

# Draft Grant Evaluation and Scoring Criteria

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## PLANNING PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible	Project Score
<p><b>Addresses a Commission priority in trail maintenance, restoration, or law enforcement taking into consideration:</b></p> <p><u>Trail Maintenance, Trail Conservation and Trail Reroute</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Protects useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Prevents erosion and the natural environment</li> <li>• Sustains long-term OHV opportunity</li> </ul> <p><u>Restoration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits rare, threatened and endangered species</li> <li>• Protects critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.)</li> <li>• Prevents off-route travel</li> <li>• Restores damaged areas in or near an existing or proposed wilderness area</li> </ul> <p><u>Law Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high use</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high resource damage</li> <li>• Emphasizes reduction of wilderness, closed area intrusion</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas of conflict or with the potential for conflict</li> <li>• Emphasizes the reduction of private property trespass</li> </ul>	55	
<b>Will lead to the direct or indirect designation of roads and trails.</b>	50	
<b>How the project addresses a unique issue.</b>	15	
<b>How the project takes into consideration the current and anticipated visitation.</b>	15	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	15	
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### STUDIES

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<b>Supports the efficient designation of routes.</b>	40	
<b>Directly and specifically affects and/or impacts land management decisions associated with OHV recreation.</b>	30	
<b>Addresses a Commission priority in trail maintenance, restoration, or law enforcement taking into consideration:</b> <u>Trail Maintenance, Trail Conservation and Trail Reroute</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Protects useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Prevents erosion and the natural environment</li> <li>• Sustains long-term OHV opportunity</li> </ul> <u>Restoration</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits rare, threatened and endangered species</li> <li>• Protects critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.)</li> <li>• Prevents off-route travel</li> <li>• Restores damaged areas in or near an existing or proposed wilderness area</li> </ul> <u>Law Enforcement</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high use</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high resource damage</li> <li>• Emphasizes reduction of wilderness, closed area intrusion</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas of conflict or with the potential for conflict</li> <li>• Emphasizes the reduction of private property trespass</li> </ul>	40	
<b>How the study addresses a unique issue taking into consideration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New or existing opportunities</li> <li>• Air and water quality</li> <li>• Use conflict</li> <li>• OHV Noise</li> <li>• User needs</li> </ul>	10	
<b>How the study takes into consideration the current and anticipated future visitation.</b>	10	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	10	
<b>Project Success: addresses a description of the study and incorporates adaptive management practices.</b>	10	
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### ACQUISITION PROJECTS

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<p><b>How the acquisition enhances, adds or protects existing opportunity or provides new opportunity and protects resources taking into consideration:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preservation of existing opportunity</li> <li>• Reduction of conflicts with non-motorized recreationists</li> <li>• Protection of residents, private property and landowners adjacent to the proposed acquisition from noise, trespass and property damage</li> <li>• Purchase contributing to mitigation and buffers</li> <li>• Purchase of contiguous lands for protection of habitat</li> </ul>	40	
<p><b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b></p>	15	
<p><b>Project Success: the project addresses a description of the acquisition, estimate of development and ongoing operation and maintenance costs associated with the project, and the applicant's ability to cover the costs.</b></p>	15	
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### DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

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<p><b>Addresses a Commission priority in trail maintenance, restoration, or law enforcement taking into consideration:</b></p> <p><u>Trail Maintenance, Trail Conservation and Trail Reroute</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends and protects the useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Prevents erosion and the natural environment</li> <li>• Sustains long-term OHV opportunity</li> </ul> <p><u>Restoration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits rare, threatened and endangered species</li> <li>• Protects critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.)</li> <li>• Prevents off-route travel</li> </ul> <p><u>Law Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high use</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high resource damage</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas of conflict or with the potential for conflict</li> <li>• Emphasizes the reduction of private property trespass</li> </ul>	80	
<p><b>How the project meets visitor needs and maintains a balance between recreation opportunity and managing resources taking into consideration:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads and trails designed to disperse use</li> <li>• Road-to-trail conversions</li> <li>• Destinations trails and/or extended loop trails</li> <li>• Long distance motorized corridors</li> <li>• Reroutes of steep poorly located and eroding trails</li> </ul>	40	
<p><b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b></p>	15	
<p><b>Project Effectiveness: demonstrates a need for the project, provides sustainability for long-term OHV opportunity, and promotes long-term plans for OHV.</b></p>	15	
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### TRAIL MAINTENANCE, TRAIL CONSERVATION, AND TRAIL REROUTE PROJECTS

