation				
Tohono O'odham Nation	Wa:k Community Park and Community Heritage Trail	Multi-use Pathway	Approve Scope Change	

5. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, or Deny 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 \$292,839.00.

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)					
Sponsor Project Request Staff Score					
Buckskin Fire District	Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs	\$128,500.00	\$128,500.00	48	
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	River Patrol Upgrades	\$164,339.00	\$164,339.00	45	
TO	OTAL	\$292,839.00	\$292,839.00		

**6.** Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation Updates. (Presenter: Neil Large, Program Administrator, Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation) Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation will provide an update on the formation and goals of the Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation. This agenda item is for information only.

#### E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

#### F. CURRENT EVENTS

AORCC members 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. AORCC will not discuss or take any action on any current event summary.

#### G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The Chair will recognize those wishing to address the Commission. Each presentation may be limited to one person per organization, and the Chair will allow the time. 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.

#### H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Arizona State Parks and Trails 2025 AORCC Meeting Schedule			
<b>Date</b> Location			
Wednesday, February 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, March 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, April 9, 2025	ASPT Central Office		

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

A copy of this agenda and any background material provided to AORCC Members is available for public inspection at Arizona State Parks & Trails, 1110 W Washington Ave, Suite 100., Phoenix, Arizona 85007. For more information, contact Mickey Rogers at (602) 542-6942. Under 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 emailing the the accommodation. For technical difficulties during the teleconference meeting, please contact Mickey Rogers at 602-542-6942 or mrogers@azstateparks.gov.

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Bob Broscheid: Executive Director





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#### **Draft Minutes**

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## THE ARIZONA OUTDOOR RECREATION COORDINATING COMMISSION of

#### THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Meeting Location: Arizona State Parks Trails Central Office located at 1110 W Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix,

AZ 85007. Charles Eatherly Conference Room.

Members Present: Kevin Adams, Laura Wilson, Joe Baynes, Bob Broscheid Matt Jankowski, Eric Urfer

Members Absent: Tom Finley

ASPT Staff Present (In-Person): Mickey Rogers, David Jordan, Matt Eberhart, Jeff Schmidt

ASPT Staff Present (Virtual): Kevin Brock, Alec Wilcox, Juan Colorado-Alvarez, Dawn Collins

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

#### **B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Adams led the Commission in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

#### C. MEMBER ROLL CALL

Jeff Schmidt took roll call

#### D. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the October 9, 2024, AORCC Meeting The Commission will review and may consider action to approve the AORCC meeting minutes from October 9, 2024.
  - -Member Baynes motioned to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2024 AORCC meeting; Member Wilson seconded.
  - -Unanimous Approval. Motion Passes.
- 2. AORCC Membership, Duties, and Open Meeting Law. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails.) Staff will present information on AORCC membership, duties and review open meeting law. This agenda item is for informational purposes only.
- 3. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grants Application(s). (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$938,740.00.
- -Chairman Adams asked if any of these patrols will be happening in the Verde Valley?
- -Stg. Lanoue from the Yavapai County Sherriff's Office responded that there will be patrols happening throughout the Verde Valley.

- -Chairman Adams motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Motorized Grant Applications as follows; Apache County ATV Inc., OHV Education and Signage request in the amount of \$8,180.00; Yavapai County Sheriff's Office, OHV Law Enforcement Equipment and Enforcement request in the amount of \$557,370.00 and the Navajo County Sheriff's Office, OHV Law Enforcement and Education Program request in the amount of \$373,190.00; Member Baynes seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- 4. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the submitted 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grants Applications. (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$171,138.00.
- -Member Wilson motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Applications as follows: Flagstaff Police Department, OHV Education and Enforcement request in the amount of \$93,738.00 and the Payson Police Department, OHV Education and Enforcement request in the amount of \$77,400.00; Member Urfer seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- 5. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grants Program Manager). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$964,212.00.
- -Joe Baynes mentioned about abstaining from a project along with Chairman Adams to abstain from voting on their respective projects to avoid conflicts of interests.
- -Chairman Adams recognized this and has assured there will be separate motions.
- -Jeff Schmidt has confirmed these separate motions.
- -Member Wilson motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Applications as follows: Pine Strawberry Fuel Reduction Inc; Two Ravens and Strawberry Mountain Trail in the amount of \$149,990.00, Legends of Superior Trails; Telegraph Canyon Trail in the amount of \$120,500.00, Tonto National Forest; Highline Loops Phase I in the amount of \$149,864.00, Tonto National Forest Payson Ranger District; Boulders Area Trail System Development in the amount of \$150,000.00, and the Prescott Mountain Bike Alliance; Bean Peaks Gravity Flow Trail Network in the amount of \$150,000.00; Member Baynes seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- -Member Urfer motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Applications as follows: City of Prescott, Pioneer Parkway Trailhead in the amount of \$150,000.00; Member Broscheid seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes abstained, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- -Member Jankowski motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Applications as follows: Verde Valley Wheel Fun, Oak Creek School Cross Country Trails in the amount of \$77,858.00; Member Wilson seconded.
  - Kevin Adams abstained, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.

