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Governor

# ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS

Bob Broscheid  
Executive Director



NOTICE OF MEETING  
of  
THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE ON TRAILS (ASCOT)  
of  
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

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 **scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2020.**

**Due to concerns surrounding COVID-19 and per guidance from the Arizona Department of Health Services and the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention to limit social gatherings this meeting will be held remotely by technological means only. Members of the Committee will participate in the meeting by a video conferencing platform and/or by telephone.**

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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.

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both in our parks and through our partners.”

## 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 May 28, 2020 ASCOT Meeting** – The Committee will review and may consider action to approve the ASCOT meeting minutes from May 28, 2020.
2. **2021 Non-Motorized Funding Opportunity: (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)**. Staff will provide an update on current funding available for non-motorized projects. This agenda item is for information only.
3. **Grant Scoring Criteria Review: (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)**. The Committee will review 2019 grant scoring criteria and work to establish revised grant scoring criteria based on the Arizona State Parks and Trails 2020 Trails Plan.
4. **ASCOT Roles and Responsibilities. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)**. Staff will discuss the role of ASCOT to include: the state trail system; subcommittee's roles and responsibilities; grant reviews; and non-motorized scoring criteria. This agenda item is for informational purposes 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 acknowledgment of comments and suggestions from the public will be limited to directing staff to study or reschedule the matter for further consideration later.

### H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

To be determined.

### 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, 23751 N. 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 85085. For additional information, contact Mickey Rogers at (602) 542-6942.

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Posted at: Arizona State Parks and Trails  
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**DRAFT MINUTES**  
of  
**THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE ON TRAILS (ASCOT)**  
of  
**THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS**  
**MAY 28, 2020**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

*Claire Miller, Chair of the Arizona State Committee on Trails, called the meeting to order at 10:03am.*

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Claire Miller led the Committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**C. MEMBER ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** *Kevin Adams, Justin Azevedo, Mare Czinar, Jan Hancock, Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano, Bernadine McCollum, Claire Miller, Adam Milnor, Matt Nelson, Evan Pilling, Bob Stinson, Mary Van Rooy.*

**Staff Present:** *Mickey Rogers, Nancy Jasculca, Jeff Schmidt*

**D. AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the May 7, 2020 ASCOT Meeting**

*Jan Hancock moved to approve minutes of the May 7, 2020 ASCOT Meeting. Mary Van Rooy seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Justin Azevedo approved. Mare Czinar approved. Jan Hancock approved. Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano approved. Bernadine McCollum approved. Claire Miller approved. Adam Milnor approved. Matt Nelson approved. Evan Pilling approved. Bob Stinson approved. Mary Van Rooy approved. The motion passed.*

**2. New Member Introductions**

*Newly appointed members, Mare Czinar, Kevin Adams and Justin Azevedo introduced themselves to the Committee.*

**3. 2021 Non-Motorized Funding Opportunity**

*Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails provided an update on current funding available for non-motorized projects.*

**4. Review and possible action to recommend funding for the submitted 2021 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Applications.**

*Jeff Schmidt, GIS and Grant Coordinator provided members with a summary of each submitted application. Mary Van Rooy moved to approve funding for Tonto National Forest - Mesa Ranger District in the amount of \$102,667.00, Verde River Institute in the amount of \$29,775.00, City of Yuma in the amount of \$139,000.00, and City of Peoria in the amount of \$0. The City of Peoria application will be brought back to the Committee once the city has completed their existing grant. Kevin Adams seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Justin Azevedo approved. Mare Czinar approved. Jan Hancock approved. Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano approved. Bernadine McCollum approved. Claire*

*Miller approved. Adam Milnor approved. Matt Nelson approved. Evan Pilling approved. Bob Stinson approved. Mary Van Rooy approved. The motion passed.*

**5. Review and possible action to recommend funding for the submitted 2021 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education (SEE) Grant Applications.**

*Jeff Schmidt, GIS and Grant Coordinator provided members with a summary of each project. Mary Van Rooy moved to approve Arizona Trail Association - Network for Arizona Trails and Summit for Arizona Trails in the amount of \$9,996.00. Adrianna Garcia- Maximiliano seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Justin Azevedo approved. Mare Czinar approved. Jan Hancock approved. Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano approved. Bernadine McCollum approved. Claire Miller abstained. Adam Milnor abstained. Matt Nelson abstained. Evan Pilling abstained. Bob Stinson approved. Mary Van Rooy approved. The motion passed.*

