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Talking Rock offers Secluded Ranch-Style Country Living

Ranch living becoming an attractive option for retirees and second home buyers

PRESCOTT, Ariz. (August 21, 2006) – Prescott's unique setting, rich old-west history, mild climate and over 100 years of history since its incorporation in 1883 make it one of the 50 best places to retire in the country, according to Arthur and Mary Griffith (50 Fabulous Places to Retire in America, 2006). That's why more and more second home buyers and retirees are becoming attracted to nearby Talking Rock - a secluded high country rustic ranch-style community, conveniently located just 12 miles from the heart of Prescott.

Talking Rock encompasses 3,450 acres of gentle rolling hills and is just minutes from Granite Mountain. Aside from several different luxury housing options, Talking Rock boasts a 32,000-square-foot Ranch Compound, which will serve as a place to reunite with family and friends when it opens this winter. It also is home to a Jay Morrish-designed 7,350-yard championship golf course, suitable for players of all levels.

The homes at Talking Rock celebrate the native environment and rich traditions of Arizona ranch living – the very essence of the ranch. Qualified residents can choose from Ranch Homes, Ranch Cottages, custom homes and homesites, offering a wide array of options for every style of living.

The Ranch Homes afford prospective residents all of the features, benefits and the same breathtaking scenery of a custom homesite in about half the time it would take to build your own.

Ranch Cottages are smaller, detached, single-family homes that offer gracious living, a unique country club environment and unmatched style and grace while still capturing the very best of casual western living.

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Custom homes are designed and built by some of Arizona's finest designers and craftsmen. These beautiful homes embrace the architectural character of Talking Rock yet are unique in their vision and execution. Offering the very best in design, materials and craftsmanship, many of the homes feature dramatic views of Granite Mountain, Williamson Valley and the championship golf course.

Talking Rock's luxurious Ranch Compound is reminiscent of the old grand ranch headquarters of Central Arizona. Serving as the hub of the community, the 32,000-square-foot Ranch Compound includes the Ranch House, a multi-purpose building featuring a Bar & Grill as well as private and outdoor dining areas, the Athletic Club, a state-of-the-art exercise, health and wellness facility with a lap and wading pool and "Coops", a unique a unique coffee house that will host a full-service post office, and the Locker Barn, all of which are scheduled to open in late December.

"Prescott's old-fashioned charm has stood the test of time, which is why it remains a popular spot for those looking to retire or purchase a second home," said Jim Leisenring, general manager of the Ranch Compound. "For those who enjoy Prescott's charm but prefer a more secluded ranch-style living environment, Talking Rock awaits."

Offering the best of both worlds, Talking Rock is located in a peaceful, rural setting and yet is just minutes from Prescott where homeowners have access to shopping, dining, entertainment and numerous outdoor recreational opportunities. It is a 3,400-acre private, luxury home community with a casual western lifestyle and the amenities of an exclusive country club. Its Jay Morrish-designed 7,350-yard championship golf course intertwines through more than 1,000 preserved acres, presenting residents with the spaciousness of Arizona's high country.

Talking Rock is a development of Harvard Investments, a Scottsdale, Arizona based real estate development company respected for its high quality, residential projects throughout the Southwest. Harvard designed and developed communities are found in Austin, San Antonio, and Dallas, Texas; and in Phoenix, Sedona, and Tucson, Arizona.

Harvard's Canadian parent, the Hill Companies, is a privately held diversified company involved in real estate development, oil and gas production and distribution, broadcasting, surety

bonding, and life insurance. The Hill Companies celebrated its 100th year of continuous family ownership and operation in February, 2003.

More information on Talking Rock and Harvard Investments, Inc. can be found at www.talkingrockranch.com.

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