- 6. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grants Program Manager) The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$173,755.00
- -Member Baynes motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Applications as follows: Tonto National Forest; Cave Creek Ranger District; FS #89 Davenport Trail Maintenance in the amount of \$73,755.00, and Rim Country Mountain Bike Association; Boulders Area Trail System Maintenance in the amount of \$100,000.00; Member Urfer seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- 7. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grants Program Manager) The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$79,853.00
- -Chairman Adams asked if this will be separated into two separate motions?
- -Jeff Schmidt assured there will be two separate motions.
- -Member Jankowski motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Applications as follows: Arizona Science Center; STEM Education with Nature Exchange Project in the amount of \$30,000.00; City of Flagstaff, McMillan Mesa Natural Area Signage in the amount of \$9,998.00 and the National Forest Foundation, Sonoran Insiders Responsible Recreation Ambassador Program in the amount of \$9,855.00; Member Wilson seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- -Member Urfer motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Applications as follows: Verde Valley Cyclists Coalition, Even More Bike Bells Project in the amount of \$30,000.00; Member Baynes seconded.
  - Kevin Adams abstained, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- 8. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding an Amendment to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Budget for Requested Projects. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). AORCC will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following proposal to increase the previously approved grant award amount due to increased expenses.
- -Chairman Adams asked if this has to be separate motions as well?
- -Mickey Rogers confirmed there are two separate motions.
- -Member Broscheid motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Amendment Increases as follows: the Town of Clarkdale; Selna Mongini Park in the amount of \$500,000.00; Member Jankowski seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.

- -Member Wilson motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Amendment Increases as follows: the City of Yuma; East Mesa Park Phase I Expansion Project in the amount of \$500,000.00; Member Broscheid seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer abstained. Motion Passes.
- 9. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Scope Amendment(s) to Previously Approved Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Project(s). (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). AORCC will review and may provide recommendation(s) on the following scope amendments.
- -Chairman Adams asked if these projects have to be separate motions again?
- -Mickey Rogers confirmed there will be separate motions.
- -Member Wilson motioned to approve the proposed scope amendments for Project 04-00783, Town of Clarkdale Selna Mongini Park Development as presented by staff. Member Jankowski seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- -Member Jankowski motioned to approve the proposed scope amendments for Project 04-00792 East Mesa Park Development as presented by staff. Member Wilson seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer abstained. Motion Passes.
- 10. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, or Deny 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 \$554,798.400.
- -Member Baynes motioned to approve funding for the submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: Coconino County Sheriff's Office; Rescue and Emergency Equipment in the amount of \$344,415.00, and Apache County Sheriff's Office; Boat Acquisition in the amount of \$210,384.00; Member Broscheid seconded.
  - Kevin Adams approved, Laura Wilson approved, Joe Baynes approved, Bob Broscheid approved, Matt Jankowski approved, Eric Urfer approved. Motion Passes.
- 11. Emergency and Mitigation Supplemental Grant Application Update. (Presenter Matt Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator)

AORCC will be updated on the recently submitted Charouleau Gap Emergency and Mitigation Grant. This agenda item is for information only.

12. Arizona State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan Updates. (Presenter: Dawn Collins, Executive Project Manager) Staff will provide an update on the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. This agenda item is for information only.

#### E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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- -Chairman Adams mentioned hearing something at the Arizona Trails Summit, that Arizona State Parks and Trails has the Office of Outdoor Recreation run by Neil Large (State Outdoor Recreation Coordinator), to present on the next meeting.
- -Member Broscheid did agree and this will be on the next AORCC meeting.

