

2025 (G25) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program

USFS - Los Padres National Forest's Factual Findings

The information provided below is the OHMVR Division's 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

General Evaluation Criteria

- #1d - OHV Opportunity Ratio. Add 1 point.
- #6 - Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #7b - Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant is unclear if the majority of the OHV Opportunity areas (roads, trails, or areas on lands that are open to legal OHV Recreation) are patrolled by staff with citation authority. Deduct 5 points.
- #11a - Narrative does not support the selection of "Bulletin boards, signs or kiosks...." It is unclear if "3-panel information boards" provide information concerning safe and responsible OHV Recreation. Deduct 5 points.
- #11b - Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant did not provide detailed and/or specific information to support 5-19 organized, scheduled events initiated and hosted onsite by the Applicant. Deduct 1 point.

Ground Operations: G25-02-09-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

- Staff #2 "Recreation Technicians" - Applicant removed "Creates Div... to OHV Div with bill & PAR" activities from the line item but did not reduce the line item total. Applicant listed eighteen (18) activities for this line item. Removing one (1) activity decreases the line item total by 6%. Deduct \$5,078 from Grant and \$2,856 from match (could not move the cost to the Indirect Costs category as Project is over the allowable 15% maximum indirect amount). The revised total for this line item is now Grant \$119,562 and match \$4,744.
- Contract #4 "Mechanized Trail Crew" - Contingent line item. Applicant did not clarify the need for this new line item as the Project Deliverables did not significantly change from the previous year's Application.
- Equipment Use Expenses #1 "SLRD - FS Owned-Operated Dozer" - Applicant did not receive a division nor public comment. Applicant must revert notes back to preliminary Application notes.
- Materials / Supplies #11 "MPRD/SLRD Resource Survey/Monitoring" - Spotting Scope case(s) is considered an indirect expense as it does not directly relate to the completion of the Project. Applicant must move the verbiage for this item and its associated cost to the Indirect Costs category. Deduct \$150 from Grant and \$150 from match (could not move the cost to the Indirect Costs category as Project is over the allowable 15% maximum indirect amount). The revised total for this line item is now Grant \$3,850 and match \$3,850.
- Equipment Use Expenses #3 "SLRD UTV Maintenance" - Applicant listed no cost associated with this line item. Applicant must remove this line item.
- Equipment Use Expense #5 & 8 - Applicant is reminded that tires and Major Repairs (repairs over \$750) must have prior Division approval before purchase/authorization, or the charges will be denied.
- Equipment Purchase #2 "SBRD UTV" - Applicant is reminded that patrol is a law enforcement activity and ineligible for a Ground Operations Project.
- Other #2 "MPRD Trailer Maintenance/Repairs" - Applicant removed 'FS Information booth" activities from the line item but did not reduce the line item total. Applicant listed two (2) activities for this line item. Removing one (1) activity decreases the line item total by 50%. Deduct \$250 Grant. Revised total for this line item is now Grant \$250 and match \$0. In addition, Applicant is reminded that any cost associated with the FS Informational booth are not eligible for this proposed Ground Operations Project.
- Indirect Costs #1 "Administrative Costs" - Applicant has now exceeded the 15% allowable amount for Indirect. Deduct \$822 from match. The revised total for this line item is now Grant \$0 and match \$54,328.

Revised Totals:

Grant Request: \$362,192

Match: \$203,739

Total Project Cost: \$565,931

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 - Project Description and/or List of Project Deliverable section does not support the selection of "Maintaining trail or road tread for single vehicle use" and "Varied Levels of riding difficulty". In addition, Applicant did not clarify if the Project includes the maintenance of trails for single vehicle use. Deduct 2 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 did not identify the stakeholders. Deduct 1 point.
- #7 - Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support selection of "Barrier materials..." and "Paper used for trail maps...". Applicant states barrier materials will be used "when available" which implies it may not be used. Deduct 2 points.