

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. Applications missing required information will be returned to applicants for correction if identified before submission deadline for resubmittal before the deadline.

SECTION I - PROJECT AND APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Project Name: Nevada Ride Safe Ride Smart OHV Safety Education Program

2. Project Timeline: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2025

3. Applicant Name: NEVADA OUTDOOR SCHOOL

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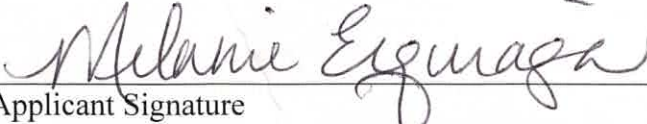
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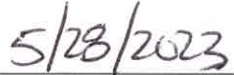
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4. Classification of Applicant: *(check one)*

- ☐ Partnership
- ☒ Non-Profit
- ☐ For-Profit
- ☐ Individual
- ☐ Federal
- ☐ State
- ☐ County
- ☐ Local
- ☐ Municipal
- ☐ Other (specify): add here.

If legal entity, must include proof of good standing in the entity's state of incorporation is required.
([NAC 490.1345](#))


Applicant Signature
(Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)


Date

5. Project Manager: Melanie Erquiaga

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

☒ Federally Managed Public Land (see **Note*** below)

☐ County

☒ City

☒ Private Land Winnemucca Motorcross Association

☐ Lease: Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

☐ R&PP: Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.

****NOTE:** 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 / Public Lands Manager Bureau of Land Management / Alan Shepherd, Deputy

State Director for Resources, Lands and Planning

Mailing address: 1340 Financial Blvd, Reno, NV 89502

Phone: 775-861-6500

Email: ashepher@blm.gov

8. The Landowner (Public Lands Manager) Must provide a letter that includes:

a) For Public Lands - A letter of support for impacting the land from the governmental entity having jurisdiction. ([NAC 490.135](#))

b) For Private Land – Documented Interest in the land - *Proof of ownership, lease, rental, easement, right-of-way, written agreement or other legal instrument, scope inclusive to document ability to complete the proposed project; and to operate and maintain the proposed project for a period of not less than 25 years after its completion or for the normal life of the project, whichever is longer.*

9. Project Costs:

List grant request and matching funds directly related to the project:

State OHV Grant Request: \$108,221

Matching Funds: \$51,862

Total Project Amount:\$160,083

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

☒ Federal

☒ Private

☒ In-kind

☐ City

☐ County

☒ Other: Describe additional funding source(s) Nevada Outdoor School Fundraisers

11. Contemporary letters of support are required (attach to grant proposal):

- a) Provide documentation from **Project Partners**, if not included elsewhere in this application, agreeing to provide matching funds or effort.
- b) TWO Letters of support from Non-profit organizations.

12. Project Type: check all that apply: [\(NRS 490.069 Sec.2c\)](#)

- ☐ Studies or planning for trails and facilities for use by owners and operators of off-highway vehicles.
- ☐ Mapping and signing of trails and facilities.
- ☐ Acquisition of land for 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 and features ancillary to a trail.
- ☒ Safety training and education related to the use of off highway vehicles and registration.
- ☒ Efforts to improve compliance with and enforcement of the requirements relating to off-highway vehicles. ([OHV Enforcement Statistics Form](#) & [NRS 490 Memo](#))

13. TRAIL or FACILITY USERS:

Describe how this project impacts other trail users, communities, or others in outdoor recreation, include conflict mitigation strategy if necessary

Our Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety Education Programs are designed for all public and private lands off road recreationists and our message and education methods are focused on sharing the trails and roads with all users. Both Ride Safe Ride Smart OHV Safety Education and Tread

Lightly principles and ethics address multi-focused users. We are especially effective in our approach to initiating conversations about positive and negative impacts to our public lands, trails and roads, and helping others develop their own land ethics.

14. SCOPE of WORK:

- a) Provide description of project, with quantitative goals including applicable components e.g., studies, planning, mapping, trail & facility description, course or service provided, equipment maintenance, storage, storage studies, if applicable

OHV recreation is a big part of the culture in Nevada. Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is committed to preserving that culture through spreading the message of responsible recreation to people of all ages, backgrounds and ability levels across Nevada through Outdoor Ethics and OHV safety outreach and education. NOS's statewide program ensures Nevadans gain the motivation, knowledge and skills to ride safe and smart on their OHVs while promoting a culture of responsible recreation and ensuring recreation areas stay open for current and future use.

