

October 23, 2018

Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Off-Highway Vehicles Program  
Attn: Jenny Scanland  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1001  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Commissioners:

On behalf of Nevada Outdoor School, I am submitting the attached State of Nevada Off Highway Vehicle Program Fall 2018 Grant Application to continue to support our Outdoor Ethics Programs including Leave No Trace, Tread Lightly, ATV/OHV and Dirt Bike Safety.

Nevada Outdoor School's Outdoor Ethics Education Program has been successfully spreading the message of safe and responsible recreation throughout our community and state over the past 15 years and our efforts continue to grow. We are especially effective in working with the younger generation providing engaging and inspiring outdoor experiences that grow children's appreciation of and connection to the natural world. We are also excited about our new Outdoor Ethics Club for middle and Jr High school students, a demographic which is often overlooked in our communities.

Nevada Outdoor School uses only existing OHV trails and existing OHV recreation areas for our safety trainings. With continued outreach and financial support, NOS plans to help maintain these projects and features of our programming for at least 25 years. We also have a strong history of effective and successful management of many federal and non-federal funding sources including several Nevada Division of State Parks Recreational Trails Program grants, annual Bureau of Land Management Assistance Agreements and USDA Forest Service projects. NOS has successfully completed and reported on two previous Nevada OHV Program grants and expects to wrap up our third grant in December 2018 which makes it all the more important to continue to fund these highly effective Outdoor Ethics Programs.

We have strong and continuing partnerships with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, the Northern Nevada ATV Association, the ATV Safety Institute, Oregon ATV Safety Programs and the Recreational Off Highway Vehicle Association to offer various ATV/OHV and Dirt Bike Safety trainings and certifications throughout the state. We plan on continuing to reach out our rural and urban communities to offer family friendly, fun and engaging OHV Registration and VIN inspection events in partnership with other Sheriff's Offices across the state as we already do in Humboldt County but continued support from the OHV Commission is essential in growing these events and programs.

Thank you for your consideration,



Melanie Erquiaga – Executive Director

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**Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles**  
**Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources**

This application has six (VI) sections which are all REQUIRED to be filled out in full. To avoid disqualification, all application areas must be concise and complete; certifications must be signed and dated. Denied applications: correspondence will be sent to applicant by email describing the reason for declaring the application incomplete.

**SECTION I - PROJECT AND APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1. **Project Name:** Nevada Outdoor School Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety Program
2. **Project Dates:** *Expected Start:* January 1, 2019 *Expected Completion:* December 31 , 2020
3. **Applicant Name:** Nevada Outdoor School

Mailing address: 655 Anderson St, Winnemucca, NV 89445

Phone: 775-623-5656

Email: melanie.erquiaga@nevadaoutdoorschool.org

4. **Classification of Applicant:** *(check one)*

- Federal    State    County    Local/Municipal    Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partnership    Non-profit    for Profit    Individual

*If the applicant is a corporate or legal entity, proof of good standing in the entity's state of incorporation is required. NAC 490.1345 (Note: grantees must have the capacity to implement and accomplish proposed project and properly administer awarded funds).*

Melanie Erquiaga  
Applicant Signature

(Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)

10/23/2018  
Date

5. **Project Manager:** Melanie Erquiaga and Katie Fithian

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6. **Classification of Land Control:** *(check all that apply)*

Federally managed public land     Private Land     County     City

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Lease; Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

R&PP; Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

*If the proposed project is to be carried out on public land, attach any applicable written agreement with any government entity having jurisdiction over that land, including permits, leases, easements, and rights-of-way. NAC 490.135*

7. **Landowner:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

8. **THE LANDOWNER MUST PROVIDE A LETTER STATING THAT:**

(See example Appendix B)

- a) Landowner has read the Request for Grant Application package;
- b) Landowner agrees with the application and the terms of the grant;
- c) Landowner holds an interest in the subject land that is sufficient in scope and authority to allow the applicant to complete the proposed project and operate and maintain the proposed project after its completion;
- d) Landowner is legally committing to maintain the trail/facility and will allow public motorized access to such trail/facilities for 25 years or the normal life of the project; and
- e) Landowner agrees to provide any match or other tasks in the application that are assigned to Landowner.

