**Desert Group Search and Rescue, Inc.**

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).

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***Project Description - Background***

* No comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* No comment.

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

* #6 and 7 – Project deliverable descriptions are duplicative. Applicant must clarify how these Project deliverables are different from one another.

***Project Description – All Others***

* No comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Staff #1 “Volunteers” – Applicant must provide the duties and/or activities to be performed on the Project.
* Materials / Supplies #1 “Radios” – Radio accessories (and vehicular charger) are considered an Indirect expense. Applicant must move items to the Indirect costs category and adjust Project Cost Estimate accordingly.
* Materials / Supplies #2 “Box Trailers” – Applicant must justify the need for this line item. Applicant currently has five custom trailers in their fleet (two designed for ATVs, one designed for UTV and two designed for ATV/UTV combo). In addition, Applicant must move this line item to the Other category.
* Materials / Supplies #11 “Safety Equipment 2” – Quantity for individual items appears excessive. Applicant must clarify why 60 helmets and 40 googles are needed.
* Equipment Use Expense #1 “Manufacturer suggested annual maintenance” – Applicant must identify the Equipment and/or Heavy Equipment needing maintenance and if they were purchased through the Grants program..
* Equipment Use Expense #2 “Genset Suggested Annual Maintenance” – Applicant must identify the Equipment and/or Heavy Equipment needing maintenance and if it was purchased through the Grants program..
* Equipment Use Expense #4 “Mileage Reimbursement for Vehicles” – Applicant is reminded the approved mileage rate cannot exceed .56. Applicant must revise.
* Equipment Purchase #1 “ATV vehicle” – Cost per ATV appears excessive; Applicant must provide additional information to justify the cost.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #4 – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant provide a detailed explanation how each partner will participate in the Project (search and rescue activities).
* #5 – Narrative does not support “Snowmobile”. Applicant must provide additional information to support the selection.
* #6 – Narrative does not support the selection of “The Applicant held a meeting(s) with distinct stakeholders…”. Applicant must state how they are stakeholders to the Project.
* #14 – “Radio Communications” does not appear to be types of training personnel possess. Applicant must provide additional details in the Project description section to support the selection.
* #15 – Narrative does not support the selection. It is unclear if the 50+ OHV medicals or search and rescue missions are OHV related