

# 2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Placer County Sheriff's Office's Preliminary Application Comments

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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).

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## **Law Enforcement: G26-03-72-L01**

### **Need Assessment**

- Item #1 – Applicant is requesting a ROV and OHV trailer but fails to state if the Project includes purchasing new Equipment in this section. Applicant must

provide a justification for why the new equipment is needed. Applicant recently acquired (2) 2024 Can – am ROV's w/ tracks through the grants program. Applicant must justify why this existing equipment is not sufficient for the purposes of the project and another ROV w/ track conversion is needed.

### **Needs Enforcement Certification**

- #2 – Applicant must explain how project will help sustain OHV recreation, explain how project will maintain motorized access to non – motorized recreation, and explain how project will maintain OHV opportunities in the Project Area.
- #5 – Applicant indicates it will not implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations. Applicant must substantiate why they are unable to implement a public education program. The Applicant is reminded that complying with guidelines in CCR 5090.50 and establishing a public education program that includes information regarding safety programs offered in the area and how to report off-highway motor vehicle operation violations is a requirement of the OHV Law Enforcement Grants Program.
- #9 – Applicant must describe how the OHV in – lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project.
- #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 area's and/or OHV designated routes within its 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 – All line items – Applicant must identify the following information in all line items: Classification, Hourly rate, Number of staff that make up the line item (if more than one), and describe duties as directly related to the scope of the Project.
- Materials / Supplies #3 “ROV Back – up Camera” – Applicant must clarify whether ROV being outfitted was purchased with grant funds and will be used 100% for project activities.
- Materials / Supplies #4 “Factory UTV Skid Plates” – Applicant must clarify whether ROV being outfitted was purchased with grant funds and will be used 100% for project activities.
- Equipment Use Expenses All Line items – Applicant may only claim fuel at a per gallon rate, not a per mile rate. Applicant must revise line item to show a per gallon quantity, rate and a UOM of each without increasing the line-item total.

Additionally, Applicant is reminded that fuel receipts must be submitted to justify fuel costs.

- Equipment Purchases #1 “CanAm Commander Max XT – 4 – Seat ROV” – Cost seems excessive. Applicant must provide a justification for why an additional ROV is needed. Applicant recently acquired (2) 2024 Can – am ROV’s w/ tracks through the grants program. Applicant must justify why this existing equipment is not sufficient for the purposes of the project and another ROV w/ track conversion is needed.
- Others #1 “Replacement ROV Trailer” – Applicant must provide additional information on why ROV trailer older trailer is in need of replacement. Applicant did not state a need for additional/replacement ROV trailer in needs assessment.
- Indirect Costs #1 “Replacement Tires” – Applicant must clarify what piece of equipment is in need of new tires and whether the equipment was funded with Grant funds and is used 100% for project activities.
- Indirect Costs #2 “OHV Satellite Phone” – Applicant must clarify what pieces of equipment is in need of annual maintenance and whether the equipment was funded with Grant funds and is used 100% for project activities.
- Indirect Costs #10 & 11 – Applicant must further justify the need for an additional/replacement ROV trailer and why making repairs to their existing trailer are cost prohibitive. Additionally, the electronic tongue jack seems excessive.

## **Law Enforcement: G26-03-72-L02**

### **Need Assessment**

- No comment.

### **Needs Enforcement Certification**

- #5 – Applicant indicates it will not implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations. Applicant must substantiate why they are unable to implement a public education program. The Applicant is reminded that complying with guidelines in CCR 5090.50 and establishing a public education program that includes information regarding safety programs offered in the area and how to report off-highway motor vehicle operation violations is a requirement of the OHV Law Enforcement Grants Program.
- #9 – Applicant must describe how the OHV in – lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project.
- #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 area’s and/or OHV designated routes within its 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**

- Materials / Supplies #2 “Snow Gaiters” – It is unclear why 12 sets are needed when only 10 sets of snow suits are being requested showing that only 10 officers will work the program. Applicant must adjust requested quantity.
- Materials / Supplies #3, 4, 6, 7 & 10 – It is unclear why 10 units of each line item are requested. Needs assessment #4 states that only 4 officers will be deployed at one time. The Items are not something that would be supplied per officer.
- Equipment Use Expenses #1 & 2 – Applicant may only claim fuel at a per gallon rate, not a per mile rate. Applicant must revise line item to show a per gallon quantity, rate and a UOM of each without increasing the line-item total. Additionally, Applicant is reminded that fuel receipts must be submitted to justify fuel costs.
- Other #1 “ZEON 10-S Multi Mount Winch Kit” – Applicant must provide further clarification as to why a portable winch cradle is preferred over upfitting the grant funded ROV with a dedicated winch. Applicant is reminded that only grant funded vehicles or vehicles utilized 100% on the project are eligible for vehicle upgrades.
- Indirect Costs #4 “SAT Phone Annual” – Line item appears duplicative to Starlink router and subscription plan. Applicant must elaborate on why Starlink, Starlink Subscription, and SAT Phone subscription are needed. Applicant states Starlink will allow for calls and text communications.
- Indirect Costs #9 & 10 – It is unclear why 10 units of each line item are requested. Needs assessment #4 states that only 4 officers will be deployed at one time. The Items are not something that would be supplied per officer.