#### F. CURRENT EVENTS

- -Eric Urfer: Thanking and Congratulating Mickey and Grant Staff on their efforts to getting the project sponsors through this next stage and closer to Board Approval. City of Yuma held a pre-construction meeting for the East Meas Community Park Project which was also a recipient of both the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant along with the Recreational Trails Plan Grant. Mobilization will begin in the next few weeks. An official ground breaking ceremony is tentatively scheduled for January 10, 2025.
- -Member Wilson: Extremely grateful especially during this Holiday season to be able to serve on the Commission with all members. Stating this is important work especially from her point-of-view as a Parks and Recreation Director to see all of the communities wanting to make improvements wherever they may be around the Arizona.

#### G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

-The Town of Clarkdale Parks and Recreation Director, Joni Westcott, thanking the Commission for their careful consideration not only for their project, but for everyone who has applied. Great being in-person and enjoying to see the next steps in the process. Also happy to report the Town of Clarkdale has a contractor company to help with preconstruction meeting next week to help in the process to the next step which will be the ground breaking.

#### H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Arizona State Parks and Trails 2024 AORCC Meeting Schedule		
Date	Location	
January 8, 2025	ASPT Central Office	
February 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office	
March 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office	
April 9, 2025	ASPT Central Office	

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

-Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date: January 8, 2025

**To:** Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission

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

**Subject:** 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s)

#### **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 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.

2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
City of Willcox	Quail Park Development Phase II	\$623,500.00	\$623,500.00	73
City of Willcox	Keiller Park Development Phase II	\$689,000.00	\$689,000.00	72
White Mountain Apache Tribe	Whiteriver Skatepark Development	\$975,000.00	\$975,000.00	65
Т	OTAL	\$2,287,500.00	\$2,287,500.00	

#### **Recommended Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the
2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: the City of Willcox;
Quail Park Development Phase II in the amount of \$, City of Willcox; Keiller Park
Development Phase II in the amount of \$, and the White Mountain Apache Tribe,
Whiteriver Skatepark Development in the amount of \$

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

Approved:

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date: January 8, 2025

**To:** Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission

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

**Subject:** 04-00803, Pinal County Palo Verde Regional Park Phase I Scope Change and Cost

Amendment

#### **Background:**

In fiscal year 2024, the Arizona State Parks Board awarded Pinal County \$1,000,000.00 for the development of the county's second regional park, Palo Verde Regional Park. With the FFY 2024 LWCF Apportionment, additional LWCF funding is available. Pinal County is requesting a \$500,000.00 increase in their LWCF budget in addition to several additional scope items to their project. The funding increase will be matched with County funds.

#### **Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff reviewed the request for amendment to project 04-00803 and have made recommendations based on project need and funding availability.

Amendment Request					
Sponsor Original Award Amendment Increase Request New Award Recommendation					
Pinal County	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	
Total		\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	

**Recommended Motion:** I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Park Board approve an amendment to the budget for Project 04-00803, Pinal County Palo Verde Regional Park Phase I, approving the additional scope items and increasing the award from \$1,000,000.00 to \$1,500,000.00.

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

**Approved:** 

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



**<u>Date:</u>** January 8, 2025

**To:** Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission

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

**Subject:** 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Application(s)

#### **Background:**

The State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) provides matching grants to assist state and local units of government to fund projects on waters where gasoline power boats are permitted. A total of \$5,200,000.00 was appropriated for the SLIF program during the 2023 Arizona State Legislative session.

A project sponsor may apply to up to 20% of these appropriated funds or \$1,040,000.00

#### **Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff reviewed the following SLIF application(s) and made recommendations based on the Board Approved State Lake Improvement Fund scoring.

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Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score	
Buckskin Fire District	Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs	\$128,500.00	\$128,500.00	48	
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	River Patrol Upgrades	\$164,339.00	\$164,339.00	45	
To	OTAL	\$292,839.00	\$292,839.00		

#### **Recommended Motion:**

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2025 State Lake Improvement Fund grant application(s) as follows: Buckskin Fire District,
Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs in the amount of \$ and the La Paz County
Sheriff's Office, River Patrol Upgrades in the amount of \$ .

