

# **NRCED/Ed. Center Financial Update**

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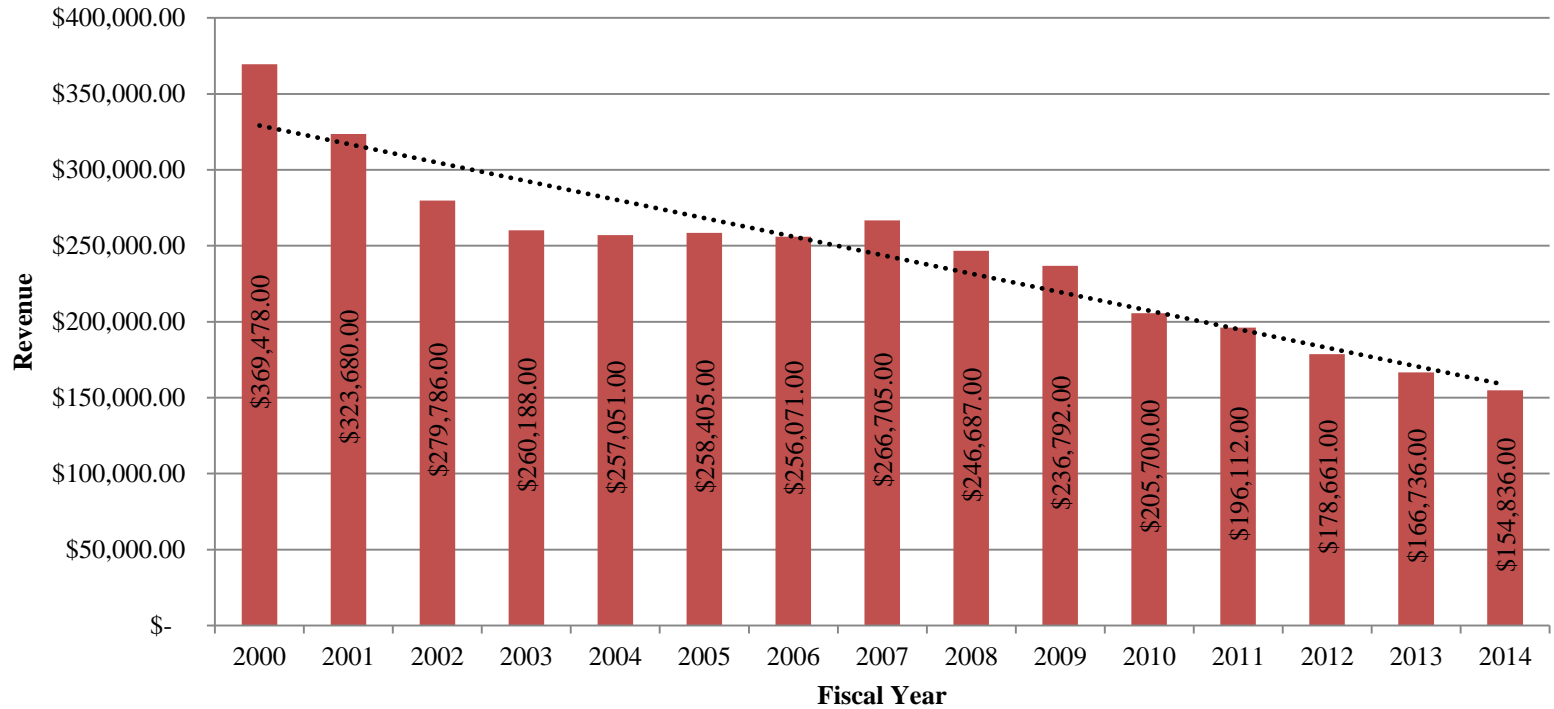
# Presentation Goals

- Develop cohesion and address the issue as a whole.
- Develop outside of the box solutions.
- Develop an action plan to address the stated problem this year.

# Problem

- According to ARS 37-1015, Department is required to pay more from ESPF than the current projected revenue level.

