# 945 - City of Yuma Rescue Watercraft & UAS

# **Application Details**

Funding Opportunity: 25007-\*STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND (SLIF)\*

Alvin Luedtke

Funding Opportunity Due Date: Jun 1, 2025 5:00 PM

Program Area: Off-Highway Vehicle/Recreation Trail Programs

Status: Submitted
Stage: Final Application

Initial Submit Date: May 2, 2025 5:04 PM

Initially Submitted By:

Last Submit Date: Last Submitted By:

# Contact Information

# **Primary Contact Information**

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Title: Battalion Chief

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Address\*: 1 City Plaza

Yuma Arizona 85364-1436
City State/Province Postal Code/Zip

Phone\*: 949-547-0167 Ext.

# Organization Information

Fax:

Name\*: Yuma, City of

Enter State Vendor Number. 1. If you do not have a vendor number please register now. 2. The last possible date to register in Procurement is 30 days after award has been approved by the Parks Board. 3. In order to be reimbursed your agency must be registered within the State Procurement system.

VENDOR NUMBER\*: 000012763

https://app.az.gov or Help Desk @602-542-7600

Organization Type\*: Municipal Government

Remit Address is the address where Parks would send the payment to your agency.

The Remit Address must match what the AZ Procurement System has. If these addresses don't match reimbursement may be delayed weeks or longer.

ADDRESS CODE: One City Plaza

REMITTANCE ADDRESS

Organization Website: http://www.yumaaz.gov

Address\*: One City Plaza

Yuma State/Province 85364

City Postal Code/Zip

County:

Phone\*: (928) 373-5236 Ext.

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Fax: ###-###-####

E-mail Address: maura.luna@yumaaz.gov

# \* SPONSOR APPLICATION INFORMATION

#### SECTION I. GRANT APPLICATION

Have you discussed your proposal with

Yes

State Parks Grant staff?\*:

PROJECT SPONSOR City of Yuma Fire Department

**AGENCY/ORGANIZATION\*:** 

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION ADDRESS\*: 1 City Plaza

Street

City\*: Yuma 85364

> Zip City

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION WEBSITE: https://www.yumaaz.gov/government/yuma-fire-department

Alvin Luedtke Battalion Chief PROJECT COORDINATOR\*:

> Name Title

E-MAIL\*: Alvin.Luedtke@yumaaz.gov

PHONE\*: 928-373-4850 CELL: 949-547-0167

SECONDARY PROJECT COORDINATOR\*: Aaron Wonders Fire Captain

> Name Title

E-MAIL\*: Aaron. Wonders@yumaaz.gov

PHONE\*: 928-373-4850

CELL:

PROJECT INFORMATION

Provide nearest town/city to project City of Yuma

location\*:

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT\*: 7

**Congressional Districts** 

If project crosses over more than 1 congressional district enter additional district here.

ADDITIONAL CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

AZ LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT\*:

Legislative Districts

If project crosses over more than 1 legislative district enter additional district here.

ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

ENTER HERE:

COUNTY\*: Yuma County

Summarize the project proposal including scope and nature of what is to be accomplished. What will the funding be used to accomplish? Where does the project take

This field is limited to 1,750 characters.

# **Brief Description of Project\*:**

The City of Yuma Fire Department (YFD) requests funding for an emergency response equipment package to enhance firefighting, emergency medical, hazardous materials, and search and rescue activities along the lower Colorado River in furtherance of safe, water-based recreation. The package includes, a fire suppression capable jet boat, two personal watercraft (PWC), corresponding transport trailers, and a tethered Unmanned Aerial System (UAS). The jet boat and PWCs enable YFD to respond to the variable and shallow-water environments encountered along the Colorado River and its navigable waterways. Both are instrumental in locating and rescuing lost and distressed civilians. Similarly, they enable YFD to locate and access areas of high fire risk along the river, with the ability to extinguish them using the jet boat's suppression system. The UAS requested platform is similarly essential to guiding fire suppression and search and rescue efforts along the river. The UAS would provide elevated observation with Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) capability to enhance situational awareness during emergency operations on the river. This would prove invaluable in locating and rescuing missing or distressed persons in or along the river. The UAS would also enable greater operational efficiency in monitoring fire conditions along or on the river. Each piece of equipment will also aid in YFD's Hazardous Materials response should a release of toxic chemicals occur in the lower Colorado River. YFD will provide a 1% match through the purchase of PWC protective collars.

