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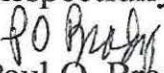
As one of the many off-roaders in the Coachella Valley, and one who teaches new off-roaders how to properly and safely operate their vehicles when in the desert, I lend my support in the effort to provide funding that helps cover off-road area management. Local agencies that have applied for grants from the 2019/2020 Off Highway Motor Vehicle Program Grants and Cooperative agreement Program.

Many of us in the off-road community do what ever we can to promote the safe and proper use of our desert resources. My partner and I have taught hundreds of beginner off-roaders, on how to use their vehicle, vehicle safety, when in the desert "take out more than you bring in", and have greater respect for our fragile desert resources. We are teaching students that the days of "beer drinking and throw your used bottle" in the desert are over. Certainly there will be some irresponsible persons who may continue this practice. The vast majority of us are more aware and responsible. We stay on marked trails and do not go into areas, that say "stay out".

I lend my support to the Rangers in Joshua Tree National Park, The Bureau of Land Management, and all of the law enforcement agencies, including the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, San Bernardino Sheriff's Department. Protecting our valuable desert lands is crucial. I've traveled all through Joshua Tree, Johnson Valley, Octillo Wells, Borrego Springs, Death Valley and BLM' lands across California. I see positive changes.

I fully support all efforts to fund the requested grant funds so we have access to our beautiful resources, The California Desert, for years to come.

Respectfully,


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