



Bob Broscheid Executive Director



### NOTICE OF MEETING

of

### 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, June 11, 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 1 657-238-8329 and entering the passcode PIN: 952 686 319# or via Google Meet: <u>meet.google.com/jfr-cwxz-zgf</u>

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 April 9, 2025, AORCC Meeting. The Commission will review and may consider action to approve the AORCC meeting minutes from April 9, 2025.
- 2. Introduction of New Chief of Grants and Trails, Nina Lindsey. Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails will introduce his replacement, Nina Lindsey.
- 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 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 \$2,382,008.00.

### 2026 ORLP Grant Application(s)

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation
City of Yuma	Carver Park Revitalization	\$2,382,008.00	\$2,382,008.00
	TOTAL	\$2,382,008.00	\$2,382,008.00

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 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	Request	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation
Public Lands Interpretive Association Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage		\$9,460.00	\$9,460.00
T	\$9,460.00	\$9,460.00	

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 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	
ТОТ	<b>`AL</b>	\$435,009.00	\$435,009.00		

6. OHVAG Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding a Proposed Scope Change and Cost Amendment for Project 552404, Santa Cruz Sheriff OHV Enforcement. (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator).

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

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 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)					
SponsorProjectRequestStaff RecommendationScore					
Town of Chino Valley	Sullivan Canyon Acquisition	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	64	
City of Goodyear	Dog Park Relocation Project	\$1,338,990.00	\$1,338,990.00	55	
ТОТ	\$1,538,990.00	\$1,538,990.00			

8. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny a Proposed Cost Amendment to an approved Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). AORCC 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	

9. 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 \$1,191,483.00

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)					
Sponsor Project Request Staff Sc					
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					

- 10. State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. (Presenters: Dawn Collins, Executive Project Manager and Deb Pryor, CEO, Partners in Brainstorm). Staff will present the final 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. AORCC will vote to approve, modify or deny this plan.
- 11. 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 projects funded by the Recreational Trails Program, including the reobligation of funds for project 472507, Arizona State Park Trails App, originally funded with Recreational Trails Fund at \$324,344.00 now funded at \$356,179.00. This agenda item is for information only.
- **12. Federal Funding Update**. Staff will provide any updates on the Recreational Trails Program and the Land and Water Conservation Fund programs with any changes with the new administration. This agenda item is for information only.
- 13. 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 Projects. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails.) Staff will provide a final report to the Commission on awarded grants including awards, matching funding, and locations of all grants. 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			
Date Location			
Wednesday, September 10, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, October 9, 2025	ASPT Central Office		
Wednesday, December 10, 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 Jeff Schmidt at (480) 340-1305. 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 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 Mickey Rogers at 602-542-6942 or mrogers@azstateparks.gov.

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And at: https://azstateparks.com/aorcc

Bob Broscheid: Executive Director





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



### **DRAFT MINUTES**

### of THE ARIZONA OUTDOOR RECREATION COORDINATING COMMISSION of THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

### APRIL 9, 2025

<u>Meeting Location</u>: *Arizona State Parks Trails Central Office located at 1110 W Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Charles Eatherly Conference Room.* 

<u>Members Present (Virtual)</u>: Kevin Adams, Joe Baynes, Bob Broscheid, Matt Jankowski, Eric Urfer, Laura Wilson Members Absent: Tom Finley

ASPT Staff Present (In-Person): Mickey Rogers, Jeff Schmidt, Alec Wilcox, Juan Colorado-Alvarez

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

Chairman Adams led the Commission in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### C. MEMBER ROLL CALL

Jeff Schmidt conducted member roll call.

#### **D. AGENDA ITEMS**

#### 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the February 12, 2025, AORCC Meeting.

Laura Wilson made a motion to approve minutes of the February 12, 2025 AORCC meeting. Joe Baynes seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

### 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 2026 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Application(s).

Joe Baynes made a motion to approve funding for Picacho Peak State Park; Mountain Bike Trail Development in the amount of \$150,000.00. Eric Urfer seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid abstained. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

Laura Wilson made a motion to approve Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund; Turkey Creek Trail System in the amount of \$150,000.00. Matt Jankowski seconded the motion. Kevin Adams abstained. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

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 2026 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s). Matt Jankowski made a motion to approve Rim Country Mountain Bike Association; Boulders Area Trail System Signage in the amount of \$9,800.00. Bob Broscheid seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

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 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s).

Bob Broscheid made a motion to approve Pima County; Kelly Ranch Acquisition in the amount of \$1,500,000.00. Joe Baynes seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

5. AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny a Proposed Scope Amendment to an approved American Rescue Plan (ARPA) HVAC Grant.