# Global Budget

#### Scope Item #1 Staff/Personnel Costs

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No Data for Table

# Scope Item #2 Equipment/Materials

Equipment Costs Breakdown	Quantity	Unit Type	Unit Cost	Total	Match/In-kind	Total Grant Request State Date	End Date
Personal Watercraft	2.00	Each	\$24,659.50	\$49,319.00	\$0.00	\$49,319.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2026
PWC Trailer	1.00	Each	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2025
PWC Collar	2.00	Each	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2026
Tethered UAS Package	1.00	Each	\$67,966.00	\$67,966.00	\$0.00	\$67,966.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2026
Jet Boat & Trailer Package	1.00	Each	\$373,000.00	\$373,000.00	\$0.00	\$373,000.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2026
Personal Flotation Devices	8.00	Each	\$250.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00 06/01/2025	05/31/2026
				\$502,285.00	\$5,000.00	\$497,285.00	

# Scope Item #3 Construction

Construction Costs Breakdown	Quantity Unit T	ype Unit Cost	Total	Match/In-Kind	Total Grant Request State Date	End Date
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No Data for Table

# Scope Item #4 Land Acquisition

Parcel	Estimated Date of	Estimated Value of	Estimated Value of	Match In-	Total Grant
No.	Acreage Acquisition	Land	Improvements	Kind	Request State Date End Date

No Data for Table

# Scope #5 Engineering and Surveys

Engineering and Survey Costs Breakdown	Quantity	Unit Type	Unit Cost	Total	Match/In-kind	Total Grant Request State Date	End Date
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# Scope Item #6 Other

	Other Costs Breakdown	Quantity	Unit Type	Unit Cost	Total	Match/In-kind	Total Grant Request	State Date	End Date
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#### No Data for Table

#### **Totals**

Total Grant Request\*: \$497,285.00

Total Match/In-kind: \$5,000.00

**Total Cost:** \$502,285.00

Total Match Percentage: 1.00%

**Budget Notes** 

#### **Budget Notes:**

1% match provided through the purchase of PWC protective collars which enhance rescue operations. The City of Yuma will also assume the costs of staffing and deploying these equipment resources in furtherance of project goals.

Max 1000 Characters (Not required)

# CRITERIA RESPONSE - SLIF

# 1. Statewide Needs

Applicants will receive points if the project satisfies needs of statewide significance as determined by the most recent (2016) Arizona Watercraft Survey.

Describe if this project meets a statewide need as determined by the most recent (2016) Arizona Watercraft Survey. In this survey, boaters responded to the question:?

What are the most needed water-based recreational facilities and services?? Applicants will be awarded points according to the identified statewide needs addressed below. The maximum that can be awarded is 20 points.

# Safety/Law Enforcement Enhancements:

? Colorado River - 20

? Salt/Verde/Agua Fria River - 15

? All Other Rivers and Lakes - 12

#### Other:

? Launching Ramps - 10

? Public Restrooms - 10

? Marinas - 7

? Campgrounds - 6

? Parking Facilities, Courtesy Docks - 5

**Note:** Points for Safety/Law Enforcement Enhancements will be awarded based on the river system within which your project is located. Safety/Law Enforcement Enhancements are limited to: water safety facilities, marking buoys, and watercraft (?watercraft? includes only boat, trailer, motor, radios, lights, and first aid).

# Describe if this project meets a statewide need (0 to 20 Points)\*:

The Arizona Watercraft Survey identified both the construction of first-aid stations and other safety facilities and the purchasing of law enforcement and safety equipment such as patrol boats, radios and lights as two of the four highest rated SLIF functions by survey respondents.