# Environmental Special Plate Revenue



# Sales of Environmental plates

COUNTS												
	FY - 2007	FY - 2008	FY - 2009	FY - 2010	FY - 2011	FY - 2012	FY - 2013	FY - 2014	FY - 2015	FY - 2016	FY - 2017	FY - 2018
MONTH	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO
JULY	1262	1258	1258	1030	901	865	801	876	731	615	634	655
AUGUST	1530	1299	1326	1115	1172	1015	949	765	707	715	809	719
SEPTEMBER	1378	1251	1246	1073	873	865	761	818	808	804	688	706
OCTOBER	1210	1343	1165	1035	993	781	849	731	657	612	681	715
NOVEMBER	1158	1147	1103	954	924	961	691	734	712	734	704	639
DECEMBER	1195	1051	1072	844	786	700	775	697	656	652	623	676
JANUARY	1339	1091	1151	1025	1014	925	738	774	642	729	693	708
FEBRUARY	1260	1122	920	922	877	879	824	708	743	627	712	561
MARCH	1216	1235	1170	1001	930	810	803	694	751	797	745	657
APRIL	1340	1171	1082	945	946	891	885	760	762	702	710	
MAY	1439	1291	1275	1056	1045	875	782	827	778	722	808	
JUNE	1307	1161	1100	1075	942	950	724	748	790	677	710	
TTL CNT	15,634	14,420	13,868	12,075	11,403	10,517	9,582	9,132	8,737	8,386	8,517	6,036

# Revenue from Environmental Plate

AMOUNTS*													
	FY - 2007	FY - 2008	FY - 2009	FY - 2010	FY - 2011	FY - 2012	FY - 2013	FY - 2014	FY - 2015	FY - 2016	FY - 2017	FY - 2018	
MONTH	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	ENVIRO	
JULY	\$21,454.00	\$21,386.00	\$21,386.00	\$17,510.00	\$15,317.00	\$14,705.00	\$13,617.00	\$14,892.00	\$12,427.00	\$10,455.00	\$10,778.00	\$11,135.00	
AUGUST	\$26,010.00	\$22,083.00	\$22,542.00	\$18,955.00	\$19,924.00	\$17,255.00	\$16,133.00	\$13,005.00	\$12,019.00	\$12,155.00	\$13,753.00	\$12,223.00	
SEPTEMBER	\$23,426.00	\$21,267.00	\$21,182.00	\$18,241.00	\$14,841.00	\$14,705.00	\$12,937.00	\$13,906.00	\$13,736.00	\$13,668.00	\$11,696.00	\$12,002.00	
OCTOBER	\$20,579.00	\$22,831.00	\$19,805.00	\$17,595.00	\$16,881.00	\$13,277.00	\$14,433.00	\$12,427.00	\$11,169.00	\$10,404.00	\$11,577.00	\$12,155.00	
NOVEMBER	\$19,686.00	\$19,499.00	\$18,751.00	\$16,218.00	\$15,708.00	\$16,337.00	\$11,747.00	\$12,478.00	\$12,104.00	\$12,478.00	\$11,968.00	\$10,863.00	
DECEMBER	\$20,315.00	\$17,867.00	\$18,224.00	\$14,348.00	\$13,362.00	\$11,908.00	\$13,175.00	\$11,849.00	\$11,152.00	\$11,084.00	\$10,591.00	\$11,492.00	
JANUARY	\$22,763.00	\$18,547.00	\$19,587.00	\$17,425.00	\$17,238.00	\$15,725.00	\$12,546.00	\$13,158.00	\$10,914.00	\$12,393.00	\$11,781.00	\$12,036.00	
FEBRUARY	\$21,420.00	\$19,074.00	\$15,639.00	\$15,674.00	\$14,909.00	\$14,943.00	\$14,008.00	\$12,036.00	\$12,631.00	\$10,659.00	\$12,104.00	\$9,537.00	
MARCH	\$20,672.00	\$20,995.00	\$19,890.00	\$17,017.00	\$15,810.00	\$13,770.00	\$13,651.00	\$11,798.00	\$12,767.00	\$13,549.00	\$12,665.00	\$11,169.00	
APRIL	\$22,780.00	\$19,907.00	\$18,394.00	\$16,065.00	\$16,082.00	\$15,147.00	\$15,045.00	\$12,920.00	\$12,954.00	\$11,934.00	\$12,070.00	\$0.00	
MAY	\$24,463.00	\$21,947.00	\$21,675.00	\$17,952.00	\$17,765.00	\$14,875.00	\$13,294.00	\$14,059.00	\$13,226.00	\$12,274.00	\$13,736.00	\$0.00	
JUNE	\$22,219.00	\$19,737.00	\$18,700.00	\$18,275.00	\$16,014.00	\$16,150.00	\$12,308.00	\$12,716.00	\$13,430.00	\$11,509.00	\$12,070.00	\$0.00	
TTL CNT	#####	#####	#####	#####	\$193,851.00	\$178,797.00	\$162,894.00	\$155,244.00	\$148,529.00	\$142,562.00	\$144,789.00	#####	

Source # 1 –General Fund for 30 NRCDs, FY 2018 General Fund special line item appropriation, which is \$389,400.

