

2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Los Angeles County Sheriff's 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. 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).

Law Enforcement: G26-03-10-L01

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant has listed Alamo Mountain as an area of enforcement. Alamo Mountain is in Ventura County. Applicant must include a written permission letter

from neighboring agency authorizing patrol and/or other Project activities occurring outside the Applicant's jurisdiction.

- Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible.
- Item #2 – Applicant has listed “~4,145 acres of Open Riding Area”. Applicant must clarify where the location of open riding area opportunities listed are located and ensure that the Hungry Valley SVRA is not included in this total. Additionally, Applicant states there are three primary hubs of OHV Trail Systems but only names two. Applicant must define by name the third OHV Trail System in its jurisdiction or adjust section.
- Item #3 – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #1 – Applicant must define how the Santa Clara Riverbed relates to OHV Recreation including its proximity to legal OHV area. Additionally, Applicant is advised that patrolling for anything other than OHV Recreational activities is not eligible for Project activities as they do not have an OHV nexus. For example, patrolling for the following is not eligible: illegal shooting, health and safety codes, municipal codes, penal codes, California Vehicles Codes not related to §38000, noise control not related to OHVs, trespassing, etc. Applicant must revise to remove all activities related to regular patrol.
- #2 – The area Texas Canyon appears duplicative of Rowher Flats OHV area. Applicant should specify if this is a different area than Rowher Flats or remove it from the application.
- #3 – Applicant must revise section as LASD does not work with State Park rangers within Rowher Flats as it is not a California State Park. Applicant is reminded that funds cannot be used for patrol on state park lands.
- #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 its jurisdiction. *PRC § 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

- All Staff Line Items – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. In addition, the use of a dual sport vehicle or OHV in regular patrol enforcement does not constitute OHV Recreation patrol.

- Staff #2 “Sergeant” – Applicant must describe duties as directly related to the scope of the Project and how those duties differ from those listed from Staff #1 – Lieutenant.
- Materials / Supplies #1 “Safety Equipment” – Applicant must further define the need for these as the same Items were requested last grant cycle.
- Indirect Costs #1 “equipment” – Applicant must further define the need for portable air compressors as the same item was requested last grant cycle.

Law Enforcement: G26-03-10-L02

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Applicant is reminded there must be a clear connection to OHV Recreation and the Project. In addition, Applicant must clarify how OHV patrol activities will be clearly distinguished from routine services. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. Applicant must revise the section to remove any ineligible activities.
- Item #1 – Applicant is reminded enforcement regulations related to #3, #4, #6, #10, #11, #12 must have an OHV nexus to be eligible under an OHV law enforcement grant.
- Item #2 – Applicant must explain how the project is related to OHV Recreation. Applicant must include the number of trails available for OHV Recreation and acres of open riding available within their jurisdiction. Applicant states they do not have any areas dedicated to OHV Recreation Use. Applicant is reminded that enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #1 – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. In addition, the use of a dual sport vehicle or OHV in regular patrol enforcement does not constitute OHV Recreation patrol. Applicant must revise the section to remove any ineligible activities. In addition, Applicant must clarify how OHV patrol activities will be clearly distinguished from routine services. Applicant must define what legal OHV opportunities are available within their jurisdiction. Applicant must define what legal OHV opportunities are within jurisdiction's zone of impact. Additionally, the Applicant must identify OHV areas with high priority needs. Applicant must specify any areas with cultural resources that are impacted by OHV Recreation use. Applicant must describe areas of environmental concern that are near OHV areas that have seen illegal OHV use.
- #2 – Applicant must explain how the project will sustain OHV opportunities within the Project Area.
- #3 – Applicant is reminded only OHV patrols occurring within its prescribed Project Area are eligible under an OHV grant.

- #9 – Applicant is reminded that in – lieu funds must be used for OHV Recreation purposes. Applicant must describe how the County as a whole, not the station, is using the in – lieu feeds.
- #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 its jurisdiction. *PRC § 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

- All Staff Line Items – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. In addition, the use of a dual sport vehicle or OHV in regular patrol enforcement does not constitute OHV Recreation patrol. Applicant must provide job duties as related to OHV Recreation enforcement that will be completed on the project.

Law Enforcement: G26-03-10-L03

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant must state if the Project includes purchasing new Equipment and provide a justification for why the new Equipment is needed (trailer).
- Item #1 – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. In addition, the use of a dual sport vehicle or OHV in regular patrol enforcement does not constitute OHV Recreation patrol. Applicant must revise the section to remove any ineligible activities. In addition, Applicant must clarify how OHV patrol activities will be clearly distinguished from routine services. Applicant is reminded that Project funds can only be used for OHV patrol with an OHV nexus (i.e., trespassing, patrolling for lost hikers, illegal camping, swift water rescue, unlawful fires, and trespass are not eligible Project activities). The use of an OHV vehicle does not make it an OHV nexus.
- Item #2 – Applicant must include legal OHV opportunities are available within its jurisdiction. Applicant must include number of trails available for OHV Recreation, acres of open riding available, and type of recreation vehicles that are being addressed while on patrol.
- Item #3 – Applicant must clarify the estimated number of shifts per officer during the Project Performance Period.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #1 – Applicant is reminded that grant funds may not be used on State Park Property except for Education and Safety Project activities/deliverables that teach children OHV skills. Antelope Valley Poppy Wildflower Reserve is a State Park property and must be removed from this application.
- #2 – Applicant states there is no legal OHV Recreation in its Project Area. Applicant is reminded that Project Areas must have a clear connection to OHV Recreation to be eligible. Applicant is reminded that patrolling for the following is not eligible: trespassing, illegal camping, marijuana growing sites, vandalism, target shooting, illegal firearms, dumping, campfires, lost hikers, homeless, and burglary.
- #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 its jurisdiction. *PRC § 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

- Description – Applicant states the primary mission is enforcement of CVC 38000 but has not described any place within the Project Area where Division 16.5 (CVC 38000) applies. Applicant must provide a clear connection to OHV Recreation, which is defined in T14 CCR 4970.01(jj) – “OHV Recreation” means the activity of driving or riding motorized vehicles, on lands to which CVC Division 16.5 applies, for leisure purposes including motorized off-highway access to non – motorized recreation activities.
- All Staff Line Items – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC Division 16.5 § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is ineligible. In addition, the use of a dual sport vehicle or OHV in regular patrol enforcement does not constitute OHV Recreation patrol.