

OHMVR DIVISION

Proposed Draft Criteria

Acquisition Projects

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The acquisition enhances, adds or protects existing OHV opportunity or provides new opportunity or protects resources. The acquisition project must address at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, environmental, use conflict or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • Protecting residents, private property and landowners adjacent to the proposed acquisition from noise, trespass and property damage • Protecting habitat or critical resources (soil, water, cultural, wildlife, etc.) • Eliminating illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel 	40
<p>2. The proposed project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust funds. At a minimum, the project must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost effectiveness (Cost vs. amount of new opportunity) (5) • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of partnerships, volunteers, or other measures to reduce the reliance on OHV Trust funds (5) 	15
<p>3. The application demonstrates the proposed project can be accomplished within the given timeline.</p>	10
<p>4. The applicant demonstrates the ability to implement an OHV recreation program upon completion of the acquisition project. At a minimum, the project must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of future development and operational costs (5) • Ability to provide staffing adequate for operations without reliance on State OHV funds (5) • Ability to use the property for the intended activities and to obtain environmental clearances, permits, etc. (5) • Timely development of OHV recreation opportunities on the acquired lands (5) 	20
<p>5. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior acquisition project(s) within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Availability of trained and experienced staff to carry out the project (5) 	15
<p>TOTAL</p>	100

CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project will protect and conserve ecological conditions so as to sustain long-term use of the roads, trails, and/or areas for OHV recreation. The project must address how the project will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent erosion and meet established soil conservation standards • Protect critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, rare, threatened and endangered species, cultural, etc.) and meet wildlife habitat protection program requirements • Monitor potential resource damage and prevention of future damage 	50
<p>2. The application demonstrates the proposed project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust funds. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of innovative or efficient materials to reduce costs • How project will reduce maintenance costs through proper design • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) 	35
<p>3. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior projects within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Availability of trained and experienced staff (5) 	15
TOTAL	100

Development Projects

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project enhances or protects existing OHV opportunity or provides new opportunity and/or prevents or reduces the need for conservation activities or closures due to environmental damage. The project must address at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, environmental, use conflict or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • Protecting residents, private property and adjacent landowners from noise, trespass, and property damage • Eliminating illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel • Protecting public health and safety • Avoids the need for increased maintenance, conservation activities or closures due to environmental damage • Satisfies public preferences, expectations, and/or demand 	40
<p>2. The proposed project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust funds. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project will reduce maintenance costs • Project implements energy saving features to improve energy efficiency • Building new vs. modification of existing facilities with the aim of reducing development costs • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor 	30
<p>3. The project demonstrates the ability to staff and maintain the proposed facility. At a minimum, the application must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to cover future operational costs • Ability to provide staffing adequate for efficient operations without reliance on State OHV funds 	15
<p>4. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior projects within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Availability of trained and experienced staff (5) 	15
TOTAL	100

Equipment Projects

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The application demonstrates the equipment supports a program that sustains long-term OHV recreation. Applicant must address the;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to cover operational costs associated with use of the equipment • Ability to provide staffing without reliance on State OHV funds 	40
<p>2. The application demonstrates that the proposed equipment purchase or repair would provide for efficient use of OHV Trust funds in one or more of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributes to reduced maintenance costs • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • The application demonstrates the proposed equipment purchase or repair is the most cost effective alternative • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor 	20
<p>3. The application demonstrates that the proposed equipment purchase or repair addresses a specific need. For example, the application must address the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The amount of existing recreational use • The amount of demand for increased recreational opportunity • The equipment will repair, restore, and/or extend the useful life of trails and damaged areas • Unusual soil, topography or other natural resource conditions 	30
<p>4. The applicant has the quality and quantity of prior or ongoing experience and dedicated staffing to use and maintain the type of equipment requested.</p>	10
TOTAL	100

