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American Desert Foundation
Attn: Bill Jones
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RE: SUPPORT - American Desert Foundation Grants and Cooperative Agreements Application, California Parks and Recreation: Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division.

Mr. Jones,

Please accept this letter of support for the American Desert Foundation (ADF) as you seek funding through the California Parks and Recreation Off Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division Grants and Cooperative Agreement.

The American Sand Association is a nonprofit, membership based organization that represents 35,000 users who recreate on public lands. Through our strategic partnerships with local communities and various entities such as the ADF, we promote a safe dune experience coupled with responsible use of public lands. This is accomplished through our joint safety and education programs. The funds the ADF are seeking will enhance and facilitate these safety and education programs in the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area (ISDRA).

The ISDRA is one of the most popular off-highway recreation areas in the United States. With visitation reaching 150,000 during peak times, it's imperative the ADF receive these funds in order to enhance visitor safety and provide law enforcement agencies with the proper resources to adequately manage the ISDRA.

We look forward to our continued partnership and appreciate your support of the American Sand Association.

Respectfully,

Nicole Nicholas Gilles
Executive Director

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