**The State may require the landowner/agency to be co-grantee on the grant agreement/contract.**

**9. Project Costs: (Please do not submit match not directly related to the project)**

State OHV Grant Request:                \$34,539            
Other Funds:                                \$55,704            
Total Project Amount                      \$90,243                      100%

**What are the sources or Partners for your leveraged (other) funds?**

Federal  Private  In-kind  City/County  Other

Please *describe* source(s):

Type here: Federal Match will come from our BLM Assistance Agreement, State Parks Recreational Trails Program, and AmeriCorps Nevada. Private match will come from NOS unrestricted funds, and in-kind match will come from student and adult volunteers.

**10. LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM PARTNERS are required:**

- a) confirming they agree to the terms of the grant; and
- b) that they are committed to providing match/cash or other tasks in the application that are assigned to them.

**Other letters of support are limited to three (3). Please attach them to the application.**

**11. Project Type(s) (NRS 490.069 Sec.2c) check all that apply:**

- Studies or planning for trails and facilities;
  - Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Studies.
  - Other studies \_\_\_\_\_
- Acquisition of land for trails and facilities
- Mapping and signing of trails and facilities
- Reconstruction, enhancement or maintenance of existing trails and facilities
- Construction of new trails and facilities
- Restoration of areas that have been damaged by the use of off-highway vehicles.

- The construction of trail features, trailheads, parking, or other ancillary facilities which minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas or important wildlife habitat areas.
- Safety training and education related to the use of off highway vehicles and registration
- Compliance and enforcement (See Appendix C, Enforcement Strategy example)

*Note: Operations & management, and purchase or lease of equipment associated directly with a project are eligible.*

**12. All Trail USERS: (check all that apply)**

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|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking/Backpacking   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equestrian       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single track motorcycle | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiling         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snowshoe/ski     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATV quads               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dune buggy           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UTV Side by side |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Race Course                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Skills riding course |  |

Other Type here:

Please explain how you intend to manage conflict between users. Our Outdoor Ethics Programs are designed for all public lands off road recreationists and part of our message and education is focused on sharing the trails and roads with all users. Both Leave no Trace and Tread Lightly principles and ethics address multi focused users.

**13. Scope of Work:** Please describe *exactly* what work will be completed. Programs, planning, NEPA, surveys, mapping, etc., and include miles of trail, trail type and other measurable goals including a timeline for completing the work. NAC 490.1375. If purchase of equipment is included, please explain where/how it will be housed and maintained. (In order to avoid duplication, **do not include** justification or narrative in this section; refer to Section VI, Scoring Narrative).

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is committed to spreading the message of responsible recreation to people of all ages across Nevada through Leave no Trace, Tread Lightly! and OHV safety outreach and education. As the premier provider of outdoor ethics education in rural Nevada, we pride ourselves on our multi-faceted, effective and professional Outdoor Ethics Program including Front County (classroom lessons and activities), Back Country (eco and summer camps), Road Shows (our mobile education and outreach booth which travels around the state reaching thousands of Nevadans with the message of responsible recreation and the importance of OHV Registration), Trainings (LNT and TL! Trainer and Awareness Courses; ATV, OHV and dirt bike safety trainings) and our Outdoor Ethics Club (an outdoor recreation and stewardship club for middle school and

junior high (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders) students in Winnemucca). In 2018, our Outdoor Ethics and ATV/OHV safety programs received a special recognition award by the National Off-Highway Conservation Council (NOHVCC) at their annual conference in Michigan. NOS's main goal with this program is to create a safe and responsible recreation ethic amongst all OHV enthusiasts in Nevada. This coming year, we will accomplish this goal by working with at least 200 youth in school and after-school settings during the school year, running three ATV/Dirt Bike Rider Camps and at least seven outdoor adventure camps and excursions throughout the summer, attending at least six public outreach Road Shows throughout the year in addition to co-hosting at least six registration/VIN inspection events with statewide Sheriff's, co-hosting at least 3 youth and 5 adult ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike safety trainings and hosting at least 3 Tread Lightly! Trainer courses. In addition to Tread Lightly!, Leave No Trace and OHV Safety curriculum, NOS will continue to develop new interpretive material and add content to our educational outreach regarding the OHV registration law in Nevada and the user benefits of registering. In total, NOS plans to directly contact over 400 people with that message. Additional contacts will be made through web presence and social media. As part of this program, we will be traveling to many locations throughout the state of Nevada and therefore will continue to need reliable transportation in the form of our 2017 Ford F150 truck. This vehicle will be housed at the Nevada Outdoor School Winnemucca office and regularly maintained by local, licensed mechanics to ensure top performance and longevity.

