



ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS

Arizona State Parks Board

January 20th, 2022

Dale Larsen – Chair

John Sefton – Vice Chair, Lisa Atkins, Jeffrey Buchanan,
Debbie Johnson, Sarah King, Terri Palmberg

AGENDA – A

Call to Order



AGENDA – B

Pledge of Allegiance

Member Roll Call

Dale Larsen (Chair)

John Sefton (Vice-Chair)

Lisa Atkins

Jeffrey Buchanan

Debbie Johnson

Sarah King

Terri Palmberg

AGENDA – D1

Approval of Minutes

The Board will review and may consider action to approve the meeting minutes from December 16, 2021.

AGENDA – D1

Motion:

*I move to approve minutes of the
December 16, 2021 Board Meeting.*

AGENDA – D2

Election of 2022 Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The Board will nominate and elect its Chair and Vice-Chair in accordance with Arizona Administrative Code R12-8-202(A)(1) (“At the first meeting following January 1 of each year, the members present shall select by majority vote a Chairman and a Vice Chairman to serve through the first meeting January 1 of the following year.”).

AGENDA – D2

Motion:

I move to approve _____ as Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board.

AGENDA – D2

Motion:

I move to approve _____ as Vice Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board.

2022 Local, Regional, State Park (LRSP) Grant Application

The Board will consider and may take action on a recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Local, Regional, and State Park (LRSP) grant applications.

LOCAL, REGIONAL AND STATE PARK (LRSP) PROGRAM SCORING

LRSP Scoring Criteria			
	Points		
Park Compliance/History	10		
Collaboration	14		
		3.5	With another agency
		3.5	How much match from other agencies
		3.5	Provides connectivity
		3.5	Collaborating with Friends/volunteer group
Engagement and Communication	17		
		3	What documents/circumstances led to this request
		8	Public outreach for this project
		2	Innovative means of engagement
		2	Will this engage youth?
		2	Provide educational opportunities/materials
Accessibility and Inclusion	17		
		4	Serve underserved populations
		4	Fill a gap in recreation
		3	Activities for multiple groups
		3	ADA compliance
		3	Local, Regional or State
Conservation of Resources	21		
Renovation Project		11	Renovation only
		8	Renovate and Development
		5	Acquisition and Development
		3	Acquisition
Conservation		10	Design incorporates elements to conserve/smaller footprint
Matching funds	21		
		11	All match Secured
		5	Match from other sources
		5	Funds for continued upkeep
Total	100		

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2022 Local, Regional, State Park (LRSP) Grant Application

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation	Score
Clarkdale	Selna-Mongini Park	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	77.0
Willcox	Keiller Park/Quail Run Park	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00	76.5
Fountain Hills	Four Peaks Renovation	\$400,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	54.0
Total		\$1,400,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	

AGENDA – D3

Motion:

I move that the Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 Local, Regional and State Park grant applications as follows: Clarkdale's Selna-Mongini Park Project in the amount of \$_____, Willcox's Keiller Park/Quail Run Park Project in the amount of \$_____ and Fountain Hill's Four Peaks Park Project in the amount of \$_____.

2022 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Applications

The Board will consider and may take action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant applications.

AGENDA – D4

2022 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation	Score
Clarkdale	Selna-Mongini Park	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	77.0
Willcox	Keiller Park/Quail Run	\$665,041.00	\$665,041.00	\$665,041.00	76.5
Fountain Hills	Four Peaks Park Improvement	\$400,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	54.0
Totals		\$2,065,041.00	\$1,665,041.00	\$1,665,041.00	

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Motion:

*I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 Land and Water Conservation grant applications as follows:
Clarkdale's Selna-Mongini Park Project in the amount of \$_____, Willcox's Keiller Park/Quail Run Park Improvement Project in the amount of \$_____ and Fountain Hill's Four Peaks Improvement Project in the amount of \$_____.*

2022 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Applications

The Board will consider and may take action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant applications.

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2022 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation
Coconino County	Ft. Tuthill Improvement Project	\$923,306.00	\$923,306.00	\$923,306.00
Eloy	Jones Park Improvement	\$679,000.00	\$679,000.00	\$679,000.00
Camp Verde	Butler Park Lighting Project	\$493,272.00	\$493,272.00	\$493,272.00
Totals		\$2,095,578.00	\$2,095,578.00	\$2,095,578.00

AGENDA – D5

Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 American Rescue Plan Act grant applications as follows: Coconino County's Ft. Tuthill Improvement Project in the amount of \$_____, Eloy's Jones Park Improvement Project in the amount of \$_____, and Camp Verde's Butler Park Lighting Project in the amount of \$_____.

2022 State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) Grant Applications

The Board Will Consider and May Take Action to Approve, Modify, or Deny Funding for the submitted 2022 State Lake Improvement Fund grant applications.

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2022 State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation	Score
Coconino County	Boater Education and Law Enforcement	387,200.00	387,200.00	387,200.00	64
Bullhead Fire	Replacement Boat	\$275,000.00	\$275,000.00	\$275,000.00	74
Total		\$662,200.00	\$662,200.00	\$662,200.00	

AGENDA – D6

Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 State Lake Improvement Fund grant applications as follows: Coconino County's Boater Education and Law Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$_____, and Bullhead Fire Replacement Boat in the amount of \$_____.

2022 Heritage Fund Environmental and Education Grant Applications

The Board will consider and may take action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Heritage Fund Environmental and Education grant applications.

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2022 Heritage Fund Environmental and Education Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff	AORCC Recommendation	Score
Verde Valley Wheel Fun	FUN Program Director	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	95
Wickenburg Cultural and Conservation Foundation	Leave No Trace Videos	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00	93
Total		\$58,300.00	\$58,300.00	\$58,300.00	

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 Heritage Fund Environmental and Education grant application as follows: Verde Wheel Fun’s FUN Program Director in the amount of \$_____, and the Wickenburg Cultural and Conservation Foundation’s Grant in the amount of \$_____.

Chandler's Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Award Amendment.

The Board Will Consider and May Take Action to Approve, Modify, or Deny Funding an Amendment to The Budget for Chandler's Land and Water Conservation Fund's Homestead Park Project.

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Chandler's Homestead Park Amendment Request

Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation
\$750,000.00	\$139,182.00	\$889,182.00	Increase \$139,182.00	Increase \$139,182.00

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve the Chandler's Amendment Request Funding increase in the amount of _____ establishing the new award amount of \$ _____ for this project.

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The Board will Consider and May Take Action to Appoint Applicants to the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT).

The Board will review and discuss staff's recommendations to fill six(6) vacancies on ASCOT and may take action to appoint the following individuals to ASCOT

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Staff Recommendations			
Name	Organization	Term	Serving
Kyle Robb	United State Forest Service	1st	2022-2024
Linda Slay	Back Country Horseman	1st	2022-2024
Paul King	City of Glendale	1st	2022-2024
Nicole Balducci	Representative at Large	1st	2022-2024
Justin Inglis	Flagstaff Trail Initiative	1st	2022-2024
Beverly Schowalter	County Line Riders of Catalina	1st	2022-2024

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____ to Appoint Applicants to the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT).

2021 Arizona State Park's Boating Survey

Staff will update The Board on the 2021 Final Boat and Watercraft Study. This agenda item is for information only.

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Boat & Watercraft Study Key Findings

**AORCC Meeting – Dawn Collins, ASPT & Debra Pryor, Partners In
Brainstorms**

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Boat & Watercraft Study Objectives

- Determine the number of days of recreational watercraft use in each of the state's counties by **boat use days** and **person use days** in order to allocate funds.
- Collect selected attitudinal and behavioral data.



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Key Methodology Changes in 2021 Study

- Focused on Arizona registered boat owners and watercraft users.
 - Previous studies targeted four states: Arizona registered boat owners (47% of the respondents), California (38%), 7.5% each from Nevada and Utah.
- Survey conducted primarily online, offering variety of options – smartphone, tablet, laptop, computer. For phone interviews, the majority of respondents used mobile phones.
- Expanded outreach through multiple communication channels.



Boat and Personal Watercraft Users

Take a 10-Minute Survey

Drawing for Prizes Totaling More Than \$7,000!

You're invited to participate in this short survey to share your boating and personal watercraft experiences and recreational needs here in Arizona. **Everyone who completes the survey will be entered into a drawing for more than 70 prizes totaling over \$7,000, including gift cards, life jackets, and passes to Arizona State Parks.**



Scan the QR code or enter the link below to start the survey.

surveyentrance.com/AZBoat



Questions? Contact AZBoat@pib1.com or call toll-free (855) 744-5534.

Thank you!



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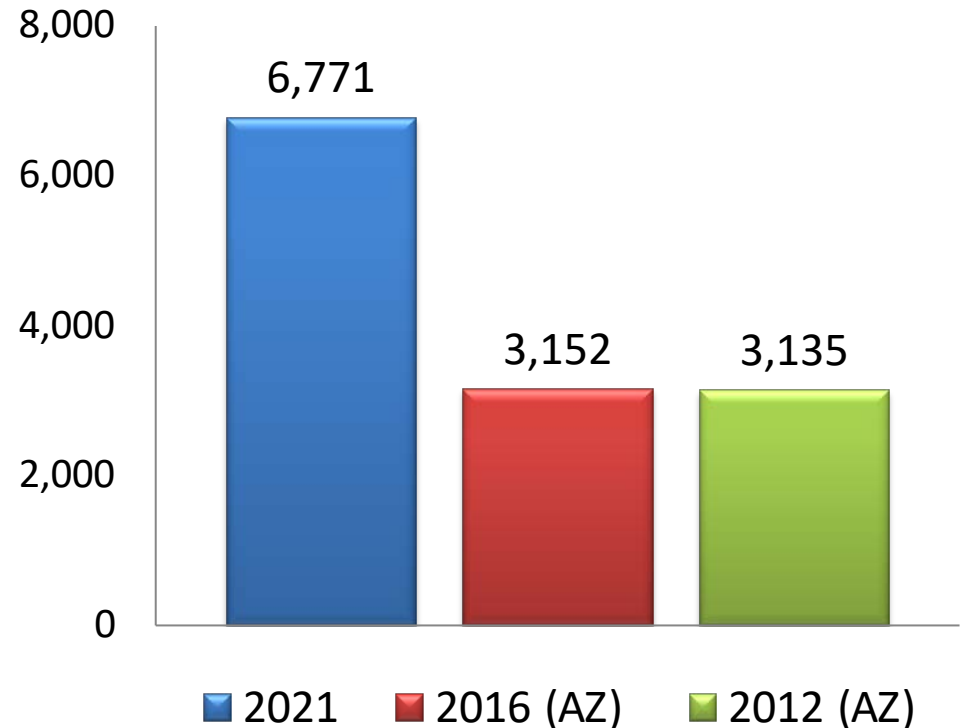


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2021 BWS Strategy Resulted in Positive Outcomes

- More than doubled participation among registered boat owners and watercraft users residing in Arizona as compared with 2016 and 2012.
- Respondents provided key demographic data.
- Provided Arizona-specific information on impact of COVID-19 pandemic on boating activity.
- Comments and suggestions came from Arizona residents, who represent ASPT's and AZGFD's primary customers.