This project addresses a statewide need of enhancing public safety along the Colorado River. The project includes replacing inoperable and outdated fire and rescue watercraft (boat, jet skis, and trailers) as well as adding tethered UAS capability to the City of Yuma Fire Department's (YFD's) water rescue resources. The equipment is essential to protecting lives, property, and the environment along the Colorado River through enhanced emergency response, public education, and community risk reduction efforts that YFD has prioritized in the City of Yuma and surrounding jurisdictions.

#### 2. Describe the project specific planning efforts that show the need, priority, and public support for this project.

Include the following in your description:

?Why this project is needed.

?Why this project is a priority to your organization compared to other projects.

?How the public has shown support for this project.

?Explain the type of boating that will be allowed on the project waterways. (Pursuant to AR.S. 5-382, SLIF funding is for projects on waters where gasoline powered boats are permitted.)

#### Describe Here (15 Points)\*:

After a five-fold increase in annual water rescue calls and corresponding water-related mortality increase from 2021-2023, YFD and eleven other community stakeholders formed the Greater Yuma Water Safety Alliance (GYWSA) to increase water safety. The Colorado River is a primary focus of the GYWSA due to the range of water-based recreation (motorized boating, kayaking, paddleboarding, tubing, etc.) which occurs on it.

In conjunction with educational efforts, YFD determined the need for replacement watercraft with enhanced capabilities to protect lives, property, and the environment along the Colorado River. YFD?s watercraft are over 18 years old with a Zodiac boat and 1 jet ski already decommissioned due to major mechanical failure. The new

watercraft and tethered UAS significantly enhance search and rescue, fire suppression, and Hazmat spill response. Beyond saving lives, this equipment protects important historic and environmental sites within the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area.

# 3. Describe the public involvement efforts that focus specifically on the needs and priorities for water-based recreation. (15 Points)\*:

The City of Yuma completed a Parks, Arts, Recreation & Trails (PART) master plan in July 2024. Stakeholder input revealed an emphasis on safety initiatives across all recreational activities. Public comment further revealed a prioritization of enhancing recreational access, support, and activities along the Colorado River. In addition to supporting water-based recreation, the City of Yuma has sought to improve safety. Two examples of this are the installation of location signage along an 8-mile stretch of the Colorado River to aid victim location (March 2024) and ongoing water safety workshops organized by the GYWSA in partnership with Onvida Health.

YFD also identified the criticality of procuring a replacement rescue watercraft in the agency's most recent five-year Strategic Plan (2022). Notably, the plan identified the need for the watercraft to have fire suppression capability and for YFD to integrate UAS platforms to enhance emergency response operations along the Colorado River.

4. Describe the project plan and how it provides a comprehensive, long-term, and sustainable approach to the identified water-based recreation needs? (10 Points)\*:

The strategic goal of this project is to enhance the protection of lives, property, and the environment along the Colorado River. The requested equipment achieves this goal through a three-part plan involving education, prevention, and response. YFD will use the equipment to educate members of the public about marine safety and drowning risk reduction. This includes utilizing the equipment in PSAs and public demonstrations. In terms of prevention, YFD will use the watercraft to patrol the Colorado River and address safety concerns (i.e. PFD use) among boaters and other members of the public engaging in recreational activities on the waterway. Finally, YFD will use the equipment to enhance all-hazards response on the Colorado River. This includes ensuring adequate emergency medical, search & rescue, fire suppression, and hazardous materials containment capabilities are in place to reduce harm to people, property, and the environment involved in recreation along the Colorado River.

5. Provide a description of any support your project has from the community and any partnerships that will be formed among boat users, organizations, agencies, and others. (10 Points) \*:

Given its enhancement to water safety, this project is supported by the GYWSA which is comprised of twelve stakeholder organizations in the Yuma community. These organizations include governmental, public safety, healthcare, and non-profit organizations dedicated to improving water safety and reducing water-related mortality across Yuma County.

