



OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES GRANT PROGRAM

Application ID	Entity	County	Project Name
OHVGP1499	Humboldt County	Humboldt County	Ride Safe and Smart Humboldt County

1. Applicant Information

Organization Name:: Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

Contact Person: : Kyle Negus

Title: : Sergeant

Mailing Address: : 50 W. 5th St

City: : Winnemucca

State: : Nevada

9 Digit Zip Code: : 89445

Phone Number: : (775)421-2646

Email Address:: kyle.negus@humboldtcountynv.gov

I understand that any funding awarded by the program may be terminated at anytime if the recipient fails to comply with program regulations, or the terms of a funding agreement. The applicant understands the program may upon notice to an award recipient terminate a funding award at anytime if funding becomes unavailable. : true

By submitting this grant application, I acknowledge that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources may terminate grant funding for cause which may include grants that no longer effectuate program goals or agency priorities. : true

By submitting this grant application, I acknowledge that any current or future litigation brought against the State of Nevada or its political subdivisions may result in ineligibility for funding or termination of an active grant.: true

I have read and acknowledge the requirements stipulated in the program regulations available at: <https://ohv.nv.gov/grant-program>. As an applicant my organization will be able to meet program requirements. : true

2. Organization Type (Select Only One)

Please describe your organization: Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) is a local law enforcement agency out of Winnemucca, Nevada. Our Sheriff, Angel Cardenas, was a 20+ Deputy with the HCSO before being elected in 2022. Established in 1861, HCSO has served the citizens in Humboldt County for over 160 years. We have 6 divisions within our agency including patrol, detention, dispatch, central control, animal

control and search and rescue. Our staff patrols approximately 10,000 square miles within our borders. Roughly 80% of our jurisdiction is public lands managed by the BLM and USFS.

3. Applicant History

Has the applicant previously received Nevada OHV Grant Program Funding? : true

Does the applicant currently have open grants from the Nevada OHV Program? : false

Number of projects funded:: 6

Number of projects completed:: 6

Amount of OHV funding received to date:: 183425

4. Project Information

Project Name:: Ride Safe and Smart Humboldt County

Studies or planning for trails and facilities: false

Mapping and signage: false

Acquisition of land for OHV trails and facilities: false

Enhancement, maintenance, or both of OHV trails and facilities : false

Construction of OHV trails or facilities: false

Restoration of areas damaged by OHVs: false

Construction of trail features to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas or important wildlife habitats : false

OHV safety training and safety education: true

OHV and NRS 490 compliance and enforcement: true

OHV grant request:: 16860

Total match provided:: 0

Please describe match sources, partnerships, and type::

Please list all user group(s) able to utilize this project:: The HCSO will continue to provide safety courses for the public and other law enforcement agencies throughout the state. These courses for dirt bikes and side by sides (UTV's) are oriented for entry level knowledge in the basics and safe practices for the operation of these machines. To date, the HCSO has trained over 100 participants for both side by side and dirt bike operation. Participants not only learn basic operational skills, but educational skills of trail maintenance, sharing trails with others, and outdoor ethics. We look forward to continuing our educational classes for all to attend.

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

courses include a rider etiquette component to teach rider's respect for all trail user's.

5. Scope of Work and Deliverables

Scope of work description:: During calendar year 2026-2028, The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office will use these funds to continue our "Ride Safe and Smart Humboldt County" project by hosting a minimum of 4 rider safety training classes for Dirt Bikes and Side by Sides. The funds will include HCSO personnel to be trained in the operation of HCSO owned Beta dirt bikes and Polaris RZR side-by-side. With more sworn Deputies trained to operate OHV equipment, the OHV patrols can be conducted throughout Humboldt County, with the main focus on specific OHV NRS 490 enforcement.

Project deliverables description:: For this grant we pledge to host a minimum of 4 classes each for Dirt Bike's, and Side by Sides within 2026-2028 and to host a VIN registration event annually Through focused patrols, and in addition to normal patrols, we will spend a minimum of 250 hours in OHV specific recreation areas for compliance, enforcement, and education purposes.

