



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES REGULAR MEETING



August 10, 2018

Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department
3500 West River Road, Tucson, Arizona

Quorum having been established, Chair Lundin called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. on August 10, 2018.

Commissioners present were Michael Lundin (Chair), Jan Johnson (Vice Chair), Damion Alexander, Peter Chesson (via Skype), Richard Barker, Anita Kellman, Victor Rivera and Enrique Serna. Karen Cesare and Kimberly Marohn were absent.

Staff present were Chris Cawein, Robert Padilla, Kate Harrison, Robin Hadden, Mark Flint, Joe Barr, Grant Bourguet, Jodi Layton, Leonard Ordway, Butch Jensen, Ron Odell, and Ann Khambholja.

Those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 8, 2018 minutes. The motion passed.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION REQUEST

1. Informational update from the Recreation Division: Mr. Joe Barr handed out the annual report for Recreation Division to the commissioners to review at their leisure and informed them that they could bring follow-up questions to future commission meetings. Mr. Leonard Ordway, Shooting Sports Program Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the shooting sport programs at the various NRPR ranges which are located in several areas of Pima County. Commissioner Johnson asked whether there was an annual fee and was informed that there was no annual membership program but daily fees, with some discounts for bulk purchases. However, an Archery Pass is available for an annual fee of \$25.00. Commissioner Johnson also asked which were the busiest times in the year. Mr. Ordway responded that the ranges are busy year round. Commissioner Alexander asked when the roof of the Tucson Mountain Park rifle range would be repaired. Mr. Ordway informed him that he was hopeful that it would be completed by the end of September, and that the new roof of the archery range at SERP would be completed by November. There were no more questions for Mr. Ordway. Mr. Grant Bourguet, Aquatics Program Manager and Ms. Jodi Layton, Aquatics Program Coordinator, provided the commissioners a presentation about the aquatics program. Commissioner Johnson asked how deep the splash pad was, and was informed that it was not deep, but was shaped like a bowl – with the outer rim being about six inches higher than the middle. Water drains to the center and is recycled back to the pad. Since there is no standing water on the pad, no lifeguards are needed on site. Commissioner Rivera asked if

there were swim lessons for adults and was informed that there was not much interest in a program like that. He said that there were several people he knew who were interested in refreshing their skills. Mr. Bourguet told him to send those interested to him. Commissioner Alexander asked why there was no grass around the splash pad as there is at the Brandi Fenton Memorial Park splash pad. Mr. Bourguet explained that one of the challenges for this pad was the area around was all desert, unlike that at Brandi Fenton which sits in the middle of the park. Mr. Barr also informed them that the turf area at Brandi Fenton was along the fenced walkway. Commissioner Johnson asked about the new design of the lifesaver and Ms. Layton demonstrated how it was used. There were no more questions.

2. Informational update regarding machine building of trails: Mr. Mark Flint provided the commissioners with a brief power point presentation concerning mechanized trail building. Commissioner Alexander asked when work would start at Enchanted Hills Park and was informed that it was scheduled for fall with completion in spring 2019. Commissioner Alexander also asked about the Painted Hills project and Mr. Flint informed him that it would be conducted around the same time. There were no more questions.
3. Informational update on NRPR's 2018/19 work plan: Mr. Chris Cawein provided the commissioners a brief update on what NRPR had planned for the current fiscal year and handed out an informational memo listing the proposed deferred maintenance projects under the new created Parks Renewal Fund. He reminded them that the Parks Renewal Fund was allocated \$750,000.00 for addressing our aging facilities. The second work plan element is Facilities Program Expansion, similar to the Manzanita Splash Pad, the Canoa Ranch pond and Mike Jacob Sports park in the prior fiscal year. For the current fiscal year the work plan has three new projects that may be completed in the current fiscal year. The projects in question are: a beach volleyball complex either at Brandi Fenton or Curtis Park, Agua Caliente pond 1 refurbishment to reduce groundwater pumping and Rillito Park improvements to include lighting an existing field as well as lighting the parking lot. Commissioner Johnson asked why it was call beach volleyball since she associated it with water and Mr. Cawein informed her it was also known as sand volleyball. Commissioner Alexander asked whether Agua Caliente park would be closed during pond refurbishment and was informed that that was probable, due to the use of heavy equipment. Commissioner Johnson asked what activities occurred at Rillito Park at night and Mr. Cawein told her they were typically soccer practice, special events and other activities. From a staffing standpoint, Mr. Cawein said based on needs that they have seen, he would like to hire an assistant manager for the Natural Resources Division, which would be more efficient. He informed them of a white paper that the Recreation Division put together that described the entirety of the aquatics program. It was sent to Mr. Huckelberry and the Board and that resulted in a bump in salaries for lifeguards. Mr. Cawein proposes more white papers for programs like Mr. Ordway's shooting sports program which generates considerable revenue for a parks department would need more investment to increase the number of days the program is available. Enhancing the program would lead to more revenue as well. His volunteer labor is also beneficial as some of the volunteers are highly skilled. There will be another paper on Sports Management and field usage throughout the county including other jurisdictions like the City of Tucson, the Town of Marana, etc., to access information on what needs to be done, what is available, and needs for different sports in the future. Ranch management is another, as ranchers are aging out and their children are not interested in taking over. Thus, NRPR is thinking of young rancher programs, internships, youth programs. Another paper will be on community centers that

