

# NEVADA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

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

Applicant Information								
Organization Nam	ı <b>e:</b> Great Basiı	n Insti	itute					
Contact Person: Libby Wilson		on		Conservati	Associate Director, Nevada Conservation Corps			
	Name			Title				
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	16750 Mt Rose	Hwy						
	Street Address				Unit #			
	Reno			NV	89501			
	City			State	Zip Code			
Phone:	(775) 674-5475	x 400	Email:	lwilson@thegrea	son@thegreatbasininstitute.org			
Which best descri	bes your orga	niza	ition? (Check one)					
State Agency		Х	Non-Profit Organiza	tion				
Federal Agency			Community-Based Organization					
County/City Agency			For Profit					
Local/Municipal Entity			Other:					
Individual								
f the applicant is a corporequired. NAC 490.1345 project and properly adm  Has the applicant  No x Yes	(Note: grantees ninister awarded	must fund	have the capacity to im	plement and acco				
Does the applicant currently have open grants from the Nevada OHV Program?								
x No Yes	surrently nave	opei	i grants from the Net	vaua ONV Progra	aiiif			
Number of projects funded: 11								
Amount of funding received: \$ 1,015,296.94								
Number of projects	completed:	11						

Project Information									
Project Name: Multi-Use OHV Trail Maintenance									
Select all that describes the project type(s) NRS 490.069 Sec.2c?									
	OHV compliance and enforcement OHV safety training and education								
	Studies or planning for trails and facilities X Enhancement or maintenance								
	Mapping and signing				Construction of trails/facilities				
	Restoration of areas da	maged by O	HVs		Acquisition of land				
	Construction of trail features to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas or important wildlife habitats								
Pro	oject Cost (grant reques	t and match	ing funds o	direct	ly related to the project)				
	OHV grant request	\$129,992	.11						
	Matching Funds	\$22,092.8	80						
	Total Project Amount	\$152,084	.91						
X	What are the sources or partners for your leveraged (matching) funds?  x Federal In-kind State Private City/County Other:								
Please describe leveraged (matching) funds (ex. another grant, volunteer hours, cash donation, etc.):  Type here: Great Basin Institute's AmeriCorps grant will provide cash match to support the total wage and fringe costs for the Crew Leader (Cash Match Breakdown: \$6.75/hr Wage & \$4.34/hr Fringe x 640 hours) and Crew Member (Cash Match Breakdown: \$5.25/hr Wage & \$3.38/hr Fringe x 2,560 hours) for a total of \$22,093.00 in cash match.									
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Х	UTV/Side by Side		Mounta		ers				
	Hiking/Backpacking		Equestr	ian					
	Snowshoers/Skiers		Other:						

If applicable, please explain how this project will aid with managing user interactions:

Type here:

Not Applicable

## **Proposed Scope of Work**

Please describe exactly what work will be completed. Programs, planning, NEPA, surveys, mapping, include miles of trail, trail type and any other pertinent information (NAC 490.1375). If purchase of equipment is included, please explain where/how it will be housed and maintained.

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Great Basin Institute, in cooperation with the US Forest Service Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest is requesting funding to enhance and maintain OHV recreational trails that will improve the safety of OHV enthusiasts. Project efforts will focus on completing corridor maintenance on motorized trails located in the Santa Rosa, Ruby Mountain, and Austin-Tonopah Ranger Districts, as well as the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area. Emphasis will be placed on routes identified as priorities by US Forest Service staff and public feedback, with consideration to recreational use and current maintenance needs.

This project will fund one 5-person Nevada Conservation Corps (NCC) chainsaw crew to support completion of trail corridor clearing projects that will focus on removing trees and brush currently affecting user safety and the ability for mechanized project equipment to access the site. In total, we are requesting funds to support (8) 8-day work tours, providing 3,200 labor hours of project support. In addition, we are requesting funds to support one NCC Project Manager to support project planning with US Forest Service staff, as well as crew oversight and safety support during project implementation.

This project is part of a larger initiative by GBI and USFS Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest to improve the experience and safety of recreational visitors across the state of Nevada. GBI received \$139,686.64 through the State of Nevada Recreational Trails Program (RTP) to complete maintenance on both motorized and non-motorized trails in the Ruby Mtn and Santa Rosa Ranger Districts, as well as the Spring Mtns National Recreation Area.

