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**NEVADA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM  
NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**NEVADA OHV GRANT APPLICATION**  
(REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS, APPENDIX A)

**APPLICATIONS DUE:**

**December 19, 2022 at 5:00 PM, PST**

SUBMIT: ONE FULL COLOR COPY  
BY MAIL OR HAND DELIVERY  
(8.5" X 11" ONLY. MAPS MAY BE 11"X17" NO LARGER)

AND

ONE SINGLE ELECTRONIC FILE; PDF VIA EMAIL [NNarkhede@ohv.nv.gov](mailto:NNarkhede@ohv.nv.gov)  
OR MEMORY DEVICE ENCLOSED WITH APPLICATION

TO: NEVADA DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM  
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**NEVADA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM  
GRANT APPLICATION**

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

This application has FIVE 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.

**SECTION I - PROJECT AND APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1. Project Name: **“Road Map to a Successful OHV Program”**
2. Project Timeline: **Commencement upon award of the grant, completion by May 1, 2023.**
3. Applicant Name: **Southwest Central Regional Economic Development Authority**

Mailing address: **1301 S. Highway 160, 2nd Floor**

**Pahrump, Nevada 89048**

Phone: **775-272-0716**

Email: **pmiller@swcreda.com**

**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).*

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Applicant Signature  
(Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)

12-19-2022

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Date



**5. Project Manager: Timothy Hipp**

Mailing address: **P.O. Box 354**  
**Goldfield, NV 89013**

Phone: **702-509-0059**

Email: **tsuuga@yahoo.com**

**Alternate Contact: Paul Miller**

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

☐ Federally managed public land    ☐ Private Land    ☐ County    ☐ City

**X Other: Not yet determined.**

**This a research/study (only) project will review land options for future action.**

☐ 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: NA. (See Scope of Work)**

Mailing address: NA  
NA

Phone: NA

Email: NA



## 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:

*(grant request and matching funds directly related to the project)*

State OHV Grant Request:	\$15,130
Matching Funds:	<b>\$3,220 (In Kind)</b>
Total Project Amount :	\$18,350

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

☐ Federal ☐ Private ☒ **In-kind** ☐ City/County ☐ Other

Please describe additional funding source(s):

Type here:
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## 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.

**Additional Letters of Support may be attached at the end of this application (limit 3).**

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

## **X 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)

### **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 type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiling                  | <input 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 type="checkbox"/> Skills riding course          |  |

Study will cover multiple trail use.

- 13. Scope of Work:** Please describe *exactly* what work will be completed. Programs, planning, NEPA, surveys, mapping, include miles of trail, trail type and other quantitative 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

When I attended the 2022 OHV Summit in Minden, Nevada I was a bit overwhelmed. Being from the poorest county in the state of Nevada, I can see the potential economic benefits of developing an OHV program to bring people (and their money) to the community. I had no idea where to start? While engaging with fellow attendees, I asked how do we get started? What is step #1? What can we do to develop ourselves to be a top OHV destination? What does a successful OHV program look like? No one really had an answer for me. **This study aims to answer these questions and provide a “road map” for our community, and any other community in Nevada, who wants to make themselves an OHV destination. This study is using our community as a case study for developing a successful and environmentally responsible OHV program.** The study will start by reaching out to the Nevada OHV Commission and the Offroad Association to determine what is a successful OHV program. Then find examples of successful OHV programs in the state/region. Reach out to those groups and see how they got started. What are OHV users looking for in a destination? Why do they favor one over another? What have they tried to improve their program? What has been successful? What has not? The study will collect this information from the successful programs and determine what is needed to meet those goals. Reach out to the various organizations/agencies/local government to determine what is required for each improvement? Trailheads? Vaulted Toilets? Signage? Group rides/activities? Races? For example, If the successful groups say trailheads with vaulted toilets are the most important draw to OHV users. We would then work with various agencies to see what is needed to build a trailhead? What is needed to install a vaulted toilet? What are the environmental requirements? What was the final cost for such a project? We would find these answers by engaging with the BLM, NDOT, Forestry Department, private land owners, and local government to see what they require? This study will also include what NOT to do. Successful OHV communities like Moab, Utah, have felt the strain from over use. We would reach out to members of these communities to see what they did right? What went wrong? What would they recommend to any other community seeking to develop a successful OHV program. The end product of this research study will be two fold. A “Road to a Successful OHV Program” guidebook will be created and made available to any organization who wants to develop a successful OHV program in their community. It will include all the requirements/steps/guidelines to make that happen. Secondly, it will determine what our communities goals are, and create a step-by-step plan to make it happen. The "Road to a Successful OHV Program" will be presented to the OHV commission and OHV Association, and made available for use on their websites. The Project Manager will be available to attend the next State OHV Summit in Tonopah in 2023 to present findings/guidelines. The contracted study will be conducted by Timothy Hipp, who has a Bachelors in Business Management with an emphasis in Entrepreneurship, and a Masters in Business Administration. He previously served as an Esmeralda County Commissioner from 2019 to 2022. Southwest Central Regional Economic Development Authority provide oversight for the study.