serve a multitude of purposes for both youth and older adults, again focusing on what they do as well as their shortcomings. Commissioner Serna said that years earlier, a study was done on the impact of community centers especially in stressed areas in our community that showed when programs were expanded, there was a decrease in crime and other activities associated with stressed areas and he would like to see those kinds of relationships resurrected. Mr. Cawein assured him that that would definitely be looked at as well.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S):

Mr. Cawein informed them that there will be action items on the next agenda that will require the commissions' concurrence regarding the fee schedule. NRPR has been looking at the parks fee structure that was established about 10 years ago and during that time, costs have increased. In addition, some items will be eliminated from the fee structure since they do not apply any longer. Mr. Cawein informed them about administratively approved fees that the Board had never formally approved which would be included in the structure. The last is a convenience fee to try to recover the fees for online registrations. He informed them that most of the other county departments have the ability to recover the transaction fee. He also informed them that people who want to avoid the convenience fee would still be able to come to NRPR and register.

The other item to be brought before the commission, probably in December, will be the park rules. The park rules have never been formally adopted by the Board. Mr. Cawein proposes to make the rules specific to the type of park to create a better rule system. Commissioner Alexander asked whether the commission would have a say in the rule-making process and Mr. Cawein informed him that he thinks it would be best to provide the rules to the commission in advance since NRPR is familiar with both the rules and the problems encountered. Mr. Cawein also informed them that NRPR has been working with law enforcement to enhance enforcement. Mr. Huckelberry also sent a memo to the Sheriff's Department which reminded them that \$1.5m had been transferred to the Sheriff's department when the Park Ranger program was eliminated. Mr. Cawein informed them that after a conversation about Gates Pass, the Sheriff's Department conducted a sting operation that led to 13 arrests. There were no further questions.

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business to come before the commission, duly motioned and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.



