

**Friends of Jawbone**

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.

Please note: 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.

**General Evaluation Criteria**

- #1a& – The total miles of routes, acres and OHV Visitation data must match the land manager’s application.
- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #3a&b – Applicant must verify response.
- #4 – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – Applicant must verify response.
- #9 – Applicant must verify the accuracy of the items selected.
- #14 – The narrative does not support “Has engaged in collaborative processes with agencies that manage OHV Opportunities”. Applicant must identify agencies that manage OHV Opportunities. Also, the narrative does not support “Has adopted a general plan, management plan ...” and “Has created a special fund to set aside funding to sustain OHV Recreation”. It is unclear if the special fund is solely dedicated to sustain OHV Recreation.

Ground Operations – Trail/Route  
Maintenance Actions

G12-04-13-G01

**Project Description**

- A – “Raking out trespass trails” is a restoration activity and is not eligible in a Ground Operations project. Applicant must adjust cost estimate accordingly.
- C – Applicant must clarify the Project Area, it appears to conflict with the project description in item A.

<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
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- Staff – “Maintenance Worker” – “performs cleaning restrooms” are duplicate activities of that performed by BLM Ridgecrest staff. Additionally, “raking out trespass trails” is a restoration activity and is not eligible in a Ground Operations project. Applicant must adjust the cost estimate accordingly.
- Contracts – “Other-trail cond / Soil monitor / Report” – The title conflicts with the ‘Notes’. Applicant must provide additional information about this line item and how it is directly related to the project. Applicant must clarify the Unit of Measure (UOM) for this project, the project is a one-year project.
- Contracts – “Other-Updated OHV specific maps of the r” – Rate for this line item appears excessive compared with similar projects with this line item. Applicant must adjust the Rate appropriately.
- Materials / Supplies – “Other-Kiosks” - Applicant must provide additional information about this line item.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-Equipment/ truck maintenance” – Applicant must provide the type(s) and number of vehicle(s) included in this line item.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-Equipment fuels” – Applicant must provide the type(s) and number of vehicle(s) included in this line item.
- Equipment Purchases – “Other-QUADS” – This is a duplicate of last year’s grant request and appears excessive.

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
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- #3 – Narrative does not support “Installing or repairing erosion...” and “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”.
- #4 – Narrative does not support “Publicly noticed meeting(s)...” or “Meeting(s) with stakeholders”. Meeting(s) with “Publicly noticed meeting(s)” must be a separate meeting from the “Meeting with Stakeholders”. Also, applicant must identify stakeholders.
- #5 – Narrative supports only one partner organization, AV Community College. The activities listed for the other organizations are not Ground Operations related. BLM, as the Land Manager, is not eligible as a partner organization.
- #6 – Narrative does not support “Re-routing trails...”.

Restoration – Restoring Land Damaged by Illegal Riding	G12-04-13-R01
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<b>Project Description</b>
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- C - Applicant must describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles.

<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>
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- Staff – “Other-Project Coordinator”, duties identified in this line item appear to be indirect costs. Applicant must provide more detail substantiating the position is a 1st line supervisor and that the hourly rate of pay is appropriate.

- Contracts – “Other-GPS/Pictures Management” appears excessive. Applicant must provide more detail on how this line item is directly related to the project.
- Equipment Purchase – “Other-Toyota 4x4”, appears excessive and the need is unclear. Applicant already is projecting three pickup 4x4 trucks to support as many as two potential teams working in totally different areas across the project area. Equipment purchases must be identified in the project description.

**Evaluation Criteria**

- #2 – Narrative does not support “Domestic water supply”.
- #4 – Narrative does not support “Identification of alternate OHV routes...”
- #7 – Narrative does not support “meeting(s) with stakeholders”. Stakeholders are not identified.
- #8 – Narrative does not support response. Applicant must provide more detail on how participating partners are directly related to the project.
- #11 – Project description must identify the size of sensitive habitats to be restored by the project.

Education and Safety 2013-14 Owlshead GPS III	G12-04-13-S02
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**Project Description**

- No comment.

**Project Cost Estimate**

- Staff – “Other-Project Manager” – This is an indirect cost
- Staff – “Other-Lead Programmer” – Applicant must provide additional information.
- Staff – “Other-Lead Designer” – Applicant must provide additional information
- Contracts – “Other-Web Server Hosting” – Cost appears excessive in comparison to other similar projects; applicant must provide additional information. In addition, applicant must verify quantity for line item.
- Equipment Purchases – All line items – Costs appear excessive. Applicant must provide additional information as to why these items are needed. Most of these items were requested and funded in last year’s (2011-2012) Education and Safety project.

**Evaluation Criteria**

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #5 – 2WD touring is not an eligible response.
- #6 – Narrative does not support “Conference calls...” Conference calls and Stakeholders meetings must to be separate meetings. Additionally, Applicant must name Stakeholders.

- #7 – Project does not support “Process, Testing or Evaluation...” selections.
- #8 – Narrative does not support response.
- #9 – Narrative and project do not support response.
- #10 – Narrative only supports “Advertising, Social Media, and Outreach booths/Exhibits” selections.

Education and Safety OHV 10 <sup>th</sup> Addition Riding Areas & Trails	G12-04-13-S03
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No comment.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contracts – “Other-Printing, Tax, Delivery” – Applicant must provide additional information.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2 – Applicant must verify response.</li> <li>• #5 – 2WD touring is not an eligible response.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support “Conference calls”. Conference calls and Stakeholders meetings must be separate meetings. Additionally, applicant must name Stakeholders.</li> <li>• #7 – Project does not support “Process, Testing or Evaluation” selections.</li> <li>• #9 – Narrative and project do not support response.</li> <li>• #10 – Narrative only supports “Advertising, Printed Media and Outreach booths/Exhibits”.</li> </ul>	

Education and Safety – Habitat Training 4 Kids	G12-04-13-S04
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project does not appear to be related to OHV education. Applicant must provide additional information.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff – “Other-Teaching personnel” – Applicant must provide additional information.</li> <li>• Materials/Supplies – “Other-Video, Brochures, online courses” – Applicant must provide additional information. Project also does not include online courses.</li> <li>• Equipment Use Expenses – “Equipment Rental” – Applicant must provide additional information.</li> </ul>	

## Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Applicant must verify response.
- #4 – Narrative does not support response. These partners are not project related.
- #5 – 2WD touring is not an eligible response.
- #6 – Narrative does not support response. Applicant must name “Interested parties” and “Stakeholders”. Applicant also must provide dates of the calls and the meetings.
- #7 – Narrative does not support the response.
- #8 – Narrative and project do not support the response.
- #10 – Narrative does not support “Internet classes”, “Outreach booths/Exhibits” or “Interpretive talks, rides, events” selections. In addition, the response was cut off.
- #11 – Narrative appears to be incorrect. The project does not support ASI/MSF Training.