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

**YES** ☐ Universal Access to Outdoor Recreation - A Design Guide

**YES** ☐ USFS Standard Specifications for Construction & Maintenance of Trails

**YES** ☐ BLM Handbook 9114-1 Trails

**YES** ☐ NOHVCC Handbooks

Other: **Will include ALL of these in our “Road to a Successful OHV Program”  
guidebook**

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

**X No** ☐ Yes

Number of projects funded: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of funding Received: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of projects Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Project Location:**

County: **Multiple Counties/Successful OHV Communities Studied**

Nearest Municipality/Town/City: **Multiple Municipalities Studied**

Center of project: Latitude: \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude: \_\_\_\_\_ \

**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.**

**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)

- 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.
- **Attach copies of estimates to support your budget and identify what each contract will include.**

#### Road Map to a Successful OHV Program Proposed Budget

**-Contracted Study**-includes all labor hours

**-Per Diem/Travel/mileage** expenses include

1. Meet with Nevada OHV Commissioner and Nevada OHV Association.
2. Travel to meet with and tour successful OHV program and their facilities.
3. Trip to 2023 OHV Summit to present findings.
4. Possible trip to Moab.

**-In kind** match includes 100 hours conducting research and any materials not including in study costs. Example, all those willing to provide their time and information via interviews, phone calls, and meetings.

## Road Map to a Successful OHV Program Budget

Item Description	OHV Grant Request	Other Matching Funds	Total Cost
<b>Contracts: Study</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
<b>Contracts: design, engineering &amp; construction</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Volunteer or donated labor/in-kind # Hrs. skilled labor @\$27.20/hr. (not required but is important for scoring higher)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,720</b>	<b>\$2,720</b>
<b>Purchase or rental of equipment - Specify type of equipment – cost- # of days. <i>Attach estimate or quote.</i></b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Materials – Purchase or rental of materials for project</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Travel Costs, Hotel Nights, Per-diem</b>	<b>\$1,550</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,550</b>
<b>Vehicle gas and maintenance standard is now at .58 per mile. Estimate miles.</b>	<b>\$1,580</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,580</b>
<b>Other: be specific</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$15130</b>	<b>\$3220</b>	<b>\$18350</b>
<b>Percentages</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>100%</b>

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## **SECTION V – 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 public meeting on 9/7/2021. Please reference scoring criteria form.

1. **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 on the district. How will the equipment and time be used to increase OHV safety and awareness? Please reference the Law Enforcement Statistics reporting form.*

**-Not Applicable to this project.**

2. **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).*

**-The road map/guidelines can be updated/changed as needed.**

3. **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?*

**-Part of the research study is finding public safety requirement as well as good practices. This information will be provided in the “Road Map to a Successful OHV Program”.**

4. **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](http://OHV.NV.GOV)*

**-Preferred mapping and signage can be included in the “Road Map to a Successful OHV Program”**



5. **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.*

**-We will research the effects of connectivity. Impact it has on a successful OHV Program**

6. **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?*

**-The Road Map will include Environmental study requirements and importance of conservation**

7. **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.*

**-Research ideal access methods that will benefit users, without damaging local community/environment**

8. **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.*

**-Reach out to local groups to include those that are not associated with OHV, like Chamber of Commerce, Historic Societies, and Non Profits to show benefits to their community.**