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<b>Extends the useful life of the trail system taking into consideration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistent trail maintenance to prevent unauthorized creation of alternative routes</li> <li>• Meets user needs/challenge level</li> <li>• Maintenance performed with intended use in mind</li> <li>• Maintenance adequate to protect and conserve resources</li> <li>• Provides enhancement of OHV opportunity</li> <li>• High use levels</li> </ul>	60	
<b>Includes routine work for ease of passage or safety.</b>	30	
<b>Prevents erosion and protects the natural environment.</b>	30	
<b>The project supports a unique opportunity or experience and provides sound resource management.</b>	15	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	15	
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### FACILITIES OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (FO&M) PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible	Project Score
<b>Level of service is adequate to meet visitor needs taking into consideration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restroom</li> <li>• Sanitation removal</li> <li>• Maps</li> <li>• Information</li> </ul>	50	
<b>Supports sustainable OHV opportunity.</b>	40	
<b>How the project helps to extend the useful life of the facilities taking into account:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preventative maintenance</li> <li>• Regular replacement of deteriorating items</li> </ul>	45	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	15	
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### RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible	Project Score
<b>The project takes addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prevent erosion and the natural environment</li> <li>• Benefits rare, threatened and endangered species</li> <li>• Protects critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.)</li> <li>• Prevents continued off-route travel</li> </ul>	65	
<b>How the project will protect, rehabilitate or conserve significant resources taking into account:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inventory and surveys of natural and cultural resources to aid in the accomplishment of route designation</li> <li>• Monitoring and repair of existing resource damage and prevention of future damage</li> <li>• Implementation of appropriate measures to protect wildlife and cultural sites</li> </ul>	65	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	20	
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### OHV SAFETY OR EDUCATION PROGRAM PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible	Project Score
<b>The project addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education of riders in areas with high use levels</li> <li>• Education designed to address the importance of resource protection</li> <li>• Education regarding wilderness and closed area intrusion</li> <li>• Education regarding private property trespass</li> <li>• Education associated with proper trail etiquette for Multiple use trails</li> </ul>	80	
<b>The project utilizes partnerships, volunteers, and/or sponsorships.</b>	25	
<b>The project demonstrates a significant contribution to the safe and/or environmentally responsible operation of OHVs taking into consideration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education of riders</li> <li>• Education of Organizations (Train the Trainer)</li> <li>• Ethics of responsible riding</li> <li>• Rider safety</li> </ul>	25	
<b>Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.</b>	20	
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### EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

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<p><b>The equipment purchase or repair is directly related to Commission priorities in trail maintenance, restoration, or law enforcement:</b></p> <p><u>Trail Maintenance, Trail Conservation and Trail Reroute</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends useful life of the trail system</li> <li>• Prevents erosion and the natural environment</li> <li>• Sustains long-term OHV opportunity</li> </ul> <p><u>Restoration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits rare, threatened and endangered species</li> <li>• Protects critical resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.)</li> <li>• Prevents off-route travel</li> <li>• Restores damaged areas in or near an existing or proposed wilderness area</li> </ul> <p><u>Law Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high use</li> <li>• Emphasizes areas with high resource damage</li> <li>• Emphasizes reduction of wilderness, closed area intrusion</li> <li>• Emphasizes the reduction of private property trespass</li> </ul>	80	
<p><b>Project Efficiency: the purchase or repair addresses a unique need and demonstrates cost-effectiveness in relation to benefits served.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance schedule</li> <li>• Repair of vehicle to extend the useful life</li> </ul>	30	
<p><b>Project Success: how the purchase or repair of equipment adds to the success of the program taking into consideration:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High use levels</li> <li>• Significant resource damage</li> <li>• Sustaining long-term OHV opportunity</li> <li>• Prevents erosion and protects the natural environment</li> <li>• Extends the useful life of a trail system</li> <li>• Allows for trail maintenance for ease of passage or safety</li> </ul>	40	
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### LAW ENFORCEMENT PROJECTS

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The project emphasizes areas with high use levels.	20	
The project reduces significant resource damage.	30	
The project emphasizes reduction of wilderness/closed area wilderness intrusion.	30	
The project emphasizes areas with use conflict or the potential for conflict.	15	
The project emphasizes the reduction of private property trespass.	25	
Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.	15	
Project Success: the project demonstrates how law enforcement efforts are going to gain compliance with the CVC, including at a minimum spark arrestor, registration, noise, resource damage, trespass, and DUI.	15	
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### RESTORATION PROJECTS

Criteria	Points Possible	Project Score
Benefits the rare, threatened, and endangered species.	30	
Protects critical environmental resources (soil, water, wildlife, etc.).	20	
Restoration of off-route impacts.	10	
Restoration of damaged areas in or near an existing or proposed wilderness areas or inventoried roadless areas.	30	
Removal of roads that are causing significant resource damage.	40	
Project Efficiency: the project offers efficient use of funds, and costs are clearly associated with each activity proposed.	10	
Project Success: the project addresses the type of monitoring that will be implemented to document success.	10	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150</b>	