Completed BWS Surveys

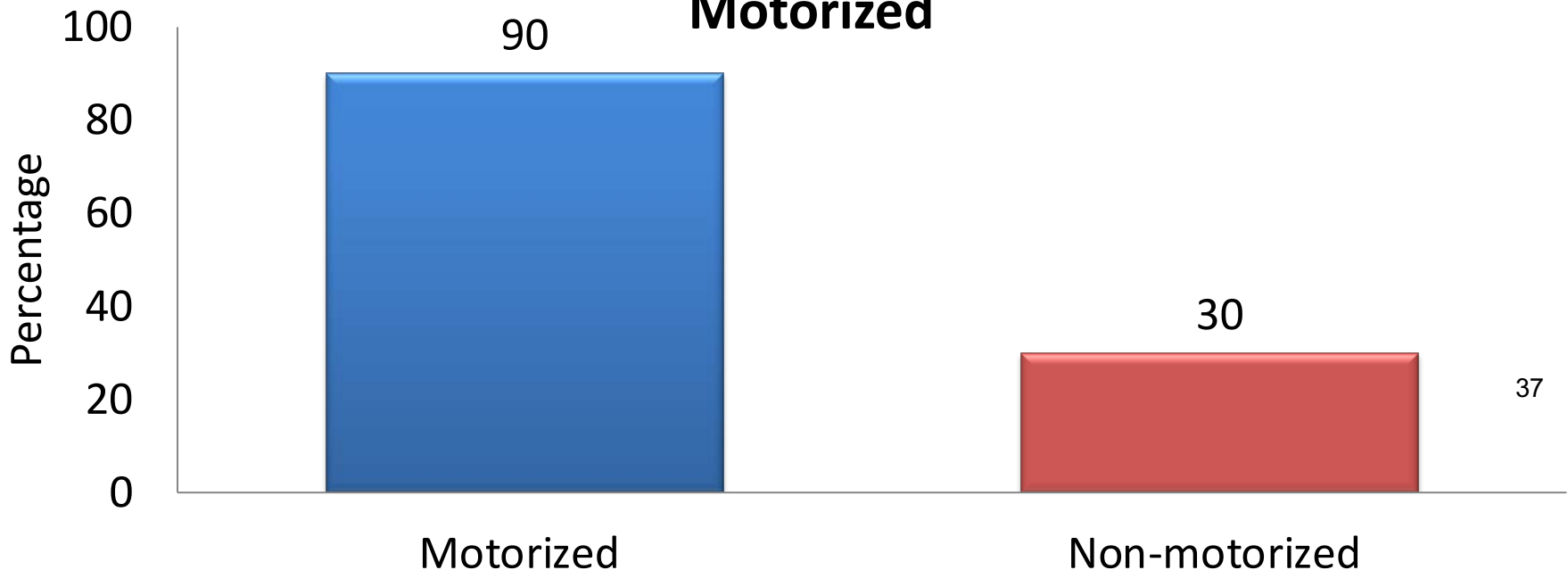


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Use of Motorized and Non-Motorized Boats and Watercraft

- In 2021, a primary goal was to secure responses from Arizona registered boat owners and watercraft users.
- All motorized boats and personal watercraft must be registered with the Arizona Game & Fish Department, thus accounting for 90% of respondents having used a motorized watercraft in the past 12 months.

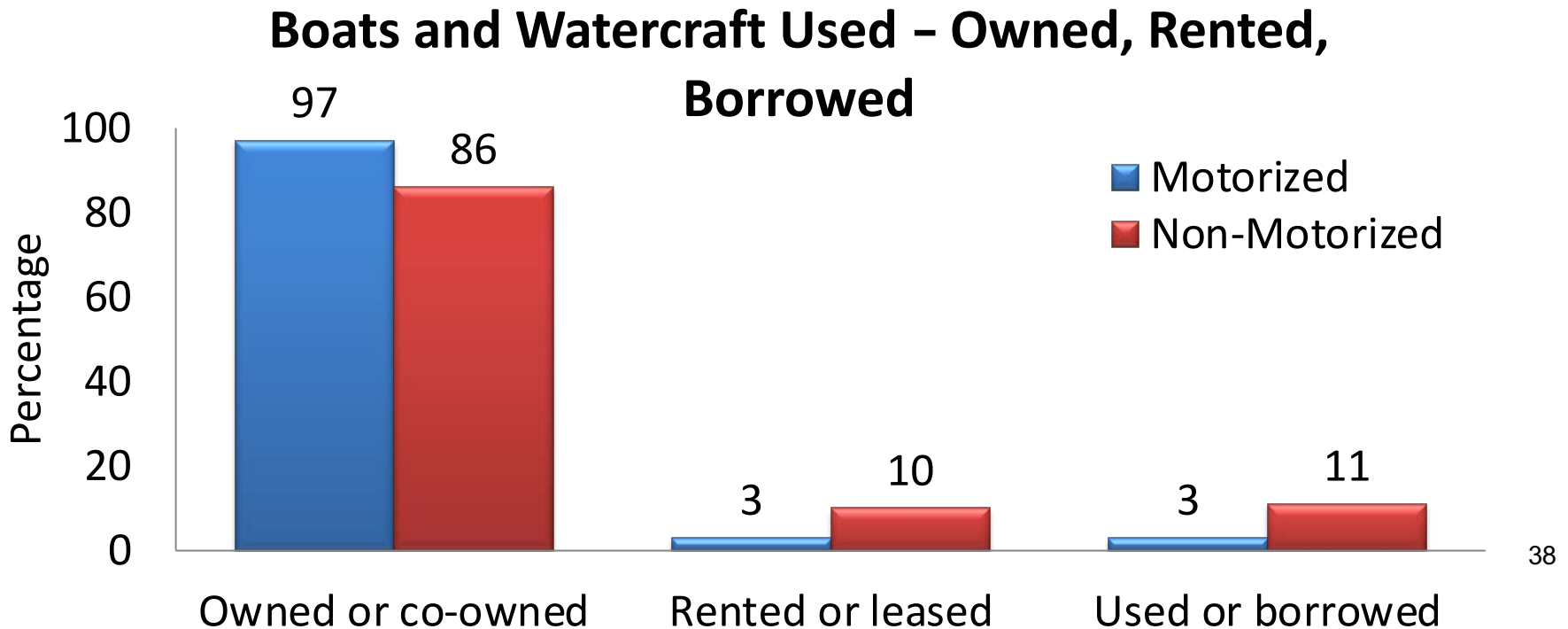
Boats and Watercraft Used – Motorized & Non-Motorized



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Ownership Status

Respondents age 45 and older were significantly more likely to own or co-own their boat or watercraft. Those in the three younger age groups, spanning ages 18 to 44, were significantly more likely to rent or lease it.

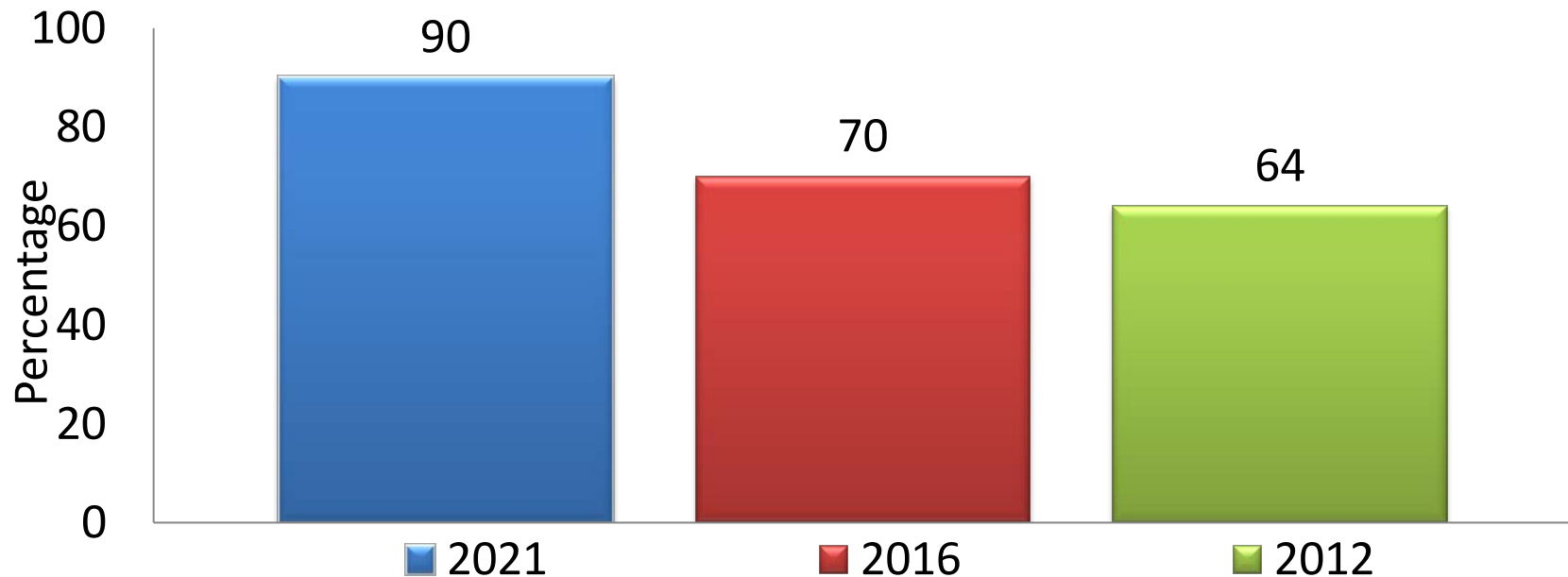


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Boat and Watercraft Use Rises Significantly

Overall boat and watercraft use in Arizona is continuing to rise. Increase in use from 2016 to 2021 (29%) more than tripled that from 2012 to 2016 (9%).

