

Arizona State Parks and Trails Recreational Trails Program Workshop



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Questions & Interaction



Drop Questions
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The moderator will address questions in order.



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to Speak

- Scheduled 1 hour 30 Mins
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- After Presentation - Q&A

Introductions

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- Project in need of funding?
- Trail development or maintenance for motorized and/or non-motorized trails?
- Trail Safety and Environmental Education?
- First time seeking a grant through ASPT?
- First time applying for RTP?
- ~\$1.25M remaining for FY 28 Projects
 - ~\$575k Must go to Motorized

RTP Eligibility Overview

- Development and/or maintenance of existing motorized and non-motorized trails including trailheads and trail facilities
- Acquisition Projects, development and/or maintenance projects, purchase/lease recreational trails equipment
- Trail Accessibility enhancements
- Developing and coordinating trail related youth development programs
- Motorized Trail Maintenance
- Trail related Safety and Environmental Education programs and enhancements
- Trail Types - Hiking, bicycling, MTB, in-line skating, equestrian use, cross-country skiing, ATV, Side by Sides, Dirt bike, 4x4, water trails, etc..
- Production of trail related educational materials, whether on information displays, in print, electronic, video, audio, interactive displays, brochures, and pamphlets



Ineligible Expenses

- Cultural/environmental/archeological assessments are not eligible for reimbursement with Federal funds
- Trail Planning
- Landscaping and irrigation for beautification are not eligible scope items. **Beautification Landscaping is defined as the addition of trees, bushes, shrubs, cacti, grass, flowers, or rock with the sole purpose of beautifying an area*
- Development of local or regional plans is not eligible for funding
- Funds cannot be used for administrative or overhead costs, or costs associated with grant application preparation
- Food and beverage
- Routine Trail Maintenance
- Costs incurred prior to PROJECT APPROVAL are not eligible for funding - including Costs associated with design and engineering
 - **Note - Board Approval ≠ Project Approval. Project approval is after ADOT final review and receipt of fully signed Project Agreement and Approval to Proceed from ASPT*



Note for Environmentally/Culturally Sensitive Land

Monies in the Recreational Trails Program shall not be used to construct new trails or routes on environmentally or culturally sensitive land unless the appropriate land management agency determines that certain new trail construction would benefit or protect cultural or sensitive sites. For the purposes of this subsection, “environmentally or culturally sensitive land” means areas of lands that are either:

- ***Administratively*** or *legislatively designated by the federal government as any of the following:*

- (a) A national monument;*
- (b) An area of critical environmental concern;*
- (c) A conservation area; or*
- (d) An inventoried roadless area.*

Or - Determined by the applicable land management agency to contain significant natural or cultural resources or values.



Recreational Trails Program

Non-Motorized

- Eligible project types:
 - Development and/or Maintenance Non-Motorized Trails and Trail Related Facilities
 - Can include SEE component
- \$150,000 Max Request
- State, County, Local, Tribal, Non-Profits*
 - *501 (C) (3) & 501 (C) (7) with land manager approval
- 5.7% match required*
 - * Federal Applicants - 5% match must be non-federal



Recreational Trails Program

Motorized

- Eligible project types:
 - Development and/or Maintenance Motorized Trails and Trail Related Facilities
 - Can include SEE component
- \$450,000 Max Request
- State, County, Local, Tribal Nonprofits
 - *501 (C) (3) & 501 (C) (7) w/ land manager approval
- 5.7% match required*

* Federal Applicants - 5% match must be non-federal



State Contracted Trail Crew Contact Information

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Proline Trails

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RTP

Safety and Environmental Education (SEE)

- Operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection in **relation to recreational trails**
- \$20,000 max request
- 5.7% match required* (Note for Federal)
- Federal, State, County, Local, Tribal, Non-Profits



Process

1. Register in WebGrants
 2. Submit Pre-Application
 3. If approved, submit Final Application
 4. Advisory Committee / Board Review
 5. ASPT Staff Finalize FY 28 RTP ADOT List
 6. Technical Review - ADOT EPG
 7. Administer
 8. Closeout
 9. Reapply
- *Sam.Gov



Where do I Apply?