## **Project Deliverables**

Please describe *quantitative* outcomes for your project. Examples could include miles of trail created, number of enforcement overtime hours, presentations held, programs facilitated, users engaged, pounds of trash collected, etc.

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The NCC program will provide a total of 3,200 hours of labor to complete OHV trail corridor maintenance on a minimum of one priority OHV recreation trail per district across (4) ranger districts within the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.

**Project Timeline:** Funding Agreements are two years unless specified. Please complete the table below providing a timeline of your project.

Date	Project Goals	Deliverables			
Jul-Sep, 25	No Activity	NA			
Oct-Dec, 25	No Activity	NA			
Jan-Mar, 26	No Activity	NA			
Apr-Jun, 26	Recruitment	(4) Techs Hired			
	Project Implementation	The NCC will			
		complete (6) 8-day			
		tours totaling 2,400			
		hours of labor. A			
Jul-Sep, 26		minimum of (3) OHV			
		priority Trails			
		maintained across (3)			
		<b>USFS Ranger Districts</b>			
Oct-Dec, 26	No Activity	NA			
Jan-Mar, 27	No Activity	NA			
	Project Implementation	The NCC will			
		complete (2) 8-day			
		tours totaling 800			
Apr-Jun, 27		hours of labor. A			
		minimum of (1) OHV			
		priority Trails			
		maintained across (1)			
		<b>USFS Ranger Districts</b>			

## **Priorities and Scoring Narrative**

Grants will be scored based on answers to the ten (10) criteria listed below. Each criteria carries a weight determined by the OHV Commission, voted upon during the open meeting on 9/7/2021. Please reference Grant Manual Appendix A.

Law Enforcement Strategy that addresses registration enforcement, including Public Education & Outreach aimed at increasing renewals and new registrations: How will your project increase the number of OHV registrations in the district. How will the equipment and time be used to increase OHV safety and awareness? Please reference the Law Enforcement Statistics reporting form.

Type here:

This project does not currently have a law enforcement strategy that addresses registration enforcement.

**Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation:** Describe how the environmental studies, conservation and/or planning will mitigate resources impacted by OHV recreation. How will your project contribute to the conservation of our natural resources, while enhancing OHV opportunities?

Type here:

Not Applicable

Enhancement or Maintenance of existing trails and facilities: How will maintenance needs be prioritized and how often will your project hold a maintenance/ trails enhancement event? HOW will your project be maintained and WHO has committed to the ongoing maintenance of the facility or trail (note: a minimum of 2 maintenance/ trail events are required per year).

Type here:

The focus of this project is to maintain existing OHV recreational trails across the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest to address access and user safety concerns. Sections of the trails are overgrown with brush, pinyon-juniper trees, and alder/willow thickets, making travel difficult and unsafe. Furthermore, significant route condition issues will be documented by the NCC Crew and reported to US Forest Service for reference in identifying future maintenance projects. As evidenced in the attached transmittal letter, this project has full support from the US Forest Service Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.

**Training:** Please describe the goals and objectives of your public safety training program. Is it a nationally recognized certification? What sets your safety training program apart from the others?

Type here:

Not Applicable

**Connectivity/Loops:** How will the project impact connectivity of OHV trails, facilities, and local communities? Please include maps of areas impacted by your project and describe those impacts.

Type here:

This project will maintain USFS trails/routes that connect with a diverse system of motorized and non-motorized trails. Please refer to attached project maps for each Ranger District for illustration of the complex connectivity of the OHV routes to be prioritized.

**Access:** Please describe how your project improves OHV access in the project area. Explain what access/opportunities would be lost or restricted if the project does not occur.

Type here:

This project will focus on improving access to the existing OHV trail system. The impacts of vegetation growth into the corridor are endangering access to important recreational opportunities due to safety concerns. If left unaddressed, future access could be lost or highly discouraged due to hazardous conditions.

**Trail mapping and signing of existing trails and facilities:** If a mapping component is included in the grant, please describe how it will be integrated with the current web mapping application found on OHV.NV.GOV

Type here:

Not Applicable

**Partnering and Leverage:** Who else is involved in this project? Please describe outreach with stakeholders, partners and local governments, that you have communicated with in planning this project.