Boat and Watercraft Use During Past 12 Months



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Reasons for Non-Use During Past 12 Months

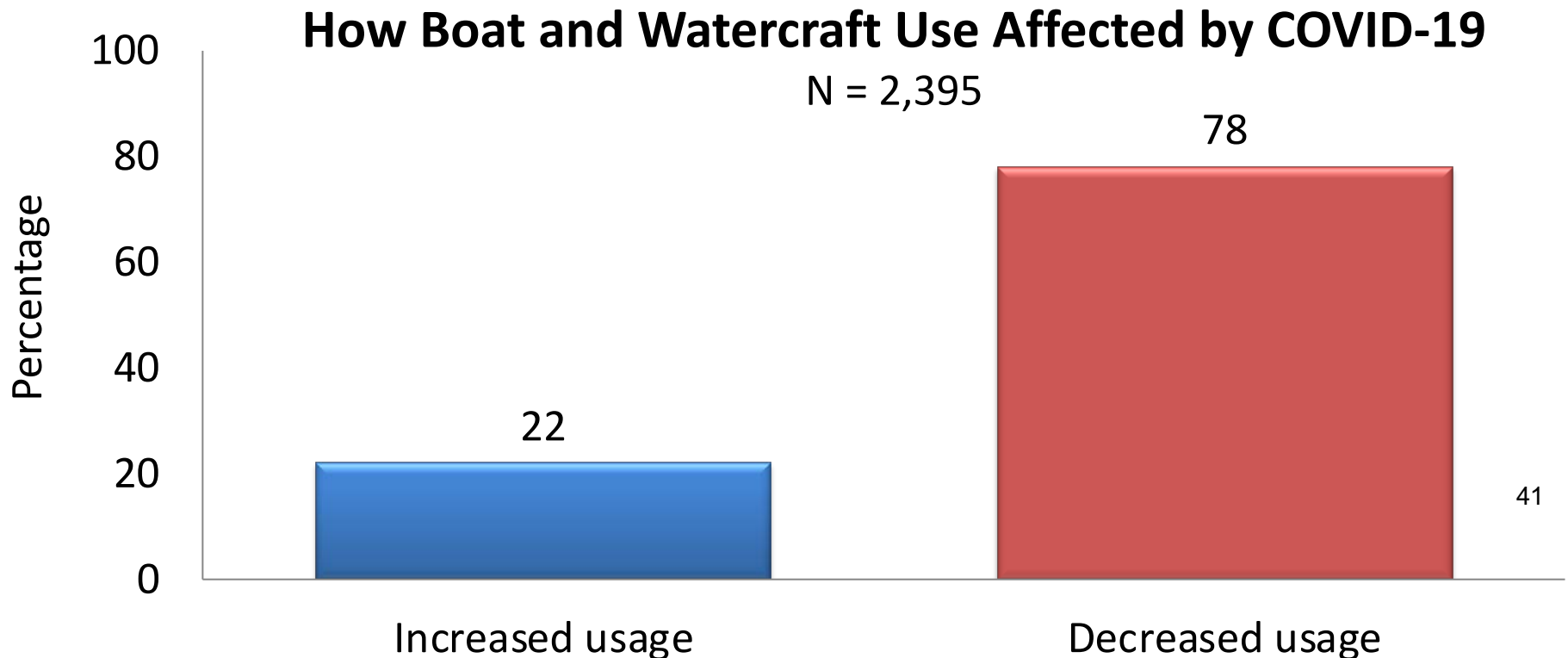
Individuals who had not used a boat or watercraft during the past 12 months were asked to identify their reason(s) for non-use, choosing all that apply.

Reasons for Non-Use	
Reason Given	Percentage
COVID-19 / stay-at-home orders	33.2%
Too busy, no time	24.4%
Too crowded	11.3%
Not currently a boat or watercraft user	10.6%
Boat wasn't working, broken down	10.4%
Other miscellaneous reasons	10.1%

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Decreased Usage Among Boaters Ages 25 and Older Due to COVID-19

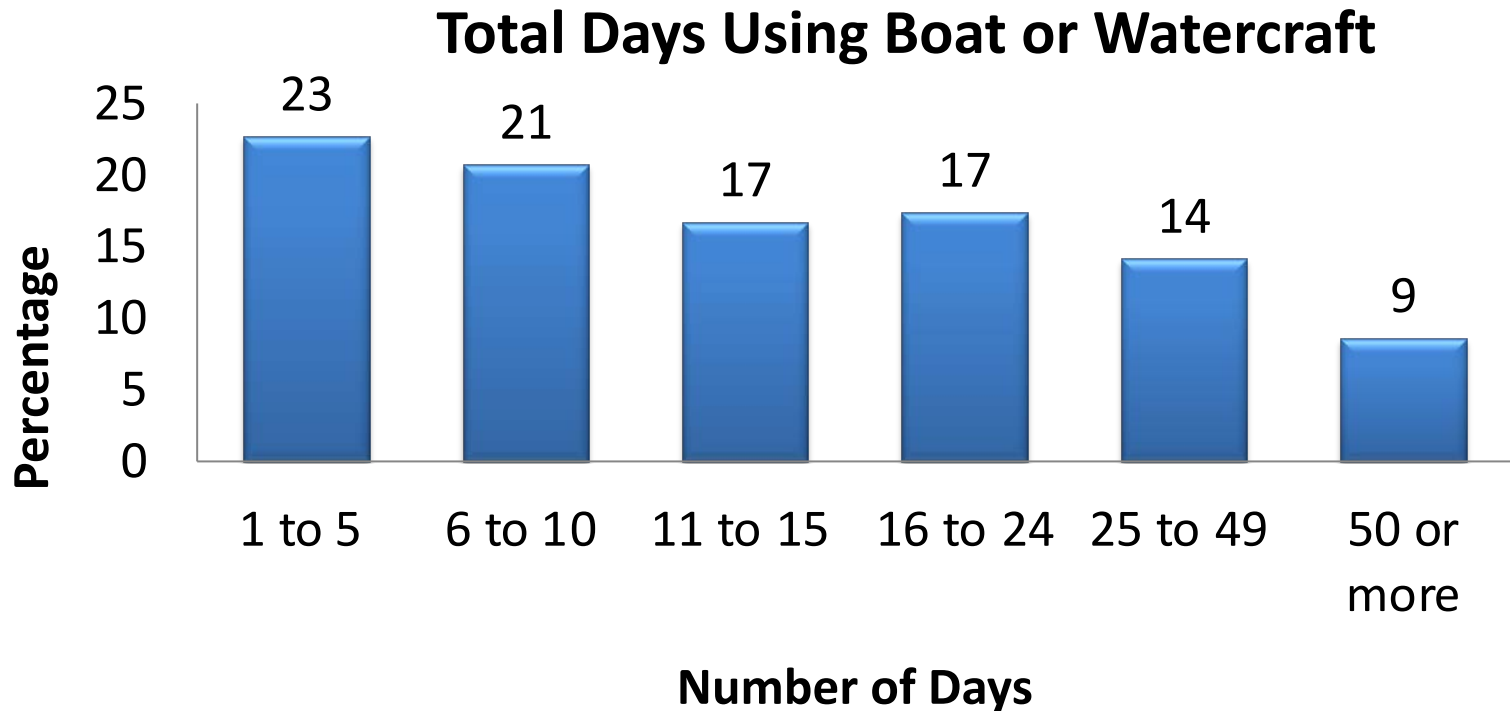
- Among the respondents who reported that the pandemic had affected their boat or watercraft use, 78% said it had decreased.
- Direct correlation between age and decreased boat use, beginning with individuals in the 25-44 age group (60%) and continuing through individuals age 75 and older (94%).



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Decrease in Average Number of Days Spent Boating

Respondent estimates of their total number of days spent boating during the past 12 months showed a decrease from the 2016 data (17.5 and 25.5 mean number of days, respectively) and a smaller decrease from the 2012 mean of 18.1.

