

USFS Tahoe

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.

Please note: 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.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #4 – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #9 – Applicant must verify response.
- #13 – Narrative does not support “At least 25% but less than 50% of holidays and weekends”.
- #14 – The narrative does not support “Has engaged in collaborative processes with agencies that manage OHV Opportunities”. Applicant must identify more than one agency that manages OHV Opportunities. Also, the narrative does not support, “Has secured land to be developed for OHV Recreation”. The land identified is not newly acquired property.

Ground Operations	G12-02-20-G01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A – For “Cleaning (1-2 times/week)”, applicant must clarify what is being cleaned. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – “Other-YR Asst Public Service Officer” is an Indirect Cost. Applicant must adjust the cost estimate accordingly. • Staff – “Other-AR Recreation Staff Officer (MT)” – Applicant must provide additional information about the activities this staff will perform that are directly related to the project and confirm it is a direct cost. 	

- Contracts – “Other-TNF Soil/Water Monitoring” – Applicant must provide specifics/details about this contract and clarify the activities that will be performed in this contract are not duplicate of those that will be performed by Forest staff.
- Contracts – “Other-TNF Rd Mtnc (contract, coop,)” – Applicant must provide specifics/details about this contract and clarify the activities that will be performed in this contract are not duplicate of those that will be performed by Forest staff.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-EZ Cleaning Supplies (winter & sum)” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-EZ Winter & summer signs” – Applicant must clarify the winter signs that will be purchased are not signs that are supported via the OSV Program.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-EZ-Misc Supplies” – Item listed in Notes appear to be duplicate of other line items. Applicant must clarify these are not duplicate requests.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-AR- Fuel Sweeco, Excavator, Saws” ” – Applicant must move this line item to the ‘Equipment Use Expenses’ category.
- Equipment Use Expenses – For “Other-YR Vehicle Mileage” and “Other-YR Vehicle FOR” – Applicant must identify the number and type(s) of vehicle(s) included in this line item.
- Equipment Use Expenses – For “Other-AR Vehicle FOR (4056)” and “Other-AR Vehicle Mileage (4056)” – Applicant must identify the type of vehicle.
- Equipment Use Expenses – For “Other-AR Vehicle FOR (2329)” and “Other-AR Vehicle Mileage (2329)” – Applicant must identify the type of vehicle.
- Equipment Use Expenses – For “Other-AR Vehicle FOR (2616)” and “Other-AR Vehicle Mileage (2616/1142)” – Applicant must identify the type of vehicle.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-AR-FS Backhoe, Truck & Trailer” – Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-TNF Jeep Repair” appears to be a duplicate request as that in line item “Other-TNF Jeep gas and maintenance” – Applicant must clarify these line items are not a duplicate.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-EZ Vehicle Mileage (3x)” – Applicant must identify the type of vehicle.
- Equipment Purchases – “Other-AR- ATVs” – The Notes indicate “patrolling”. Applicant must provide additional information about this activity and how it is related to a Ground Operations project.

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 – Narrative does not support “Conference call(s)...”. Applicant must identify interested parties and date(s) of call(s). Additionally, these call(s) must be a separate meeting from the “Publicly noticed meeting(s) and “Meeting(s) with stakeholders.
- #4 – Narrative does not support “Meeting(s) with stakeholders” – Applicant must identify more than one stakeholder and provide the date(s) of the meeting(s). Note, the meeting(s) with stakeholders must be a separate meeting from the “Conference call(s)”.
- #5 – Applicant must identify the specific project activities each partner organization will perform in the project, listing the project activities separately for each partner organization.

- #6 – Narrative does not support “Providing bridges instead of wet crossings...” and “Re-routing of trails...”.
- #7 – “Trail maps” are not supported in the Project Description.