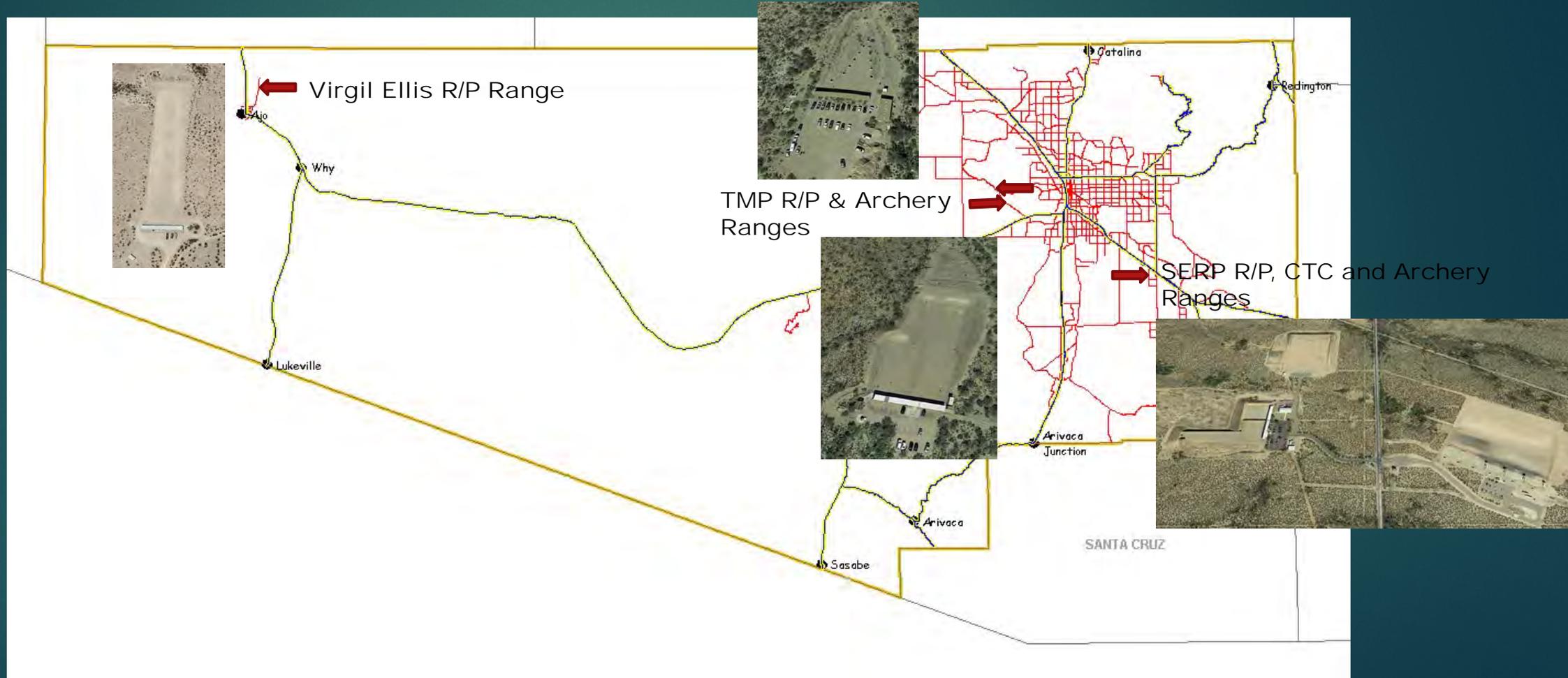
PIMA COUNTY

NRPR – Shooting Sports Program

2018 PROGRAM UPDATE FOR PARKS COMMISSION

Leonard Ordway, Program Manager

County Shooting Range Locations



Program Staffing

- ▶ Shooting Sports Program Manager
- ▶ Range Operations Program Manager
- ▶ Rangemasters
 - ▶ 1 Full Time
 - ▶ 16 Part Time
- ▶ Recreational Specialists (Cashiers) – 4 Part Time
- ▶ Technician – 1 Full Time
- ▶ Laborers – 2 Part Time



