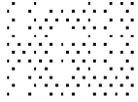


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Mr. Sixto Fernandez, Grants Manager
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Dear Mr. Fernandez,

The grants program you manage is very important in restoring and maintaining public lands damaged by irresponsible ORV use because the USFS does not have sufficient funds to do the job adequately. The Center for Sierra Nevada Conservation (CSNC) is a responsible and very skilled organization that has demonstrated its abilities to address the serious problems in Eldorado National Forest caused by ORV operators who don't follow the rules and drive off designated. Their reputation for timely and effective action is unblemished.

I urge you to fully fund the CSNC's application for a grant under the 2014/2015 OHMVR Restoration Grant program.

Please note that the application needs to be modified as follows: \$100 per barrier rock appears to be insufficient for purchase, transport and placement. I suggest the application use \$130 per rock. Also, in order to allow some site-specific specific flexibility, the application should include use of 8x8 wooden bullards, which are also being used with success in some applications. The applicant will also need to purchase an auger for installing the bullards.

Thank you,

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