Laura Wilson made a motion to approve the proposed Cost Amendment for Tombstone Courthouse HVAC Project, increasing the award from \$200,000.00 to \$411,600.00. Kevin Adams seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid abstained. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

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 Supplemental Motorized Grant Application(s).

Matt Jankowski made a motion to approve Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department; Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department OHV Program in the amount of \$75,765.00, and the City of Show Low; Show Low Police Department Patrol Expansion in the amount of \$100,000.00. Eric Urfer seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

#### 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 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s).

Laura Wilson made a motion to approve La Paz County; Bouse OHV Staging Area in the amount of \$1,330,000.00. Joe Baynes seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid approved. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

#### 8. 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 Heritage Fund Environmental Education Grant Application(s).

Eric Urfer made a motion to approve Red Rock State Park; Red Rock Trail Kiosk in the amount of \$7,925.00. Laura Wilson seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Joe Baynes approved. Bob Broscheid abstained. Matt Jankowski approved. Eric Urfer approved. Laura Wilson approved. The motion passed.

### E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Bob Broscheid discussed the status of federal funding.

#### F. CURRENT EVENTS

Joe Baynes announced that he will be retiring from the City of Prescott on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Laura Wilson discussed the City of Sierra Vista's purchase and operation of Pueblo Del Sol Country Club.

### G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public requested to speak.

### H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Commission members and staff discussed potential future meeting dates. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 11, 2025.

### I. ADJOURNMENT

Kevin Adams adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date:	June 11, 2025
To: From:	Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission Bob Broscheid, Executive Director, Arizona State Parks and Trails
Subject:	2026 Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP) Grant Applications

### **Background:**

The Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP) is a nationally competitive program targeting grant assistance to help economically disadvantaged urban areas with no, or almost no, access to publicly available, close by, outdoor recreation. Projects are submitted through the states to the Director of the National Park Service who selects projects based on the federal scoring criteria. These grants require a minimum 1 to 1 match, and minimum population of 20,000. A sponsor may apply for up to \$15,000,000 per project.

### **Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff reviewed the following Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP) application(s) and made recommendations based on federal approved scoring criteria.

2026 Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP) Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Boguest Staff	Staff	
Sponsor	roject	Request	Recommendation	
City of Yuma	Carver Park Revitalization	\$2,382,008.00	\$2,382,008.00	
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### **Recommended Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve submission to the National Park Service for funding consideration of the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP) Application(s) as follows: City of Yuma, Carver Park Revitalization in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director





**Bob Broscheid** Executive Director



Date:	June 11, 2025
To: From:	Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission Bob Broscheid, Executive Director, Arizona State Parks and Trails
Subject:	2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Application(s)

#### **Background:**

The Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund provides grant funding for Competitive and Supplemental Motorized Grant Applications. The current Supplemental Motorized Grants include Small (Trail Maintenance), Signage, Emergency & Mitigation, and Law Enforcement. All Supplemental Motorized grants can be submitted any time throughout the fiscal year and are reviewed on a quarterly basis. There is currently \$1,000,000 in funding available for all Competitive and Supplemental Grant Application(s). For the May 2025 AORCC meeting, there is one Supplemental Signage grant application for review with a funding request of \$9,460.00.

**Recommendation:** Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff and the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG) reviewed the following Supplemental Off-Highway Vehicle Grant Application(s) and made recommendations based on priorities set in the Arizona State Parks and Trails 2020 State Trails Plan and project needs.

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

#### **Recommended Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Supplemental Grant Applications as follows; Public Lands Interpretive Association, Eastern Santa Rita Mountain Signage Project in the amount of \$

#### Prepared by:

Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails, Arizona State Parks and Trails

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date:	June 11, 2025
To: From:	Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission Bob Broscheid, Executive Director, Arizona State Parks and Trails
Subject:	2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s)

### **Background:**

The Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund provides grant funding for Competitive and Supplemental Grant Applications. Competitive projects can include planning and development of motorized trails, trailhead facilities, signage, education, outreach, and other OHV-related needs. These grants can be submitted at any time throughout the fiscal year and are reviewed on a quarterly basis. There is currently approximately \$1,000,000 in funding available for Competitive and Supplemental Grant Application(s).

### **Recommendation:**

Arizona State Parks and Trails Grant Staff and the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG) reviewed the following Competitive Off-Highway Vehicle Grant Application(s) and made recommendations based on priorities set in the Arizona State Parks and Trails 2020 State Trails Plan and project needs.