Development	G12-02-20-D01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project is contingent upon successful completion of the Environmental Assessment; as such project is a two phase project. Applicant must state such and define phases. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff, all positions – Provide more detail on each and their roles in the project. • Staff – Other Civ Engineer consultants – Two positions appear duplicative. • Contracts – Other Mobilization – Provide additional details. • Equipment Use Expenses – Other Vehicle Mileage – Breakdown vehicles used, provide more detail. • Others – Other Chicken Hawk Staging Area Construction – Provide more information, breakdown costs, describe how they are related to the project. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2b – Reference documents narrative is contradictory to project description. • 2c – Reference Document – A narrative is not a reference document and does not support selection. • 3 – Staging area projects do not provide for diversified OHV use. • 4 – Narrative related to EA is contradictory to project description, applicant must provide more detail on EA status, e.g. completion date. • 5 – Narrative does not support response. • 6 – Narrative does not support response. • 8 – Staging area projects do not provide for selections. • 9 – Narrative does not support Meetings with Stakeholders selection. • 12 – Narrative does not support selection. • 13 – Narrative does not support selection. 	

Development	G12-02-20-D02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Other OHV Project Mgr/Contr Developer – Applicant must provide more information on position, staff or contractor, and the duties of the position. 	

- Staff – Other- Volunteers – Applicant must provide additional detail on quantity and rate.
- Staff – Other Contract Officers Representative – Applicant must provide more information on the position.
- Contracts – Other- Construction Contract Cal-Ida – Cost appears excessive in comparison to Volunteer trail rate, provide more detail on cost, more information on the line item.
- Equipment Use Expense – Other Vehicle mileage – Applicant must provide a breakdown, list vehicles.
- Others – Other Hand Tools – Applicant must provide additional details on this line item.

Evaluation Criteria

- 5 – Narrative does not support the response.
- 6 – Narrative does not support the response.
- 9 – Narrative does not support meeting with stakeholders selection (must be more than one).
- 10 – Applicant must list each partner separately and describe how each partner will participate in the project.

Planning	G12-02-20-P01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Applicant must provide more detail for all line items and how they relate to the project. • Staff – Other Asst Public Service Officer and Other District Ranger are Indirect Costs. • Materials Supplies – Both line items appear to be Indirect Costs. Applicant must provide additional details. • Equipment Use Expense – Applicant must identify each vehicle used in the project. • Other – Volunteer – Applicant must provide additional information on duties of the volunteers and how they will contribute to this planning project. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 – Narrative does not support Meeting with Stakeholders; stakeholders must be more than one. • 5 – Narrative does not identify stakeholders. • 6 – Individual experts are not partner organizations. Applicant must identify how each stakeholder will participate in the project. 	

- 8 – Reference document is not listed.

Restoration	G12-02-20-R01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Others – “Other-NFWF Grant-Hydro/Resto Design Pla”, is not identified in the project description. • Others – “Other-IRWMP Grant – NEPA”, is not identified in the project description. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #4 – Narrative does not support selected items, “Educational signage” and “identification of alternate OHV routes ...”. • #7 – Narrative does not support meeting(s) with stakeholders. • #8 – Narrative does not support response. Applicant must provide more detail on how participating partners are directly related to the project. • #11 – Project description must identify the size of sensitive habitats to be restored by the project. 	

Restoration	G12-02-20-R02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts – “Other – TNF Restoration Projects”, applicant must provide more detail on how this contract is directly related to the project. Currently, there is insufficient information to determine if costs associated with the contract are reasonable and eligible for match. Additionally, the applicant must identify a stable funding source that directly supports the contract. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #3 – Narrative does not support selected item, “Protect special-status species or cultural site”. Applicant must identify a reference document that directly supports the need for the project. • #7 – Narrative does not support meeting(s) with stakeholders. 	

Restoration	G12-02-20-R03
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A - Applicant must provide detailed information regarding NEPA. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Materials and Supplies – “Other-NEPA Legal Notice Publication” applicant must move line item to "Others" category. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #3 – Narrative does not support the selected item. Applicant must provide a current reference document. • #4 – Narrative does not support the selected item, “identification of alternate OHV routes ...”. • #7 – Narrative does not support meeting(s) with stakeholders. 	