



ARIZONA STATE PARKS & TRAILS

Arizona State Parks Board

October 21, 2021

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

AGENDA – C

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 Board meeting minutes from September 16, 2021.

AGENDA – D1

Motion:

I move to approve the Board meeting minutes from September 16, 2021.

AGENDA – D2

2022 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Applications

Discussion and consideration of action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Recreational Trails Program non-motorized grant application.

AGENDA – D2

2022 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Fund Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/Arizona State Committee On Trails (ASCOT) Recommendations	Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) Recommendation	Score
City of Flagstaff	Picture Canyon Trail Restoration	\$128,270.00	\$126,270.00	\$126,270.00	46.6
Total		\$128,270.00	\$126,270.00	\$126,270.00	

AGENDA – D2

Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 Non-Motorized grant applications as follows: City of Flagstaff, Picture Canyon Trail Restoration in the amount of \$_____.

AGENDA – D3

2022 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Applications

Discussion and consideration of action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance grant application.

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2022 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/ ASCOT Recommendations	Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) Recommendation
Verde Valley Cyclists	Dead Horse Area Maintenance	\$32,875.00	\$32,875.00	\$32,875.00
Total		\$32,875.00	\$32,875.00	\$32,875.00

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the submitted 2022 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance grant applications as follows: Verde Valley Cyclists Coalition, Dead Horse Area Maintenance in the amount of \$_____.

AGENDA – D4

Town of Payson Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Award Amendment.

Discussion and consideration of action to approve, modify, or deny funding an amendment to the budget for the Town of Payson's Land and Water Conservation Fund Green Valley Park Splash Pad Project.

AGENDA – D4

Town of Payson LWCF Splash Pad Amendment Request

Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Staff Recommendation	Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) Recommendation
\$207,500.00	\$41,500.00	\$249,000.00	Increase \$41,500.00	Increase \$41,500.00

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve the Town of Payson's Land and Water Conservation Funding Amendment Increase Request in the amount of \$ _____ establishing the new award amount of \$ _____ for this project.

2022 Supplemental Motorized Grant Applications

Discussion and consideration of action to approve, modify, or deny funding for the submitted 2022 Supplemental Grant applications.

AGENDA – D5

2022 Supplemental Grant Applications

Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/OHVAG Recommendation	AORCC Recommendation
Arizona Game and Fish Department: Region 3	Law Enforcement Equipment	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Navajo County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement Equipment	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
TOTAL		\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00

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Motion:

I move that the Arizona State Parks Board approve funding for the 2022 Supplemental OHV Grant applications as follows; Arizona Game and Fish Department: Region 3, Law Enforcement Equipment in the amount of \$_____ and Navajo County Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Equipment in the amount of \$_____.

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Emergency and Mitigation Grant Projects Update

The Board will be updated on current
Emergency Mitigation Grants.

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Emergency and Mitigation Grants

Sponsor	Project	Grant Amount
Bureau of Land Management	Rock Springs Dust Mitigation	*\$91,954.00
Town of Camp Verde	Box T Trailhead	\$69,400.00
Town of Florence	Poston Butte Preserve Fencing	\$100,000.00
TOTAL		\$261,354.00

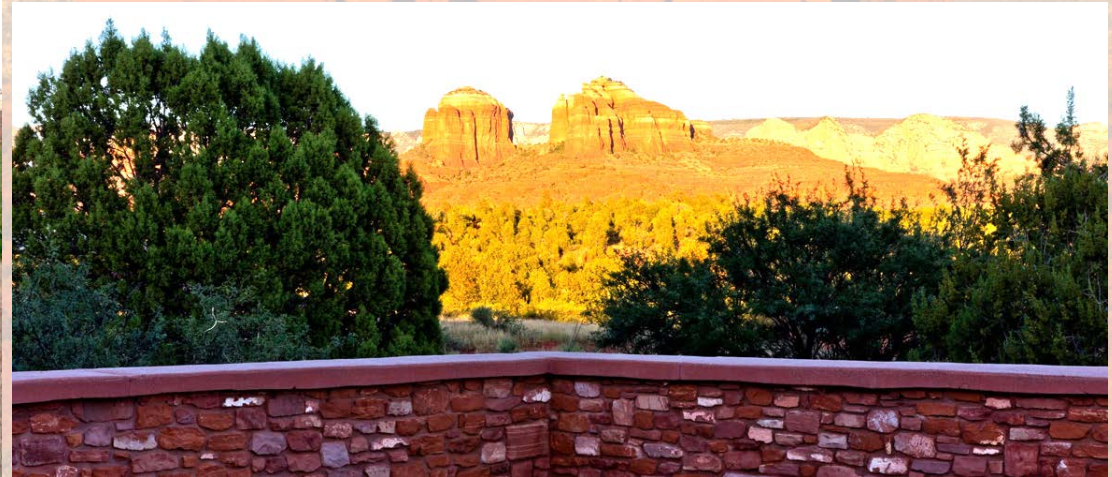
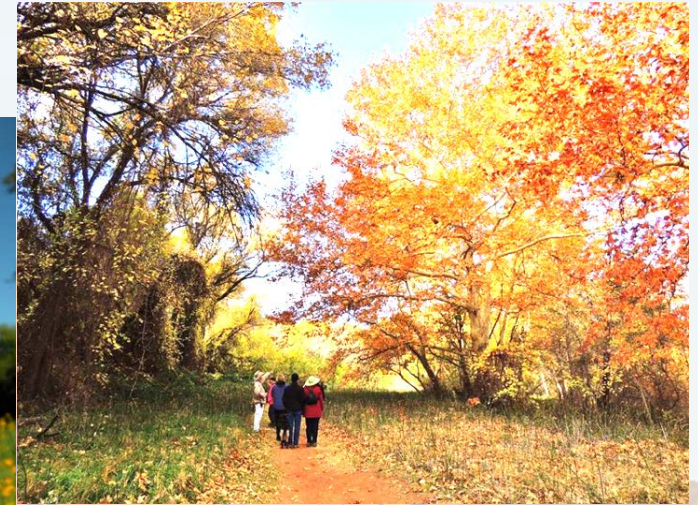
**BLM Project increased from \$86,731.00 to \$91,954.00 for project taxes and permits.*



