

**ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
HABITAT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE
HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL**

Game Branch / HPC Project Number: 13-309

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Granite Dells Ranch Fence Replacement for Pronghorn

Region and Game Management Unit: Region 3 GMU 19A

Local Habitat Partnership Committee (LHPC):

- Prescott

Was the project presented to the LHPC?

YES NO

Has this project been submitted in previous years? YES NO

If Yes, was it funded? YES NO → **Funded HPC Project #(s):**

Project Type: Fence Replacement

Brief Project Summary:

This project will replace two miles of old degrading fence on the Granite Dells Ranch making it conducive for safe pronghorn movement.

Big Game Wildlife Species to Benefit: Pronghorn

Implementation Schedule (Month/Day/Year):

Project Start Date:

Fall 2014

Project End Date:

Fall 2014

Environmental Compliance:

NEPA Completed: Yes No N/A

Projected Completion Date: _____

State Historic Preservation Office - Archaeological Clearance:

Yes No N/A

Projected Completion Date: _____

Arizona Game and Fish Department EA Checklist: N/A

To be Completed by: V. Gouldsbury (if needed) _____

Projected Completion Date: _____

PROJECT FUNDING

Special Big Game License Tag Funds Requested:

\$ 5,000.00

Cost Share or Matching Funds:

\$ 15,984.00 estimated

Total Project Costs:

\$ 20,984.00

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Applicant (please print):

Virginia Gouldsbury

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Kingman, AZ 86409

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Date: 9/9/13

AGFD Contact and Phone No. (If applicant is not AGFD personnel):

Project has been coordinated with:

Arizona Antelope Foundation, Granite Dells Ranch, AZGFD

NEED STATEMENT – PROBLEM ANALYSIS:

This project will replace two miles of old degrading fence on the Granite Dells Ranch. The majority of the current fence lines on the ranch are not conducive (not within wildlife standards) for safe pronghorn movement. Most of these fence lines are constructed with wood posts and stays that are degrading. This is the first installment of a multi-year project to replace two miles of fence line per year to insure the ranch fence lines are built to wildlife standards for safe pronghorn movements. This project will also help solidify the Departments relationship with the new ownership of the ranch which is in current negotiations for hunter access and pronghorn capture agreements. Since this project is replacement of existing fence lines, NEPA or Archeological clearances are not needed.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

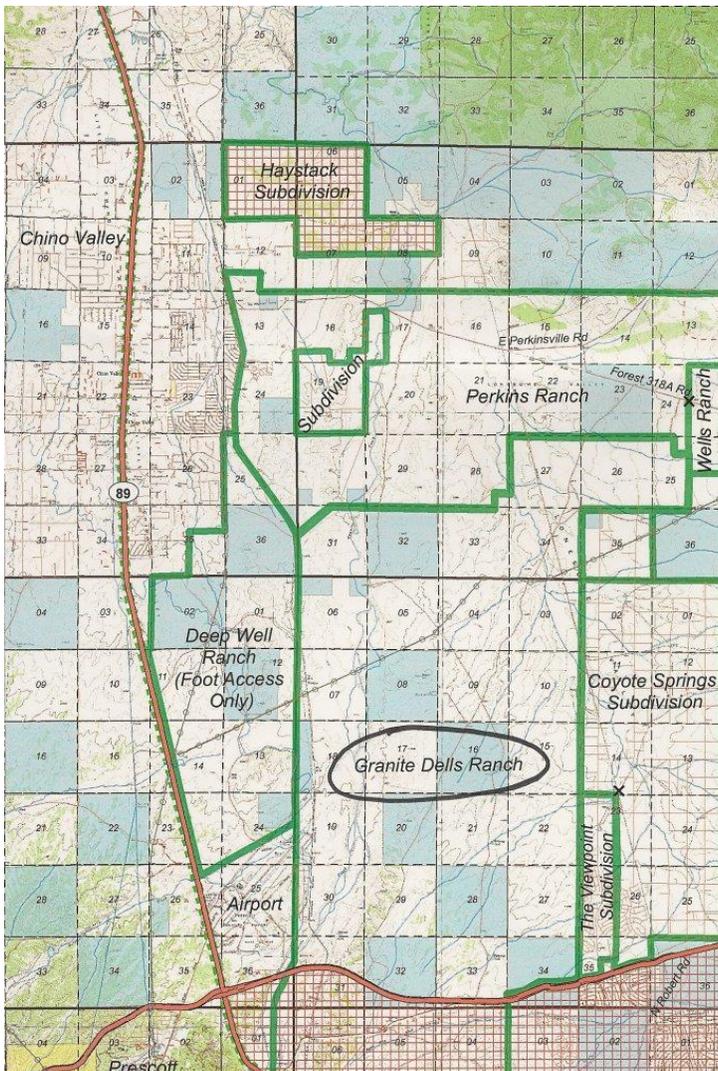
Remove two miles of old degrading fence line to make fence line conducive for pronghorn movements on the Granite Dells Ranch.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND STRATEGIES:

