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Submitted via email: comments-southwestern-kaibab@usda.gov

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RE: House Rock Wildlife Area Bison Infrastructure Project Draft EA

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the House Rock Wildlife Area Bison Infrastructure Project (Project).

AZSFWC is the leading 501c-3 non-profit organization dedicated to wildlife conservation, habitat improvement, youth recruitment and retention, as well as providing educational opportunities for outdoor enthusiasts on issues important to their passions. AZSFWC member, affiliate, and associate groups reach across the spectrum of hunting, angling, shooting, outdoor recreation, and businesses from across Arizona. Our member groups represent well over 28,500 people from Arizona.

AZSFWC's March 30, 2022 scoping comment letter was one of the four comment letters submitted during that phase of the project assessment. We were in favor of Option 1 during the scoping, and are pleased to see much of that assessment is included in the current and Proposed Action Alternative 1 for the Draft EA.

AZSFWC and 23 of our member organizations listed below support Alternative 1 for this Project.

Thank you!

Jim Unmacht Executive Director

cc: Luke Thompson, AZGFD Habitat, Evaluation and Lands Branch Chief



AZSFWC Member Organizations supporting the House Rock Wildlife Area Bison Infrastructure Project

Anglers United AZ Antelope Foundation AZ Chapter of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers AZ Chapter of National Wild Turkey Federation AZ Chapter of Safari Club International AZ Council of Trout Unlimited **AZ Deer Association** AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society **AZ Elk Society AZ Flycasters Club** AZ Houndsmen Association **AZ Outdoor Sports AZ Predator Callers** Christian Hunters of America Conservation First USA Diablo Trust Fly Fishers Arizona Friends of Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge Southern AZ Quail Forever **Outdoor Experience 4 All** Mule Deer Foundation Trust for Public Land

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