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Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop Chair, Senate Committee on Finance Nevada Legislature 401 N. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno Chair, Assembly Committee on Ways and Means Nevada Legislature 401 N. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Grant Program

Dear Senator Dondero Loop and Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno,

The 2021 Senate Committee on Finance and Assembly Committee on Ways and Means requested the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to provide a semiannual report of the Off-Highway Vehicles Grant Program. Following is the fourth semiannual report, which includes the number of grant applications received, a summary of grants awarded, and payments made to grantees for the period covering January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

Grant Applications: Solicitation and Awards from January 2023 – June 2023

The Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program (NOHVP) administers grants that fund off-highway vehicle related projects throughout the state including trail improvements, mapping, signage, law enforcement, education, safety training, restoration, and other projects. Pursuant NRS 490, the Off-Highway Vehicle Grants (OHV Grants) are reviewed and awarded by the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles (Commission).

In October 2022, NOHVP opened a second round of grant funding in the amount of \$750,000. For the January 2023 grant round, NOHVP received a total of 24 applications for review and award. Among these, 20 applications totaling \$2,134,822 in funding requests, underwent consideration. However, four applications were either incomplete or withdrawn and were not pursued further. During the Commission meeting on January 12, 2023, a total of \$749,981 was awarded to 14 applicants. The chart below provides a summary of the funding awards.

Project Name	Applicant	GRANT AWARD
Road Map to a Successful OHV Program	Southwest Central Regional Economic Development Authority	-
Silver State RaceMedX	Silver State RaceMedX	\$20,000
Old Highway 93 OHV Staging Facility	Reed Perkins	-
Logandale Trail System Trail Maintenance and Equipment	Vegas Valley Four Wheelers	\$20,000
Winnemucca Motocross Association	Winnemucca Motocross Association, Inc.	\$20,000
Nevada Off-Road Association Desert Pigs Trailer	Nevada Off-Road Association	\$15,260
Return to Dirt Nevada	High Fives Foundation	\$20,000
Nevada Trailfinder Support	Nevada Division of Outdoor Recreation	\$50,000
Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Stateline Resident Section	Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department	-
OHV Education, Safety, and Enforcement Improvement - Clark and Nye Co	BLM Southern Nevada District	-
Storey County Sheriff Law Enforcement	Storey County Sheriff's Office	-
Fiberglass Signs at Intersections and Kiosks in Gold Butte Monument and Sur	Kokopelli ATV Club of Mesquite NV	\$21,312
Elko Motocross Track, Phase II	Elko Motocross Club	\$128,283
South Dry Valley OHV Maintenance and Restoration Phase II	Great Basin Institute	\$81,197
Wilson Canyon BLM OHV Remediation, Phase II	Walker Basin Conservancy	\$62,629
Nevada Off-Road Association Pahrump to Tonopah Trail	Nevada Off-Road Association Pahrump to Tonopah Trail	\$12,000
OHV Marketing and Education	MXT Media	-
Ride Safe Ride Smart Nevada OHV Safety Program	Nevada Outdoor School	\$68,300
World Champion Staging Area	City of Mesquite	\$115,000
Nevada Off-Road Association Education and Outreach	Nevada Off-Road Association	\$116,000
Total Funding Awarded		\$749,981

The second annual grant period commenced in April and had a submission deadline of June 2023, providing a total of \$750,000 available for FY 24. Below is a summary of 11 applications received for OHV projects, with a combined funding request of \$1,631,686.

Project Name	APPLICANT	GRANT
		REQUEST
Farmy's Off Road Park	Farmy Inc.	\$297,988
Lincoln County OHV Staging Area Planning	Lincoln Communities Action Team	\$17,538
Mineral County OHV Staging Area Phase 2	Mineral County	\$165,642
Nevada Ride Safe Ride Smart OHV Safety	Nevada Outdoor School	\$108,221
Education		
NOHVP Marketing and Education	MXT Media	\$200,445
Ol' Highway 93 Lincoln County Staging Area	Reed Perkins	\$376,778

Ride Hard, Ride Safe and Educate	Trespasser Productions	\$74,992
Southern Nevada Trail Clean- ups	Vegas Valley Four Wheelers	\$20,000
Stagecoach OHV Trail	Southern Nye County Conservation District	\$22,015
Storey County NRS 490 Enforcement, Education & Outreach	Storey County Sheriff's Office	\$67,070
Peavine Maze Connectivity and Restoration	Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship	\$280,997

A public meeting to award funds for grant applications for the summer 2023 grant round was held on July 17, 2023. Those awards are available on the OHV website and can be included in future reports.

Payments to Grantees from January – June 2023

Grant payments are made on a quarterly basis for reimbursement of expenses, per Section 3200 of the Nevada State Administrative Manual. Grantee expenditures are based on the project timeline with consideration of planning and environmental clearances prior to construction phases. Therefore, there are few reimbursement requests immediately after grants are awarded, though reimbursement requests ramp up towards the end of the grant lifecycle when construction materials and facilities begin to be ordered.

The information contained in the table below is based on monthly and quarterly reimbursements with two grant rounds per year. Between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2023, \$778,190.67 was expended on grant reimbursements from the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles.

GRANT PAYMENTS JANUARY – JUNE 2023		
GRANTEE	TOTAL PAYMENT	
Carson City	\$39,579.68	
Clark County	\$13,977.52	
Dunes And Trails ATV Club	\$1,076.13	
Elko Motocross Club	\$58,915.33	
Humboldt County Sheriff	\$2,504.63	
Great Basin Institute	\$232,681.13	
City of Mesquite	\$4,936.38	
Mineral County	\$67,465.80	
MXT Media	\$47,355.95	
Nevada Division of Natural Heritage	\$2,478.07	
Nevada Offroad Association	\$100,851.66	
Nevada Outdoor School	\$78,517.83	
Nevadans for Cultural Preservation	\$ 16,961.82	
Nye County	\$612.00	
Pershing County Sheriff	\$29,342.08	
PINE NUT MOUNTAINS Trails ASSOC	\$6,799.07	
Tread Lightly! Inc	\$2,583.43	
Us Department of Agriculture	\$14,012.54	

Us Department of Interior/BLM	\$32,878.29
Vegas Valley Four Wheelers	\$17,498.99
Walker Basin Conservancy	\$5,621.05
Winnemucca Motocross Association	\$1,541.29
Total Expenditures January-June 2023	\$778,190.67

As always, an invitation stands for legislators and staff to experience resources for Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle recreation by attending an OHV event, trail ride, or grants discussion. For more information about the OHV Program and its initiatives please contact Nikhil Narkhede at <u>nnarkhede@ohv.nv.gov</u> or at 775-684-2794.