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

### **Recommended Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Applications as follows; Greenlee County Sheriff's Office OHV Law Enforcement and Equipment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

### **Prepared by:**

Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails, Arizona State Parks and Trails

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director



Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date:	June 11, 2025
To: From:	Kevin Adams, Chair, Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission 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 (1 to 1) match. Once LWCF funding has been used, a project area must remain open to outdoor recreation in perpetuity, 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	Score	
Sponsor		Request	Recommendation		
Town of Chino Valley	Sullivan Canyon Acquisition	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	64	
City of Goodyear	Dog Park Relocation Project	\$1,338,990.00	\$1,338,990.00	55	
TOTAL \$1,538,990.00 \$1,538,990.00					

### **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: Town of Chino Valley; Sullivan Canyon Acquisition in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and the City of Goodyear; Dog Park Relocation Project in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director





Bob Broscheid Executive Director



Date: June 11, 2025

**To:** Kevin Adams, 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 2024 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.

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

#### **Recommended Motion:**

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund grant application(s) as follows: Arizona State Parks Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Ramp Replacement in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, City of Yuma Rescue Watercraft and Equipment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, Town of Eagar, Safety Water Equipment Acquisition in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, and Navajo County Rescue Watercraft Acquisition in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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

Bob Broscheid, Executive Director

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Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) June 11, 2025

> Kevin Adams – Chair Laura Wilson – Vice Chair Bob Broscheid, Tom Finley Matt Jankowski, Eric Urfer

# AGENDA – A

# Call to Order



# AGENDA – B

# **Pledge of Allegiance**



## AGENDA – C

# Member Roll Call

Kevin Adams (Chair) Laura Wilson (Vice-Chair) Bob Broscheid Tom Finley Matt Jankowski Eric Urfer



# **Approval of Minutes**

# AORCC will review and may consider action to approve the meeting minutes from April 9, 2025.



# Motion:

# *I move to approve the the meeting minutes from April 9, 2025 as presented.*



- Staff Will Introduce the New Chief of Grants and Trails, Nina Lindsey
- AORCC will be introduced to Nina Lindsey, who will be replacing Mickey Rogers, as Chief of Grants and Trails
- Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



# 2026 Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership 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 2026 LWCF Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP).

**Presenter:** Jeff Schmidt, Program Manager



2026 Outd	oor Recreation Legacy Partnership Gra	nt Application(s)	
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendatior
City of Yuma	Carver Park Revitalization	\$2,382,008.00	\$2,382,008.00
	TOTAL	\$2,382,008.00	\$2,382,008.00

### Yuma: Carver Park Revitalization





### Yuma: Carver Park Revitalization







# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2026 LWCF Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership grant application as follows: Yuma's Carver Park Revitalization in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to forward to the National Park Service for federal review.



# **2025** Supplemental Motorized Grant Applications

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 Grant Applications.

Presenter: Matt Eberhart, Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator



### 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Application(s)

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation
Public Lands Interpretive Association	Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage	\$9,460.00	\$9,460.00
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Public Lands Interpretive Association: Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage Grant





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### Public Lands Interpretive Association: Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage Grant





# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Applications as follows: Public Lands Interpretive Association's Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage Grant in the Amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Public Lands Interpretive Association

Eastern Santa Rita Mountains Signage

\$9,460.00

\$9,460.00



# 2025 Competitive Motorized 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 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s).

Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator



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



### **Greenlee County Sheriff's Office: Law Enforcement and Equipment**





### **Greenlee County Sheriff's Office: Law Enforcement and Equipment**







# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s) as follows: Greenlee County Sheriff's Office OHV Law Enforcement and Equipment Grant in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Greenlee County Sheriff's Office	OHV Law Enforcement and Equipment	\$435,009.00	\$435,009.00



# OHV Supplemental Cost Increase and Scope Change Amendment

AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny a Proposed Cost Increase Amendment to an approved Off-Highway Vehicle Supplemental Board approved project.

Presenter: Matt Eberhart, OHV Coordinator



### 552404 Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office Cost Amendment and Scope Change

Original Award	Amendment Increase Request	New Award	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation
\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
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#### **Project 552404 Santa Cruz Sheriff's Office OHV Enforcement**

Personnel					
		Total	Match	Grant Reques	st
Staff/Overtime Equipment		\$165,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$150,000.00	New item
Side By Sides-2	\$	100,000.00	\$-	\$ 100,000.00	
OHV Trailer-2	\$	12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$-	
	Totals	\$277,000.00	\$27,000.00	<b>\$250,000.0</b> 0	

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# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve the proposed budget increase and scope change for project 552404 Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office OHV Enforcement Grant as presented by staff.



