



## *Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation*



AZSFWC continues to engage on conservation issues, as well as efforts to improve and enhance access and opportunity for all outdoor recreationists. The second quarter of this year was busy across the state. Our letters are posted on the "News" tab on our website for these issues:

1. BLM Aravaipa Canyon Access EA (Cross F) supported with comments sent 4/2/21
2. BLM Shivwits Plateau Landscape Restoration Project comments sent 4/6/21
3. A/S Heber Wild Horse Territory Management Plan comment submitted 4/21/21
4. Yavapai Ranch Planned Area Development support letter submitted 5/31/21
5. Draft EA on Sportfish Stocking in AZ letter of support sent 6/9/21
6. Kaibab Mangum Fire Emergency Actions comments submitted 6/28/21
7. FWS Refuge comment letters for Havasu & Bill Williams NWR submitted 6/29/21
8. BLM Shivwits Plateau Landscape Restoration Project EA comments sent 7/2/21
9. Meadow Valley Public Access Project comments sent 7/28/21

AZSFWC is cognizant of the importance of our Outdoor Heritage and signed on to endorse the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) HuntFish 30x30 policy statement. We remain engaged with this effort to ensure hunters, anglers, shooters, and all outdoor recreationists have a seat at the table when discussion on the President's 30x30 process moves forward.

AZSFWC continues to remain active on the State and Federal legislative front by tracking bills in each respective capitol. Arizona's legislative session has ended, but we continue to track issues on the Federal level. Recently we have supported the MAPLand Act, S.904 and H.R.3113 and LOCAL Act, H.R.2081. We continue to monitor the progress of Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA), S.2372 and H.R.2773 and other conservation related legislation too.

AZSFWC continues to help drive a collaborative effort on the Tonto National Forest to preserve the integrity and access on the Workman Creek and Cherry Creek roads adjacent to the Sierra Ancha Wilderness. AZSFWC has brought together 41 organizations and businesses to support legislation to keep these roads open. Dialog continues with a strategy session planned at the end of August.

The L. Gary Stinson Grant Fund has been averaging \$17,341 per month in revenue for license plate sales. You too can help us help habitat, conservation, education, and youth recruitment and retention by purchasing one of these "Conserving Wildlife" license plates! See how to get yours below.

AZSFWC awarded \$87,076 for seven Stinson Grants in the second quarter. These

included three youth related events, three water related projects and a large scale habitat project to help close out a Land and Water Conservation Fund effort with the Trust for Public Land's purchase of the Cross F Ranch near Aravaipa, AZ. When that closes, thousands of acres of access will be opened to the public in the Santa Teresa mountains of the Coronado National Forest.

Finally, AZSFWC received \$675 in memorials for the passing of Chris Scott from Yuma, AZ. In a fitting tribute, we partnered with the Yuma Valley Rod & Gun Club and AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society to use that money for the purchase of a water hauling trailer for wildlife.

Yours in Conservation,

Jim Unmacht  
Executive Director

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## Wildlife for Tomorrow Foundation Announces AZSFWC Treasurer Charlie Kelly to be inducted into the Arizona Outdoor Hall Of Fame

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To wonder if Charlie Kelly is involved in the conservation of Arizona's wildlife, one only has to take a look at his resume. In addition to serving as AZSFWC Treasurer, he is also the Marketing Director & Treasurer of the AZ Big Game Super Raffle, Past President, Director and Fundraising Chair for the AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, AZ Game & Fish Commission Appointment Recommendation Board Member, Conserve & Protect Arizona Treasurer, AZ Livestock Loss Board Member, and Wild Sheep Foundation Board Member. A prolific donor, habitat project volunteer, and member of numerous conservation organizations, Charlie's passion to make a difference for Arizona's wildlife has had a positive and dramatic impact across the board. ***Congratulations Charlie and thanks for your many contributions!***

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## Please support our Member Group Activities

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### 2021 FALL LEAGUE

Don't be left out!

Registrations Close on Thursday, August 26th  
FALL LEAGUES: SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER

<https://www.benaveryclaybusters.org/registrations.html>



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Join us for our next meeting

September 9th 7pm to 9pm





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## Christian Hunters of America Podcasts

Be sure to view our podcast:  
"The Life of a Game Warden with Brian Dietz, AZGF WM"

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/0yrQRpzbqID3IKxdVnO8hr>

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Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation is a 501-c-3 not-for-profit organization whose mission is to educate and inform sportsmen, wildlife conservation organizations throughout the state and the public at large on important issues related to wildlife and wildlife habitat and to provide, via grants or other sources, funding to conserve Arizona's wildlife populations through habitat enhancement initiatives. The AZSFWC is responsible for managing the conservation license plate program (L. Gary Stinson Grant Fund). The fund is derived from the sale of wildlife conservation license plates and member organizations as well as non-member organizations are eligible to apply for those funds.



# Got Wildlife?

## Get Your License Plate

# servicearizona.com

By purchasing this plate you will be making a contribution to Arizona's wildlife and wildlife habitat. Seventeen dollars (\$17) of each twenty-five (\$25) special license fee will go to AZSFWC's L. Gary Stinson Grant Fund. AZSFWC will review and approve all grants from the special license plate program revenues. These grants will fund important outdoor recreational and educational opportunities and on-the-ground wildlife habitat restoration and enhancement projects. (More info [HERE](#)).

These plates can be purchased online and can also be personalized. To order an AZSFWC Conservation License Plate go to: <http://www.servicearizona.com> Click on "Personalized/Specialty Plates" then if you wish to personalize it, check its availability. Once you have verified the availability of your personalization, or if you only want to order the AZSFWC Conservation Special Plate, click on "Order My Plate". Order your plate as a sequential shelf plate for \$25.00 per year or as a personalized plate for \$50.00 per year.

Here is another helpful link when ordering your special license plate. <https://servicearizona.com/plateAvailability/plate?execution=e2s3>

The AZSFWC Conservation Plate gives all Arizonan's an opportunity to contribute to programs that benefit our wild creatures. **Step up and support "Wild Arizona"**.

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