



2022 SITE STEWARD ANNUAL CONFERENCE YUMA, AZ * OCTOBER 21ST -23RD

SITE STEWARD SESSION DESCRIPTIONS AND SUNDAY EXCURSIONS

*CRSHP - Colorado River State Historic Park

Sessions/Tours	Descriptions
Agriculture Water Conveyance Infrastructure of Yuma / Imperial Valley in the early 1900's	<p><i>David McCormick,</i> <i>Yuma Assistant Site Steward Coordinator</i></p> <p>This session will cover the early dams and canal systems developed in the early 1900s that led to the construction of the Hoover Dam. This infrastructure was crucial in the development of the agriculture system that makes the southwest region the produce capitol of the world.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (1:10pm - 2:00pm) Location: CRSHP Theater (Gift Shop Area)</p>
Crime Scene Awareness: The Value of Footwear, and Tire Impressions.	<p><i>Duston Whiting,</i> <i>Game Ranger - Wh. Mt. Apache Tribe</i></p> <p>Classroom and Fieldwork</p> <p>Ranger Whiting has many years of experience as a federal agent, tribal Ranger, and police instructor, investigating violations of the federal Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) in Indian Country throughout the western United States. His primary roles include monitoring sites at risk, responding to looting or vandalism incidents and assessing the potential for criminal prosecutions or civil suits, and coordinating the incidents with local law enforcement, tribal officials, and archaeologists who may conduct the damage assessment. The audience will be specifically exposed to the hazards and dangers they should be aware of as site stewards and recognize the potential value of footwear and tire impressions they may encounter while monitoring sites. A mock looter's scene will be incorporated into the second hour, giving stewards some hands-on experience.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (8am - 9:50am), Saturday (9:40am - 10:30am) (10:50am - 11:40am) Location: CRSHP Conference Room</p>
Cultural Crossroads at the Yuma Crossing (McCormick)	<p><i>H. Jill McCormick,</i> <i>Regional Coordinator, Yuma, Historic Preservation Officer</i></p> <p>This session will give an overview of Quechan (Kwatssan) culture and traditional lands and their settlement around what is now Yuma, AZ. The introduction of European settlers caused major impacts on the Quechan people. The establishment of Ft. Yuma added additional pressures on the Quechan way of life along with the introduction of Federal Indian Policies. This session will discuss the responses of the Quechan people to these flash points of history and how the Quechan Tribe has endured, retained their culture and overcome the incursions to their way of life.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (2pm - 2:50pm) Location: Convention Center, South Pacific Room</p>

Desert Survival and Safety	<p><i>Border Patrol Search, Trauma, and Rescue (BORSTAR)</i></p> <p>The Yuma Sector's Search and Rescue program will teach Stewards about desert survival and safety.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (8am - 9:50am)</p> <p>Location: CRSHP Big Tent Outdoor</p>
Field Communications Technologies	<p><i>Lyle Tanner, Technology Consultant, Site Steward, and SSP Foundation Board Member</i></p> <p>A crash course in all things related to communication technologies while in the field. You'll learn about the different two-way radios systems (FRS, GMRS, CB, ham), two-way satellite communicators, cell phone infrastructure, the principles of how they work, and tips/trick to maximize your success using these tools in the field.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (2pm - 2:50pm), Saturday (1:10pm - 2:00pm)</p> <p>Friday Location: CRSHP Conference Room</p> <p>Saturday Location: Garden Inn Hotel, Riverfront Ballroom</p>
Fossil Resources – Lower Colorado and Gila Rivers – Arizona - California	<p><i>Fred Croxen, Professor of Geology</i></p> <p>Fossils are found in the lower Colorado River from Parker to Yuma and the lower Gila River from the Mohawk Mountains to the confluence with the Colorado River. The fossils range in age from about 10,000 to as old as 19 million years. The fossils represent past environments and range from fossilized wood to vertebrates and invertebrates, from micro- to the macro-fauna. Many of these fossil occurrences are found on Tribal Lands, National Wildlife Refuges, and Federal and State Lands. This talk will provide an overview of these fossil resources, where fossils may be encountered, and suggested stewardship of these resources.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (2pm - 2:50pm)</p> <p>Location: CRSHP Theater</p>
Historical Resources Along the US Mexico Border (Panel/Group)	<p><i>Panel (https://cogstone.com/)</i></p> <p>US Customs and Border Protection has been conducting investigations along the US Mexico Border for decades. This session highlights some of the historical resources along the border.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (8am-8:50am)</p> <p>Location: Convention Center, South Pacific Room</p>
How Geology Affects the Location, Visibility, and Preservation of the Archaeological Record	<p><i>Gary Huckleberry, Geomorphologist, Ph.D.</i></p> <p>The archaeological record is the outcome of past human activities and natural processes like erosion, deposition, and soil formation that transform evidence of those activities. Knowledge of these natural processes can help in identifying, interpreting, and protecting cultural resources. In this workshop, I will focus on how geology influences where archaeological sites occur on the landscape and the degree to which the visibility and preservation of those sites can vary between different</p>