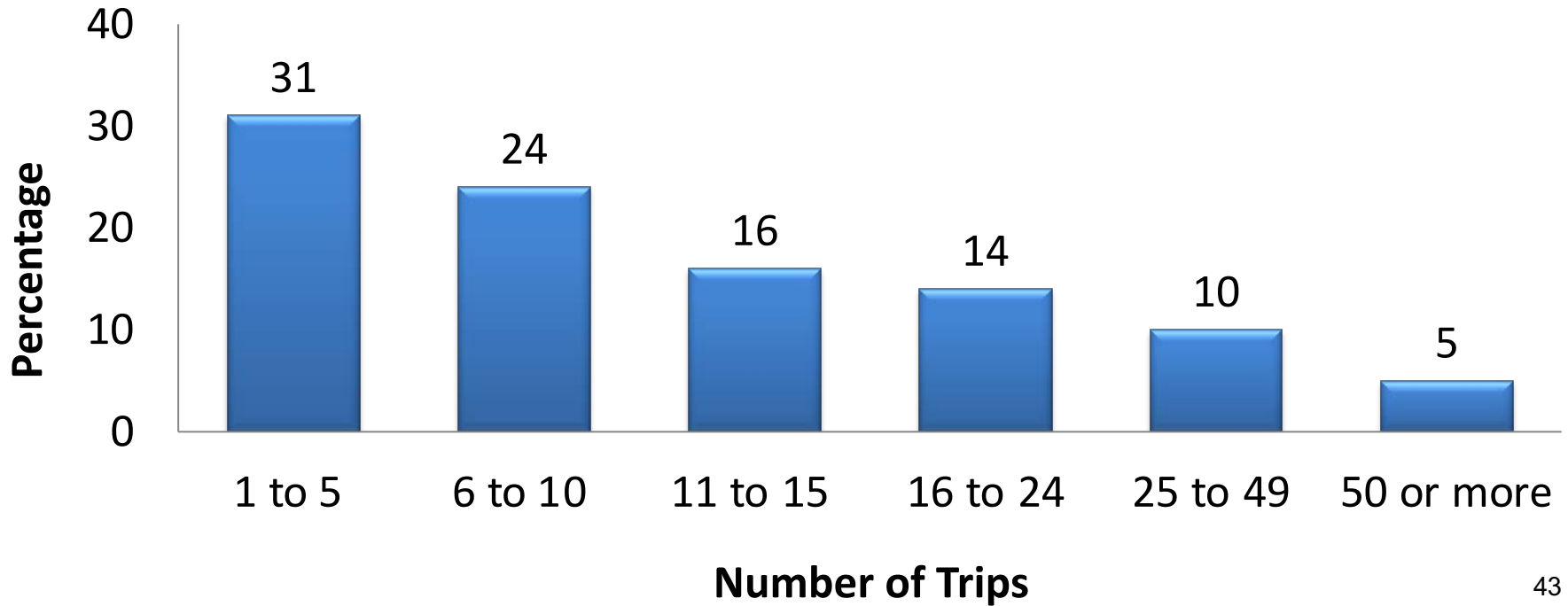


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No Change in Average Number of Boating Trips

Based on respondent estimates, the mean number of boating trips during the past 12 months was 17.1, reflecting no significant change from the 2016 data.

Total Boat or Watercraft Trips



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Larger Groups on Some Waterways Likely Connected to Pandemic

Compared with data from the 2016 survey, increases were seen in the mean number of people in the group – the “family boat bubble” phenomenon – on boating trips to several popular lakes and rivers, including the Grand Canyon, Lake Powell, and Lake Mead.

Average Number of People In Group on Boating Trips During Past 12 Months – Top 10 Lakes and Rivers

Ranking	Lake or River	Number of People in Group (Summary of Means)
1	Grand Canyon	8.70
2	Lake Powell	7.16
3	Lake Mead	7.16
4	Clear Creek Reservoir	5.87
5	Glen Canyon Dam to Lees Ferry	5.68
6	Headgate Rock Dam to Ehrenberg	5.25
7	Lake Havasu	5.22
8	Davis Dam to Topock Gorge	5.08
9	Salt River	4.73
10	Topock Gorge	4.66



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Arizona's Most Visited Lakes & Rivers Also Lead in Boat Use & Person Use Days

Top 10 Arizona waterways represent over 2.2 million (74%) of total boat use days and 10.6 million (77%) of total person use days for Arizona registered boat owners and watercraft users.

Boat Use Days and Person Use Days for Top 10 Arizona Lakes and Rivers Visited During Past 12 Months

Rank	Lake or River	Boat Use Days by Lake/River	Person Use Days by Lake/River
1	Lake Havasu	676,989	3,532,972
2	Lake Pleasant	313,433	1,413,015
3	Roosevelt Lake	218,512	974,044
4	Parker Strip	204,868	941,419
5	Bartlett Lake	155,617	588,657
6	Saguaro Lake	150,274	595,753
7	Topock Gorge	143,224	667,050
8	Lake Powell	132,972	951,907
9	Canyon Lake	123,952	518,130
10	Lake Mohave	97,289	438,231



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Arizona Counties Eligible for Disbursements from LEBSF*



#	Lake or River	County
1	Lake Havasu	Mohave (90%) & La Paz (10%)
2	Lake Pleasant	Maricopa
3	Roosevelt Lake	Gila
4	Parker Strip (Parker Dam to Headgate Rock Dam)	La Paz
5	Bartlett Lake	Maricopa
6	Saguaro Lake	Maricopa
7	Topock Gorge	Mohave
8	Lake Powell	Coconino
9	Canyon Lake	Maricopa
10	Lake Mohave (Hoover Dam to Davis Dam)	Mohave

* Law Enforcement Boating Safety Fund (LEBSF).
LEBSF-eligible counties appear in blue on map.

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Major Increases in Boat Use Days Over 2016 Data

**Boat Use Days Among Arizona Counties Eligible for LEBSF Disbursements
Comparison of Arizona Registered Boat Owners and Watercraft Users in 2021 and 2016**
(12-Month Data)**

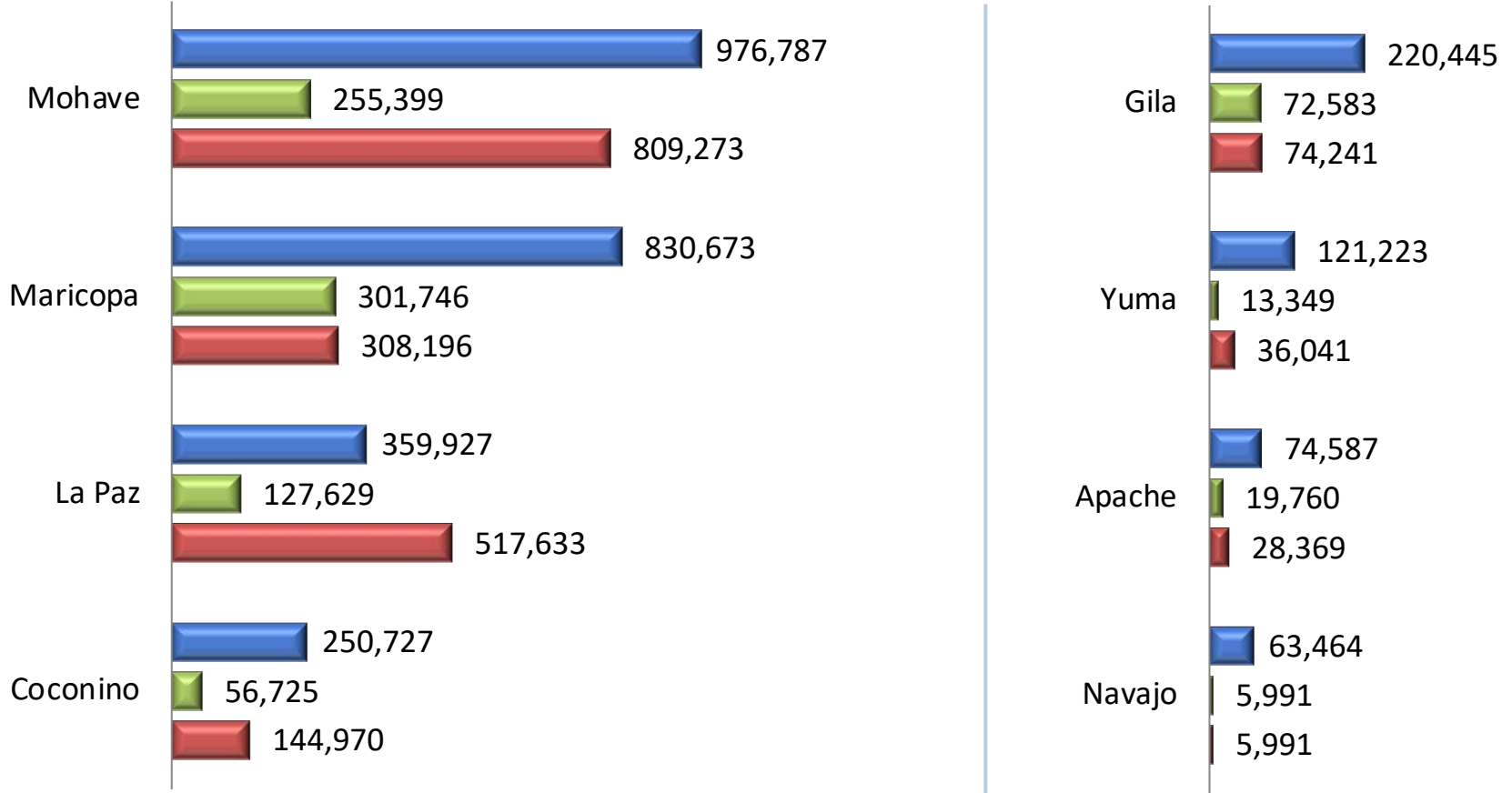
Arizona County	2021 (AZ)		2016 (AZ)**		2016 (AZ, CA, NV, UT)**	
	Boat Use Days	Percentage*	Boat Use Days	Percentage	Boat Use Days	Percentage
Mohave	976,787	33.71%	255,399	29.9%	809,273	42.0%
Maricopa	830,673	28.67%	301,746	35.4%	308,196	16.0%
La Paz	359,927	12.42%	127,629	15.0%	517,633	26.9%
Coconino	250,727	8.65%	56,725	6.6%	144,970	7.5%
Gila	220,445	7.61%	72,583	8.5%	74,241	3.9%
Yuma	121,223	4.18%	13,349	1.6%	36,041	1.9%
Apache	74,587	2.57%	19,760	2.3%	28,369	1.5%
Navajo	63,464	2.19%	5,991	0.7%	5,991	0.3%
Totals	2,897,834	100.00%	853,182	100.0%	1,924,714	100.0%

* Expanded the 2021 percentages to the hundredth place based on recent LEBSF worksheets and allocation summaries.
** 2016 data represent registered boat owners only.