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

Approved:

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director



# Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) January 8, 2025

**Kevin Adams – Chair** 

Laura Wilson – Vice Chair Joseph Baynes, Bob Broscheid, Tom Finley Matt Jankowski, Eric Urfer

## AGENDA – A



## AGENDA – B

## Pledge of Allegiance



## AGENDA - C

## **Member Roll Call**

Kevin Adams (Chair)

Laura Wilson (Vice-Chair)

Joseph Baynes

**Bob Broscheid** 

Tom Finley

Matt Jankowski

Eric Urfer



## AGENDA - D1

## **Approval of Minutes**

AORCC will review and may consider action to approve the meeting minutes from December 4, 2024.



## AGENDA - D1

## **Motion:**

I move to approve the the meeting minutes from December 4, 2024 as presented.



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

AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s).

Presented By: Mickey Rogers (Chief of Grants and Trails)



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City of Willcox: Quail Park Development Phase II





City of Willcox: Quail Park Development Phase II







City of Willcox: Keiller Park Development Phase II





## City of Willcox: Keiller Park Development Phase II







## City of Willcox: Keiller Park Development Phase II







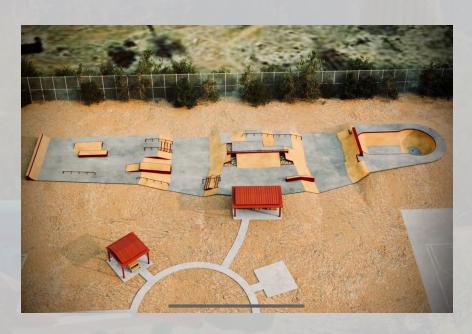
White Mountain Apache Tribe: Whiteriver Skatepark Development





## White Mountain Apache Tribe: Whiteriver Skatepark Development







#### **Motion:**

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Sponsor	Sponsor Project		Staff Recommendation
City of Willcox Quail Park Development Phase II		\$623,500.00	\$623,500.00
City of Willcox	Keiller Park Development Phase II	\$689,000.00	\$689,000.00
White Mountain Apache Tribe	Whiteriver Skatepark Development	\$975,000.00	\$975,000.00



## 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Amendments

AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Amendment(s).

Presented By: Mickey Rogers (Chief of Grants and Trails)



Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)					
Awarded Projects Amendment Request(s)					
Sponsor Project		Original Award	Amend Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation
Pinal County	Palo Verde Regional Park	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00



Pinal County: Palo Verde Regional Park





## Pinal County: Palo Verde Regional Park







	TOTAL	MATOU	LIMOE
	TOTAL		LWCF
Equipment/Materials New	\$ 1,234,100.82	\$ 608,520.33	\$ 625,580.49
Equipment/Materials Original Budget	\$ 1,120,879.26	\$ 619,046.50	\$ 501,832.76
		Difference	\$ 123,747.73
Construction New	\$ 1,469,945.49	\$ 845,204.72	\$ 624,740.77
Construction Original Request	\$ 764,274.24	\$ 329,107.00	\$ 435,167.24
		Difference	\$ 189,573.53
Engineer/Survey New	\$ 255,953.69	\$ 6,274.95	\$ 249,678.74
Engineer/Survey Original Request	\$ 84,252.00	\$ 21,852.00	\$ 63,000.00
	Difference		\$ 186,678.74
	LWCF Increase Request		\$ 500,000.00



#### Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Amendment Increases as follows: Pinal County; Palo Verde Regional Park in the amount of \$\\$.

1000	Sponsor	Project	Original Award	Amend Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation
	Pinal County	Palo Verde Regional Park	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00



# 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Removal of Significant Scope Items

AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Scope Amendments to previously approved Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Projects.

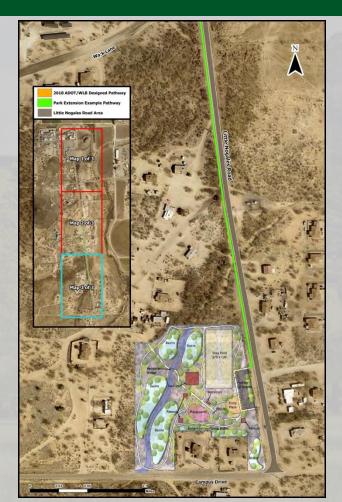
Presented By: Mickey Rogers (Chief of Grants and Trails)



sor Project Scope Item(s) Removed Staff Recommendation							
Amendment Request(s) for Removal of Significant Scope Items							
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)							

Sponsor	Project	Scope Item(s) Removed	Staff Recommendation	
Tohono O'odham	Wa:k Community Park	Multi-use Pathway	Approve Scope Change	
Tribe	and Heritage Trail	Widiti-use Fatilway	Approve Scope Change	







### **Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve the proposed scope amendments for Project 04-00797, Tohono O'odham San Xavier District's Wa;k Community Park and Heritage Trail as presented by staff.