Facilities Operation and Maintenance (FO&M) Projects

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project enhances or protects existing OHV opportunity or provides new opportunity or protects resources. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, use conflict or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • Reducing or avoiding conflicts with non-motorized recreation • Protecting residents, private property and adjacent landowners from noise, trespass, and property damage • Insuring compliance to protect habitat or critical resources (soil, water, cultural, wildlife, etc.) and/or closures due to environmental damage • Eliminating illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel • Protecting public health and safety • Avoiding increased maintenance activities • Satisfying public preferences, expectations, and/or demand 	40
<p>2. The proposed project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust funds. The application must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of innovative or efficient materials to reduce FO&M costs • The project will contribute to reduced maintenance costs through preventive maintenance • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor 	30
<p>3. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to complete project within timeframe provided (10) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (10) • Availability of trained and experienced staff (10) 	30
TOTAL	100

LAW ENFORCEMENT PROJECTS

Application Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project demonstrates law enforcement efforts will sustain long-term OHV recreation by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing resource damage (10) • Reducing intrusion into wilderness, closed areas or private property (10) • Reducing conflict and building consensus (10) • Using education/outreach (10) 	40
<p>2. The project demonstrates how law enforcement efforts will address OHV-related public safety issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforce laws and regulations (5) • Emergency response (5) • Search and Rescue (5) • Education/outreach (5) • Other proactive measures (e.g., patrol, signing) (5) 	20
<p>3. The project demonstrates efficient use of OHV Trust funds. Project could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds (5) • Matching funds from other sources such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, user fees, etc (5) • Use of volunteers, reserves or other low cost labor (5) • Reducing future costs (5) • Appropriate use of equipment (5) 	25
<p>4. The project demonstrates applicant’s history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects or activities, the application must address the applicant’s:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to complete project within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Other pertinent information including but not limited to willingness and commitment of applicant to OHV program 	15
<p><u>TOTAL</u></p>	<p>100</p>

OHV SAFETY AND/OR EDUCATION PROGRAM PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project’s curriculum or services lead to the enhancement or protection of existing OHV opportunity or natural resources. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, environmental, use conflict, or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • Protecting residents, private property and landowners adjacent to OHV recreation from noise, trespass and property damage • Protecting habitat or critical resources (soil, water, cultural, wildlife, etc.) • Eliminating illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel • Promoting safe and responsible OHV use 	30
<p>2. The project will address the OHV-related safety and/or education issues by including one or more of the following features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection stations • First aid station • Search and rescue • Training • Education/outreach • Other proactive measures (e.g., equipment loan, signing, brochures) 	40
<p>3. The project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust funds. At a minimum, the application must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost effectiveness (Cost vs. numbers of students or general public) (5) • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of partnerships, volunteers, or appropriate use of equipment such as computerized training to reduce the OHV funds needed for the project (5) 	15
<p>4. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior projects within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Availability of trained and experienced staff (5) 	15
TOTAL	100

PLANNING PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The planning project addresses the enhancement or protection of existing OHV opportunity or will lead to new opportunity or protection of resources. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, environmental, use conflict or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • Protecting residents, private property and adjacent landowners from noise, trespass, and property damage • Protecting habitat or critical resources (soil, water, cultural, wildlife, etc.) • Eliminating illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel • Protecting public health and safety • Will lead to sustained OHV recreation by avoiding or minimizing the need for increased maintenance, conservation activities or closures of OHV recreation opportunities • Will lead to increased satisfaction of public preferences, expectations, and/or demand 	55
<p>2. The project demonstrates efficient use of OHV Trust funds. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor • Reducing future costs • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of partnerships 	30
<p>3. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior projects within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • History of successful and timely implementation of planning results and recommendations (5) 	15
TOTAL	100

RESTORATION PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. Project is part of an overall program that sustains long-term OHV recreation. The project must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant has done an inventory of trails and has a plan for addressing current yellow and red trails in a timely manner that will avoid closure • OHV education and/or outreach to prevent larger closures or greater damage 	15
<p>2. The proposed project is designed for efficient use of funds. The application must address the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed so as to avoid the need for future maintenance and law enforcement costs • Use of innovative or efficient materials to reduce costs • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) 	15
<p>3. The project benefits critical environmental resources such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil, water, wildlife, or habitat • Rare, threatened, and endangered species • Cultural resources • Wilderness or other environmentally sensitive area 	15
<p>4. Application must address criteria in one of the following three categories:</p> <p>a. Application identifies how available maintenance or conservation practices were exhausted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application identifies alternatives considered and/or attempted (5) • Application identifies why those alternatives would not address resource issue (5) <p>b. Repair of illegal OHV activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application identifies the measures that will be implemented to prevent future illegal OHV recreation or why such measures are not necessary (5) <p>c. Closure due to management action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application identifies the measures that will be implemented to prevent future illegal OHV recreation or why such measures are not necessary (5) 	20
<p>5. Project addresses significant resource damage.</p>	5
<p>6. Application demonstrates the use of appropriate law enforcement</p>	5

