

Restoration (FINAL)

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A. List of Restoration Activities

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B. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and how OHV Recreation caused the damage:

EMARCD's territory in Southwest Riverside County is home to over 300,000 residents and is well known as a center of commercial off-road vehicle activity. Numerous off-road motorcycle and ATV dealers, after-market manufacturers and accessory shops are located in Temecula, Murrieta and Lake Elsinore. Several nationally-prominent professional motocross riders live in the area. There are a number of legal and well-publicized sites, both public and private, where off-road activity is available, including the Wildomar OHV Park in the Cleveland National Forest, the Lake Elsinore Motocross Park, Cahuilla Creek Motocross Park, and Rynoland in Anza. Nevertheless, some users are tempted to make use of closer, more accessible properties, in some cases invading private lands and trespassing upon other government lands where OHV activity is not permitted. Unauthorized use of land can cause serious environmental damage and can expose riders to arrest or citation for trespassing. In many cases, the riders may not be aware of the laws or regulations, or of the damage that they cause, They may need to be redirected to other areas and routes where they can ride legally, at little or no additional cost.

Irresponsible use occurs in legal areas as well as in unauthorized areas. Leaving designated trails, entering uplands, riparian areas or seasonal stream beds can cause serious habitat damage. Monitoring and educating riders about these illegal actions can

provide significant benefits. EMARCD includes land that is critical habitat for many of listed species and provides ample acreage for the mandated conserved land acquisition in Riverside County's Multispecies Habitat Conservation Plan, a component of the Riverside County Integrated Plan for Land Use and Development. In addition, Native American people have resided in this watershed for centuries, leaving important cultural artifacts and considering much of the land to be sacred.

The project will benefit OHV users by providing information to allow them to identify and make proper use of both legal and unauthorized sites and travel routes. Conflicts between OHV users, other recreational users (hikers, mountain bikers, horses), and adjacent property owners will be reduced, areas will be safer and more enjoyable to use, and a clear plan for restoration of damaged areas will be available for a future grant application for physical restoration of the damaged areas, construction of barriers and fences, and signage.

C. Describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles

Of the 59 parcels of land owned by the Bureau of Land Management that lie within the 505,000± acres in EMARCD's boundary, some are in close proximity to land owned and maintained by the Pechanga Reservation or the Santa Margarita River Ecological Reserve, a unit of the San Diego State University Field Station program. These parcels are either inaccessible to OHV users or are so closely supervised that no OH activity takes place. These will be eliminated immediately from further study under this Grant. The remaining parcels, ranging in size from 40 acres to over 900 acres, total approximately 12,130 acres.

D. Monitoring and Methodology

EMARCD will undertake an initial inventory of the 56 BLM properties identified within the District's boundaries, and will prioritize those in order of decreasing impacts. Some properties are so remote and so constrained by access or terrain issues that they will not need to be included in the study. Others are adjacent to existing managed properties (three parcels in the Santa Margarita River canyon, for example, are adjacent to San Diego State University's Reserve), and do not warrant further study.

The properties would be inventoried using existing mapping, including published BLM maps, USGS maps, BLM GIS, purchased County Flood Control mapping, County Assessor's maps and other available sources. No new mapping would be required at this stage. An initial field inspection of each parcel would be performed; the properties would be inspected for road or trail access, evidence of motorized vehicle use, potential or actual impacts upon terrain, drainage, vegetation or wildlife, effects upon adjacent lands, access to the property by adjacent owners or users, and other potential impacts.

Working from the prioritized list and using map references previously described, reports on individual parcels will be prepared, using current BLM planning documents and County land use parameters, permissible vehicular uses, current vehicular uses, both legal and unauthorized, proposed changes Photographs will be keyed to individual site maps, areas of

concern will be delineated to define access problems, damaged areas, restoration needs, adjacent property owner impacts, and similar features. Some sites may require consultation with adjacent owners and residents, and other agencies (BLM, Sheriff, and others). A report on each parcel will include the map, keyed photographs, preliminary restoration scope and costs, and recommended activities.

Upon completion of the individual reports, EMARCD will consult with BLM Staff, Riverside Conservation Agency, neighboring property owners, community groups, and other stakeholders to obtain concurrence and direction as to further efforts.

Finally, design parameters for restoration plans proposed at each site will be drafted. These will include work descriptions and preliminary quantities for proposed restoration work, construction period erosion control, fencing, gates, signage, and definition of environmental documentation and any special studies that will be needed to meet the requirements of CEQA, NEPA, the San Diego and Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and other requirements.

E. List of Reports

The following reports, studies and consultations will be prepared or conducted in fulfillment of this planning grant:

1. Inventory of the 59 BLM properties, including legal description, area, Assessor's Parcel Number, specific location, general description of terrain, access restrictions or options, damage assessment.
2. Initial report to BLM and OHV Division, proposing properties to be studied in detail and those to be dropped from current consideration.
3. Consultation with BLM, Riverside County Conservation Agency and other County Departments, and OHV Division staff.
4. Detailed reports of individual properties to be studied, including mapping compiled from various sources as previously listed, photographs of significant features on each property with index map, delineation of remediation and restoration activities with scope and quantities, environmental reports and studies needed. These reports will be distributed to BLM and State OHV Division.
5. Monitoring reports to be based upon quarterly recurring visits to each of the listed parcels. Observations of new activity, additional impacts, and reports of visits or calls to neighboring owners will be included. These reports will be distributed to BLM and State OHV Division.

