

## Heritage Fund Public Advisory Committee (HPAC) Meeting

Meeting Minutes, August 20, 2011  
SIPE Wildlife Area, Eager, Arizona

### Committee Members:

Robert Mansell, (Chairman) - Present  
Nick Lund, (Co-Chairman) – Absent  
Maggie Sacher, - Absent  
Jeff Williamson, - Present  
Dale Turner, - Absent  
Steve Campbell, - Absent  
Noah Stalvey, - Present  
Rachel Edelstein, - Present

Doug Von Gausig, - Absent  
Cindi Labash, - Absent  
Jonathan Lines, - Absent  
Ron Pearce, - Present  
Kerry Baldwin, - Present  
James Terlep, - Absent  
Gary Allen, - Present  
Eddie Corona, - Present

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- 1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks:** Commissioner Robert Mansell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
  - 2. Introductions:** Chairman Mansell asked committee members and Department Staff to introduce themselves. Members were provided a copy of the HPAC Charter.
  - 3. Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2011 HPAC Meeting:** Upon a motion by Kerry Baldwin and seconded by Eddie Corona, the minutes were unanimously approved.
  - 4. Presenter: Scott Sprague, Arizona Game and Fish Department’s Research Branch:** Mr. Sprague provided an outstanding presentation to the committee on “Utilizing Roadway Research – Lessons Learned.” The presentation provided an overview of the impacts of highways on wildlife throughout Arizona and some of the mitigation measures the Department has implemented or plans to implement in the future. Mr. Sprague discussed the direct impacts of highways to wildlife; the use of Global Positioning System (GPS) Satellite Telemetry research applications to identify wildlife linkages and the tremendous challenges posed to maintain wildlife connectivity; the integration of collaborative planning and partnerships established with Arizona Department of Transportation and others into long-range transportation project planning efforts; and the planning and implementation of site-specific highway measures to promote permeability and resolve future highway-wildlife conflicts throughout the state.
  - 5. Presenter: Loren Chase, Human Dimensions Coordinator, Arizona Game and Fish Department:** Mr. Chase provided a social science presentation to the committee on the “Activities of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, a Comparison of three populations” vs. future Strategic Challenges the Department faces. The committee conducted an exercise and discussion related to the presentation from the General Public’s perspective.
  - 6. Presenter: Tony Guiles and Jorge Canaca, Legislative Liaison’s, Arizona Game and Fish Department:** Mr. Guiles and Mr. Canaca briefed the Committee and answered questions about the current Legislative session. Mr. Guiles reported that this year’s session continued to focus almost entirely on budget issues the state is still facing. This year is also the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the “Heritage Fund.”

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- 7. Presenter: Lynda Lambert, Public Information Officer, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Arizona Game and Fish Department:** Ms. Lambert provided an overview of the Department's significant Heritage Outreach and Public Information activities that occurred throughout the year.
- 8. Presenter: Marty Herrera, Heritage Fund Administrator, Arizona Game and Fish Department:** Mr. Herrera briefed the committee on the changes approved to the Heritage Fund Grants Program that the Department's Heritage Grant Improvement Team presented to the Agency Director for approval in June 2011.
- 9. Committee Business - Open Committee discussion:** No new business was discussed.
- 10. Call to the Public:** No members of the public requested to be heard
- 11. Future Meetings:** The Committee discussed the tentative date of January 14, 2012 meeting tentatively to be held in Phoenix to coincide with the annual Meet the Commission Banquet.
- 12. Adjournment:** Jeff Williamson motioned that the Committee adjourn. Noah Stalvey seconded the motion, passed unanimously. Committee adjourned at 12:00 p.m.