### 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)

AORCC will consider and may take action on a recommendation to the to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s).

Presented By: Mickey Rogers (Chief of Grants and Trails)



2025 State Lake Improvement Grant Application(s)							
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score			
Buckskin Fire District	Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs	\$128,500.00	\$128,500.00	48			
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	River Patrol Upgrades	\$164,339.00	\$164,339.00	45			
TOTAL		\$292,839.00	\$292,839.00				



Buckskin Fire District: Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs





### **Buckskin Fire District:** Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs







La Paz County Sheriff's Office: River Patrol Upgrades





### La Paz County Sheriff's Office: River Patrol Upgrades







### **Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: Buckskin Fire District; Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_, and La Paz County Sheriff's Office; River Patrol Upgrades in the amount of \$\\$.

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation
Buckskin Fire District	Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs	\$128,500.00	\$128,500.00
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	River Patrol Upgrades	\$164,339.00	\$164,339.00



### **Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation**

Staff will provide an update on the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. This agenda item is for information only.

**Presented By:** Neil Large (Program Administrator; Arizona Office of Outdoor Recreation)







Today's Agenda...



#### Confluence of States

National Level support for outdoor recreation.



#### **SCORP Priorities**

State Level. Bringing the SCORP to life in Arizona.



### **Data and Direction**

Celebrating Outdoor Recreation and future successes.



### OREC OFFICE HISTORY



Confluence of States
Bipartisan effort to
expand OREC offices.



Office of Tourism
Office temporarily
housed here.



Arizona State Parks
Office nested within
AZ State Parks.





SCORP Priorities/Confluence Pillars

Conservation and Stewardship

**Education and Workforce Training** 

**Economic Development** 

**Public Health and Wellness** 

Opportunities and Experiences







### Our Direction







Tell the story of Outdoor Recreation



Create/Retain Strong
Partnerships



Empower the public and our partners



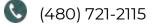
Promote Opportunities and Successes



### Let's Make a Difference!

Get in touch to discuss the future of outdoor recreation in Arizona!





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THANK YOU!



### AGENDA – E

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

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



### AGENDA – F

### **CURRENT EVENTS**

AORCC members may present a brief 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 action on any current events.



### AGENDA – G

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

The Chair will recognize those wishing to address the Commission.



### AGENDA – H

### **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

### Arizona State Parks and Trails 2025 AORCC Meeting Schedule

Date	Location		
Wednesday, February 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, March 12, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, April 9, 2025	ASPT Central Office		



### AGENDA - I

### **ADJOURNMENT**

# Governor Hobbs 200 Miles of New Non-motorized Trails Initiative by 2030

New Trails Opened to date: 45.85 Pending: 62.17



## THANKYOU!



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

Sponsor: White Mountain Apache Tribe Project: Whiteriver Skatepark Development

**Grant Request:** \$975,000.00 **Match:** \$975,000.00 **Total:** \$1,950,000.00





The White Mountain Apache Tribe (WMAT), a federally-recognized Native American tribe residing on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (FAIR) in east-central Arizona propose constructing a 15,000-square foot skatepark. A site location has been designated in the heart of Whiteriver, AZ adjacent to Alchesay High School sports fields and multiple neighborhoods, an ideal location to maximize community access. There are plans to build a multi-use park that include walking trails, a basketball court, and a softball field. The first phase of the plan is this project, which will build a skatepark and gathering space with ramadas and an arboretum that includes a rainwater irrigation system. Fruit and native trees will be planted around the skatepark with ramadas for shade and seating. Gutters with rainwater storage tanks will be installed near the ramadas with hose lines connected for efficient tree watering. While there are multiple DIY skateboarding areas across the reservation, the community currently lacks a safe and accessible skatepark.