# 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).

# Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



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



#### **Chino Valley: Sullivan Canyon Acquisition**





### **Chino Valley: Sullivan Canyon Acquisition**







#### **City of Goodyear: Dog Park Relocation Project**





### **City of Goodyear: Dog Park Relocation Project**





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# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: Town of Chino Valley Sullivan Canyon Acquisition in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and the City of Goodyear Dog Park Relocation Project in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

NY XA	Town of Chino Valley	Sullivan Canyon Acquisition	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
	City of Goodyear	Dog Park Relocation Project	\$1,338,990.00	\$1,338,990.00
	NA X			

# Land and Water Cost Increase Amendment

AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny a Proposed Cost Amendment to an approved Land and Water Conservation Fund grant.

# Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



	04-00790.1 Lake Havasu City Park Development					
Sponsor	Project	Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation	
Lake Havasu City	City Park Development	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	
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### Lake Havasu City: City Park Development





## Lake Havasu City: City Park Development





# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve the proposed cost amendment for Project 04-00790, Lake Havasu City, City Park Development Award from \$1,000,000.00 to \$1,500,000.00



**State Lake Improvement Fund 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 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s).

Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



2	2025 State Lake Improvement Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score	
Arizona State Parks	Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Ramp Replacement	\$507,200.00	\$507,200.00	76	
City of Yuma	Rescue Watercraft and Equipment Purchase	\$497,285.00	\$497,285.00	76	
Town of Eagar	Safe Water Equipment Acquisition	\$16,998.00	16,998.00	41	
Navajo County	Rescue Watercraft Equipment	\$170,000.00	\$170,000.00	41	
	TOTAL		\$1,191,483.00		



#### Buckskin Mountain State Park: Boat Ramp Replacement





#### Buckskin Mountain State Park: Boat Ramp Replacement







#### **City of Yuma: Watercraft and Equipment Purchases**





#### **City of Yuma: Watercraft and Equipment Purchases**





#### Town of Eagar: Safe Water Equipment Purchase





## **Town of Eagar: Safe Water Equipment Purchase**







#### Navajo County: Rescue Watercraft Purchase





#### Navajo County: Rescue Watercraft Purchase





# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s) as follows: Town of Eagar Safe Water Equipment Purchase in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and Navajo County Rescue Watercraft Equipment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Town of Eagar	Safe Water Equipment Purchase	\$16,998.00	
Navajo County	Rescue Watercraft Equipment	\$170,000.00	
City of Yuma	Rescue Watercraft and Equipment Purchase	\$497,285.00	
Buckskin Mountain State Park	Boat Ramp Replacement	\$507,200.00	



# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted State Lake Improvement Application(s) as follows: Arizona State Parks Buckskin Mountain State Park Boat Ramp Replacement in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Town of Eagar	Safe Water Equipment Purchase	\$16,998.00
Navajo County	Rescue Watercraft Equipment	\$170,000.00
City of Yuma	Rescue Watercraft and Equipment Purchase	\$497,285.00
Arizona State Parks	Buckskin Mountain Boat Ramp Replacement	\$507,200.00



# Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted State Lake Improvement Application(s) as follows: City of Yuma Rescue Watercraft and Equipment Purchase in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_.

Town of Eagar	Safe Water Equipment Purchase	\$16,998.00
Navajo County	Rescue Watercraft Equipment	\$170,000.00
City of Yuma	Rescue Watercraft and Equipment Purchase	\$497,285.00
Buckskin Mountain State Park	Boat Ramp Replacement	\$507,200.00



- **State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan** AORCC Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve or Modify the Arizona State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan
- Presenters: Dawn Collins, Executive Project Manager Debra Pryor, President & CEO, Partners in Brainstorm



# 2025 Trails Plan Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission June 11, 2025

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# **2025 Trails Plan** Working Group and AORCC



#### **Working Group**

- Kevin Adams AORCC, ASCOT
- Federal, state, county and municipal land managers/agencies
- Non-profit user groups/trail support/advocates
- Private business representatives
- Universities
- Organizations representing the disability community

#### **AORCC Meetings**

- June 7, 2023
- December 13, 2023
- September 12, 2024
- December 4, 2024

#### **Reviewed & Discussed**

- Non-motorized and motorized priorities, expanded questions
- Action team topics
- Survey methodology, launch and progress
- Survey outreach materials (invested user and land manager)
- Mobile location data project
- Data collection success and insights
- Public/AORCC comment period
- Project timeline and next steps



