

BLM – Needles Field Office

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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)(1-4) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Please note: 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.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #8 – The narrative does not support responses. Applicant may want to provide additional details.

Ground Operations - Routes & Maintenance

G09-01-12-G01

Project Description

- A – Applicant may want to clarify the “four” items that are proposed in this project.
- A – “Enforcement” activities are not eligible under a Ground Operations project. Applicant may want to verify and adjust as necessary.
- A – “Safety and Training” activities are not eligible under a Ground Operations project (e.g., “purchase of emergency equipment and supplies for field vehicles and provide training”, “Conferences, Training, Schools, Conventions, Workshops, and Trade shows”). Applicant may want to verify and adjust as necessary.
- B – Activities that would “restore” are not eligible under a Ground Operations project. Applicant may want to verify and adjust as necessary.

Project Cost Estimate

- Cost items associated with “Enforcement”, “Safety and Training”, and “restore” activities are not eligible under a Ground Operations project. Applicant may want to adjust as necessary.
- Staff – The cost for the “Chief” line items does not appear directly related to the activities identified in the project description and appears excessive. Applicant may want to verify and adjust as necessary.
- Staff – “Other-Administrative Staff” appears excessive and would be more appropriate under Indirect Costs.
- Staff – “Other-Recreation Staff” appears excessive for a 12 month project. Applicant may want to verify and adjust as necessary.
- Contracts – Applicant may want to provide details of how the “Other-California Trail Uses Coalition” will be utilized in this project.
- Materials / Supplies – Unit of Measure (UOM) is missing from a line item.
- Materials / Supplies – Applicant may want to clarify UOM for line items.
- Materials / Supplies – For cost items “Other-Trail Monitoring Cameras” and “Other-GPS” item, the project description identifies “cameras” will be used “....for data collection regarding visitation and enforcement.” These costs are not eligible under a Ground Operations project.
- Materials / Supplies – Applicant may want to provide more details for cost item “Other-Miscellaneous Supplies”.
Materials / Supplies – “Other-Vehicle Emergency Supplies”, “Other-Emergency Beacon Service”, “Other-Soft Emergency Locator Unit”, and “Other-Satellite Phone Service” do not appear directly related to this project. Applicant may want to provide additional details.
- Equipment Use Expenses – “Other-Replacement Tires” should be listed under the Materials / Supplies category. The applicant may want to provide details regarding the vehicles that will receive replacement tires.
- Equipment Purchases – Applicant may want to provide additional details in the project description regarding how the following equipment will be utilized in the project: “Other-Utility Terrain Vehicle & Accessor” and “Enclosed UTV Trailer & Accessories”
- Others – The applicant may want to provide additional details regarding “Other-Travel & Training”
- Indirect Costs cannot exceed 10% of the Grant Request amount allowed.

Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2 – The narrative does not support response with regard to “Loss of OHV Opportunity” and “Additional damage to Facilities”. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #3 – The narrative does not support response with regard to sustaining OHV Opportunity by “Maintaining multi use” and “Maintaining trail or road tread”. • #4 – The narrative does not support response. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #6 – The narrative does not support response. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #7 – Project Description does not mention trail maps as part of this project. • #8 – The explanation provided does not appear to be in response to this project. 	

Law Enforcement	G09-01-12-L01
Needs Assessment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Law Enforcement Certification	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	

Planning - Inventories	G09-01-12-P01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the activities listed do not appear to be directly related to OHV Recreation. Applicant may want to verify and provide additional details. • D – Only a list of reports that will result at the completion of this project should be listed in this item. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Staff items listed appear excessive. The applicant may want to provide additional information how staff listed will be utilized in this project. • Staff – “Management and Admin Staff” may be more appropriate under the Indirect Costs category. • Staff – UOM missing from a line item • Contracts – The cost item “Other-Agreement w/ Accredited University” appears excessive for the activities identified in the project description. • Indirect Costs cannot exceed 10% of the Grant Request amount. 	

Evaluation Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2 – The narrative does not support response with regard to potential effects of OHV Recreation on: “special-status species habitats”, “cultural resources”, “soil conditions”, water quality”, “adjacent lands”, “local residents”, and “toxic or hazardous materials within a Project Area or adjacent property that may impact OHV Recreation”. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #7 – The narrative does not support response. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #8 – The narrative does not support response. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #9 – The narrative does not support response with regard to impacts such as sound, fugitive dust, and runoff.

Restoration	G09-01-12-R01
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Project Description
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B – Applicant may want to provide additional detail describing how the proposed project relates to OHV Recreation.

Project Cost Estimate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UOM missing from several line items. • Materials / Supplies – Applicant may want to provide additional detail regarding “Signs” (listed twice). • Materials / Supplies – The line item “Other-Printing” does not appear directly related to this project and appears excessive. • Materials / Supplies – “Other-Cameras” are included in a prior year’s funded project. The applicant may want to clarify need for additional cameras. • Equipment Purchases – The line item “Digiscoping Package” is not addressed in the project description. Applicant may want to provide additional details regarding this item and how it will be utilized in this project.

Evaluation Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2 – The narrative does not support response with regard to “Domestic water supply” and “Stream or other watercourse”. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #3 – The project description provided does not appear to support the item “Protect special-status species or cultural site” as the most appropriate reason for this project. • #4 – The applicant may want to provide additional explanation relative to the “Incorporation of universally recognized ‘Best Management Practices’”. • #7 – The applicant may want to clarify the items checked in the explanation.

Education & Safety	G09-01-12-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D – The project activities and associated costs that occur outside of California are not eligible. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – The applicant may want to provide additional information how staff listed will be utilized in this project. • Staff – The applicant may want to clarify “Recreation Planner” which is listed twice and with a different hourly rate • Staff – “Other-Management / NEPA Staff” and “Other-Administrative Staff” may be more appropriate under Indirect Costs. • Materials / Supplies – “Other-Student appreciation awards” is not an eligible cost. • Materials / Supplies – “Other-Program Supplies” and “Other-Miscellaneous Program Expenses” appear to be the same. Applicant may want to provide additional details regarding these items. • Materials / Supplies – Applicant may want to provide additional details relative to how the following items will be utilized in this project: “Other-Chairs, Public audience”, “Other-Velcro display supplies”, “Other-Table Throws”, “Other-Chairs, office” (appears excessive and does not appear directly related to this project), “Other-Popup Backdrop w/Header”, “Other-Computer Software” (appears excessive), and “Other-Felt wall tac sheet”. • Equipment Purchases – Applicant may want to provide additional details relative to how the “Other-24” Graphic Monitors” will be utilized in this project. • Others – The cost items “Other-Travel & Training” and “Other-Volunteer Travel & Support” appear excessive. The applicant may want to provide additional details relative to these items. • Others - “Other-Public participation handouts & aw” appears to be a duplicate of item(s) listed in the Materials / Supplies category. Note: Awards are not an eligible cost. • Indirect Costs cannot exceed 10% of the Grant Request amount. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #6 – The narrative does not support response with regard to “Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project”. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #7 – The narrative does not support response with regard to “Process of researching issues and audience”. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #9 – The narrative does not support the response. Applicant may want to provide additional details. • #11 – Applicant may want to clarify in the project description ATV Safety Institute and/or Motorcycle Safety Foundation training classes will be conducted as part of this project. 	