

2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Central Coast Trail Riders Association'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).

If multiple proposed Projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed Projects requesting Grant funding for snow and/or winter activities. Applicants must ensure the activities and/or Equipment/Heavy Equipment/Trailer requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the Department's Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed Projects requesting Grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" Off-Highway Vehicles are allowed to receive Grant funding.

Applicants are reminded that no Grant funds and/or match can be expended, or Project activities conducted in any land owned or managed by the Department except as allowed in the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program regulations section 4970.09 (b)(11).

General Evaluation Criteria:

- No comment.

Ground Operations: G26-04-14-G01

Project Description – Background

- No comment.

Project Description – Project Description

- No comment.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #1 – Applicant must further specify where the “10 miles of trail” and “7 miles of ML2 road” will be maintained. It is unclear whether all of the trails and/or roads listed under this Project Deliverable will be receiving maintenance or only a portion thereof. In addition, Applicant is reminded that monitoring is not an eligible activity under Project Deliverable #1 but should be included under Project Deliverable #7 or Project Deliverable – Other.
- #2 – Applicant must clarify the total size of the tracks, expressed in miles and/or acres, and specify the frequency with which the tracks will be maintained. In addition, Applicant is reminded that monitoring is not an eligible activity under Project Deliverable #2 but should be included under Project Deliverable #7 or Project Deliverable – Other.
- #4 – Applicant must clarify the frequency with which the grading of dirt parking areas will be conducted under this Project.

Project Description – All Others

- No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #1 & 2 – The percentage of staff time dedicated to Project Deliverables #1 and 2 is unclear. Applicant must clarify within the line item notes what portion of Staff time will be specifically dedicated to the maintenance of OHV trails, roads, and tracks. In addition, Applicant must identify the specific locations and number of miles of roads, trails, or tracks to be maintained in relation to Project Deliverables #1 and #2. Lastly, Applicant must clarify how the work performed under these Staff line items differs from the scope of work proposed under Contracts #1 and 4, as the current Application does not sufficiently distinguish between these efforts.
- Contracts #2 & 3 – The proposed costs for these line items appear excessive relative to the scope of work outlined in this Project. Applicant must provide a clear explanation of how the quantity of hours was calculated, including a detailed description of the specific duties to be performed that were used to determine the line item totals. In addition, Applicant must remove all costs related to the “cap archaeological site on Burnout” activity, as it has appeared in the

Applicant's prior year Applications and is no longer eligible in the current Application.

- Materials / Supplies #1 & 2 – These line items were included in the prior year's Application. Applicant must provide a clear justification for the need to request these line items again in the current Application.
- Materials / Supplies #7 & 9 – These line items were included in the prior year's Application. Applicant must remove all costs and associated language related to line item #7 in its entirety, as well as all costs and associated language related to “cap archaeological site on Burnout” from line item #9. In addition, Applicant must identify the specific location(s) where the “stabilization and drainage installation” activities will be conducted under line item #9, as this same site was identified in the prior year's Application and the need for this work has not been sufficiently justified for the current Application.
- Equipment Use Expenses #1 “UTV” – Applicant must clarify how the daily use rate was determined.
- Equipment Use Expenses #9 “Tracked Carriers” – The rate and quantity for this line item appear to have been transposed. Applicant must review and correct the unit of measure to ensure the rate and quantity are accurately reflected in the line item totals.
- Others #1 “Installation of Fencing and Barriers” – The repair of fencing to address new areas of off-trail riding is a Restoration Project activity and is not eligible under a Ground Operations Project. Applicant must remove all costs and associated language related to this activity and revise the line item notes to reflect only the general upkeep of fencing that delineates trails for OHV users.
- Indirect Costs #1 “Various Expenses” – Applicant must provide a clear explanation of how the cost was determined, including the precise scope and amount of work to be conducted. For any Staff positions included in this line item, Applicant must utilize the hourly rate and quantity of hours as the unit of measure to clearly demonstrate how the associated costs were calculated. If helpful, Applicant may break this line item out into multiple Indirect Cost line items to clearly identify and separate the various costs.