With this funding, throughout the school year, NOS will deliver Tread Lightly! outdoor learning experiences to over 1,500 K-5th grade youth in Pershing, Humboldt, Lander, Elko, Eureka and White Pine counties through our Nature in My World programs. NOS will also reach an additional 1,500 K-12th grade students across the state with our Ride Safe, Ride Smart (RS2) school assemblies and lessons. These lessons and assemblies cover OHV safety especially related to helmets and outdoor ethics through Tread Lightly! principles and NOS's Action. Impact. Choice. (AIC) model.

Additionally, throughout the year, NOS will run at least 3 Tread Lightly! trainer courses, 4 hands-on OHV safety trainings for youth and adults, 4 youth "Ride Safe, Ride Smart" (RS2) day camps for youth ages 7-17, 4 youth rider evaluations and bring our Road Show to at least 10 events around the state providing outreach and education about safe and responsible OHV recreation and VIN/registration requirements in the state.

Lastly, funds will be used to market and promote our online Nevada OHV Certification program for youth and adults including videos, brochures and advertisements. Additional funds will be used to purchase youth safety equipment such as helmets, gloves, and goggles to be given out at Ride Safe, Ride Smart camps and youth rider evaluations.

- b) What is the timeline for completing this project within 24 months of an award. ([NAC 490.1375](#)):

If awarded in full, the program timeline is October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2025

15. STANDARDS/GUIDELINES - that will be applied to your project:

- a) How does your project conform to *Local, County, State or Federal* guidelines, plans, processes, or zoning?

Not applicable – this is an OHV Safety Education Program, not a project.

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

☐ No

☒ Yes, if yes, complete the questions below:

Number of Projects Funded: 7

Amount of Funding Received: \$287,647

Number of Projects Completed: 5

SECTION II – LOCATION, MAPS, PHOTOS

Project Location:

County: Program is Statewide

Nearest Municipality/Town/City: N/A

Center of project: Latitude & Longitude: N/A

Include Electronic Files: (.KMZ/.KML .GPX or SHP)

Required Maps:

For all maps, include a legend, north arrow, scale, and map name. Topographic maps preferred and maps larger than 11"x17" will not be accepted. You may include *additional* aerial/google maps.

1. General location map (showing project area within the state or county)
2. Detail map indicating specific project elements (e.g., structures, trail alignment)

Attach the following photographs:

At least two (2) overviews of the project area from different angles and distances.

NOTE: Good photographs at trail level and google aerials 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 **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 attach the EA or EIS)
- ☒ Not applicable

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 and attach to the application.

Your budget must align clearly with your scope of work from Section 1, #14. 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.

Item Description	Two-year Program Budget Ride Safe Ride Smart (RSRS) Nevada	OHV Grant Request	Federal match	Other match	Total
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Programs Coordinators TL Master Educators/ ATV & UTV Safety Instructors 2 staff members x 25% of time dedicated to RSRS Program (2080 hours @\$19.75/hr)	\$30,810	\$7,270	\$3,000	\$41,080
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Executive Director x 10% of time dedicated to RSRS Program (416 hours @ \$36.75/hr)	\$11,466	\$1,822	\$2,000	\$15,288
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outreach Specialist & TL Master Educator- promotion & marketing & TL education x 10% of time dedicated to RSRS Program (416 hours @ \$19.75/hr)	\$6,162	\$1,054	\$1,000	\$ 8,216
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Director of Finance x 10% of time dedicated to RSRS Program (416 hours @ \$28.50/hr)	\$8,892	\$1,964	\$1,000	\$11,856
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS AmeriCorps National Service Members - 4 members x 15% of time dedicated to RSRS Program – 2,500 hours @ \$16.00/hr)	\$14,000	\$26,000		\$40,000
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Associate Director- Program Evaluations/ TL Master Educator/ Dirt Bike Safety Instructor x 10% of time dedicated to RSRS Program (416 hours @ \$27.35/hr)	\$8,534	\$1,844	\$1,000	\$11,378
Volunteer or donated labor/in-kind 100 Hrs. skilled labor @\$23.56/hr.	Volunteers or donated labor for training events or OHV Education Outreach (60 hours @ \$31.80/hr)			\$ 1,908	\$ 1,908
Purchase or rental of equipment - Specify type of equipment – cost- # of days.	Rental costs for ATV or UTV for Training Courses – price varies by training location – In Elko - 5th Gear donates the use of OHVs for trainings	\$ 2,000		\$1,000	\$ 3,000
Materials – purchase or rental of materials for program or project.	Safety Gear & ATV/OHV Training Supplies (flags, cones, helmets, gloves, goggles, spare long sleeve shirts for participants)	\$ 2,500			\$ 2,500
Materials – purchase or rental of materials for program or project.	Outdoor Ethics –OHV Safety & Tread Lightly! Outreach and Training Supplies	\$ 1,000			\$ 1,000
Materials – purchase or rental of materials for program or project.	Outdoor Ethics office and printing supplies for trainings and outreach, printing of brochures and posters	\$ 800			\$ 800

