



**Memorandum**

**To:** Historic Preservation Commission  
**From:** Darci Carlson, Town Clerk  
**Date:** July 29, 2022  
**Re:** **Historic Irrigation Ditch Stone Use Request**

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When SR-9 was reconstructed several years ago, the majority of the irrigation ditches that flanked Zion Canyon Boulevard were removed to make way for wider sidewalks and bike lanes. At that time, the Historic Preservation Commission asked the contractor to salvage as much of the historic ditch stone as possible for use in future projects around the Town. The stone is stored in the Town yard.

The Historic Preservation Commission subsequently developed a process to decide which projects would be selected to use the salvaged stone. An outline of that process is on page 2 of this report.

To date, the historic stone has been used on a number of monuments in Town including:

- Monument on Lion Boulevard to highlight the community mosaic project.
- Monument at MeMe's Café to commemorate the old irrigation ditches.
- Monument at Under the Eaves for the National Registry of Historic Places plaque.

Today, the HPC will consider another project request. Robert George, Streets Superintendent has submitted an application to build steps and a monument for an interpretive plaque to highlight the historic irrigation ditch across from the Post Office along Tiley Hill.

Commissioners should consider the request and make a recommendation to the Town Council on whether some of the historic ditch stone should be used for this project.

## **Salvaged Stone Process**

Stone use must benefit the Town of Springdale – Not private property owners

HPC projects should be given priority on the use of the stones

Pioneer cemetery

Museum

Bishop's Granary

### **Step-by-step process**

1. HPC to create/maintain a master inventory sheet to manage inventory of stone
2. HPC to develop a simple application form for those wishing to use stone to fill out
3. Proposals for use of the stone are presented to HPC for discussion/consideration
4. HPC decides to recommend or not recommend the use to the Town Council
5. Proposal is forwarded to Town Council with HPC recommendations
6. HPC audits the specific use of the stones to assure use is per the proposal received
7. Town staff made aware of the stone use process to assure adherence to the plan

Potential Uses already identified:

