

## 2010/2011 Ontario Workshop - Questions and Answers

<b>QUESTIONS</b>	<b>ANSWERS</b>
1. If a nonprofit applicant receives funding through the OHV grant program to produce an OHV trail map, can the applicant sell the map to raise funds for reprinting the map?	Yes. The applicant may sell the maps if the revenues for the maps are fed back to offset the operating costs associated with the program being funded from the trust fund.
2. If an applicant wants to apply for OHV grant funding to install a new kiosk in an area of critical environmental concern, would the applicant be required to submit a Habitat Management Program (HMP) part 1 or 2?	If the installation of the new kiosk involved ground disturbing activities, then the applicant would be required to submit a HMP. If the applicant were able to certify that the kiosk installation posed no risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats then only HMP part 1 would be required. If the applicant could not make that certification then HMP part 2 would be required.
3. A federal applicant is conducting a study on the effects of OHV recreation on a special-status species. Would the costs associated with the study be considered eligible project costs for an OHV grant project?	Yes. If the study was necessary for the applicant to comply with the OHV Habitat Management Program requirement then the costs would be eligible under a ground operations project. If the study was not otherwise required by state or federal law, the costs would be eligible under a restoration- scientific study project.
4. A nonprofit applicant currently conducts a monthly, publicly noticed meeting of stakeholders and interested parties. Would the agenda of this publicly noticed meeting satisfy the public notice requirement? This meeting would also be used to solicit public comment on the applications.	Yes, but only if the applicant publishes on its website and/or newsletter instructions for accessing the division website for public review and comment. Also the applicant is required to email and/or mail notice to interested parties regarding the same.
5. A local agency applicant maintains a system of city streets which are open to off-highway licensed vehicles (i.e., ATVs and dirt bikes). Would routine maintenance on the city streets be eligible for OHV grant funding? Would maintenance on these pre-existing city streets be considered ground disturbing?	Yes. Maintenance of the city streets open to off-highway licensed vehicles would be eligible under a ground operations project. If the maintenance involved earth moving activities then it would be considered ground disturbing.

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<p>6. Can training and recertification related to OHV grant projects be part of an applicant's 15% indirect cost allowance?</p>	<p>Yes. Those activities would be eligible indirect costs. If the training or recertification activities were directly related to the OHV grant project description, then the costs could be considered direct costs.</p>
<p>7. A federal applicant has a current OHV planning grant to conduct the NEPA analysis to reroute an OHV trail from private land onto federal land. The NEPA analysis is scheduled to be complete October 2011. Can the federal applicant apply for a 2010-2011 ground operations project to facilitate the trail reroute?</p>	<p>Yes. The federal applicant can apply for the trail re-route under a 2010-2011 ground operations project. When completing the Environmental Review Data Sheet for the new ground operations project, the applicant will respond to items 1-10 describing the project activities and status of the NEPA process.</p>
<p>8. A county applicant is in the process of acquiring land that will become a River Parkway. The county is planning on acquiring the land by summer 2011. There is currently illegal OHV activity in the proposed River Parkway area. Can the county apply to the 2010-2011 OHV grant program for restoration or restoration planning funding to repair the damage caused by the illegal OHV activity?</p>	<p>Yes. The county can apply to the 2010-2011 OHV grant program for restoration or restoration planning funding to repair the habitat damaged by the illegal OHV activity. If the county is successful in the competitive process, then the project(s) would be contingent upon the county taking ownership and/or management of the land.</p>