Type here:

GBI developed this project in collaboration with full support from USFS Humboldt-Toiyabe District Rangers and staff. This strong support across the Forest highlights how important our project initiatives are to the local communities.

**Economic Integration:** How will this project improve OHV recreation opportunities that help local, regional, or state economies grow?

Type here:

This project focuses on improving current conditions for Nevada's expansive OHV recreational trail systems in the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. In doing so, this project will continue to enhance OHV recreational opportunities and provide the foundation for attracting visitors to communities across the state. The additional visitation will have a direct impact to economic growth through tourism dollars.

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

Type here:

Not Applicable

## **Project Budget**

**Proposed Budget**: Provide your budget details to include all project expenses, including contracts, labor costs, volunteer or donated labor, equipment, travel, materials, etc. Each section needs to be broken down into specific item costs. You may create your own spreadsheet. (See Grant Manual Appendix B for example)

• Your budget must align clearly with your Scope of Work.

- Be specific. Each section needs to be broken down into individual line items and costs. For example, a lump sum for "travel" should be broken down into items such as lodging, per diem, gas etc.
- All travel expenses should be based off current GSA rates. Rates can be found <a href="https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates">https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates</a>.
- Reminder: Include all sources of funds for the completion of the project including federal, in-kind, private/city/county and state funds.
- Attach copies of estimates to support your budget and identify what each contract will include.

#### LAND MANAGEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Clas	sification of Land Management:
	City/Municipal
	County
	State
Х	Federal
	Private
	Lease; Attach copy of lease with expiration date
	R&PP Attach copy of lease with expiration date
	Other:
agre	e proposed project is to be carried out on public land, attach any applicable written eement with any government entity having jurisdiction over that land, including permits, ses, easements, and rights-of-way. NAC 490.135
Wil	l there be ground disturbing activities (ex. construction, trail maintenance)?  Yes No
Stan	Idards/guidelines that will be applied to your project (if applicable):  Universal Access to Outdoor Recreation - A Design Guide  USFS Standard Specifications for Construction & Maintenance of Trails
	BLM Handbook 9114-1 Trails
	NOHVCC Handbooks
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#### THE LANDOWNER MUST PROVIDE A LETTER STATING THAT:

(See Grant Manual Appendix C)

- 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.

### **Federal Environmental Compliance:**

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) and a Decision Record (DR)
Categorical Exclusion (CX)
SHPO 106 compliance/concurrence letter
Other compliance documents already completed.
Not applicable

If NEPA or planning is a part of the project describe the steps in the Scope of Work.

	Locati	on, Maps, Photos
	vn/city/municipality of multiple if applicable):	Winnemucca, Elko, Austin, Tonopah, Las Vegas
County(s):	Elko, Humboldt, Clark, Lan	nder, Eureka, and Nye Counties

**Required Maps:** All maps must include a legend, north arrow, scale, and map name. Topographic maps are preferred. You may include *additional* aerial/google maps. (See Grant Manual Appendix D for examples)

The following map types are required:

- 1. General location map (showing project area within the state or county)
- 2. Detail map indicating specific project elements (e.g., structures, trail alignment)
  - Maps larger than 11x17 will not be accepted

**Required Photographs:** At least two (2) overviews of the project area from different angles and distances. (Good photographs at trail level and google aerials help the technical advisory committee and the Commission to understand the location, depth and breadth of your project.)

**Trail projects:** If the shapefiles for the trail system are available, please submit them in the e-file. The shapefiles of the trail will be required at project end. Contact the Program for assistance in the collection of the data if needed.

### **Disclaimer and Signature**

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application is selected for funding, I understand that false or misleading information in my application or presentations may result in the termination of the grant.