Training Costs	Nevada Off Road Online Education Course participant coupon to cover cost to make it free to participants - 30 each x \$39.95 each https://www.offroad-ed.com/nevada/	\$1,199			\$ 1,199
Training Costs – varies depending on educator course	NOS Staff & AmeriCorps Members Tread Lightly!, ATV/OHV Safety and other Position Specific Off Road Education Trainings	\$ 3,000			\$ 3,000
Travel Costs	Hotel and Per Diem for travel to ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike safety trainings and youth camps, OHV Conferences and Outreach Events @ \$180/day (average of rural & urban Nevada) x 30 days (includes 2 people per event on average)	\$ 5,400			\$ 5,400
Vehicle Gas and Maintenance standard is now at .54 per mile. Estimate miles.	Approximately 4,000 miles at \$.655/mile	\$ 2,620			\$ 2,620
Other: be specific	ATVs and Trailer Maintenance and registrations			\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Other: be specific					
Indirect Costs 10% de-minimus allowed		\$ 9,838			\$ 9,838
Totals		\$108,221	\$39,954	\$11,908	\$160,083
Percentages		68%	25%	7%	100%

Nevada Muleys Foundation – Private Match	\$ 8,000
State Parks – RTP Grant – Federal Match	\$13,954
AmeriCorps State Grant – Federal Match	\$26,000
Volunteer Labor to assist with outreach events and OHV Safety courses	\$ 1,908
In-kind donations for equipment rentals from dealers of ATVs, Motorcycles or Side by Sides for hands-on Safety Courses and Rider Evaluations	\$ 1,000
ATV registrations and annual maintenance – cash match from NOS fundraisers	\$ 1,000

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 and voted upon during the public meeting for this application. See grant scoring sheet , with Grant announcement for weights.

1. **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? ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\).1,6,7](#))*

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. Through all our programs, Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) utilizes our Action. Impact. Choice. (AIC) education model where participants are challenged to analyze their actions, evaluate the impacts of those actions and choose wisely to behave in ways that positively impact the environment and minimize negative impacts when possible. NOS's AIC model encourages positive interactions with the natural world and inspires people to think critically about the impacts their actions can have on water, air, soil, plants, animals and other people. Through outdoor ethics education, people develop an appreciation for conserving natural resources and habitats. Additionally, NOS programs, such as our Nature in My World Tread Lightly! outdoor learning experience, Ride Safe, Ride Smart Day Camps and school assemblies inspire and motivate the next generation of outdoor enthusiasts to be active stewards of their environment.

NOS works to cultivate an ethic amongst our OHV community of respect and care for the places we love to explore and want to continue to enjoy now and into the future. This community ethic is how we contribute to the conservation of our natural resources, while enhancing OHV opportunities.

2. **Trail mapping and signing of existing trails and facilities:** *If a mapping component is included in the grant, describe how it will be integrated with the current web mapping application found on [OHV.NV.GOV](#) ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\).2](#))*

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is committed to working 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 as needed to assist in any trail mapping or creation of public maps.

3. **Demand for New Facilities:** *Provide justification for **NEW** facility/program development: restrooms, trails, signs, and other amenities. ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 3,4](#))*

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics program works to educate the public about responsible recreation including respecting existing 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.