**14. Standards/Guidelines that will be applied to your project:**

- Universal Access to Outdoor Recreation - A Design Guide
- USFS Standard Specifications for Construction & Maintenance of Trails
- BLM Handbook 9114-1 Trails
- NOHVCC Handbooks

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**15. Has the applicant received funding from the OHV Program in the past?**

- No  Yes

Number of projects funded: 3

Amount of funding Received: \$ 42,589.07

Number of projects Completed: 2

## **SECTION II – LOCATION, MAPS, PHOTOS**

### **Project Location:**

County: \_\_\_\_\_ all Nevada Counties \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Municipality/Town/City: Various – Program is Statewide, but based out of Winnemucca

Center of project: Latitude: 40.972958 Longitude: -117.735685 \

**If the shape-files for the trail system are available, please submit them in the e-file. The shape-files of the trail will be required at project end. Program will assist in the collection of the data if needed.**

**MAPS ARE A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THE APPLICATION. THEY ARE REQUIRED AND CONSIDERED PART OF THE FINAL AGREEMENT IF FUNDED. PLEASE PROVIDE READABLE, PROFICIENT MAPS.**

**Required Maps: for all maps please include a legend, north arrow, scale, and map name.**

**Topographic maps preferred. You may include *additional* aerial/google maps.**

- General location map (showing project area within the state or county)
- Topographic map (7.5 minute series quadrangle, 1:24,000 scale) with project boundary and map name Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Sections \_\_\_\_\_
- Detail map indicating specific project elements (e.g., structures, trail alignment)
  - Maps larger than 11x17 will not be accepted

**Please attach the following photographs:**

- At least two (2) overviews of the project area from different angles and distances. (Good photographs at trail level and google aeriels help the scoring committee to understand the location, depth and breadth of your project.)*

## **SECTION III - Federal Lands or Other**

### **Federal Environmental Compliance**

**A. If Federal funds or Land are a part of the project and NEPA was completed, indicate which document was produced, and **please attach the decision document to this application:****

- Record of Decision (ROD)
- Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)
- Categorical Exclusion (CX)
- SHPO 106 compliance/concurrence letter.
- Other compliance documents already completed. (do not attached the EA or EIS)
- Not applicable

**If NEPA or planning is a part of the project describe the steps in the Scope Section I, #13.**

### SECTION IV - BUDGET

**Proposed Budget:** Provide your budget details to include at a minimum the items in the following table. You may create your own spreadsheet.

- Your budget must align clearly with your scope of work from #13. Be specific, as your application will rate higher.
- Reminder: Include all sources of funds for the completion of the project including federal, in-kind, private/city/county and state funds.
- **It is recommended that you attach copies of estimates to support your budget, and identify what each contract will include.**

<b>EXAMPLE</b> Item Description	Item Description	\$\$ OHV Grant Request	Federal \$\$	Other Funds	Total Cost
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outdoor Ethics Program Director (1,800 regular time hours @ \$18.50/hr)	\$ 7,400	\$25,900		\$33,300
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outdoor Ethics Program Director (150 overtime hours @ \$27.75/hr)	\$ 1,388	\$ 2,775		\$ 4,163
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outreach Director/LNT Master Educator (100 hours @ \$25.40/hr)		\$ 2,540		\$ 2,540
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Executive Director (300 hours @ \$29.80/hr)	\$ 2,980	\$ 5,960		\$ 8,940
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Director of Finance (150 hours @ \$20.50/hr)	\$ 820	\$ 2,255		\$ 3,075
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Education Program Directors (240 hours @ \$19.00/hr)		\$ 4,560		\$ 4,560
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS AmeriCorps Naturalists (3) & Outdoor Ethics Specialist (1) (640 hours @ \$8.92/hr)	\$ 2,284	\$ 3,425		\$ 5,709
Volunteer or donated labor/in-kind # Hrs. skilled labor @\$23.56/hr.	Volunteer or donated student labor (60 hours @ \$23.56/hr)			\$ 1,414	\$ 1,414
Purchase of equipment - Specify type of equipment – cost- # of days.	2017 Ford F-150 Pickup to travel to Safety Trainings, LNT and TL trainings and Road Shows (\$ 830.51/month x 12 months)	\$ 9,966			\$ 9,966
Purchase of Materials, Items & cost or group of items.	ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike Safety Training Supplies (flags, cones, helmets, gloves, goggles, spare long sleeve shirts for participants)	\$ 1,200			\$ 1,200
Purchase of Materials, Items & cost or group of items.	Outdoor Ethics LNT & TL Outreach and Training Supplies	\$ 400			\$ 400
Purchase of Materials, Items & cost of items.	Outdoor Ethics Office and Printing supplies for Trainings and Outreach, Printing of Brochures	\$ 600	\$ 800		\$ 1,400

