United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Reclamation
Resources Management Office

SNPLMA Round 16
Capital Improvement Program

Colorado River Heritage Trail - Arizona

Project location
N 35° 11’ 7”
W 114° 33’ 51”

Amount Requested $5,999,773

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Resources Management Office Chief

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Executive Summary:

The Mission of the Bureau of Reclamation is to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American Public.

The Colorado River Heritage Trail – Arizona project, will allow Reclamation to more effectively manage our lands, Cultural and Natural Resources, while providing additional public recreation opportunities for the underserved Bullhead City and Mohave County Areas. This is a low income area with a high Senior Citizen population, with very limited affordable public recreation trail opportunities. The project will connect the local community to Federal lands, and allow for enhanced use of Federal lands in partnership with the National Park Service, Bullhead City, Arizona, Mohave County, Arizona, and Clark County, Nevada (Partnership).

This project is the next unit of the Colorado River Heritage Trail (Heritage Trail) system which is an ongoing partnership among Reclamation, the National Park Service at Lake Mead National Recreation Area (NPS), Clark County, Nevada, Bullhead City, Arizona, Mohave County, Arizona, and the local communities. This project will result in a fully accessible loop trail system form the top of Davis Dam on both sides of the Colorado River to the Laughlin Bridge, approximately a 7 mile long trail loop that connects into several additional trails. This Trail System connects to the Laughlin High school, Davis Camp, the Resort Corridor, Bullhead City and Laughlin Communities, and to the National Recreation Area.

The Partnership is working with Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to improve the existing walkway on the Laughlin Bridge in 2018.

In 2016 the Partnership awarded a contract to help the Federal Team, which consists of Reclamation and NPS, to complete the EA and Cultural and Biological Compliance for this project. The contract has identified possible trail alignments, completed conceptual trail design, cost estimate, biological survey and cultural surveys, sent out public comment letters, and will complete the Environmental Assessment by the end of the Calendar year. The field surveys have been completed and did not identify any significant issues to either of the trail alignment options.

The Partnership is working with the Colorado River Trail Alliance to extend the existing federally designated National Water Trail from the existing Hoover Dam to the Eldorado Canyon trail, on down to the Laughlin Bridge and NPS boundary. This nomination is currently under development and will be submitted this year. This action will connect the water trail to the Colorado River Heritage Trail system, and to the local communities.

Purpose Statement:
The project would be built on Reclamation withdrawn or acquired lands located within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area. The Reclamation lead partnership would develop the facilities on the Federal lands.

Depending on the selected alignment Reclamation would develop 5 to 8 miles of multipurpose accessible trails, 2 trailheads with restrooms, trail lighting, fencing, gates, shade shelters, improved fishing access, 2 fishing piers, improved kayak and canoe access, and 1kayak launch. The project will have a similar look to the existing Nevada portion of the Heritage Trail. Wayfinding panels will be updated to show the full loop trail, and other associated trails.

The project will provide enhanced access to the Federal lands and Lake Mohave to the local communities, and will open up a whole new opportunity to the Bullhead City community that currently has limited accessible trail opportunities; limited access to the Federal lands, and is an economically challenged community with a high population of senior citizens.

Project will provide for some riparian native revegetation work and removal of some invasive species, and provide information on the native vegetation.

The outcome of this project will protect natural resources and cultural resources, improve public access to this highly visited area, and hopefully change visitor behaviors that will further protect the resources.

Project Deliverables

- Primary deliverables
    1. Design and build approximately 5 to 8 miles of accessible trails with supporting amenities and interpretive panels/kiosks. as required in the final design,
- Anticipated deliverables
    1. Increased recreation opportunities for outdoor recreation and education
    2. Reduction in resource damage from unmanaged recreation use.
    3. Close old roads and restore areas disturbed during construction
- Standard deliverables
    1. Completion of the NEPA process
    2. Close out contracts, pay final invoices and release of lien
    3. Prepare and submit complete close out package.

Background Information:

- This project will open up federal land that historically has been closed to the public, and use old construction and maintenance roads. This will open up a corridor for the local communities and Davis Camp to Lake Mohave. The trail will connect to the Nevada trail creating a loop that will provide for enhanced public use, and provide an area for special events like community walks, runs, and marathons.
- This project will provide for connectivity to the NPS, the Laughlin Heritage Trail, and the Colorado River Water Trail, with the local communities.
- The project will provide opportunities to portage kayaks and canoes around Davis Dam from Lake Mohave to the Colorado River below Davis Dam.

- The project will provide fisherman access to the Colorado River.
- The local partners have agreed to patrol and maintain the project once completed. Therefore the project will have little to no impact on Reclamation's Budget.
- The Project will provide for opportunities to share with the public the History of the area at viewpoints overlooking the Colorado River, including Native Americans, and the local Bullhead City and Laughlin Communities development history.
- The project will provide opportunities to remove invasive species, and plant native vegetation, and bring awareness to the public of this land management issue.

Project Timeframe:

- Reclamation will have a completed EA, BO, and preliminary plan, and FONSI completed by the time this SNPLMA funding becomes available.
- Reclamation will complete the project within the 5 year time frame.
- Reclamation anticipates it will take about 12 to 16 months to complete the required security reviews and identify any additional requirements, then develop the design and specifications in coordination with the Partnership.
- Depending on the selected method of solicitation and timing, it should take 6 to 9 months to award this contract.
- The project will require the contractor to order 3 pedestrian bridges; it will take 18 months from award to completion of the project.
- Then about 90 to 120 days for close out with SNPLMA

Location of the project

- The project is located on Federal lands within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.
- The Project will run from the Arizona side of Davis Dam to the Laughlin Bridge, and to the NPS boundary just below the Laughlin Bridge, with connecting trails to Lake Mohave, to an overlook of the Colorado River Valley, and Davis Camp.
- This project will connect to the existing Nevada Colorado River Heritage Trail by the existing trail across the top of Davis Dam, and the Laughlin Highway 163 Bridge over the Colorado River.
- The Project is located within the Arizona 2nd Congressional district
- Project is located within the State of Arizona, Mohave County, and Bullhead City
- The distance from potential users/public for this project is between 0 to 25 miles.
- See attached Arizona Heritage Trail Proposed Location Project Map

Relevant Performance Measures process

- H2 Miles of shoreline Habitat Treated, Enhanced, or restored – 1 to 2 miles
- H4 Acres of Upland Habitat Treated, Enhanced, or Restored – 3 to 5 acres
- H9 Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored – 5 to 8 acres
- H16 Miles of roads or Trails Decommissioned and/or Rehabilitated – 6 to 10 miles
- R3 Number of new recreational facilities/structures constructed or improved – 3
- O6 Number of new interpretive or education presentations signs and or kiosks displays produced - 10 to15
- O8 Buildings or facilities that support green sustainable design and construction – 2

The Following is a brief summary of how the project will align with the EC's Values

1. Sustainability

a. This project will promote sustainability by developing a project that is durable, low maintenance, reduces erosion, will remove inverse species, plant native vegetation, and work with the community on land stewardship.
b. The project will close several old construction roads, and provide for restoration work using Conservation Corps crews.
c. The project will use sustainable "green construction" and best management practices.
d. The project will make use of recycled products.
e. All revegetation will use native vegetation grown at the NPS nursery.
f. All lighting will make use of LED and solar technology where appropriate.
g. Will provide for enhanced habitat for the local wildlife, and increase birdwatching opportunities.