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Seven of the Eight Counties Show Increases Over Four-State 2016 Totals

■ 2021 (AZ) ■ 2016 (AZ) ■ 2016 (AZ, CA, NV, UT)



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Increased Boat & Person Use Days – Maricopa County

- U.S. Census data for 2020 estimates Arizona's population at 7.15 million, a growth of 39% since 2000.
- Maricopa County is home to 4.4 million residents, 62% of Arizona population. It is the state's most populous county and the nation's 4th most populous.
- Approximately half of Arizona registered boat owners live in Maricopa County.
- As noted earlier, the 2016 survey included registered boat owners in four states, with Arizonans accounting for less than half (47%) of all respondents.
- Based on boat use and person use days, there was an increase at lakes and rivers within Maricopa County, most notably Lake Pleasant, Saguaro Lake, Bartlett Lake, and Canyon Lake – all of which are among the top 10 lakes in the state.



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Decline in Boat Use Days at Other Arizona Lakes Likely Due to Water Levels

- Analysis of 2021 data for boat use days identified significant changes in comparison with the data from the 2016 BWS survey, notably:
- **Lake Mohave** dropped from 3rd in 2016 to 10th in 2021.
- **Lake Mead** dropped from 7th in 2016 to 19th in 2021.



- Lake Mead is fed by the Colorado River, which in 2021 was at its lowest water level since Hoover Dam was completed and its reservoir filled in the 1930s.
- Numerous survey respondents commented that a major challenge to boating at Lake Mead is the closing of launch ramps due to low water levels.

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Pleasure Boating & Fishing Remain Top Two Activities

Activities on Typical Boating Trip

Activity	Percentage	
General pleasure boating	60.8%	
Fishing	56.4%	
Tubing	25.9%	
Canoeing/kayaking	22.2%	
Water skiing	18.5%	
Jet skiing	16.6%	
Wake boarding	15.2%	
Stand up paddle boarding (SUP)	12.4%	
Knee boarding	6.5%	
Rafting	2.9%	
Sailing	1.7%	
Other responses (swimming, camping, hunting/duck hunting, etc.)	5.8%	

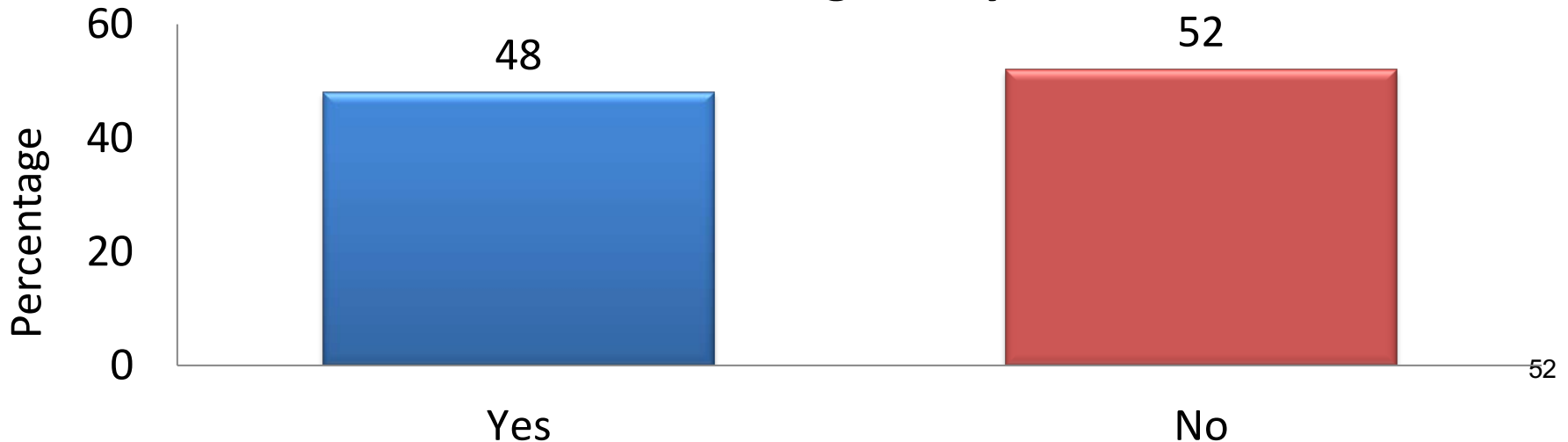


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About Half of Respondents Have Taken a Boating Safety Class

- Respondents who have taken a boating safety course increased incrementally with each age group starting at ages 35 to 44 (42%) and continuing through respondents 75 and older (57%).
- Among respondents who have not taken a boating safety course, the highest percentage was among individuals ages 25 to 34 (68%).

Took Boating Safety Class

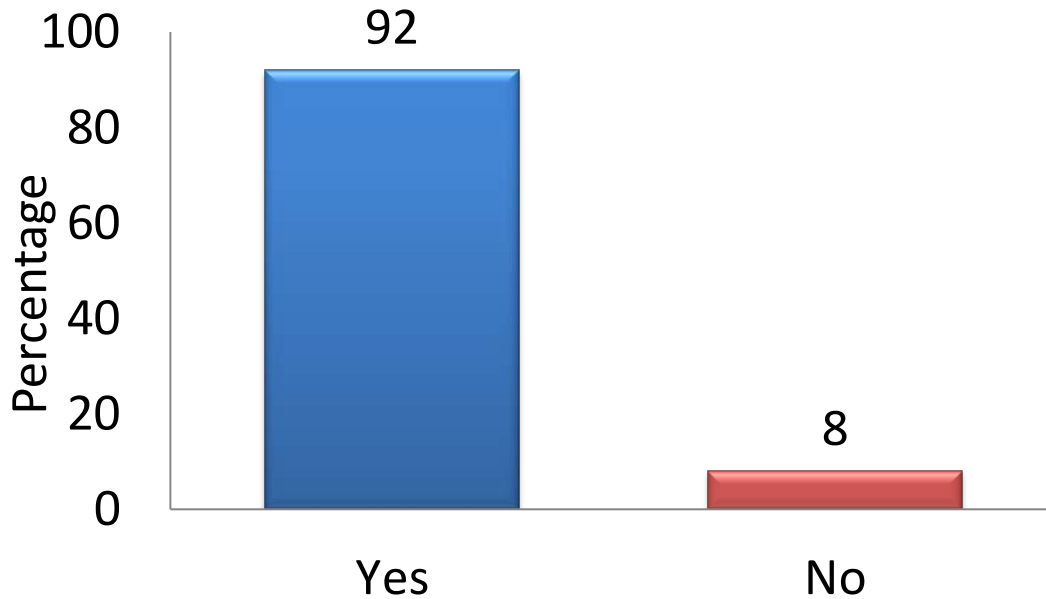


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Majority of Respondents (92%) Know About Aquatic Invasive Species

This is a slight increase over the 2016 total of 86% reporting that they knew a lot, some, or only a little about them. Respondents in the two youngest age ranges (18 to 24 and 25 to 34) were less aware (81% and 83%, respectively) than those age 35 and older.

Aware of Aquatic Invasive Species



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Respondent Suggestions & Comments Summary

- Key suggestions and comments were drawn from responses to the survey's open-end question that asked, *"If you could make one recommendation or suggestion that would help improve your boating and personal watercraft experience on Arizona lakes and rivers, what would it be?"* Organized into four main categories:
 - Facilities and maintenance needs
 - Boating safety and education
 - Accessibility for seniors and individuals with disabilities
 - Communications and administrative services
- Many comments thanked the agencies for doing a good job of managing the waterways in Arizona.



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Recommendations – Facilities & Maintenance Needs


- Use various communication channels to provide detailed, real-time information – e.g., water levels, congestion, launch ramp lines, etc. Consider expanding use of webcams.
- Due to low water levels, extend boat ramps further into the water.
- Improve security in parking lots at the most visited sites.
- Provide shuttles or accessible parking closer to launch points.
- Sponsor series of shoreline clean-up events for volunteers, rotating among the most visited sites.



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Recommendations – Boating Safety & Education

- Develop brief video(s) on basic rules for operating boats and personal watercraft.
 - Consider customized, modular versions for the most popular waterways, to show locations of no-wake zones, etc.
 - Post videos on AZGFD and ASPT websites, YouTube, and other social media channels.
 - Provide to boating clubs and organizations, boating and watercraft retailers and rental operators, etc.
 - Encourage rental operators to show to all customers before releasing equipment.



The image shows a thumbnail for a video titled "Georgia Boat Rental Safety". The video is produced by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Law Enforcement Division. The thumbnail features a boat on a body of water with the title text overlaid. The text "Georgia Boat Rental Safety" is in a large, white, outlined font. In the top right corner, there is a logo for the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Law Enforcement Division, which includes a gold emblem and the text "GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES" and "LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION".

In Georgia, renters are required to watch a 10-minute boater education video, and sign an orientation safety checklist before operating a rented motorized boat or personal watercraft (PWC).

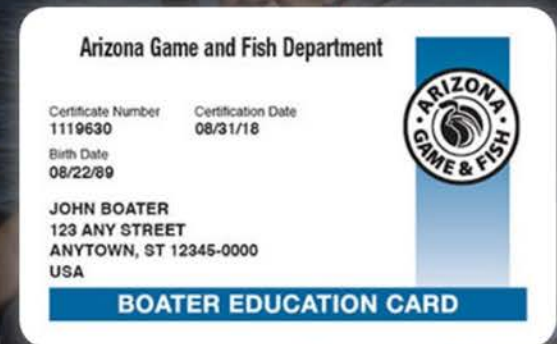
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Recommendations – Boating Safety & Education (cont'd)

- Expand promotional efforts regarding availability and convenience of online boat and watercraft education courses.
 - Leverage appropriate internal and external communication channels.
 - Highlight safety aspect and benefits.

Official Arizona Boating Safety Course Online

Take this Arizona–approved course to complete your online boating safety education. Boat-ed.com is a delegated provider for the Arizona Game and Fish Department.



Lifetime Card

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Recommendations – Administrative Services

- Consider possible ways to expand customer-centric services, such as offering multi-year registration, online printable passes, etc.
 - *Make boater registration last longer than one year. Most states' registrations are good for three years and the cost is about the same as it is when you register here for one year. It would be a lot more enjoyable to only have to renew every three years instead of the current practice of every year.*
- May also wish to consider slightly discounted registration fees for those who have completed a boating class, seniors, etc.