Red Rock State Park Center for Environmental Education



Presented 10/21/2021 by Heidi Erickson, Park Manager

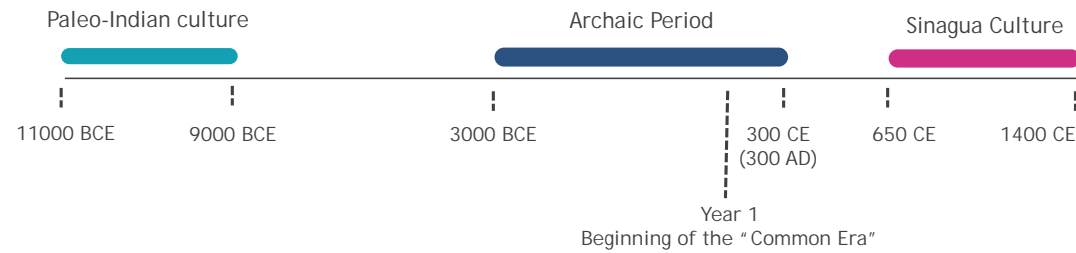


“...public lands, parks, wildlife refuges, rivers, and national forests are our common heritage, a unique historical legacy meant not for private exploitation, but rather for the preservation of open spaces, wildlife habitat and for use and enjoyment of all,”

--Bruce Babbitt

Before the Park – Native Peoples

Pre-European Settlement Cultures in Sedona and Upper Verde Valley



Before the Park - Homesteads

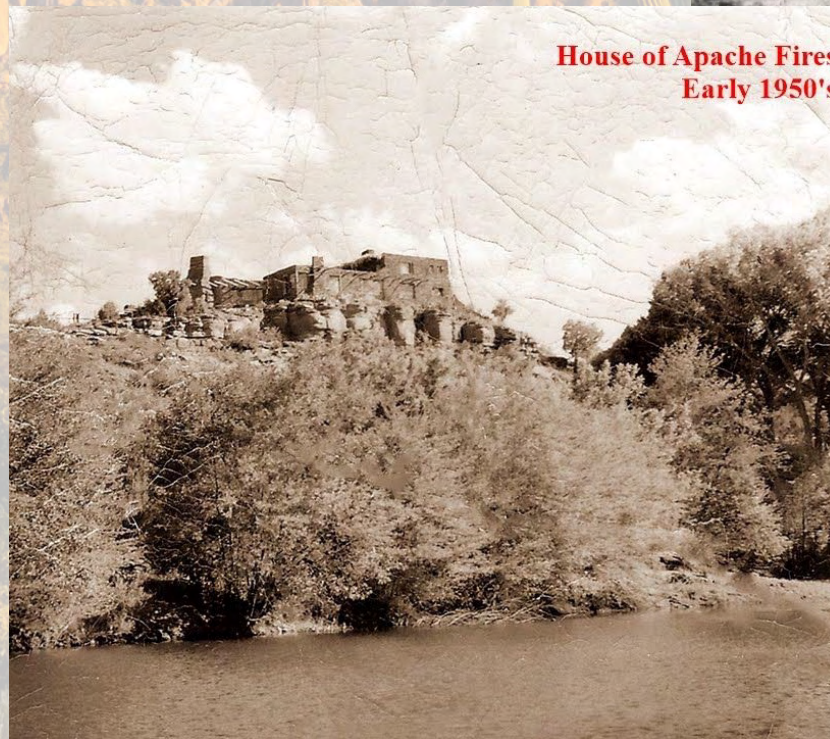


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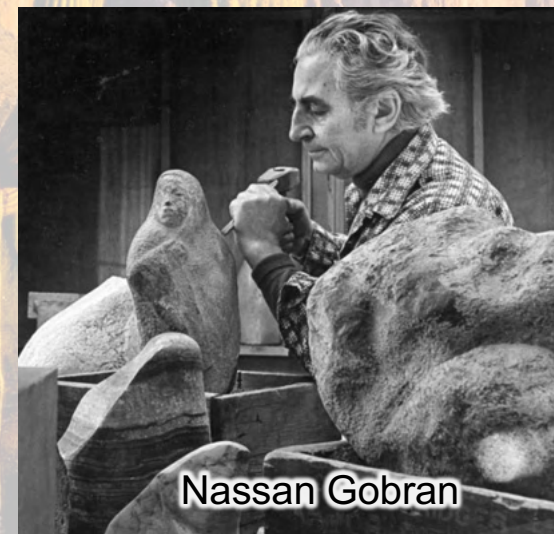
Before the Park – Helen & Jack Frye