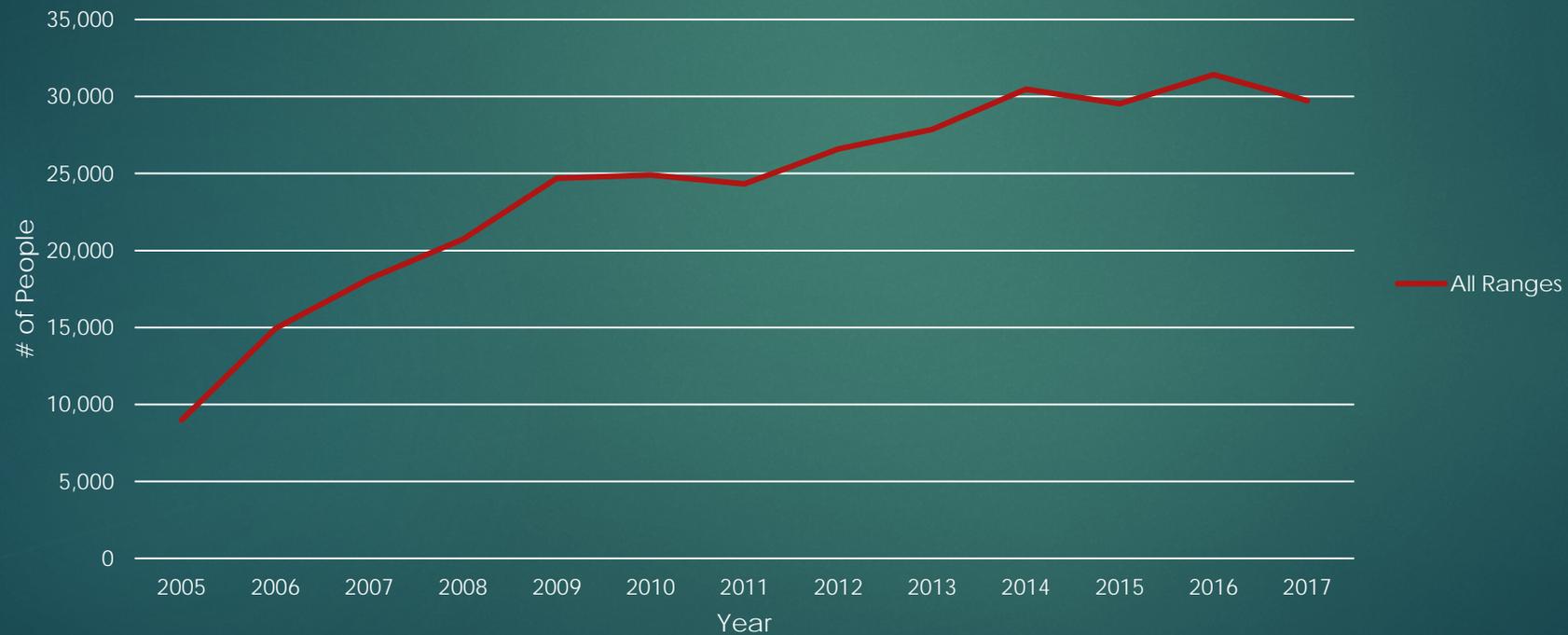
Volunteer Program - Recognition

- ▶ 54 Active Volunteers in CY2017 – March 3rd Celebration Event
- ▶ 7,333.5 Hours of Time Donated (Equivalent to over 3.5 Full Time Staff!)
- ▶ Training provided (Shotgun Coaching and Range Safety Officer)
- ▶ Jack Moreland - Chuck Catino Community Leadership Award



