



January 24, 2018

Coconino National Forest
Mogollon Rim Ranger District
8738 Ranger Road
Happy Jack, AZ 86204

RE: Restoration of Headwater Meadows near Long Valley Work Center

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC) is a 501c-3 organization dedicated to wildlife conservation, habitat work, youth recruitment and retention, as well as educating sportsmen and women on issues important to their outdoors passions. We have 42 Member and Affiliate organizations representing well over 10,000 individuals, reaching across the spectrum of wildlife conservation, hunting, angling, shooting, youth orientated groups, outdoor recreation groups and businesses from all across Arizona.

As past supporters of the restoration work spearheaded by the AZ Elk Society in concert with the Coconino National Forest in the Long Valley area, we again want to affirm our support for the continued restoration of meadows in Long Valley, this time around the Long Valley Work Center. We support the proposed actions as outlined in your December 20, 2017 letter as well as the initiation of the NEPA planning process.

The restoration of forests, meadows and wetlands is a key component of enhancing and protecting our wildlife and habitat resources. The various actions planned for this project will definitely improve these resources. By working with other agencies and volunteer organizations, this project will benefit all parties concerned by improving forest functionality.

Attached to our letter is a list of 23 of our member organizations that wanted it known they are in full support of this restoration effort.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment and we look forward to the approval of the project and commencement of on the ground activities.

Yours in Conservation,

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

Jim Unmacht
Executive Director

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**AZSFWC Member Organizations in support of the Coconino NF
Headwater Meadows Restoration Project
Near the Long Valley Work Center**

Anglers United
AZ Antelope Foundation
AZ Backcountry Hunters & Anglers
AZ Big Game Super Raffle
AZ Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation
AZ Council of Trout Unlimited
AZ Deer Association
AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society
AZ Elk Society
AZ Flycasters Club
AZ Houndsmen
AZ Outdoor Adventures
AZ Outdoor Sports
AZ Predator Callers
AZ Shooting Sports Educational Foundation
Christian Hunters of America
Coconino Sportsmen
Mohave Sportsman Club
Outdoor Experience 4 All
Southwest Wildlife Foundation
Valley of the Sun Quail Forever
Xtreme Predator Callers
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