

## BLM Needles

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.
- #8b – Applicant must dates of the reference documents.
- 11a – It is unclear if the literature provided to the public is free and that safe and responsible OHV recreational practices are addressed. Additionally, it is unclear if the kiosks provide information concerning safe and responsible OHV Recreation.
- #11b - Narrative does not support "5 to 19 times per year" of onsite education efforts.

Ground Operations - Needles	G15-01-12-G01
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A – Monitoring wilderness for intrusion is not an eligible Ground Operations activity.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – Maintenance Worker line items- Applicant must explain large increase in rate in second line item and why rates between the two line items are so different.</li> <li>• Materials and Supplies – Emergency Beacon Service- This is an Indirect Cost and must be moved to Indirect Cost category..</li> <li>• Materials and Supplies – Vehicle Tire Replacement/Repair- This line item must be moved to Equipment Use Expense category.</li> <li>• Materials and Supplies – Uniforms- Uniforms are an Indirect Cost and must be moved to Indirect Cost category.</li> <li>• Equipment Use Expenses – First five line items- Applicant must explain different rates per mile for each vehicle and why the IRS rate of \$.54 per mile is not used.</li> <li>• Others- Travel is an Indirect Cost.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2 – Narrative does not support “Additional damage to Facilities” selection. Narrative is cut off.</li> <li>• #3 – Project Description does not support “Providing varied levels...”selection.</li> <li>• #5 – Narrative supports one partner. Activities performed by last two identified partners are not eligible activities for a Ground Operations project.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support “Protecting water quality” selection.</li> <li>• #7 – Project does not include maps or support “Paper used for trail maps...” selection.</li> <li>• #8 – Project Description only supports “Camping” and “Hiking” selections.</li> </ul>	

Law Enforcement	G15-01-12-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No comment.</li> </ul>	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No comment.</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No comment.</li> </ul>	

Education and Safety	G15-01-12-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicant must provide sites/locations for program delivery in the Project Description.</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contracts – “California Trail Users Coalition” contract costs appears excessive. Applicant must provide more details to substantiate cost or adjust accordingly.</li> <li>Vehicle Use - “Ford F-150 1/2T 4X4 Crew Cab” and “Sedan”, mileage can only be claimed from the base of operations to where project activities will occur. Per regulations, the base of operations is an area located within the parameters of the project site.</li> <li>Others – “Travel”, Applicant must provide more details for travel.</li> </ul>	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#2 – Applicant must verify response.</li> <li>#4 - Friends of Ivanpah reviews for non-motorized use does not have a nexus to OHV, thus are not eligible to be claimed as a partner.</li> <li>#5 – Selection is not addressed in the Project Description; “Dune buggy, rail”. Applicant must provide additional information substantiating all selections made.</li> <li>#9 &amp; #10 – Selection made for #10 does not appear to agree with the # 9 selection. Questions #8, #9, and #10 are related. Applicant must re-evaluate responses.</li> </ul>	