

USFS Sierra National Forest

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.

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 California Department of Parks and Recreation.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #1c – Date of a reference document provided is in conflict with dates provided in #1a.
- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify responses.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #12a&b – Applicant must verify responses.

Ground Operations

G14-02-17-G01

Project Description

- No comment.

Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff - HS OSV Manager – “...operates and maintains the snow cat for trail grooming.” – These duties are a part of the OSV Grooming Contract and are not eligible. This line item must be adjusted accordingly. In addition, applicant must verify that the 50% of the total work assignments that are indirect are not included in this line item. • Staff – HS OSV WG-5 Maintenance Worker – “...including snow grooming equipment.” – These duties are a part of the OSV Grooming Contract and are not eligible. This line item must be adjusted accordingly. • Materials/Supplies – HS OSV Facility Surveillance System – This is not an eligible Ground Operations expense. • Equipment Purchases – Soil Survey Equipment, HS OSV Portable Welder, HS OSV Portable Generator, HS OSV Plasma Cutter – All Equipment Purchases must be referenced in the Project Description. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #4 – Applicant must identify how the participants are stakeholders to the project. • #6 – Narrative does not support “Protecting cultural site(s)” selection. 	

Development – Auberry Building	G14-02-17-D01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #10 – Publicly Noticed Meetings, Meetings with Stakeholders – Narrative does not support either response, does not indicate how the public was notified or indicate how the participants listed are actual stakeholders to this project. Two of the three dates listed occurred more than 12 months prior to the filing of this Preliminary application. 	

Development – Coyote Toilet Building	G14-02-17-D02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	

Project Cost Estimate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Contracting Officer Representati & Contracting Officer – These positions appear to be duplicative and include administrative duties. Applicant must provide additional details regarding these positions and explain how they are directly related to the project. • Equipment Use Expenses – Vehicles – Applicant must identify vehicles.
Evaluation Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2b – Applicant must provide the name and date of the reference document. • #2c – Applicant must provide the date of the reference document. • #3 – Applicant must provide the name and date of the reference document. • #4 – Narrative does not support the selections. Restroom projects do not provide for diversified OHV use. • #9 – Project does not support the selections. Restroom projects do not improve or create new trails.

Education and Safety	G14-02-17-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It appears some proposed activities are not eligible under an OHV education project. The Applicant is advised proposed activities must be solely for OHV related education purposes. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – “GS-07-FIRST-AID-CPR-INSTRUCTOR”, “ CHAINSAW-FIELD-EVALUATOR-INSTRUCTO”, “CHAINSAW-COURSE-INSTRUCTOR”, “HOST-PROGRAM-SAFETY-INSTRUCTOR”, and “Students, First Aid/CPR” are not allowable costs under an OHV education project. • Staff – “HS-OHV-REC-SPECIALIST” and “HS-OHV-ASST-Rec-SPECIALIST” are duplicate staff duties. It is only permissible to use Grant funds for one first line supervisor position. Supervisory positions above this first level are considered indirect costs. Applicant must determine who the first line supervisor is between these two staff positions. • Staff – “OHV Host Volunteer”, unit of measure is confusing. Applicant must provide a daily or hourly rate. • Materials / Supplies – The two “Emergency Medical Supplies” line items are not allowable costs under an OHV education project. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #4 – The applicant must list each partner organization(s) separately and provide a detailed explanation for how each partner(s) will participate in the project. • #5 – Project description does not support “Snowmobile” selection. 	