ARIZONA WATERCRAFT CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER						
Registration No		AZ 6266BS		Expires on 12/31/2021		
SAMPLE REGISTRATION 5000 W CAREFREE HIGHWAY PHOENIX AZ 85086						
Make				ISSUE DATE:		
SAMPLE BOAT				01/08/2021		
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(Owner Signature) _____						

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Questions & Answers



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Legislative Rules and Legislative Update.

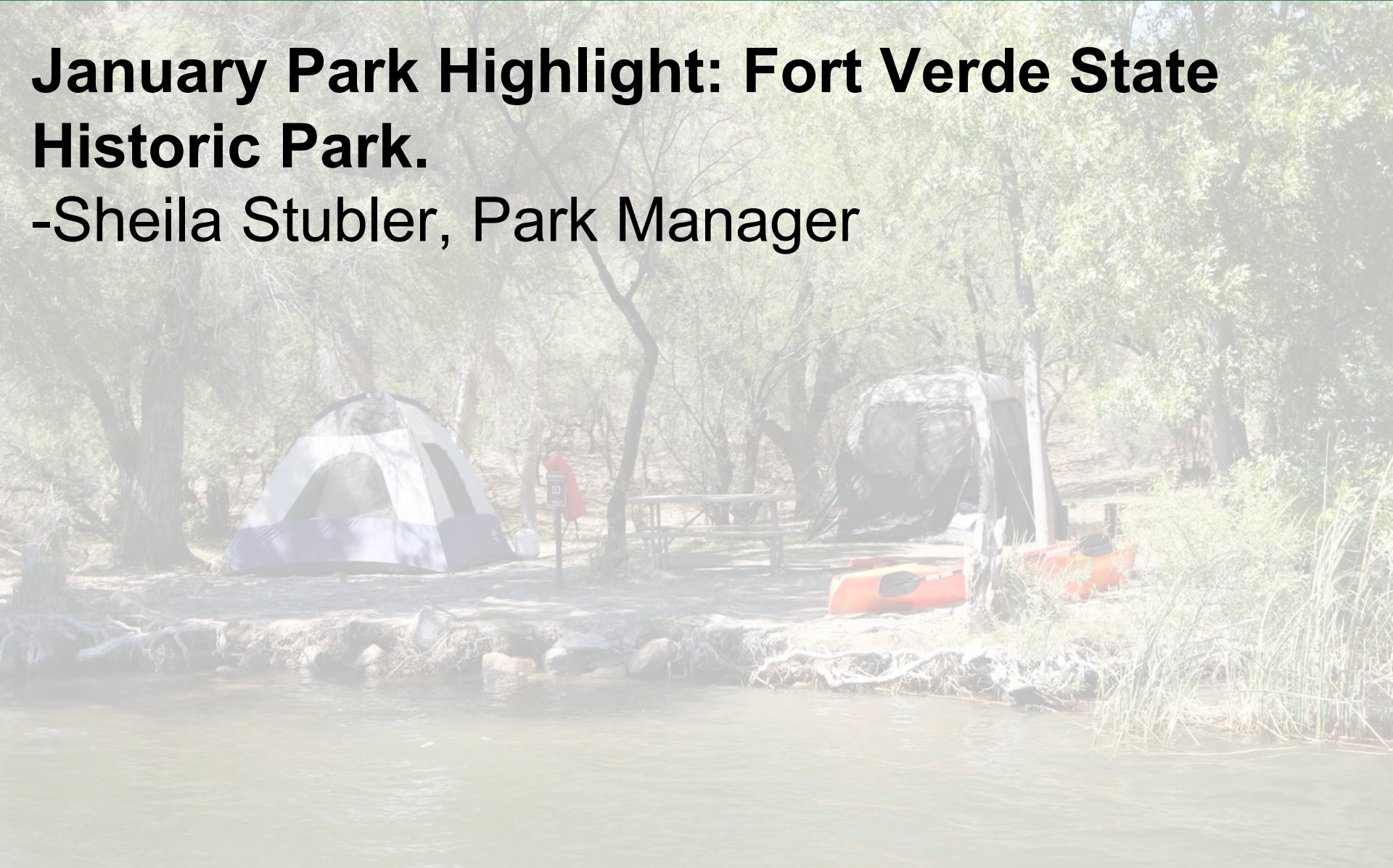
The Board will be given an update on the agency's administrative rule writing process.

The Board will also be briefed on any legislative bills before the Legislature during the 2022 legislative process.

AGENDA – D12

January Park Highlight: Fort Verde State Historic Park.

-Sheila Stubler, Park Manager





***Fort Verde
State Historic Park***

Traveling Back in History...

Site History



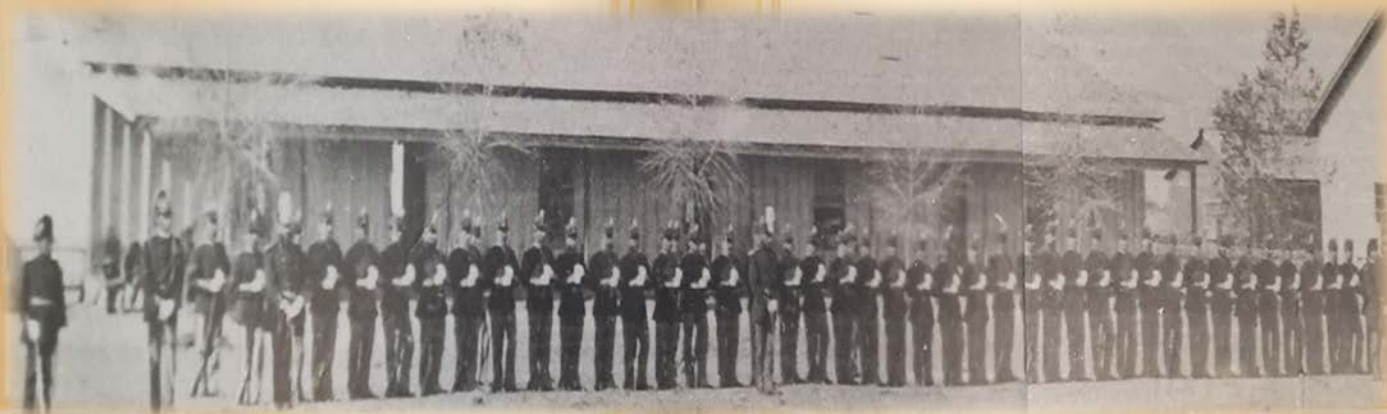
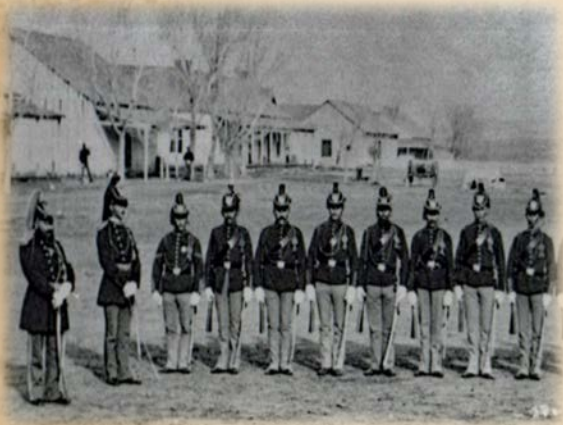
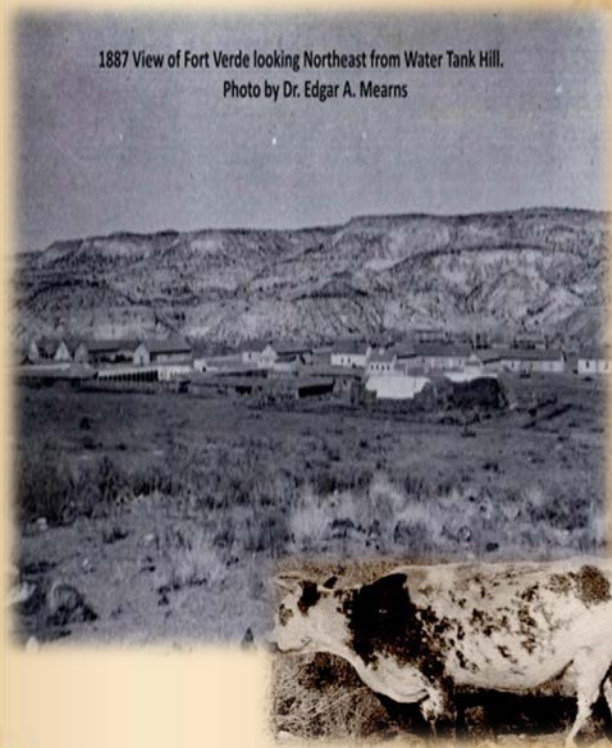




DIAGRAM OF FORT.

by
Lieut. J. F. Cummings, U.S.A.
December 1885

U.S.A. Fort Verde, Arizona



1887 View of Fort Verde looking Northeast from Water Tank Hill.

Photo by Dr. Edgar A. Mearns



1956-1970 - Fort Verde is operated by the Camp Verde Improvement Association - later known as the "Fort Verde Museum/Association"



Fort Verde Museum 1956 - 1970



The Fort Verde Museum Committee was appointed in 1956 under the Camp Verde Improvement Association, with the purpose of preserving insofar as possible the original buildings of Fort Verde and establishing a museum in one of them. The Museum was opened on November 23, 1956 with three rooms of exhibits. As funds permitted, three more rooms were completed and opened to the public. By 1966 all eight rooms in the present museum building were restored and opened.

On January 27, 1961, the Fort Verde Museum was incorporated as a non-profit organization under the laws of the State of Arizona. The corporation was administered by a Board of Trustees elected for three-year terms by the active membership of the Museum Association. In July 1964, the corporation purchased one of the remaining officers' quar-

ters. In May of 1965, the two-story officers' quarters was purchased and given to the Museum Association as a memorial. Some restoration work has been done on the two-story building, including a new roof, repairs to a fire-damaged room on the second floor, and a new sub-floor for the porch. Much remains to be done, etc.

