Final Report To Arizona Sportsmen For Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC)

2016 Grant of \$15,700 for Arizona Trout-In-the-Classroom (TIC) Program School Year 2016 - 2017



The 2016 - 2017 program was again deemed to be a major success with expansion of the program from 17 to 29 schools participating and from the overwhelming positive feedback from students, parents, teachers and volunteers. Forty-six volunteers were involved in supporting the schools and teachers in addition to the support from the Arizona Game and Fish Department Fisheries Branch.

Expenses incurred for the TIC program were:

\$13,910	Chemicals, equipment and supplies for 12 new schools
1,365	Replenishment: chemicals & replacement parts for 17 returning schools
1,010	Training materials for 46 individuals (teachers & volunteers)
385	Workshop: food, soda and water
\$16,670	

Key events during the program included:

July, 2016 - Website improvements and updates at http://www.aztic.org (note AZSFWC is shown at bottom of home page as a Conservation Partner).

August, 2016 - Facebook improvements and updates at https://www.facebook.com/aztroutintheclassroom.

August 13, 2016 - Workshop attended by 46 teachers and volunteers at AZGFD.

August - October, 2016 - Setup of equipment and delivery of 100 rainbow trout eggs to each of the 29 schools.

May - June, 2017 - TIC programs concluded at end of school year.

August, 2017 - Survey of teachers and volunteers will be completed for refining processes for an expanded TIC program for the 2017 - 2018 school year.



2016 Trout-In-the-Classroom Workshop (8/13/2016)

The Arizona Council of Trout Unlimited and chapters contributed volunteer time, contributions and expenses for travel, monitoring and coordination of the various activities with the 29 schools and AZGFD. Normal delivery and set-up time for new schools was approximately 10 hours per tank and annual hours per volunteer supporting a school teacher ranged from 40 - 100 hours depending upon the experience of the teacher and the additional time spent by volunteers for classroom lectures, class projects and potential field trips.

Acknowledgement of Arizona Sportsmen For Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC) and the Conservation License Plate Program is recognized throughout the year on chapter websites, at TIC training sessions, slide presentations, announcements, AZTU Council and chapter newsletters and meetings, in classroom literature and other opportunities. Recognition of supporters is also provided to schools, parents, the educational community and communities throughout Arizona. Examples of recognition are attached.

Additional information on the Arizona Trout-In-the-Classroom (TIC) program can be found at http://www.aztic.org and www.facebook.com/aztroutintheclassroom.

The Arizona Council and four Arizona chapters thank you for your support in this program.

Any questions regarding the program or this report can be directed to the committee:

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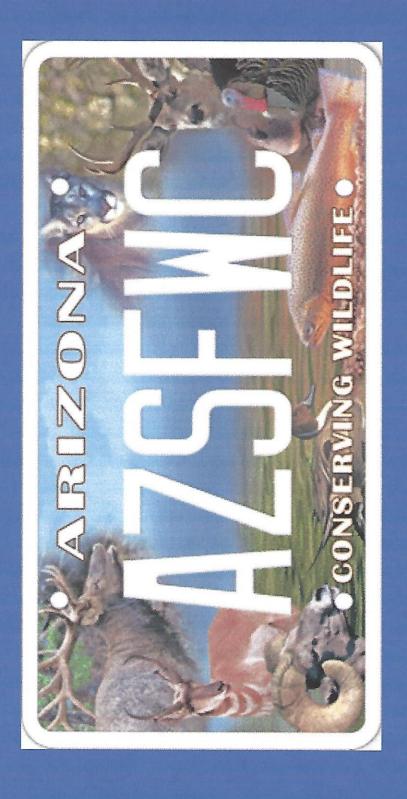


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