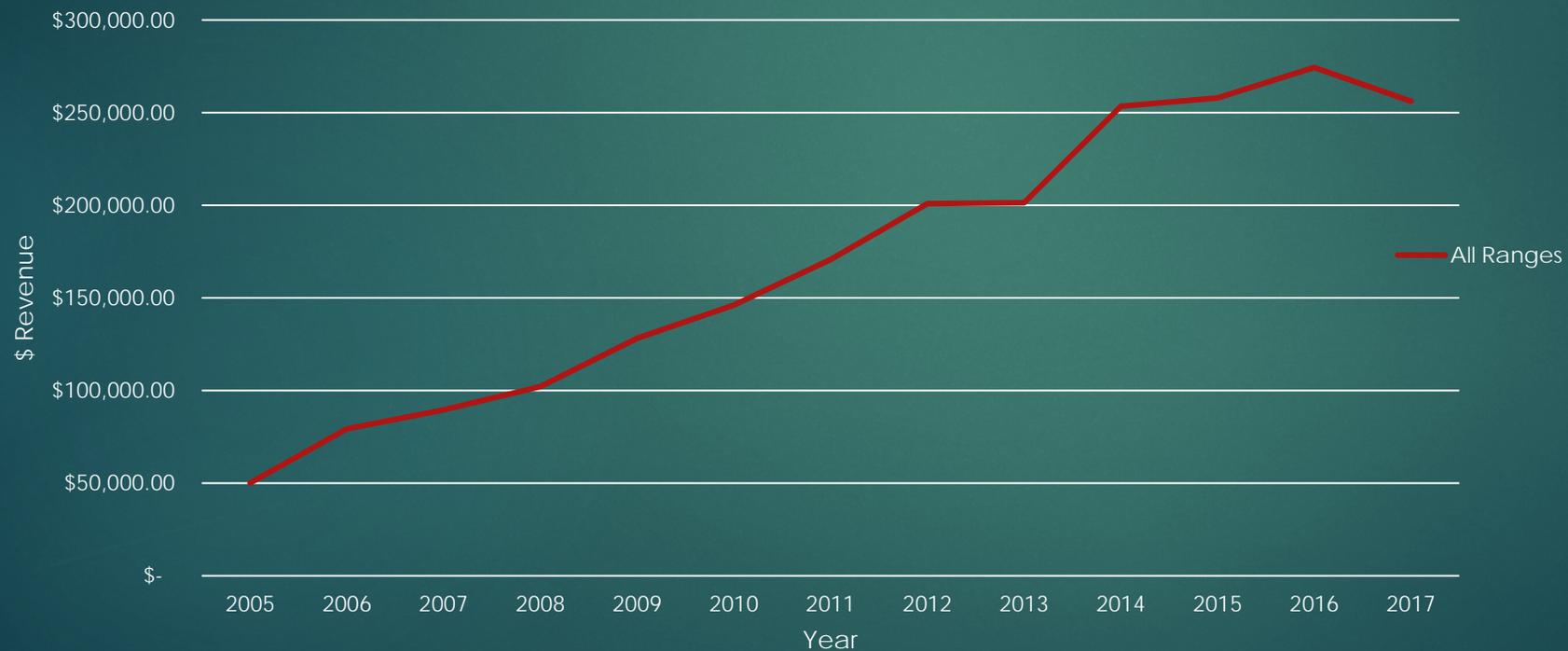
Program Participation (Through CY2017)

Shooting Sports Program Participation



Program Revenue (Through CY2017)

Shooting Sports Program Revenue



Rifle/Pistol Range Events

- ▶ Monthly Hunter Education Classes
- ▶ 4H and BSA Firearms Instructor Training and Youth Shooting Practice and Competitions
- ▶ Annual Senior Olympic Rifle and Pistol Competitions
- ▶ Firearms Safety and Operation Classes by Private Contractor
- ▶ Friends of NRA Banquet Table by Program Staff
- ▶ Dave Daughtry Memorial Sign Placement and Gathering



Rifle/Pistol Range Projects

- ▶ New Message Boards at SERP and TMP
- ▶ Additional Equipment Tables at SERP
- ▶ TMP Parking Lot and Range Grading & Substrate Placement for Erosion Control
- ▶ Security Enhancements at TMP
- ▶ Critical Range Rules Handout Implementation
- ▶ Facility Hour Changes



TMP Rifle/Pistol Range Issues

- ▶ Break-in, Theft and Vandalism
- ▶ Storm Damage – Roof Rebuild
- ▶ Strange Visitor



Archery Ranges (TMP and SERP)

Events

- ▶ Monthly Desert Archers 3D Club Shoots
- ▶ Boy Scouts & 4H Practices and Competitions