	<p>landform types. I will give examples from selected locations across Arizona.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (3pm - 3:50pm), Saturday (9:40am - 10:30am)</p> <p>FRI Location: Convention Center, Southern Pacific Room</p> <p>SAT Location: Convention Center, Anza- Redondo Room</p>
<p>Identification and Recording Lower Colorado Buffware Ceramics</p>	<p><i>Jill McCormick,</i> <i>Ft. Yuma Quechan Tribe Historic Preservation Officer, Yuma Regional Coordinator</i></p> <p>This session will discuss Lower Colorado Buffware Ceramics and identification of the various types within the typology. Recording methodology will also be discussed along with typing of specimens.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (9:40am - 10:30am) (2:10pm - 3:00pm)</p> <p>Location: CRSHP Big Tent Outdoors</p>
<p>Managing Disturbances of Human Remains: A Guide to Identification, Reporting, and Ethical Treatment</p>	<p><i>Cristin Lucas,</i> <i>Repatriation Coordinator, Az State Museum</i> <i>Stacy Ryan,</i> <i>Assistant Repatriation Coordinator, Az State Museum</i></p> <p>Learn skills to help distinguish human and faunal bone, what steps to take if you encounter human bone, and how to treat human remains to ensure they are being cared for in the most respectful way.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (9am - 9:50am); Saturday (10:50am - 11:40am).</p> <p>Note: This training is recommended for every Site Steward. For those new to the program please attend this training. It is critical that our actions are never offensive to Native people.</p> <p>FRI Location: Building behind Convention Center, Old City Hall Theater</p> <p>SAT Location: Convention Center, Anza-Redondo Room</p>
<p>Photogrammetry and Drone Maps</p>	<p><i>Robert Mark,</i> <i>Site Steward, Flagstaff Region & Chief Scientist, Rupestrian CyberServices</i></p> <p>Introduction to photogrammetry, drone mapping, and map preparation.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (9am - 9:50am), Saturday (2:10pm - 3:00pm)</p> <p>FRI Location: CRSHP Theater</p> <p>SAT Location: Convention Center, Anza-Redondo Room</p>
<p>Project Archaeology - Investigating Shelter for Educators</p>	<p><i>Jeri Meeks, Arizona Project Archaeology Master Instructor, CoChair SSP Foundation</i> <i>Nicole Armstrong-Best, Project Archaeology Master Teacher, Arizona Site Steward Program Foundation Chair</i></p> <p>Arizona Project Archaeology is presenting a half day workshop for elementary school teachers, park educators, archaeologists and informal educators. In this four-hour session we will be introducing Investigating Shelter, a fully developed 3-5th grade curriculum that uses archaeological inquiry to foster understanding of past and present cultures, improve social studies and science education and enhance citizenship education to help preserve our archaeological legacy. This curriculum meets National Standards and Arizona Academic Standards.</p>