Deer Lick Ranch

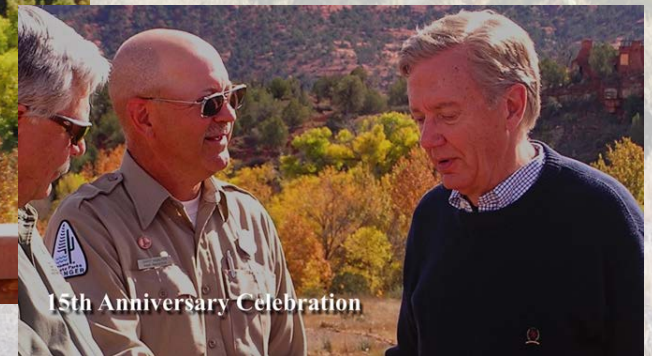
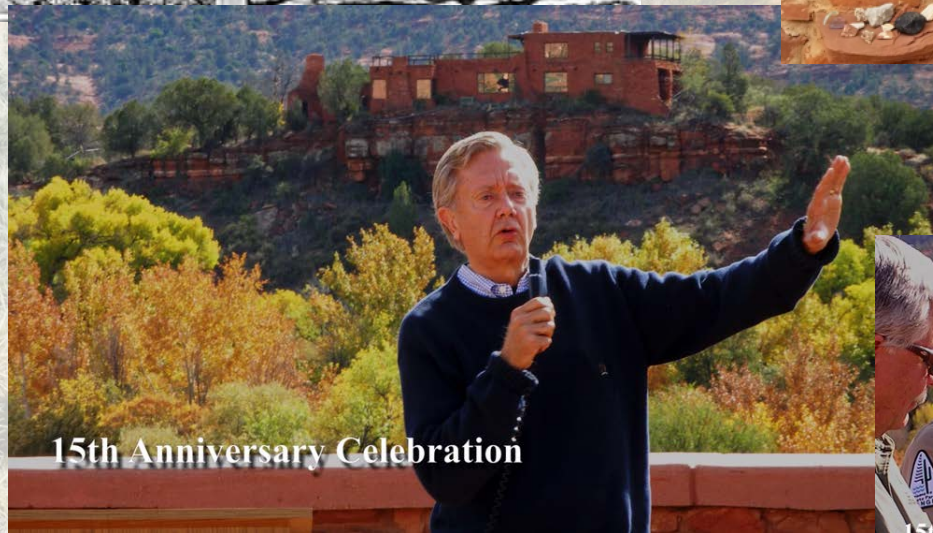


House of Apache Fires
Early 1950's

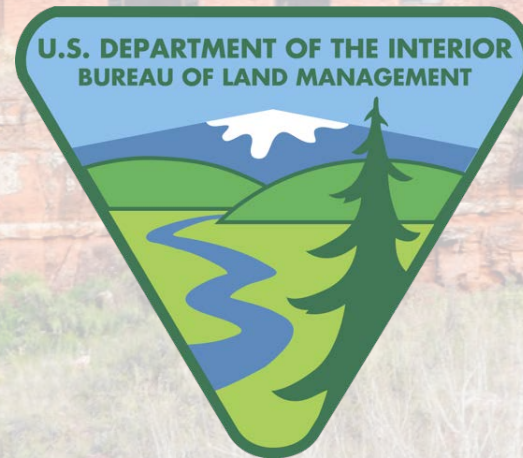
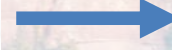
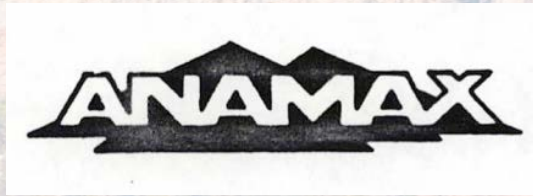
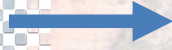


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Before the Park – Eckankar & Bruce Babbitt



Property transition to the State



Park Mission

1. Preserve the riparian habitat associated with Oak Creek



2. Serve as an environmental education facility



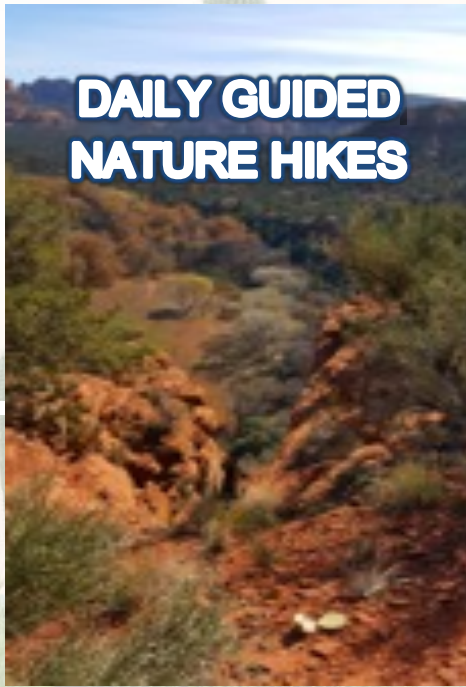
3. Provide low-impact recreational opportunities



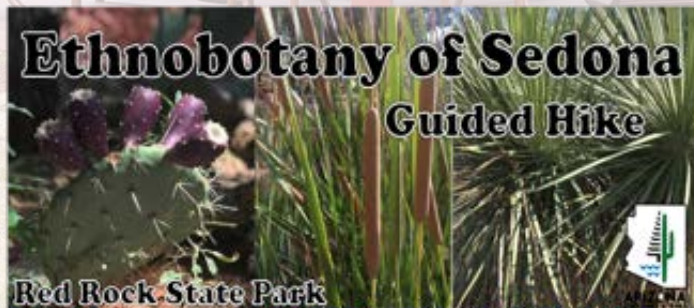
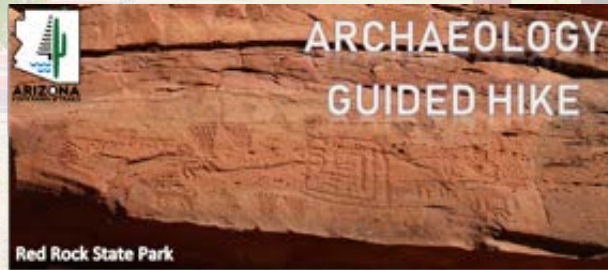
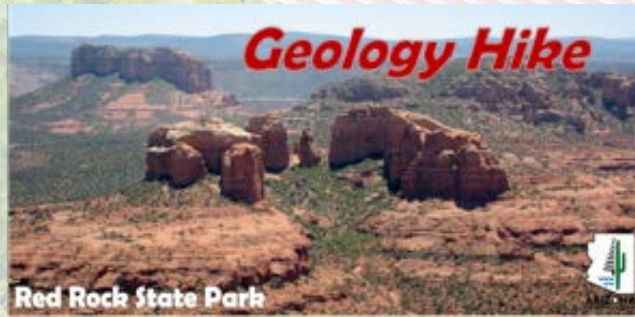
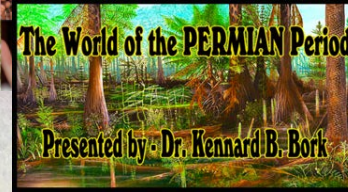
Park Amenities / Attractions