6. Commission Priorities

Law Enforcement Strategy:: During each individual traffic stop with any OHV user, HCSO law enforcement personnel will continue to check for proper OHV registration and VIN verification. Deputies have been taught NRS 490 laws and have actively made OHV stops while conducting routine patrol functions. Funds for NV OHV marketing/promotional items are sought after to help increase the exposure to OHV registration, which is a main goal and focus of the HCSO. Items such as toolkits to help the public conduct pre-and-post ride TCLOCS inspections of their OHVs will allow the potential exposure to other non-registered users to register their OHVs with the state.

Planning, Environmental Studies, and Conservation:: Humboldt County, Nevada has thousands of miles of existing trails and primitive roads to experience the joy of off-roading with family and friends. With the education and outreach events, we will coordinate with local outdoor enthusiast groups and land management agencies to insure these public use areas remain open for off-roading experiences.

Enhancement or Maintenance of Existing Trails and Facilities:: The HCSO will continue to work alongside local OHV/ATV clubs within our community in conjunction with their proposed projects (including trails and facilities maintenance).

Training Strategy:: The HCSO will continue to provide safety courses for the public and other law enforcement agencies throughout the state. These courses for dirt bikes, side by sides, and ATVs are oriented for entry level knowledge in the basics and safe practices for the operation of these machines. To date, the HCSO has trained over 100 participants for both side by side and dirt bike operation. Participants not only learn basic operational skills, but educational skills of trail maintenance, sharing trails with others, and outdoor ethics. We look forward to continuing our educational classes for all to attend.

Connectivity and Loops:: The HCSO will utilize existing trail systems, roads and recreation facilities to provide educational outreach and safety trainings. Utilizing the surrounding trails and recreation areas will promote a vested interest in county and other public lands to keep them clean and safe for generations.

Access:: Irresponsible recreation, including harm done by OHV users, causes a variety of impacts to our public lands and county trails and roads. With continued education and outreach with registration events and safety trainings, we will insure open public areas remain open for generations. Any questions or concerns about access to any trails/roads in Humboldt County can be addressed by HCSO personnel.

Trail Mapping and Signage:: Existing trails will be utilized by the HCSO when conducting enforcement patrols.

Partners and Leverage:: The HCSO will continue to work closely with local OHV groups wherever possible. We believe a strong working relationship is necessary for any/all OHV users in our community to recreate responsibly and safely.

Economic Integration:: Through our local OHV enforcement efforts, deputies have spoken to numerous out-of state OHV users who have traveled to Humboldt County specifically to recreate. They cited high or unsafe OHV usage in other states and decided to recreate out of state. This stimulates our local economy by means of spending at our local stores and casinos.

New Facilities:: N/A

7. Project Location

Nearest town/city/municipality to project (list multiple if applicable) :: Winnemucca

County(s):: Humboldt

8. Land Management and Environmental Compliance

Landowner(s): Public Land Managed by the BLM Winnemucca field Office

Please describe land management classification: Federal and County

Will there be ground disturbing activities? (ex. construction, trail maintenance): false

Universal Access to Outdoor Recreation - A Design Guide: false

USFS Standard Specifications for Construction & Maintenance of Trails: false

BLM Manual 9113-Roads: false

BLM Manual 9102 - Facility Design: false

BLM Manual 9103 - Facility Construction: false

Great Trails: Providing Quality OHV Trails and Experiences or other NOHVCC Handbooks: false

Other standards or guidelines:

Record of Decision (ROD): false

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and a Decision Record (DR): false

Categorical Exclusion (CX): false

SHPO 106 compliance/concurrence letter: false

Other compliance documents already completed: false

Not applicable: false

9. Budget

10. Additional Materials

Project Dates

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Date funding required: 8/1/2026

