

## TAC Meeting Notes 12.6.2024

**Project Name:** LVMPD Stateline Resident Section

**Applicant:** Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

**Grant Request:** \$69,322.09

- Great application over all
- Very clear deliverables
- All previous funded projects have been followed through with
- \$8,000 for skid - do they need fire equipment as police officers, do they have appropriate training for this equipment? How is it NRS490 related?
- Ask is reasonable, minus the \$8,000 for skid
- **Recommend partial fund** – Do not fund the skid

**Project Name:** Elgin Schoolhouse OHV Trailhead Restroom & Amenities

**Applicant:** Nevada State Parks

**Grant Request:** \$150,000

- High visitation area, amenities are needed
- Other recreation available in this area who would also use the amenities
- Clear deliverables and project timeline
- Kiosks will provide OHV specific info, including registration
- Could bring in more tourism
- Has an equal match
- **Recommend fully fund**

**Project Name:** Sierra Avalanche Center Avalanche Forecast

**Applicant:** Sierra Avalanche Center (SAC)

**Grant Request:** \$106,818

- A lot of their work is in California
- We have funded them in the past
- Only non-video related snowmobile/winter project

- Would they be able to track when the money is going towards work in CA versus NV?
- Much needed service, no one else doing this type of work and crucial to the safety of NV Snowmobilers in the region.
- Nevadan's benefit from this information even if it is in CA based entity
- Visitors/locals to NV do not know when they cross the border into CA when recreating
- Benefit to users at large and partnerships, good publicity for OHV
- **Recommend partial fund** – Reduce funding to 20% of their total budget (instead of 30%) to more closely match percentage of area they cover that is NV versus CA

**Project Name:** Storey County NRS 490 Enforcement & Education/Outreach

**Applicant:** Storey County Sherrif's Office

**Grant Request:** \$28,065.78

- The skills they could learn would improve overall ridership
- Increase ability to get out further and safer
- Reasonable budget
- Current, open grant is almost completed, with good history of grant compliance
- Questions on challenge coins - are they necessary? Potential budget item to cut, if needed.
- **Recommend fund**

**Project Name:** Carson City BLM Operations Maintenance Education and Enforcement

**Applicant:** Carson City BLM

**Grant Request:** \$200,000

- TAC would like more focus on a single area, like moonrocks
- \$200,000 is a large amount, potential to rework the budget and deliverables to be smaller, more focused
- Good project with good support.
- It's a lot. Do they expect to accomplish all of it in 2 years?

- First time since 2021 BLM has applied
- **Recommend partial funding** – Cut \$21,700 for NOVAC Travel

**Project Name:** HTNF Spring Mountains National Recreation Area – OHV/Motorized Trails Program

**Applicant:** USFS

**Grant Request:** \$139,740.23

- Concern that if equipment is purchased, they won't be able to pay for its maintenance in future years.
- USFS will be cutting fleet on a larger scale
- Will not be hiring any more seasonal employees
- Instead of purchasing UTV, fund training and trail maintenance only?
- Possible to borrow OHVs from other programs?
- Recommend cutting UTV, trailer and storage shed out of the budget
- Opportunities for collaboration with partner groups to use vehicles
- **Recommend partial fund** – Cut UTV, storage shed, and trailer expenses \$69,981.

**Project Name:** Lyon County Safe Rider

**Applicant:** Lyon County Sheriff's Office

**Grant Request:** \$108,970

- Needed project
- What officers would be participating in this since they are already stretched thin? Overtime?
- Will this truck be used only for OHV or just a new patrol vehicle?
- Suggest awarding for training and upgrading UTV
- **Recommend partial funding** – Cut truck purchase and related expenses \$83,362.20

**Project Name:** KTMB Off-Highway Vehicles Illegal Dumpsite Prevention and Cleanups

**Applicant:** Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful

**Grant Request:** \$19,390.12

- Appreciate that they are asking for a used truck
- No clear ties to OHV, should tie to more specific OHV areas
- The work they do is great, but doesn't seem to fit well with the OHV grant
- Match is overstated, including rates for USFS employees
- Is the truck only for OHV cleanup?
- **Recommend do not fund** - Come back with OHV specific trails cleanup/maintenance on future application

