

**BLM Needles Field Office**

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the applicant’s application.

Please note: If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

**General Evaluation Criteria**

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #4 – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #8b – The narrative does not support “5 to 19 times per year”. Only onsite education efforts are eligible for credit.
- #9 - Applicant must verify response.

Ground Operations	G12-01-12-G01
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**Project Description**

- A – Applicant must provide specific details related to “...safety related classes” and how these classes are directly related to a Ground Operations project.

**Project Cost Estimate**

- Staff – “Maintenance Worker” – Applicant must verify this is one staff person.
- Staff – “Other-Resource Staff” – Activities performed by “...Grazing, and Reality specialist ...” are not eligible. Applicant must adjust the quantity for this line item accordingly.
- Staff – “Other-Recreation Staff” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Fencing Supplies” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.

- Materials / Supplies – “Other-Field Supplies” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-Field Hardware” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-TRAFx Data Tracking Service” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-Shop Supplies” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-Equipment & Tool Repair/Replaceme” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.

**Evaluation Criteria**

- #2 – Narrative does not support “Additional damage...”.
- #4 – Narrative does not support “Conference call(s)...”. – Applicant must identify the interested parties and date(s) of the call(s). Note, an entity may not be both an interested party and a stakeholder. Also note, this must be a separate meeting than the “Meeting(s) with stakeholders”.
- #5 – Applicant must list the specific project activities separately for each partner organization.
- #7 – “Trail maps” are not supported in the Project Description.
- #8 – Narrative does not support substantial use of sustainable technologies.

Planning	G12-01-12-P01
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**Project Description**

- A – “(4) Design and distribution of outreach materials...” are not eligible under a Planning project. Applicant must adjust the project description and line items in the cost estimate associated with this item.

**Project Cost Estimate**

- Staff – “Other-Resources Staff”, “Other-Recreation Staff” – Applicant must provide additional information about these positions and a breakdown for each.
- Contracts – “Other-Chicago Horticultural Society Inte” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials Supplies – “Misc Supplies to support Program” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials Supplies – “Other-Intern & Volunteer Uniforms” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item and how it is directly related to the project.

**Evaluation Criteria**

- #2b – Selections are contradictory to the Project Description; project only involves inventory of invasive and special status species.

- #3 – Selections are not supported in Project Description.
- #4 – Narrative does not support “Conference call(s)…” – Applicant must identify the interested parties. An entity may not be both an interested party and a stakeholder. Additionally, applicant must identify the date of the “Conference call(s)…” . Conference call(s) must be a separate meeting than the “Meeting(s) with the stakeholders.
- #5 – Narrative is not consistent with the Project Description, which relies on a contractor to provide expertise on the activities of this project.
- #6 – Narrative does not sufficiently support selection. Applicant must provide additional details about the activities the partner organizations will perform that are directly related to the project.
- #7 – Selections are contradictory to the Project Description and are not related to a special status or invasive species planning project.
- #8 – Reference document items do not support the response, applicant must provide additional details on how each document directly provides funding for the completed plan.
- #9 – Narrative does not sufficiently address the selection.
- #10 – Project Description and narrative do not support the selection.

Law Enforcement	G12-01-12-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No comment.</li> </ul>	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #4 – Verify statement relative to cost recovery.</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – “Law Enforcement Officers” – Applicant must provide additional detail.</li> <li>• Contracts – “Other-Radio Repeater Installation” was not discussed in Needs Assessment. Applicant must provide additional detail and justification.</li> <li>• Materials / Supplies” – “Other-Officer Supplies” does not appear to be directly related to OHV. Applicant must adjust cost estimate accordingly.</li> <li>• Equipment Purchases – “Other-Mobile Radio” was not discussed in Needs Assessment. Applicant must provide additional detail and justification.</li> <li>• Equipment Purchases – “Other-Radio Base Station” was not discussed in Needs Assessment. Applicant must provide additional detail and justification.</li> </ul>	

Education and Safety	G12-01-12-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicant must provide additional information about the Desert Information Center. How much of the education provided at Desert Information Center is related to OHV education?</li> </ul>	

<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Staff – “Other-Public Contact Rep” – Cost appears excessive. Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.</li><li>• Staff – “Other Branch Chiefs” is an Indirect Cost.</li><li>• Staff – “Other-Field Office Staff” – Cost appears excessive. Applicant must breakout each position, identifying quantity and rate for each position.</li><li>• Contracts – “Other-California Trail Users Coalition” – Cost appears excessive. Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.</li><li>• Materials / Supplies – “Brochures” – Applicant must clarify the quantity and rate.</li></ul>
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• #2 – Applicant must verify response.</li><li>• #4 – Narrative does not support the response. CTUC is a paid participant in the project and may not be claimed as a partner organization.</li><li>• #5 – Landsailing and Robotic Vehicle Testing are not a form of OHV Recreation.</li><li>• #6 – Narrative does not support “Conference call(s)...” and “Meeting(s) with stakeholders. These meeting(s) must be two separate meetings. Additionally, the applicant may not list itself, the OHMVR Division, or CTUC as stakeholders. The applicant must also identify the interested parties.</li><li>• #7 – Narrative does not support “Objectives” or “Testing process...”.</li><li>• #9 – Narrative and Project Description does not support response.</li><li>• #10 – Narrative does not support “Self-guided trails”.</li></ul>