2. Connectivity

a. A major element of this project is to connect the local community and facilities to the National Recreation Area at Lake Mohave.
b. The project will connect to the existing rounds 4 and 5 funded Nevada Colorado River Heritage Trail facilities and will have a similar design. Therefore, this project will build upon and enhance the public recreation opportunities to the public.
c. This project will tie the Colorado Heritage Trail system to the Colorado River National Water trail, and provide for increased access, and an opportunity to portage around Davis Dam.
d. Will provide accessible fishing access to Lake Mohave

3. Community

a. This project will provide the community that has limited trail facilities, and limited access to the National Recreation Area a much needed public recreation facility. The Community has a low income level consisting mostly of people working in the hotel service industry or agriculture, and has a significant senior population.
b. This project will be fully accessible, providing the seniors and snow birds with a unique affordable recreation opportunity.
c. The facility will provide an opportunity to hold events in cooperation with Nevada, such as a cancer walk, fun runs, and marathons.
d. The project will be connected to the resort corridor by the Laughlin Bridge and an existing trail along the river behind the resorts. The community is working with ADOT and NDOT to improve the Laughlin Bridge and the existing walkway in 2018.

Description of the implementation process

The Project will be complete when the non-motorized trail system and all supporting amenities have been constructed and Reclemation has a release of lien or accepted the project as complete and the trails are opened for public use.

Level of Readiness for Project Implementation

- By the time that SNPLMA funding is awarded the EA, BO, and FONSI will be completed. Reclamation then will work with the partnership to develop the Final Project Design and specifications. It is anticipated the majority, if not all, of the project construction will be contracted out.
- Reclamation has a full staff of engineers, contract officers' representatives, and resource staff that will work with the Partnership to initiate the project once funding is available. With the resource related survey work completed and interpretative plan under development Reclamation sees no issue with getting the project completed within the 5 year time line, perhaps even faster depending on timing of the funding.

Operations and Maintenance

- This Project will have a 25 to 30 year anticipated lifecycle, with a reasonable amount of O&M the project life cycle could be extended to 40 or 50 years.
- This project will decrease Reclamation's O&M cost, as part of our Partnership. Bullhead City and Mohave County will patrol the project and provide the O&M. Currently Reclamation picks up litter and patrols the area with contracted Security staff.

Partnerships and contributed funding

- Bullhead City and Mohave County Parks and roads, and police programs with oversight by Reclamation.
- Reclamation and the Partnership anticipates that staff time for project design, specification review, project coordination, public comments, compliance monitoring, and coordination will be in the $150,000 range, which is not covered by SNPLMA funding. The partners have already obligated and spent over $200,000 on the EA, FONSI, BO, Cultural and Biological field surveys, preliminary design, project cost estimate, and partnership meetings, and developing this SNPLMA nomination.

Relationship to previous phases and anticipated future phases

- This project connects to round 5 and 6, Clark County PTNA funded project on the Nevada side of the Colorado River and 3 million dollars of local and Reclamation funding that has been used to further develop the original project and connect the trail to the community. This project will enhance the usability of the existing project and make it a facility that can provide for numerous special events and community functions.
- This project would complete the trail system located within the NPS.
- This project will be fully functional and complete and not require additional phases for build-out to be operational.

Proposed Project Budget

- Reclamation is requesting $5,999,773 of SNPLMA funding for this project.
- Reclamation and the Partnership anticipates that staff time for project design, specification review, project coordination, public comments, compliance monitoring, and coordination will be approximately $150,000.
- See the attached Estimated Necessary Expenses and detailed cost estimate sheets.

Capital Improvement Project Proposal
Estimated Necessary Expenses

Project Name:	Colorado River Heritage Trail - Arizona	Date:	4/25/2016
Agency:	Bureau of Reclamation		
Project #:		Priority #	
Prepared by:	Bill Martin		
Phone #	702-293-8375		%

1	**Planning, Environmental Compliance & Preconstruction Engineering and Design** ***(Not to exceed 27% of total project costs)**** (pre-design sketches and conceptual drawings; environmental assessment and permitting, specialist surveys/reports for archaeology, wildlife, biology, etc.; architectural and engineering analysis, design survey & field investigations; construction drawing, specifications, cost estimates, and engineering technical reports.)	$656,198	10.9%
2	**Construction Contract Costs** (including labor, supplies & materials, construction management, etc.; sampling/testing; site restoration; and government furnished supplies and materials.	$5,153,575	85.9%
3	**Project Equipment** (pg. 89 of the Implementation Agreement) SNPLMA funds can only be used for "project related necessary expenses" and SNPLMA can reimburse only for those equipment costs directly associated with completion of the approved project. Does not include office furnishings or equipment necessary for operations or maintenance of the project).	$0	
4	**Travel** (including per diem where official travel status is required to carry out the project, such as to serve as COR, experts to review reports, etc.)	$0	
5	**Official Vehicle Use** (pro rata cost for use of Official Vehicles when required to carry out the project)	$0	
6	**Other Direct and Contracted Labor** Agency payroll for the Contracting Officer to do project procurements, COR Project Inspector, Section 106 Consultation, NEPA Lead, Project Manager, Project Supervisor, and subject experts to review contracted surveys, design/drawings, plans, reports, etc.; Also covered is the cost to contract for a Project Manager and/or Project Supervisor if contracted separately from other project costs.	$190,000	3.2%
7	**FWS Consultation - Endangered Species Act**	$0	
8	**Federal Direct Labor** *(direct angency labor for construction, PI, CO, and COR work)*	$0	
9	**Other Necessary Expenses** (See IA Appendix B-3)	$0	
	Total Requested/Estimated Budget	**$5,999,773**	**100.00%**
10	**Total Estimated contributed funds**	$150,000	
	Total Estimated Project Value (*Requested funding plus contributed funds)*	**$6,149,773**	

1	Estimated project start date:	2/1/2018
2	Planning, NEPA, and design phase complete	12/30/2017
3	Construction and build-out complete	5/1/2019
4	Project close-out (allow 120 days to process)	9/1/2019

General Comments:

The EA, BO, and Cultural Compliance will be complete by January 15, 2017. The Cultural and Bilogical field surveys are complete, and the preliminary design and cost estimate are complete.

