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# MINUTES of THE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE ADVISORY GROUP of THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

**September 27, 2021** 

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chuck Wood, Vice Chair of the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

#### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chuck Wood led the Group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

# C. MEMBER ROLL CALL

<u>Members Present:</u> Ben Alteneder (in person), Chuck Wood (in person), Jason Cobb (virtual), Todd Davis (virtual), Holly Irwin (virtual), Tom Murphy (virtual)

**Staff Present:** Matthew Eberhart (in person), Jeff Schmidt (in person)

# D. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the May 27, 2021, OHVAG Meeting. Holly Irwin Moved to approve the minutes for the May 27, 2021 OHVAG Meeting. Ben Alteneder Seconded. Ben Alteneder, Jason Cobb, Todd Davis, Holly Irwin, Tom Murphy, and Chuck Wood approved. The motion Passed.
- 2. OHVAG Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2021 Supplemental Grant Applications. (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails)

Chuck Wood moved to recommend to approve the Arizona Game and Fish Department: Region 3 Law Enforcement Supplemental Grant in the amount of \$30,000 and the Navajo County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Supplemental Grant in the amount of \$30,000. Ben Alteneder seconded the motion. Ben Alteneder, Jason Cobb, Todd Davis, Holly Irwin, Tom Murphy, and Chuck Wood approved. The motion Passed.

3. Emergency and Mitigation Grant Projects update. (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State OHV Coordinator)

Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator for Arizona State Parks and Trails provided updates on the Burau of Land Management's Rock Springs Dust Mitigation Project, the Town of Camp Verde's Box T Trailhead Project, and the Town of Florence Poston Butte Preserve Project.

4. Arizona Game and Fish Department OHV Range Improvement Grant 472020 Update. (Presenter: Kim Jackson, Boating and OHV Education Program Manager)

Kim Jackson, Boating and OHV Education Program Manager for the Arizona Game and Fish Department provided an update on OHV Range Improvement Project 472020 to members. The project was a joint effort between the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD) and Arizona State Parks

and Trails (ASPT). It included improvements to AZGFD's OHV range including improved challenge areas for rock, water, mud and sand crossings. Improvements also included a closed course dust mitigation system and improvements to the ranges small training hills. Both AZGFD and ASPT plan to host a ribbon cutting event for the public, agency partners and both agencies boards and committees in the coming months.

5. State OHV Coordinator Updates. (Presenter: Matthew Eberhart, State OHV Coordinator)

Matthew Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator for Arizona State Parks and Trails provided updates on the Off-Highway Vehicle Ambassador Program, Arizona State Parks and Trails' OHV Dealership Program, Arizona State Parks and Trails' new online grant management system eCivis, and OHV Decal sales comparisons between 2020 and 2021.

# E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Jason Cobb asked if we would be hosting a second Veteran's Ride Event and if we should discuss it at a future meeting. Todd Davis requested a discussion on volunteer insurance policies. Holly offered to provide an update on the possible Yavapai County OHV legislation.

# F. CURRENT EVENTS

Chuck Wood informed the Group that the Arizona Alpine Trail working group continues to work towards establishing a 501c3 and plans to continue working with existing routes and trails through the USFS and other partners to designate the route.

Holly Irwin informed the Group that La Paz County will be participating in a statewide county summit this week and that Yavapai County is looking into OHV legislation to establish a permitted OHV areas within the county.

# G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public requested to speak.

# H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

October 27, 2021 November 29, 2021

# I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:09am.