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ADEQ Director Owens Announces \$10,000 Grant to Fund Community Recycling for the Hualapai Tribe

PHOENIX (July 9, 2008) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Director Steve Owens announced today that ADEQ is awarding \$10,000 to fund an expanded recycling program for members of the Hualapai Tribe in northwestern Arizona.

"Recycling is one of our most effective tools to protect our environment," Director Owens added. "It is especially important to increase recycling opportunities for members of the Hualapai Tribe and other tribal nations to protect natural resources and the quality of life there. We are very pleased to support this important effort."

The grant will be used to recycle more bottles, cans, office paper, cardboard and other household materials on the Hualapai Indian Reservation. The funds will be used to buy recycling bins for office workspaces, homes and central dropoff locations.

This grant also will be used to inform the public about the importance of recycling through flyers and articles in the local Peach Springs newspaper.

The grant is funded by ADEQ's Waste Reduction Assistance program for projects devoted to waste reduction, recycling and composting.