1 Estimated costs for Planning, Conceptual Design, Environmental Compliance and Field Work/Surveys, NEPA & Pre-construction Architectural and Engineering Design Services

	Description	Units	Unit of measure	Unit Cost	Est. Cost
A&E Services	Estimated probable cost report	1	Job	$30,000	**$30,000**
	Geotechnical reports	1	Job	$25,000	**$25,000**
	Engineering technical reports	1	Job	$20,000	**$20,000**
	Construction specifications	1	Job	$265,000	**$265,000**
					$0
Permitting	Building permits				**$0**
	Dust Permits				**$0**
	SWIPP/Dust control/ Erosion control/Best management	1	ea.	$50,000	**$50,000**
	Arizona Privlage Tax	1	ea.	$241,198	**$241,198**
NEPA compliance	Archaeological surveys and reports		ea.		**$0**
	SHPO consultation and coordination	1	ea.	$10,000	**$10,000**
	Biological/wildlife surveys and reports	1	EA.	$15,000	**$15,000**
					$0
					$656,198

2 Estimated Costs for Construction Contracts (Agency costs)

	Description	Units	Unit of measure	Unit Cost	Est. Cost
Construction Management Contract Services	Contract for project management services				**$0**
	Contract for project inspector services	1			**$150,000**
	Contract for material testing services	1			**$50,000**
	Contract for construction				**$0**
	Contract design and fabrication of interpretive displays/panels		ea		**$0**
	Trail grading and construction	1			**$2,807,291**
	Trailheads, resrroms, utilities, lights, fishing	1			**$1,936,284**
	Cultual and Biological Monitoring and cordination	1			**$50,000**
	SWIP, Dust Control, and Erosion control	1			**$150,000**
Miscellaneous	News Release, land clsoure notice, and project sig	1			**$10,000**
	Signage and warning devices rental				**$0**
					$0
					$0
					$0
				Estimated total	**$5,153,575.00**

6 Labor costs for developing, managing and implementing contracts to complete the project.

This is an estimate of the total hours. Identify by Specialist title and role. Recommend use of Reimbursable Project Log to monitor and track agency labor charged to the project

	Description	Units	Units of measure	Unit Cost	Est. Cost
Federal and contract personnel involved with developing and executing contracts	Contracting Officer (CO)	1	Hrs	$15,000	**$15,000**
	Contracting Officer Representative (COR)	1	Hrs	$65,000	**$65,000**
	Agency Project Manager	1	Hrs	$95,000	**$95,000**
	Agency Project Inspector (PI)		Hrs		**$0**
	Agency Project Supervisor		Hrs		**$0**
	Contract Project Manager		Job		**$0**
	Contract Project Inspector(s)		Job		**$0**
	Security Reviews and Cordination	1	Job	$15,000	**$15,000**
					$0
					$0
					$0
					$0
				Estimated total	**$190,000**

10 Contributed funding to complete construction

Does not include any agency or partner costs incurred prior to authorization to expend SNPLMA project funds or funding from other SNPLMA funded projects. Contributed funds, in-kind services and/or materials for the construction of the project.

	Description	Units	Unit of measure	Unit Cost	Est. Cost
Description of in-kind services, labor, or materials to complete construction	Partner in-kind labor for planning and design		hrs.	$21.36	**$0**
	Bullhead City and Mohave Coiunty Staff time for plan reviews, project cordiantion, and surveying		$$		**$75,000**
	Partner contributed materials/equipment for construction	1	ea		**$0**
	Volunteer labor for construction		hrs	$21.36	**$0**
	Reclamation, RMO Staff for design, project	1			**$75,000**
	Agency contributed funds for construction	1	ea		**$0**
	Agency contributed materials/equipment for construction	1	ea		**$0**
					$0
				Estimated total	**$150,000**

Capital Improvement Ranking Criteria

- **Sustainability**
  - *Discuss how this project promotes the conservation of resources or restores natural processes*. This project is designed to be low maintenance, durable, and make use of old construction roads which will be stabilized, resulting in a significant reduction in erosion. Will, close several roads, and revegetate areas with native vegetation. The project has included design elements to protect existing cultural and natural resources. The project will address the growing ATV and other inappropriate uses that are impacting the natural environment in this area. The project will include interpretive panels explaining the growing invasive species issues, and demonstrate how the area can be improved and provide enhanced habitat with the proper native vegetation. The project has significant local community support.

  - *Explain how this project will remain relevant and continue to provide benefits to the user in the face of changing demographics or environmental conditions.* This project will provide increased opportunities to the local and visiting public who want to fish, walk, bird watch, kayak, and canoe which are some of the fastest growing recreation activities. It will, by design, help educate the general public, local community, and trail users groups on messages regarding stewardship and natural and cultural resources management through the use of interpretive panels and public activities such as trail clean up events.

  - *Explain how this project will encourage public stewardship and reduce existing impacts to the natural, cultural or historic resources.* The project already has a trail users group who are willing to participate in revegetation and community trail projects. The Partnership plans to provide outdoor education opportunities in partnership with NPS, Reclamation, Bullhead City, Mohave County, and Clark County. Several of the interpretive panels will deal with invasive species, erosion, native vegetation, and the flood cycle in the wash the trail crosses, Native Americans, and the development of the Colorado River.

  - The project will make use of green construction and recycled construction materials, LED and solar lighting. Native vegetation will be obtained from the NPS nursery from genetically correct vegetation for this area.

- **Connectivity**
  - *How does this project link the community and users to new recreation opportunities and a meaningful connection with and understanding of the public lands and natural environment?*
    1. This is a significant element of this project as it will open up new fishing and kayaking facilities on Lake Mohave.
    2. It will open up a corridor of land currently not open to the public and connect the community to NPS at Lake Mohave. It will provide trails to the local areas of Bullhead City and Mohave County that are currently underserved, in an area of low income and a large senior population

3. It will connect and enhance the existing Nevada Colorado River Heritage Trail on top of Davis dam, and the Laughlin Bridge.
4. The project will provide for public participation in planting native vegetation, and stewardship opportunities.

- **Community**
  - *How will this project improve the quality of life of the target community, especially underserved communities?* Bullhead City currently has only one short trail that is fully accessible at the south end of the community, this trail was a Reclamation partnership. The local community does not have the resources available to build this type of project. There is significant need for this type of facility, which would open the area users with limited or fixed income. Bullhead City and Mohave County have agreed to patrol and O&M the project as it is a significant facility for their community. The project has significant community support with the existing Bullhead City, Mohave County, and Laughlin Community trail groups. The trail groups have offered to help organize native planting and cleanup activities to support the trail project.

- Operations and maintenance costs
  - *What are the impacts to the entities existing operations and maintenance budget?* The existing Reclamation O&M costs will be reduced; Reclamation will not have to patrol the area, maintain signs, pick up litter, or deal with erosion of the old construction roads.
  - *Will this project increase or decrease operations and maintenance costs and by how much?* The Bullhead City plans to use existing patrol officers to patrol the trail, and existing staff to pick up litter. There will be some minor increase in the Bullhead City O&M of the facility. However, the project design is a very durable green design that should help to reduce O&M by preventing erosion and providing stable low cost facilities to maintain.