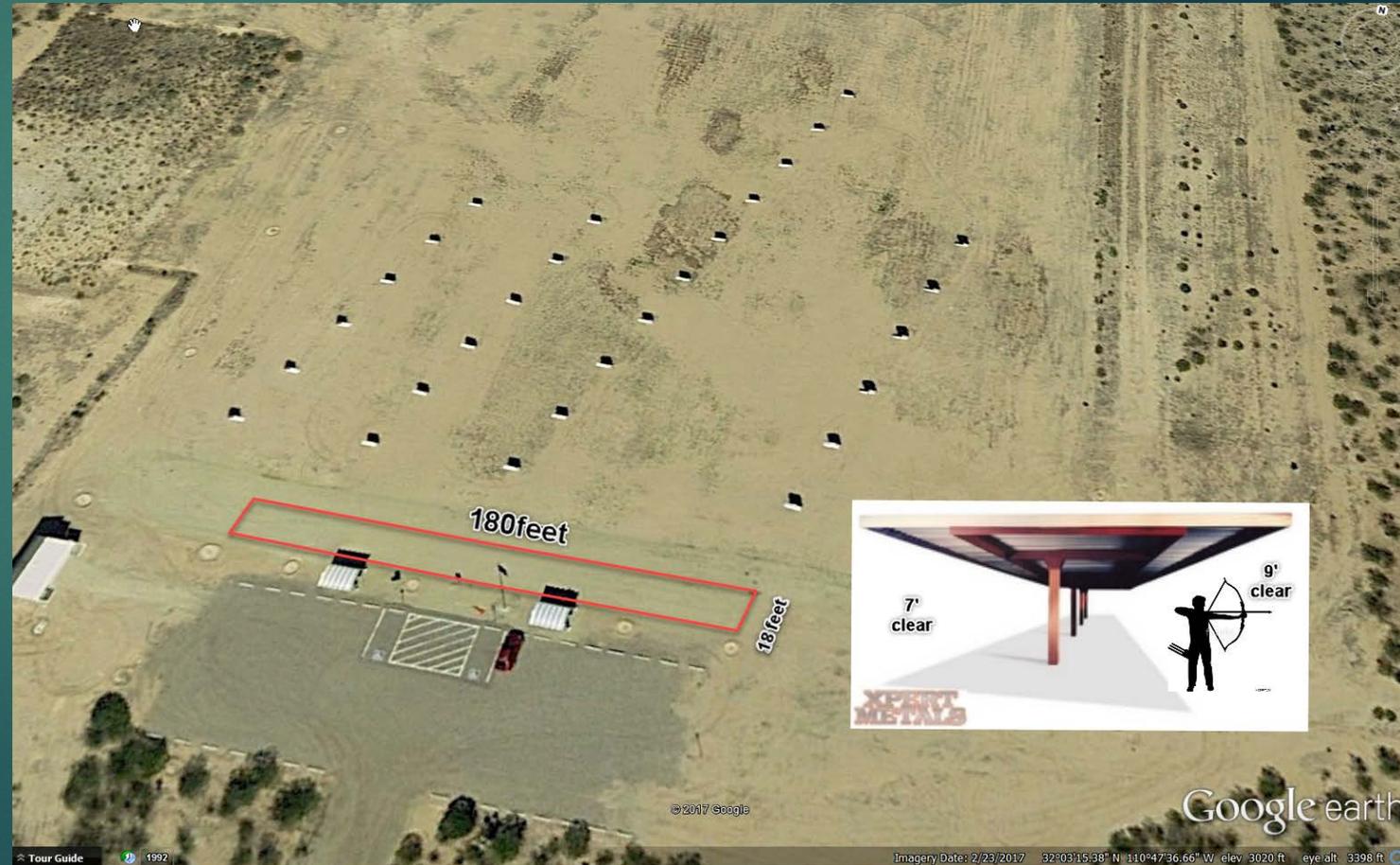
Projects

- ▶ New Signage, Info Cards and Placard Holders
- ▶ Crossbow Shooting Station at SERP
- ▶ Change-out of Old Target Butts at TMP



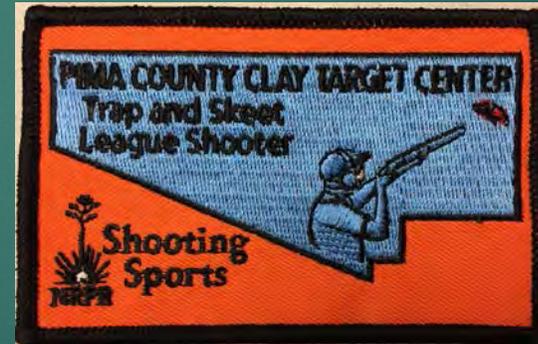
AZ Game & Fish FY19 Range Improvement Grant Approved

SERP Archery Shade Ramada
\$27,000.00 Approved
50% Construction Cost Match
(\$60,000.00 Project)



