OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE FUND REPORT 2018

The Arizona State Parks and Trails Board administers a portion of the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund per A.R.S. 28-1176 (I) as revised by Chapter 294, 48th Legislature 2nd Regular Session 2008. Sixty percent of the funds transferred from the Arizona Department of Transportation are allocated to the Arizona State Parks and Trails Board. Arizona State Parks and Trails received $2,951,000 in combined HURF and Off-Highway Vehicle Decal revenue for state fiscal year 2018.

Under A.R.S. 28-1176 (C) Arizona State Parks and Trails distributes 35% of monies ($1,059,625.84) in the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund to the Arizona Game and Fish Department for informational and educational programs related to safety, the environment and responsible use with respect to off-highway vehicle recreation, law enforcement activities relating to this article and for off-highway vehicle law enforcement pursuant to title 17, chapter 4, article 3, including seven full-time employees to enforce this article and title 17, chapter 4, article 3.

1. The amount of monies spent or encumbered in the fund during the preceding fiscal year for the purposes of off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities:
   a. No law enforcement grants were awarded for Fiscal Year 2018.

2. The amount of monies spent from the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund during the preceding fiscal year for employee services:
   a. Arizona State Parks and Trails used 12% ($354,100) of the total revenue ($2,951,100) for administration of the program FY 2018 $82,310.00 of the admin budget was utilized for Personal Services and Employee Related Expenditures.

3. The number of full-time employees employed in the preceding fiscal year in connection with off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities:
   a. Arizona State Parks and Trails does not perform law enforcement duties in OHV areas. Therefore, no funds were spent from the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund for employees in connection with off-highway vehicle law enforcement activities.

4. The amount of monies spent from the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund during the preceding fiscal year for information and education:
   a. One (1) project received a total of $17,320.00 for Information and Education. The project was submitted by the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council to host a Great Trails Workshop. The workshop taught users about building sustainable trails.

5. A specific and detailed accounting for all monies spent in accordance with this section for, as follows:
   a. Construction of new off-highway vehicle trails – expenditures in this category include trail renovation and relocation, addition of support facilities such as staging areas and restrooms.
      i. Two (2) projects, The Ryal Canyon Trailhead Project and the Bouse State Park Project received $509,000 to develop new staging areas for Arizona’s OHV community.
b. **Mitigation of damages to lands** – expenditures in this category include fencing or pipe railings, installation of “closed area” signs, interpretative signs, and other means to keep OHV operators out of specific areas.
   i. One (1) project, the White Hills Single Track project in the Coconino National Forest received $44,800 for mitigation efforts.

c. **Revegetation** – expenditures in this category include the costs to transplant cacti and scrubs, seed, and spread ground cover.
   i. Arizona State Parks and Trails did not receive any requests for revegetation projects. Therefore, no funds were spent from the Off-Highway Recreation Fund.

d. **The prevention and restoration of damages to natural and cultural resources** – expenditures in this category include trail and access road hardening and application of dust suppressant to reduce air pollution.
   i. One (1) project, the Town of Kearny Mescal Mountain OHV Area project received $65,000 for trail restorations.

e. **Signage** – expenditures in this category include the costs to install route markers, regulatory and informational signs, and kiosks.
   i. Two (2) projects, the Ryal Canyon Trailhead Project and Bouse State Park Project received $13,500 to provide signage.

f. **Maps** – are being prepared by the federal land managing agencies in response to mandated motor vehicle travel planning efforts.
   i. Three (3) projects, The Arizona Peace Trail Master Plan, the Tonto Recreation Alliance Route Management Project, and the BLM Arizona Strip Route Designation Project received $47,592 for informational maps.

g. **Necessary environmental, historical and cultural clearance or compliance activities** - expenditures in this category include the costs associated with meeting National Environment Policy Act (NEPA), Section 106, and State Historic Preservation Office requirements prior to ground disturbance.
   i. No projects were submitted for NEPA clearances.

h. **Support facilities**- expenditures in this category include costs associated with the purchase and installation of restrooms, drinking fountains, kiosks, and trailheads amenities.
   i. Two (2) projects, the Ryal Canyon Trailhead Project and Bouse State Park Project received $439,097 for support facility development.

In total, five (5) off-highway vehicle grant projects received $1,088,717 of Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund dollars in FY 2018. Project sponsors are providing $204,198 in match to complete these projects.