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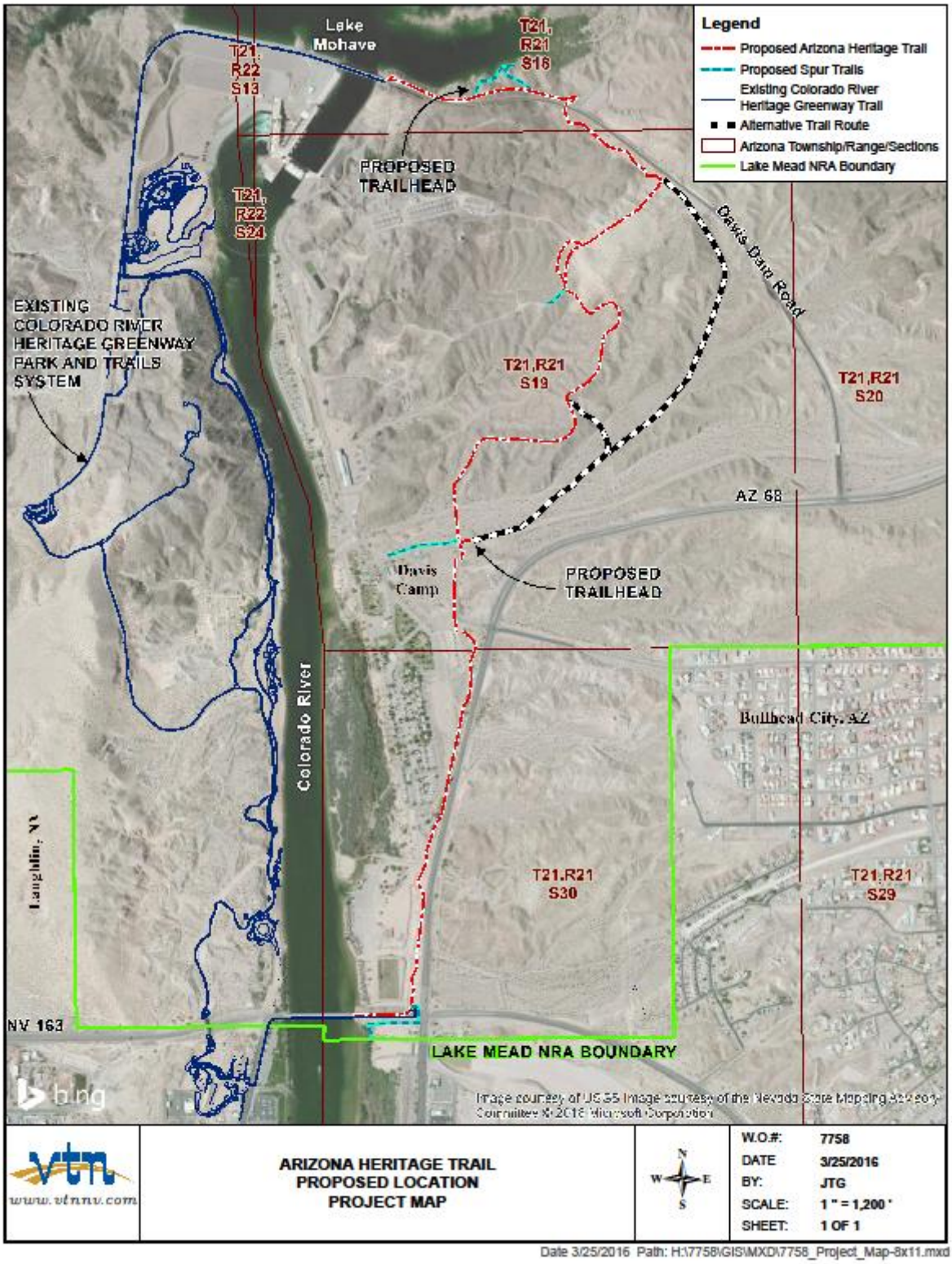


Figure 1. •The Colorado River Heritage Trail – Arizona Proposed Location Project Maps shows the proposed project and 2 potential routes, it shows the National Recreation Area Boundary, and the existing Nevada Colorado River Heritage trail system.