The project components will be a part of a mutual aid emergency response system which includes the Yuma County Sheriff?s Office, Bureau of Land Management, Department of Forestry & Fire Management, Customs & Border Protection, and other public safety organizations. In this capacity, the project components will be deployable to bodies of water throughout Yuma County to support search and rescue, fire suppression, and hazardous materials spill containment. As a result, boating safety will be enhanced and the infrastructure and environment essential to water-based recreation will be better protected.

Please attach letters of support and/or any partnership agreements:

GYWSA Letter of Support for SLIF Grant Application 2025.pdf

# 6. County Boat Use Days Per Year

Points will be given to projects within counties serving the largest number of boaters. County Boat Use Days Per Year is determined from the most recent (2016) Arizona Watercraft Survey. (10 Possible Points)

Mohave (greater than 25%) = 10 Points

Maricopa, La Paz, Coconino (8% to 25%) = 7 Points

Gila, Yuma (2 to 7.9%) = 4 Points

Apache, Santa Cruz, Cochise, Navajo, Pinal, Graham, Pima, Yavapai, Greenlee (less than 2%) = 2 Points

Select relevant county(ies) here\*:

Gila, Yuma (2 to 7.9%) = 4 Points

#### 7. Renovation

Renovation is defined as redesigning, reconstruction, non-routine maintenance, or relocation of facilities to benefit the natural environment. Other reasons for renovation may include erosion and deterioration, improper original alignment, improper design, safety-related issues due to hazardous conditions, and natural disasters.

Renovation points will not be awarded if the facility?s deterioration is due to inadequate maintenance during the reasonable life of the facility.

Is this a renovation project? (10 Points)\*:

Yes

Boat and trailer replacement are considered renovation

Please state the age and conditions of the facilities to be renovated:

Jet skis, boat, and trailer are past their service life and no longer in a usable response state. Zodiac boat and one jet ski have been decommissioned. One jet ski and trailer remain in operation but continue to have regular mechanical problems. All equipment being replaced (skis, trailer, boat) were from model year 2007 (18 years old).

8. Matching funds demonstrate a commitment of cash contributions, materials, or services either from your own resources or through partnerships involving public and/or private entities. Matching funds must be documented on the certified resolution and for donations, a letter of commitment from the donor in order to qualify for points.

To be considered as a match, funds must be allocated to eligible project scope items according to the program guidelines, and must be utilized

within the approved project period

Do you have dedicated match? (5 Points)\*: Yes

9. Have you received a grant from Arizona State Parks and Trails in the last 5 years? (3

Points Possible)\*:

10. Did you attend the workshop? (2 Yes

Points)\*:

11. Add any additional information, not listed above, as to how your project meets the program criteria listed in the guidelines. :

# \*CULTURAL CLEARANCE REVIEW FORM

#### Cultural Clearance Review Form: Section I. Attachments

1. At least two (2) legible, detailed and labeled maps:

a) Has a detailed map showing all project Yes activities/other related project actions (e.g., staging areas, the location of riprap, new access roads, etc.)been uploaded?\*:

2. A copy of the cultural resources survey report(s) if a survey of the property has been conducted must be uploaded.

Yes

# Survey report(s):

This is a Safety and Education Project Only No Ground Disturbance..docx

3. A copy of any comments regarding eligibility, findings of effect, and any conditions associated with findings made by the land managing agency/landowner and archaeologist (i.e. state, federal, county, municipal) on potential impacts of the project on archaeological and/or historical cultural resources.

#### A copy of any comments:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only No Ground Disturbance..docx

4. A copy of SHPO comments, if the survey report has already been reviewed by SHPO.

SHPO comments:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only No Ground Disturbance..docx

5. If applicable to the project, attach a current agency Decision Memo.

A copy of a Decision Memo:

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS Upload additional surveys and any other documents related to cultural resources

here:

Section II.

Biggest Mstake Made: Failure to list all land managers within the project area.

Example: Applicant submits trail project and all trails exist within land owned by applicant except for a 1/4 mile section of one of the project trails. A small section crosses over a small parcel owned by ASLD (or Reclamation).

If an agreement allowing you to develop/maintain that ASLD-owned parcel exists between your agency and ASLD please attach document directly above (Additional Documents).

