2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program BLM – Ukiah 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).

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General Evaluation Criteria:

No comment.

Ground Operation: G25-01-17-G01

Project Description – Background

No comment.

Project Description – Project Description

No comment.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

No comment.

Project Description - All Others

• No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

 Staff #3 "Park Ranger (Field Crew)" – Applicant must clarify the meaning of "Collecting and delivering data to improve visitor safety" and "reducing resource damage in OHV areas". It is unclear how the activities are related to this Ground Operations Project.

- Contracts #3 "OHV Trail Brushing Contract" Cost appears excessive. Applicant must further define how the cost was determined.
- Materials / Supplies #3 " Facility Maintenance Supplies & Hardware" –
 "Toolboxes" are considered indirect as they do not directly relate to the
 completion of the Project. Applicant must move the item and the cost associated
 with it to the Indirect costs category.
- Materials / Supplies #5 "OHV PPE" "Communication devices" appear to be an indirect cost as it does not directly relate to the completion of the Project.
 Applicant must explain how this cost directly supports the Project or move the verbiage for this activity and the cost associated with it to the Indirect Cost category.
- Equipment Use Expenses "OHV Annual Maintenance" Applicant's notes are inaccurate and need to be revised. The line item Quantity needs to be updated to match the line item notes indicating three (3) pieces of Equipment needing maintenance.
- Equipment Purchases #1 "Crew UTV" Applicant must clarify the need for this line item, as it was in the previous year's Application. In addition, Applicant's notes are inaccurate and need to be revised. In addition, the line item Rate needs to be updated to match the line item notes.
- Others #1 "OHV Monitoring Cameras" Applicant must clarify why monitoring Equipment is needed, as some of the Equipment listed is not standard equipment needed to complete a Habitat Management Program. In addition, "monitor OHV visitation" is considered indirect as it does not directly relate to the completion of the Project. Applicant must move the cost of this activity to the Indirect cost category.

Law Enforcement: G25-01-17-L01

Need Assessment

• Item #3 – Applicant must provide additional detail estimating the number of shifts per officer during the Project Performance Period.

Needs Enforcement Certification

• #6 – Applicant must provide additional details identifying curriculum used to train personnel in natural and cultural resource protection.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #1 & 2 Applicant must clarify how many regular hours vs overtime hours are expected for the position.
- Equipment Use Expenses #2 "Abandoned Vehicle Removal" Line item is considered indirect. Applicant must move request to the Indirect Cost category.
- Equipment Use Expenses #3 "LE UTV Replacement Tires" Applicant is advised this line-item request is contingent upon compliance of section 4970.08.2.(c)(2) of the OHV Program regulations. Applicant must clarify what percentage of Law

- Enforcement funds were used for the original purchase and revise line item to cover that percentage.
- Others #1 "LE UTV Upgrades" Applicant must better justify why the factory roll cage is inefficient. Additionally, Applicant must clarify what percentage of Law Enforcement funds were used for the original purchase and revise line item to cover that percentage.

Planning: G25-01-17-P01

Project Description – Background

No comment.

Project Description – Project Description

No comment.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- Applicant must clarify how the proposed G25 Application differs from Applicant's current G22 Planning Project as the Project appears duplicative.
- #5 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 move the following language to Project Deliverable #2, "Contracted third party company will produce...and trailer parking engineering designs".

Project Description – All Others

No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #1 & 2 Job duties appear duplicative. Applicant must clarify how they are different or remove one of the line items.
- Contracts #1 "Staging Area Expansion Engineering Plans" Cost appears excessive. Applicant must further define how the cost was determined.