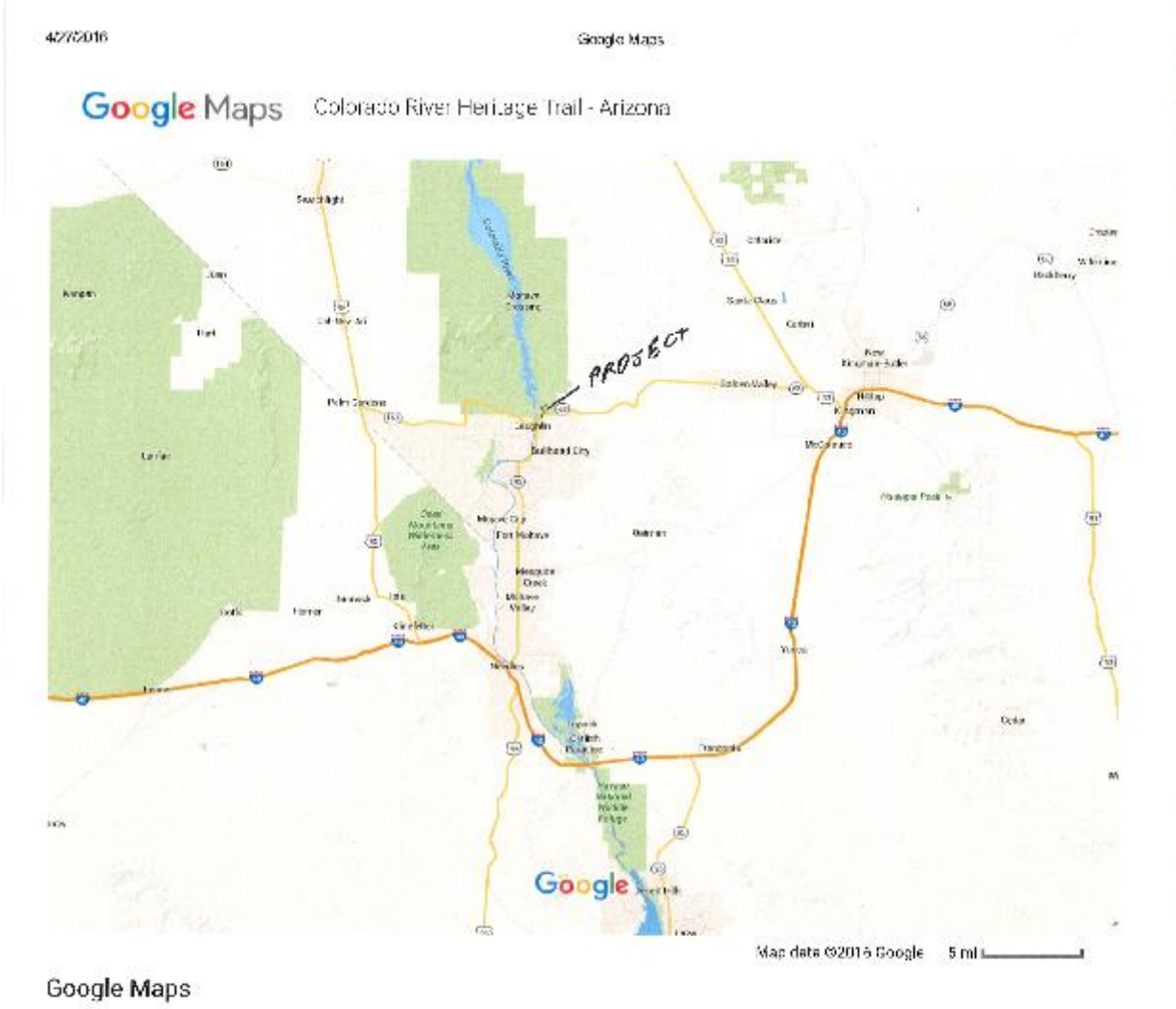
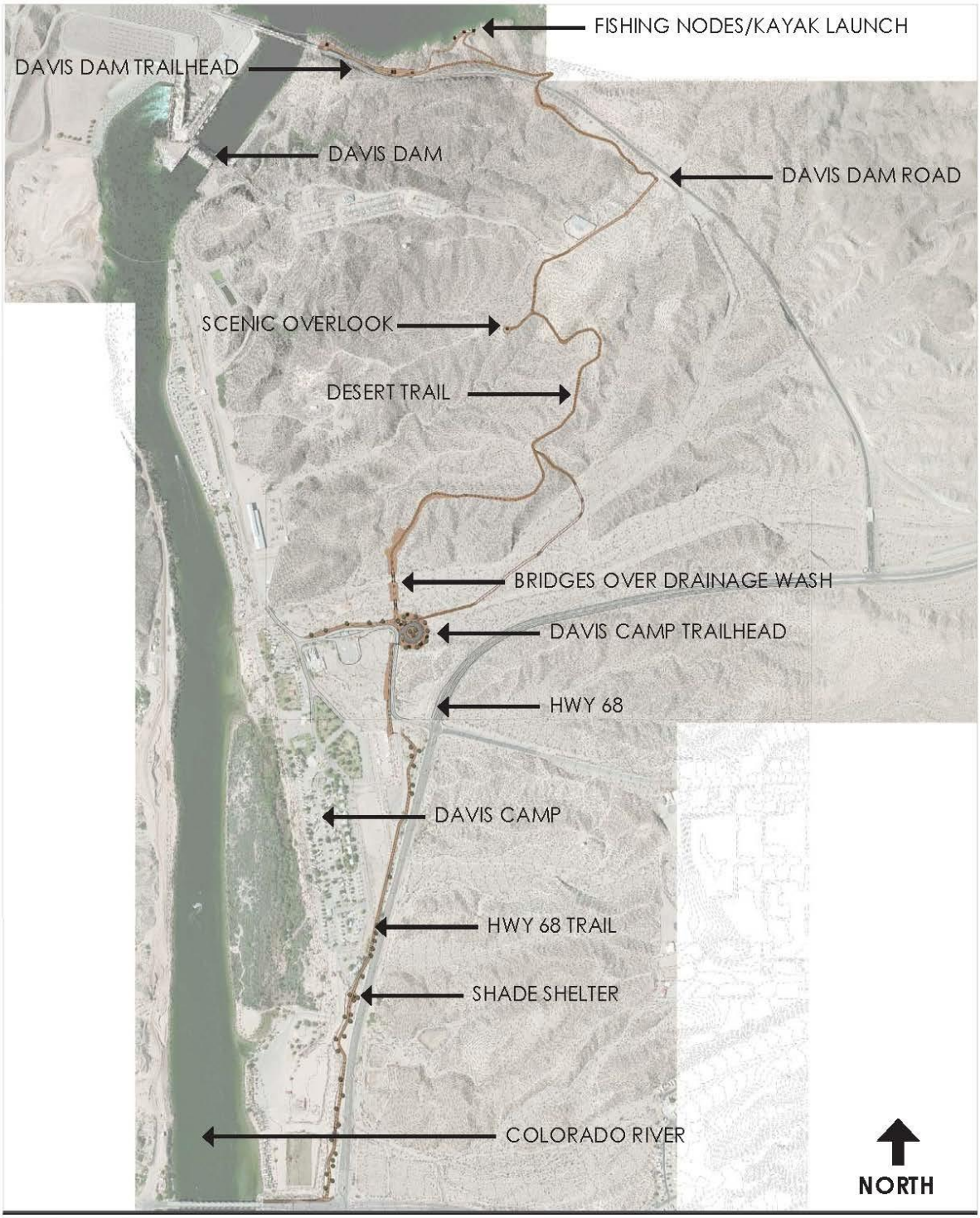


Figure 2. •General location map showing relationship/distance to towns or metropolitan areas



COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL

BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA

OVERALL PLAN

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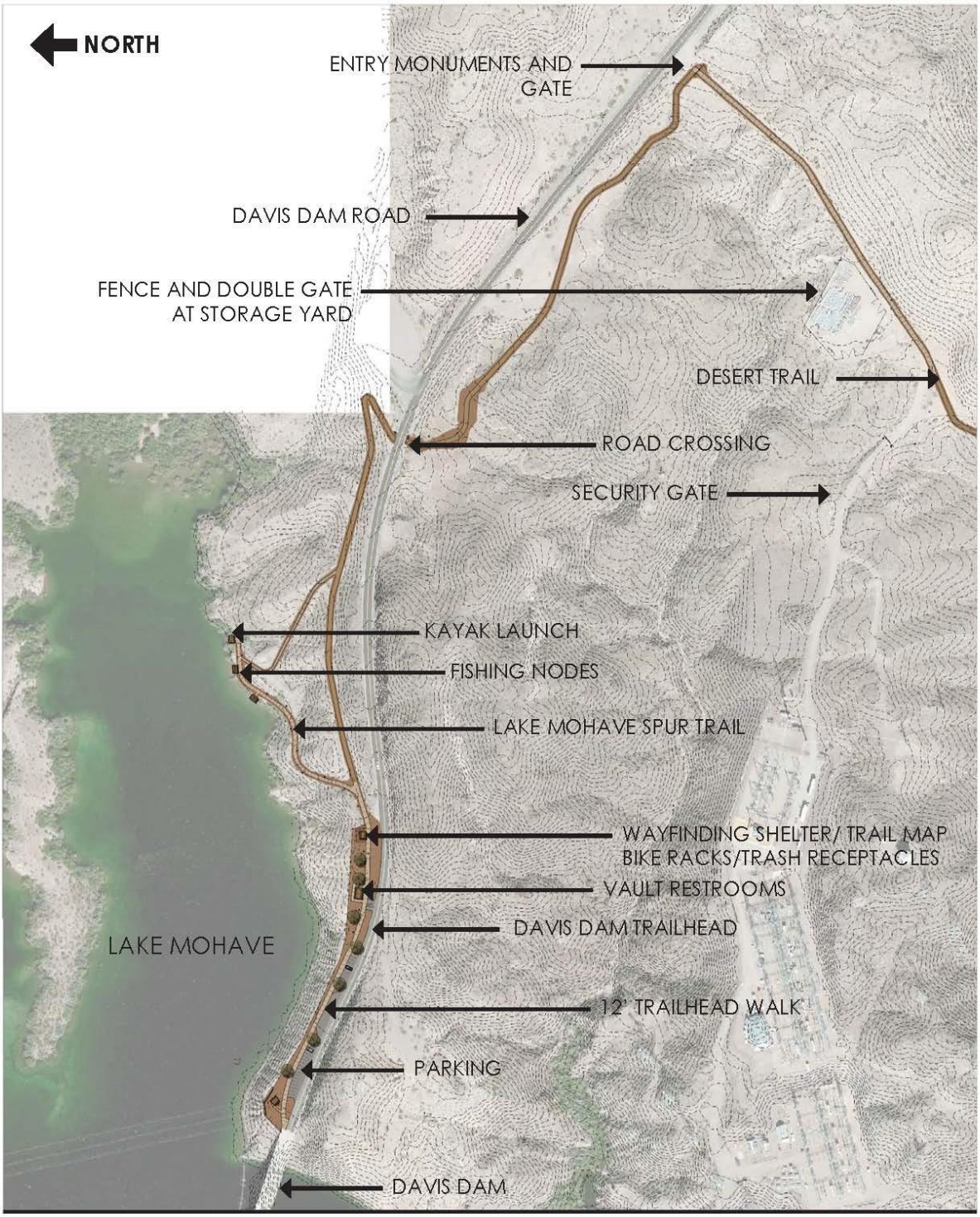

COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL

BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA

DAVIS DAM TRAIL

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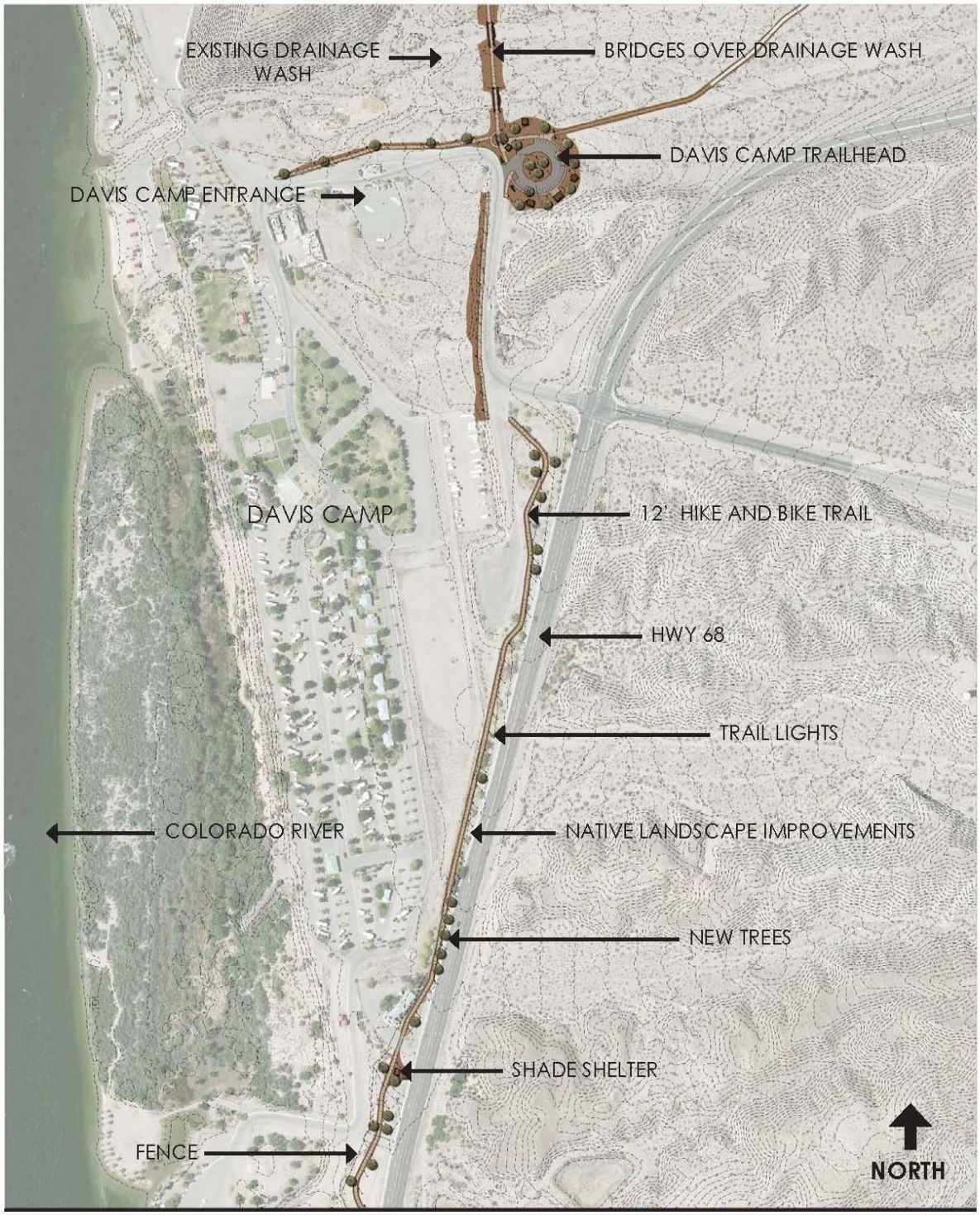

COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL

BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA

DAVIS CAMP TRAIL

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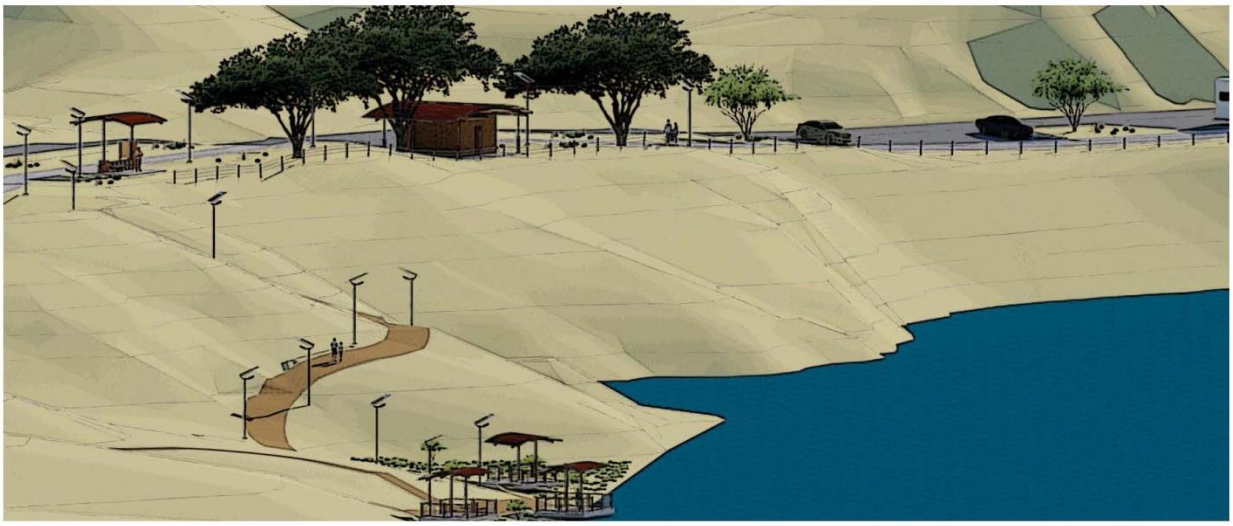

COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL

BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA

DAVIS DAM TRAILHEAD

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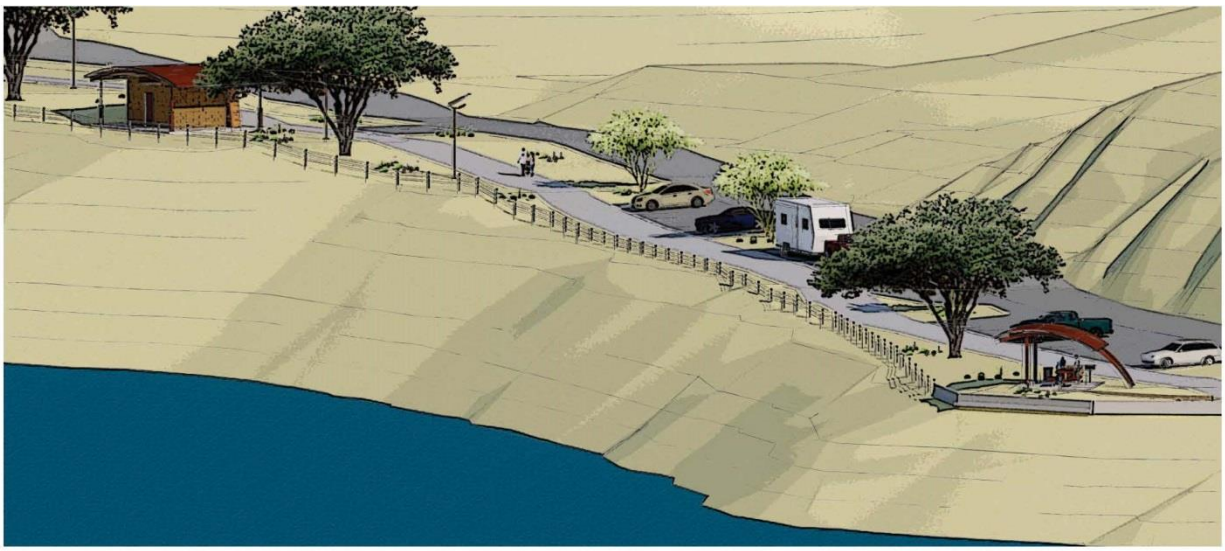

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BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA

DAVIS DAM TRAILHEAD

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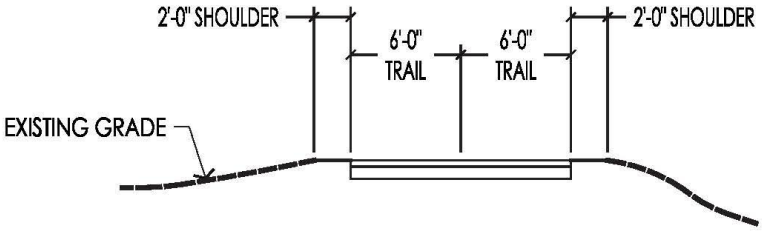

3 DETAIL: ON GRADE CONDITION
SCALE: 1/4"= 1'-0"

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-074

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PLANNING AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF A PORTION OF THE COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL AT DAVIS CAMP ON LANDS OWNED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND LEASED BY MOHAVE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) and National Park Services (NPS) own lands within the northern portion of the City of Bullhead City (City); and

WHEREAS, Mohave County leases portions of these lands for Davis Camp under USBR Lease Contract 2-07-30-L0160 and NPS Special Use Permit; and

WHEREAS, the City by Resolution 2015R-17 on April 7, 2015 desires to coordinate with the USBR, NPS, and County to create a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on lands owned or leased by these agencies; and

WHEREAS, the ultimate goal is to connect the subject portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River to the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system located in Laughlin, NV; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail provides substantial recreational opportunity to the greater City of Bullhead City area and patrons of Davis Camp.

WHEREAS, representatives from the USBR and NPS were supportive of the City's request to link the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on both sides of the Colorado River; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mohave County Board of Supervisors hereby declares their desire to coordinate with the United States Bureau of Reclamation, National Park Service, and City of Bullhead City to create a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail at Davis Camp on lands owned and leased to the County by USBR and NPS toward supporting development and connection of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River to the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system in Laughlin, Nevada.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of May, 2015.

MOHAVE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Steven C. Moss, Chairman

ATTEST UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL:

Ginny Anderson, Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOHAVE CO. ARIZONA

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CITY OF BULLHEAD CITY

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION **MEETING DATE: April 7, 2015**

SUBJECT: Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail System
DEPT OF ORIGIN: City Manager
DATE SUBMITTED: March 30, 2015
SUBMITTED BY: Toby Cotter, City Manager

SUMMARY/REQUEST:

This is a request for City Council to approve Resolution 2015R-17 regarding the planning and future development of a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system on lands owned by the United States Bureau of Reclamation and National Park Service and leased by Mohave County.

The Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) and National Park Services (NPS) own lands within the northern portion of the City and Mohave County (County) leases portions of these lands for Davis Camp.

The City has received requests from the Bullhead City community regarding the planning and future development of a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail through the USBR, NPS, and County held lands. The ultimate goal is to connect the subject portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River to the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system located in Laughlin, NV.

Mayor Brady, Council Member Clark, and City staff met with representatives from the USBR and NPS on February 26, 2015. Representatives from the USBR and NPS were supportive of our request to link the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on both sides of the Colorado River. They asked the City to provide a Resolution asking them to formally consider the request and acknowledging our need to coordinate with Mohave County.

FISCAL IMPACT: ***REVIEWED BY:*** _____ *Finance Department*

There will not be any fiscal impacts to the City as a result of approving the proposed Resolution. Funding will be necessary in the future as the City coordinates with the various agencies to plan and develop the Trail.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 2015R-17.
2. Map of the Subject Lands.

LEGAL REVIEW:

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____ *City Attorney*

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve Resolution 2015R-17 regarding the planning and future development of a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system on lands owned by the United States Bureau of Reclamation and National Park Service and leased by Mohave County

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL BY:	CITY CLERK'S USE ONLY - COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN
Public Hearing – Not Required _____ Department Director _____ City Manager	Resolution No. _____ Continued To: _____ Ordinance No. _____ Referred To: _____ Approved _____ Denied _____ Other _____ File No. _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2015R- 17

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BULLHEAD CITY REGARDING THE PLANNING AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF A PORTION OF THE COLORADO RIVER HERITAGE GREENWAY TRAIL ON LANDS OWNED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND LEASED BY MOHAVE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) and National Park Services (NPS) own lands within the northern portion of the City; and

WHEREAS, Mohave County (County) leases portions of these lands for Davis Camp; and

WHEREAS, the City has received requests from the Bullhead City community regarding the planning and future development of a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail through the USBR, NPS, and County held lands; and

WHEREAS, the ultimate goal is to connect the subject portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River to the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail system located in Laughlin, NV; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Brady, Council Member Clark, and city staff met with representatives from the USBR and NPS on February 26, 2015; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the USBR and NPS were supportive of the City's request to link the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on both sides of the Colorado River; and

WHEREAS, the USBR and NPS asked the City to provide a Resolution asking them to formally consider the request and acknowledging the City's need to coordinate with Mohave County

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Bullhead City, hereby declares its desire to coordinate with the USBR, NPS, and Mohave County to create a portion of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on lands owned or leased by these agencies within Arizona and in proximity to Davis Camp.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bullhead City this 7th day of April 2015.

