

2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program San Joaquin 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: G26-03-18-L01

Need Assessment

- Item #1 – Applicant is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC § 38000. Enforcement for anything not related to OHV Recreation is

ineligible. 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 the number of trails available for OHV Recreation, acres of open riding available that are being patrolled, types of recreation vehicles that are being addressed while on patrol, and any MOUs, Land Manager Letters, or other document present for patrol on other lands outside of agency jurisdiction.
- Item #3 – Applicant must include number of patrol shifts during Project Performance Period.

Needs Enforcement Certification

- #1 – 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. Applicant must remove ineligible Project activities.
- #1 – Applicant needs to identify specific wilderness areas and clarify their connection to OHV Recreation. In addition, any language regarding the effects of illegal OHV use in high-priority areas must be removed as it is not relevant to the information being requested.
- #2 – 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 e.g. 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.
- #6 – Includes an unfinished entry. Applicant is encouraged to complete the response to the question.
- #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. *§ 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 is reminded that the Project may only include enforcement of CVC § 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.
- Materials / Supplies #1 “Riding Gloves” – Applicant must clarify the need for an additional 10 gloves when 8 gloves were awarded in the G25 Grant cycle.
- Materials / Supplies #2 “Pants” – Applicant must clarify the need for an additional 10 pairs of pants when 17 pairs of pants were awarded in the G25 Grant cycle.
- Materials / Supplies #3 “ATV Long Sleeve Shirts” – Applicant must clarify the need for an additional 10 shirts when 23 shirts were awarded in the G25 cycle.
- Equipment Use Expense #1 “Fuel” – 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 “Jeep Gladiator” – Equipment request seems redundant and excessive for amount of patrol days for the calendar year (12). Applicant must justify what needs will be met with new equipment that cannot be met with existing 4x4 vehicles already purchased with grant funding (F250 and 2023 Silverado) as well as all other equipment that has been previously purchased with grant funding for patrol.
- Indirect Costs #1 – Applicant must revise the response to be specific about what costs are expected.