# **2025 Trails Plan** What does it do? What doesn't it do?

# The Plan DOES:

- Provide a common, data-informed foundation for trail management across agencies and jurisdictions
- Provide guidance and information about Arizonans' participation, priorities, perceptions, experiences and satisfaction on all types of trails
- Continues to "monitor the pulse" of trail related conversations on emerging issues (e.g., e-bikes)
- Inform grant criteria for the federal and state OHV programs

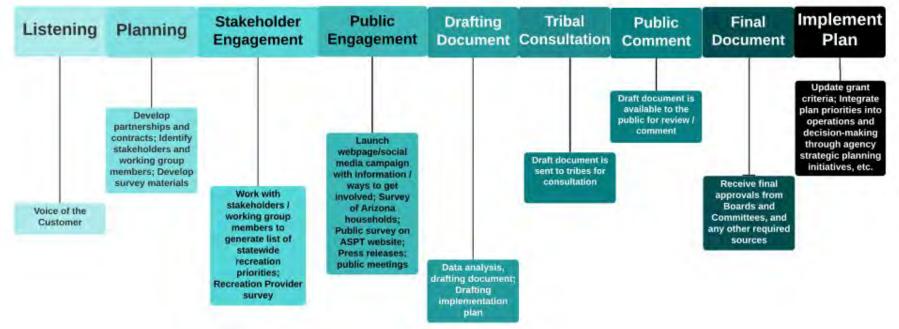
## The Plan DOES NOT:

- Set trail management policies for agencies across jurisdictions
- Mandate or prohibit trail uses in the state
- Mandate or prohibit trail uses in parks managed by ASPT



# 2025 Trails Plan Process







# 2025 Trails Plan - Three Surveyed Groups



5,359 Completed Surveys & Interviews

3,466 Core Non-Motorized Users 1,435 Core Motorized Users

- Stratified Random Sample Survey (SRSS) representative of the state's adult population
- Customer-centric approach—online, mobile devices, computer, phone, etc.
- Available in Spanish and English

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5,366 Completed Surveys

- 4,717 Core Non-Motorized Users 1,977 Core Motorized Users
- Outreach from Arizona State Parks and Trails–website, social media, partners, etc., to trail users
- Online/mobile survey same as Arizona Public Survey
- Available in Spanish and English



#### **91** Completed Surveys

- Land managers throughout the state that manage, build, maintain, or plan trails
- Used ASPT email list and partner distribution/share with colleagues, at conferences and meetings, and further extended outreach to address gaps
- Online/mobile survey
- Available in English

# Why aren't Arizonans using trails?

Reasons for Not Using Trails (AZ Public survey - highest to lowest means)

Extreme temperatures and weather

Don't know where to go for specific activities at my skill level

Too busy with other activities (work or leisure)

Don't have companions to go with

Don't have the equipment

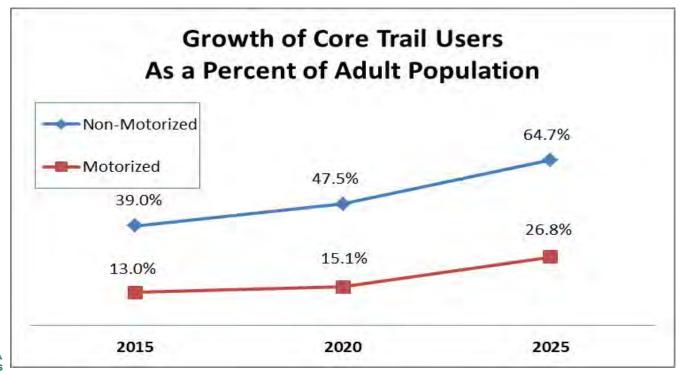
Trails are too far away





# How many Arizonans are participating in trail activities?







# What non-motorized activities are trail users engaging in?



Participation Rate of Arizona Residents & Non-Motorized Trail Users	Arizona Residents Participation Rate Last 12 Months		Non-Motorized Trail Users Last 12 Months	
Over Last 12 Months	AZ Public N = 5,359	Invested Users N = 5,366	AZ Public N = 3,466	Invested User N = 4,717
Trail hiking, jogging, or running	62.4%	84.2%	96.5%	95.8%
Viewing wildlife, including birdwatching	51.6%	69.2%	79.8%	78.8%
Canoeing, kayaking, or stand-up paddle boarding on a water trail	31.4%	39.4%	48.5%	44.8%
Backpacking	28.8%	34.8%	44.5%	39.6%
Mountain biking	23.6%	32.9%	36.5%	37.4%
Horseback riding	11.7%	16.3%	18.1%	18.5%