<b>Travel Costs</b>	<b>Hotel and Per Diem for travel to ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike Safety Trainings and Camps @ \$169/day x 20 days (includes 2 people per event on average)</b>	<b>\$ 3,380</b>			<b>\$ 3,380</b>
<b>Vehicle gas and maintenance standard is now at .545 per mile. Estimate miles.</b>	<b>Approximately 1,800 miles @ .545/mile</b>	<b>\$ 981</b>			<b>\$ 981</b>
<b>Other: be specific</b>	<b>Storage Unit Rental for ATV and OE Supplies (\$45/month)</b>		<b>\$ 540</b>		<b>\$ 540</b>
<b>Other: be specific</b>	<b>ATV Maintenance and ATV's and Trailer Registration</b>		<b>\$ 600</b>		<b>\$ 600</b>
<b>Indirect Costs 10% de-minimus allowed</b>		<b>\$ 3,140</b>	<b>\$ 4,935</b>		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$34,539</b>	<b>\$54,290</b>	<b>\$ 1,414</b>	<b>\$90,243</b>
<b>Percentages</b>		<b>38%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Estimated Indirect Costs**

The rate of indirect costs is based on the amount of direct costs. Indirect costs are those costs that are not directly related to the project but are necessary for the project to be successful. Indirect costs include things like rent, utilities, and other overhead costs.

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## **SECTION V – PRIORITIES AND SCORING NARRATIVE**

### **THE SCORING PRIORITIES ARE LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY.**

**Address the following twelve (12) criteria in the order listed below.**

- **Please tell us how your project/program meets each criteria.**
  - **Be specific and concise with your answers.**
  - **Please submit no more than five (5) double-sided pages for your Narrative.**
  - **Please type directly into this application. *If the form doesn't work for you, please cut and paste into another document and answer in the same order as given below. (If not applicable, answer N/A.)***
1. ***Law Enforcement Strategy that addresses enforcement as well as Public Education & Outreach aimed at increasing renewals and new registrations: (See Appendix C). If your Enforcement grant does not include educ. or outreach see #4 below)***

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics program provides targeted OHV registration education and outreach to thousands of people in Nevada through our Road Shows, where we travel to events such as Get Outdoors Nevada Day (Las Vegas), Reno Motorsports Expo (Reno), and Nevada Outdoor Experience (Carson City) to set-up a fun, interactive and informative booth that educates people about OHV safety and Tread Lightly!, training opportunities, and OHV registration. Some of our Road Show events also include co-hosting OHV registration and VIN inspection drives with our local Humboldt County Sheriff's department. With continued and increased funding, NOS hopes to coordinate with more Sheriff's Offices across Nevada to co-host the same type of events resulting in increased outreach and education about OHV registration and an increased number of people actually getting VIN inspections and their OHVs registered in Nevada.

2. ***Trail mapping, signing and maintenance of existing trails and facilities: Please describe how your project/program assists in the maintenance and/or rehabilitation of Existing Facilities. "Taking care of what is already there to protect the investment."***

Outdoor Ethics is all about responsible recreation which includes respecting and maintaining outdoor infrastructure. Through Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics Program, we educate the public about positively interacting with our public lands and facilities, helping to reduce or eliminate the need for maintenance or rehabilitation. NOS programs such as our back country and Outdoor Ethics Club also have strong stewardship components to them. Some of these stewardship projects, if needed, can help land managers maintain or rehabilitate existing facilities.

