

2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program USFS - Cleveland 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.

General Evaluation Criteria:

- #1d – OHV Opportunity Ratio. Add 5 points.
- #6 – Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.

Ground Operations: G26-02-02-G01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- No change.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #1 – Applicant did not adequately respond to Division comment. It is unclear how frequently the Applicant intends to perform maintenance activities on all 8 miles of trails. Applicant must expand upon "A basic level of trail maintenance will primarily be performed several times per month", as it is unclear how many miles will be maintained during these periods. In addition, Applicant added monitoring / assessing activities to Project Deliverable #1. Applicants must move these activities to Project Deliverable #7 or Project Deliverable - Other.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Equipment Use Expenses #2 "Pickup Truck use rate" – Contingent line item. Applicant must revise line item to show a per gallon quantity, rate and a UOM of each without increasing the line item total. Applicant is further reminded that fuel receipts must be submitted to justify fuel costs. Use rate includes ineligible items such as tires, lube and oil service, washing, mechanical inspections and repairs.

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 – Narrative does not support the selection of 'Providing varied levels of riding difficulty'. Applicant did not provide examples of Project activities being performed that support the selection. Deduct 1 point.

Ground Operations: G26-02-02-G02

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 #1 "GS-7 OHV Area Manager" – Applicant confirmed 90% of this staff positions time will be spent working on this proposed Project but did not remove any costs. Applicant must remove 10% of the line item cost. Time spent not working on the proposed Project is ineligible to claim as match. Deduct \$9,776 from match. Revised total for this line item is now Grant \$48,880 and match \$39,104.
- Staff #1-3 – Applicant did not respond to Division comment. The percentage of staff time spent working on Project Deliverable #1 is unclear. Applicant must clarify what portion of staff time will be dedicated to the maintenance of OHV trails and roads within the line item note.
- Staff #4 & 5 – Applicant did not confirm if the staff positions listed are currently filled. Applicant must remove line items. If the Project is funded, Applicant may choose to submit a Project Cost Estimate reallocation request to reallocate funds to these staff positions at time of hiring.
- Staff #8 "Volunteer" – Applicant stated "approximately 100% of volunteer time will be dedicated to deliverable #1" and states that volunteers will also "perform routine maintenance, including cleaning facilities, trash removal, and campsite and staging area cleanup." The statements are contradictory and must be clarified.
- Equipment Use Expenses #3 "WCF Polaris Ranger UTV" – Contingent line item. Applicant must provide a clear explanation of how the costs were calculated, along with providing the appropriate FOR schedule.
- Equipment Use Expenses #5 "Truck Fixed Ownership Rate" – Contingent line item. Applicant must revise line item to show a per gallon quantity, rate and a UOM of each without increasing the line item total. Applicant is further reminded that fuel receipts must be submitted to justify fuel costs. Use rate includes ineligible items such as tires, lube and oil service, washing, mechanical inspections and repairs.
- Equipment Use Expenses #7 "Preventive Maint. And Repairs" – Applicant removed the verbiage of "anticipated cost of replacing excavator tracks" but not the associated costs. Applicant listed three (3) activities for this line item. Removing one (1) activity reduces the line item by 33%. Deduct \$1,650 from Grant. Revised total for this line item is now Grant \$3,350 and match \$0.

Revised Totals

Grant Request: \$217,803
Match: \$102,126
Total Project Cost: \$319,929

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 – Narrative does not support the selections of “Maintaining trail or road tread for single vehicle use” and “Providing varied levels of riding difficulty”. The Applicant did not provide example(s) of Project activities being performed that support the selections. Deduct 2 points.
- #7 – Project Description and/or Project Cost Estimate sections do not support the selection of “Paper used for trail maps which includes recycled content” are made with recycled materials. Deduct 1 point.