# What motorized activities are trail users engaging in?

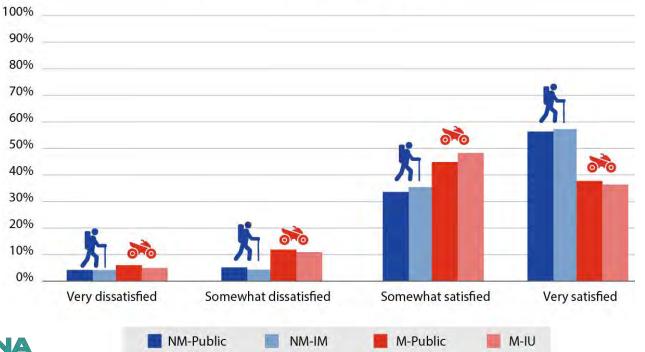


Participation Rate of Arizona Residents & Motorized Trail Users	Arizona Residents Participation Rate Last 12 Months		Motorized Trail User Last 12 Months	
Over Last 12 Months	AZ Public N = 5,359	Invested Users N = 5,366	AZ Public N = 1,435	Invested Users N = 1,977
Driving a 4x4 (e.g., Jeep, 4-wheel drive truck, etc.)	18.7%	26.1%	69.8%	71.0%
Driving a side-by-side	18.2%	20.4%	67.9%	55.3%
Riding a quad /all-terrain vehicle (ATV)	8.3%	11.3%	30.9%	30.6%
Riding a dirt bike	6.2%	8.8%	23.1%	23.9%

## **Trail Users - Satisfaction**



#### Satisfaction with Trails

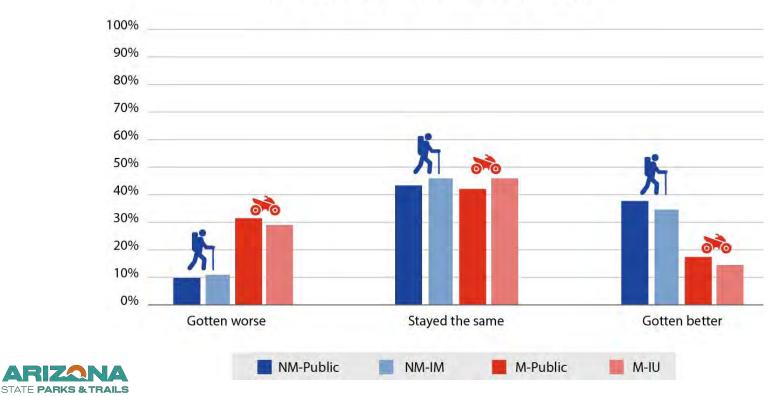








#### Access Over the Last 5 Years



## What are the problems on trails?

Non-Motorized and Motorized Trail Users and Land Managers

- 1. Litter, trash dumping (m=13.63)
- 2. Erosion of trails (m=12.77)
- 3. Spread of invasive species (m=12.14)
- 4. Poor trail etiquette by other users (m=12.02)
- 5. Changes in climate (m=11.76)
- 6. Unauthorized or irresponsible use (m=11.59)
- 7. Damage to vegetation (m=11.38)
- 8. Damage to historical, cultural, or archaeological sites (m=11.36)
- 9. Lack of enforcement of rules, regulations or laws (m=11.26)
- 10. Vandalism (m=11.20)





## 2025 Trails Plan Trail Management Priorities Four Central Themes





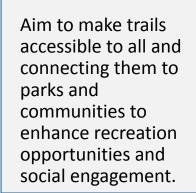
#### Sustainability and Stewardship

Inspire sustainability and stewardship, preserving Arizona's diverse and cultural landscapes for generations to come.



Education and Engagement

Provide trail users with the knowledge and tools needed to enjoy trails responsibly, ensuring their safety and preserving the natural and cultural landscape.



Access and

Connectivity



#### Adaptability and Resilience

Recognize the importance of preparing for and adapting to changing environmental and social conditions that impact trail management.

## 2025 Trails Plan Trail Management Priorities Sustainability and Stewardship





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Inspire sustainability and stewardship, preserving Arizona's diverse and cultural landscapes for generations to come.

	Priorities	Overall Ranking
ility	Maintain existing trails	1
hip	Prevent or repair damage to sensitive environmental and cultural sites near trails.	2
шр	Design and construct sustainable trails with a focus on connecting trails, parks, and communities	5

## 2025 Trails Plan Trail Management **Education and Engagement**





Provide trail users with the knowledge and tools needed to enjoy trails responsibly, ensuring their safety and preserving the natural and cultural landscape.