As part of our Outdoor Ethics program, we will also work with local land managers to help educate the public about travel plans and local trails. We will help distribute information and maps at our Road Show events. Additionally, NOS will work with our local agencies if needed to assist in any trail mapping or creation of public maps. This will be done with the help of local youth through our Outdoor Ethics Club.

NOS will also continue working with the USFS Santa Rosa Ranger District on the Buckskin and Table Mountain OHV trails to modify newly installed ATV cattle guards to further deter cattle

crossing or getting stuck in the guards which has become an unfortunate issue with a couple of local ranchers using those grazing allotments on Forest Service public lands.

- 3. Training:** *Please describe the goals and objectives of your public training program, i.e., Public Education, Rider Classes, Safety, Trail Building, or Outdoor Ethics. Number of people trained, contacts made, etc.*

The goal of Nevada Outdoor School's Outdoor Ethics program is to educate people around the state about safe and responsible riding and recreation through hands-on safety and outdoor ethics trainings and educational outreach. This coming year, we plan to accomplish this goal through the following objectives:

- Directly contact at least 200 youth through in school field trips and after school programs such as our Outdoor Ethics Club with the message of responsible recreation and stewardship.
- Run 3 youth ATV/Dirt Bike safety camps during the summer in 3 different communities: Reno, Winnemucca and Elko.
- Run at least 7 outdoor adventure youth summer camps and excursions for 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders that educate participants about outdoor ethics.
- Travel to at least 6 Road Show events, directly contacting and educating at least 700 people about responsible riding, Tread Lightly! and the OHV registration law.
- Partner with sheriff's offices around the state to co-host at least 6 VIN inspection events, helping to educate the public about the importance of safe and responsible riding.
- Host and/or co-host at least 3 youth and 5 adult hands-on ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike Safety trainings.
- Host at least 3 formal Tread Lightly! Trainer courses, resulting in at least 15 new TL! Trainers in Nevada.

- 4. Law Enforcement, SAR with NO Registration component:** *How will your officer training, equipment purchase or salary/overtime request serve the off-highway vehicle recreating public?*

Nevada Outdoor School's Outdoor Ethics program has a strong registration component that partners with local and statewide Sheriff's Offices. (please see question #1)

- 5. Access:** *Please describe how your project/program ensures protection of access. Explain what access/opportunities would be lost or restricted if the project doesn't occur.*

As one of Tread Lightly! (TL!)’s messages states, “Respected Access is Open Access.” Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) whole-heartedly agrees with this message and works hard through our Outdoor Ethics program to educate the public about responsible recreation so our public lands

stay healthy and open for everyone to enjoy. Irresponsible recreation, including harm done by OHV users, causes a variety of impacts to the natural world and recreation areas. These impacts lead to the necessity for increased maintenance and law enforcement. Unfortunately, lack of funding and resources to provide maintenance and law enforcement typically leads to riding and recreation areas being closed or access being limited. At NOS, we want public lands to stay open for generations to come. In order to accomplish this, we educate people about safe and responsible riding through our summer camps, trainings, school programs and Road Shows.

- 6. *Economic Integration:*** *Please describe how your project/program develops outdoor recreation opportunities that help local, regional, or state economies grow (e.g., economic impact, additional OHV funding sources, improved user or business group participation, Road use resolutions and OHV friendly Communities.)*

Irresponsible recreation can have major consequences to the economic vitality of a community. It could result in need for more law enforcement, more facility and trail maintenance, fire-fighting, campground restoration and more. Many times lack of funding for such needs results in public lands and recreation facilities being closed. Through outdoor ethics outreach and education, Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) spreads the message of responsible recreation and teaches people about the consequences of positive and negative interactions with the natural world. With more of our community being educated about outdoor ethics and responsibly recreating on our public lands, it decreases the need for law enforcement, fire suppression, facility maintenance, restoration work, etc. therefore, improving the economic vitality of our communities throughout Nevada. Additionally, NOS purchases OHV safety gear for trainings, outreach events and prizes from local businesses including Sonoma Cycles in Winnemucca and Ship's Cycle and 5<sup>th</sup> Gear Power Sports in Elko, helping support our local off-road dealerships and communities. Our larger equipment like trucks and trailers are also purchased locally.

