

**BLM Ridgecrest**

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.
- #9 - Applicant must verify the response.
- #10 – “Public outreach at OHV recreation areas” does not qualify as OHV outreach. Credit for public outreach was given in question 8b.
- #14 – The narrative does not support “Has engaged in collaborative processes with agencies that manage OHV Opportunities”. The narrative only addresses Law Enforcement programs. Also, the narrative does not support “Has created a special fund to set aside funding to sustain OHV Recreation”. It is unclear if the special fund is solely dedicated to sustain OHV Recreation.

Ground Operations	G12-01-15-G01
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**Project Description**

- A – Applicant must clarify how “...Annual Halloween Safety event...” is related to a Ground Operations project.
- A – “...a new laptop for the JSVC. It will be used for public meetings, presentations, outreach, and other valuable information” are Education & Safety activities and are not eligible under a Ground Operations project. Applicant must adjust the cost estimate accordingly.

Project Cost Estimate	
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- Staff – “Other-Recreation Branch Chief” appears to be an Indirect Cost. Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Staff – “Other-Volunteer Time including Moose And” appears incomplete. Applicant must add a ‘Note’ and provide additional information about this line item.
- Staff – “Other-Outdoor Recreation Planner” – Activities “...tracking current OHV grants, special rec permits, outreach” are Indirect Costs. Applicant must adjust the quantity appropriately.
- Contracts – “Other-Toilet Cleaning” – Applicant must confirm number of toilets. Rate appears excessive, applicant must provide additional information to justify ‘Rate’.
- Contracts – “Other-CXT Vault Pumping” – Applicant must confirm number of toilets.
- Contracts – “Other-Jawbone Station Janitorial” – ‘Rate’ appears excessive, Applicant must provide additional information to justify ‘Rate’. Additionally, activities appear to be duplicate of those performed by the Friends of Jawbone “Maintenance Worker” staff in their proposed Ground Operations project.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-Safety and Riding Gear” – Applicant must move this line item to the ‘Materials / Supplies’ category and provide additional information about this line item.
- Equipment Purchases – “Other-Laptop for JSVC” is not eligible. Applicant must adjust the cost estimate accordingly.
- Others – “Other-Interpretive sites” – Applicant must place “kiosks” and “picnic tables” in separate line items, identifying quantity and ‘Rate’ for each.
- Others – “Other-Interpretive Printing” – Applicant must clarify these printing costs are not a duplicate of those identified in the Friends of Jawbone’s “Other-Updated OHV specific maps of the r” contract in their proposed Ground Operations project.

Evaluation Criteria	
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- #3 – Narrative does not support “Providing traffic control...”
- #5 – Narrative only supports one partner organization, Crystal Geyser. Paid partners may not be claimed.
- #7 – Wooden educational kiosks reconstructed and relocated, truncated signs refurbish does not qualify for ‘Other products with recycled content’.
- #8 – Narrative does not support substantial use of sustainable technologies.

Planning	G12-01-15-P01
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Project Description	
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- No comment.

<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
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- Staff – “All positions” – Applicant must provide additional details on each position.
- Staff – “Other Field Manager” is an Indirect Cost.
- Others – “Other Permit Fees” is not an appropriate cost for a planning project.

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
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- #2b – Selections are contradictory to Project Description; project only involves the planning for a bridge.
- #3 – Selections are not related to the scope of the planning project.
- #4 – Narrative does not support Conference Calls selection.
- #5 – Narrative is contradictory with the Project Description and does not support selections.
- #6 – Narrative is not directly related to the project.
- #7 – Narrative only supports the “...environmental review...” selection.
- #10 – Narrative does not support the creation of new OHV Opportunity.

<b>Restoration</b>	<b>G12-01-15-R01</b>
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<b>Project Description</b>
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- A – Outreach events are not eligible under restoration implementation activities.
- C – Applicant must identify the actual size of the project; narrative is inconsistent with ‘A’ of the project description.

<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
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- Contracts – “Restoration Crew”, appears excessive. Applicant must provide more detail identifying how costs were determined.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “4x4 vehicle”, applicant must provide more detail on usage.
- Others – “Printing”, outreach activities are not eligible under restoration implementation.

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
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- #2 – Narrative does not support selected item, “Domestic water supply”.
- #4 – Narrative does not support selected item, “Incorporation of universally recognized “Best Management Practices” “.
- #8 – Narrative does not support response. Friends of Jawbone is not part of the project.
- #10 – Narrative does not support response.
- #11 – Project description must identify the size of sensitive habitats to be restored by the project.

Law Enforcement	G12-01-15-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No comment.</li> </ul>	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No comment.</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – “LEOs” – Applicant must provide additional detail about this line item including a breakdown of staff.</li> <li>• Staff – “Detailed Law Enforcement” – Applicant must provide additional detail about this line item including a breakdown of staff.</li> <li>• Staff – “Medical Staff” – Applicant must provide additional detail about this line item including a breakdown of staff.</li> <li>• Staff- “Other- Radio/Dispatch Center Support” appears to be an Indirect Cost.</li> <li>• M/S – “ATV/UTV Maintenance” – Applicant must identify the number and type(s) of vehicle(s) included in this line item.</li> <li>• M/S – “Patrol rig lights/sirens/ strobe” – Appears excessive. Needs Assessment does not include replacement vehicles. Applicant must provide additional detail.</li> <li>• M/S – “Patrol rig prison cages/laptop mounts” – Applicant must provide additional detail as to the need and a breakdown of the costs.</li> <li>• Equip Use – “Vehicle Operations &amp; Maint” – Applicant must identify the number and type(s) of vehicle(s) included in this line item.</li> </ul>	