\$3,245 per quarter x 4 quarters = **\$12,980 per fiscal year**

- The new amount is \$3,245 (\$389,400 General Fund appropriation / 30 NRCDs / 4 quarters = \$3,245).

Source # 2 – Environmental Special Plate Fund for 30 NRCDs that sponsor an environmental education center or program, ARS 37-1015, Subsection B states that “Subject to Legislative appropriation, the Department shall distribute \$5,000 annually to each NRCD with an established Education center...” \$5,000 x 30 NRCD sponsors = \$150,000.

\$1,250 per quarter x 4 quarters = **\$5,000 per fiscal year**

- As a result of the declining revenue into the Environmental Special Plate Fund, the cash balance in the fund is not sufficient to support the full distribution.
- The projected revenue for FY2018 is \$114,000.
- The third quarter of this payment was less \$73 because there is less revenue coming in for the fund from the sale of license plates.

Source # 3 – Environmental Special Plate Fund for 24 Conservation Education Centers, that the General Appropriations Act footnote specifies that “Of the amount appropriated for NRCDs..., \$30,000 must be used to provide grants to NRCDs environmental education centers.”

\$625.00 every other quarter x 2 quarters = \$1,250.00 per fiscal year

- This distribution has not been made because there is insufficient cash in the Environmental Special Plate Fund.

# NRCD Funding Structure and Statutory Parameters

## Statutory Request Restrictions (ARS 37-1014)

Districts: maximum funding level \$40,000 annually/district  
(32 districts, \$1.28 million total possible district funding)

Education Centers: maximum funding level \$60,000 annually/ed. center  
(24 education centers, \$1.44 million total ed. center funding)

Total Appropriation: \$650,000

\$390,000 General Fund

(GF monies generally divided equally amongst qualifying districts)  
GF NRCD-22071

\$260,000 Environmental Special Plate Fund

(projected revenue of \$140,000 for FY 2015, revenues expected to continue decreasing)

Statute allows for footnote monies to be paid from the General Fund  
GF DIRECT PAYMENT

General Appropriations Act Footnote  
"Of the amount appropriated for NRCDs..., \$30,000 must be used to provide grants to NRCDs environmental education centers."

Footnote monies have historically been paid from the Environmental Special Plate Fund  
ESPF DIRECT PAYMENT

Must come from ESPF

ARS 37-1015, Section B

"Subject to Legislative appropriation, the Department shall distribute \$5,000 annually to each NRCD with an established Education center..." (there are currently 30 districts that sponsor an ed. center)

ESPF PASS-THROUGH PAYMENT

### Problem:

According to ARS 37-1015, Department is required to pay more from ESPF than the current projected revenue level.



Problem:  
Decreasing ESPF

Question:  
How to get  
more  
funding?

1. Encourage ESP  
Sales

2. Establish a  
LRP/ Business  
Proposal  
If More \$\$\$ =  
Our Product

3. Increase  
Exposure

4. Provide input  
on NRCD Budget  
Request FY2016

Other?

Consider the Pros & Cons

Questions:  
  
How many actors and who are they? Individual NRCDs, AZNRCD, ASLD, Private Sector, Other Agencies  
  
Are we asking for voluntary and private, or public monies? Which one are we more comfortable asking for?  
  
How much time and effort will be required for implementation?  
  
What's the State's budget projection?  
  
Other questions?

Of the categories, which one do you think needs/can be made a priority this year?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 0

Break into the top 2 Groups & Brain Storm Solutions  
Ask the question "HOW TO?"  
implement our priority.

The two groups will present an Action Plan & the whole group will get to determine the best overall plan

# Action Plans

# 1

Questions:

How many actors and who are they? Individual NRCDs, AZNRCD, ASLD, Private Sector, Other Agencies

Are we asking for voluntary and private, or public monies? Which one are we more comfortable asking for?

How much time and effort will be required for implementation?

What's the State's budget projection?

Other questions?

#2

- Redesign license plate
- ideas

