**Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation Department**

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.
* #7b – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must provide the “percent of lands covered by patrols”.
* #7c – Narrative does not support “Education programs, maps…". Applicant must explain how the education maps and brochures educate the public on “OHV trespass, including respect for private property”.
* #11a – Narrative does not support selection of “Bulletin boards, signs, or kiosks…”. Applicant must state how bulletin boards and signs provide information on “safe and responsible OHV Recreation”.
* 11b – Narrative does not support the selection. Events must be hosted by the Applicant onsite to educate the public on safe and responsible OHV Recreation practices.
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations, Frank Raines G23-03-20-G01**

***Project Description - Background***

* No comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* No comment.

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

* No comment.

***Project Description – All Others***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Applicant may want to include Habitat Management Program (HMP) monitoring and reporting activities in the Project Cost Estimate.
* Staff #1 “Staff-Park Manager/Supervisor PMW III” – Applicant’s notes are inaccurate and need to be revised. Costs did not increase from previous year’s Application.
* Staff #2 “Park Maintenance Worker I/II” – Rate significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the rate.
* Contracts #4 “Heavy Equipment Operator” – Applicant must clarify the source of match.
* Equipment Use Expenses #1 “Dozer Rental” – Applicant must clarify how the rental cost was determined. In addition, Applicant must clarify how often in day(s) the piece of Equipment is expected to be used on the Project within a monthly basis.
* Equipment Use Expenses #3 & 4 – Applicant’s notes are inaccurate and need to be revised. Applicant is providing only match for this line item.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #3 – Narrative does not support the selection of “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”. Applicant must provide example(s) of the activities performed in the Project that support the selection.

**Ground Operations, La Grange G23-03-20-G02**

* Applicant may want to consider separating the La Grange Application into two separate Ground Operations Applications: Ground Disturbing Activities and non-Ground Disturbing Activities. In addition, Applicant may want to include Habitat Management Program (HMP) monitoring and reporting activities in the Project Cost Estimate.

**Development- La Grange Phase II G23-03-20-D01**

***Project Description - Background***

* No comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* No comment.

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

* #4 – Applicant must clarify how this activity is different from their G18-03-20-D02 Development Project, as it appears that Project budgeted the conduit for electricity in Contracts line item #4.

***Project Description – All Others***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Applicant may want to include Habitat Management Program (HMP) monitoring and reporting activities in the Project Cost Estimate.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #4 – Project Description section does not support the selections. Applicant does not state the Project provides diversified OHV use to the selected vehicle types. Applicant must provide additional details in this section to support the selections.
* #6 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selection that at least 50% of the construction materials used for the Project contain recycled content.
* #7 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selection, as the narrative describes Phase I Deliverables accomplished in the G18-03-20-D01 Project. Applicant must revise selection based on this Phase II Project.