

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Torrance Police Department'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. In addition, 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).

Law Enforcement: G25-03-62-L01

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant is advised that patrolling for anything other than OHV Recreational activities (i.e. responding to fires, landslides, and other natural disasters in the area, non-OHV search and rescue, patrolling for Garage Riders and E-bikes) is not eligible for Project activities as they do not have an OHV Recreation nexus. In addition, it is unclear how this Project addresses legal and/or illegal OHV Recreation, and OHV Law Enforcement patrols will be conducted, as there is no clear OHV nexus for this Law Enforcement Application. Applicant is advised this section needs to be revised so the proposed Project is more clearly defined and demonstrates how it supports the purpose of the Grants Program. Furthermore, Applicant must clarify how OHV patrol activities will be clearly distinguished from routine services. Applicant must state in this section that the Project includes purchasing new Equipment (e.g. 10 dual sport motorcycles), must provide a justification for why the new Equipment is needed and how it will be utilized specifically for OHV enforcement activities.
- Item #1 – Applicant's jurisdiction has no legal OHV riding opportunities. Grant request appears excessive in relation to OHV Recreation opportunity. Applicant must provide additional information. In addition, Applicant states that they would collaborate with utility companies, the Los Angeles Police Department Off Road Unit (ORU), and with the city of Rancho Palos Verdes. Applicant must state if an MOU or other written agreement exists with those agencies and provide a copy to the Division.

- Item #2 – Applicant must indicate whether the agency is patrolling and/or performing other Project activities outside the agency's land jurisdiction.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- All sections – Applicant is advised that primarily patrolling for anything other than OHV Recreational activities is ineligible as they do not have an OHV nexus.
- #2 – Applicant must further clarify how they create a balanced environment that accommodates OHV Recreation enthusiasts and those engaging in non-motorized recreation by identifying designated OHV Recreation areas, road and/or trails within their agency jurisdiction. The narrative appears to be unclear about the objective.
- #3 – Applicant must revise to address cooperation with area allied agencies outside their jurisdiction for which they provide OHV enforcement. Assistance with natural disaster situations is not a part of this Project.
- #6 – Applicant must provide additional details demonstrating how their training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural/cultural resource protection.
- #7 – Applicant must explain why the proposed Project is not in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff All line items – Applicant must provide OHV duty descriptors showing how duties relate to OHV enforcement.
- Materials / Supplies #1 "Code 3 Light ..." – Line item description does not match line item title. Applicant must revise line item to clarify what is being requested.
- Materials / Supplies #2 "Motorcycle Helmet ..." – Applicant must provide further information on the breakdown of items included in this line item, which appear to be duplicative to line item #1. Radio equipment and accessories such as "Integrated communications systems" are an Indirect Cost and must be moved to the Indirect Costs category.
- Materials / Supplies #3 "Safety Equipment" – Line item notes do not match the total request. Applicant must revise notes to match the requested amount.
- Material / Supplies #4 "Hydration backpack" – Line item is indirect. Applicant must move to the Indirect Cost category.
- Equipment Purchase #1 "New CRF450RL" – The need for 10 motorcycles is unclear and appears excessive. Applicant must clarify why 10 motorcycles are required. Applicant must further define how the cost was determined and provide a specific need for the Equipment requested. In addition, Applicant must clarify what percentage of the Project's use the Equipment will be used for and adjust the line-item cost accordingly to reflect that percentage of use.