The active operation of the Museum was carried on by a director and two custodians who kept the Museum open seven days a week.

On September 1, 1970, all paper work being completed, the Arizona State Parks Department took over the operation of Fort Verde Museum. Your Board of Trustees has had its moments of nostalgia for "the good old days" when the museum was its "baby", but we look forward to its continued growth and development as a State Historical Park.

*Sept. 1st 1970
Fort Verde becomes an
Arizona State Park*



*Congratulations, Camp Verde, on a job well done.
My best wishes for our newest State Park.*

*Yours sincerely,
Jack Williams,
Governor*





RANGER LUCILLE GERMAN and supervisor John Schreiber stand on the old Fort Verde porch after their recent promotions. Mrs. German was promoted

to ranger, becoming the first and only woman ranger in the state parks system, after Ranger Schreiber was named supervisor. Independent photo

She's first female ranger in Arizona

Ken Wagner, Chief Ranger with the State Parks Department, has announced two promotions at Fort Verde State Historic Park. Effective July 1, 1972, Ranger John Schreiber has been promoted to Supervisor, and Assistant Ranger Lucille

German, promoted to ranger. The vacancy as assistant ranger will be filled later in July.

Mrs. German becomes the first and only woman ranger in the State Parks System. She has been with Fort Verde since June, 1967, when she

started as custodian of the museum for the Fort Verde Museum Association. She became director of the museum in 1965, and served in the capacity until Fort Verde was taken into the parks system in September, 1970.

Also on the staff at Fort Verde is Virgie Boatman, ranger aide, and two summer NYC aides, Ted Gia and Duane Miles. David Edson from the State maintenance crew at Jerome is also at the Fort for the summer.

Lucille German, located on the left, is the first female Park Ranger in the State of Arizona, at Fort Verde



Adjutant Headquarters before & after



Officer's Row before & after...



Commanding Officer's Quarters



ARIZ., 13-CAMP, 1A-1 HABS



Kid's Room Before & After



Preservation

The Camp Verde

JOUR

AUGUST 6, 2014 CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA

"The Voice of the Lower"



MAKING ADOBE BRICKS is a family affair. Inmael Ramirez's children like to help their dad, while their mother, Saby Sabados, supervises.



FORT VERDE would be a busy site for many of the activities planned for the 2022 bicentennial of the 100th anniversary of Arizona statehood.

Historians prepare for birthday

By Mark Lindeberger
Lubbock News-Observer

Almost a century ago, Arizona made history by making the statehood territory its own. It has been nearly 100 years since the state became a part of the United States. While 2012 would still mean little over the horizon, it's an occasion the current U.S. Army is marking every corner of Arizona are joining their hands together to make their event special, and they want everybody to know about it.

Mark Lindeberger, the state's historical preservation specialist, is leading the way. He's been working for several years to get all of the state's historical sites and buildings ready for the bicentennial. He's been working for several years to get all of the state's historical sites and buildings ready for the bicentennial. He's been working for several years to get all of the state's historical sites and buildings ready for the bicentennial.

Photos by Mark Lindeberger
The children are Andrea, top, Inmael, middle, and Saby Sabados, bottom.

Adobe bricks keep Fort in shape

By Mark Lindeberger
Lubbock News-Observer

Adobe bricks have been used for millennia to provide building material. Adobe bricks are made out of mud and straw. The building material, as well as the word itself, has remained nearly the same since Egyptians used it in antiquity. In an era of modern building materials, there are still some people around to remind the rest of us about the durability of adobe and that using it successfully is as much an art form as it is a practical construction skill.

Reggie Mackay is a little newer to the scene compared with the Egyptians but still practices the art of using adobe bricks as a building material.

Hired out of Florence, Mackay has most recently been using his skills to help make repairs to assist in the preservation of Fort Verde State Historic Park.

Mackay has been working with adobe for more than three



REGGIE MACKAY is the adobe preservation specialist who is restoring the crumbling walls of Fort Verde's administration building, which is now used as the gift shop and museum.



Volunteers



VN/Steve Ayers

Men At Work

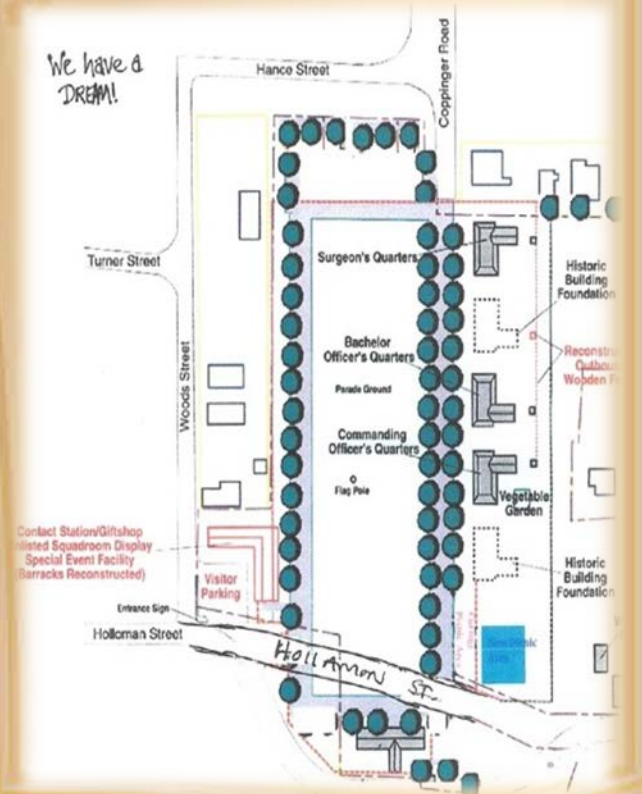
The core group of volunteers who stepped up last year to help Fort Verde pay for the front porch on the museum building a couple of months ago, they are now painting the ceiling on the same building. Next, according to park manager Sheila, they will be installing the watering system on the front lawn, after which she says there is plenty of work to be done.



Partnerships



ASPT Master Plan



- *Stabilize adobe buildings*
- *Restore fireplaces, chimneys & other structures*
- *Interpretive programming*
- *Construction of reproduction enlisted men's barracks, & contact station/gift shop*



Special Events

Buffalo Soldiers

Archaeology Awareness- Weekly Presentations & Mountain Man

History of the Soldier

Colonel's Daughter

Fort Verde Days - Vintage Baseball

Tom Sawyer Fence Painting Service Project

Veterans Day and Flag Disposal Ceremony

*Victorian Christmas decorations on display;
Ornament making Workshop &
Candlelight tours*

** School & adult group guided tours*



VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME AT FORT VERDE



Education

Primary History

Comes Alive at the Fort

Photos by Michelle Braddock-Larson, Newspress



Welcome Home
Vietnam Veterans Day

Save the date:
March 29th - April 3rd, 2023



Thank You Veterans!



Attendance & Revenue

	Attendance	Revenue
July – October 2021 (open 6 hours/day)	3,182 (23% reduction from pre-covid in raw total, but an increase when you adjust for 25% fewer open hours)	\$26,950 (9.6% increase over pre-covid)
July – October 2020	2,630	\$18,171
July – October 2019 (open 8 hours/day)	4,115	\$24,594

Park Hours

Daily 10:00am - 4:00pm

Admission:

14 & older-\$7.00

Kids 7-13 -\$4.00

6 & under- Free



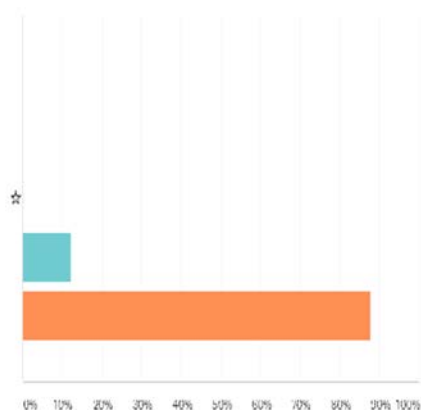
Visitor Opinion Surveys

Fort Verde State Historic Park

January - April 2021

Q3 Please rate the quality of your overall experience during your recent visit to this Arizona State Park.

Answered: 66 Skipped: 0



Very Poor Poor Average Good Excellent

	VERY POOR	POOR	AVERAGE	GOOD	EXCELLENT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.12%	87.88%	66	4.86
	0	0	0	8	58	66	

Mar. - Oct. 2021

Please rate the quality of your overall experience during your recent visit to this Arizona State Park.

4.89/5

Please rate the quality of the park facilities (restrooms, campsites, visitor center, etc.).

4.79/5

Please rate the service provided by park rangers and volunteers during this visit to this Arizona State Park.

4.93/5

How likely are you to recommend this park to a friend?

4.86/5

2021
**Travelers'
Choice™**



Tripadvisor

TripAdvisor

Customer
ratings .. #1 of
19 Things To Do
in Camp Verde”
the past 5 years



Future Park Rangers...



Thank you for preserving Arizona's history!



Write
Fort Verde...
Preserving Arizona's History for Future Generations...
Your



January Park Highlight: Fool Hollow Lake Recreation Area.

-James Knotts, Park Manager






FOOL HOLLOW LAKE RECREATION AREA

Parks Board Presentation

1/20/22



HOW DID FOOL HOLLOW GET ITS NAME

THE PARK WAS NAMED WHEN THOMAS JEFFERSON ADAIR MOVED INTO THE AREA IN 1885 TO START A FARM.