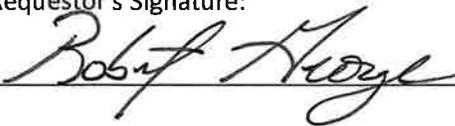
Pioneer Cemetery

Bishop's Granary Interpretive site

Small display at a Town museum



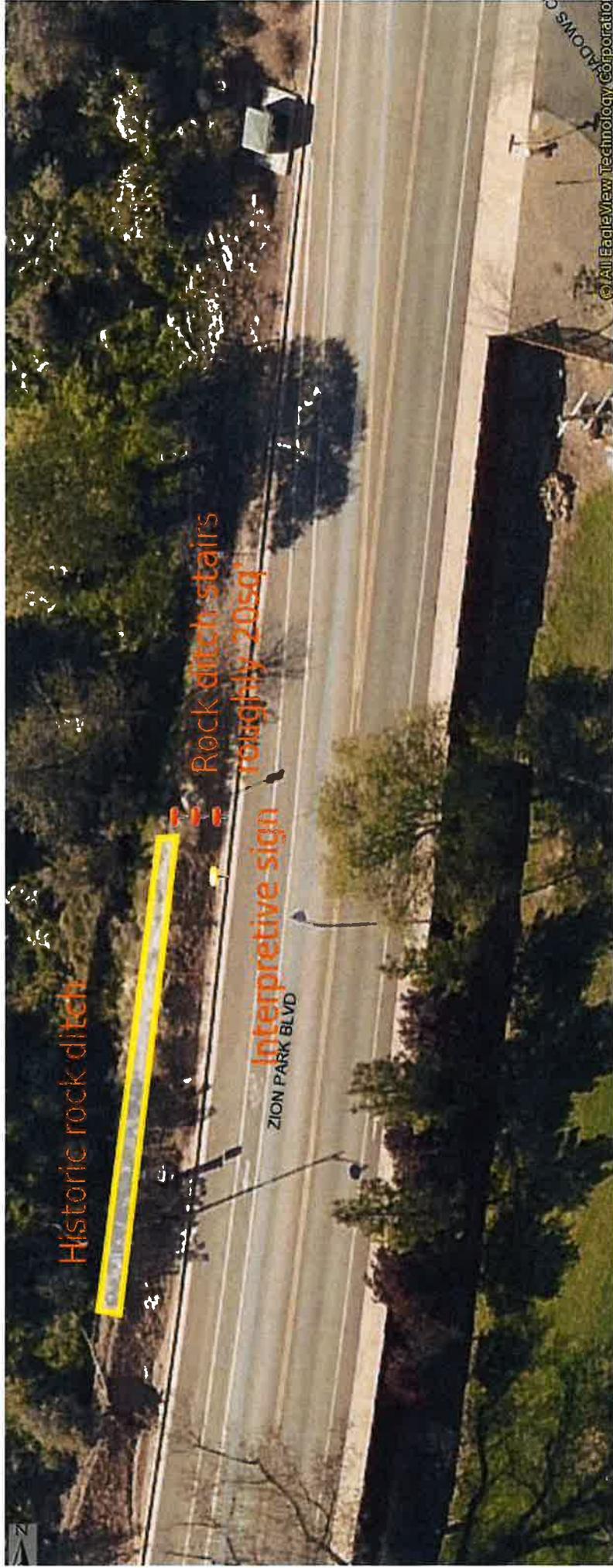
## HISTORIC IRRIGATION DITCH STONE USE REQUEST FORM

Name of Organization: Town of Springdale	
Primary Contact Name: Robert George	
Phone Number: 435-680-1385	Email: rgeorge@springdale.utah.gov
Description of Project: Interpretive sign and historic rock ditch stone used as stairs for viewing a historic ditch portion found while excavating for sidewalk on the Tiley Hill project the town just completed.	
Location of project: <b>Between HooDoo's and Lila Moss</b>	
Statement of how this project would benefit the Town of Springdale: This interpretive sign and rock ditch stone stairs will create a narrative of how irrigation water was moved in town before infrastructure was put in place with pipes. The town has a lot of tourist foot traffic in this part of town and this project could be a valuable tool for sending an educational message and showing the historical significance of these structures.	
Approximate amount of stone to be used (in square feet): 20 sq'	
Requestor's Signature: 	Date: 7-20-22

**Please attach a rendering/drawing of the proposed design with this request form.**

*This form will be submitted to the Historic Preservation Commission for review and evaluation. The information provided herein will help the Commission make a recommendation to the Town Council for final review and approval. Please contact the Clerk's office at (435) 772-3434 for a timeline of the review process.*

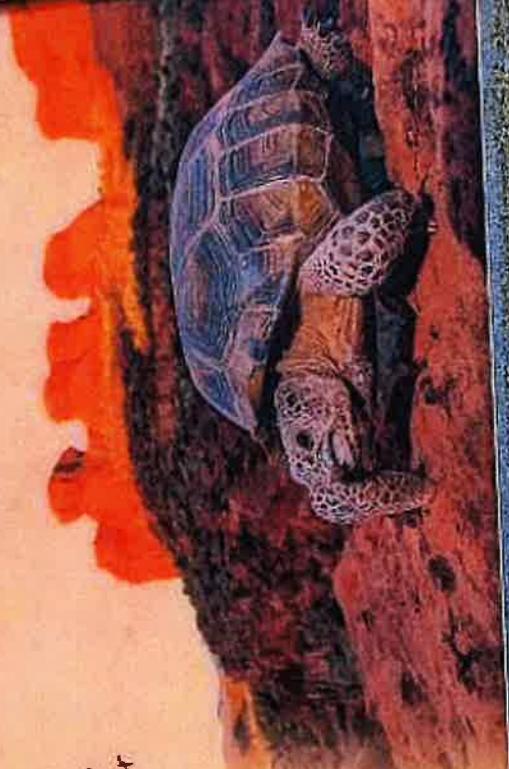
# historic rock ditch



# How Can You Help Tortoises?

There are many, easy ways people can help make the easier for desert tortoises.

- Don't pick up a tortoise! Tortoises store water in their bladders to help them get through the extremely dry seasons in the desert. When startled, tortoises will empty their bladders, losing all the water they had been storing. This could cause a tortoise to die of dehydration.
- Don't litter! Tortoises can eat bits of litter, which could be lethal. Litter also attracts ravens, who will eat the litter and any tortoises near the litter.
- Stay on existing routes and trails. Off-trail travel can collapse tortoise burrows, and crush buried eggs.



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