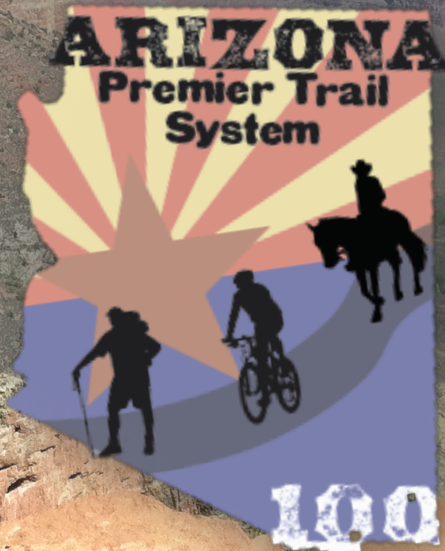


INTRODUCING

The Arizona Premier Trail System



Presented By Arizona State Committee on Trail Members:
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WHAT IS APTS?

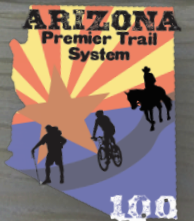
- The Arizona Premier Trails System has been established to recognize and promote 100 non-motorized trails that are of special significance to Arizona residents and visitors – essentially highlight the “best of the best.”
- This will be a dynamic list, subject to change on an annual basis.
- Brought to you by the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT), on behalf of the Arizona State Parks.



CATEGORIES

- Recreation
- Interpretive
- Historic/Cultural

- Scenic
- Water /Riparian
- National
- Trail System



NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Must be existing trails
- Must be publicly owned/managed and available for public use
- Only non-motorized trails
- Trail must be a minimum of one-mile in length, unless it demonstrates unique characteristics
- Must be open for public use the majority of the season

HOW TO APPLY

- Application Forms on Trails Program page
- Rolling application, ASCOT reviews annually in January
- Nominations will be reviewed by a committee, representing trail managers and trail users.
- Successful trails will be included in the system for 5-years, and can re-apply after the 5-year period to remain in the system.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS



BENEFITS

- Opportunities for increased exposure to your trail(s)
- Tourism potential
- Possibility of attracting volunteers to help with trail maintenance
- Improved grant funding potential
- Prestige and recognition to your trail(s) and area!


2010 – 2014 Outdoor Activity Increases

Back-packing	Mountain Biking/Biking	Bird Watching	Hiking	Kayaking	Trail Running
+8.6%	+19%	+6%	+5.7%	+34.8%	+32.2%

Arizona State Parks Website

Application Forms

ASP Home Page
Find a Park
Event Calendar
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Off Highway vehicle Program: OHV
Grant Programs
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Part I – Trail Information Form

Arizona Premier Trail System Application Form
5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2016

Trail Name and/or Trail Number

Managing Agency

If managing agency is a city, county, or other, please specify.

Applicant Name
First Last

Address
Street Address
Address Line 2

City State / Province / Region
Postal / Zip Code Country

Phone Number
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Email

APPROVAL PROCESS

- ASCOT subcommittee review
- Review committee includes ASCOT members, government trail managers, trails partners, ASP staff and an “at large” member from the trail community
- Designated trails announced annually in March

QUESTIONS & CONTACTS

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