*Kevin Adams moved to approve Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists in the amount of \$7,763.00. Bob Stinson seconded the motion. Kevin Adams approved. Justin Azevedo approved. Mare Czinar approved. Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano approved. Bernadine McCollum approved. Claire Miller approved. Adam Milnor approved. Matt Nelson approved. Evan Pilling abstained. Bob Stinson approved. Mary Van Rooy approved. The motion passed.*

*Mary Van Rooy moved to approved funding Benefactors of Red Rock State Park in the amount of \$10,000.00, Arizona Game and Fish Department in the amount of \$8,960.00, and Lost Dutchman State Park in the amount of \$0. Matt Nelson seconded the motion. The Lost Dutchman State application will be brought back to the Committee once the park has completed their existing grant. Kevin Adams approved. Justin Azevedo approved. Mare Czinar approved. Jan Hancock approved. Adriana Garcia-Maximiliano approved. Bernadine McCollum approved. Claire Miller approved. Adam Milnor approved. Matt Nelson approved. Evan Pilling approved. Bob Stinson approved. Mary Van Rooy approved. The motion passed.*

**6. ASCOT Roles and Responsibilities.**

*Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails, discussed the role of ASCOT to include the state trail system, subcommittee's roles and responsibilities, grant reviews, project reviews, and non-motorized scoring criteria.*

**E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*Matt Nelson suggested the Committee discuss how to approach the Arizona State Land Department regarding projects on State Lands. Adam Milnor suggested the Committee discuss the outdoor recreation community's response to COVID-19. Adam Milnor also suggested discussing E-bikes, and alternative funding sources for outdoor recreation projects.*

**F. CURRENT EVENTS**

*Committee members discussed current events.*

**G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

*No members of the public requested to speak.*

**H. FUTURE MEETING DATES**

*Committee Members discussed possible future meeting dates. Staff will send members a poll in order to determine the next meeting date.*

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 11:08am.*



# ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS

## **Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT)** August 20, 2020

Kevin Adams, Justin Azevedo, Jan Hancock, Mare Czinar, Marshall Masayesva, Adriana Garcia Maximiliano, Bernadine McCollum, Claire Miller, Adam Milnor, Matthew Nelson, Evan Pilling, Bob Stinson, Mary Van Rooy, Angela Villa, Loren Worthington

# AGENDA – A

## Call to Order



# AGENDA – B

## Pledge of Allegiance



# AGENDA – C

## Member Roll Call

Kevin Adams

Justin Azevedo

Mare Czinar

Jan Hancock

Marshall Masayesva

Adriana Garcia Maximiliano

Bernadine McCollum

Claire Miller

Adam Milnor

Matthew Nelson

Evan Pilling

Bob Stinson

Angela Villa

Mary Van Rooy

Loren Worthington

# AGENDA – D1

## **Approval of Minutes**

ASCOT will review and may consider action to approve the meeting minutes from May 28, 2020.

