

Desert Group Search and Rescue Volunteer, Inc.

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.

Education & Safety	G15-04-09-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The request for drone(s) and related equipment appears excessive as compared to other similar projects. Applicant must provide the specific need for this equipment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials/Supplies – All Drone related purchases, 7. thru 13. Materials and supplies related to drones appear excessive as compared to other similar projects. Applicant must provide the specific need for this equipment. Materials/Supplies – "Vehicle/Equipment Fuel" expenditures are Equipment Use expenses. Also note, 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. Applicant must adjust Project Cost Estimate accordingly and move applicable costs to the Equipment Use category.
- Materials/Supplies – “ATV & UTV tires” and “Miscellaneous tools/supplies/parts” are Equipment Use expenses. Applicant must move items to the Equipment Use Category.
- Materials/Supplies – “Fixed wing rescue drones”, Materials and supplies related to drones appear excessive as compared to other similar projects. Applicant must provide the specific need for this.
- Equipment Purchase – All Drone related purchases, 1. thru 5. The request for drone(s) and related equipment appears excessive as compared to other similar projects. Applicant must provide the specific need for this equipment.

Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Applicant must verify the response and provide the Grant Project numbers.
- #4 - Kern County Sheriffs, City of California, and BLM Ridgecrest are funded for law enforcement activities, thus provide overlapping functions and cannot be claimed as a partner.
- #4 – Applicant must provide more details for how Friends of Jawbone is a partner to the project.
- #4 - Racing groups where their activity is the organization and execution of the race cannot be claimed.
- #4 - California State Parks cannot be claimed as a partner.
- #4 - Boys Scouts of American do not qualify as a partner under a Safety grant.
- #5 - Selections are not addressed in the Project Description. Applicant must provide additional information substantiating all selections made.
- #6 – The narrative does not adequately explain how stakeholders are stakeholders to the Grant Project.
- #14 – The Selection “Tracking skills” is not supported in the Project Description; Applicant must provide detail on how the project will have the majority of personnel trained in tracking skills.