and/or traffic control devices to protect restoration area.	
7. Application demonstrates the site can be adequately maintained until the restoration process is successful.	5
8. Application demonstrates appropriate monitoring of effectiveness of restoration efforts.	5
9. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the application must address the applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior project(s) within timeframe provided (5) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) • Applicant has a proven track record of addressing problem areas in a timely manner so as to avoid closure (5) 	15
TOTAL	100

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project will lead to enhancing or protecting existing OHV opportunity or providing new opportunity or protecting resources to avoid closure of OHV opportunity. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solving one or more operational, maintenance, law enforcement, environmental, use conflict or other problem(s) or condition(s) associated with providing OHV recreation described in the application • The effects of OHV recreation on residents, private property and adjacent landowners • Habitat or critical resources (soil, water, cultural, wildlife, etc.) • Illegal riding/trespass • Preventing off-route travel • Protecting public health and safety • Avoiding or minimizing the need for increased maintenance, conservation activities, or closures of OHV opportunity • Satisfaction of public preferences, expectations, and/or demand 	30
<p>2. The application demonstrates that the project would sustain long-term OHV recreation by addressing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The results will directly affect land management decisions that will sustain and/or enhance OHV recreation • The application includes a process by which the results of the study will be incorporated into relevant land management plans 	25
<p>3. The project demonstrates efficient use of OHV Trust funds. The project must address one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor • Reducing future costs • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Other pertinent information (e.g., demonstration of partnerships, use of cost saving data collection methods) 	10
<p>4. The project demonstrates the proposed project study design contains project goals, objectives, and methodologies pertinent to the research purpose, taking into consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feasible methodology alternatives • Outcomes are realistic and obtainable • Demonstrate how results of peer review was incorporated in the final proposal 	10
<p>5. The project demonstrates that adequate funding will be available to complete the research.</p>	5
<p>6. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the</p>	

<p>applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional credentials (5) • Familiarity with the topical area being studied (5) • Demonstrated outcomes from prior projects that resulted in usable management information (5) • Other pertinent information (e.g., ability to complete project within timeframe provided, history of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (5) 	20
<u>TOTAL</u>	100

TRAIL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible
<p>1. The project, as documented in the maintenance plan, will sustain long-term use of the roads, trails, and/or areas for OHV recreation. At a minimum, the application must address how the project will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain authorized OHV recreation roads, trails and areas so as to avoid soil or wildlife or plant damage in order to meet soil conservation standards and wildlife protection plans and avoid future closure and related costs of roads, trails, or areas to OHV recreation use (10) • Avoid unnecessary increases in future maintenance costs due to deferred maintenance (10) • Maintain safe riding conditions (10) • Maintain OHV recreation on authorized roads, trails or areas within the OHV program area and minimize OHV recreation on lands where OHV recreation is prohibited by law (10) • Maintain public satisfaction with the condition of the roads, trails, or areas (10) 	50
<p>2. The application demonstrates the proposed project is designed for efficient use of funds. The application must address one or more of the following as ways of reducing reliance on OHV Trust funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of innovative or efficient materials • Use of partnerships to reduce reliance on OHV Trust funds • Use of other funds such as in-lieu funds, sponsorships, grants, and use fees (in excess of required matching funds) (5) • Use of volunteers or other low cost labor • Avoiding or reducing future costs 	20
<p>3. The applicant has a history of successfully implementing similar projects. At a minimum, using examples of prior projects, the applicant must address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of prior projects within timeframe provided (10) • History of fiscal accountability with similar grants or projects (10) • Other pertinent information, such as; experience and training of staff, avoidance of the need for conservation measures or closures due to environmental damage (10) 	30
TOTAL	100