

USFS Inyo

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.

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 requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division 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.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3 a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #4 – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #11a – It is unclear if the bulletin boards, signs and kiosks contain information concerning safe and responsible OHV Recreation.
- #12a&b– Applicant must verify responses.

Ground Operations – Forestwide Operations, Repairs, Maintenance, Signing	G13-02-05-G01
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Project Description

- A – "...patrol...areas closed to OSVs" is not eligible under a Ground Operations project.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff – “OSV Technician” – The OSV trail maintenance activities performed by this staff appears to be “grooming” and is not eligible.
- Staff – “Permanent OHV/OSV Tech” – The OSV trail maintenance activities performed by this staff appears to be “grooming” and is not eligible.
- Staff – “Volunteer Nordic Patrol” – The OSV trail maintenance activities performed by this staff appears to be “grooming” and is not eligible.
- Staff – “OHV Work Leader” and “Forest OHV Coordinator” line items appear to be a duplicate of the “OHV Program Supervisor (2) – Applicant must clarify the difference between these staff line items.
- Staff – “Public Affairs” – Activities identified “OHV Project level planning and OHV/OSV communications” do not appear related to a Ground Operations project and are not eligible.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “4x4 Truck Maintenance” is not eligible; it is a duplicate of “4x4 Truck Mileage” line item which includes maintenance costs.
- Equipment Purchases – “Motorcycle” – Activities identified appear to be law enforcement related and would not be eligible. Applicant must clarify these activities.

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 – Applicant must provide the following information:
 - Date(s) of meeting(s) and indicate if stakeholder meeting(s) is different date than publicly noticed meeting(s)
 - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held
 - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders
- #5 – Applicant must identify the specific maintenance activities the Friends of Inyo will perform for this project.
- #5 – Activity listed for Adventure Mammoth Nordic Ski Patrol (search and rescues) are not related to this project and are not eligible.
- #5 – Activity listed for Town of Mammoth Lakes (motorcross events) is not related to this project and is not eligible. Additionally, printing of maps/brochures, is not eligible since it is paid.
- #7 – “Erosion control features...”, is not supported in the Project Description.

Planning – Forest Over-Snow-Vehicle Planning	G13-02-05-P01
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Project Description

- Applicant must ensure that the activities and/or equipment being requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to the Snow Grooming Program).

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff – Forest Heritage Program Manager- Nevada related duties are not eligible.
- Material and Supplies – Misc Supplies- Applicant must provide additional details.
- Equipment Use Expenses – Applicant must identify the model of the vehicles used in this project.

Evaluation Criteria

- #2b – Narrative does not support eighth or ninth selections.
- #3 – Other – OSV users is not a non-motorized activity.
- #4 – Applicant must provide the following information:
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 - How the public/stakeholders meeting(s) were notified and where the meeting(s) were held.
 - Names of the stakeholders and how they are stakeholders.
- #5 – Narrative does not identify stakeholders or provide a detailed explanation of how each stakeholder will provide substantial input in this planning project.
- #6 – Narrative does provide a detailed explanation of how each identified partner will participate in this planning project.
- #7 – Narrative does not support the second or third selections.