

2026 (G26) Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program USFS - Tahoe 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 4 points.
- #4 – Applicant's expenditure of OHV Grant Funds in FY25 was \$1,950,121.86 which is more than 50% of the total OHV program cost. Deduct 1 point.
- #6 – Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.

Ground Operations: G26-02-20-G01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- Applicant must remove verbiage related to water testing throughout the Application as it is no longer being performed.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #15 "SV/TK Botanist" – Applicant must remove this vacant position. 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 #29 "TNF OHV Grant Prgm Mngr" – The percentage of staff time dedicated to Project Deliverable #1 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 area.
- Others #2 "SV Water Testing (BV Campground)" – Applicant must remove line item as water testing is no longer being performed.
- Indirect Costs – Applicant has now exceeded their 15% allowable. Deduct \$93 from Grant and \$109 from match. Revised total for the Indirect Costs is now Grant \$48,399 and match \$55,957.

Revised Totals

Grant Request: \$744,107

Match: \$309,682
Total Project Cost: \$1,053,789

Evaluation Criteria

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

Development: G26-02-20-D01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- Applicant did not respond to Division comment. Applicant shall remove information not related to this Project. Paragraphs one through three (1-3), except for the last sentence “With the completion of phase 1...” shall either be removed or moved to the Project Background section.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- No change.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #9 "Public Service Staff Officer" – Applicant states the position is vacant. Applicant must remove the line item and the costs associated. Deduct \$1,825 match. Revised line item total is \$0 match.
- Contracts #1 "Professional Trail Construction" – Applicant must clarify the source of match.
- Indirect Costs #4, 6, 7, 8 – Line items are duplicative per notes listed. Applicant must remove three of the duplicative line items and the costs associated.
- Indirect Costs #5 "Support Supervision OHV Prgm Mngr" – It is unclear why the Program Manager needs additional oversight. Applicant shall remove the line item and the costs associated. Deduct \$5,044 match. Revised line item total is \$0 match.
- Match – Due to deductions, Applicant now does not meet the minimum 26% match requirement for the Project and must move \$18,270 from Grant to match.

Revised Totals
Grant Request: \$407,081
Match: \$143,030
Total Project Cost: \$550,111

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 – Background and/or Project Description sections and the narrative for each selection do not support the selections. Deduct 3 points.

- #9 – Background and/or Project Description sections and the narrative for each selection do not support the selections. Deduct 6 points.
- #10 – Narrative does not support the selection of “The Applicant held a meeting(s), either in person or virtual, with multiple distinct stakeholders...”. Applicant did not provide information on how the groups listed are stakeholders to this specific Project. Deduct 1 point.
- #11 – Background and/or Project Description sections do not support 'Reno Area Dirt Riders', 'Nevada County Wood Riders', or the 'Truckee Dirt Union'. Deduct 3 points.
- #13 – Background and/or Project Description sections do not support 'Runoff'. Deduct 1 point.

Development: G26-02-20-D02

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

- Indirect Costs #4 “TNF Support Supervision OHV Program Mngr” – It is unclear why the Program Manager needs additional oversight. Applicant shall remove the line item and the costs associated. Deduct \$2,017 match. Revised line item total is \$0 match.

Revised Totals

Grant Request: \$171,837

Match: \$64,505

Total Project Cost: \$236,342

Evaluation Criteria

- #11 – Narrative is not supported by the Background and/or Project Description sections. Deduct 2 points.
- #13 – Narrative does not support the selection of "sound". Applicant did not explain what measures have been taken to address offsite impacts relative to this Development Project. Deduct 1 point.

Education & Safety: G26-02-20-S01

Project Description – Background

- No change.

Project Description – Project Description

- Applicant shall remove 'educational rides' from the Project Description section as it is not supported by the Project Deliverables or the Project Cost Estimate.

Project Description – List of Project Deliverables

- #4 – Applicant removed '2-Way Traffic' and 'Trail User Yield Triangle' signs from the Project Cost Estimate section, but not the Project Deliverables. Applicant shall remove this language. 'Narrow slope signs' are considered Ground Operations signage. Applicant shall remove the language.

Project Description – All Others

- No change.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff #3 "TK OHV Tech" – Applicant updated the Indirect Costs section but did not reduce the QTY of hours or remove the language. Applicant must remove, "...coordinate and supply the volunteer campground hosts..." and reduce line item by 8 hours. Revised line item total is \$19,600 Grant.
- Staff #5 "OHV Program Manager" – Applicant removed activities from the narrative but did not reduce the QTY of hours. Line item is reduced by 32 hours. Revised line item total is \$10,506 Grant.
- Staff #7 "Vol. Friends of Fordyce (PD #2) – Applicant removed activities from the narrative but did not reduce the QTY of hours. Applicant removed one (1) activity, decreasing the line item total by 50%. Deduct \$1,004 from match. Revised line total for this line item total is \$1,003 match.
- Materials / Supplies #1 "AR Signs (PD# 4) – Applicant did not remove 'yield to horses' from the narrative. Applicant listed two (2) sign types. Removing one (1) sign type decreases the line item total by 50%. Deduct \$250 Grant. Revised line item total is \$250 Grant.
- Materials / Supplies #2 "AR Sign Posts (PD#4) – Based upon Applicant's deduction made within Materials / Supplies #1 "AR Signs" line item is reduced to reflect deduction. Deduct \$345 Grant. Revised line item total is \$345 Grant.
- Materials / Supplies #3, 5 – Applicant is reminded maps, videos and/or handouts that display the "OHV Trust Funds at Work" logo must be reviewed and approved by the OHMVR Division prior to publication.
- Materials / Supplies #4 "EZ Signs (PD# 4) – Applicant shall remove "OHV funds at work decals" as they are provided free from the Division.
- Equipment Use Expenses #1 "AR Vehicle Mileage Class 251" – Applicant increased the mileage within the notes section without receiving a public or Division comment. Narrative is returned to preliminary submission language. In addition, Applicant did not respond to Division comment. Per the Applicant's methodology in the notes, the total comes out to \$520. Line item is reduced by \$52. Revised line item total is now \$520 Grant.
- Equipment Use Expenses #3 "YR Vehicle Mileage Class" – Applicant removed 'educational rides' from the Project Deliverables section and from the Staff #6 line

item. Applicant shall remove this language from the notes section. In addition, Applicant removed the YR Trail Manager from the Project. Line item is reduced by 50%. Deduct \$650 Grant. Revised line item total is \$650 Grant.

- Equipment Use Expenses #5 "2012 & 2014 Rock Crawler Jeeps" – Applicant increased the rate without receiving a public or Division comment. Line item rate is returned to preliminary submission request of \$5.00. Deduct \$173 Grant. Revised line item total is now \$575 Grant.
- Indirect Costs #2 "EZ Trailhead Host Stipends (PD#2) – Contingent line item. In accordance with CCR 4970.08(b)(3), Applicant must clarify if the volunteer hosts are working at a remote location for three (3) or more consecutive days and working further than fifty (50) miles from the volunteer/host's headquarters.

Revised Totals

Grant Request: \$80,755

Match: \$31,108

Total Project Cost: \$111,863

Evaluation Criteria

- #3 – Applicant has been responsive. Add 3 points.
- #5 – Applicant's Project Description, Project Background, and narrative do not support selections 'Snowmobile' and 'Motorcycle'. Deduct 2 points.
- #7 – Narrative does not support the selections of "Process of researching issues...", "Testing process...", "Plan to implement...", "Evaluation of the Project..." and "Evaluation and feedback... Deduct 10 points.
- #8 – Narrative does not support the selections of "Other." Deduct 2 points.