**Sponsor: City of Willcox** 

**Project: Quail Park Development Phase II** 

**Grant Request:** \$623,500.00 **Match:** \$623,500.00 **Total:** \$1,247,000.00





Quail Drive Sports Park spans 43 acres and features a multipurpose field, three rodeo arenas (including one covered), restroom facilities, a concession stand, a playground, and ample space

for future development, with access from Fort Grant Road, a major roadway in the City of Willcox. In October of 2024, the City of Willcox completed Phase I development of the park, which included converting two ball fields into a multi-use field, fencing the field, upgrading the multi-use field and Rodeo Arena #1 with energy-efficient LED lighting, and constructing a multipurpose covered arena. Unfortunately, rising costs post-COVID-19 pandemic left key elements unfinished. This proposal requests funding to advance the next phase of the original and revised project plan. The project will include installing electrical system, LED lighting, fans, water systems; constructing restrooms, showers, septic system; adding tables, seating/bleachers, arena panels & storage, fencing, arena #1 pen renovations, an equestrian wash rack, a sound system at arena #2, renovating restrooms at Arena #1 and the multi-use field, irrigation and turf removal at the multiuse field. Integrate water-harvesting systems to capture/ divert up to 500,000 gallons of rainwater, supporting native and adaptive landscaping for long-term sustainability.

**Sponsor: City of Willcox** 

Project: Keiller Park Development Phase II

**Grant Request:** \$689,000.00 **Match:** \$689,000.00 **Total:** \$1,378,000.00





Keiller Park spans 18.26 acres and features the City pool and spray park, softball/baseball fields (3), a soccer field, large ramada, asphalt walking trail (0.5 mile), basketball court, playground area, and restrooms. In October of 2024, the City of Willcox completed Phase I development of the park, which included construction of the pool and splash park, upgrading three ballfields with energy-efficient LED lighting, adding drinking fountains, grills, workout equipment, and playground equipment. Unfortunately, rising costs post-COVID-19 pandemic left key elements unfinished. This proposal requests funding to advance the next phase of the original and revised project plan. The project will include constructing shade structures and renovating showers/restrooms at the pool, finishing hardscape/landscape around the pool, renovating restrooms near the playground area, repair wood columns of ramada, adding a scoreboard, renovating concession stands and replacing fencing around ball fields.

#### 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) Grant Application(s)

**Sponsor: Buckskin Fire District** 

**Project: Public Launch Ramp and Facilities Repairs** 

**Grant Request:** \$128,500.00 **Match:** \$0.00 **Total:** \$128,500.00





Previous SLIF funding was requested for the refurbishment of the current dock structure, signage attached to the boathouse facing the river (visual aid for navigation), and resurfacing the parking lot area. The total allotment was intended to cover the repair of the single bay launch ramp at the facility, however, due to inflationary issues, vendor availability and the Colorado River never being coordinated to be lowered, the funding would not adequately allow for repairs to the ramp. A decision was made to cut and remove the damaged portion of the ramp and leave it out of service so it was not a danger to the public. Need to complete launch repair to maintain conformance with the standards for a facility serving public use and SLIF management. Buckskin Fire District is also requesting funding for new carpet to the facility as the current carpet is approximately 18 years old and a tripping hazard to the public, as well as a new roof for the facility. Personnel have made multiple repair attempts on the roof and bought years of serviceable life, however, staff have reached the limit of their repair capabilities.

Sponsor: La Paz County Sheriff's Office

**Project: River Patrol Upgrades** 

**Grant Request:** \$164,339.00 **Match:** \$0.00 **Total:** \$164,339.00





This project will enhance the River Patrol and Search & Rescue capabilities of the La Paz County Sheriff's Office Boating Safety Unit (River Patrol, Dive Team and Search & Rescue). Requested funding will provide needed equipment to enhance boating safety capabilities, public awareness and education on and in the Colorado River. Needed equipment include new 700/800 MHz Public Safety radios, Trauma/First Aid kits

(including oxygen), submersible remotely operated vehicle (underwater drone), and Forward Looking Infra-Red (FLIR) systems. The trained Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the Boating Safety Unit will use this equipment to improve boating safety and education operations among recreational boaters on the Colorado River with enhanced trauma care/first aid equipment, provide better Search & Rescue operations with the underwater drone, provide increased operations during hours of darkness with the FLIR units, and have increased interoperable communications capabilities with other public safety agencies (US Border Patrol, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office [California], Mohave County Sheriff's Office and local Fire Districts). The Boating Safety Unit currently lacks these equipment items and Sheriff's Office funding is not available.