

AZ Sportsmen For Wildlife Conservation GRANT COMPLETION REPORT

Project Title: 990-Gallon Water Wagon- Region IV

Organization: Arizona Deer Association

Grant #: 2023-3Q-07 (Found on award letter for grants approved beginning in May 2022)

Event/Project Completion Date: October 20, 2023

Project Location (Include info such as event center, hunting unit, etc.): region IV mostly

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Today's Date: October 20, 2023

AZSFWC Recognition:

AZSFWC Logo and Link to AZSFWC on organization's website? (attach screen print image) Yes No

License Plate Image w/link to MVD on organization's website? (attach screen print image) Yes No

AZSFWC Logo displayed at event? (attach photo(s)) Yes No **N/A**

AZSFWC recognized in all marketing materials & post event articles? (attach all samples) Yes No

List any social media recognition of AZSFWC (include all screen print images) see attachments

Was there any media or press coverage? (attach copies if available) Yes No

List any other recognition?

Summarize Project Accomplishments : the 990-gallon water wagon has been delivered to Region IV and is stored with and used by the Ajo Sportsmen's Club. The wagon has allowed the ASC to make weekly runs to waters in the region in half the time it has previously taken. See the attached email from ASC president Charles Schwarz.

Measurable Results (Fill in all that are applicable):

Attendees (If project was an event, list total # of participants, excluding staff, visiting parents, etc): _____

Visitors (If the project is an interpretive display, list total # of annual visitors): _____

Brochures, Pamphlets, etc. (If the project is a brochure, publication, poster or video, list the total produced and distributed): _____

Other (please explain):

Budget (specifically describe how AZSFWC funds were used; e.g. program promotion, type of equipment, materials and/or supplies, etc.)

Budget Item	Planned	Actual
Water Trailer- Dykstra Machinery	21177.47	21177.47
Trailer Wrap – LV8 Design Group	1371.72	1371.72

TOTAL		22549.19

Project Cooperator(s) (please include any in-kind contributions):

Cooperator (no abbreviations)	Amount Contributors \$
Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society	\$5300

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ADA Youth Camp



The annual ADA 2023 Season Youth Deer and Elk Camp is quickly approaching, Oct 12—15 2023. The camp is based in GMU 23 North at the Colcord Ridge Campground. ADA has already had numerous registrations and are expecting 50—60 youth hunters in camp this year, along with 150 parents, siblings, Aunts and Uncles. Lots of great meals to be shared and memories made. Our Buckskin Chapter will be holding their Youth Camp in GMU 12A on the Kaibab, October 5-8. Our Youth Camps wouldn't be possible with our dedicated volunteers and support from sponsors like Vortex Optics, Sanderson Ford and others. The 2023 ADA Youth Camp is also sponsored by a generous grant from the Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation. Youth with tags should visit our website at: www.azdeer.org and register today!

Benders Pond Update



AZGFD, Town of Gila Bend and ADA have nearly completed Phase I of the Benders Pond Expansion Project! Over the past few days, ADA Volunteers and Town Employees have applied 250,000 lbs of Sodium Bentonite. A layer of top soil and compaction will continue over the next couple days.

Next week, the Aeration System will be installed and habitat for the fish will be built at the ponds bottom. Once these items are completed, the pond will be filled with 4 Million gallons of water and stocked with fish! Phase II will consist of planting 41 new trees around the pond, installing an 8' concrete sidewalk around the perimeter and installing the benches and lighting. More to come!!

3 Way MOU



ADA is pleased to announce a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Mule Deer Foundation and Arizona Deer Association, which was presented at the September 8th Commission Meeting in Greer. This new MOU will replace the expired agreement and will auto renew every 5 years.

This agreement is a collaboration between the 3 groups, improving habitat, wildlife management and funding Project Manager positions around the state. One such position is up in Northern AZ on the AZ Strip, where Project Manager Todd Buck is doing a tremendous job. Current work includes redeveloping 12 wildlife waters in GMU 12A to increase storage by 102,000 gallons, redeveloping 65 wildlife guzzlers in GMU 12A—purchased 30 liners and 25 rainmaker drinkers. Willis Canyon Pipeline (N Kaibab) installing 4+ miles of pipeline to 3 separate waters and the list goes on! ADA is very pleased with the results of this agreement and is looking forward to many more of these successful conservation projects to come.

How can "You" Support ADA



Tickets and Corporate Tables for our March 2024 Benefit Banquet are available NOW— at www.azdeer.org. Our annual Banquet will surely sell out, so don't delay! Another way to support ADA's mission towards wildlife conservation, is our always popular online raffles. Your support ensures Arizona's struggling wildlife will receive the help they need. Visit www.azdeer.org and click on Raffles.

ADA also needs dedicated volunteers, to help with the many ongoing work projects. What a better way to give back to wildlife, than to install a new drinker, redevelop an old well with solar or add much needed water storage. If you would like to be a part of the ADA Team, please contact jim@azdeer.org.

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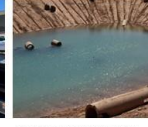
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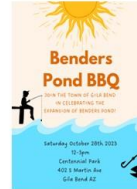
New Water Trailer



A new 1000 gallon water trailer has been deployed to Region IV, GMU 39 near Ajo. This new trailer will be a great addition in helping with our wildlife water hauling efforts in the region. Our newest Chapter— Ajo Sportsman's Club, has already put this new equipment to work filling dry storage tanks and catchments.

ADA, Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society and Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation, shared in the cost for this new water trailer. This is a prime example of how partnerships benefit our struggling wildlife. Well Done All!

Benders Pond



The Benders Pond expansion project in Gila Bend, is right on schedule. The fish habitat is set, Aeration System is installed and the pond is filling with water. Over a Million gallons so far and counting! The 41 trees donated by Moon Valley Nursery—are scheduled to be planted within the next week or so. Great Stuff!

This expansion project has been a collaboration between the Town of Gila Bend, ADA and AZGFD. Each group bringing their expertise to the project. The Town of Gila Bend is hosting a Celebration BBQ on Saturday, Oct 28th for the public to enjoy! Come join us and see the new Benders Pond. We have a private donor who will purchase a Free 1 Year Fishing license to the first 100 youth who attend the BBQ!! AZGFD will be there with fishing poles and gear as well! Cool Stuff!

Quartz Wash



The Quartz Wash project in the Prescott National Forest is about 60% complete, we have to make a few more connections on the 2 plus miles of pipeline, plumb the troughs and storage tanks and install the solar pump and panels. The project has taken a little longer than anticipated, due to the rough terrain.

Arizona Deer Association, Prescott National Forest and the Arizona Game and Fish Department are all working together on this project. Once complete, the project will add over 2 miles of pipeline, a new solar system, 8000 gallons of storage and 2 new wildlife drinkers to the landscape. If you are interested in volunteering on this project— please contact jim@azdeer.org.

ADA Youth Deer / Cow Elk Camp



Another ADA Youth Deer / Cow Elk Camp is in the books! The annual camp is held in GMU 23 North off the 512 road leading to Young, Arizona. We had 94 registered people in camp and several who missed the cut off for registration. The families enjoyed Hot Chili, Spaghetti, Hamburgers, Breakfast Burritos - the works! We served over 800 meals to lots of hungry hunters.

ADA raffled off several pairs of Vortex Binoculars to the kids in camp and are waiting to give a Tikka 7mm-08 to the winner of our essay contest. A special "Thank You" to our volunteers—who made this camp a success and to AZGFD and AZSFWC for the grants that made this camp possible. Until next year!!

"A vote is like a rifle: its usefulness depends upon the character of the user."
— Theodore Roosevelt