F. Goals, Objectives and Methodology / Peer Reviews

No scientific or cultural studies are anticipated in the preparation of the restoration plans anticipated under this project.

If, during the report preparation phase of the project, a need is identified for archeological, paleontological, or cultural resources review of proposed work on one or more of the properties in question, a proposal for that work will be solicited from qualified experts and will be included in the report section for that property, to be funded in the future either directly by BLM or by a future grant application for the restoration.

G. Plan for Protection of Restored Area

The individual report sections for each parcel of BLM land in the project area will include recommendations for measures to assure protection of any restored lands. These may include recommendations for increased inspection visits by the currently-assigned BLM rangers in the area, the Riverside County Sheriff Off-Road Task Force, regular Sheriff's patrols, Reservation law enforcement personnel, or other Patrol resources.

Consideration will be given where appropriate to working with adjacent land owners and residents to identify individuals willing to make appropriate notifications when OHV trespass into restored areas occurs. It will also include planning for fencing and signage, gates or other barriers.

Additional Documentation

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1. Project-Specific Maps

Attachments:

[Parcel Descriptions and Areas](#)

[Borrego Valley East Map](#)

[Borrego Valley West Map](#)

[Palm Springs East Map](#)

[Palm Springs West Map](#)

[Lake Skinner Map](#)

2. Project-Specific Photos

Attachments:

[Oak Mountain Photos](#)

[Lake Elsinore Map](#)

[South Temecula Map](#)

Project Cost Estimate

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APPLICANT NAME :	Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District		
PROJECT TITLE :	Restoration (FINAL)	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	G09-07-01-R01
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
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Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
 Agency: Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District
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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Other-Manager Notes : The Manager is a Registered Civil Engineer who will be the primary individual responsible for carrying out the work of the project as well as directing volunteers and interns to assist with field inspection, preparation of the maps and final reports	600.000	40.000	HRS	18,000.00	6,000.00	24,000.00
	Other-Volunteers @ Min. Wage Notes : Volunteers, including EMARCD Board Members and others in the community, can do much of the field inspection, reconnaissance, photography required for preparation of the reports.	425.000	8.000	HRS	0.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
	Other-Interns Notes : Interns, obtained through a cooperative agreement with the Environmental Studies program at Mount San Jacinto College, will do some of the field investigation, photography, map preparation, and report writing for this project. Interns will work under supervision of the Manager, and will receive both nominal pay and college credit for their work.	425.000	10.000	HRS	3,187.50	1,062.50	4,250.00
	Total for Staff				21,187.50	10,462.50	31,650.00
2	Contracts						
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Map Purchases	1.000	2500.000	MISC	1,875.00	625.00	2,500.00

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	Notes : Purchase of topographic maps from Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, assumed at 30 parcels at \$60 each, plus mapping and presentation supplies.						
	Other-Hand Held GPS Notes : Purc hase of hand-held GPS with USGS mapping for plotting oundary coordinates of BLM parcels and for noting location and extent of restoration activity needed.	1.000	750.000	MISC	625.00	125.00	750.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				2,500.00	750.00	3,250.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Other-Vehicle Expenses Notes : Travel to private vehicle to each project site, estimated at 4,000 miles at \$0.50.	4000.000	0.500	MI	1,500.00	500.00	2,000.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
6	Others						
	Printing Notes : This item will include copies of reports on individual parcels for review by the Land Manager, BLM, by the OHV Division, County of Riverside, and others including members of the public.	1.000	500.000	MISC	375.00	125.00	500.00
7	Indirect Costs						
	Indirect Costs-Indirect Costs Notes : Indirect costs of 10% of project total include office overhead, payroll costs and other contingencies.	1.000	2700.000	MISC	2,025.00	675.00	2,700.00
	Total Program Expenses				27,587.50	12,512.50	40,100.00
	TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				27,587.50	12,512.50	40,100.00
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Program Expenses					
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2	Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	2,500.00	750.00	3,250.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	1,500.00	500.00	2,000.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6	Others	375.00	125.00	500.00	
7	Indirect Costs	2,025.00	675.00	2,700.00	Indirect costs of 10% of project total include office overhead, payroll costs and other contingencies
Total Program Expenses		27,587.50	12,512.50	40,100.00	
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Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? Yes No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) (Please select Yes or No) Yes No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

- c. ITEM 3 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? Yes No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) Yes No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 – 10

This project will not include any ground-altering activities. It includes only planning for restoration. All ground-altering activities will be included in a future project.

ITEM 4 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 5 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 6 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 7 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 8 - Hazardous Materials

- Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) Yes No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 9 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

- Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) Yes No

Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources.

