**Mojave Desert Heritage and Cultural Association**

Comments submitted by the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) 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 may 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/Heavy Equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the Department’s 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 Department except as allowed in the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program regulations section 4970.09 (b)(10).

**General Evaluation Criteria**

* #2 - 5 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.
* #7b – Applicant’s response must the land manager.
* #8b – Applicant’s response must the land manager.
* #11a – Applicant’s information matches the land manager’s response but note the land manager received a Division comment.
* #11b – Narrative does not support the selection. OHV education programs must be hosted by the Applicant onsite to educate the public on safe and responsible OHV recreation practices.
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations,** **East Mojave Heritage Trail Signage G22-04-12-G01**

***Project Description - Background***

* No Comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* No Comment.

***Project Description – List of Project Deliverables***

* #5 – Applicant must clarify what “…other required government language” is, to verify its OHV nexus.

***Project Description – All Others***

* Describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles… – Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Needles Field Office (Land Manager) has also applied for a Ground Operations Grant within the proposed Project Area. Applicant needs to clarify how they will ensure there is no duplication of services.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Staff #1 “Volunteer Force” – Applicant must provide the duties and/or activities to be performed on the Project.
* Materials / Supplies #1 & 2 – Cost per sign appears excessive. Applicant must further define how the cost was determined.
* Other #1 “Supplement Guide” – Applicant must provide more details about the item(s) to be purchased and how the cost was determined.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #3 – Narrative does not support the selection of “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”.  Applicant must provide examples of the activities performed to support the selection.
* #4 – Narrative does not support the selections.  Applicant must provide the date of the second meeting.  In addition, Applicant must state the date of the stakeholder meeting, location of meeting and/or if the meeting was held virtually, and how are stakeholders to the Project.
* #5 – Narrative does not support the selection.  Applicant must confirm duties performed by BLM – Needles Field office are not a part of their Ground Operations Project.  In addition, Applicant must list each partner separately and provide a detailed explanation for how each partner will participate on the Project.
* #6 – Narrative does not support the selection.  Applicant must provide a detailed explanation for the selection and how the Project addresses the issue.
* #7 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selections are made with recycled materials.