Signature:		Date:	3/23/2025		
Printed Name:	Kevin Dose	Title:	Chief of Administration		

# APPLICATIONS DUE: March 23, 2025 AT 11:59 PM, PST

SUBMIT: ONE SINGLE ELECTRONIC FILE; PDF VIA EMAIL TO: KBarmore@ohv.nv.gov

OR

ONE FULL COLOR COPY OR MEMORY DEVICE ENCLOSED WITH APPLICATION
BY MAIL OR HAND DELIVERY
(8.5" X 11" ONLY. Maps should be no larger than 11"X17")

TO: NEVADA DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM
ATTN: KADEN BARMORE
901 S. STEWART STREET, SUITE 1003
CARSON CITY, NV 89701

To request assistance in planning your project or for questions about the OHV Grant program, please contact

Kaden Barmore KBarmore@ohv.nv.gov (775) 684-2794

## Project Name: Multi-Use OHV Trail Maintenance

NCC Staff Preparer: Kevin Dose

Date Estimate Prepared: Sunday, March 23, 2025

Partnering Organization: NV OHV Commission

Number of 8-day Tours

(One 5-person crew x 10 hrs/day x 8 days)

Phone: 775.674.5481

Date Estimate Prepared:	Date Estimate Prepared: Sunday, March 23, 2025					(One 5-person crew x 10 hrs/day x 8 days)				
Labor		<b>Hourly Rate</b>	Hours - 1 Tour	Labor - 1	. Tour		Total Labor			
Project Manager (1)	\$	27.00	20	\$	540.00	\$	4,320.00			
Staff Crew Leader (1)	\$	16.25	80	\$	1,300.00	\$	10,400.00			
AmeriCorps Crew Members (4)	\$	11.67	320	\$	3,734.40	\$	29,875.20			
			420	\$	5,574.40	\$	44,595.20			
Fringe Benefits		<b>Hourly Rate</b>	Hours - 1 Tour	Fringe - 1	1 Tour		Total Fringe			
Project Manager (1)	\$	19.56	20	\$	391.20	\$	3,129.60			
Staff Crew Leader (1)	\$	14.71	80	\$	1,176.80	\$	9,414.40			
AmeriCorps Crew Members (4)	\$	10.82	320	\$	3,462.40	\$	27,699.20			
·			420	\$	5,030.40	\$	40,243.20			
Vehicle Rental		Lease Rate	# of Vehicles	Lease - :	1 Tour		Total Vehicle Lease Cost			
1 - 4x4 Heavy Duty Crew Truck	\$	780.00	1	\$	780.00	\$	6,240.00			
Perdiem Cost		Daily Rate	# of Days - 1 Tour	Perdiem	n - 1 Tour		Total Perdiem Cost			
Crew	\$	15.00	40	\$	600.00	\$	4,800.00			
Project Manager	\$	15.00	2	\$	30.00	\$	240.00			
·						\$	5,040.00			
Equipment and Supplies		Rate	Quantity		# of Units		Total Equipment Costs			
Chainsaw Bar Oil	\$	39.95	gallons		80	\$	3,196.00			
Chainsaw Fuel	\$	4.00	gallons		240	\$	960.00			
Spool of Chainsaw Chain	\$	347.00	spools		2	\$	694.00			
Brush Cuter Blades	\$	24.95	per blade		4	\$	99.80			
Chainsaw/Brushcutter Maintenance Service	\$	175.00	per saw		6	\$	1,050.00			
·						\$	5,999.80			
Vehicle Mileage		Mileage Rate	Miles/Truck/1 Tour	Mileage	e - 1 Tour		Total Mileage			
(1) GBI 4x4 Heavy Duty Crew Truck - 12 work tours	\$	0.70	650	\$	455.00	\$	3,640.00			
(1) GBI 4x4 Project Manager Truck - 3 work tours	\$	0.70	650	\$	455.00	\$	2,047.50			
·						\$	5,687.50			
			Total GBI Direct Cost	:		\$	107,805.70			
		Tot	al GBI Administrative Costs	:	20.58%	\$	22,186.41			
TOTAL GRANT REQUEST:						\$	129,992.11			
CASH MATCH CONTRIBUTIONS:										
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AmeriCorps Grant Cash Contribution		Hourly Cash Contribution	Hours Per 8-day Tour		Total Tours		Total Cash Contribution			
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Staff Crew Leader (1) AmeriCorps Crew Members (4)		8.63		-	8.00		7,098			
Americorps crew internibers (4)	<u> ၃</u>	8.03	\$ 320.00				22,093			
					Total Grant Match	Ş	22,092.80			

File Code:

1580

Date:

March 12, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

United States

Agriculture

Department of

I have reviewed the grant application package and agree with the application and the terms of the grant being submitted by the Great Basin Institute (GBI) in cooperation with the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. The application has my full support. All work is proposed to occur on national forest system lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service. Completing the proposed scope of work will allow for the continuation of outstanding outdoor recreational opportunities to the public and the economic benefits to the local communities that they provide. We (the U.S. Forest Service) are committed to using these funds for maintaining our trail systems beyond the next 25 years.

