**BLM - Arcata Field Office**

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.

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).

Failure by Applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary Application may be cause for eliminating that item from the Applicant’s Application.

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 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)(10).

**General Evaluation Criteria**

* #2-5 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.
* #11b – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must provide more detailed and/or specific information to support 5–19 organized, scheduled events initiated and hosted by the Applicant. ATV courses are not included in this question as they are covered in 11d.
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations G23-01-02-G01**

***Project Description - Background***

* No comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* Applicant must clarify if "…the primary access road that leads to OHV facilities" is a part of the Project Area. In addition, if included in the Project Area, Applicant must clarify if the primary access road is open to “Green Sticker” vehicles. If the area is a part of the Project Area but not open to green sticker vehicles, Applicant must remove verbiage for and the cost of maintaining this access road from the Project Cost Estimate.

***Project Description – List of Project Deliverables***

* No comment.

***Project Description – All Others***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Materials / Supplies #3 “Tools” – Cost significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the cost.
* Materials / Supplies #5 “Safety Equipment” – Applicant must clarify the need for this line item as it was in the previous year’s Application.
* Equipment Purchases #1 “Skid steer post pounder attachment” – Skid steer attachments are not considered Equipment. Applicant must move this line item to the Others category.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #3 – Narrative does not support the selections of “Maintaining trails that provide for multi-use” and “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”. Applicant must provide example(s) of the activities performed as part of the Project to support the selection. In addition, Project does not support the selection of “Maintaining trail or road tread for single vehicle use”. Applicant states, “all trails are designated for multiple use types”. Applicant must remove the selection.
* #4 – Narrative does not support the selection “The Applicant held a meeting(s), held either in-person or virtual, with multiple distinct stakeholders…”. Applicant did not meet with multiple stakeholders.
* #6 – Project Description section does not support the selections of “Providing an alternate to wet crossing where appropriate” and “Re-routing trails to divert away from riparian/wetlands areas” as the Project does not include Project activities that support these selections.

**Law Enforcement G23-01-02-L01**

***Needs Assessment***

* No comment.

***Project Certification***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Materials / Supplies #1 “Safety Equipment” – Applicant must clarify the need to purchase items, as they were included in prior year’s Application.