# AGENDA – D1

## ***Motion:***

*I move to approve the ASCOT meeting minutes from May 28, 2020.*

# AGENDA – D2

## 2021 Non-Motorized Funding Opportunity

- Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails

# AGENDA – D2

FHWA #	ADOT #	Project #	Sponsor	Project Title	Grant Award	Match	Total
<b>Non-Motorized</b>							
RTP-D-301	M472100P	472101	City of Sedona	Posse Grounds Trail Project	\$ 18,240.00	\$ 1,102.52	\$ 19,342.52
RTP-D-302	M472102P	472102	Tonto National Forest Globe RD	Highline #31 Trail Maintenance	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 3,022.27	\$ 53,022.27
RTP D-303	M472103P	472103	Apache-Sitgraves-Clifton RD	Clifton RD Trail Maintenance	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 3,022.27	\$ 53,022.27
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$ 118,240.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,147.06</b>	<b>\$ 125,387.06</b>
<b>Non-Motorized Diverse</b>							
RTP-D-101	M472104P	472104	Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area	Trail Development Project	\$ 79,842.00	\$ 4,826.08	\$ 84,668.08
RTP-D-102	M472105P	472105	Town of Cave Creek	Gateway Trail Project	\$ 74,498.00	\$ 4,503.06	\$ 79,001.06
RTP-D-103	M472106P	472106	Sonoran Desert Mountain	Goat Trail Rehab Project	\$ 74,707.00	\$ 4,515.69	\$ 79,222.69
RTP-D-104	M472107P	572107	Yuma	Riverfront Park Trail Project	\$ 139,000.00	\$ 8,401.91	\$ 147,401.91
RTP-D-105	M472108P	472108	Grand Canyon Conservancy	South Kaibab Trail	\$ 147,600.00	\$ 8,921.74	\$ 156,521.74
RTP-D-106	M472109P	472109	Peoria	Maya Way ADA Trail	\$ 142,247.00	\$ 8,598.17	\$ 150,845.17
RTP-D-107	M472110P	472110	Tonto National Forest Mesa RD	Sonoran Desert Trail system	\$ 102,667.00	\$ 6,205.75	\$ 108,872.75
RTP-D-108	M472111P	472111	Verde River Institute	On-site River Ambassador	\$ 29,775.00	\$ 1,799.76	\$ 31,574.76
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$ 790,336.00</b>	<b>\$ 47,772.17</b>	<b>\$ 838,108.17</b>
<b>Motorized Diverse</b>							
RTP-D-201	M472112P	472112	Apache sitgreaves	Maverick Trail	\$ 290,594.00	\$ 17,565.07	\$ 308,159.07
RTP-D-202	M472113P	472113	Tonto Globe	Staging Area and OHV Patrols	\$ 205,680.00	\$ 12,432.41	\$ 218,112.41
RTP-D-203	M472114P	472114	Tonto Mesa RD	Mesa Ranger District OHV Rehabilitation	\$ 187,262.00	\$ 11,319.12	\$ 198,581.12
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$ 683,536.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,316.60</b>	<b>\$ 724,852.60</b>
<b>Safety and Education</b>							
RTP-D-401	M472115P	472115	Verde Valley Cyclists	Bike and Bell	\$8,535.00	\$ 515.90	\$ 9,050.90
RTP-D-402	M472116P	472116	Arizona Board of Regents	Hiking Fluid Study	\$9,430.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 10,000.00
RTP-D-403	M472117P	472117	Lost Dutchman State Park	Exploration Packs	\$7,880.00	\$ 476.31	\$ 8,356.31
RTP-D-404	M472118P	472118	Arizona Game and Fish	Birding Trail Website Development	\$10,000.00	\$ 604.45	\$ 10,604.45
RTP-D-405	M472119P	472119	Arizona Trail Association	Trails Skills Institute Video	\$9,972.00	\$ 602.76	\$ 10,574.76
RTP-D-406	M472120P	472120	Arizona Trail Association	Trail Summit	\$9,996.00	\$ 604.21	\$ 10,600.21
RTP-D-407	M472121P	472121	National Off-Highway Vehicle	Great trails workshop	\$9,912.00	\$ 599.13	\$ 10,511.13
RTP-D-408	M472122P	472122	Sonoran Mountain Bike	"Be Cool" Campaign	\$7,763.00	\$ 469.24	\$ 8,232.24
RTP-D-409	M472123P	472123	Arizona Game and Fish	Watchable Wildlife	\$8,960.00	\$ 541.59	\$ 9,501.59
RTP-D-410	M472124P	472124	Benefactors of Red Rock	Intepretive Signage	\$10,000.00	\$ 604.45	\$ 10,604.45
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$92,448.00</b>	<b>\$3,972.77</b>	<b>\$ 96,420.77</b>
<b>Total Grant Funding</b>					<b>\$1,684,560.00</b>	<b>\$76,457.07</b>	<b>\$1,368,075.07</b>

# AGENDA – D3

## Grant Scoring Criteria Review

- Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails

# AGENDA – D3

## Old Scoring 2015 Trails Plan Priorities

### Possible Points

1st Level Priorities	
Renovation and Maintenance of Existing Trails	12
Protect Access to Trails / Acquire Land for Public Access	12
Mitigate and Restore Damage to Areas Surrounding Trails	12
<b>1st Level Total</b>	<b>36</b>
2nd Level Priorities	
Provide Educational Programs	10
Enforce Existing Rules and Regulations	10
Provide and Install Trail Signs	10
Develop Support Facilities	10
Construct New Trails	10
Provide Maps and Trail Information	10
<b>2nd Level Total</b>	<b>60</b>
Bonus	
Matching Funds of at Least 10%	2
Youth Corps Involvement	2
American with Disabilities	2
All SHPO/NEPA documentation Included	2
First time applicant	2
Diversity of Trail Use	2
<b>Bonus Total</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Application Total</b>	<b>108</b>