	Priorities	Ranking
Education And	Develop signage, maps, and education materials to better inform users, and encourage responsible trail use.	3
Engagement	Promote safe and responsible recreation through education and enforcement.	4
	Create memorable visitor experiences to support trail stewardship.	7

## 2025 Trails Plan Trail Management Priorities Access and Connectivity





Aim to make trails available to all, expanding accessibility and connecting them to parks and communities to enhance recreation opportunities and social engagement.

	Priorities	Ranking
Access And Connectivity	Obtain land for trails and trail access.	6
	Provide accessible trails and facilities.	8

## 2025 Trails Plan Trail Management Priorities Adaptability and Resilience





Recognize the importance of preparing for and adapting to changing environmental and social conditions that impact trail management.

	Priorities	Ranking	
Adaptabilit			
y and Resilience	Develop adaptable trail management plans based on changing conditions and uses.	9	
	Complete environmental/cultural clearance and compliance.	10	

## **Barriers to Interagency Coordination**



To What Extent Barriers to Interagency Coordination		Land Manager	
Affect Agency Scale: 1 = Not a Barrier to 4 = Major Barrier	Total N = 91	Non-Motorized N = 72	Motorized N = 23
Don't have enough staff or volunteer capacity	3.33	3.35	3.52
Other priorities, high workload	3.25	3.25	3.39
Agency staff turnover	2.67	2.58	2.96
Lack of time to develop and maintain relationships	2.51	2.51	2.65
Unaware of other agency and organizations plans and projects	2.20	2.10	2.13
Located in a remote area	2.10	2.08	2.48
Unfamiliar with potential partners	2.07	1.99	2.26
Lack of agency support	2.07	1.99	2.22

## Public Comment

A total of 172 public comments were received. Topics included:

- Arizona State Parks and Trails fee increases
- E-bike on trails
- Maintenance and desired amenities

- Equestrian safety and access
- Communication and education
- Continued and ongoing tribal engagement







## 2025 Trails Plan – What's Next?



Nex	Next Steps		
Deliverables / Activities	Dates	Status	
Recommendation to approve by OHVAG	May 20	Approved	
Recommendation to approve by ASCOT	May 22	Approved	
Recommendation to approve by AORCC	June 11		
Approval by ASPB	June 19		





## **Questions and Answers**



## Motion:

I move that AORCC recommend that the Arizona State Park Board approve the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan as presented by staff.



## Deobligation and Reobligation of Recreational Trails Program Funds

Staff will present a report on the deobligation and reobligation of grant funds for projects funded by the Recreational Trails Program, including the reobligation of funds for project 472507, Arizona State Park Trails App, originally funded with Recreational Trails Fund at \$324,344.00 now funded at \$356,179.00. This agenda item is for information only.

Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



	Project #	Sponsor	Project Title	ORIGINAL AWARD	NEW AWARD
	472501	Pinal County	CAP Phase 2	\$99,270.00	\$99.270.00
	472502	Oro Valley, Town of	Vistoso Nature Preserve	\$144,500.00	\$144,500.00
	472503	Catalina State Park	Catalina State Park Trail Development	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00
	472504	BLM	Safford/Morenci Trail Maintenance	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
	472505	Verde Valley Cyclists	Copper Chief and Quail Springs Trail	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00
	472506	City of Page	BMX Track	\$149,085.00	\$149,085.00
ł.	472507	Arizona State Parks	Trails App Development	\$324,344.00	\$356,179.00
	472508	River Island State Park	River Island Trailhead Development Phase II	\$798,517.0	\$798,517.00
	472509	Verde Search and Rescue	Search and Rescue Supplies and Equipment	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
	472510	Kartchner Caverns Park	Title One School Field Trip Support	\$26,179.00	<mark>WITHDRAWN</mark>
	472511	Arizona Trail Association	Arizona State Map Brochure	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
	472512	Verde Valley Wheel Fun	Youth Education Program	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
	472513	Cattail Cove State Park	Cattail Cove State Park Trail Signage/Kiosk	\$5,656.00	WITHDRAWN
	4725ADP	Arizona State Parks	Admin	\$135,440.00	\$135,440.00



## **Federal Funding Update**

Staff will present updates to the Commission any changes or processes related to ASPT's federal funding. This includes the Recreational Trails Program and the Land and Water Conservation Fund. This agenda item is for information only.

Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



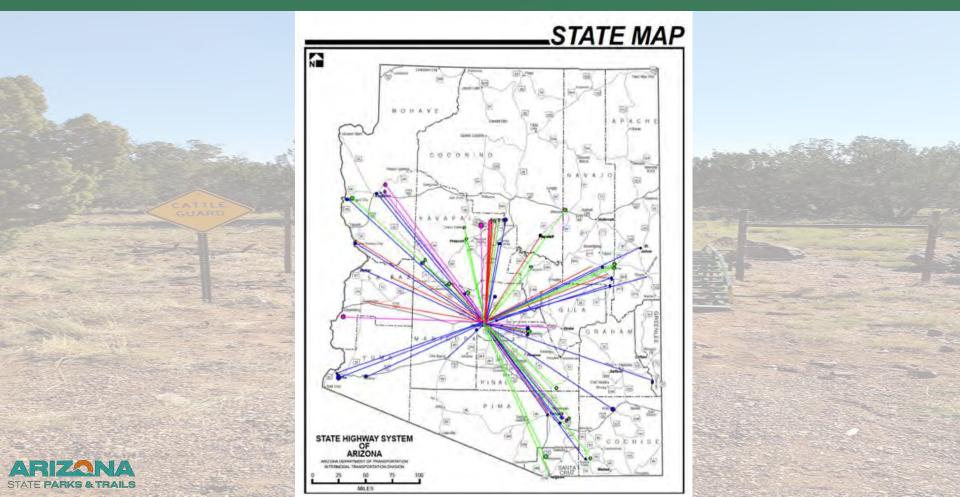
## FY 2025 Awarded Grants

Staff will present a final report to the Commission on all awarded grants for Fiscal Year 2025. This agenda item is for information only.

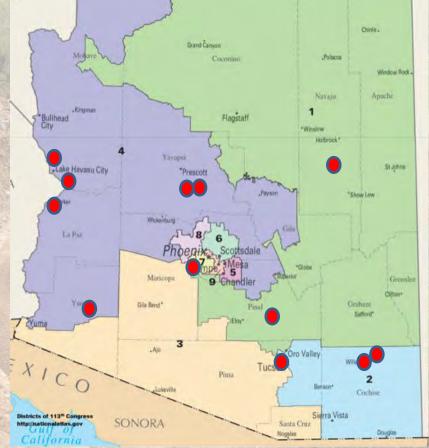
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### LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND





## STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND





## HERITAGE FUND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM





### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT—HVAC PROJECT

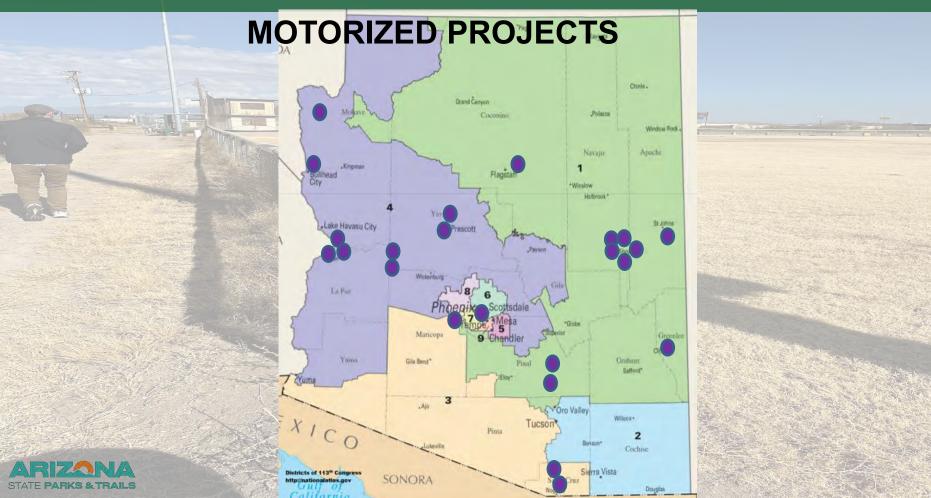




## **RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM**







## 2025 GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS

Program	Award	Match	Total
Motorized (OHV)	\$ 4,477,861.00	\$ 2,018,371.00	\$ 6,496,232.00
Recreational Trails	\$ 1,820,000.00	\$ 844,058.00	\$ 2,378,618.00
Heritage EE	\$ 7,925.00	\$ 793.00	\$ 8,718.00
SLIF	\$ 5,404,438.00	\$ 980,533.00	\$ 6.384,99100
LWCF	\$8,186,982.00	\$8,186,982.00	\$16,373,964.00
ARPA HVAC	\$10,420.00	\$0	\$10,420.00
Totals	\$ 19,907,626.00	\$ 12,030,737.00	\$ 31,398,363.00



#### 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, September 10, 2025	ASPT Central Office
Wednesday, October 9, 2025	ASPT Central Office
Wednesday, December 10, 2025	ASPT Central Office





#### 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



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





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** 

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

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





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.