



May 15th 2020

Mr. John Richardson
Forestry Programs Administrator
Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management
110 West Washington, Suite 100, Phoenix AZ 85007

Re: Arizona Deer Association's Support Game and Fish Department's 18a Fuel Reduction

Mr. Richardson,

I am writing to you in regards to the Department of Forestry and Fire Management's 2020 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant. The Arizona Game and Fish Department staff formally presented this project to the Arizona Deer Association (ADA) on August 20th 2019. At the conclusion of their presentation, the motion was made and accepted by the ADA Board of Directors to adopt the Project as an ADA premier habitat enhancement project. This Project fits the ADA board's criteria of benefitting all species of wildlife, and restoring ecosystem health. Many of the acres being treated through this project will reduce hazardous fuel loads and reduce the wildfire risk to homes, ranches, and the fences and waters that they need to operate. The ADA has reached out to District 4's Congressman to provide additional support for this project.

The ADA is proud to be a cooperator in concert with our Mule Deer Foundation and Department counterparts and other partners on this outstanding long term, multi phased projects for the betterment of some 50,000 acres.

Yours in conservation,

Don McDowell
President
Arizona Deer Association
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