Initiation of Operations: 8/1/2026

Project Costs

	Program Funds	Local Funding Source	Matching Funds	Total Costs	Other Funding Source
Administrative Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Land Acquisition	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Planning and Assessments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Labor	\$15,360.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,360.00	
Contracts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Material Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Totals	\$16,860.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,860.00	

Signature Kyle Negus Date: 06/11/2026

Project Timeline

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

Date	Project Goals	Deliverables
Year 1 – Q1	25 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts
Year 1 – Q2	25 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts
Year 1 – Q3	Offer and Teach Dirt Bike School Offer and Teach ROHVA School 50 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts Certify participants for both schools
Year 1 – Q4	Offer and Teach Dirt Bike School Offer and Teach ROHVA School 25 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts Certify participants for both schools
Year 2 – Q1	25 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts
Year 2 – Q2	25 hours NRS 490 focused patrols	Citations and contacts
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Support documentation from property owner

APPENDIX B



United States Department of the Interior



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In reply refer to:

Subject: Letter of Support for Humboldt County Sheriff's Office OHV Safety and Education Initiatives

To Whom It May Concern,

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Winnemucca District Office strongly supports the ongoing efforts of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) to promote safe and responsible off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation on public lands within Humboldt County.

Managing approximately 6.2 million acres of BLM-administered public lands, Humboldt County encompasses one of the largest and most heavily utilized OHV landscapes in Nevada. The immense scale of this public access underscores the critical need for robust public education, community outreach, and safety compliance programs.

The HCSO consistently demonstrates a proactive commitment to OHV safety through its long-standing partnership with the Nevada Outdoor School, most notably in delivering the motorcycle component of the *Ride Safe Ride Smart* program. This collaborative initiative effectively instills rider safety principles, reinforces responsible land stewardship, and provides deputies with invaluable opportunities to engage positively with the OHV community.

These proactive enforcement and educational engagements directly align with our shared resource management goals. By fostering responsible riding habits, this partnership helps mitigate resource damage, enhances public safety, and ensures the long-term sustainability of recreational access across BLM-managed lands.

