

## BLM Barstow

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

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #11c – Narrative does not support the "Daily" selection.
- #11d – Narrative only supports 16 classes.

Ground Operations – Limited Use	G15-01-04-G01
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A – Limited Use area patrols and installing post and cable fencing to block off access to wilderness areas are a Restoration activity and are not eligible for a Ground Operations project. Applicant must remove and adjust cost estimate accordingly.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – All line items- Duties related to Limited Use area mitigation of resource damage, surveys, and post and cable fencing are Restoration activities and are not eligible for a Ground Operations project. Applicant must adjust line items accordingly.</li> <li>• Contracts – Post and Cable Fencing Install- Installation of post and cable fencing to block off access to wilderness areas is a Restoration activity and are not eligible for a Ground Operations project.</li> <li>• Materials and Supplies – Barrier Material, Post and Cable Fencing- These line items are related to Restoration activities and are not eligible for a Ground Operations project.</li> <li>• Equipment Purchase – Utility Terrain Vehicle 1000- Cost appears excessive. Applicant must provide additional information on model of vehicle, justify cost, and reference this in the Project Description.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2 – Ground Operations project does not support “Negative impact to cultural sites” or “Damage to special status species...” selections. Narrative does not support “Loss of OHV Opportunity” selection.</li> <li>• #3 – Project Description does not support “Maintaining trail...” or “Maintaining multi use...” selections.</li> <li>• #4 – Narrative does not support the response. Applicant must explain how the public was notified of the meeting(s), where the meeting(s) were held, date(s) of the stakeholder meeting(s), names of the stakeholders, and must explain how the participants of the stakeholders meeting(s) are stakeholders to the project.</li> <li>• #5 – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must list each partner separately and explain how the listed partners will participate in this project. The San Manuel Tribe does not appear to be a confirmed partner.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support “Protecting special status species” or “Protecting cultural sites” selection.</li> <li>• #8 – Project Description does not support the selections.</li> </ul>	

Ground Operations – OHV Area	G15-01-04-G02
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A – Applicant must provide more detail and explain how “...coordinates special events, such as the many races held in Stoddard and Johnson Valleys...” activities are related to the project.</li> <li>• A – Applicant must provide more detail and explain how the Engineering Technician’s “...the coordination of major contracts...” activities are related to the project.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – Seasonal Park Ranger- “Mitigation of resource damage with hand tools” duties are Restoration activities. Applicant must adjust line item accordingly.</li> <li>• Staff – Senior Maintenance Worker- Applicant must explain “operation of the Road Groom” activity.</li> <li>• Staff – Restoration Technician- Monitoring access roads duties appear to be Restoration activities. Applicant must describe which access roads are referenced.</li> <li>• Staff – Outdoor Recreation Planner- Applicant must provide more detail and explain how duties “...coordinates special events, such as the many races held in Stoddard and Johnson Valleys...” are related to this Ground Operations project.</li> <li>• Equipment Use Expenses – Maintenance Vehicle- Applicant must identify vehicle and provide additional information.</li> <li>• Equipment Purchase – Cargo Trailer- Applicant must reference this in the Project Description. Purpose of trailer “to haul EMS sand rail to Dumont Dunes” is not a Ground Operations activity.</li> <li>• Others – Travel and Per Diem- This is an Indirect Cost. Additionally, staff not specific to this Ground Operations project (e.g. EMS) are not eligible.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #3 – Project Description does not support “Maintaining multi use” or “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty” selections.</li> <li>• #4 – Narrative does not support the response. Applicant must explain how the participants of the stakeholders meeting(s) are stakeholders to the project.</li> <li>• #5 – Applicant must provide additional details on identified partner “Slash X”.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support water quality selection.</li> <li>• #8 – Project Description does not support any of the selections.</li> </ul>	

Law Enforcement	G15-01-04-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Comment</li> </ul>	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Comment</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Comment</li> </ul>	

Education and Safety - Education	G15-01-04-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Comment</li> </ul>	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff – “Volunteers”, “Maintenance”, and “Volunteer Coordinator” duties include training staff which is an indirect cost, whether staff is volunteer or paid. Applicant must move costs associated with training staff to the Indirect category.</li> <li>Materials/Supplies – “Ambassador Training Aids and Material”, Applicant must move costs associated with training staff to the Indirect category.</li> <li>Materials/Supplies – “Emergency Medical Supplies” for Education projects are indirect costs. Applicant must costs to the Indirect category.</li> <li>Equipment Use Expense – “Jr. Ranger Trailer” and “truck”, mileage can only be claimed from the base of operations to where project activities will occur. Per regulations, the base of operations is an area located within the parameters of the project site.</li> </ul>	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#4 - Applicant must provide an explanation for how the National Park Service will provide for program delivery.</li> <li>#5 – Selections are not addressed in the Project Description; “Motorcycle” and “4x4”. Applicant must provide additional detailed information substantiating all selections made. Also note, the question pertains to OHV recreation, not activities associated with volunteers.</li> <li>#7 - Narrative does not support the selection; “Evaluation and feedback of the process”. Applicant must provide clearly identifiable and/or measurable, elements to substantiate the selection.</li> <li>#8 - Narrative does not support the selections; “Hands on learning” and “Formal class setting”. Methods of education pertain to the public, not OHV Volunteers.</li> </ul>	

- #8 – Narrative does not support the selection; “Self-guided trails”. Applicant must substantiate how the Discovery trail and its self-guided brochure support the selection.
- #9 & #10 – Selection made for #10 does not appear to agree with the # 9 selection. Questions #8, #9, and #10 are related. Applicant must re-evaluate responses.
- #11 Providing ASI/MSF Training pertains to the public, not OHV Volunteers.