



January 13, 2021

Celeste Kinsey, District Ranger  
Sierra Vista Ranger District  
Coronado National Forest  
300 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701

**RE: Meadow Valley Public Access Project #58624**

Dear Ms. Kinsey:

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC) is a 501c-3 non-profit organization dedicated to wildlife conservation, habitat work, youth recruitment and retention, as well as educating outdoor enthusiasts on issues important to their passions. AZSFWC consists of 43 member, affiliate, and associate groups that reach across the spectrum of hunting, angling, shooting, outdoor recreation and businesses from across Arizona. Our member groups represent more than 10,000 people from Arizona.

AZSFWC appreciates the opportunity to comment on your proposed Meadow Valley Public Access Project. We continue to advocate for improved and enhanced access for outdoor recreationists on our public lands in the state of Arizona.

AZSFWC and 28 of our member organizations (list attached) strongly support your proposal to open motorized public access in the Huachuca Ecosystem Management Area of the Coronado National Forest. We concur with the Arizona Game and Fish Department's (AZGFD) comment that the route selected in the environmental analysis will have the least impact on natural resources and surrounding lands. The establishment of this route will restore recreational access to nearly 32,000 acres of the National Forest lands for wildlife related activities. This includes exceptional Mearns quail and Coues whitetail deer hunting, and public access to AZGFD's Bog Hole Wildlife Area.

AZSFWC appreciates your continued cooperation with the AZGFD, in view of their statutory responsibility for managing Arizona's wildlife, coupled with their commensurate expertise with respective habitat requirements.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts in enhancing public access to our National Forest lands!

Yours in Conservation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Unmacht", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jim Unmacht  
Executive Director

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**AZSFWC Member Organizations Supporting the  
Meadow Valley Public Access Project**

Anglers United  
AZ Antelope Foundation  
AZ Bass Federation Nation  
AZ Big Game Super Raffle  
AZ Chapter Backcountry Hunters and Anglers  
AZ Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation  
AZ Chapter Safari Club International  
AZ Council of Trout Unlimited  
AZ Deer Association  
AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society  
AZ Elk Society  
AZ Houndsmen's Association  
AZ Outdoor Adventures  
AZ Outdoor Sports  
AZ Predator Callers  
Christian Hunters of America  
Mohave Sportsman Club  
Mule Deer Foundation  
Outdoor Experience 4 All  
South Eastern AZ Sportsman Club  
Southern AZ Quail Forever  
Southwest Wildlife Foundation  
SRT Outdoors  
The BASS Federation  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership  
Valley of the Sun Quail Forever  
Yuma Valley Rod & Gun Club  
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