2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation Department'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.

General Evaluation Criteria:

- #1d – OHV Opportunity Ratio. Add 2 points.
- #6 – Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #9c – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant states in #9a that soil monitoring is performed after major rain events. Deduct 1 point.
- #11d - Narrative does not support the selection. The applicant has intent to meet this in the future but does not currently offer training courses. Deduct 1 point.

Ground Operations: G26-03-20-G01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #1 – Applicant must identify the specific trail sections that will receive the 5.9 miles of trail tread maintenance proposed under this Project. In addition, Applicant must provide additional details regarding the work to be performed in relation to the sediment ponds referenced in this section, including the specific number of sediment ponds to be addressed under this Project.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Equipment Use Expenses #7 "Track Loader Rental Use Fee County Owned" – Applicant did not adequately respond to Division comment by providing either a County-established rate that is reflective of their actual costs or supporting documentation substantiating the operating and fixed ownership costs for the vehicle listed in this line item. It is unclear how the vehicle use fees claimed do not exceed the Applicant's actual cost, and Applicant did not provide sufficient documentation to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. Applicant must revise the line item Rate to reflect the previous year's Application. Deduct $11,700 from match. Revised total for this line item is now Grant $0 and match $40,350.

- Equipment Purchase #1 “4x4 Trucks” – Compared to like Projects, cost appears excessive. Applicant did not provide adequate information to justify the cost. Applicant may claim $50,000 for each vehicle in this line item. Deduct $29,600 from Grant and $10,400 from match. Revised line item total is Grant $74,000 and match $26,000. In addition, Applicant may not reallocate funds to any other line item from this line item upon this year's award. Equipment purchase may not happen until the existing two 4x4 vehicles disposition. Vehicle disposition must be used as either trade in for new vehicles or sent to auction. Funds may be used to bring down the cost of the replacement but may not be included as the match monies.
- Indirect Costs #1 & 2 “Indirect Costs at 15%” – Contingent line item. Applicant must revise this line item to address their project Indirect costs determined based on their Project needs. In the narrative, Applicant must provide a clear explanation of how the cost was determined, including the precise scope and amount of work to be conducted. In addition, the use of "etc." within the line item notes does not provide sufficient detail to identify all costs anticipated under this line item. Applicant must specify each cost individually, as the current description does not clearly demonstrate the eligibility of the proposed expenses. Lastly, due to deductions, Applicant now exceeds the 15% allowable amount. Deduct $4,440 from Grant. Revised totals for Indirect Costs are now Grant $64,592.

  Revised Totals
  Grant Request: $495,211
  Match: $231,395
  Total Project Cost: $726,606

Evaluation Criteria

- #2 – Narrative does not support the selections of "Loss of OHV Opportunity" and "Additional damage to Facilities". Applicant did not provide a detailed explanation and/or examples of the selections. Deduct 6 points.
- #5 – Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant did not list each partner separately. Deduct 3 points.
- #7 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support selection of "Signs, sign posts or education kiosks..." and "Paper used for trail maps" are made with recycled materials. Deduct 2 points.

Ground Operations: G26-03-20-G02

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #1 – Applicant must identify the specific four trails that will receive maintenance under this Project and clarify the precise location of the two miles to be maintained.

In addition, Applicant must specify which five miles of trails and roads will receive grooming or grading activities.

Project Description – All Others

- "Describe the size of the specific Project Area(s) in acres and/or miles…" – Applicant must provide additional details regarding the "15 trails and tracks" referenced in this line item, including the length of each trail and track expressed in miles.

Project Cost Estimate

- All Staff Line Items – The percentage of staff time dedicated to Project Deliverable #1, 2 and 3 is unclear. Applicant must clarify within the line item notes what portion of staff time will be specifically dedicated to the maintenance of OHV trails, roads, tracks, and open areas.
- Materials / Supplies #3 "Structures and Grounds" – Contingent line item. Applicant must clarify the quantity of plastic culverts to be purchased and identify the specific locations where they will be installed. In addition, Applicant removed the language for "pesticides for wasp control" but not the associate costs. Applicant listed fourteen (14) items. Removing one (1) item reduces the line item total by 7%. Deduct $296 and $104 from match. Revised line item total is now Grant $3,937 and match $1,383.
- Equipment Use Fee #2 "ATV 4 x 4 Equipment Use" – Contingent line item. The proposed daily use fee for this line item appears excessive. Applicant must provide either a County-established rate reflective of their actual costs or supporting documentation substantiating the operating and fixed ownership costs for the vehicle listed in this line item. It is unclear how the vehicle use fees claimed do not exceed the Applicant's actual cost, and Applicant must provide sufficient documentation to demonstrate compliance with this requirement.
- Indirect Costs #1 "Indirect Costs at 15%" – Applicant must revise this line item to address their project Indirect costs determined based on their Project needs. In the narrative, Applicant must provide a clear explanation of how the cost was determined, including the precise scope and amount of work to be conducted. For any staff positions included in this line item, Applicant must utilize the hourly rate and quantity of hours as the unit of measure to clearly demonstrate how the associated costs were calculated. If helpful, Applicant may break this line item out into multiple Indirect Cost line items to clearly identify and separate the various costs. In addition, the use of "etc." within the line item notes do not provide sufficient detail to identify all costs anticipated under this line item. Applicant must specify each cost individually, as the current description does not clearly demonstrate the eligibility of the proposed expenses.
- Indirect Costs – Due to deductions, Applicant has now exceeded the 15% allowable amount. Deduct $43 from Grant. Revised totals for Indirect Costs are now Grant $26,539 and match $0.

  Revised Totals
  Grant Request: $203,466
  Match: $73,060
  Total Project Cost: $276,526

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 – Narrative does not support the selections of “Maintaining trails that provide for multi-use” and “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty.” Applicant did not provide examples of Project activities being performed that support the selections. Deduct 6 points.
- #4 – Narrative does not support the selection of “The Applicant held a meeting(s), held either in-person or virtual, with multiple distinct stakeholders...”. Applicant's Stakeholder meeting only consisted of one stakeholder. Deduct 1 point.