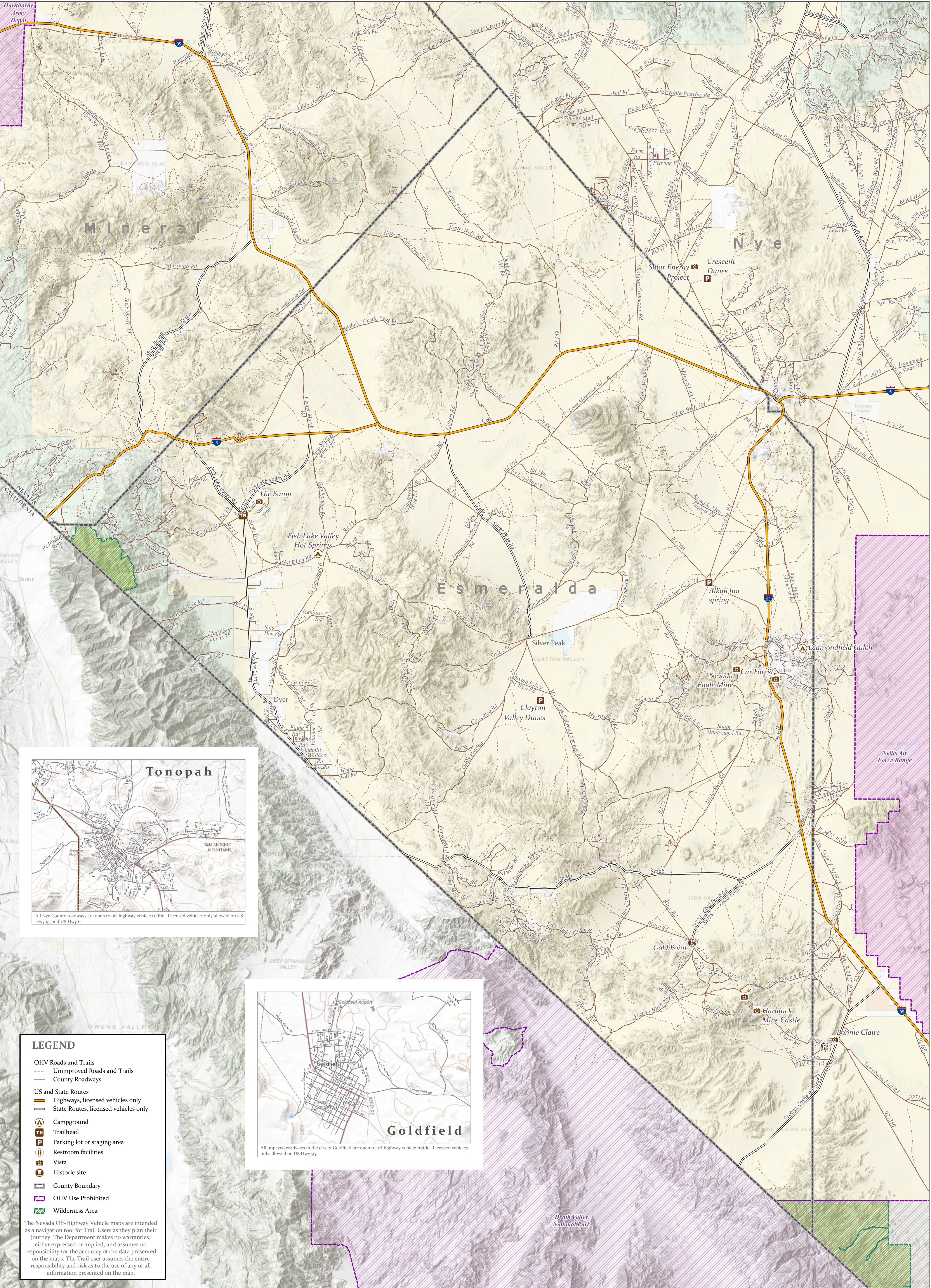
9. **Economic Integration:** *How will this project improve OHV recreation opportunities that help local, regional, or state economies grow?*

**-Work with small businesses and encourage engagement with this potential economic boost to their businesses and communities.**

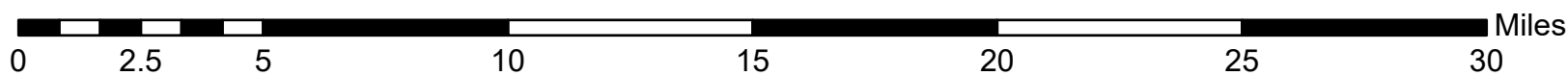
10. **Demand for New Facilities:** *Please provide justification for NEW facility/program development: restrooms, trails, signs, and other amenities.*

**-New faculties or great, but what is the most important. Research study will determine the priorities and how best to address needs while minimizing the negative effects.**





# OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE ROADS AND TRAILS ESMERALDA COUNTY, NEVADA



Disclaimer: The Bureau of Land Management has not completed Travel and Transportation planning for this area. The undesignated roads and trails shown on this map are informational only and are subject to change. This map implies no right of access across any private lands displayed on this map. Please follow Responsible Recreation guidelines and stay on existing roads and trails.