If no agreement is in place, or the agreement has expired, please stop working on the application and contact ASPT to discuss issue.

Projects must be shovel ready.\* If you do not have permission from all land managers to conduct work, your project is not shovel ready.

## Current Land Owner/Manager(s)\*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

Project Location, including Township, Range and Section \*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

- 1. Total project area in acres (or total miles if 0.00 trail):
- 2. Does the proposed project have the potential to disturb the surface and/or subsurface of the ground?\*:

Not Applicable-Education Project

# 3. Project Description and Impacts:

a. Please provide a description (what, where, why, and how) of the proposed project, and specifically identify any surface and/or subsurface impacts that are expected.\*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

b. Provide measurements for anticipated surface (areal) and subsurface (depth) disturbances that will be part of the proposed project. \*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

c. Discuss both direct and indirect impact areas, such as staging areas and access routes that will be used as part of the project. \*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance. River access will be accomplished by utilizing existing boat ramps.

# 4. Ground Surface Information

a. Describe the condition of the current ground surface within the entire project boundary area (for example, is the ground in a natural undisturbed condition, or has it been bladed, paved, graded, etc.).\*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

b. Estimate horizontal and vertical extent of existing disturbance\*:

This is a Safety and Education Project Only, No Ground Disturbance.

5. Are there any known prehistoric and/or historical archaeological sites in or adjacent to the project area? \*:

Not Applicable-Education Project

If yes, please indicate where the sites are in respect to the project area. (e.g. The historic site is adjacent to the project area and is roughly 400 feet outside the project area). :

6. Has the project area been previously surveyed for cultural resources by a qualified archaeologist?\*:

Not Applicable-Education Project

If yes, please submit a copy of the survey report above in Section I. Please attach any comments on the survey report made by the land managing agency and/or SHPO:

If, no, please provide a rationale for survey not being necessary (e,g. previously disturbed).

7. Are there any buildings or structures (including mines, bridges, dams, canals, etc.) that are 50 years or older in or adjacent to the project area? \*:

#### Not Applicable-Education Project

If YES, contact Parks staff to receive an Arizona Historic Property Inventory Form. The form will be provided in a Word version.

8. Is your project area within or adjacent to a Not Applicable-Education Project historic district?\*:

# If YES, name of district:

9. List type of equipment to be used (Foot Traffic and Hand Tools, Mechanized Equipment Only or Combination). \*:

Not Applicable to Project

If using equipment you may use this space to provide short description:

#### Section III

Purchase of trail maintenance equipment materials, and supplies (i.e., mowers, tractors, shovels, hammers, etc.)\*:

No

Trail Bridge rehabilitation or replacement\*:

No

Signs, kiosks, and markers replacement or installation\*:

No

Upgrading the trail and or parking lot from dirt to stone or woodchips, or stone or woodchips to a paved (asphalt, concrete, or other paved surface) or boardwalk surface;\*: No

Fencing, guardrail, retaining wall, or berm replacement or installation\*:

No

Drainage\*:

No

Landscaping\*:

No

Compliance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) including the following:

a. Ramps;\*:

b. Railings;\*:

No

c. Resurfacing (to pavement or boardwalk);\*:

No

d. Parking and trail access;\*:

No

e. Signage;\*:

No

f. Portable Toilets\*:

No No

Permanent installation of ancillary facilities such as port-a-potties, bike racks, lighting, benches, trash receptacles, and trail course design features (jumps, water hazards, par course equipment, picnic benches).\*:

Renovation and restoration of trails and trail access routes, in-kind within an established path or trail way\*:

No

Regrading of trail and/or parking areas within established trail way\*:

No

Striping and restriping\*:

No

No

Educational materials\*:

No

Connector trails within boundaries of

existing property\*:

Debris removal\*:

No

Repair of existing signs, kiosks markers, bridges, fences, guardrails, retaining walls, and berms\*:

No

If yes to any items from SECTION III please provide a short description of the work to be done:

This field is limited to 500 characters.

# Signatures

# Archaeologist Name:

Agency Archaeologist must provide a short statement, on agency letterhead, indicating support for the project. Archaeologist must sign the letter. **Note: Non-profits must** have the land manager's archaeologist complete this step.