The project is located on public lands managed by the U.S. Forest Service and is in conformance with the appropriate land management permits, licenses, clearances, and environmental analyses documentation necessary to comply with local, state and/or federal laws. This proposal is categorically excluded from environmental analysis, a decision document, and project case file under 36 CFR 220.6(d)(4); Repair and maintenance of roads, trails, and landline boundaries. The U.S. Forest Service's interest in the subject land 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 as stated by NAC 490.1355. The proposal follows all applicable laws and in particular the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest agrees to fully support project implementation and safety of crews while in the field with our partner GBI, and we are committed to continuing to support outstanding recreational opportunities in Nevada.

If you have any questions, please give me a call on my cell phone (775) 340-0490 or email me at joshua.nicholes@usda.gov.

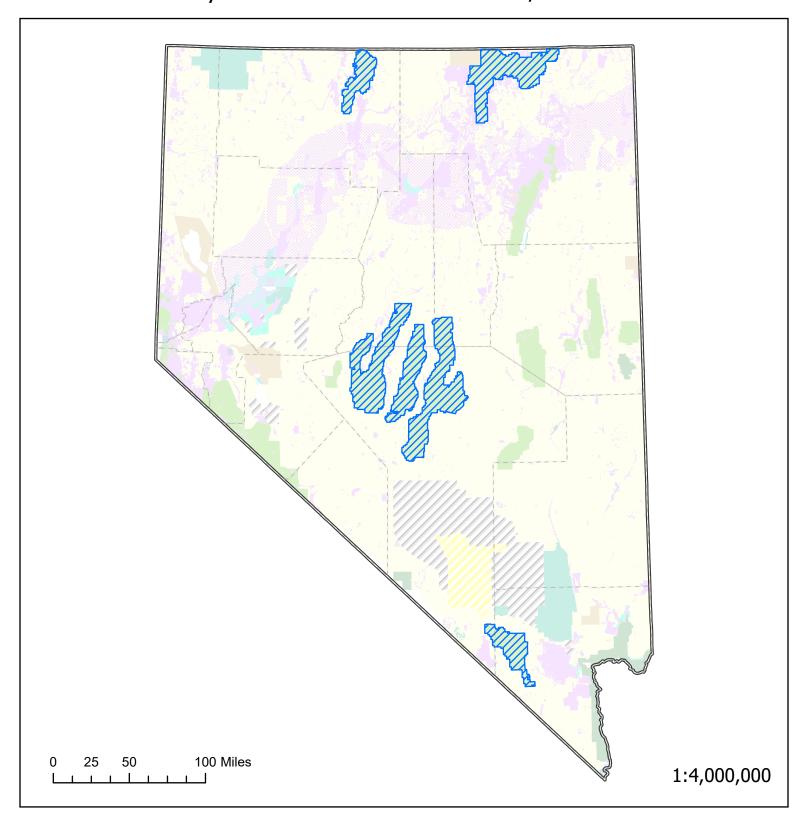
Sincerely,

JOSHUA NICHOLES

District Ranger



## Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest OHV Trail/Route Maintenance