## New Scoring 2020 Trails Plan Priorities

### Possible Points

1st Level Priorities	
Complete Environmental/Cultural Clearance and Compliance	
Maintain Existing Trails	
Prevent or Restore Damage to Environmental and Cultural Sites	
Near Trails	
Provide Trail Signs	
2nd Level Priorities	
Connect Trails to Points of Interest	
Develop Trails and Facilities to Increase Accessibility	
Enforce Existing Rules and Regulations	
Promote Safe and Responsible Recreation Programs	
Provide facilities Near Trails	
Provide Trail Maps and Information	
Third Level Priorities	
Construct New Trails	
Obtain Land for Trails and Trail Access	
Bonus Points	

## AGENDA – D4

# ASCOT Roles and Responsibilities

- Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails



# AGENDA – D4

## ASCOT Subcommittees

**Public Outreach**

**Arizona Premier Trails**

**Safety and Environmental Education**

# AGENDA – D4

Attention Land Managers, Trail Organizations, and Trail Enthusiasts: The Arizona State Committee on Trails ([ASCOT](#)) and Arizona State Parks and Trails have teamed up to establish an exciting new state trail system designed to recognize, promote and publicize non-motorized trails of special significance within Arizona. The partnership is currently accepting applications for trail consideration. Parks staff is on hand to assist you with the application process.



Arizona Premier Trail  
System

The Arizona Premier Trails System will include up to 100 premier trails and will specifically highlight various types in the following seven categories:

Recreation | Interpretive | Historic/Cultural | Scenic | Water | National | System

The APTS will offer a diverse array of [unique trails](#) that inspire people to experience the state's magnificent outdoor environment and cultural history. Click [here to view](#) the current list of Premier Trails

# AGENDA – D4

## Grant Reviews

### ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

System Compatibility

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# AGENDA – D4

ESTIMATED PROJECT COST SHEET									
Project Title:									0
Project Sponsor									0
		Acquisition Project Costs							
Parcel #		Cash/In-kind Match	Value of Donation	Requested Grant Amount	Total Parcel Cost				
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
Total Match/Donations			\$ -						
		Total Grant Request:		\$ -					
				Total Cost of All acquisitions	\$ -				
							SCOPE ITEM	POINTS	
		DEVELOPMENT/EQUIPMENT PROJECT COSTS							15
					Total Item Cost				
		Cash/In-kind Match	Value of Donation	Requested Grant Amount			Renovate and Maintain	12	12
	Scope Item						Protect Access/Acquire	12	12
						Points	Mitigate and restore	12	12
					\$ -	#REF!			
	Scope Item #1 Renovate and Maintain	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Provide Educational Programs	10	8
	SCOPE ITEM #2 Protect Access	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Enforce rules and reg	10	8
	Scope #3 Mitigate and Restore	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Provide and install signs	10	8
	Scope #4 Provide Educational Programs	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Support facilities	10	
	Scope Item #5 Enforce Rules and Regulations				\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Construct new trails	10	5
	Scope Item #6 Provide and Install Signs	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0! Provide maps and trail information	10	5
	Scope Item #7 Support Facilities	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		5
	Scope Item #8 Construct New Trails	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
	Scope Item #9 Provide Maps and Trail Information	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
							2Youth Corps		
							2ADA standards		
							2Have SHPO NEPA included		
							2First time applicant		
							2Diversity of Trail		
	sub-totals	\$ -	\$ -						
Total Match & Donations			\$ -						
	Total Requested Grant Funds			\$ -					
	Total Development/Equipment costs				\$ -			10	
	Total Cost of Acquisition/project costs					Total	#DIV/0!		

# AGENDA – E

## Future Agenda Items

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

# AGENDA – F

## Current Events

ASCOT 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. This item is for information purposes only. ASCOT 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 Committee.

# AGENDA – H

**Tentative 2020  
Meeting Dates:  
TBD**



An aerial photograph of a desert landscape with a dirt trail. Two cyclists are visible on the trail, one in the lower left and one in the lower right. The terrain is covered with sparse green and brown vegetation, including several tall saguaro cacti. The overall scene is hazy and bright.


