

2024 (G24) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program BLM - Ridgecrest Field Office's Factual Findings

The information provided below is the OHMVR Division 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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General Evaluation Criteria:

- #1d – OHV Opportunity Ratio. Add 2 points.
- #6 – The Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #11b – The narrative does not support the selection. The Applicant did not provide more detailed information to support 5–19 organized, scheduled events. Deduct 1 point.

Ground Operations: G24-01-15-G01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- No change.

Evaluation Criteria

- No change.

Planning: G24-01-15-P01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- No change.

Evaluation Criteria

- #5 – The narrative does not support the selection. The information provided did not provide sufficient information on how the Applicant will incorporate the stakeholders' input for the entirety of the Project performance period. Deduct 5 points.

Restoration: G24-01-15-R01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- The Applicant must revise the active Project Area detailed in this section to match the Project Area described in the first paragraph of the "Describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles – 4970.11(f)(1)(D)" section of the Application. Additionally, they must include the new Malpais active restoration site that does not duplicate activities from the G22 Project. Furthermore, the Applicant must update the Application's Project Area for monitoring/patrol and passive restoration activities occurring outside of the active Restoration sites

from the agency's field-wide jurisdiction to Red Mountain (North and Northwest zones) and the Wilderness areas (Argus, Darwin, and Manly) to ensure no duplication of services with Project activities performed in the agency's active G22 and G23 Restoration Projects (data was obtained from an informational site visit conducted by the Division after final Application was submitted).

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- Describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles – 4970.11(f)(1)(D) – The Applicant must remove the second and third paragraphs of this section and update the Application's Project Area for monitoring/patrol and passive restoration activities occurring outside of the active Restoration sites from the agency's field-wide jurisdiction to Red Mountain (North and Northwest zones) and the Wilderness areas (Argus, Darwin, and Manly) to ensure no duplication of services with Project activities performed in the agency's active G22 and G23 Restoration Projects.

Project Cost Estimate

- No change.

Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – The narrative does not support the selection of "Sensitive Areas". The Applicant listed the names of two eligible sensitive areas in the narrative. Jawbone ACEC is not in the Project Area. Deduct 2 points.
- #8 – The narrative does not support the selections. The Applicant did not provide a detailed example of how Transition Habitat Conservancy will actively participate towards the completion of the Project. Deduct 2 points.

Education and Safety: G24-01-15-S01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- No change.

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 – The Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #4 – The narrative does not support the selection. The Applicant did not provide information on how partners will actively participate in the Project. In addition, the Applicant added partner organizations without receiving a Division or public comment. Deduct 2 points.
- #5 – The Project Description section does not support the selections. The Applicant did not provide additional information on how each vehicle type will be addressed in this Project. Deduct 5 points.
- #7 – The narrative does not support the selection of a "Testing process to ensure outcomes are effective". While the Applicant updated the narratives, the information provided does not support the clearly identifiable and/or measurable elements to substantiate the selection. Deduct 2 points.
- #10 – The narrative does not support the selection. While the Applicant updated the narratives, "1 minute to less than 5 minutes" is the more appropriate response. Deduct 2 points.

Law Enforcement: G24-01-15-L01

Needs Assessment

- No change.

Project Certification

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Materials / Supplies #1 "Safety Gear Dirt Bike & SXS" – The Applicant increased the match request for this line item without receiving a Division or public comment to increase the line item total. The line item reverts to the original preliminary Application match request of \$500. Deduct \$500 from match. The revised total for this line item is now Grant \$2,000 and match \$500.
- Equipment Use Expenses #1 & 2 – The Applicant must remove these line items as no Grant or match funds will be used on them.
- Others #1 "Dirt Bike Operator Training" – The Applicant must remove this line item as no Grant or match funds will be used for it.

- Staff #3 "Field Staff Ranger" – The Applicant does not meet the minimum 25% match requirement for the Project. Move \$375 from Grant to match. The revised total for this line item is now Grant \$221,075 and match \$55,738.

Revised Totals:

Grant Request: \$323,625

Match: \$107,876

Total Project Cost: \$431,501