4. **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). ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 3,4,5,6](#))

Outdoor Ethics is all about responsible recreation which includes respecting and maintaining outdoor infrastructure and our public lands. Through our programs at Nevada Outdoor School (NOS), we educate the public about positively interacting with our public lands and facilities, helping to reduce or eliminate the need for maintenance or rehabilitation. However, we know that these needs do exist. NOS programs such as our youth Nature Explorers camps have strong stewardship components to them. These stewardship projects can help land managers maintain or rehabilitate existing facilities. NOS also commits to hosting at least two “outdoor ethics kids’ eco-camps” each year at partnership events such as National Public Lands Day and Black Rock Rendezvous. At these camps, NOS and youth participants help maintain existing facilities and public lands by painting picnic tables, cleaning up campsites, participating in other trail clean-ups and whatever else is required.

- 5. Connectivity/Loops:** *How will the project impact connectivity of OHV trails, facilities, and local communities? Include maps of areas impacted by your project and describe those impacts. ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 2,5,6](#))*

NOS utilizes trail systems and much loved recreation areas such as Valley of Fire State Park, Buckskin Table Mountain Loop 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. At outreach and education events, we provide valuable information about these and other local and state recreation areas to the public.

- 6. Access:** *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. ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 6,7](#))*

As one of Tread Lightly’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 and OHV Safety programs 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 strive to ensure public lands to stay open for current and future generations to come. In order to accomplish this, we educate people about safe and responsible riding through our youth, training and community programs. Through targeted outreach and education, NOS programs provide our OHV community with the necessary motivation, knowledge and skills to keep and improve OHV access around the state.

- 7. Training:** *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? ([NRS 490.069, 8](#))*

The goal of all Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s youth, training and community programs is to influence positive outdoor behavior by providing people the motivation, knowledge and skills to practice responsible outdoor recreation. Our Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety programs educate people around the state about safe and responsible riding and recreation through hands-on and online safety and outdoor ethics trainings and educational outreach. Through participating in NOS outdoor ethics and OHV safety training, education and outreach

- Identify important Nevada OHV related laws and regulations
- Develop their individual outdoor ethic, thinking critically about their choice, actions and recreational impacts and informing the public about the lack of medical trauma centers in Nevada.
- Identify a variety of recreation areas around the state open to OHV use, decreasing conflicts between user groups
- Utilize outdoor ethics knowledge and skills gained, decreasing the negative impacts to recreation areas
- Model and demonstrate safe and responsible recreation techniques to others while recreating, decreasing OHV related injuries and deaths and destruction or deterioration of public lands
- Share outdoor ethics knowledge and skills gained with others, spreading the message and creating a culture of responsible recreation
- Educate Nevada youth and their guardians about safe and responsible riding practices to prevent OHV accidents and head trauma and encouraging the use of always wearing helmets when riding by giving out free helmets to youth participants.

NOS's provides training, education and outreach programs that include touch-point outreach and education all the way up to intensive trainings and camps to teach people about responsible recreation. Since we started receiving funding from the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles seven years ago, we have been steadily growing and expanding our programs and outreach. We utilize Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! curriculum as well as our own Action. Impact. Choice. (AIC) education model where participants are challenged to analyze their actions, evaluate the impacts those actions have and choose wisely to positively impact their environment and reduce negative impacts whenever possible. NOS also provides ATV Safety Institute (ASI) hands-on trainings for youth and adults and is working towards also being able to provide Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles Association (ROVA), and MSF DirtBike School hands-on trainings as well. These nationally recognized certifications provide Nevadans with important and effective trainings aimed at increasing safety and responsible recreation practices. Our newly designed and launched Nevada OHV Safety Certification program includes an online training course for adults (ages 16+) and an online course and rider evaluation for youth (ages 15 and under). This OHV Certification Programs was designed working with stakeholders within the OHV community here in Nevada, and Kalkomey Enterprises, a nationally recognized outdoor education training provider. What sets Nevada Outdoor School's safety training programs apart from others is that we offer safety trainings that are targeted and appropriate for people of all ages, locations, and ability levels.