Core Park Programs



Seasonal Programs & Special Events



Hours of Operations

Fall, Winter, Spring

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Daily

Visitor Center 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Summer

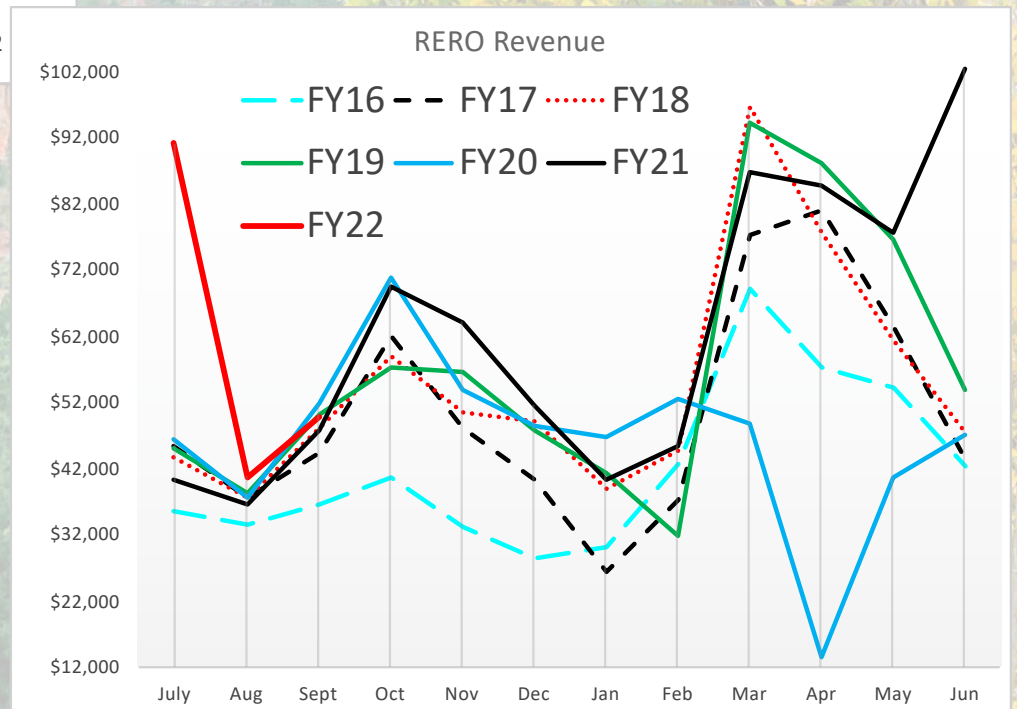
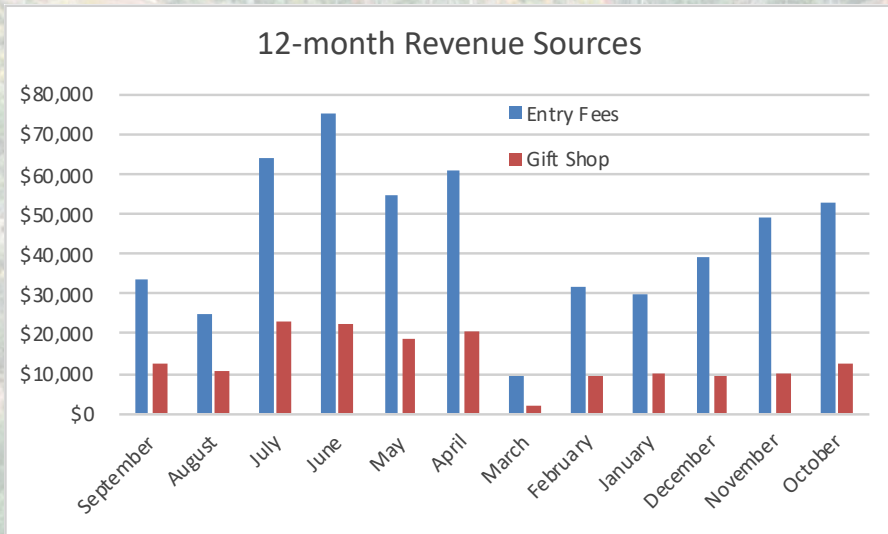
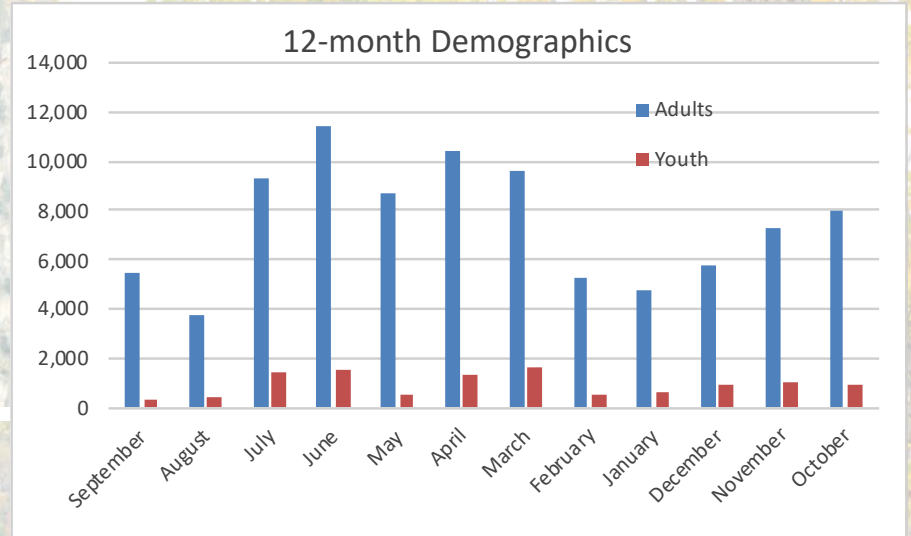
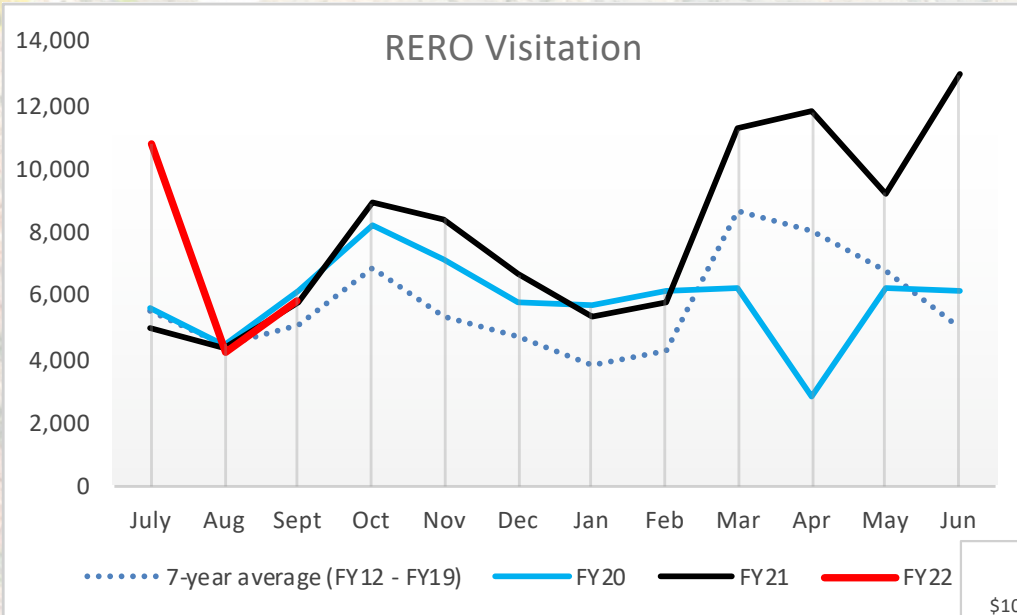
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Friday – Sunday

