



June 7, 2010

Mr. Richard McGill
Arizona SunRiders ATV Club
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Dear Richard:

I am very pleased to write a letter of support for your proposed project to create the comprehensive, off-highway trail mapping system for the Parker Area. The second-most frequently asked question at the visitors' center is "Do you have OHV maps?" It is also a topic discussed at the trade shows that I attend to promote the Parker Area.

This project is going to make a tremendous difference to OHV enthusiasts and will not just increase tourism to our area; *it will make it a better experience.* Photographers, rock-hounders, riders and those who just want to enjoy our beautiful desert will have confidence when they travel by OHV with your mapping system. The degree of difficulty on the maps and signage will encourage families to teach the next generation about safety and skill limitations in the desert. This type of desert recreation is growing. Side-by-Side Jamborees and off-roading clubs are on the rise and our area is perfect for these activities. These are exactly the types of tourists we want enjoying our public lands: Responsible and respectful.

The State of Arizona, The Bureau of Land Management, the Colorado River Indian Tribes, La Paz County, the Towns of Quartzsite and Parker will all benefit from this project. Tourism-friendly material is at a high demand and with the grant funding available, will not put a strain on one entities' budget.

Your efforts are to be commended and you will have full and strong support from this office. Thank you so much for your foresight in recognizing the need for this system in the Parker Area.

Very Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Hamilton". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned over a faint background image of a bridge.

Mary Hamilton
Executive Director
Parker Area Tourism