WebGrants is our agencies online grant management system
<https://www.azparkgrants.com/>



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Announcements

HERITAGE FUND - NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS & OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE (OHV) RECREATION FUND: OPENING Wednesday, July 8, 2026

PRE-APP due Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 11:59 PM

FINAL APP due Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 11:59 PM

Heritage Fund Program Administrator: Juan Colorado-Alvarez - jcolorado-alvarez@azstateparks.gov

OHV Program Administrator: Matthew Eberhart - meberhart@azstateparks.gov

JOINT HERITAGE AND OHV FUND WORKSHOP

Friday, July 10 · 10:00 – 11:30am Time zone: America/Phoenix

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/feo-dgcf-feg>

Or dial: (US) +1 260-577-6867 PIN: 171 768 031#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/feo-dgcf-feg?pin=7657486437587>

OUTDOOR RECREATION LEGACY PARTNERSHIP (ORLP) PROGRAM OPENING Thursday, July 9, 2026

MERIT REVIEW APP due Wednesday, September 30, 2026 at 11:59 PM

Program Administrator: Jeff Schmidt – jschmidt@azstateparks.gov

ORLP INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, July 15 · 10:00 – 11:30 AM Time zone: America/Phoenix

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/cow-rjmb-hof>

Or dial: (US) +1 234-301-0334 PIN: 237 017 461#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/cow-rjmb-hof?pin=5264817988836>

Apply HERE

Accessing Funding Opportunities

Click on each opportunity listed below to view additional details and information about each opportunity.

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Search:

ID ▲	Status ▼	Categorical Area ▼	Agency ▼	Program Area ▼	Title ▼	Posted Date ▼	Pre-Application Due Date ▼	Final-Application Due Date ▼
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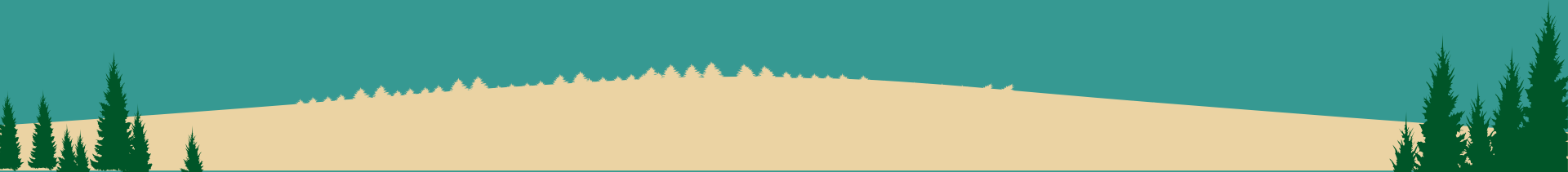
The Application

- Sponsor Application Information (Pre and Final App)
- Budget (Pre and Final App)
- Criteria Response Form (Final App)
- Cultural Clearance Review Form (CCRF) (Final App)
- NEPA(Final App)
- Control and Tenure (Final App)
- Resolution (Final App)
- Risk Assessment (Final App)
- Certification (Final App)
- Additional Documents (Final App)



Key Documents to Have Ready

- Draft Resolution (signed required to execute agreement)
- Single Audit Report
- Sam.gov Registration
- Certificate of Insurance
- Land Manager Approval Letter
- Prior NEPA or Cultural Surveys (ground disturbing projects)
- Maps and Photos
- Letters of Support



Land Manager Approval Letter

- This is a document identifying that authority has been received from that entity to make the proposed improvements

Expenditures 6-Month Rule

- Projects must remain active during any 6-month period
- Activity period start date noted in Approval to Proceed
- Activity can be purchasing supplies - any amount (must have required minimum 5.7% match)

Progress Reports (Status Reports)

- Quarterly (end of March June, September, December)
- Pending Risk Assessment - Bi-monthly/monthly
- Final Report and Completion Letter

Procurement Standards

- If the project sponsor is a federal governmental entity, procurement transactions shall be accomplished according to the project sponsor's procurement standards
- State procurement standards shall apply to all non-federal governmental and other entities to the fullest extent possible.