Visitor Center open until 6 pm on extended hours weekends



Visitation & Revenue



Volunteers & Friends Group

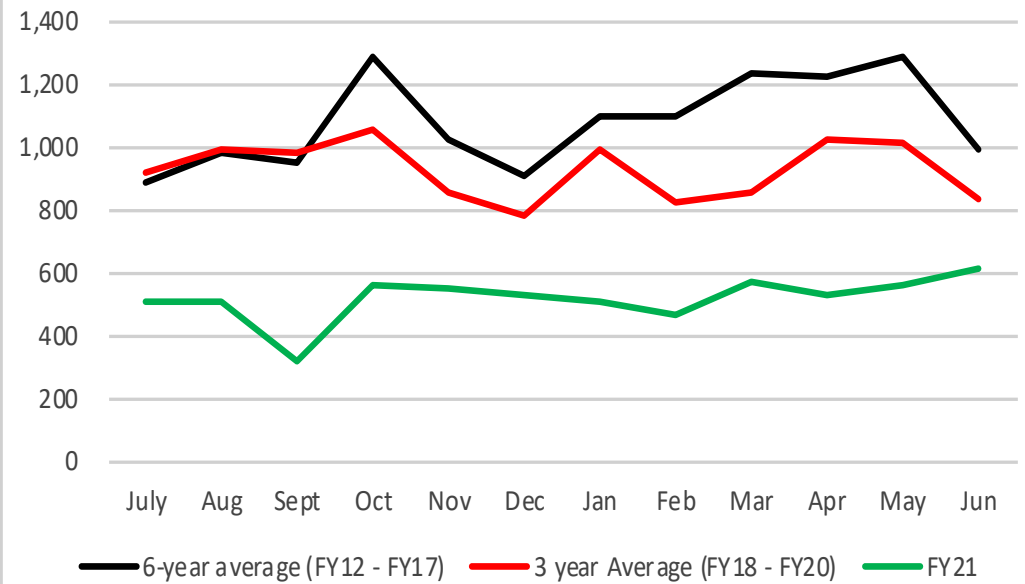
Benefactors



**Red
Rock
State
Park**

Center for Environmental Education
Sedona, Arizona

Volunteer Hours



Challenges

- Reduced volunteerism
- Aging infrastructure
- Invasive Species
- Staffing levels
- Employee recruitment / retention
(compensation versus local cost of living)



Questions?



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State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) Update

Staff will update the Board on the progress of Arizona's 2023-2027 SCORP. This agenda item is for information only.

