**BLM- Redding 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.
* #7b – Applicant must clarify the frequency of patrols and patrol personnel, as it is unclear that “recreation staff” are authorized to write citations.
* #8b – Narrative does not discuss if “recommendations for species management” or “strategies to respond to changing conditions…” are provided based on their management information systems. Also, it is unclear if there are ongoing surveys of archeological sites handled by qualified staff.
* #9a – Applicant must further explain its "systematic methodology" for evaluating soil conditions of its OHV Opportunities.
* #9b – Applicant must further explain its methods to address soil issues.
* #10 – Applicant must provide more information to support the selection on the frequency of regular sound testing.
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations, Chappie-Shasta OHV Area G21-01-14-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***

* Materials/Supplies #1 “Hand Tools” – Costs significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the costs.
* Materials/Supplies #2 “Signing Supplies” – Costs significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the costs.
* Materials/Supplies #3 “Campground and Staging area Supplies” – Costs significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the costs.
* Equipment Use Expenses #4 “OHV Fleet Maintenance…” – Applicant must clarify if these pieces of Equipment were purchased within the Grants program. If not the line item must be removed as per Program regulations only Equipment purchased within the Grants program is eligible for Maintenance and Repair. Additionally, Applicant must remove trailer repair and maintenance and its associated costs as a Trailer no longer meets the definition of Equipment to be eligible for repair and maintenance. However, if the trailer was purchased within the Grants program the information may be added as a new line item in the Other(s) category but cost may not exceed what is removed from Equipment Use Expenses #4.
* Others #3 “Toilet Pumping” – Costs significantly increased compared to prior year’s Application. Applicant must provide additional details to justify the costs. Additionally, per Applicant notes the line item appears it should be a match requested item, not Grant requested. Applicant must clarify.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #3 – Narrative does not support the selection “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”. Applicant must provide examples of the activities performed to support the selection.
* #4 – Narrative does not support the selection “The Applicant held a meeting…”. Applicant must state who hosted the stakeholder meeting.
* #6 – Narrative does not support the selection of “Protecting Special-status species”. Applicant must list a special – status species the work being accomplished is protecting.
* #7 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selection “Erosion Control features…” are made with recycled materials.

**Law Enforcement, Redding BLM Law Enforcement G21-01-14-L01**

***Needs Assessment***

* No comment.

***Project Certification***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Equipment Use #1 “OHV Fleet Maintenance” – Applicant must identify Equipment and clarify if the Equipment was acquired within the OHV Grants Program. Per Program regulations, only Equipment acquired within the Grants program are eligible for maintenance.