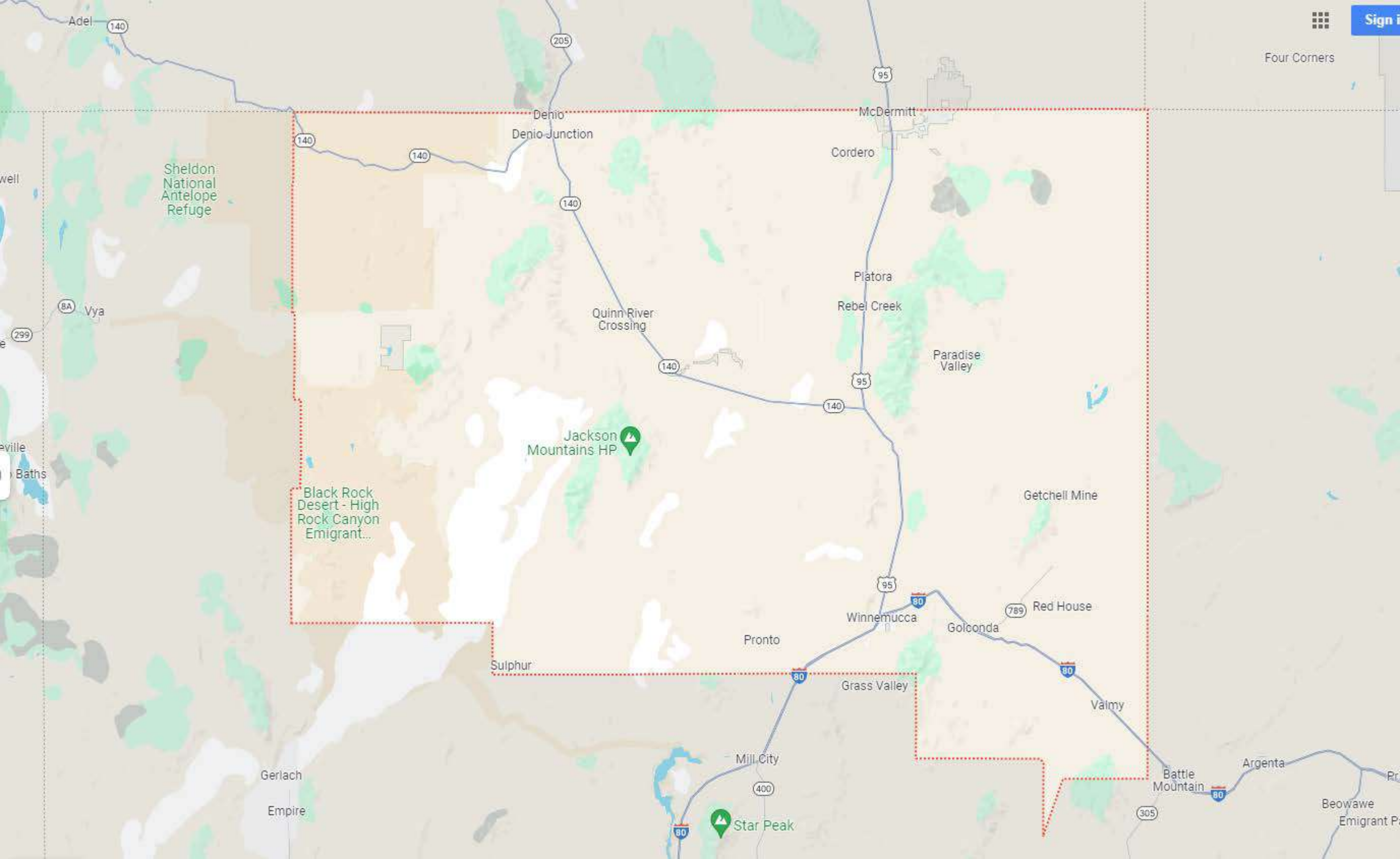
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Sincerely,