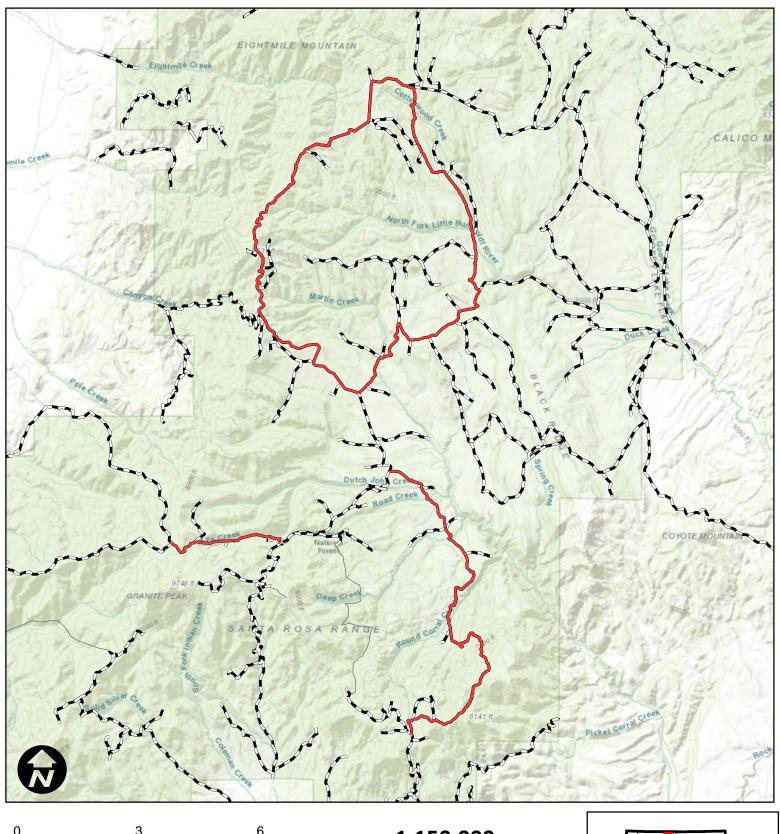
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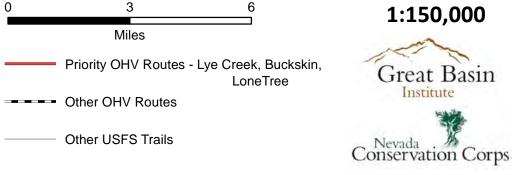
Ranger Districts Participating in Project:
Santa Rose Ranger District
Mountain City-Ruby Mountains-Jarbidge Ranger District
Austin Tonopah Ranger District
Spring Mountains National Recreation Area

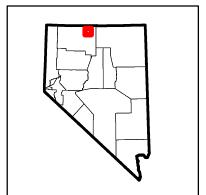




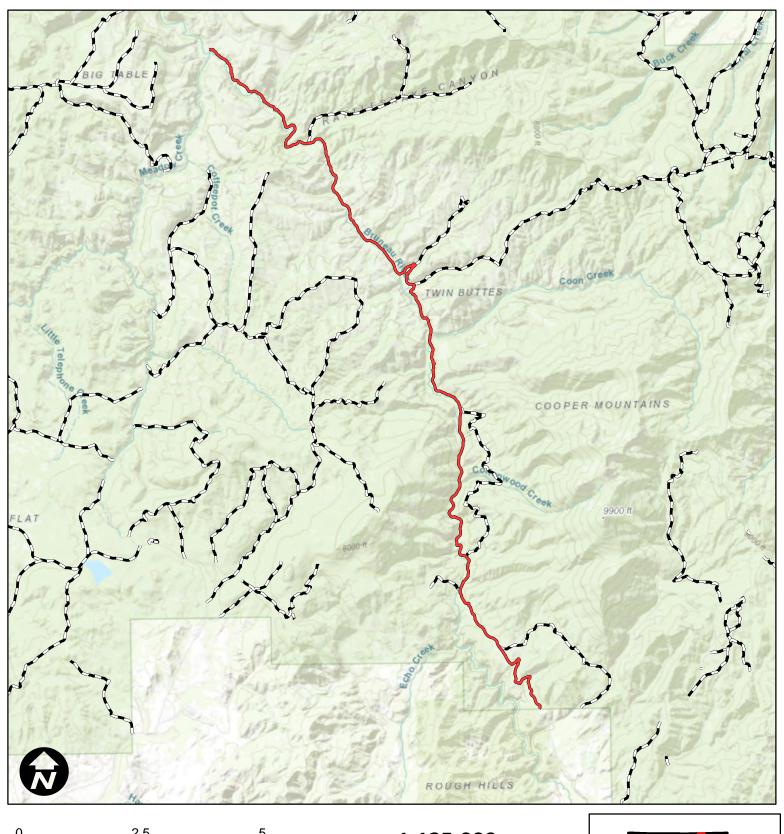
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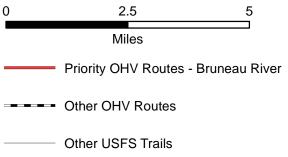






