



Arizona Legislators introduced 1966 Bills and 155 Memorials and Resolutions in this Session. Twenty-four bills have been transmitted to Governor Hobbs so far for a signature. She has signed eight and vetoed sixteen. The last day to hear bills in Committees was March 27<sup>th</sup>.

With a legislative slate of that magnitude, coupled with philosophical differences between the Executive and Legislative branches, AZSFWC has to assess what bills might have a chance to pass, and/or even be signed, and alternatively, what bills have no chance of passing either the House or Senate, let alone succeed in securing the Governor's signature.

We have to have to keep an eye on what is important and pertinent to sportsmen and women, as well as wildlife, conservation, the Commission, and the Department. So, when you wade through the list, here's what AZSFWC has been watching, tracking, and weighing in on.

Bills AZSFWC Opposed and are Dead:

HB2162, Rancher on the Commission (Diaz)  
HB2147, Deer Taking, Landowner permits  
HB2158, Predatory Animals definition

Bill AZSFWC Opposed and is Still Pending

SB1519, OHV Weight increase, negotiations continue on fees, habitat mitigation and law enforcement

Bill AZSFWC took a Neutral Position and is Dead:

HB2497, Right to Hunt and Fish, support the concept, bill language needs revisions

Bills still Pending and Tracked by AZGFD:

HB2156, Livestock Compensation Fund, Senate Appropriations  
HB2197, Unlawful camping, failed on House floor  
HB2763, Shooting Range Closures, oversight, Senate Natural Resources  
HB2398, Watercraft Insurance, Senate Finance  
HB2257, striker-redistribute G & F watercraft money to Sheriffs, Senate Appropriations  
SB1050, Veterans complimentary licenses in the House  
HB2159, Mexican Wolves Landowner Permits, Senate Natural Resources  
HB2787, Federal Nullification of cooperating on wolves, Senate Natural Resources  
SB1280, Eliminates transport of juvenile wolves into AZ, House LARA  
HCM2006, Endangered Species Act reform, Senate Federalism  
HCM2011, Delist the MX wolf, Senate Natural Resources

The Constitutional End of the Session (Sine Die) is April 21<sup>st</sup>, however with more committee hearings, floor action, and ongoing debate with the budget remains outstanding, that is unlikely. We'll continue to monitor the proceedings.

Jim Unmacht  
Executive Director

## L. Gary Stinson Grant Program

AZSFWC provided a grant to Wildlife for Tomorrow in the amount of \$13,915.79 for the Mesquite Wildlife Oasis educational project. This grant did more than fund materials - it strengthened the learning experience for thousands of Arizona students and visitors by bringing back a beloved, high-quality field resource and adding a permanent interpretive feature that will educate for years to come. Read more [HERE](#).



Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) organization in existence for at least 2 years, in good standing with the AZ Corporation Commission and have a physical presence of a chapter or other unit in Arizona. Additional eligibility requirements, instructions and program information can be found [HERE](#).

Applications for project funding will be submitted using our online submission form [HERE](#) and funding decisions will be made by the AZSFWC Board at the end of February 2026.



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## **Hall of Fame Nominations**

Established in 1998 through a partnership between Wildlife for Tomorrow and the Arizona Game and Fish Department, the Arizona Outdoor Hall of Fame recognizes individuals and organizations whose work has made a significant and lasting impact on Arizona's wildlife conservation, natural resource preservation, and outdoor heritage. Submission deadline is May 4th.

[Submit a Nomination](#)

Meet & Greet  
Point the pint day



Tucson, AZ  
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Free pizza

**Saturday April 11th 2pm**



Prize Giveaways



Tables reserved



Have a pint and talk about:

Bird dogs  
Quail numbers  
Fall hunts  
Habitat  
Winter rains/Monsoons

Non-members welcome  
Members welcome  
**Youth are welcome**  
Raffle prizes  
Well behaved dogs welcome  
Non alcoholic drinks available

# YOU'RE CORDIALLY INVITED!



**MAY 9, 2026**

**ARIZONA DESERT BIGHORN SHEEP SOCIETY ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET**

The Westin Kierland Resort, Scottsdale, AZ | Doors Open at 4pm, Dinner at 6pm



# Support Arizona Herds!

The ADBSS 43rd Annual  
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Arizona's premiere fundraising event  
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- 900 Guests and Attendees
- Sold Out in 2025 and 2024
- Average funds raised \$300 - \$400K

### PROGRAM DETAILS

- Live and Silent Auctions
- Balloon Pop Raffle
- Dog Adoption
- and much MORE!

### WHO ATTENDS

- ADBSS Members
- Community Supporters
- Local Businesses
- Conservationists
- Sportsman and Guides

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# Sponsorship Packages



**Establish your company as an Arizona bighorn sheep conservation leader by sponsoring our 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Banquet!**

Bronze Sponsor \$2,500	Silver Sponsor \$5,000	Gold Sponsor \$10,000	Diamond Sponsor \$20,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Complimentary banquet tickets</li> <li>• ¼ page ad in banquet program</li> <li>• Recognition (logo) in audio/visual program</li> <li>• Social media blast reaching over 18k followers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Complimentary banquet tickets</li> <li>• ½ page ad in banquet program and The Ram's Horn</li> <li>• Recognition (logo) in audio/visual program</li> <li>• Social media blast reaching over 18k followers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 Complimentary banquet tickets</li> <li>• Full page ad in banquet program and The Ram's Horn</li> <li>• Recognition (logo) in audio/visual program</li> <li>• Social media blast to 18k followers</li> <li>• Logo/link on website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dedicated Banquet Table: (10 seats +\$300 bucket raffle tickets)</li> <li>• Full page ad in banquet program and The Ram's Horn x 2</li> <li>• Recognition in audio/visual program</li> <li>• Social media blast to 18k followers</li> <li>• Logo/link on website</li> </ul>

**Contact for More Info:  
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**About the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society**

Dedicated to conserving and enhancing Desert and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep populations through science, advocacy, and community support. ADBSS is a 501(c)(3) managed purely by volunteers and members who give their time to waterhole and other conservation projects to protect and preserve bighorn sheep populations in Arizona.

[www.adbss.org](http://www.adbss.org) | Keeping and Putting Sheep on Arizona's Mountains since 1967

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## Affiliate Members



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.

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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.



## Not Just Another Pretty Plate

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: <https://azmvdnow.gov/plates>

Scroll through the page, to the "See All" button. Plates will be listed alphabetically with our plate entitled "Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation". Click on the plate and follow the prompts. Order your plate as a sequential shelf plate for \$25.00 per year or as a personalized plate for \$50.00 per year.

The plate is also available for all categories of trailers as well as with the International Symbol of Access for Disabilities.

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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