

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program

Friends of El Mirage's Factual Findings

The information provided below is the OHMVR Division's Factual Findings for this Applicant. The information provided reflects the OHMVR Division's review and determination of the Applicant's final Application.

For information regarding the appeal process, see Section 4970.17 of the [Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program regulations webpage](https://ohv.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=23747)
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General Evaluation Criteria

- #1d - OHV Opportunity Ratio. Add 1 point.
- #6 - Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.

Education & Safety: G25-04-11-S01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- Identification of Needs - 4970.13(f)(4) - Applicant shall revise the Identification of Needs section as it is unclear why an educational representative will be present after hours when the public cannot access the visitor center when closed. Duties provided would be best served by a law enforcement personnel presence.

Project Cost Estimate

- Contracts #3 "Social Media Campaign" - Applicant's methodology is still unclear as the Applicant's quote was created June 2nd, which is after the preliminary Application filing date.

- Materials / Supplies (all) - Per regulation 4970.08(10)(B) Applicant is reminded that all products produced through the Grants program must be distributed for free and cannot be sold for profit.
- Equipment Use Expenses #2 "4x4 Pickup Truck..." - Use fee appears excessive. A search for 4x4 vehicles in the Victorville area from Budget, Enterprise, Hertz, and Thrifty car rentals finds daily rental rates ranging from \$75 to \$131, with an average rate of \$101 per day. Reduce rate to \$101. Deduct \$4,508 from match. Line item total is now \$9,292 match.
- Equipment Use Expenses #4 "4x4 Pickup Truck..." - Use fee appears excessive. A search for 4x4 vehicles in the Victorville area from Budget, Enterprise, Hertz, and Thrifty car rentals finds daily rental rates ranging from \$75 to \$131, with an average rate of \$101 per day. Reduce rate to \$101. Deduct \$98 from match. Line item total is now \$202 match.
- Indirect Costs #2 - Due to deductions, Applicant fell below the required 25% minimum for match. Applicant shall move \$3,001 from indirect Grant to indirect match. Line item total is now \$4,499 Grant and \$3,001 match.

Revised totals:

Grant request: \$57,474

Match request: \$19,159

Total Project cost: \$76,633

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 - Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #5 - Project Description and Deliverable narratives do not support the selection of a motorcycle. Deduct 1 point.
- #7 - Narrative does not support the selection of "Process of researching issues and audience," "Objectives and outcomes," "Testing process to ensure outcomes are effective," "Evaluation of the Project process," and "Evaluation and feedback received from Project participant." Deduct 10 points.
- #8 - Narrative does not support the selection of "Website" as it is duplicative of "Social media." Deduct 2 points.

Ground Operations: G25-04-11-G01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Contracts #8 "Visitor Map Cartography" - Applicant is reminded maps, videos and/or handouts that display the "OHV Trust Funds at Work" logo must be reviewed and approved by the OHMVR Division prior to publication.
- Equipment Use Expenses #3 "4x4 Pickup Trucks" - Applicant increased the Grant request for this line item without receiving a Division or public comment. The line items reverts back to the original preliminary amount of Grant \$37,500 and match \$112,500. In addition, the use fee appears excessive. A search for 4x4 vehicles in the Victorville area from Budget, Enterprise, Hertz, and Thrifty car rentals finds daily rental rates ranging from \$75 to \$131, with an average rate of \$101 per day. Applicant must reduce the Rate to \$101. Deduct \$36,260 from Grant and \$12,740 from match. Revised total is Grant \$1,240 and match \$99,760.
- Indirect Costs #1 "Project Coordinator" - Applicant increased the Grant request for this line item without receiving a Division or public comment. Deduct \$20 from Grant and \$0 from match. Revised total is Grant \$40,000 and match \$0.
- Indirect Costs #2 "Administrators" - Applicant removed "bookkeeping," "payment processing," "safety training," and "audits" activities from the line item but did not reduce the line item total. Applicant listed eight (8) activities for this line item. Removing four (4) activities reduces the line item total by 50%. Deduct \$20,000 from Grant. Revised total for this line item is now Grant \$20,000 and match \$0.

Revised Totals:

Grant Request: \$895,471

Match: \$330,922

Total Project Cost: \$1,226,393

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 - Project Description does not support the selection of "Maintaining trail or road tread for single vehicle use." In addition, Narrative does not support the selection of "Providing varied levels of riding difficulty." Applicant did not provide examples of Project activities being performed that support the selection. Deduct 2 points.
- #7 - Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selection of "Other products with recycled content." Applicant already made this selection under the erosion control selection. Deduct 1 point.
- #8 - Narrative does not support the selection of "Camping" and "Other." Applicant did not provide specific Project examples supported by the Project scope that support the selections. Deduct 4 points.