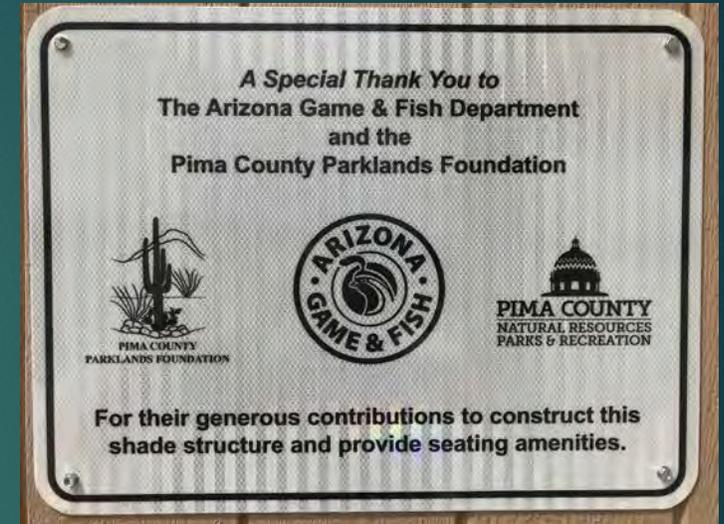
Clay Target Center Events

- ▶ Fall and Spring Trap and Skeet Leagues
- ▶ Annual Senior Olympics Trap and Skeet Competition
- ▶ Charity Clay Target Shoot by NOVA Home Loans for TFFA
- ▶ Tucson Trap and Skeet Club Corporate Shoot Event



Clay Target Center Projects

- ▶ Office Shade Ramada and Seating Project Funded via Matching Grant from the Arizona Game and Fish Department and Dedicated Parklands Foundation Funds



Clay Target Center Projects (Cont.)

- ▶ Installation of New Wobble Trap Machine Funded 100% via NRA Foundation Grant



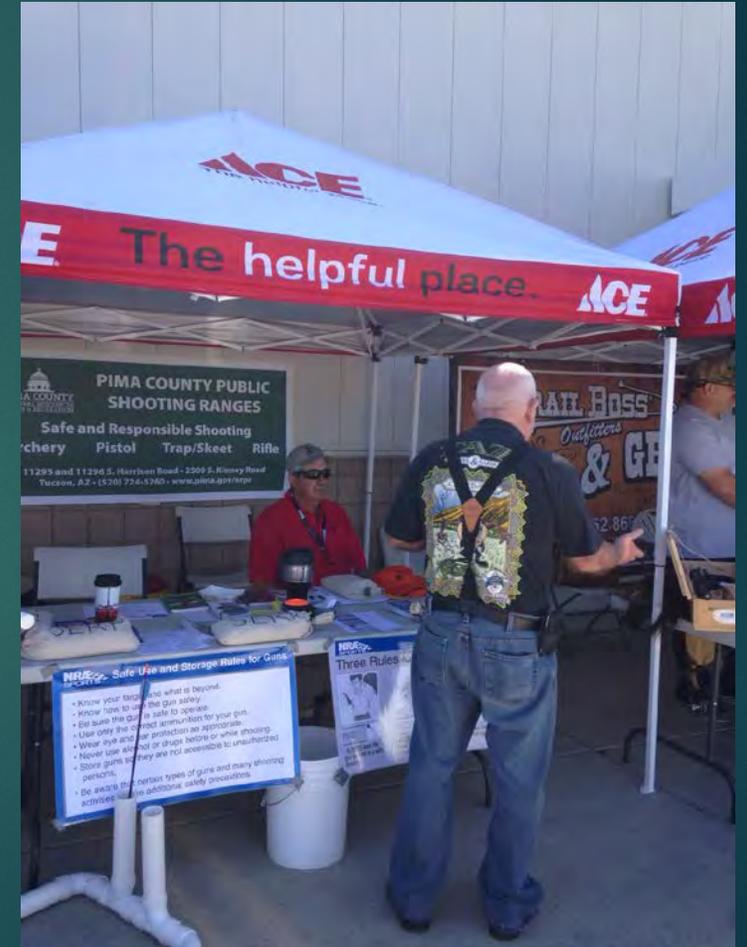
CTC Target Center Projects (Cont.)

