

BLM Barstow

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.

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.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities. Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding.

Applicants are reminded that no grant funds and/or match can be expended or project activities conducted in any land owned or managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #7c – Narrative does not address "Education programs, maps and/or brochures provided to the public addresses OHV trespass, including respect for private property".
- #8b – Applicant must provide date(s) of reference document(s).
- #10 – Narrative does not support sound testing occurs "On most (50% or more) holidays and weekends".
- #12a&b– Applicant must verify responses.

Ground Operations – Barstow	G14-01-04-G01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A – Request for maintenance of El Mirage area is duplicative of another grant request by another applicant. Applicant must adjust Project accordingly, or provide additional details as to the need. • A – Applicant must provide more detail and explain how “OHV planning” activities are related to the project. • A – Applicant must provide more detail and explain how “...coordinates special events, such as the many races held in Stoddard and Johnson Valleys...” activities are related to the project. • A – Applicant must provide more detail and explain how “...the coordination of major contracts... such projects meet both Agency and national standards” activities are related to the project. • B – LE Rangers are not a part of a Ground Operations grant. Applicant must adjust Project Description and Cost Estimate accordingly. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must adjust Cost Estimate to remove all activities that are not Ground Operations. • All budget costs associated with activities at the El Mirage OHV area must be clarified with the Friends of El Mirage. • Staff – Project Manager – This position appears to be indirect. Applicant must provide additional details. • Staff – GS 5 Park Ranger – This line item (Page 9 of 19) appears to be a duplicate of another line item (Page 7 of 19). Applicant must provide additional details. • Contracts – Kiosk – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item; appears that it could be development. • Materials/Supplies – Fencing Supplies – Applicant must explain “Slash X” and provide additional details to explain how this is related to the project. • Equipment Purchases – Applicant must clarify why two different “Range” Dual Sport motorcycles with different costs are needed. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2 – Narrative does not support “Potential trespass” selection. • #3 – Project Description does not support “Maintaining multi use” selection. • #4 – The OHV Leadership meeting and the Friends of El Mirage meeting are not meetings that were initiated or conducted by the applicant. These meetings are not eligible. • #5 – The activities for AMA District 37 and Slash X are not a part of this Ground Operations project. • #6 – Narrative does not support “Protecting water quality” selection. 	

Ground Operations – Dumont Dunes	G14-01-04-G02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A – Restoration activities are not eligible. Applicant must adjust Project Description and Project Cost Estimate accordingly. • A – Annual maintenance of Dumont Dunes Road is not an eligible activity. This is a street-legal only road. Applicant must adjust Project Description and Project Cost Estimate accordingly. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must adjust Cost Estimate to remove all activities that are not Ground Operations. • Staff – Project Manager – This position appears to be indirect. Applicant must provide additional details. • Staff – GS 5 Park Ranger – This line item (Page 9 of 18) appears to be a duplicate of another line item (Page 7 of 18). Applicant must provide additional details. • Staff – Soil Specialist – Applicant must provide additional details to explain how an SCA Staff member will be the equivalent of a GS11 staff position. • Contracts – Road Base – This is not an eligible activity as Dumont Dunes Road is a street-legal only road. • Contracts – Grading of Dumont Dunes Road – This is not an eligible activity as this is a street-legal only road. • Equipment Use Expenses – Water Truck – This is not an eligible activity as this is a street-legal only road. • Equipment Use Expenses – Road Grader – This is not an eligible activity as this is a street-legal only road. • Equipment Use Expenses – Truck line items – 250 miles a day per vehicle appears excessive. Applicant must provide additional details. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #3 – Project Description does not support “Installing or repairing erosion...” or “Providing varied levels...” selections. • #4 – The OHV Leadership meeting and the Friends of El Mirage meeting are not meetings that were initiated or conducted by the applicant. These meetings are not eligible. • #5 – “Dumont Dunes Sub Group” is not eligible as a partner organization and activities identified are not directly related to this project. • #6 – Narrative does not support “Protecting special-status species” selection. • #7 – Project Description does not support “Erosion control features...”, “Paper used for trail maps...” or “Other products...” selections. 	

Law Enforcement	G14-01-04-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Comment 	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Comment 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Comment 	

Education and Safety - Education	G14-01-04-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project activities appear to mirror and duplicate that of similar OHV education project(s) being proposed by other applicant(s) in the same area. Applicant must verify the proposed activities are not duplicative of other requests. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Project Cost Estimate appears excessive in comparison to similar OHV Education projects being proposed in the same area. Staff – “4. Ranger”, activities appear to be unrelated to the project. Applicant must provide additional detail showing how the expense is directly related to the project. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #4 – Applicant must list each partner organization(s) separately and explain how it and its partners will work together on its proposed project. Additionally, The Friends of El Mirage is already performing comparable activities within the area under their own OHV Education and Safety projects. As a result, they don't qualify as a partner under this project. #5 – Selections are not addressed in the Project Description; 4x4, Recreation Utility Vehicle (RUV)/Side by Side, Dune buggy, rail. Applicant must provide additional detailed information substantiating all selected selections. #6 – Narrative does not support the response. Applicant did not publicly notice the meeting. #8 – Narrative does not support the selection; Internet classes, Applicant must substantiate how internet classes are being utilized for education in this project. 	

Education and Safety - Safety	G14-01-04-S02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #4 – Rescue 3, International Racing Rescue Crew, and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office are already performing comparable activities within the area under their own OHV Education and Safety projects. As a result, they don't qualify as partners for this project. • #6 – Narrative does not support the response. Applicant did not explain how the listed stakeholders are actual stakeholders. • #14 – Project description does not support selections; Applicant must provide detail on how the project will have the majority of personnel trained in wilderness search and rescue, ATV certification, and motorcycle certification. 	