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Draft Minutes

of

THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE ADVISORY GROUP

of

THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

Tuesday, May 20, 2025, beginning at 12:00 p.m

Arizona State Parks Trails office located at 1110 W Washington, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007

CALL TO ORDER – Jeff Schmidt called the meeting to order at 12:01

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBER ROLL CALL

Members present: Mike Cook-virtual, Jeff Olson, in person, JC Sanders-virtual, Nena Barlow-virtual, Don Kramer—virtual, Tom Murphy—virtual

Staff present: Mickey Rogers, virtual, Jeff Schmidt, in person, Juan Colorado-Alvarez, in person, Alec Wilcox, in person, Nina Barlow, in person, Dawn Collins, in person

A. AGENDA ITEMS

Introduction of Nina Lindsey, New Chief of Grants and Trails

Nina introduced herself with experience with grants for several years with Maricopa County. She would like to sit down with each of you to talk about our programs in the coming months and discuss what we can improve our programs. Contact: <u>nlindsey@azstateparks.gov</u>

Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the March 25, 2025 OHVAG Meeting.

Jeff Olson moved to approve, Don Kramer seconded. There was no discussion, all approved by acclamation

OHVAG 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 Applications. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails).

| 2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s) | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Sponsor | Project | Project Request | Staff Recommendation | | |
| Greenlee County Sheriff | OHV Law Enforcement and Equipment | \$435,009.00 | 435,009.00 | | |
| Totals: | | \$435,009.00 | \$435,009.00 | | |

Staff presented the application to the Group. There were some questions regarding the grant. A question was asked about what type of Polaris they would be purchasing. Staff reminded the Group, the machines will have to go out to bid and not necessarily be a Polaris. The machines will be 4-seaters and include lights, sirens. There was a comment that part of the grant is for outreach and education, which is important part of these grants. There will be at least one that will be enclosed with air conditioners and heater for winter use. Final question was if they would be set up for rescues. Staff mentioned that the OHV grants at this time is not for search and rescue.

Don Kramer made a motion to fund project at \$435,009. Jeff Olson seconded. There was no other discussion. Don Kramer, yes, Jeff Olson, yes, Mike Cook, yes, Nena Barlow, yes, JC Sanders, yes, Tom Murphy, yes. Motion passed.

OHVAG 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: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails).

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

Staff presented details of the grant to the Group. There were no questions asked to staff or the sponsor. Jeff Olson moved to fund the project at \$9,460. Nena Barlow seconded. There was no other discussion.

Don Kramer, yes, Jeff Olson, yes, Mike Cook, yes, Nena Barlow, yes, JC Sanders, yes, Tom Murphy, yes. Motion passed.

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 .

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

Staff presented details of this amendment which is to increase the grant award by \$150,000 for the sheriff's office for overtime as the need that has been shown since the original grant was for side by side and equipment. Question was asked how many hours that would be focused for this overtime. Sponsor stated they would be out on Holidays and special events. They did not give a specific number of hours and staff will follow up to get these numbers. They were also asked if they were going to be at the "Dust Ride" held annually in the county. Santa Cruz stated they will be at the event. Nena Barlow moved to approve the amendment as presented by staff. Jeff Olson, seconded. There was no other discussion.

Don Kramer, yes, Jeff Olson, yes, Mike Cook, yes, Nena Barlow, yes, JC Sanders, yes, Tom Murphy, yes. Motion passed.

OHVAG 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. (Presenter: Dawn Collins, Executive Project Manager and Debra Pryor, President & CEO Partners in Brainstorm, Inc.)

Dawn Collins and Deb Pryor presented the draft 2025 Trails Plan. Discussion on ebikes, decline in dirt bikes, increase in side by sides. Question was asked how it would be distributed with land managers in others. We will continue to do outreach making people aware of the plan. Nena Barlow moved to approve the 2025 Trails Plan. Jeff Olson Seconded. There was no other discussion.

Don Kramer, yes, Jeff Olson, yes, Mike Cook, yes, Nena Barlow, yes, JC Sanders, yes, Tom Murphy, yes. Motion passed.

Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator Year in Review. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants

and Trails) Chief of Grants and Trails, Mickey Rogers, provided OHVAG members on projects approved, closed out, and accomplishments of the past year.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were none. Group was reminded to reach out to staff at any time for future agenda items.

CURRENT EVENTS

Talked about the greater Sedona collaborative and working with safely crossing 89A. White Mountains are still open and survived the Greer Fire which and luckily no major damage. Would like to work with dirt bike clubs throughout the state to make them aware of our funding opportunities.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were none.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Tentative Tuesday, August 26, 2025 Noon-Central Office

ADJOURNMENT 1:37