- ▶ Construction and Implementation of New 5-Stand Field (Included placement of new Mini-Mobile storage container.)



Program Agreements and Community Support

- ▶ 4H
- ▶ Boy Scouts of America
- ▶ Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation – U of A Pistol Club
- ▶ Scholastic Clay Target Program
- ▶ Arizona Game and Fish Department – Hunter Education
- ▶ Desert Archers Club
- ▶ The Well Armed Woman Organization
- ▶ G4S Security Solutions
- ▶ Gator Farms Firearms Training Company – Leisure Class Program
- ▶ Escapees RV Club
- ▶ Nova Home Loans
- ▶ Tucson Trap and Skeet Club
- ▶ Arizona Rangers – Tucson and Madera Companies
- ▶ ACE Hardware Local Business Fair



Questions?

Our Goal is to provide Safe and Responsible Public Shooting and Excellent Customer Service.

Thank you!



PIMA COUNTY AQUATICS

SUMMER REPORT FOR PARKS COMMISSION

Grant Bourguet and Jodi Layton



THE AQUATIC STAFF CHALLENGE

- ACTIVELY COMPETING WITH OTHER AGENCIES, TEENAGE WORKFORCE ON THE DECLINE
- 25+ LIFEGUARD SHORTAGE TO START SUMMER
- EMERGENCY LIFEGUARD TRAINING HELD THE FIRST WEEK OF SUMMER
- \$1.00 PER HOUR PAY INCREASE APPROVED BY ADMINISTRATION, ABLE TO AVOID POOL CLOSURES OR PROGRAM REDUCTIONS





NRPR AQUATICS

Even when faced with staffing challenges, rising costs, and aging infrastructure... Aquatics continues to thrive each summer, and most importantly, continues to redefine the meaning of the word FUN!

MAIN AQUATIC PROGRAMS UPDATE

- SWIM LESSONS
- SWIM TEAM
- JUNIOR LIFEGUARDING



LIFEGUARD OF THE WEEK



- NO ADDITIONAL COST
- SUPERVISORY TEAM AWARDS ONE PERSON FROM EACH POOL
- PICTURE TAKEN AND POSTED AT THE POOL
- SUPERVISOR TAKES ONE ROTATION
- VERY WELL RECEIVED FROM STAFF

TRAINING WITH LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS

- ALL NINE COUNTY POOLS TRAINED WITH FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN SUMMER 2018
- STREAMLINES EMERGENCY CHAIN OF SURVIVAL
- GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR LIFEGUARDS TO NETWORK WITH FIRST RESPONDERS



LIFEGUARD OLYMPICS

- HELD ANNUALLY AT THE END OF SUMMER
- ENSURES HIGH LEVEL OF FOCUS DURING IN-SERVICES TRAININGS THROUGHOUT SUMMER



AQUATICS THRIVING ON SOCIAL MEDIA



JUL
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Pima County Swim Team Championships
Public · Hosted by Pima County Swim Team Program

INSIGHTS

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People Reached
+2 last 7 days



111

Responses
+0 last 7 days



Track ticket sales on your next event by adding a ticket link

Audience

Women 35-44
41% of total responses

Performance for Your Post

3,589 People Reached

185 Reactions, Comments & Shares

105

Like

42

On Post

63

On Shares

9

Love

2

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7

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Haha

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Wow

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On Post

1

On Shares

50

Comments

27

On Post

23

On Shares

19

Shares

19

On Post

0

On Shares

1,186 Post Clicks

275

Photo Views

149

Link Clicks

762

Other Clicks

WARDEN FAMILY SPLASH PAD CONSTRUCTION



- CONSTRUCTION STARTED IN FEBRUARY 2018

- COMPLETED IN JULY 2018



WARDEN FAMILY SPLASH PAD CONSTRUCTION



WARDEN FAMILY SPLASH PAD GRAND OPENING

DEDICATED ON JULY 28, 2018



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QUESTIONS?



Building Trail with Mechanized Equipment