	<p>This is a fun and interactive session and you will not be sitting for long! Attendees will receive a copy of the curriculum, complete with teacher tools, essential question, enduring understanding, activity and assessment. Attendees will also receive a certificate of completion for continuing education credit and a chance to win valuable classroom activity supplies.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (1pm - 5pm) Location: CRSHP Conference Room</p>
<p>Rattlesnakes! Working Safely and Feeling Better</p>	<p><i>Bryan Hughes, Owner, Rattlesnake Solutions</i></p> <p>Working outdoors in the desert southwest brings the ever-present possibility of running into a rattlesnake. You've heard all the stories ... some true, most not ... but what is real? In this presentation, we'll go through rattlesnake safety basics, correct popular misinformation, and examine why our minds love to fear these animals. You'll learn how to stay safe where rattlesnakes live, and hopefully, feel better about it all.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (2:10pm - 3:00pm) (3:10pm - 4:00pm) Location: CRSHP Theater</p>
<p>Site Signage: The Effect of Moral and Threat Appeals on Reducing Depreciative Behavior at Rock Art Sites</p>	<p><i>Matthew Podolinsky, Assistant Coordinator of the Utah Cultural Site Stewardship Program</i></p> <p>Depreciative behaviors are unintentional actions by visitors that damage the resource or impact the experiences of others. Rock art in particular is highly susceptible to these types of behaviors and the damage may be permanent. As visitation to cultural sites, including rock art locations, increases, the opportunity for depreciative behavior likewise increases. While there is extensive research on moral- and threat-appeal messaging in signage around natural resources, there has been surprisingly little research on these types of approaches around cultural resources. In this session I will discuss the effectiveness of a moral-appeal messaging, threat-appeal messages, and a no-message control at reducing depreciative behaviors at rock art sites and show that the overall study strongly recommends replacing the current signs with moral-appeal messaging and investing in future research to preserve rock art.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (3pm - 3:50pm), Saturday (1:10pm - 2:00pm) FRI Location: Colorado Room SAT Location: Convention Center, Anza-Redondo Room</p>
<p>Site Steward Code of Ethics: A Higher Standard (Wheeler, Bone, Anton, Hammond, Walsh)</p>	<p><i>Panel - Brooke Wheeler -BLM, Travis Bone-USFS, Shane Anton-Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Sean Hammond & MaryEllen Walsh-SHPO and SSP</i></p> <p>For over three decades, the Arizona Site Steward Program has represented the "gold standard" in best practices for protection of archaeological sites. Arizona Site Stewards, as the face of this program, are recognized as ambassadors of heritage resources management at both the state and federal level. Join federal land managers, tribal historic preservation officers and SHPO in a panel discussion of social media and the shifting recreational landscape that has presented challenges to preservation of fragile cultural resources. Land managers will present their current policies for volunteers, and tribal members will provide their perspective on the</p>

	<p>sharing of images and information on the internet. SHPO staff will review the Site Steward updated code of ethics and be available to answer questions on its implementation.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (8am - 8:50am), (2pm - 2:50pm)</p> <p>8am Location: Building behind Convention Center, Old City Hall Theater</p> <p>2pm Location: Garden Inn Hotel, Riverfront Ballroom</p>
<p>Site Steward Open Meeting: Discuss Challenges & Solutions</p>	<p><i>Sean Hammond</i> Site Steward Program Manager</p> <p><i>Asha Greyeyes</i> Site Steward Program</p> <p>In the first part of this session, Asha Greyeyes, site steward program intern, will provide an update on Project Site Kit. The remainder of the session will be used to discuss site steward ideas for the program, challenges encountered, and potential solutions.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (3:10pm - 4pm)</p> <p>Location: CRSHP Big Tent Outdoor</p>
<p>Site Stewards & Social Media: One Voice, Many Platforms (Site Steward Foundation)</p>	<p><i>Panel - Keith Hollinger -SSP Foundation Member, Chair of Social Media Subcommittee, Stephen Carradini -Assistant Professor of Technical Communication -ASU , Jeri Meeks -SSP Foundation, Lyle Tanner - Site Steward & SSP Foundation</i></p> <p>In several regions, Stewards and land managers have been voicing their concerns that social media posts leading people to archaeological sites is having a negative impact on our cultural resources. How can the program, working closely with our land managing partners, use social media as an effective tool to educate the public about preservation? As Stewards, we must abide by the directions provided to us from land managers. Within these concerns, wishes and our code of conduct, a panel will discuss the AZ SSP Foundation's effort to utilize best practices in social media to develop a plan that will incorporate Site Steward ideas, approved images and educational messages. "Social media is here to stay and is the "new normal" way of communicating for entire generations. We'll explore how to best support and enable the safe and ethical use of social media by site stewards.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (3pm - 3:50pm)</p> <p>Location: Garden Inn Hotel, Riverfront Ballroom</p>
<p>Stewardship and Cultural Landscape of the Cienega Creek Natural Preserve in Pima County</p>	<p><i>Courtney Rose,</i> Program Manager for Pima County's Office of Sustainability and Conservation, Cultural Resources & Historic Preservation Division</p> <p>Pima County's Cienega Creek Natural Preserve located southeast of Tucson has been the focus of an on-going, multi-year cultural resources management program. This presentation will address the results of the most recent research, including the challenges and opportunities in managing conservation lands. The Cienega Creek Natural Preserve is rich in cultural and historical values with a high density of</p>