- 7. *Connectivity/Loops:*** *Please describe the increase in connectivity between trails, facilities and other locations that your project/program would provide or enhance when completed. Attach maps if necessary, i.e., towns, parks, areas, trails, etc.*

NOS will utilize trail systems and much loved recreation areas such as Valley of Fire State Park, Buckskin and Table Mountain Loops and Lye Creek Campground in the Santa Rosa Mountains, Shoshone ATV Trails, Sand Mountain Recreation Area, the Winnemucca Sand Dunes, The Black Rock Desert High-Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area, Water Canyon and many other sites to provide educational outreach to the public. This outreach will focus on outdoor ethics and ATV/OHV and dirt bike safety, especially among youth. Utilizing the surrounding existing trails and recreation areas will promote a vested interest in these and other public lands to keep them clean and safe for generations to come.

- 8. *Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation:*** *please describe how the environmental studies and/or planning will result in maintaining or expanding OHV riding areas. Describe HOW your project/program considers water and habitat conservation.*

Outdoor ethics, or simply put, responsible recreation, is all about positively interacting with the natural world to ensure the health and beauty of our ecosystems and habitats. Nevada Outdoor School's Outdoor Ethics Programs encourage this positive interaction and inspire people to think critically about the impacts people can have on water, air, soil, plants, animals and other people. Through ethics education, people develop an appreciation for conserving natural resources and habitats. Additionally, NOS programs, such as our back country and Outdoor Ethics Club, place a big focus on conservation, rehabilitation and restoration. Youth at these programs participate in many different activities such as clean-ups, replanting, sage grouse flagging, and water quality testing. A big part of the Outdoor Ethics Club this year will be a partnership project with the Winnemucca District Bureau of Land Management to plant and maintain a pollinator garden in Water Canyon, a local recreation and riding area.

**9. Partnering and Leverage:** *Please describe coordination that has occurred with stakeholders, partners and the public in which all interests have had an opportunity to be heard related directly to this project/program. Also, describe how your project/program leverages private, BLM, USFS, State, local government, or in-kind funding, services or donations (Considered as investment in the project. Match is not required, but is commended and will receive additional points. Please remember to attach support letters as described in Section I, #8 and #10).*

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) has been highly effective in partnering with a variety of community groups and agencies to support the outdoor ethics message. This can be attributed to the talented and passionate staff delivering NOS programs and the broad appeal of what we teach including the most important part of our mission, to get outside! NOS talks to people around the state at a variety of outreach events to get direct input into what types of education and training opportunities the public would like to receive. We partner with land management agencies including with Bureau of Land Management, United States Forest Service and Nevada Department of Wildlife. Other programming partners include the Northern Nevada ATV Association, Friends of Black Rock-High Rock, Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Humboldt County School District, Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and the University of Nevada Reno Cooperative Extension. Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics, Tread Lightly!, the ATV Safety Institute, Oregon ATV Safety and Recreational Off Highway Vehicle Association all provide curriculum and educational resource support and trainings.

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is the premier provider of outdoor ethics education in rural northern Nevada. Our professional and effective outdoor ethics program is also supported by outdoor enthusiast clubs such as the Nevada Muley's, Nevada Chukar Foundation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and Nevada Bighorn Unlimited. Additionally, NOS has maintained a financial assistance agreement with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Winnemucca District for the past 15 years to provide educational and interpretive programs, including outdoor ethics throughout the district. NOS also has a Challenge Cost Share Agreement with the BLM NV State Office to provide outdoor ethics programming and utilize BLM managed lands for ATV/OHV and dirt bike safety courses throughout the state. NOS's Outdoor Ethics program is also supported through funding by the Nevada State Park's Recreational Trails Program (RTP).

**10. Demand for New Facilities:** Please provide justification (the demand) for **NEW** facility/program development: restrooms, trails, signs, and other amenities.

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics program works to educate the public about responsible recreation including respecting recreation facilities such as restrooms, trails, signs and other amenities with the hope that there will be a decreased need for new facilities where they currently exist. NOS will also be working with the Northern Nevada ATV Club and the BLM Winnemucca District to assist in the installation of picnic and toilet facilities at Winnemucca Sand Dunes if that grant application is approved as well.

**11. Maintenance:** Although this OHV grant program requires maintenance of all facilities funded for 25 years or the normal life of the project, please describe **HOW** your project will be maintained and **WHO** has committed to the ongoing maintenance of the facility or continuation of the service/program. (Please remember to attach support letters as described in Section I, #8 and #10).

