

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program BLM – Needles Field Office’s Preliminary Application Comments

Comments submitted by the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) 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.

Failure by the Applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary Application may be cause for eliminating that item from the Applicant’s final Application.

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).

General Evaluation Criteria:

- No comment.

Education & Safety: G25-01-12-S01

Project Description – Background

- No comment.

Project Description – Project Description

- Applicant must clarify how "The Outdoor Component" will educate the public.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- Applicant should ensure the List of Project Deliverables is accurate and precise, listing only those Project activities that pertain to the corresponding Project deliverable title. Applicant must update the Project deliverable descriptions by eliminating any activities irrelevant to the deliverable title, relocating information to the appropriate deliverable title, removing any redundant language, and/or moving information to the Background or Project Description sections if more suitable.
- #1 –Applicant should ensure the List of Project Deliverables is accurate and precise, listing only those Project activities that pertain to the corresponding Project deliverable title. Applicant must relocate the activity "outreach programs"

to correct Project deliverable. In addition, Applicant must provide the number of educational programs they anticipate conducting.

- #2 – Applicant must clarify what the "3 community events" are and how they relate to OHV Educational Outreach.
- #3 – Applicant shall clarify if additional brochures will be created, as this deliverable was part of the G24 Application.
- #4 – Applicant must clarify what "...kiosks will be placed along NFO extensive route network..." is, as it appears to be a Ground Operations activity.
- #9 – The activities listed are not unique Education deliverable. Applicant must remove the Project deliverables and integrate the listed activities into another Project deliverable title, where they will be executed to accomplish that deliverable.

Project Description – All Others

- Location of Training/Services - 4970.13(f)(5) – Applicant needs to verify the locations listed, as they exceed the number of offsite programs outlined in the Project Description.
- OHV Safety, Environmental Responsibility, and Respect Private Property - 4970.13(f)(6) (Education Projects ONLY) – Applicant must clarify how the Project is providing instruction on respect for private property.

Project Cost Estimate

- All line items – Applicant must provide a description of all line items and how the cost is determined.

Law Enforcement: G25-01-12-L01

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant is reminded only OHV patrols occurring within the State of California and its prescribed project area are eligible under an OHV Grant.
- Item #3 – Applicant must provide additional detail estimating the number of shifts per officer during the Project Performance Period and specify the types of vehicles being utilized for OHV patrol.
- Item #4 – Applicant must outline the number of days allocated for patrol per week, considering weekdays, holidays, weekends, etc. during the Project Performance Period.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #3 – Applicant is reminded only OHV patrols occurring within the State of California and its prescribed project area are eligible under an OHV Grant.
- #4 – Applicant needs to substantiate events managed by the NFO are open to the public.
- #6 – Applicant must provide additional details identifying curriculum used to train personnel in natural and cultural resource protection.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff All line items – Job duties are unclear. Applicant must revise line item to clearly identify the rank and number of personnel assigned to the Project, OHV duties being performed, and how costs were determined.