	<p>cultural resources including ancestral sites. It is one of the few places in southern Arizona with flowing water and lush, riparian vegetation. Historic stagecoach trails, roads, and the railroad have also left their physical imprints on the landscape. In recent years, the Preserve has been experiencing increased recreation and areas surrounding the Preserve are undergoing accelerated suburban growth. This project has thus far incorporated data compilations, 20 years of site steward documentation, cultural resources inventory, and on-going site steward monitoring into management planning to identify threats to the Preserve and develop strategies to protect this unique natural and cultural landscape.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (9am - 9:50am) Location: Convention Center, Southern Pacific Room</p>
<p>Useful Material Things: Identification and Documentation of Euroamerican Artifacts</p>	<p><i>Thomas Jones,</i> <i>Architectural Historian / Historical Archaeologist</i> <i>Greta Rayle, Senior Project Manager</i></p> <p>Historical archaeology examines human behavior through material remains (artifacts) and the written record (archival research), incorporating concepts from multiple disciplines, such as history, geography, and ethnography. Through the interaction of material remains and available archival records, historical archaeologists seek to document the fabric of everyday life, while simultaneously contributing to the understanding of regional social development. This workshop, presented by members of the Historical Archaeology Advisory Committee (HAAC), seeks to better inform archaeologists on the importance of adequate field documentation of historical artifacts in order to better interpret and evaluate historical sites on which they occur.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Friday (8am - 9:50am), Saturday (9:40am - 10:30am) (10:50am - 11:40am) Location: Garden Inn Hotel, Riverfront Ballroom</p>
<p>Volunteer Management: More than meets the eye!</p>	<p><i>Nicole Armstrong-Best,</i> <i>Chair, AZ SSP Foundation; Pueblo Grande Museum Director</i></p> <p>As RCs and ARCs, managing large groups of volunteers is no easy task. Different Personalities, skills and beliefs offer many challenges for each Region's leadership. Nicole Armstrong-Best, current Chair of the SSP Foundation and a former SSP State Coordinator will provide best practices for managing volunteers. The session will also include an open discussion from program members about their tried and true practices</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Saturday (9:40am - 10:30am) (10:50am - 11:40am) Location: CRSHP Theater</p>

SPECIAL EVENTS

Colorado River guided kayak tours	Canceled
Site Steward Social Network Dinner - Lute's Casino	<p>Sponsored by AZ SSP Foundation</p> <p>Date of Event: Friday (6:30pm - 8pm)</p> <p>Open to all Stewards and guests of the conference</p>

Guided East Wetlands Birding Tour - Website	Date of Tours: Thursday, Friday and Saturday (6:45am - 7:45am) Price: \$10 Limited to 10 people: A pre-signup sheet will be made available in September
Pub Crawl and Haunted Tour of Historic Downtown Yuma	Dates of Activity: Thursday and Saturday (7pm - 9pm) The City of Yuma will provide up to 4 tours for each night. Limited to 25 people per tour: A pre-signup sheet will be made available in September Price: \$25 - Price includes 2 alcohol beverages
3:10 to Yuma (Classic Version)	Dates of Activity: Thursday (7pm - 9:30pm) Historic Yuma Theater Free to all attendees

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

Becoming Hopi: A Plenary Panel Discussion

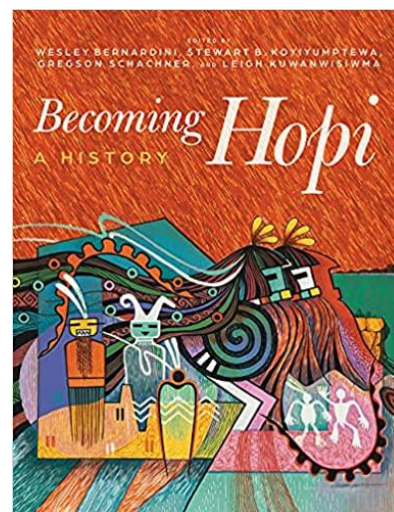
Friday, 10:30am – 12pm

Note: The Book, *Becoming Hopi, A History*, will be on sale at the conference.