# Archaeologist Approval Letter:

Application will not be processed and reviewed by Park staff, committees and Parks Board if a signed letter of approval from agency's archaeologist is not provided here.

#### Applicant Printed Name and Title Here:

\* NEPA

#### II. Location and Limits

City\*: Yuma

County\*: Yuma County

## III. Purpose and Description

This is a safety and education project only. No ground disturbance or habitat endangerment.

# IV. CE Checklist

Please attach Official Species List obtained through IPaC:

AGF Environmental Review Tool Report.pdf

Are there threatened or endangered species or critical habitat designated or proposed under the Endangered Species Act present?:

If ?yes? does the project have a determination of ?may affect, likely to adversely affect??:

Describe impacts and attach the most relevant biology survey and documentation of consultation with U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service or Tribal Wildlife Service.:

# Attachment:

Does the project involve any permanent easement or acquisition of right-of-way?:

Are there National Register listed or eligible sites in the Project Area?:

Will the project affect any National Register listed or eligible sites?:

If ?yes? to question #2 or #3, briefly summarize and attach the following survey reports, determinations and concurrences from the State Historic Preservation Office or Tribal Historic Preservation Office, and any agreements for resolution of adverse impacts:

#### Attachment:

Does the project involve construction in, across or adjacent to a river component?:

Does the project require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit?:

Will the project result in 1 or more acres of ground disturbance?:

If ?yes? describe the impacts, list permits, and attach documentation of consultations.:

#### Attachment:

Does the project involve any other impacts that may be considered unusual?:

If ?yes? explain:

# 2020 PROJECT MAPS, TRAILS, & PHOTOS

# PROJECT AREA MAPS & PHOTOS

1. Please download the State Map form & mark the location of your project area; when complete upload the State Map below.

# State Map\*:

## ArizonaStateMap.pdf

2. Provide a legible and detailed series of maps showing the project area in close detail. Please identify all project activities and any other related project actions including the location of signs, access roads, and staging areas. Please combine all maps into 1 file, convert to pdf and upload below. See instructions above on map support and recommendations using the Game & Fish map program.

#### Combined Maps\*:

# SLIF Detailed Maps.pdf

- 3. Please upload at least eight (8) color photographs that show the project area, land acquisition or specific features.
- Photographs should document as many of the proposed scope items as possible. Please provide a short, written description of each photo. Attach photos of project area to document condition, particularly of those areas that have experienced impacts.
- If there any buildings or structures (including mines, bridges, dams, canals, etc.) that are 50 years or older in or adjacent to (within 100 yards) the project area please include photos of the building/structure and identify as such.
- Submit all your pictures on one (1) PDF file, save to your computer and upload PDF here.

Color Photographs\*:

SLIF Project Pics.pdf

# TRAIL INFORMATION TABLE

Trail Name/Number Uses Allowed Length of work Trail Work Condition of Current Ground Trail Location ?Township, Range, Section Trail Map

No Data for Table

# KIOSKS, SIGNS & SUPPORT FACILITIES

Kiosk/ Facility Location Name					
(i.e. name of trail, trailhead, milepost, road where activity	Township, Range,		Condition of Current	Will Original Footprint of disturbance	Upload
to take place)	Section	Action	Ground	change?	Мар

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# \* NON-PROFIT ELIGIBILITY FORM

# NONPROFIT CERTIFICATION STATEMENT Is your agency a non-profit or club?\*: No If answer is 'No', mark this form as complete as it only pertains to non-profit organizations and clubs. \* CERTIFICATION Certification Completed by\*: Alvin Luedtke Battalion Chief Name Title 05/02/2025 Date\* I acknowledge and understand that this grant program operates on a reimbursement basis. Reimbursement occurs only after an expense is paid. Reimbursement Acknowledgment \*: Yes I acknowledge and understand that our agency will comply with all appropriate state and federal regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application. Compliance Acknowledgement\*: Yes I acknowledge and understand that our agency has the required matching funds for each reimbursement. Matching Funds Acknowledgement\*: Yes I acknowledge and understand that our agency is required to provide proof of liability insurance at the time of project signature. Insurance Acknowledgement\*: Yes I hereby certify that the information in this application is true and correct and that our agency agrees to Trails. Signature Here (Either type authorized official name here or hand-write signature

comply with all appropriate procedures, guidelines, and requirements established by Arizona State Parks &

and attach authorized signature below):