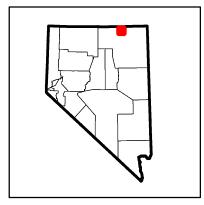
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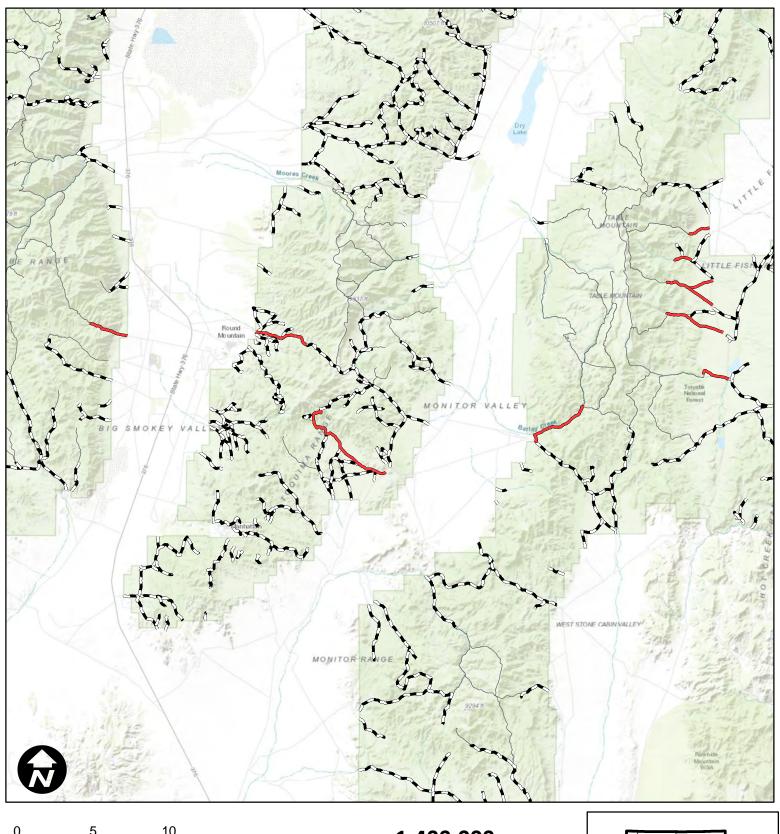


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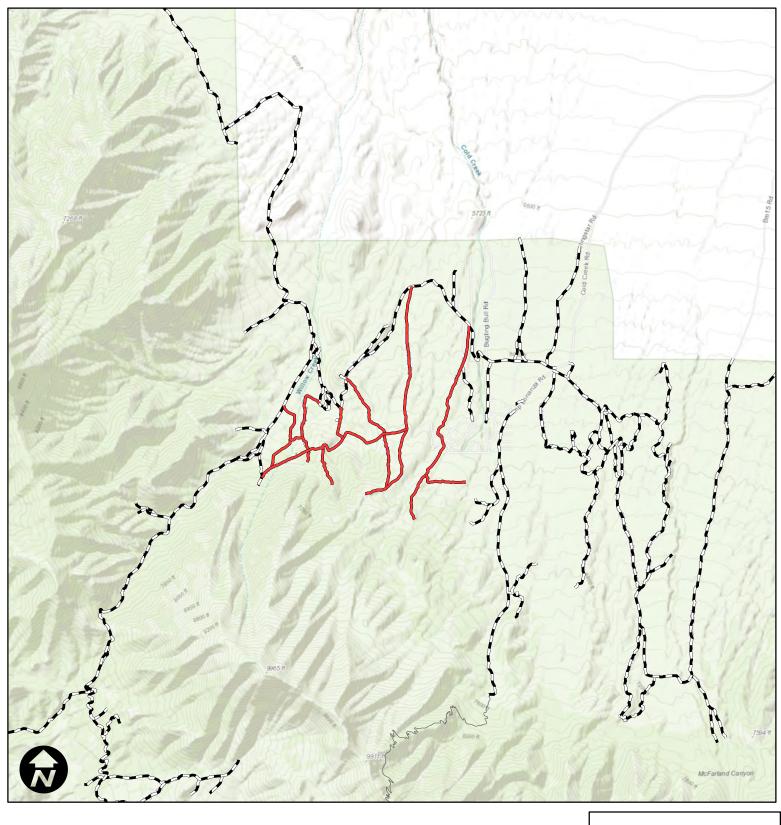
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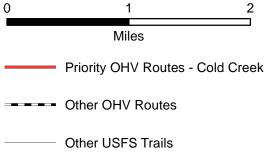






