

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program USFS – Los Padres NF – Patrol District’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).

Law Enforcement: Project Number

Need Assessment

- No comment.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #10 – Applicant must describe how it is meeting the law enforcement operational needs (patrol time, staffing levels, education, patrol vehicles, OHV patrol vehicles, call volume, response time, regulatory signage, etc) of the OHV areas and/or OHV designated routes within it’s jurisdiction. **§ 5090.53. Conditions for Grants or Encumbrance of Funds No funds may be granted or expended pursuant to Section 5090.50, unless all of the following conditions are met:(h) The recipient has included in its application a description of how it is meeting the operations and maintenance needs of any existing off-highway motor vehicle recreation facility under its jurisdiction.*

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #1 “Law Enforcement Officers” – “MATCH: is approximately 57 days/\$24776” Applicant must clarify discrepancy between match amount listed in description \$24776 vs \$18,607.00 listed in line item.

- Staff #3 “LE Dispatcher” – “provide extended dispatch hours for OHV events that occur on holidays and weekends.” Applicant is reminded that OHV funds cannot be used for privately sponsored OHV special events.
- Contracts #1 “aircraft/ unmanned aircraft” – Applicant must further justify the need for a helicopter and how it will be used on the Project.
- Equipment Use Expense #1 “Maintenance Expense” – Applicant must identify which pieces of OHV Grant funded Equipment will need annual service/maintenance. The Applicant is reminded that costs exceeding \$750, not found in the manufacturer’s recommended maintenance schedule, are considered a Major Repair.
- Other’s #1 Travel Per Diem – Applicant must clarify how this amount was calculated. Applicant must provide the number of officers, the number of shifts, and how many travel days are anticipated to patrol the Project Area during the Project Performance Period.
- Indirect Costs #1 “Overhead” – Applicant is reminded only administrative charges directly related to the Project are eligible under an OHV Law Enforcement Grant. Applicant must identify what “Overhead” is and how it relates to the OHV Law Enforcement Project or remove the line item from Application.
- Indirect Costs #2 “Outer Carrier” – Tactical vest carriers, non-tactical vest carriers, ballistic panel carriers, external vest carriers, body armor carriers, etc. are not an eligible Project cost. Applicant must remove the line item from the Application.
- Indirect Costs #3 “Materials, OHV Equipment Decals” – Applicant must clarify if these are law enforcement decals to identify OHV Equipment. In addition, Applicant must confirm that the OHV Equipment being outfitted with decals was purchased with OHV Grant funds.