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2023 SCORP Update

Arizona State Parks Board Meeting

Date: October 21, 2021

Presenting:

Dr. Gyan Nyaupane (Arizona State University)

Dr. Dawn Collins (Arizona State Parks and Trails)

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- Notification of LWCF grant award - August 3, 2021.
- Recreation Provider Survey was launched on September 30, 2021.
 - Survey link was sent to approximately 513 valid email addresses.
- Random sample survey of Arizona households was initiated on September 30, 2021 also.
 - Surveys are available in English and Spanish.
- Collecting information on azstateparks.com/scorp webpage.
- Public survey link will be posted on azstateparks.com/scorp by October 31, 2021.
 - We will send you invitations to forward to your networks.
- SCORP development team will present at the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association conference on 11/2.

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Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) 2023

Research Updates



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Research Updates - Overview

- Stakeholder Sessions (77 participants): governmental, municipal, non-governmental, private sector, and conservation organizations, as well as tribal and minority groups, and individual recreationalists
 - August 19, 24, & 26
- Focus Groups: Community of Tribal Nations & Community with Mobility Challenges
 - September 17 & 29
- Various surveys for under-represented communities
- Working Group Members (12 members)
- WG Sessions on October 13, 18, & 29

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Stakeholders

Knowledge of SCORP

- 1- Not knowledgeable at all: 24%
- 2- Somewhat knowledgeable: 51%
- 3- Knowledgeable: 15%
- 4- Very knowledgeable: 15%

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The Issues faced in terms of outdoor recreation in AZ (Session Two)



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The Issues faced in terms of outdoor recreation in AZ
(people with disability)



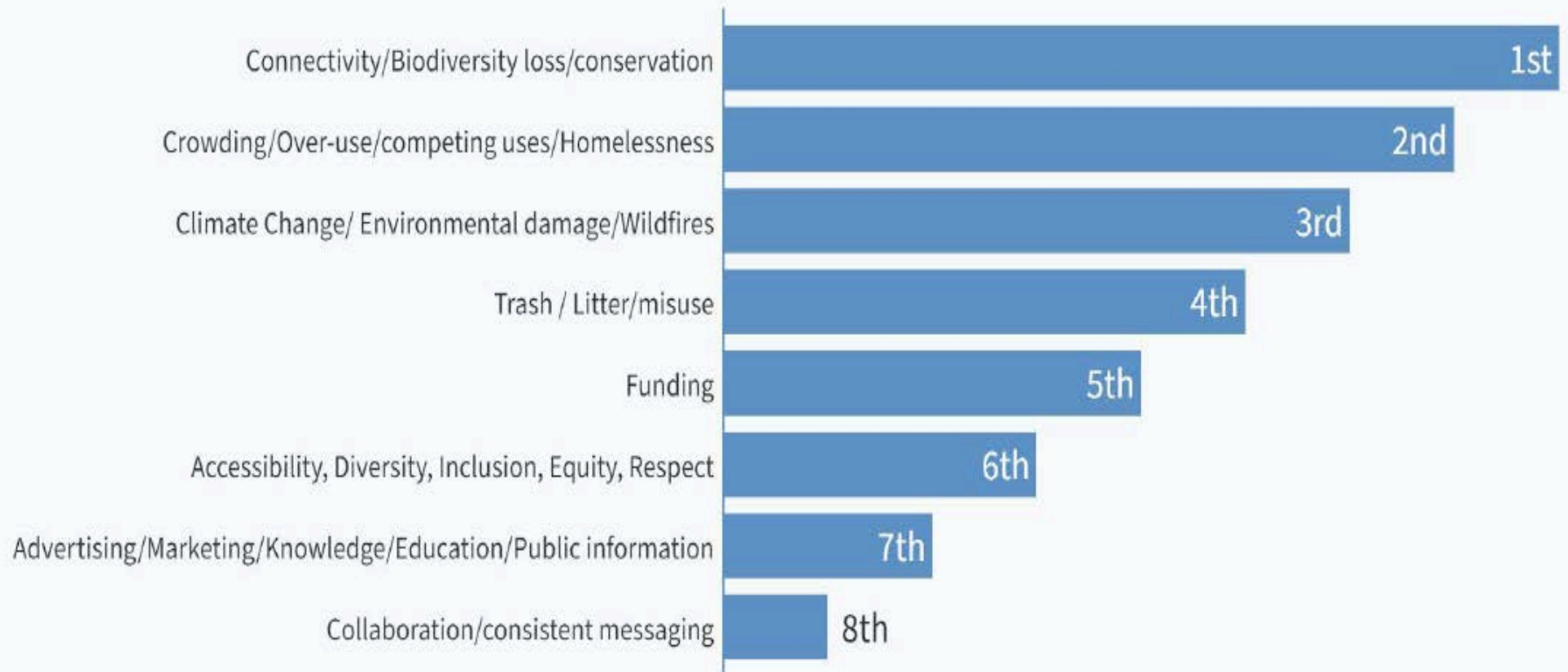
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The Issues faced in terms of outdoor recreation in AZ (Indigenous communities)

- Bigger structural and trust issue
- Relationship with the land is fundamentally different (reconnection to the land)
- Meaningful consultation and communication
- Land Acknowledgment

