

# **2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program USFS - Eldorado NF - Patrol District'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: G26-02-23-L01**

### **Need Assessment**

- No comment.

## Needs Enforcement Certification

- #6 – Applicant must provide additional details identifying the curriculum used to train personnel in natural and cultural resource protection.
- #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

- Materials #2 “FPO Safety Equipment” – Applicant must clarify which equipment is needed and how the cost was determined. Applicant is vague “safety gear to go with new ATV equipment.
- Materials #3 & 4 – Applicant must clarify why line items are QTY 4. Both line items list signs. Items appear to have duplicative items. Additional clarification is needed. Additionally, Materials/Supplies #4 appears duplicative of USFS Eldorado Ground Operations Materials/Supplies #2 & 3. Applicant must clarify how they are different or remove the line item.
- Equipment Use Expense #1 & 8 – Line items appear duplicative. The applicant is requesting match for Use Fees in Equipment Use Expense #1 and then claiming match on Equipment Use Expense #8 for Forest Operating Rate (FOR). Applicant must remove one of the line items or provide additional clarification. The FOR is the program eligible expense of a Use Rate. If Equipment Use Expense #1 is intended to provide fuel for the program, it must be requested at a per-gallon rate. Maintenance of non-grant funded vehicles is an ineligible cost; therefore, the forest use rate is invalid.
- Equipment Use Expense #5, 6 & 7 – Applicant may only claim fuel at a per-gallon rate, not a per-mile rate. Applicant must revise the 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 Use Expense #8 “Vehicle (FOR) – Applicant must clarify how a trail tractor is relevant to a Law Enforcement Project, as it appears to be related to Ground Operations. Applicant must revise notes.
- Indirect Costs #2 “VIS” – Line item appears to be related to Ground Operations and not Law Enforcement. Applicant must remove the line item.