# THANK YOU!



**From:** Wufoo no-reply@wufoo.com  
**Subject:** Part I - Trail Information Form [#3]  
**Date:** December 14, 2016 at 11:47 AM  
**To:** bfisher@azstateparks.gov



## Part I – Trail Information Form

#3

<b>Trail Name and/or Trail Number</b>	Wild Burro Trail
<b>Managing Agency</b>	City or County
<b>If managing agency is a city, county, or other, please specify.</b>	Town of Marana
<b>Applicant Name</b>	Bob Stinson
<b>Address</b>	 11555 W. Civic Center Dr. Marana, AZ 85653 United States
<b>Phone Number</b>	(520) 382-1958
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:bstinson@maranaaz.gov">bstinson@maranaaz.gov</a>
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.maranaaz.gov/trails">http://www.maranaaz.gov/trails</a>
<b>Managing Agency</b>	City or County
<b>If managing agency is a city, county, or other, please specify</b>	
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Phone Number</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>If this trail has more than 2 land managing agencies, list below.</b>	Town of Marana and Pima County
<b>Overall Description (Up to 3 Points)</b>	<p>The Wild Burro Trail is the backbone of the Tortolita Mountain Trail System. The trail begins at the intersection of Dove Mountain Boulevard and the Wild Burro Wash. However, the Wild Burro Trailhead is located .5 miles north up the wash on Secret Springs Drive. From the trailhead, the Wild Burro Trail continues north through the wash on an improved trail to the State Land Boundary, approximately .5 miles. Then trail continues north up the west side of the wash to the ruins of a stone cabin, approximately 1.3 miles. The trail climbs up the west side of the canyon, continuing north passing a dramatic dry waterfall, and returns to the canyon floor to Alamo Spring, approximately 1.8 miles. Alamo Spring is the traditional "lunch" spot for hikers on the Wild Burro Trail. The trail continues past Alamo Spring another 2.3 miles to the Burro Tank and Goat Corral, the ruins of an old stone corral, near the Pinal County line. The total distance of the Wild Burro Trail is approximately 6.4 miles from starting from Dove Mountain Boulevard or 5.8 miles starting from the Wild Burro Trailhead.</p>
<b>Has this trail been built?</b>	Yes
<b>Is this trail accessible to the public for most of the use season?</b>	Yes
<b>Is this nomination for the entire length of the trail? (Unless it is in the historical/cultural category)</b>	Yes
<b>Is this trail open for recreational motorized trail use at any time?</b>	No

Is this trail on land that is owned or managed by a public entity?	Yes
If yes, list appropriate entity	Town of Marana
Allowable Trail Uses (Up to 5 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hiking</li> <li>• Equestrian</li> <li>• Mountain Biking</li> </ul>
Is this trail at least one mile in length?	Yes
Layout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One-way trail</li> </ul>
Trail Width (Average) (Up to 5 points)	36 inch
Trail Grade (Average, Maximum) (Up to 2 points)	
Elevation Change (Up to 5 points)	high 3.840 low 2.780
Elevation Profile (Up to 2 points)	
Primary Trail Surface (Up to 5 points)	The trail was built to a 36 inch width with brush trimmed back and a minimum clearing height of 10 feet. Steep slopes have switchbacks to minimize the grade. Where steep grades are unavoidable, water bars and drainage outlets were constructed to slow runoff flow and avoid excess erosion. The trail surface is natural rock and dirt which blends with the surrounding landscape.
Primary Trail Surface - Standard Design	 <a href="#">dscf4493.jpg</a> 1.69 MB · JPG
Trail Condition/Hazards (Up to 3 points)	There are no known potential hazards other than those typically expected on a well marked and frequently hiked desert trail.
Trail Signage (Up to 7 points)	The trail is currently marked with carsonite post with labels and arrows. There is a kiosk at the spot where Trail intersects with the many trails of the system. Interpretive panels describing saguaros and Alamo Spring area are placed along the trail. Plans include creating interpretive signs concerning area flora. Trailhead includes kiosk with trail information. Trail is inspected monthly.
Trail Signage Example	 <a href="#">junction_kiosk.jpg</a> 1.39 MB · JPG
Does your trail link to other trails? (Up to 5 points)	Yes
If yes, describe trail linkage.	Upper Javelina, Lower Javelina, Alamo Springs, Wild Mustang, Alamo Springs Spur Trail
Is an Emergency Marker System Part of Trail Signage? (Up to 7 points)	Yes
If yes, describe the system.	The trail is currently marked with carsonite post with labels and arrows. There is a kiosk at the spot where Trail intersects with the many trails of the system. Interpretive panels describing saguaros and Alamo Spring area are placed along the trail. Plans include creating interpretive signs concerning area flora. Trailhead includes kiosk with trail information. Trail is inspected monthly.
Recommended seasons of use (1 point for each season up to a maximum of 2 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All</li> <li>• Winter</li> <li>• Spring</li> <li>• Summer</li> <li>• Fall</li> </ul>