Alvin Luedtke

Optional Signature Page:

# \* RESOLUTION

# RESOLUTION

Is your organization a federal, state, or tribal

If answer is 'Yes', mark this form as complete as it only pertains to local government agencies and non-profits.

Board Resolution (Sample) (To be printed on organization letter head)

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF (Sponsor Name) HELD ON (Date)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PROJECT SPONSOR?S GOVERNING BODY hereby:

- 1. Approves the filing of an application for motorized or non-motorized assistance, and
- 2. Certifies that the application is consistent and compatible with all adopted plans and programs of: for motorized/non-motorized trails facility development; and

- 3. Agrees to comply with all appropriate procedures, guidelines, and requirements established by the Parks as a part of the application process; and
- 4. Certifies that Project Sponsor will comply with all appropriate state and federal regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements as they relate to the application; and
- 5. If applicable, certifies that Project Sponsor has matching funds
- 6. Appoints the agent listed below as agent of (Project Sponsor?s Governing Body) to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, billing statements, and so on which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

The Sponsor authorizes \_\_\_\_\_ as agent of the sponsor to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, billing statements, and so which may be necessary for the completion of the grant funded project.

l, the undersigned being duly appointed and qualified project sponsor, certify that the foregoing Resolution is true and accurate copy of the resolution passed at adopted at a regular meeting of the project sponsor held on the date listed below at which a quorum was present and voted in favor of said resolutions.

Resolution No.

Project Sponsor Name:

Project Title:

Program Funding:

Signed by: (Signature)

Date:

A draft resolution may be submitted with the application. The final resolution must be provided before a Project Agreement can be signed. The application will be ineligible if a resolution is not submitted.

Resolution No.:

Project Sponsor Name:

Project Sponsor?s Governing Body (if different from Sponsor Name):

Project Title:

Signed by:

Date:

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If you have a completed Resolution please

SLIF Draft Resolution.pdf

upload it here:

# **Application Correspondence**

Correspondence Needed

Do you have Correspondence to add?\*: No

CORRESPONDENCE (Phone/Email, Meeting)

Type Date Sent To From Subject Message Attachment Attachment

No Data for Table



April 30, 2025

Arizona State Parks & Trails State Lake Improvement Fund Program

# RE: Letter of Support – Yuma Fire Department SLIF Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Greater Yuma Water Safety Alliance (GYWSA), I am pleased to offer our strong support for the Yuma Fire Department's application for State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) resources to acquire rescue watercraft and related equipment.

Yuma is a community deeply connected to water—through recreation, tourism, and everyday life. With nearly year-round access to the Colorado River and a high volume of local and visitor use, the importance of water safety in our region cannot be overstated. The addition of jet skis, a rescue boat, trailers, and a tethered drone will significantly enhance the region's ability to prevent drownings and respond to emergencies quickly and effectively.

The requested equipment directly supports two vital objectives:

- Prevention: Supporting proactive public education and outreach to reduce risky behavior and promote safe practices along the river.
- Response: Equipping first responders with specialized tools to improve water-based rescues, thereby reducing morbidity and mortality during maritime emergencies.

The Greater Yuma Water Safety Alliance was formed in 2023 as a regional partnership dedicated to reducing drownings through collaborative education, outreach, and resource coordination. Our members include representatives from local government, health care, nonprofit organizations, and public safety agencies—united by a common mission to improve water safety outcomes across all of Yuma County.

We believe the Yuma Fire Department's proposal aligns closely with GYWSA's mission and is an important investment in our community's safety. We believe this project will make a meaningful difference and hope you will support the Yuma Fire Department's request.

Sincerely,

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