SSP Welcome Ceremony

Saturday, 8:00am

- Jason Nez: Archaeologist and Firefighter
- Kiersten Chace: Steward and Filmmaker
Don Tomás Munguía and the San Pedro River Ranchlands,
A Site Steward Film with special guest, Monica Dunbar Smith (descendant).
- **In Memoriam: Stewards We Lost This Past Year**



SUNDAY TOURS

Sessions/Tours	Descriptions
Cocopah Museum and hands-on fry bread demonstration	<p><i>Guide: Museum Staff</i></p> <p>The Cocopah Museum and Cultural Center feature exhibits on history and culture. It is surrounded by a 1.5-acre park spotted with luxurious Sonoran trees and plants with a replica of a traditional Cocopah dwelling and Ramada. This tour will include an optional hands-on fry bread making activity where you learn to cook, garnish and eat your own frybread. Bring cash if you would like to make a donation or purchases in the museum gift shop. Meet at 12:50 pm at the museum for the 1:00 pm tour. Tour</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (1:00pm - 3:00pm)</p>
Imperial Dam Tour	<p>Join an Imperial Irrigation District guided one hour tour of the historic Imperial Diversion Dam to learn about the history of Yuma area water usage and to view the historic dam, desilting ponds, control house and equipment. The dam is 25 minutes North of Yuma and is accessible by all types of vehicles.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (9:00 am -10:00 am)</p>
KOFA - Palm Canyon Hike	<p>Hike in the last place in Arizona where native California palm trees grow in their natural habitat. A KOFA Ranger will meet you in the parking lot and hike the 1/2 mile to a viewpoint below the trees (300 ft elevation change). You can stop there or continue with the Ranger off-trail hiking (strenuous) one more mile to get directly under the palms (800 ft elevation change). The tour starting point is 1.5 hours north of Yuma along a bumpy dirt road, passible by passenger cars. No restrooms anywhere in the KOFA. Bring plenty of water, a hat and sunscreen.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (9:00 am -11:00 am)</p>
Painted Rock Petroglyph Site	<p><i>Guide: Doug Newton</i></p> <p>Guided tour opportunity to view an archaeological site containing hundreds of inscriptions, prehistoric and historic petroglyphs. An easy stop for many who are heading east home as the site is twenty minutes north of I-8 on Citrus Valley Road before you get to Gila Bend. We will meet at the entrance on the west side of the parking lot. Tour will last approximately an hour and involves walking a 1/4 mile paved loop around a small hill in the heat of the afternoon so please bring water, hat and sunscreen.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (1:00 pm - 02:00 pm)</p>
West Wetlands Park Tour	<p>Join a Yuma Park's one hour guided tour of the West Wetlands thirty acre lower bench which displays native trees and grasses, visit the butterfly garden and owl habitat. This park is located along the Colorado River within the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area only 1.5 miles from the hotel. Meet the guide at the restrooms by the large pond.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (9:00 am -10:00 am)</p>
Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park	<p>Join one of the two AZ State Parks Ranger led tours of the rock and adobe prison which housed more than 3,000 criminals with crimes ranging from polygamy to murder during the prison's operations between 1876 and 1909. The prison is located only 1.5 miles and five minutes from the hotel.</p> <p>Date of Session(s): Sunday (11:00 am - noon) (1:00 pm - 2:00 pm)</p>