Include closure dates and reasons for closure periods, if applicable

Friends Groups or Stewardship Program (Up to 3 points) Full time Trail Crew of 2 working year raound

Is a fee required for trail use? No

Is this trail accessible per Americans with Disabilities Act? No

Special Consideration of Importance to Trail Users (Up to 3 points) This trail system has no fees Trailhead is ADA accessible but trails are not ADA compliant

Trailhead Facilities (Up to 5 points)

- Parking
- Restrooms
- Horse Staging
- Picnic Area
- Trailhead Potable Water

Nearest Communitites Dove Mountain

Nearest Campgrounds The A-Bar-A RV Park and Campground, 10 miles from trailhead.

Special and Unique Features (Up to 3 points) The Torotlita Mountains hold a rare density of Crested Saguaros. Below is a map of the Crested Saguaros <http://www.dovemountaincivicgroup.org/Hikes/gps/WildBurroCanyonCrestedSaguaroMap3%2012%2012.pdf>

Wildlife/Habitat Information (Up to 2 points)

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Directions to Trailhead/Access Points

From Tucson – Take Oracle Rd (AZ 77) north to Tangerine Rd. Go west on Tangerine to N. Dove Mountain Blvd. Follow N. Dove Mountain Blvd to end and follow signage for Ritz Carlton Resort turn right into resort entrance (N. Secret Springs Dr.) Trail head sign and parking lot on east side of road.

From I-10 – Exit at Tangerine Rd (Exit 240) and go east on Tangerine Rd to N. Dove Mountain Rd. Follow N. Dove Mountain Blvd to end and follow signage for Ritz Carlton Resort turn right into resort entrance (N. Secret Springs Dr.) Trail head sign and parking lot on east side of road.

Geo-Referenced Map and Digital Data File

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Map Checklist (Up to 8 points)

- Length of trail segment (start to end point)
- North arrow, scale, date prepared
- Trailheads and access locations (include GPS points)
- Identify Wilderness Areas, National Monuments, National Parks
- Water availability, source, and whether permanent or ephemeral (Up to 2 points)
- Signage and/or trail marker system
- Emergency contact/availability/location (Up to 3 points)
- Hazards

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## Part II Nomination Form – NATIONAL

#1

<b>Trail Name and/or Trail Number</b>	Wild Burro Trail
<b>Managing Agency</b>	City or County
<b>If the managing agency is a city, county, or other, please specify</b>	Town of Marana
<b>Applicant Name</b>	Bob Stinson
<b>Phone Number</b>	(520) 382-1958
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:bstinson@maranaaz.gov">bstinson@maranaaz.gov</a>

### Nationally Designated Trail

Historically the presence of the Hohokam (550 to 1450 A.D.) is evident with the existence of mortar holes, pottery shards, and arrow heads. Petroglyphs dating between 1100 and 1450 A.D. are pecked into rock throughout the range. The first Europeans in the canyon were Spanish adventures seeking precious metals. The mining boom took off in the 1860's miners flocked to the area bringing horses and burros. Some of which escaped or were left to become feral in the area – hence the canyon's name. Homesteaders occupied the canyon – most colorful being Thomas Jeffords from 1892 to 1914. He was a Blood Brother of Apache leader Cochise and the tribe's first Indian agent. During the Territorial Period (1854 and 1912) the land was "open space", Ranchers ran cattle from Oro Valley to Red Rock and those cattle ranged into the Tortolita's. In the 1930's several families took advantage of the revised "Homestead Act" of 1862. They raised primarily cattle but some had goats and horses as well. Remains of their buildings and water tanks are present. Currently the Martin and Carpenter Ranches are still active and running cattle.