NOS's outreach is inspiring a new generation of land stewards who will learn to love and take a strong interest in the sustainability of public land and recreation sites. NOS is constantly seeking to diversify funding sources and reach new participants and communities in order to continue spreading the outdoor ethics message for many years to come. In fact, since we launched our Road Show a few years ago, our numbers of LNT and TL! trainings have been steadily increasing. We attribute much of that to the connections we have been able to make and continue to make throughout the state with the support of the Nevada Commission of Off-Highway Vehicles (NCOHV). We are very proud that NCOHV supports our Outdoor Ethics program and have high hopes that revenue generated from the Nevada OHV registration program will continue to provide sustainable funding for outdoor ethics education in Nevada.

Nevada Off Highway Vehicles Program  
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To whom it may concern:

On behalf of Northern Nevada ATV Association, I would like to offer my support of Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s request for funding from the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program to support their Outdoor Ethics and ATV/OHV Safety Programs.

NOS's Outdoor Ethics Program has been successfully spreading the message of safe and responsible riding throughout our community over the past several years and their efforts continue to grow. NOS is especially effective in working with the younger generation of riders, providing hands-on safety trainings, fun rider camps and targeted outreach at community events through their Road Show booth.

NOS's Outdoor Ethics Program has also been successful in providing needed outreach and education to our riding community about Nevada's OHV registration law.

I am proud to offer my support for Nevada Outdoor School and hope you will continue to fund this great program!

Sincerely,



Tommy J. Swanger

President NNATV



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Off Highway Vehicles Program  
ATTN: J. Scanland  
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To Whom It May Concern:

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is writing in support of the Nevada Outdoor School application for the 2019 Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle Grant. BLM encourages interpretation and outdoor education focusing on Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! principles as taught by Nevada Outdoor School. As stipulated in the grant application, BLM agrees to the terms stated in the grant. BLM is committed to providing Nevada Outdoor School with materials and public outreach opportunities that conform to their mission goals and the goals of this grant. Nevada Outdoor School has been a consistent partner with the BLM with the goal of improving responsible OHV use on Nevada's Public Land.

Sincerely,

/s/ Peggy McGuckian

Peggy McGuckian  
Assistant Field Manager  
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# Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

Mike Allen, *Sheriff*



October 11, 2018

State of Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle's Program  
Attn: Jenny Scanland  
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Commissioners,

I am writing on behalf of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) in support of the Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) request to obtain funding from the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle's Program. Since 2015, our office has developed a strong partnership with the NOS through our joint "Ride Safe and Smart Humboldt County" rider education program. We have partnered to hold several public outreach events such as VIN inspection/registration drives, OHV Safety Fairs, and rider safety courses for dirt bikes, ATV's, and side by sides. With continued funding from this program, we hope to continue these events and reach even more people with the message of safe and responsible riding.

The "Ride Safe and Smart Humboldt County" program brings a unique partnership between our two offices. While our agency brings authority as it pertains to the enforcement of the various Nevada OHV laws and regulations, the Nevada Outdoor School focuses on their outreach and rider education programs. Together, we continue to spread the message of safe and responsible riding.

We are proud to continue a great partnership with the Nevada Outdoor School and offer our support as they request funding that will continue our joint effort to provide rider education and outreach to the off-highway enthusiasts in Northern Nevada.

Professionally,

Sheriff Mike Allen

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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS

October 8, 2018

Dear OHV Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the Nevada Outdoor School's application to the Off-Highway Vehicle grant program to continue their Outdoor Ethics and OHV/ATV Safety program, Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly Road Shows and trainings, and OHV registration event partnerships.

Through their programs, the Nevada Outdoor School teaches and promotes responsible OHV safety and recreation management for adults and youth across Nevada. The knowledge gained from their outreach encourages people of all ages to enjoy the outdoors responsibly by treading lightly and becoming stewards of the land. The skills and ethics learned from their programs last a lifetime.

Please consider funding Nevada Outdoor School's positive work throughout Nevada. Their efforts have been instrumental in teaching awareness and responsibility to OHV recreationists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janice Keillor".

Janice Keillor  
Park and Recreation Program Manager  
Nevada State Parks