**Lassen Land and Trails Trust**

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**

* #1a - 1c – The dates are inconsistent. #1c indicates data was gathered in 2012.
* #4 – Applicant must provide date of reference document. In addition, Applicant must provide agency operational budget for the most recent complete fiscal year.
* #7b – Applicant must provide the “frequency of Patrol” and "percentage of lands covered by patrols". Applicant must take into consideration that LLTT’s Project Manager and volunteers (trail user and adjacent landowner) are not eligible "patrol personnel", as they cannot issue citations. In addition, Applicant must verify “Federal partners at the BLM Applegate and Eagle Lake Field Offices” have citation authority.
* #8b – Narrative does not support selection. Applicant must list the management information system. In addition, Applicant must specifically identify the title(s) of the qualified environmental staff that identifies and monitors the impacts of the OHV activity.    Furthermore, Applicant must provide a detailed explanation for “Recommendations for improvement…” and “Strategies to respond to changing conditions…”
* #9a – Narrative does not support selection. Applicant must provide further details that support the selection.
* #11a – Narrative does not support selection of “Bulletin boards, signs, or kiosks...” Applicant must provide additional detail substantiating “OHV responsible recreational practices.”
* #13 – Applicant must verify responses by final submission.

**Ground Operations, G22-04-47-G01**

***Project Description - Background***

* No Comment.

***Project Description – Project Description***

* Applicant must confirm all Project Area (39.8 miles, Modoc Line Rail Trail) allows for green sticker vehicle use.

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

* #4 – Patrol is a law enforcement activity; Applicant must clarify the meaning of patrol in this Project.
* #5 – Applicant must clarify what type of signage will be installed and how it relates to a Ground Operations Project.
* #7 – Applicant is reminded that a Habitat Management Program report and/or a Soil Conservation Plan will need to be submitted with their Final Application if the Division does not agree with the Applicant’s assessment the none of the Ground Disturbing Activities contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats, or have the potential to cause erosion or sedimentation which significantly affects resource values beyond the Facilities, and/or generate soil loss that exceeds restorability.
* #7 – Applicant must clarify what “Monitor off-trail OHV use…” is, as it appears to be a Restoration activity.

***Project Description – All Others***

* No Comment.

***Project Cost Estimate***

* Staff #2 “LLTT Project Manager” – Hourly rate appears excessive. Applicant must further define how the hourly rate was determined.
* All Contract line items – Applicant must confirm Project activities performed by the Bureau of Land (BLM) Eagle Lake Field office are not included in their BLM Ground Operations Application.
* Materials / Supplies #2 “Railing materials” – Applicant must confirm that eight (8) bridges allow for green sticker vehicle use.

***Evaluation Criteria***

* #3 – Narrative does not support the selections.  Applicant must provide examples of the activities performed to support the selections.
* #4 – Narrative does not support the selection “The Applicant initiated and conducted publicly noticed…”. Applicant did not host the meeting.  Additionally, the 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 who hosted the meeting and how they are stakeholders to the Project.
* #5 – Narrative does not support the selections.  Applicant must confirm that these Project activities performed by the BLM Eagle Lake Field office are not included in their BLM Ground Operations Application.  In addition, Applicant must state what SABA stands for.
* #6 – Narrative does not support the selections of “Providing an alternative to wet…”, and “Protecting special-status species”.  Applicant must provide examples of the activities performed in the Project that support the selection.  In addition, Applicant must list a special – status species the work being accomplished is protecting.