**Project Name:** Ride Safe, Ride Smart Education, Outreach Resources

**Applicant:** Nevada Outdoor School

**Grant Request:** \$210,765

- Very personnel heavy
- Large ask
- Regular, repeat applicant for the same project
- Appreciate the work NOS does, application seems too similar, like years prior
- Need to diversify their funding sources, but some small improvements have been made this year
- Need to come up with a sustainability plan for long term feasibility
- **Recommend partial funding** – pay for materials and “boots on the ground” staff. Cut Executive Director, Director of Finance, and Communications & Outreach Specialist \$54,797

**Project Name:** 2027-2036 SCORP & Statewide Trails Plan

**Applicant:** Nevada State Parks

**Grant Request:** \$50,000

- Amount requested reasonable
- Out of the two State Parks applications, prefer Elgin Schoolhouse as it relates back to OHV more directly
- Project would be difficult to determine what % is OHV specific
- **Recommend do not fund**

**Project Name:** Beatty OHV Staging Area Phase 1

**Applicant:** Nevada Offroad Association with Beatty Bighorn Outback Explores

**Grant Request:** \$77,500

- Deliverables not clear, pieces missing in application, too vague
- Application references education, kiosks, etc. – but not part of deliverables for this specific project.
- Both phases are listed in Scope of work, but only phase 1 listed in deliverables.
- \$10,000 for grant administration seems excessive. 15% of rest of funding
- NVORA has been previously funded, but application says 0 times.
- Who would be the signatory on a funding agreement – NVORA or Beatty Bighorn? Can't be both.
- This staging area is needed, but the application needs to be better quality
- Encourage applicant to work with Kaden on application for a future grant round and reapply.
- **Recommend not fund**

**Project Name:** Nevada OHV: Ride Hard Ride Safe Winter Safety Videos

**Applicant:** Trespasser Productions

**Grant Request:** \$52,777

- Like that it's focusing on winter safety
- Would make more sense for them to partner with a non-profit to create messaging. The non-profit could be an applicant and then they would contract out to Trespasser
- Seems to be an inappropriate use of grant funds, trying to get around the RFP/purchasing process for State agencies
- The grant should not be used to create content for the OHV Program.
- **Recommend do not fund**

**Project Name:** Nevada Offroad Education Outreach and Stewardship 2025

**Applicant:** Nevada Offroad Association

**Grant Request:** \$184,445

- What are the deliverables?
- Regular, repeat applicant for the same project
- Application lacks specifics on where funds are being utilized
- Application too vague
- Do not recommend funding normal operational costs of an organization like PO box, email, storage, etc.
- Very staff heavy, but for only two people (rates are very high - \$57.70/hr and \$46.15/hr)
- Do they have any other funding sources?
- Organization needs to figure out how to be more financially independent and sustainable
- What is the \$30,000 for grant administration fee? Wouldn't managing the grant be part of the duties of the contractors?
- Why is a non-profit handling state equipment on behalf of the state?
- Could obtain contract (RFP) for Summit instead of using grant money
- **Recommend do not fund** - Come back with clear deliverables, focusing on specific projects and/or events versus just overall funding for everything that the organization does.

**Project Name:** Explore Nevada

**Applicant:** Arborglyph LTD

**Grant Request:** \$56,692

- For profit company that want us to pay them to make videos
- Seems to be an inappropriate use of grant funds, trying to get around the RFP/purchasing process for State agencies
- The grant should not be used to create content for the OHV Program.
- **Recommend do not fund**
- If they really are passionate about OHV safety, they should work with a non-profit who has received grant funding

**Project Name:** THE RIDE GUIDE - Video/Photo Series

**Applicant:** Generikal Design

**Grant Request:** \$83,000

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