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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.

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.
* #8b – Although Applicant’s response matches the Land Manager, note the Land Manager received a comment.
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations, 2024 Ground Operations - Jawbone G23-04-13-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***

* Contracts #1 “OHV Visitor Center Staff” – Applicant must confirm the total cost does not include 10% of contractor time that handles non-OHV related inquiries and contacts.
* Contracts #7 “16th Edition FOJ Trail Map” – A 15th Edition FOJ trail map was produced in last year’s Application. Applicant must clarify why a new edition of the trail map is needed.
* Materials / Supplies #6 – “Safety Equipment” – Applicant must clarify the need for this line item as it was in the previous year’s Application. In addition, “tie-downs (16)” is considered an indirect cost as it does not directly relate to the completion of the Project. Applicant must move the verbiage for this cost and the cost associated with it to the Indirect Cost category.
* Equipment Use Expenses #7 “Dump Truck (R44 Route)” –Applicant must add this Project activity to the List of Project Deliverable #10 Others (unique to Ground Operations).

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #4 – Narrative does not support the selection of “The Applicant held a meeting(s), held either in-person or virtual, with multiple distinct stakeholders…”. Applicant must state location of meetings.

**Restoration, Restoration - South Sierra Subregion G23-04-13-R01**

***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***

* Contracts #3 “Heavy Equipment Operator” – Applicant’s notes are inaccurate and need to be revised. Cost did not increase from G19 Application (prior Application).

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #2 – Narrative does not support the selections of “Archeological and historical resources...” and “Bodies of Water”. Applicant listed the same information in G21 Project Application that is in a different Project area. In addition, narrative does not support the selections of “Sensitive areas…”, “T&E listed Species” and “Other special-status species”. Applicant must identify the number (e.g.,1, 2, 3) of “Sensitive areas”, “T&E listed species”, and “Other special-status species” rather than the names, in the boxes to the far right of the selections. Applicant must move the species and sensitive areas listed to the narrative.
* #4 – The Project Description section does not support the selections of “Educational signage”. Applicant must provide additional details in this section to support the selection. In addition, narrative does not support the selection of "Identification of alternative OHV routes…". Applicant must provide additional information to support the selection.

**Education & Safety, OwlsheadGPS 2024 G23-04-13-S01**

***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***

* No comment.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #7 – Narrative does not support the selection of “Plan to implement the Project.” Applicant must provide identifiable and/or measurable elements to substantiate selection.
* #8 – Narrative does not support the selection of "Social Media". Promoting the use of the mobile app on social media is not a method of Education for this Project.