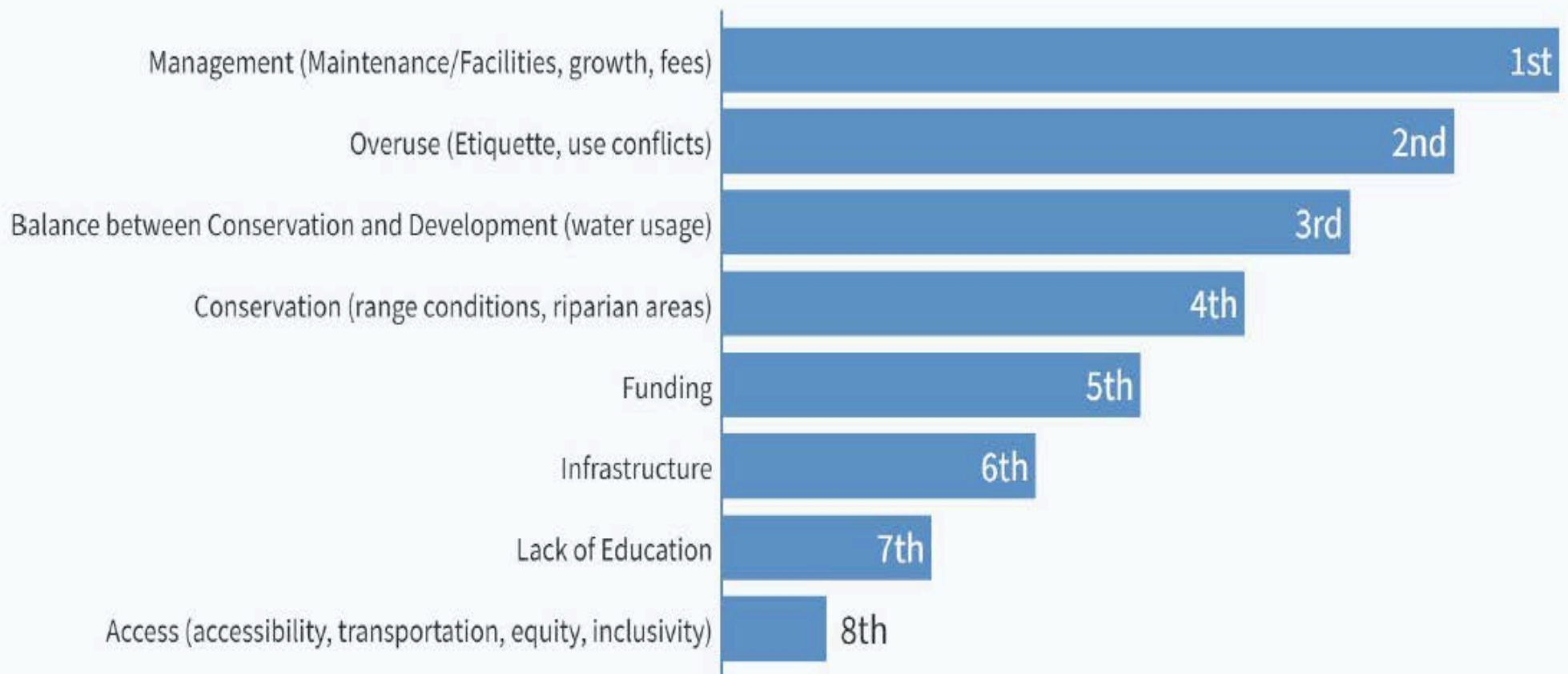
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Q11: Please rank the identified categories of issues by tapping the answer and using the up/down arrows. The top answer is the most important and the bottom answer is the least important. (August 19)



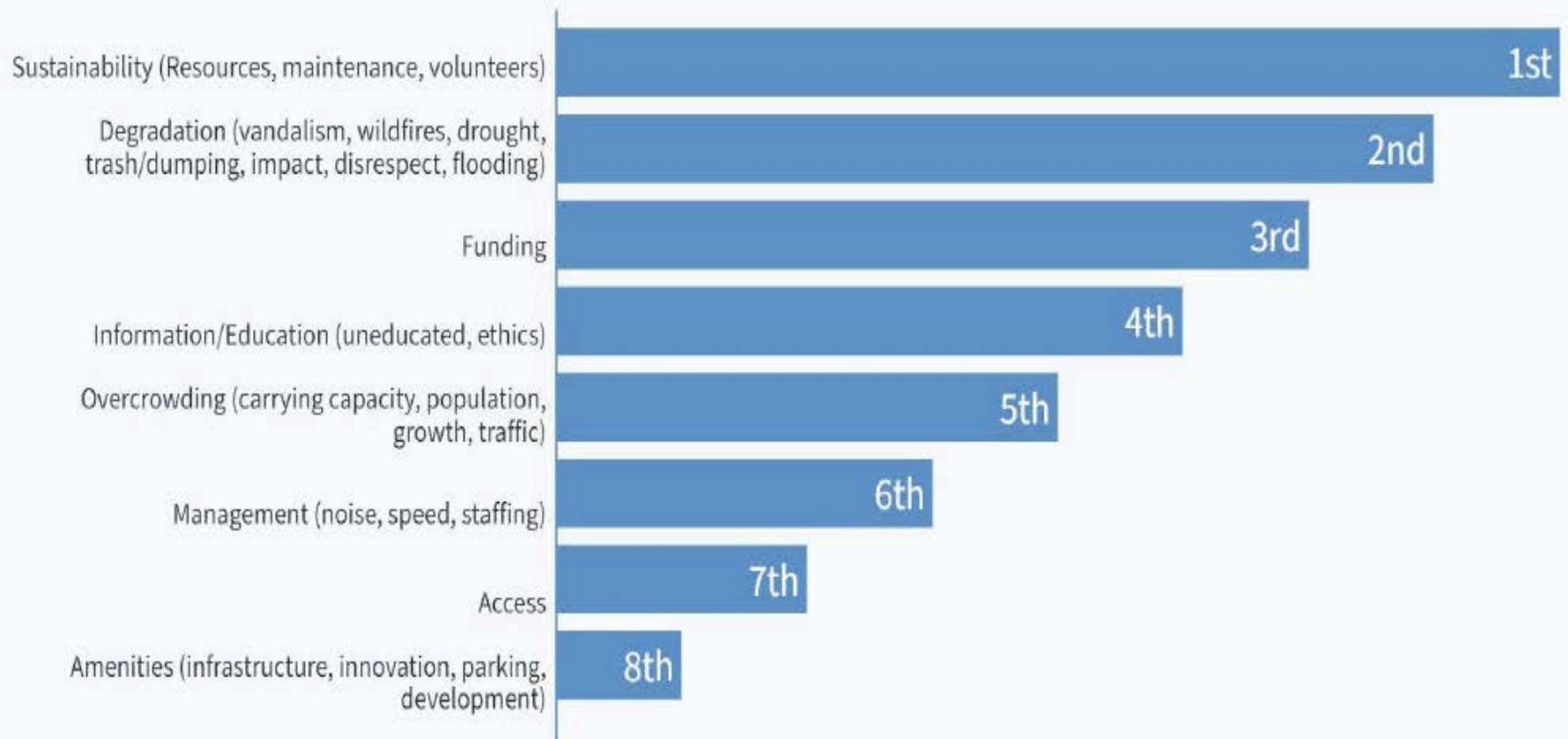
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Q11: Please rank the identified categories of issues by tapping the answer and using the up/down arrows. The top answer is the most important and the bottom answer is the least important. (August 24)



