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The Verde River Valley Nature Organization (VRVNO), Arizona State Parks and the Northern Arizona Audubon Society along with all our partners are pleased to invite you to participate as a vendor in the **Verde Valley Birding and Nature Festival**. The festival will be held at Dead Horse Ranch State Park in Cottonwood, AZ from Thursday, April 27 through Sunday, April 30, 2017. This will be our 17th Anniversary.

This year our theme is "Migration Madness". Exhibits, special workshops and programs will celebrate the amazing travels of our migratory species. The festival itself includes guided walks, field trips, workshops, exhibits, vendor booths, and special family educational opportunities. One thousand participants from all over the country and local communities attend annually.

There is a vendor fee of \$35.00. We do not collect a percentage of your sales. In lieu, we do request the donation of an item for our raffle that helps support our youth education program. Your vendor fee affords you a 10' x 10' outdoor space Saturday, April 29, 2017. We have 8' tables available for \$15 each. You are responsible for your own products and belongings and your "easy-up" tent not to exceed 10' X 10'. Since this is an outdoor venue, dust can be an ongoing problem. Rain and wind can also be a problem. Please plan accordingly.

Please include a copy of your certificate of insurance for general liability with a minimum of \$500,000 each occurrence / \$500,000 aggregate limit if you have business insurance.

Vendor open hours will be:

Saturday, April 29 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, April 29, is the Family Nature Fair and our busiest day as we plan free activities, walks and presentations for children attending with their families. This will be the only day available for vendor display and business. It is, by far the busiest day of the Festival. Please note that this is a departure from previous years during which vendors were housed in the big tent and expected to be present all 4 days. Please see the attached site map for the new layout.

Vendors will be asked to set up their booths between 7 and 9 am on Saturday, April 29. You will be allowed to drive up to a convenient short-term parking area to unload only during those times. You will also be allowed the same short-term parking after 5:00pm to load your booth once you have taken it down.

If you would like to participate in the 2017 festival, please complete the enclosed form and return it with payment as soon as possible. Space is limited. If you have any questions or special requests, please contact Barbie Hart at birdyverde@gmail.com. Thank You,

The Verde Valley Birding and Nature Festival Committee

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