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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
of
THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE ON TRAILS
of
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Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to members of the Arizona State Committee on Trails (“ASCOT” or “Committee”) and the public that ASCOT will hold a meeting on **Tuesday, May 21st, 2024 beginning at 10:00am**. ASCOT members may attend the meeting in person or participate telephonically. The public may attend and listen to the meeting at the Arizona State Parks Trails office located at 1110 W Washington, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Physical access to the meeting space will be allowed fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Members of the public may also listen/view the meeting via telephone by calling 1-218-460-1448 and entering PIN: 936 293 626# or via Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/ppsjoaq-ewf>

In person or telephonic public comment will be taken. If choosing to speak in person, the speaker will be asked to complete a form which will be made available at the Arizona State Parks and Trails office on the meeting day and submit to staff. If choosing to speak via telephone, persons who wish to make statements to the Committee 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 Committee 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 October 31, 2023 ASCOT Meeting** – The Committee will review and may consider action to approve the ASCOT meeting minutes from October 31, 2023.
- 2. New Member Introductions.** New members will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to the Committee.
- 3. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 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 \$1,017,199.00.

2024 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
Town of Oro Valley	Improvements to Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve	\$144,500.00	\$144,500.00	20.8
Pinal County	CAP Trail Phase II	\$99,270.00	\$99,270.00	19.0
City of Page	BMX Pump Park	\$149,085.00	\$149,085.00	16.0
Catalina State Park	Catalina State Park Trail Development	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	13.0
Verde Valley Cyclists Coalition	Copper Chief and Quail Springs Trail Development	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	12.6
Arizona State Parks	Statewide Trails Application	\$324,344.00	\$324,344.00	9.0
TOTAL		\$1,017,199.00	\$1,017,199.00	

4. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 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 \$40,000.00.

2024 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation
Bureau of Land Management	Safford-Morenci Trail Maintenance	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
TOTAL		\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00

5. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 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 \$35,206.00.

2024 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation
Verde Valley Wheel Fun	Youth Education Program	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Cattail Cove State Park	Trail Signage and Kiosk Replacement	\$5,206.00	\$5,206.00
TOTAL		\$35,206.00	\$35,206.00

6. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Non-Motorized Grant Application(s). (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grants Program Manager) The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$340,000.00.

2024 Heritage Fund Non-Motorized Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	Score
Coconino County	Frontiere Trails Project	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	28.8
Verde Valley Trail Fund	Verde Valley Circle Trail Segment 8	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	7.7
National Forest Foundation	Finger Rock & Pontotoc Canyon Trail Enhancement	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	6.0
TOTAL		\$340,000.00	\$340,000.00	

7. **Arizona State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan Updates. (Presenter: Debra Pryor, President & CEO Partners in Brainstorm, Inc.)** Staff will provide an update on the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan. This agenda item is for information only.
8. **Non-motorized Trail Accomplishments and 2024 Updates (Presenter: Jeff Schmidt, Grant Program Manager)** Grant staff will update the committee on recent accomplishments, upcoming events and future undertakings. This agenda item is for information only.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

F. CURRENT EVENTS

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

H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

July, 2024.

I. ADJOURNMENT

A copy of this agenda and any background material provided to Committee Members is available for public inspection at Arizona State Parks & Trails, 1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85007. For additional information, contact Mickey Rogers at (602) 542-6942.

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Approved:



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