- Remove two miles of existing degrading fence line (to be determined by Granite Dells Ranch).
- Install new fence in foot print of removed fence.
- Add goat bars in key pronghorn movement areas when applicable

PROJECT LOCATION:

Project will occur on the Granite Dells Ranch North of State Route 89A and East of State Route 89.



LAND OWNERSHIP AT THE PROJECT SITE(S):

(if the project area is private property, please state specifically and provide the landowner's name)

- Land ownership includes private (Granite Dells Ranch) and state lands.

IF PRIVATE PROPERTY, IS THERE A COOPERATIVE BIG GAME STEWARDSHIP or LANDOWNER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LANDOWNER AND THE DEPARTMENT?

YES[] NO[X] N/A[]

HABITAT DESCRIPTION:

Grasslands

ITEMIZED USE OF FUNDS:

Special Big Game License Tag Funds

Fence materials for 1 mile of fence line - **\$5,000.00**.

Cost Share or Matching Funds (for volunteer labor rates please refer to the worksheet below)

- AAF has committed to volunteer field work for a weekend, assuming two work days of 10 hrs days and anticipating 30+ volunteers at 14.14/hr we can reasonably assume **\$8,484.00 for time not including mileage**.
- Granite Dells Ranch will contribute **\$5,000.00** in fence materials or cash.
- Granite Dells Ranch will place new posts using ranch personnel (estimated **\$2,500.00**).

LIST COOPERATORS AND DESCRIBE POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION:

Arizona Antelope Foundation – Volunteer work days and Funding

AGFD – Project oversight

Granite Dells Ranch – Funding and work days

WOULD IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT ASSIST IN PROVIDING, MAINTAINING, OR FACILITATING RECREATIONAL ACCESS?

YES[X] NO[] N/A[]

PROJECT MONITORING PLAN:

Virginia Gouldsbury (AZGFD, FOR III) will oversee the project until completion.

PROJECT MAINTENANCE:

Granite Dells Ranch will assume maintenance responsibilities of the replaced fence line after installation.

PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT TO BE FILED BY:

Virginia Gouldsbury (AZGFD, FOR III)

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER HOURLY RATES AND CLASSIFICATIONS WORKSHEET

PROJECT TITLE: _____

The value of volunteer labor should be calculated at the hourly rate of an employee doing similar work, or using hourly rates from the Arizona Department of Administration's Human Resource web site, plus a standard ERE rate of 35%. http://www.hr.az.gov/HR_Professional/Class_Comp/PDF/alphacovered.pdf

\$0.445/mile should be the calculation used for mileage.

Water Development	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Habitat Restoration and Clean Up	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Fisheries	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Nongame Branch Project	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Misc/office work	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			varies	
Community Services	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$7.44	
Events and Other	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Research Branch	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Wildlife Area Hosts	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$17.44	
Education Programs	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$16.07	
Totals				