Perry B. Wickham
District Manager

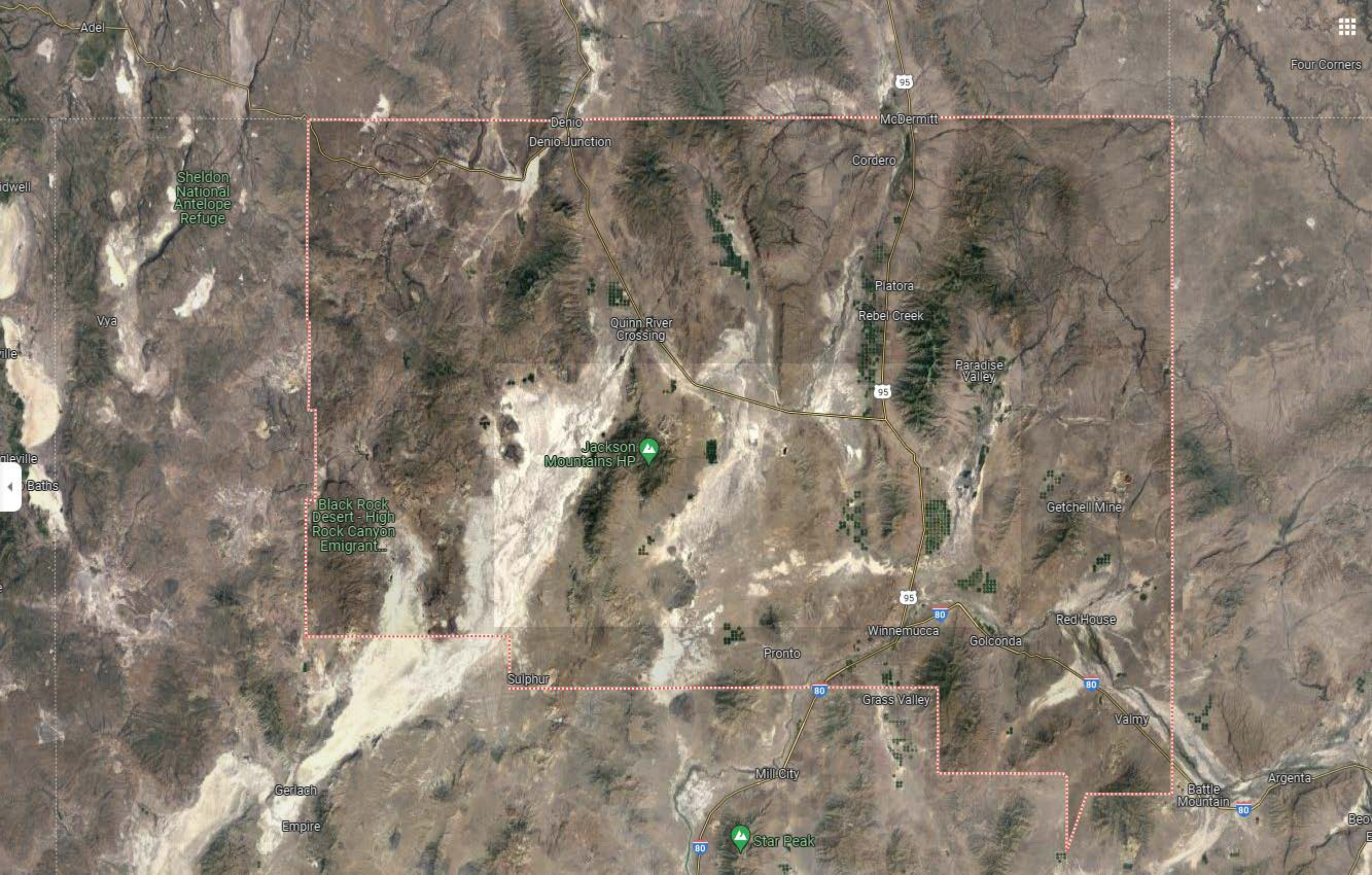
Project Map 1

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Project Map 2

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Four Corners

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McDermitt

Denio
Denio Junction

Cordero

Sheldon
National
Antelope
Refuge

Platora

Rebel Creek

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Paradise
Valley

Vya

Quinn River
Crossing

Jackson
Mountains HP

Black Rock
Desert - High
Rock Canyon
Emigrant...

Getchell Mine

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Winnemucca

Red House

Golconda

Pronto

Sulphur

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Grass Valley

80

Valmy

Battle Mountain

Argenta

Mill City

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Star Peak

Gerlach

Empire

Project Photos 1

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Project Photos 2

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Landowner Letter

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District Manager

Detailed Budget

APPENDIX H

Item Description	OHV Grant Request	Matching Funds/Contributor	Total Cost
Labor: Overtime for enforcement patrols, tuition for personnel training courses, rider safety classes and safety presentations. 250 hours @ \$61.44/hr average	\$15,360.00		\$15,360.00
Materials/Supplies: Patrol enhancement equipment including toolkit packs provided to training attendees and compliant contacts with HCSO and NVOHV marketing and promotional items included	\$1,500.00		\$1,500
		Totals	\$16,860.00
		Percentages	100%

Support Letter 1

APPENDIX I



November 26, 2023

Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
901 S. Stewart Street, Ste 1003
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Commissioners:

The Nevada Offroad Association enthusiastically endorses the grant request submitted by Sergeant Negus on behalf of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO).

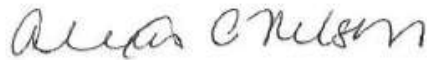
For several years HCSO has taken an assertive posture in partnering with the Nevada Outdoor School to provide the motorcycle portion of the *Ride Safe Ride Smart* educational program.