THE LOCALS JOKED THAT ONLY A FOOL WOULD TRY TO FARM THE LAND AND THE NAME STUCK

PARK INFO

- DAM BUILT IN 1957 BY THE AZ GAME AND FISH DEPT
- SURFACE AREA OF LAKE 150 ACRES
- TOTAL PARK ACERAGE 675
- HOOK UP CAMPSITES 92
- TENT CAMPING SITES 31

Park Opened 1994

A UNIQUE PARTERSHIP

- ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS
- THE US FOREST SERVICE
- CITY OF SHOW LOW
- AZ GAME AND FISH

F U L L T I M E S T A F F

Full Time Staff

- Pete Knotts – Park Manager
- Fran Frei– Asst. Park Manager
- Debra Baldwin
- Justin Garcia
- Heather Stiltz
- Sammy Mitchell



Park Visitation

- FY20 143,100
- FY 21 149,921
- FY 22 69,000
- Note visitation for FY22 numbers will be down due to a 2 week mandatory closure in June and July.

Winter 2020



Group Ramada



Bald Eagle Nest

- Nest watcher team from AZGFD Pending a successful hatch



Interpretive Programs USFS



FOOL HOLLOW LAKE RECREATION AREA



SUMMER INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS



DATE	TIME	PRESENTATION
05/22/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
05/23/2020	7:30 PM	Smokey Bear! - Forest Service (FS)
05/29/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
05/30/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Bears - FS
05/30/2020	6:00 PM	Interview With A Pine Tree: The Burning Questions - FS/George Leech
06/05/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
06/05/2020	7:30 PM	Fire Storm! - George Leech, Retired Fort Apache Fire Management Officer
06/06/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Wildlife Detectives - FS
06/06/2020	7:30 PM	Star Gazing - Lowell Observatory
06/12/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
06/12/2020	6:00 PM	Adair: The Underwater Town - Show Low Historic Society
06/13/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Trees - FS
06/13/2020	7:30 PM	Weird & Wonderful Wildlife of Fool Hollow - FS
06/19/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
06/19/2020	7:30 PM	Fool Hollow is for the Birds! - FS
06/20/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Rats & Bats - FS
06/20/2020	7:30 PM	Whiskers in the Woods: Gray Fox of Fool Hollow - FS
06/26/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
06/27/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Bears - FS
06/27/2020	7:30 PM	Black Bears - FS
07/03/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
07/03/2020	6:00 PM	Points of Interest: Arrowheads Tell Stories of the Past
07/04/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Wildlife Detectives - FS
07/04/2020	7:30 PM	Antlers - Points of Change (Deer and Elk of the White Mountains) - FS
07/10/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
07/10/2020	7:30 PM	Wildlife Superhero's of Fool Hollow - Wildlife We Can't Live Without! - FS
07/11/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Trees - FS
07/11/2020	6:00 PM	Wildlife Rescue & Conservation (With Live Bald Eagle) - Liberty Wildlife
07/17/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
07/18/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Rats & Bats - FS
07/18/2020	6:00 PM	Reptiles & Amphibians - Perfect Paws Pet Shop
07/24/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
07/25/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Bears - FS
07/25/2020	7:30 PM	Wildlife of Fool Hollow - FS
07/31/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
08/01/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Wildlife Detectives - FS
08/01/2020	7:30 PM	Hunter Kings of the Sky! Bald Eagles and Raptors of the White Mountains - Dan Groebner, AZGFD
08/07/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
08/08/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Trees - FS
08/08/2020	6:00 PM	Wildlife Rescue & Conservation (With Live Bald Eagle) - Liberty Wildlife
08/14/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
08/15/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Rats & Bats - FS
08/15/2020	7:30 PM	Wild Birds Sing! Bird Songs of the White Mountains - Dan Groebner, AZGFD
08/21/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
08/22/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Bears - FS
08/22/2020	6:00 PM	Treasures of the Past: Ceramics of the Forest Tell Stories of an Ancient People - FS
08/28/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Walk - FS
08/29/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Wildlife Detectives - FS
08/29/2020	7:00 PM	Wings Over Water: Bald Eagle & Osprey - FS
09/04/2020	9:00 AM	Nature Hike - FS
09/05/2020	4:00 PM	Children's Program: Rats & Bats - FS
09/05/2020	7:00 PM	Fall Colors in the White Mountains: The Phoenix Tree - FS



Spring Break Programs

FOOL HOLLOW LAKE RECREATION AREA
SPRING FLING
MARCH 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Children's Crafty Hour Native Book Marks Organized by Ranger Shula	9 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM A Walk Through Time Matine American History of Lyman Lake Presented by Lyman Lake Ranger Dee Dee	10 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Junior Ranger Story Time Read by Ranger Shula "The Yachties and the Jackrabbits" By Susan Lowell	11	12	13 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Junior Ranger Story Time Read by Ranger Fran "Lizards for Lunch, A Roadrunner's Tale" By Conrad J. Steward	14 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Story of the American Bald Eagle Presented by Volunteer Cliff
15 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Eli's Friend or Foe? Presented by Ranger Shula	16 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Smoky Bear Presented by Aaron Cannon From AZ State Fire	17 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM A Walk Through Time Matine American History of Lyman Lake Presented by Lyman Lake Ranger Dee Dee	18 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Junior Ranger Story Time Read by Ranger Shula "The Story of Smoky Bear" By Felicia Brumley	19 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Forest Health Presented by Jess Chessa from AZ State Forestry	20 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Presentation from USFS Presented by Ron Thompson From USFS	21 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM History of Fool Hollow Presented by Cole Thomas Director of the Show Low History Museum
22 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Awe Inspiring Fool Hollow Fuels Presented by Ranger Fran	23	24	25	26	27	28

PRESENTATIONS LOCATED
 Fool Hollow Lake Recreation Area's
 Adair Amphitheater
 (weather/presenter permitted otherwise
 will be at the Bluebird Ramada)
 1500 N. Fool Hollow Lake
 Show Low, AZ 85901
\$7.00 day use fee does apply
(free if camping here)
 Any questions please call
 (928) 537-3680

LAKE LEVEL LOW 1/12/22



The Lake LEVEL SEPT 2021



Recreation Area Improvements 2020



Boat Docks and Fishing Docks



Fool Hollow Lake Recreation Area Fees

- Park Fee structure ;
- Day use fee \$10 for Friday thru Sunday and Holidays
- Day use fee Mon – Thurs \$7.00
- Tent Camping Rate Change to \$25 / Night
- Ramada Rental Change : lakeside Ramada's \$75 /Day - Other Ramada's \$65/ day

Proposed Improvement for FY 22

- Overflow Day Use Parking



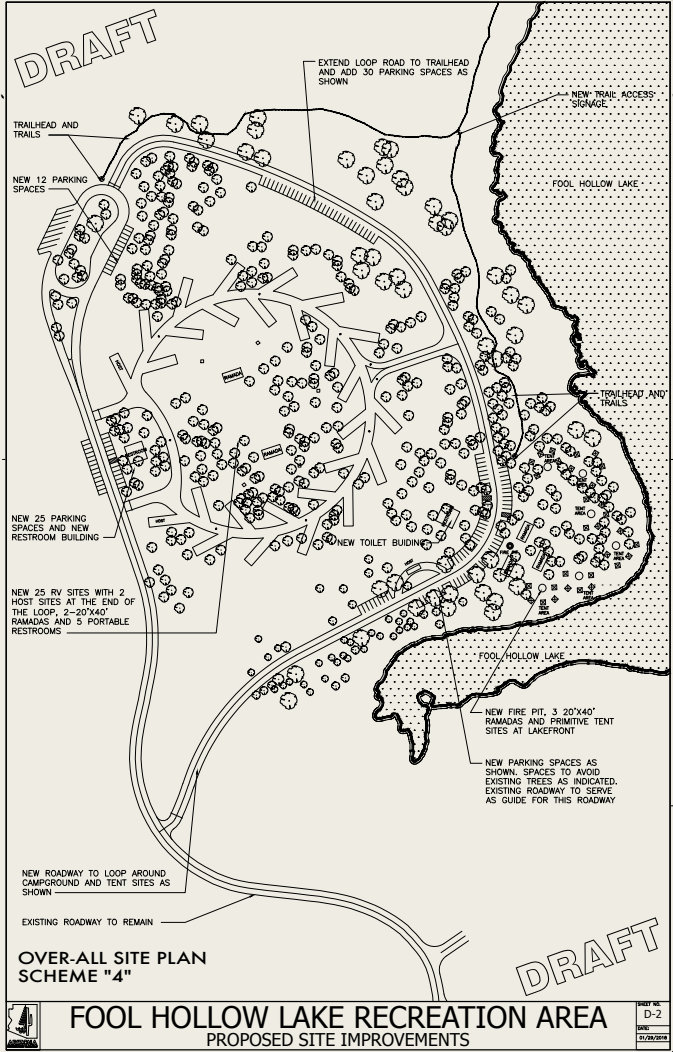
Baby Eagle Banding Pending 2022



Challenges: Illegal Off road driving



Future Group campground



J T Wildlife Outdoors New Building FY21



AGENDA – E

Future Agenda Items

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

The Executive Director 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 are currently involved. The Board will not discuss or take any action on any current event summary.

Current Events

Board 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. The Board will not discuss or take action on any current events.

AGENDA – H

Call to the Public

The chair will recognize those wishing to address The Board.

AGENDA – I

Arizona State Parks & Trails 2022 Board Meeting Schedule

Date	Location
Thursday, February 17, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, March 17, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, April 21, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, May 19, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, June 16, 2022 *Budget Discussion*	Central Office
Thursday, July 21, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, August 18, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, September 15, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, October 20, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, November 17, 2022	Central Office
Thursday, December 15, 2022	Central Office

AGENDA – J

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Purchase, Sale or Lease of Real Property. The Board may vote to meet in executive session in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(7) for the purpose of discussing or consulting with its designated representatives in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding possible negotiations for the sale of Picket Post House and surrounding property, Pinal County, Arizona.

AGENDA – J

Motion:

According to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(7), I move to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing or consulting with the Board's designated representatives to consider the Board's position and instruct its representatives regarding possible negotiations for the sale of Picket Post House and surrounding property, Pinal County, Arizona.

A scenic view of a lake with a bridge in the background under a blue sky with clouds. The text "THANK YOU!" is overlaid in large white letters with a drop shadow.

THANK YOU!