**Additional details included in your Project Sponsor Agreement*



Timelines

01 July 31st, 2026 - Friday

RTP M/NM/SEE Pre-Applications open

02 September 11, 2026 - Friday

Pre-Applications due

03 October 2, 2026 - Friday

Final Applications due

04 December 2026

Advisory Committee / Board Review

05 Spring 2027

ASPT Finalize ADOT RTP List

06 Spring - Fall 2027*

ADOT Review

07 Upon Approval

ASPT-Sponsor Contract Review

08 Approval to Proceed

Project Underway - Signed Agreement and AtP

09 July 1st, 2027

Earliest possible Start Date



Motorized



Combination



Non-Motorized



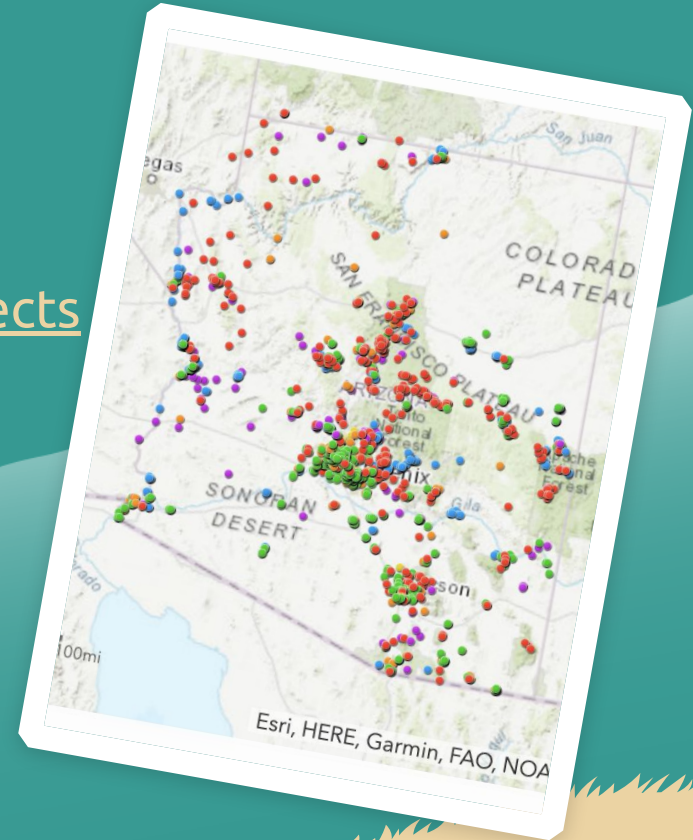
ADOT EPG Review

1. 6-9 Months for review
2. Determine what effect (if any) the proposal will have on environmental or archaeological resources
 - Project location, previously surveyed
3. Map Quality - prefer pdf and matching .kmz
4. Potential Back and Forth with ADOT/ASPT/Project Sponsor
 - *If Work on FS land - FS provides IS&A
 - Provide surveys referenced in IS&A



Awarded Project Map

- <https://azstateparks.com/awarded-grant-projects>
- RTP Projects in Red



Heritage Fund



Funding Info

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Eligibility

State, County, Local,
Tribal Entities &
Non-Profit
Eligible Project Types
Only



Availability

When the AZ State
Budget is passed. On or
after July 1

State Lake Improvement Fund



Funding Info

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Eligibility

State, County, Local &
Tribal Entities
Eligible Project Types
Only



Availability

When the AZ State
Budget is passed. On or
after July 1

Route 66 Historic Revitalization

Heritage Fund – Historic Preservation

Certified Local Governments



Funding Info

\$485,000

Eligibility

State, County, Local, Tribal
Entities & Non-Profit,
Commercial Businesses

Eligible Project Types Only



Availability

Applications expected to
open late September



Funding Info

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Eligibility

State, County, Local, Tribal
Entities & Non-Profit

Eligible Project Types Only



Availability

When the AZ State
Budget is passed. On or
after July 1



Funding Info

\$122,917

Eligibility

Certified Local
Governments

Preservation Planning
Projects



Availability

July 16 - August 31,
2026

Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund



Funding Info
\$5.4M



Sponsor Eligibility

State, County, Local,
Tribal Entities &
Non-Profit



Availability

Pre-Apps Due
July 17, 2026
Final Apps Due
July 31, 2026

Project Eligibility

Maintenance,
Education,
Enforcement, Design,
Engineering, Support
Facilities, Cultural,
Environmental, etc.



Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Acquisition, development and maintenance of parks and open spaces.

- **Eligibility:** State, County, Local, Tribal, Schools
- **Request Amount:** \$2,000,000 per project
- **Required Match:** Dollar for Dollar
 - Area must remain open to public outdoor recreation in perpetuity.
 - Conversion and Replacement



Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

Acquisition, development and maintenance of parks and open spaces.

- **Eligibility:** State, County, Local, Tribal
- **Request Amount:** \$300,000 to \$15,000,000 per project
- **Required Match:** Dollar for Dollar
 - National Competition
 - 2 phased application process.
 - Area must remain open to public outdoor recreation in perpetuity.



Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program

- Census Designated Urban Area with population of 25K or more
 - <https://tigerweb.geo.census.gov/tigerweb/>
- Federally Recognized Tribes eligible to apply
- 5 year notice of funding
- Applications submitted to State Parks September 30, 2026
- Applications submitted to NPS November 1, 2026
- NPS to announce selections May 1, 2027
- Application open July 1, 2027.



Questions?

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