

*****AMENDED*****
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
of
THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE
ON TRAILS (ASCOT)
of
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD

Notice is hereby given to members of the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT) and the general public that the Committee will hold a meeting open to the public on **Saturday, February 2, 2008 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Covenant Presbyterian Church Annex, 16 Howell Avenue, Bisbee, AZ**, pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-511.22. The Committee may go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the State Parks Assistant Attorney General on any of the agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431 et seq. The Committee will discuss and may take action on the following matters:

AGENDA

(The Chair reserves the right to set the order of the agenda.)

- A. **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION** -- ASCOT Officers and State Parks Staff will hold an orientation session for new ASCOT members, although a quorum may be present, no formal action may be taken. Newly appointed members are encouraged to attend this session. While existing members are welcome, they are not required to attend this portion of the meeting

GENERAL MEETING - TIME CERTAIN 11:00 A.M.

- B. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- C. **INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**
- D. **Presentation by Bureau of Land Management on Trail and Recreation Related Activities in the Area.**
- E. **CONSENT AGENDA**
1. **Approval of Minutes from the October 4, 2007 Meeting.**
- F. **ACTION ITEMS**
1. **Consider Changes to the State Trails System (STS) Criteria.** A STS Subcommittee will present proposed changes to the current criteria for approval.
 2. **Consider Recommending Trails Heritage Fund Match Decrease.** The Committee will consider recommending a decrease in the Trails Heritage Fund matching requirement. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Committee.
 3. **Update on Trails Preservation Training.** The Committee will be updated on the Trails Preservation Training to be held in March 2008.

BREAK FOR LUNCH – This will be limited to 30 minutes so please bring your lunch.

4. Trails 2010 Plan Update. Staff will update the Committee on the planning process for the Trails 2010 Plan.

5. Discussion and Action Planning for ASCOT Activities and Goals for 2008. The Committee will review the goals and activities determined at the December 2006 Planning Meeting. An overview of the State Trails System Nominations process, the Heritage Fund Liaison role and Historic Trails will be given.

6. Consider Electing a Vice-Chair for 2008. The current Vice-Chair has resigned from the Committee, a new Vice-Chair may be elected.

G. PRESENTATIONS

1. Advisory Committee Coordinator and Human Resources Staff. The Advisory Committee Coordinator and Human Resources will discuss travel reimbursement, minutes and other functions of the position(s) as they pertain to ASCOT.

2. Open Meeting Law and Conflict of Interest.

H. REPORTS—Committee and staff reports may be written or verbal and followed by brief discussion.

1. Reports

a. Staff Reports

**Proposed State Trails System Trails Update
Meeting Dates and Places for 2008**

I. CALL TO THE PUBLIC - During the public meeting, the Committee may afford any person the opportunity to present statements relating to agenda items, with or without the opportunity to present them orally. Those wishing to address the Committee must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. Time permitting; each presentation will be given approximately five minutes. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study or re-schedule the matter for further consideration at a later time.

J. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS, MATTERS OF BOARD PROCEDURE, REQUESTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

Member Roundtable. ASCOT members will share trail planning, projects and activities that they are involved with to further learn about trail happenings around the state.

K. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

L. ADJOURNMENT

A copy of the agenda background material provided to the Committee is available for public inspection at Arizona State Parks, Resources Management Section, 1300 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Ruth Shulman at (602) 542-7822.

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