Wild Burro Trail heads north on a graded dirt path for .5 miles, weaving in and out of the nearby wash; you will encounter a kiosk and sign- in station as you continue north on the west side of a sandy wash. The trail gets slightly more rugged as you veer west up the side of the canyon near the ruins of a stone house and water basin that was once used by cattle ranchers. After which, you begin a steep climb. This is the only strenuous climbing on the entire trail. Once you reach the top, there is dramatic dry waterfall, large cottonwood tree and the Alamo Spring well. Remains of another dwelling are viewable behind and to the west of this area. The view from the overlook is impressive. Past Alamo Spring well another 2.3 miles of trail leads to a water tank, windmill and goat corral near the Pinal County line.

The trails of the Tortolita's construction started in 2004 in a cooperative venture by the Town of Marana, Pima County and the Arizona State Land Development. Expansion of the system continues today. The trailhead was completed in 2012 offering hikers a stabilized 40 space parking lot, restrooms, drinking fountain, benches, shaded ramada and table. Local Artist Robin Riley created the photogenic trail entrance "Guests of Nature" which includes two giant cairns made with 55,000 pounds of boulders (granite, azurite), the small stack approx. 9' high and the large stack approx. 12' high). The path approaching the wash from the trailhead was an Eagle Scout project. One unique feature to the trail system is that the trails are color coordinated – as such the sign arrows and map line are the same

color. Wild Burro trail is purple. The Town of Marana Parks and Recreation Department utilizes the trails for monthly guided hikes (September to May) and a special eve nts. The trailhead is located within the property of the Ritz -Carlton of Dove Mountain so the resort has guided hikes for guests as well. To date we have registered visitors from 50 states and 15 countries. The Tortolita's are located in the Basin and Range Physiographic Province and part of the metamorphic core complex. Common rocks, hikers will encounter on the trail are 600 million years old or older, metamorphosed granite, as well as younger and harder granites. The Tortolita's support some 600 species of plants including various species of cholla, prickly pear, hedgehog and barrel cacti. Trees in the range include cottonwood, palo verde, ironwood and mesquite. Other plants include ocotillo, yucca, sotol, jojoba, bursage, agave and creosote bush. In the spring the ochre and prickly green landscape will flush with annual and perennial wildflowers - from purple lupine and blue larkspurs pink penstemon, gold poppies and more. Thousands of species of i nvertebrates, two species of amphibian, several dozen species of reptiles and 200+ species of resident and migratory birds and several dozen species of mammals reside in the Tortolita's. Some notable creatures include Javelina, Bobcats, Gila Monsters, Jack Rabbits, Desert Tortoise, and Harris Hawks.

**National Designation**

- Secretarially (National Recreation Trails)

**Date the Trail was Designated**

Saturday, June 7, 2014

**Additional Attributes (Up to 10 Points)**

The Wild Burro Trail is the gateway to the Tortolita Mountains Trail system. The trail is 5.8 miles long with access to 29 miles connecting trails within the system. It is a meandering trail mostly through the canyon with one steep ascent. Wild Burro Trail offers amazing views, historical sites, Cottonwood trees, crested saguaros, beautiful wild flowers and the opportunity to observe birds, reptiles and mammals unique to the Sonoran desert.

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**Caption 1**

Wild Burro Canyon

**Attach a Photo 2**



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**Caption 2**

Wild Burro Trail Markers

**Attach a Photo 3**



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**Caption 3**

Tortolita Kiosk

**Attach a Photo 4**



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## ARIZONA PREMIER TRAIL SCORING CRITERIA

### Part I

#### Point System

Description of Trail	10
Allowable uses	2
Trail Width	2
Trail Grade	2
Trail Profile	2
Elevation changes	2
Primary Trail Surfaces	2
Trail condition/Hazard	2
Signage	5
Linkages	5
Emergency Marker System	
Seasons of use	5
Friends/Stewardship	5
Special Considerations	5
Trailhead Facilities	5
Georeferenced map	6
Water available	
Emergency Contact	5
Elevation Profile	
Special Features/unique	5
Wildlife Habitat	5
Special Designations	
Other maps/info	
Total	75

### Part II

Specific to Recreation Trail	15
Additional Attributes	10
Total	25
Grand total	100