

Arizona OHV Grant Program

The mission of the Arizona Off Highway Vehicle Program is to develop vehicular recreational opportunities and educational programs that promote user education, interagency cooperation and natural resource protection.

The Arizona Legislature created the OHV Program in 1991. The Legislature set the funding mechanism at 0.55 percent of the annual state motor fuel tax revenues. In 2009 the decal program began and today both funds are used for OHV projects.

Arizona State Parks administers the program azstateparks.com/ohv:

- 60 percent of the funds goes to OHV grants and agreements (12 percent for administration of the program), road construction, development, maintenance, signage and maps of roads/trails;
- 35 percent goes to Game and Fish Department for law enforcement, education and outreach;
- 5 percent goes to the Arizona State Land Department for mitigation, signage and enforcement.

More information can be found at the Game and Fish website azgfd.com/ohv.

Arizona OHV Decal Requirements

The OHV decal program is intended for vehicles designed by the manufacturer to travel over unimproved roads, to have a laden weight of 2500 pounds or less, and/or an engine greater than 49cc. A decal is required for use on all public and state trust lands and must be displayed in the upper left hand corner of your license plate. Pickup trucks, SUVs, cars and other recreational vehicles are not required to have an OHV decal.



The decal is not a registration and you are required to have a registration if you plan to travel on paved and improved roads and streets.



Arizona residents will need an Arizona certificate of title, insurance and an Arizona license plate. Decals can be purchased through any Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) office or at azmvdnow.gov and are good for one year from date of purchase for each vehicle. The cost of the decal is \$25.



Non-Arizona residents will need to purchase an OHV decal for each vehicle they own. The decal must be purchased prior to riding in Arizona. The non-resident decal is only available online through the Arizona Game and Fish Department at azgfd.com/OHV/Decals/



Required Equipment for OHVs

Equipment includes rearview mirror, seat, foot rests, eye protection or windshield, muffler with a limit of 96 decibels, spark arrestor, safety flag and license plate.



Helmets are required for anyone under the age of 18. Children should never ride OHVs designed for adults. There are size and age appropriate OHVs designed for children, and are intended for one operator with no passenger.

Always follow the manufacturer's minimum age recommendations, and make sure your children ride with the appropriate safety equipment.

Arizona State Land Permit

When driving off pavement in Arizona you need to have an Arizona State Land Recreation Permit, available online at land.az.gov/applications-permits.

Arizona State Trust Land is held in trust for the Arizona schools, hospitals and other educational or charitable beneficiaries. All sales of land and permits go to benefit these beneficiaries.

Avenza Map App

Avenza is a mobile app that allows you to download maps for offline use on an iOS or Android smartphone or tablet. Use your device's built-in GPS to track your location on any map, plot locations and photos, measure distance and area, and more. The app only uses your minutes to download the program and maps; otherwise it uses your GPS.



Scan the QR code for the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) for the Santa Catalina RD in the Coronado NF or at fs.usda.gov/main/coronado/maps-pubs all other NF MVUMs can be found at fs.usda.gov.

More Information

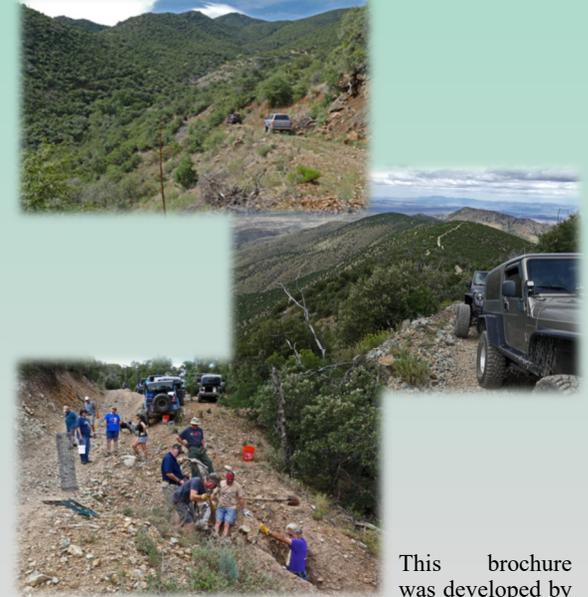
Coronado NF Supervisor's Office, 300 W. Congress, Tucson, AZ 85701, (520)388-8300

Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson Field Office, 555 N. Greasewood Rd., Tucson, AZ 85743, (520)628-5376, azgfd.com

Arizona State Land Department, 1616 W. Adams St., Phoenix, AZ 85007, (602)542-4631, land.az.gov

Arizona State Parks, 23751 N. 23rd Ave., #190, Phoenix, AZ 85085, (887)697-2757, azstateparks.com

Rice Peak Routes Coronado National Forest Santa Catalina Ranger District



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Local Contacts:

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Arizona State Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs, asa4wdc.org

Arizona Four Wheel Drive Foundation, afwdf.org

Tucson RoughRiders, tucsonroughriders.com



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Rice Peak History

The Rice Peak OHV Route is maintained in part by the Tucson RoughRiders (TRR) through an Arizona State Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs Adopt-A-Road agreement with the Coronado National Forest Santa Catalina Ranger District. This has been an ongoing project for over 20 years.

Work on this route has included filling in washouts, adding footage to widen the road, installing fencing, clean up/trash removal, installing signs and other maintenance along the roads.

It is used for off highway-recreation, hunting, bicycling, horseback riding, hiking, ranching and also. Not to mention ranching and fire suppression. Rice Peak is located on the west side of the Santa Catalina Mountains.

Dispersed, primitive dry camping is available on the Rice Peak road, along with some expansive views of the valley from the trail. For exact locations refer to the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) for camping requirements.

Be prepared for inclement weather, especially in the summer monsoon season and winter. The road can also change from year to year due to rains and snow melt.

The Rice Peak OHV Route is a moderate road except for the last steep section up to the peak. The road requires an experienced driver with a high clearance 4 wheel drive, off-road tires. Upgraded differentials are suggested for ease of travel.

Disclaimer

The ASA4WDC and the affiliated clubs, AZ Four Wheel Drive Foundation, Tucson RoughRiders, AZ Game and Fish Department, Coronado National Forest, AZ State Land Department and AZ State Parks are not responsible or liable for any mishap to or injury, death or damage to any vehicle, person or public/private property.

OHV Information

This brochure is for information only and may not show changes to the area with regard to Travel Management. Refer to the latest MVUM for this area.

OHV Trail Etiquette

- Check with local clubs about difficulty of the trail.
- Let someone know where you are going, your destination and when you expect to return.
- Leave all gates as you found them. If they were open, do not close. If they were closed please close them. This is open range
- Travel on designated routes only.
- Invite a friend along so you don't travel alone.
- Not all trails are for stock vehicles.
- Use existing campsites and fire rings.
- Please pack it in/pack it out.
- Downhill traffic has the right of way.
- Yield to nonmotorized users (equestrians, hikers, bikers, trail runners, etc.).

Directions

From Tucson take Hwy 77 to Oracle and turn right onto W. American Road. Continue to the Mt Lemmon Road, turn right onto FR 38. The trail begins across the road from the Peppersauce Campground.

This map is not to scale. The MVUM map for this area is the Santa Catalina RD in the Coronado NF.

