

YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RESOLUTION NO. 1922

LEGISLATIVE ACT FOR A LAND SWAP

The Yavapai County Board of Supervisors hereby resolves as follows:

WHEREAS, the County currently owns 369 acres of land in Cottonwood that is surrounded by Coconino National Forest land; and

WHEREAS, the parcel contains an endangered species, the Arizona Cliff Rose, that is considered worthy of Forest Service Stewardship and therefore the use of this land by the people of Yavapai County is limited; and

WHEREAS, the Federal and State Government, which owns or controls over 80% of the public lands in Arizona, owns an 80 acre parcel deemed a part of the Coconino National Forest but it is neither contiguous or adjacent to the rest of the forest lands, and is surrounded by County land or private land; and

WHEREAS, the County is willing and able to swap all or a portion of its 369 acre parcel that abuts the Coconino National Forest for the 80 acre parcel of forest land that is separated and apart from the Forest; and

WHEREAS, discussions with the forest service on a land trade for this 80 acre parcel have been ongoing for years, however there has been no tangible progress;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors requests Congressman Paul Gosar to propose and pursue a land swap legislative act in Congress that would accomplish the goals of Yavapai County in obtaining the 80 acre parcel that will become a key part of a county park and public use area that will benefit the residents of Cornville and Cottonwood, and ultimately all Arizonans.

Approved and Adopted by the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors this 19th day of October 2015.

/s/ Craig L. Brown Craig L. Brown, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/ Ana Wayman-Trujillo

Ana Wayman-Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND DETERMINED TO BE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PERFORMANCE OF DUTY OF THE YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

/s/ Jack Fields

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Deputy County Attorney