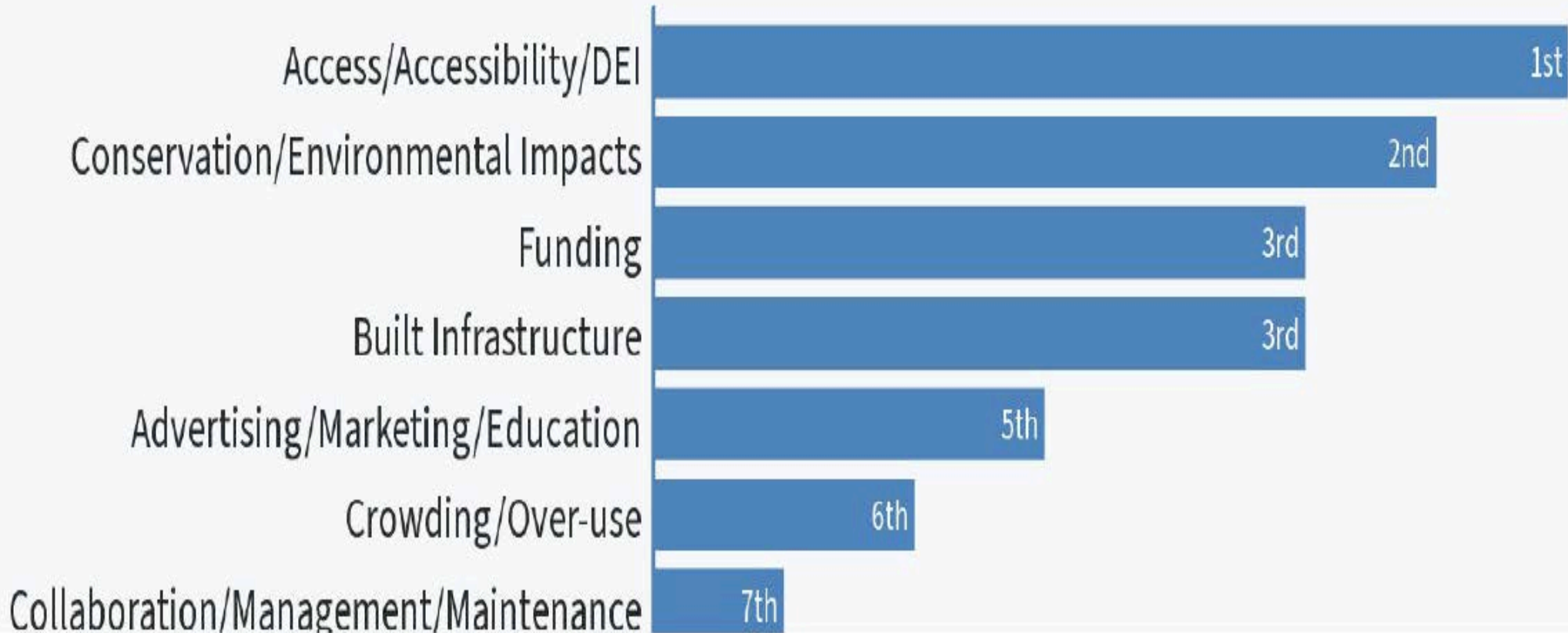
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Q11: Please rank the identified categories of issues by tapping the answer and using the up/down arrows. The top answer is the most important and the bottom answer is the least important. (August 26)



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Priority Issues by WG



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Summary of Rankings



- Conservation/Environmental Impacts
- Crowding/Over-use
- Funding
- Advertising/Marketing/Education
- Access/Accessibility/DEI
- Collaboration/Management/Maintenance
- Built Infrastructure

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Strengths (Session One)



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Strengths (Session Two)



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Opportunities by WG



diverse-landscapes
weather great-organizations media
beautiful tribal-lands inclusion
education exploration
places climate awareness lakes options
reputation public-lands
30x30 partnerships great
collaboration diversity

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Thank you!
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Future Agenda Items

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

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Current Events

Board 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 Board will not discuss or take any action on any current event summary.

AGENDA – G

Call to the Public

The chair will recognize those wishing to address the Board.

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Arizona State Parks & Trails 2021 Board Meeting Schedule

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Central Office

Thursday, December 16, 2021

Central Office



THANK YOU!