In addition to the positive stewardship and skills a participant learns from this program, it also affords the HCSO an ideal opportunity to interface with individuals in the OHV community as a genuine participating partner. A posture that has immense value across all OHV disciplines. NVORA believes any agency that is building this type of relationship is embracing the most effective method to advance the responsible off-road stewardship ethos.

It is in part, this strategy, that we believe has contributed to Humboldt County having the second highest per capita OHV registrations in the state.

Respectfully,


Mathew D. Giltner
Executive Director
Nevada Offroad Association



Alexis Nelson
Associate Director
Nevada Offroad Association

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Support Letter 2

APPENDIX J

December 13, 2023

Nevada Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources
Off-Highway Vehicles Program
Attn: Nikhil Narkhede
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1001
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Commission Members:

I am writing today on behalf of Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) in support of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO)'s request to obtain funding from the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program. Over the past nine years, NOS and the HCSO have developed a strong partnership providing outreach and education about OHV safety and regulations including registration enforcement.

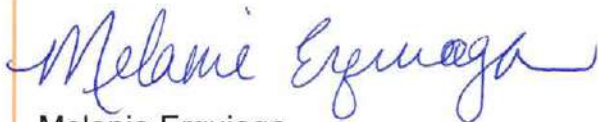
We have successfully worked together in the past to host public outreach events in our local communities such as OHV fairs and registration/VIN Inspection drives. With continued funding from this program, we hope to continue these events and reach even more people with the message of safe and responsible riding.

The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is able to bring a higher level of authority to our education and outreach efforts. Together we can spread the message of safe and responsible riding, but when needed, the HCSO can provided enforcement of certain laws and regulations.

Additionally, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is a great partner in providing OHV hands-on safety trainings including UTV, and Dirt Bike safety. With continued funding, we look forward to providing even more of these trainings for youth and adults across rural Northern Nevada.

We are proud to partner with and offer our support for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office in their efforts to provide education, outreach and enforcement to the off-highway community in northern Nevada.

Sincerely,

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Melanie Erquiaga
Executive Director
Nevada Outdoor School

Support Letter 3

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County Manager
Don Kalkoske
Humboldt County Courthouse
50 West Fifth Street Room 205
Winnemucca, Nevada 89445

County Manager's Office Humboldt County, Nevada



June 2, 2026

Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
901 S. Stewart Street, Ste 1003
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Grant Review Committee:

On behalf of Humboldt County, I am pleased to offer this letter of support for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Grant Application.

Humboldt County encompasses a vast landscape of public lands, trails, and open spaces that are extensively utilized by residents and visitors for off-highway vehicle recreation. Effective management of these resources requires a balanced approach that emphasizes public safety, rider education, responsible stewardship, and strong partnerships within the OHV community.

For many years, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office has demonstrated a commitment to these principles through its active participation in OHV safety and education initiatives. The Sheriff's Office has worked collaboratively with community organizations and educational partners, including the Nevada Outdoor School, to support programs such as Ride Safe, Ride Smart. These efforts provide valuable opportunities to promote safe riding practices, resource stewardship, and responsible recreation while fostering positive relationships between law enforcement and the OHV community.

The Sheriff's Office's proactive engagement has helped create a culture of responsible OHV use throughout Humboldt County. By maintaining a visible presence on public lands and participating in educational outreach, the agency has established itself as a trusted partner among recreational users, land managers, and local communities.

The equipment, training, and operational capabilities supported through this grant application will enhance the Sheriff's Office's ability to provide public safety services, conduct educational outreach, respond to emergencies in remote areas, and protect the natural resources that make OHV recreation possible. These investments will directly benefit residents, visitors, and the many OHV enthusiasts who responsibly enjoy the extensive recreational opportunities available throughout Humboldt County.

Humboldt County strongly supports this grant request and respectfully encourages favorable consideration by the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles. We appreciate the Commission's continued commitment to promoting safe, responsible, and sustainable OHV recreation throughout Nevada.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Don Kalkoske", is written over a horizontal line.

Don Kalkoske
County Manager
Humboldt County, Nevada