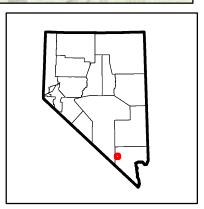
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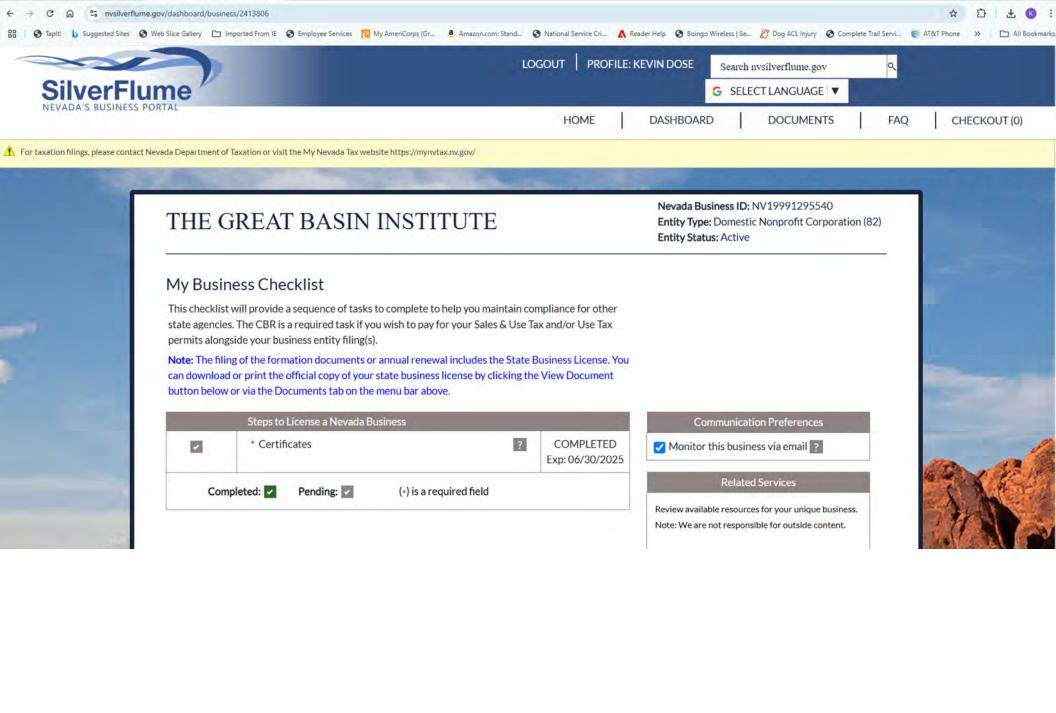




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SECRETARY OF STATE



# CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE WITH STATUS IN GOOD STANDING

I, FRANCISCO V. AGUILAR, the duly qualified and elected Nevada Secretary of State, do hereby certify that I am, by the laws of said State, the custodian of the records relating to filings by corporations, non-profit corporations, corporations sole, limited-liability companies, limited partnerships, limited-liability partnerships and business trusts pursuant to Title 7 of the Nevada Revised Statutes which are either presently in a status of good standing or were in good standing for a time period subsequent of 1976 and am the proper officer to execute this certificate.

I further certify that the records of the Nevada Secretary of State, at the date of this certificate, evidence, **THE GREAT BASIN INSTITUTE**, as a DOMESTIC NONPROFIT CORPORATION (82) duly organized or formed and existing, or duly qualified or registered, as applicable, under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada since 06/22/1999, and is in good standing in this state.



Certificate Number: B202405164653591

You may verify this certificate

online at https://www.nvsilverflume.gov/home

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of State, at my office on 05/16/2024.

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FRANCISCO V. AGUILAR Secretary of State

## Photo Log - Multi-Use OHV Trail Maintenance Project

Photo 1: Brush encroachment on OHV route



Photo 2: Tree encroachment on OHV route:



Photo 3: Corridor constriction due to brush and tree encroachment



Photo 4: Blowdown tree blocking OHV route

