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## PTSC notes: March 25, 2013

PNF reported on the RAC grant of #308 will be delayed.

PNF gave update about the Greater Prescott Trails Planning meeting.

Became activated after PTSC came together to work on resolving safety issues.

This is a big study about trail needs and has defined areas/zones to be studied.

It will include an environmental assessment plan.

GPTP realizes a large demand for trail use

GPTP is focused on long term.... a vision for 50 years out.

GPTP will have an in-depth look at the issues at hand.

GPTP will be designing how to collect the information and try to avoid missing any trail user groups. They will give an over-view of what has been studied so far per zone.

Short term goals...do now... as well as long term goals will be listed.

Connections between other communities will be looked at.

Trail safety issue will be considered when planning trails.

Denny reported on the Almosta Trail work day when equestrians and bikers worked together putting up post with new information signs. It was a fun day and the bikers were glad they did not have to pack in the heavy post, signs and tools.

Brooke reported on the revision of the

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Of a reporting system that users can report anything...good or not...that occurs on their trail rides or hikes or biking usage. This will keep track of which trails have the most traffic as well as an incident issue. PNF needs more detailed input about the trails in order to make more accurate assessment of the trail user and trail needs. Questions as how many people in the group, what did you see, have any positive or negative encounters with other users, did people yield correctly and politely, and issues about speed or signage. Names and contact information must be given to verify the report. PTSC members were asked to check out the web site and inform her if anything might needs to be changed. Go to "My Outdoor Experience" to report.

A PNFS link will be added.

PNF suggested a smart phone bar code could be on Kiosks to quickly inform users about trail information maps, etc. (This is already being done in Coconino National Forests.)

PNF is also taking note of the urgent needs for bigger and better tail heads.

## WORK PROJECTS:

1. A pamphlet designed to be put into appropriate stores, PNF, etc. (Jason and Debbie.)
2. Plans for the Relay/Race and BBQ at Wm Valley Trail Head for all users. (Brooke, Joyce, Sara, Denise.)
3. Brushing Video need for Adopt a Trail Program.
4. Create a Time Line for all projects. (Denny and Brad.)
  - #307 re-route, using CAT solution.
  - #531 needs more courteous signs.
  - Whiskey Row Race....route on City Map
  - Endurance Race...April 13th - 15th.
  - Camp Wood Motorcycle Race.
  - April 30th Easter Egg Hunt at Emmanuel Pass. (PMBA)
  - #332 needs road X-ing signage on Iron Spgs Rd.
  - Groom Crk needs signage. (Jason, Spike, Denny) #332, #396, #254 and TH at Girl Scout camp.
  - #347 filtering blind corners. (Riders and bikers.)
  - #352 needs filtering
5. Another Annual Trail Head Meeting. Coincide with National Trails Day, June 1, 2013. (PNF will be planning the program.)

Another IMBA Classroom and Trail work coming.

Discussion re Patrick Kell's statements made at Sedona. Many not happy with his presentation.

He suggested Sedona will be a destination for mountain biking as has been suggested about Prescott. PMBA is not supporting Prescott being a destination place. They are not supporting building down hill flow trails because PNF has natural one. Brooke noted the IMBA does not speak for PMBA

Craig and Leslie looking into starting a Trail Safety Coalition in Coconino's Red Rock District.

He reported that people did not have a positive reaction to Patrick Kell presentation. Craig is working toward more education for trail users on the Verde side.

Jason from PNF stated the destination issue speaks to good access to public trails (trail heads) and that much influx of people would interfere with people living here. People live here for the quality of living provided here. Tourism is not the ONLY economic issue for Prescott.

PMBA is saying there would be a greater need for more trails to accommodate an influx of trail users. Also a destination place would be greatly hindered by PNF's physical

barriers, as sight lines, that would not be good for mountain bikers.

Events:

June 8th...Outdoor Festival

April 14th-17th...International Trail Symposium, Fountain Hills.

New motorized trail at Dosey Pit.

Will use Swecco on #384 (Wolf Crk Falls)

**Next PTSC meeting: May 13th at CVFS.**