ITEM 10 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

Evaluation Criteria

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1. Project Cost Estimate - Q 1. (Auto populates from Cost Estimate)

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the Project costs covered by the Applicant is: 3

(Note: This field will auto-populate once the Cost Estimate and Evaluation Criteria are Validated.) (Please select one from list)

- 76% or more (10 points)
 51% - 75% (5 points)
 26% - 50% (3 points)
 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Natural and Cultural Resources - Q 2.

2. Natural and Cultural Resources - Failure to fund the Project will result in adverse impacts to: 19

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- Domestic water supply (4 points)
 Archeological and historical resources identified in the California Register of Historical Resources or the Federal Register of Historic Places (3 points)
 Stream or other watercourse (3 points)
 Soils - Site actively eroding (2 points)
 Sensitive areas (e.g., wilderness, riparian, wetlands, ACEC) (2 point each, up to a maximum of 6) Enter number of sensitive habitats [3]
 Threatened and Endangered (T&E) listed species (2 point each, up to a maximum of 6) Enter number of T&E species [2]
 Other special-status species- Number of special-status species (1 point each, up to a maximum of 3) Enter number of special-status species

Describe the type and severity of impacts that might occur relative to the checked item(s):

Continued erosion, destruction of habitat, damage to wildlife corridors identified in County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan.

3. Reason for Project - Q 3.

3. Reason for the Project 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- Protect special-status species or cultural site (4 points)
 Restore natural resource system damaged by OHV activity (4 points)
 OHV activity in a closed area (3 points)
 Alternative measures attempted, but failed (2 points)
 Management decision (1 point)
 Scientific and cultural studies (1 point)
 Planning efforts associated with Restoration (1 point)

Reference Document

OHV activity has been observed in closed BLM areas; complaints have been made to the BLM Rangers and Riverside County Sheriff' OHV team, but attempts to control activity in closed areas have not been effective. OHV activity has caused significant damage in many areas.

4. Measures to Ensure Success - Q 4.

4. Measures to ensure success –The Project makes use of the following elements to ensure successful implementation 10

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each (Please select applicable values)

- Site monitoring to prevent additional damage
- Construction of barriers and other traffic control devices
- Use of native plants and materials
- Incorporation of universally recognized 'Best Management Practices'
- Educational signage
- Identification of alternate OHV routes to ensure that OHV activities will not reoccur in restored area

Explain each item checked above:

Future grant applications will include funds for site monitoring, additional patrols, construction of fences, barriers or gates, revegetation with native plants and mulches, incorporation of BMP's to prevent erosion until plant materials have become established, and placement of education signage where appropriate and where most effective.

5. Publicly Reviewed Plan - Q 5.

5. Is there a publicly reviewed and adopted plan (e.g., wilderness designation, land management plans, route designation decisions) that supports the need for the Restoration Project? 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- No (No points) Yes (5 points)

Identify plan

BLM Land Use Plans

Riverside County Multi Species Habitat Conservation Plan, a component of the Riverside County Integrated Plan

6. Primary Funding Source - Q 6.

6. Primary funding source for future operational costs associated with the Project will be: 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- Applicant's operational budget (5 points)
- Volunteer support and/or donations (3 points)
- Other Grant funding (2 points)
- OHV Trust Funds (No points)

If 'Operational budget' is checked, list reference document(s):

Future Operational Costs will need to be funded through BLM Budget.

7. Public Input - Q 7.

7. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 1

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 1 point each, up to a maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
- Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
- Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

A public discussion of the Project was held at the regular March 12, 2010 meeting of the Board of Directors of Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District, as advertised on the District website starting on March 2, 2010. The website is at www.emarcd.org/meetings.html .

8. Utilization of Partnerships - Q 8.

8. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 2

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- 4 or more (4 points) 2 to 3 (2 points)
 1 (1 point) None (No points)

List partner organization(s):

Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District
Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs/South Coast Field Office
Riverside Conservation Agency (RCA)

9. Scientific and Cultural Studies - Q 9.

9. Scientific and cultural studies will 4

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- Determine appropriate Restoration techniques (2 points)
 Examine potential effects of OHV Recreation on natural or cultural resources (2 points)
 Examine methods to ensure success of Restoration efforts (1 point)
 Lead to direct management action (1 point)

Explain each item checked above

The project will recommend the use of biological consultants where necessary to establish the most effective restoration methods to be employed on those sites where techniques to be used may not be readily apparent. The consultants will identify the most effective methods, so that management may complete the specific restoration plan for the site in question.

10. Underlying Problem - Q 10.

10. The underlying problem that resulted in the need for the Restoration Project has been effectively addressed and resolved 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- No (No points) Yes (3 points)

Explain 'Yes' answer

The project will establish the best means to reduce or eliminate inappropriate and illegal OHV use in those particular sites among the 59 to be examined where OHV activity is present. Individual sites will be identified as to the need for gates, barriers or fences. Restoration will be planned for those sites where it is needed, on a prioritized basis.

11. Size of sensitive habitats - Q 11.

11. Size of sensitive habitats (e.g., wilderness, riparian, wetlands, ACEC) within the Project Area which will be restored 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- Greater than 10 acres (5 points)
 1 – 10 acres (3 points)
 Less than 1 acre (1 points)

No sensitive habitat within Project Area (No points)