Tom Brady

Tom Brady, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Stein

Susan Stein, City Clerk (SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Garnet K. Emery

Garnet K. Emery, City Attorney

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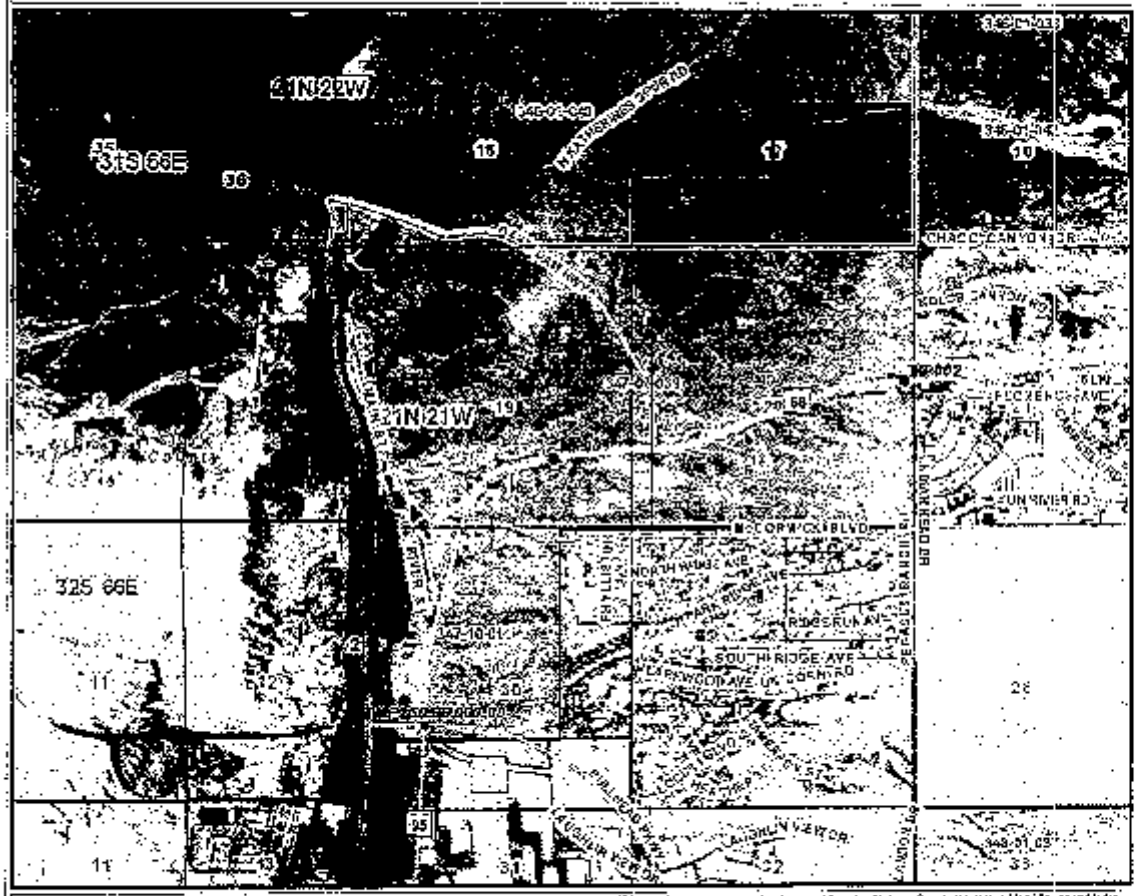
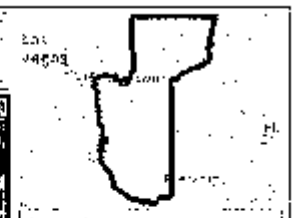
National Park Service Lands





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- Incorporated Cities
- Mohave County Boundary
- Surrounding Counties
- ADOT Mileposts
- COUNTY Mileposts
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- Main Arterials
- Collectors
- Local
- Railroad
- Township/Range
- Section
- Surface Management
- National Parks
- State
- Private
- State Parks
- State Trust
- National Wildlife Refuge

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Notes:

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April 26, 2016

US Bureau of Reclamation
Resources Management Office Chief
Mr Marc Maynard
PO Box 61470
Boulder City, NV 89006-1470

Subject: ARIZONA HERITAGE TRAIL in the City of Bullhead City, AZ

Dear Mr Maynard:

This letter is in support of the proposed ARIZONA HERITAGE TRAIL in the City of Bullhead City, AZ.

Since 1998, the Clark County, Town of Laughlin, NV, has worked in partnership with the City of Bullhead City, AZ, to support a fully developed, looped trail on both the Nevada and Arizona sides of the Colorado River connected by and across Davis Dam and the Laughlin Bridge. Many years ago both states established and continue to foster heritage greenway trails citizen partnerships; initially with the assistance of the National Park Service's, Rivers Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) grants. Those citizen committees meet and work together monthly and are still working to achieve this goal today.

The Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park and Trails (Heritage Trails) in Laughlin, NV, was built with Round 5 and Round 6 funding provided by the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA), in partnership with the US Bureau of Reclamation and the National Park Service. The Heritage Trails in Nevada opened in July, 2012. Several popular activities now take place annually in partnership with many agencies and volunteers on the Laughlin Heritage Trail, such as National Public Lands Day and Wings and Wildlife events, Clark County Senior Olympics, a half marathon and a cancer walk.

Development of a Heritage Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River has always been part of the regional plan; to provide a connected trail system on both sides of the river that will increase heritage tourism and manage the Davis Dam Lands recreation area. The Arizona Heritage Trail will be an important link that will provide regional access for citizens and visitors to thoroughly utilize and enjoy a looped trail system and will expand outdoor recreational opportunities. Presently, the trails on the Arizona side of the river are underserved, with people finding their own way by making their own trails. Building a looped trails system on the Arizona side of the river will provide significant, quality trail enhancements for the local community and visitors.

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IN REPLY REFER TO
LC-2521
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OCT 20 2015

Mr. Toby Cotter
City Manager
City of Bullhead City
2355 Trane Road
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Subject: Letter of Support for Proposed Development of Multi-use Trail

Dear Mr. Cotter:

The Bureau of Reclamation supports your effort to secure funding for an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Cultural Compliance for the proposed development of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Arizona side of the Colorado River at Davis Dam.

Reclamation supports development of the 12-foot-wide, multi-use, hardened service trail stretching from Davis Dam to the Colorado River Bridge on the Arizona side of the Colorado River. The project should be of similar style and use as the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Trail on the Nevada side of the Colorado River. The project is located within the National Recreation Area on Federal lands managed by Reclamation and the National Park Service. Reclamation agrees with Bullhead City and Mohave County that this project would provide an enhanced public recreation opportunity and compliment the existing Nevada project.

Reclamation staff is available to support the EA, Cultural Compliance, and trail planning effort. The points of contact for Reclamation are Mr. Vincent Laemmers, Manager, Davis Dam, at 928-404-3420 or vlaemmers@usbr.gov; and Mr. Bill Martin, Outdoor Recreation Planner, at 702-293-8375 or bmartin@usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary Reece

Mary Reece, Acting Chief
Resources Management Office