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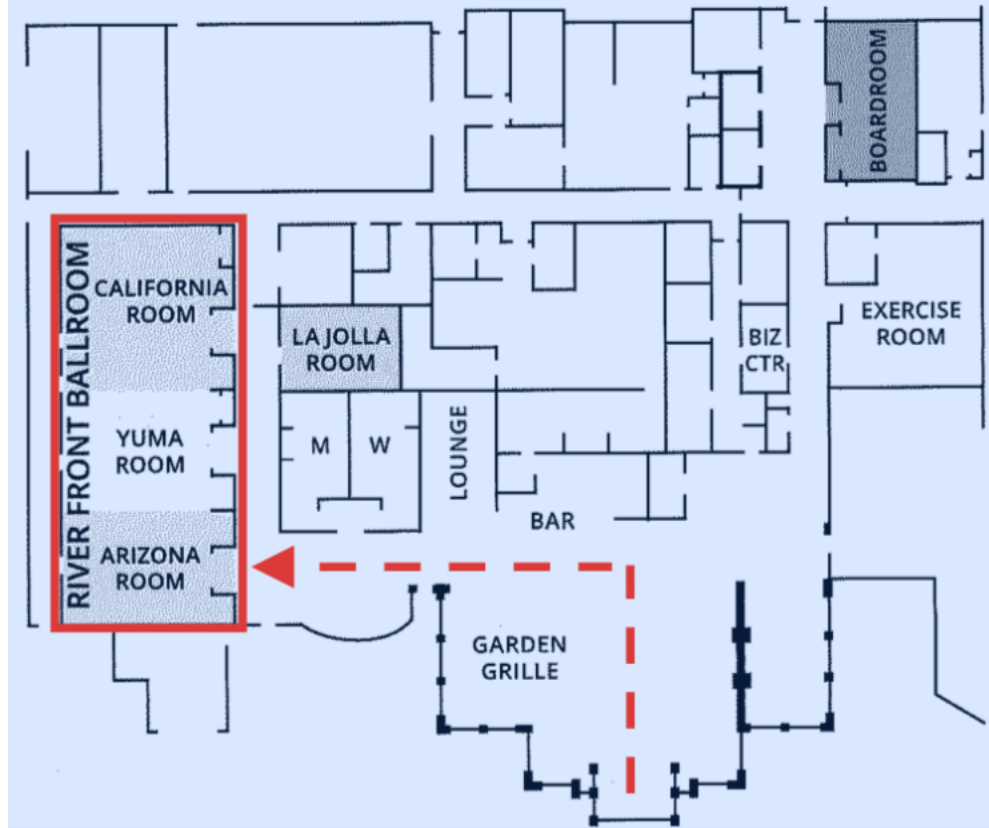
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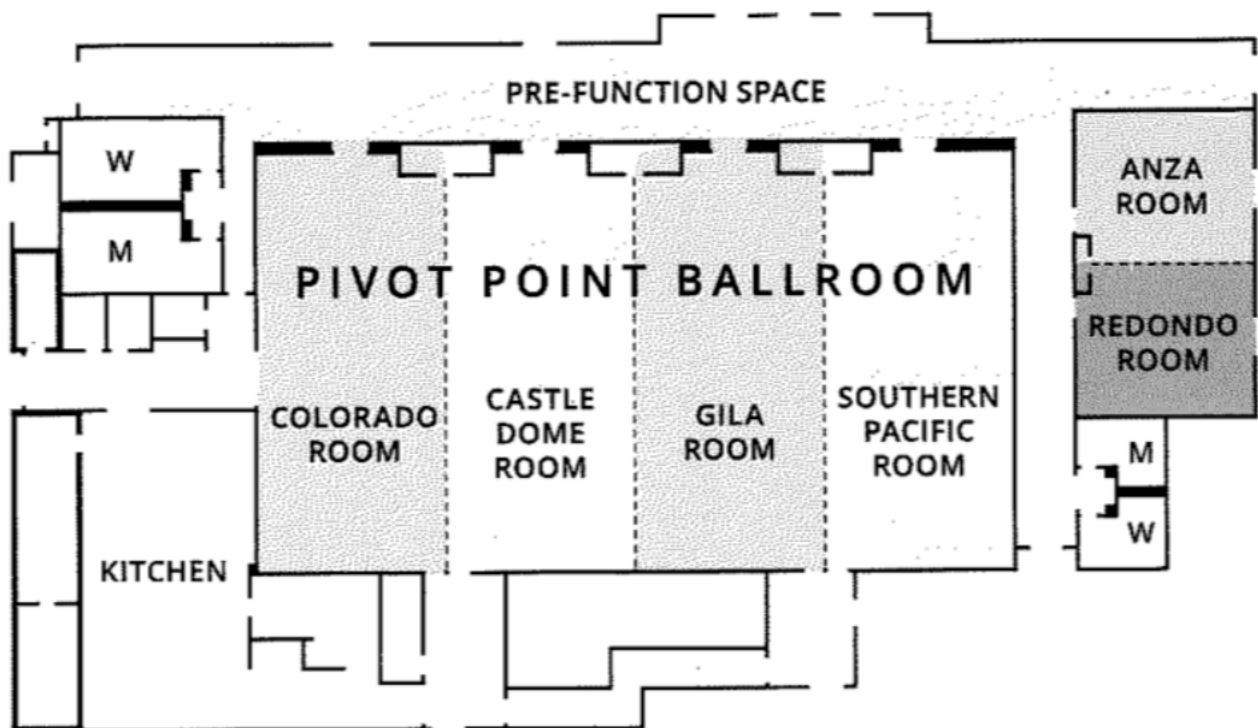
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To City Trails

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Fourth Avenue

4th Ave. Park Entrance

- 1 CRSHP Theatre (inside Visitors Center)
- 2 CRSHP Conference Room
(inside Bureau of Reclamation bldg.)
- 3 CRSHP Pavilion
- R** Restrooms

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Yuma Main Canal

2nd Avenue Historic Bridge Entrance



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