

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program

BLM - Needles Field Office's Factual Findings

The information provided below is the OHMVR Division's Factual Findings for this Applicant. The information provided reflects the OHMVR Division's review and determination of the Applicant's final Application.

For information regarding the appeal process, see Section 4970.17 of the [Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program regulations webpage](https://ohv.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=23747)
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Education & Safety: G25-01-12-S01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- The “outdoor component” narrative does not describe a structured education program. Additionally, how funding will benefit the OHV community is not relevant to the Project. Applicant must revise the narrative to reflect the exact programs that will occur during the Project performance period.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #2 - Applicant's response is unclear. Applicant indicates 3 events but lists more than 3 programs. It is unclear what programs will actually occur. Additionally, it is unclear how the programs will incorporate OHV education. In addition, Applicant shall relocate, “Additionally, updating informational kiosks...” to Project Deliverable #4.
- #3 - Applicant indicates additional brochures are being requested as part of the G25 Application. However, Applicant's G23 Project has a time extension (end 12/25) specifically to complete the brochure/education material deliverable.

Project Description – All Others

- Location of Training/Services - 4970.13(f)(5) - The Tri-State area is not in California. Applicant is reminded that Grant funds may only be used in the state of California. Additionally, the second paragraph must be removed as it does not relate to the Project. Applicant must revise to specify where classroom and outreach events are taking place, not the populations being targeted.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #1 “Public Contact” - Applicant is reminded, per regulation 4970.08(10)(B), all products produced through the Grants Program must be distributed for free and cannot be sold for profit. In addition, Applicant listed five duties of which only three (3) of the duties are supported within the narrative. “Sells OHV maps” and “Primary contact...” duties are ineligible as Applicant received a time extension for the current G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production. Removing two (2) duties reduces line item by 40%. Deduct \$15,623 Grant and deduct \$8,788 match. Grant is now \$23,434 and match is now \$13,182.
- Staff #2 “Recreation Planner” - Applicant is reminded the public does not have access to BLM internal systems such as FBMS. Applicant must revise the line item to clarify what GS level the Recreation Planner is.
- Staff #3 “Biologist” - Applicant listed three duties of which only one (1) of the duties are supported within the narrative. “Ensures proposed outreach materials...” and “Provide ethical programs...” duties are ineligible as Applicant received a time extension for the current G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production. Removing two (2) duties reduces line item by 67%. Deduct \$691 Grant and deduct \$388 match. Grant is now \$340, and match is now \$191.
- Staff #4 “Natural Resource Specialist” - Applicant listed three duties of which only one (1) of the duties are supported within the narrative. “Ensures proposed outreach materials...” and “Provide ethical programs...” duties are ineligible as Applicant received a time extension for the current G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production. Removing two (2) duties reduces line item by 67%. Deduct \$605 Grant and deduct \$340 match. Grant is now \$298, and match is now \$167.
- Staff #5 “Archaeologist” - Applicant listed three duties of which only one (1) of the duties are supported within the narrative. “Ensures proposed outreach materials...” and “Provide ethical programs...” duties are ineligible as Applicant received a time extension for the current G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production. Removing two (2) duties reduces line item by 67%. Deduct \$744 Grant and deduct \$419 match. Grant is now \$367, and match is now \$206.
- Staff #6 “Monument Manager” - Applicant listed three duties of which only one (1) of the duties are supported within the narrative. “Ensures proposed outreach materials...” and “Provide ethical programs...” duties are ineligible as Applicant received a time extension for the current G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production. Removing two (2) duties reduces line item by 67%. Deduct \$744 Grant and deduct \$419 match. Grant is now \$367, and match is now \$206.
- Materials / Supplies #1 “Public Information Pamphlets / Brochures” - The need for additional maps is unclear based upon previous Project performance and completion of maps as Applicant received an extension for the G23 Project to complete Project deliverables, including map production.

- Equipment Use Expenses #1 "For Use Rate" - Contingent line item. Due to unclear location of training/services narrative does not support the need for 1,000 miles of travel. Upon Applicant revision Division will approve the line item. In addition, Applicant must change the Unit of Measurement to "Each" or "Miscellaneous" as a per-mile charge is not allowable. Lastly, Applicant must indicate the vehicle type claiming a Fixed Use Rate for each vehicle.
- Indirect Costs - Applicant has exceeded the allowable 15% Indirect maximum. Deduct \$1,767 Grant and \$994 match. Grant is now \$3,130 and match is now \$1760.

Revised Project Totals:

Grant Request: \$35,736

Match: \$20,643

Total Project cost: \$56,379

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 - Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #4 -Project Description and Project Background sections do not support the Applicant's partnerships. Deduct 4 points.
- #5 - Applicant's Project Description, Project Background, and narrative do not support selections ATV, 4x4, and Motorcycle. Deduct 3 points.
- #6 - Narrative does not support the selection of "The Applicant held a meeting(s), held either in-person or virtual, with multiple distinct stakeholders..." Applicant did not identify multiple distinct stakeholders or how they are stakeholders to the Project. Deduct 1 point.
- #7 - Narrative does not support the selections of "Process of researching issues...", "Objectives and outcomes", "Testing process...", "Plan to implement...", and "Evaluation of the project..." Deduct 10 points.
- #8 - Narrative does not support the selections of "Social media," "Website," and "Other." Deduct 6 points.
- #10 - Narrative does not support the selection. Data must align with the information provided in the narrative of evaluation criteria #9, each contact does not last longer than 2 hours. "5 minutes to less than 1 hour" best supports Applicant's narrative. Deduct 2 points.

Law Enforcement: G25-01-12-L01

Needs Assessment

- #1 - Applicant is reminded only OHV patrols occurring within the State of California and its prescribed Project Area are eligible under an OHV Grant.

Project Certification

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- No change.