

**USFS – Sequoia National Forest**

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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)(1-4) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

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**

- #7c – Narrative does not support the response with regards to “Education programs, maps...”.
- 8b – Narrative does not support the response with regards to onsite education efforts.

Development	G10-02-15-D01
<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>• Indirect Costs – Amount exceeds 15% of Total Grant Request amount; applicant may want to revise.</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2b – Need Reference Document information.</li> <li>• #9 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “...and identify the dates of the meetings or calls.”</li> <li>• #13 – Need Reference Document information.</li> </ul>	

Development – Restroom Facilities	G10-02-15-D02
<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>• Staff - This category appears to contain many indirect cost items. The applicant should only include costs for employees directly engaged in project implementation, or the first level supervisor of said employee. The applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> <li>• Others – Per Diem; Engineering &amp; Per Diem, Road Crew – the associated costs appear excessive; applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> </ul>
<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2b – Need Reference Document information.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support the response.</li> <li>• #9 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to "...and identify the dates of the meetings or calls."</li> <li>• #12 – Narrative does not support the response.</li> <li>• #13 – Need Reference Document information.</li> </ul>

<b>Ground Operations</b>	<b>G10-02-15-G01</b>
<b>Project Description</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A – Applicant may want to provide additional information regarding yurt repair and shade structure.</li> </ul>	
<b>Project Cost Estimate</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Costs appear excessive compared to prior years funding requests for Ground operations.</li> <li>• Staff – "Other – Asst Recreation Officer" and "Other – Recreation Officer" on Hume, "Other – Rec Manager", "Other – Recreation Officer" on WD, "Other – Rec Program Manager" and "Other – Resource Officer" on Kern appear excessive and/or indirect costs. Applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> <li>• Staff – "Other – Arch Tech GS 5" and "Other – Arch Tech GS 7" on Hume, appear excessive. Applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> <li>• Staff – "Other – Archaeologist" (GS 5) and "Other – Archaeologist" (GS 9) on Kern River have switched UOM with Rate. Both items appear excessive. Applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> <li>• Staff – "Other – Admin Support", "Other – Range Program Manager", "Other – Assistant Forest Rec Officer", "Other – Forest Engineer", "Other – Engineer Design Tech", "Other – Budget Analysis" (GS 12), "Other – Budget Analysis" (GS 9), "Other – GS-5 Admin Assist" and "Other – District Ranger" appear to be indirect costs. Applicant may want to provide additional information.</li> <li>• Materials/Supplies – "Other – Hume: HJC helmets", "Other – Hume: goggles", "Other – Hume: Li ion batteries", "Other – Hume: GPS units", and "Other – Hume: Digital Cameras", include items for Law Enforcement. Applicant may want to remove these items and/or revise cost estimate.</li> </ul>	

- Materials/Supplies – "Other – Hume: motion sensor cameras" appears excessive and/or unrelated to Ground Operations. Applicant may want to provide additional information and/or revise cost estimate.
- Materials/Supplies – "Other – Kern River: backpacks" appears excessive and/or unrelated to Ground Operations. Applicant may want to provide additional information and/or revise cost estimate.
- Materials/Supplies – "Other – Kern River: chainsaw" appears excessive. Applicant may want to provide additional information.
- Materials/Supplies – "Other – Digital Camera w/case" and "Other – GPS units" for Kern River Arch survey crew appear excessive. Applicant may want to provide additional information and/or revise cost estimate.
- Equipment Use Expenses – Applicant must ensure expenses are for Ground Operations only; many appear to include Law Enforcement vehicles and activities. Applicant may want to provide additional information and/or revise cost estimate.
- Equipment Use Expenses – "Other – Snowmobile covers" are listed twice (pg. 16 and 21) Applicant may want to revise cost estimate.
- Equipment Purchases – "Other – RUV (side x side)", and "Other – RUV trailer" are shared with Law Enforcement. Applicant must prorate costs.
- Equipment Purchases – "Kiosks" are unclear. Applicant may want to provide additional information.
- Others – "Other – First Aid/CPR training" appears to be an indirect cost.

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- #4 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to "...and identify the dates of the meetings or calls."
- #5 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to "...explain how partners listed will participate in the project."
- #6 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to "Re-Routing trails..."
- #7 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to "Paper used for trail maps..."
- #8 – Narrative does not support the response.

Restoration – Boulder Gulch	G10-02-15-R01
<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>• Staff – "Asst. Rec Officer and Resource Officer" appear to be Indirect Costs.</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #2 – Narrative does not support the response with regards to “Domestic water supply” and “Stream or other watercourse”.</li> <li>• #4 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “Identification of alternate OHV...”.</li> <li>• #7 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “...explain how partners listed will participate in the project.”</li> <li>• #9 – The project description does not support the response. The project does not appear to include scientific and cultural studies.</li> <li>• #10 – Narrative does not support the response.</li> <li>• #11 – The project description does not support the response.</li> </ul>

Education & Safety	G10-02-15-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 – “Fire Prev Battalion Chiefs” appears to be an Indirect Costs.</li> </ul>	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #4 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “...explain how partners listed will participate in the project.”.</li> <li>• #6 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “...and identify the dates of the meetings or calls.”</li> <li>• #7 – Applicant may want to review and revise selections.</li> <li>• # 10 – Narrative does not support the response with regard to “Social media”.</li> </ul>	