

Resolution No. 58-85

RESOLUTION OF THE NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S

APPROVING THE APPLICATION TO THE
ARIZONA OUTDOOR RECREATION COORDINATING COMMISSION
FOR A STATE LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND GRANT

Scott Reservoir Facility Construction

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Legislature under ARS 5-382 has authorized the establishment of a State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) providing financial assistance to the State of Arizona and its political subdivisions for the development of facilities for public boating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Outdoor Recreation Coordinating Commission (AORCC) has statutory responsibility for the administration of the Fund on behalf of the State including the establishment of necessary guidelines and procedures governing applications for funding assistance under the SLIF program; and

WHEREAS, the application procedures established by AORCC require the participant's governing body to approve by resolution the submission of applications for SLIF assistance.

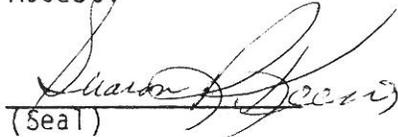
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Navajo County Board of Supervisors hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an application for State Lake Improvement Fund assistance; and
2. Certifies that the project application is consistent and compatible with all adopted plans and programs for boating facility and safety development; and
3. Agrees to comply with all appropriate procedures, guidelines, and requirements established by AORCC as a part of the application process; and
4. Understands that the project scope and funding amount are subject to final approval by AORCC and the State Legislature; and
5. Authorizes the USDA Forest Service, Lakeside Ranger District to act on behalf of Navajo County Board of Supervisors in conducting all negotiations, executing and submitting all documents including, but not necessarily limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and other documents which may be necessary for the completion of a SLIF project.

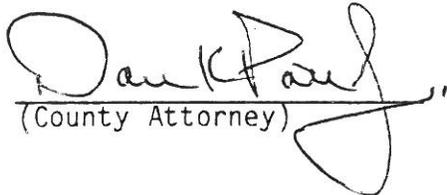
PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Navajo County Board of Supervisors
this 28th of May, 1985.
(Day) (Month) (Year)


(County Supervisor)

Attest:


(Seal)

Approved As To Form:


(County Attorney)

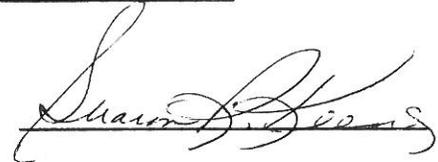
Reviewed By:


(County Manager)

STATE OF ARIZONA
County of Navajo
City/Town of Holbrook

I, the undersigned, Sharon R. Keene, being the duly appointed and qualified Clerk of Navajo County Board of Supervisors, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 58-85 is a true, correct and accurate copy of Resolution No. 58-85, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of Navajo County Board of Supervisors, held on the 28th day of May 1985 at which a quorum was present and voted in favor of said Resolution.

Given under my hand and seal this 28th day of May, 1985.



PROJECT NARRATIVE FOR SCOTTS RESERVOIR FACILITY CONSTRUCTION

1. General Project Considerations

The USDA Forest Service has acquired, through land exchange, the area commonly known as Scott Reservoir. The project area is situated in section 13, T.9N., R.22E. The reservoir itself averages approximately 40 surface acres and is formed by impounding waters of Porter Creek through the use of an earth filled dam. When full, the reservoir has an estimated capacity of 70 acres. The reservoir provides a source of irrigation water for members of downstream irrigation districts as well as recreation opportunities for the communities of Pinetop, Lakeside, Show Low, and surrounding country. The land was previously under the jurisdiction of Phelps-Dodge Corporation.

Over the years, the area has been used extensively by the local public with little or no supervision. Use studies indicate an estimated 14,849 recreation visitor days were experienced at the Scott Reservoir site during 1984. Because the area is within 1/4-mile of the Pinetop-Lakeside communities, estimated population and use trends based on recent studies for the Rim area indicate that recreation use will continue to climb. For example, NACOG's projections based on studies for the Show Low area, which is an adjacent community located approximately 15 miles from the project area indicate that permanent residents will increase from 4,899 to 9,599 by the year 2006. In addition, summer/seasonal visitors that visit the Rim area during the summer months from the respective valley areas will provide an additional use over and above the permanent resident figures.

Because of the apparent demand for use of the area the USDA Forest Service Lakeside RD, has prepared an analysis and environmental assessment document indicating the need to better manage use of the area. One of the issues identified during the analysis process dealt with the future development of Scott Reservoir.

This project proposal is based on anticipated needs for the Scott Reservoir area. The project proposal essentially considers three opportunities: (1) a boat ramp facilitating the use of access to the lakeshore for boat launching; (2) parallel parking to permit a minimum of three vehicles; and (3) toilet facilities for men and women at the parking area. Design features are incorporated in the proposed package.

2. Financial Considerations

Assuming State Lake Improvement Fund will be distributed to the Lakeside District through Navajo County, a contract would be awarded to accomplish the proposed work. This method of obtaining project accomplishment will serve as a governing document to prevent potential cost overruns. Should estimated costs under bid procedures be more than monies granted, then phase construction will be planned eliminating those items which would cause the project to overrun the dollars allocated. The USDA Forest Service is attempting to find innovative means to accomplish needed projects on the district since budget constraints have restricted use of capital investments. This project proposal is one of the means to complete developments that are needed to meet recreation use demands.

3. Design Considerations

Multiple use concepts were used in designing the concept proposal. The proposed boat ramp will give people wishing to boat and fish a better access to the lake area. Parking facilities as proposed under this concept will assist in maintaining environmental protection and better distribution of vehicles around the access area predominantly used to launch boats. Toilet facilities, which have not been available before, will correct the sanitation problems of the area and will greatly assist in eliminating environmental contamination.

This proposal provides the essential first steps to support and enhance the outdoor recreation activities around Scott Reservoir. Types of users essentially remain, by and large, local; however, during summer months seasonal use increases tremendously. Scott Reservoir is unique because of its proximity to the urban environment, and as such has become very popular for fishing, hiking, and other forms of recreation activities.

4. Environmental Considerations

The proposed project will have no additional impact on fish or wildlife habitat. New opportunities may become available and is detailed for further study as the project area is developed.

5. Management Considerations

The Forest Service is making provisions to provide management, safety, and law enforcement activities as budget requirements allow. One opportunity the district is now using and will continue to use in the future is the placement of volunteer camping hosts in the area, to assist and control dispersed recreation and as an aid in gathering recreation activity information for future planning needs. Management objectives are to reduce environmental degradation and provide minimum facilities. Annual operation and maintenance remain relatively low key because only minimum facilities will be constructed and maintained at the site. Annual costs will include weekly area and facility cleanup and refurbishing improvements. The operation and maintenance schedule will be incorporated within the district's recreation O&M plan.