8. **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? Reference the Law Enforcement Statistics reporting form. ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 8, 9](#))

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) works to educate people around the state about Nevada's OHV registration law and how that money is put back into the OHV community. As a nonprofit organization, NOS does not have the capacity or authority to enforce Nevada OHV registration laws. However, as a non-law enforcement entity, we do have a different approach and effectiveness at persuading, educating and motivating people to initially register or renew their OHV registration. NOS's strength is providing targeted public education and outreach about OHV registration laws. Through programs such as our Ride Safe, Ride Smart school-based assemblies, customizable Road Show (mobile outreach booth), formal OHV hands-on trainings, our youth Ride Safe, Ride Smart camps, and newly launched OHV Certification program for youth and adults, NOS educates current and potential OHV riders about the requirements and benefits of registering their OHVs and keeping those registrations up to date. Additionally, these programs provide people with the motivation, knowledge and skills to be safe and responsible while riding. Through these programs and others, NOS demonstrates the positive impacts Nevada's OHV registration dollars are having for our OHV community. We are proud to have funds from OHV registrations support a wide variety of our youth, training and community programs that benefit OHV riders of all ages around the state and are vocal in letting our OHV community how these programs are made possible through funding from the Nevada OHV Commission. Seeing the value and positive impact of OHV registration funds to themselves, their children and their community is effective in motivating people to register and/or renew their OHV registration.

9. Partnering and Leverage: *Who else is involved in this project? Describe outreach with stakeholders, partners and local governments, that you have communicated with in planning this project. ([490.068, 3 \(a\) 2,3](#))*

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 responsibly! 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 Renown Pediatric Trauma Prevention, Friends of Black Rock-High Rock, Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Friends of the Rubies, six School Districts (Pershing, Humboldt, Lander, Elko, Eureka and White Pine), the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and the University of Nevada Reno Cooperative Extension. Additionally, Leave No Trace, Tread Lightly!, the ATV Safety Institute, and Recreational Off Highway Vehicle Association all provide curriculum and educational resource support and trainings.

NOS is the premier provider of outdoor ethics education in rural Nevada. Our professional and effective outdoor ethics programs are supported financially 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 19 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. Other matching funds for NOS's Outdoor Ethics program comes from the Nevada State Park's Recreational Trails Program (RTP). All stakeholders are on board to complete the project as described.

10. Economic Integration: *How will this project improve OHV recreation opportunities that help local, regional, or state economies grow?* ([NRS 490.069 2.\(c\) 7, 5](#))

In the most recent Nevada Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), OHV recreation (34%) was one of the top 10 outdoor recreation activities amongst all respondents. It was in the top 5 (57%) for frontier counties where Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) does most of our education and outreach. OHV recreation in rural/frontier communities and around the state generates revenue that helps local, regional and state economies to grow. Irresponsible recreation can have major consequences to the economic vitality of a community. It could result in the 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, 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, 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 in Elko, helping support our local off-road dealerships and communities. Our larger equipment like trucks and trailers are also purchased and maintained locally.



NOS Outdoor Ethics "Road Show" at Reno Motor Sports



Youth ATV Safety Rider Course



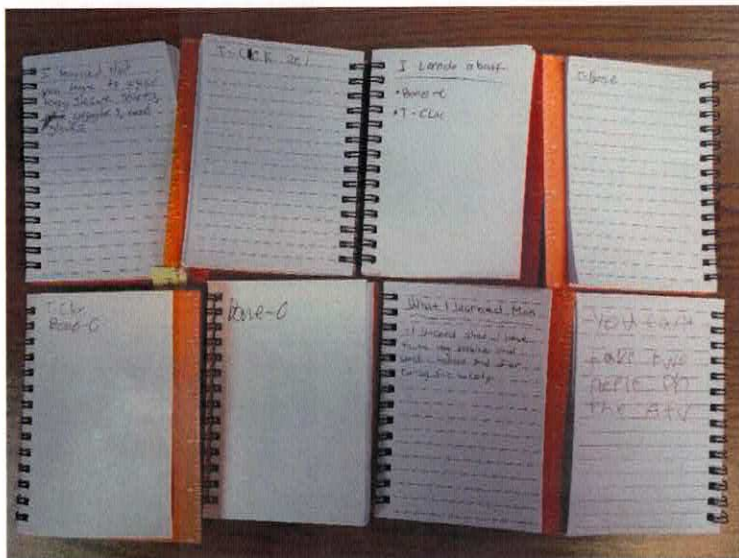
Elko ATV Camp Participants 2021



Youth Rider on the ASI regulated ATV Safety Course being directed by Certified Safety Instructor



Adult ASI Safety Course



ATV Youth Camp Journal Entries about what was the most important thing they learned that day at Camp



Driving Blind Activity



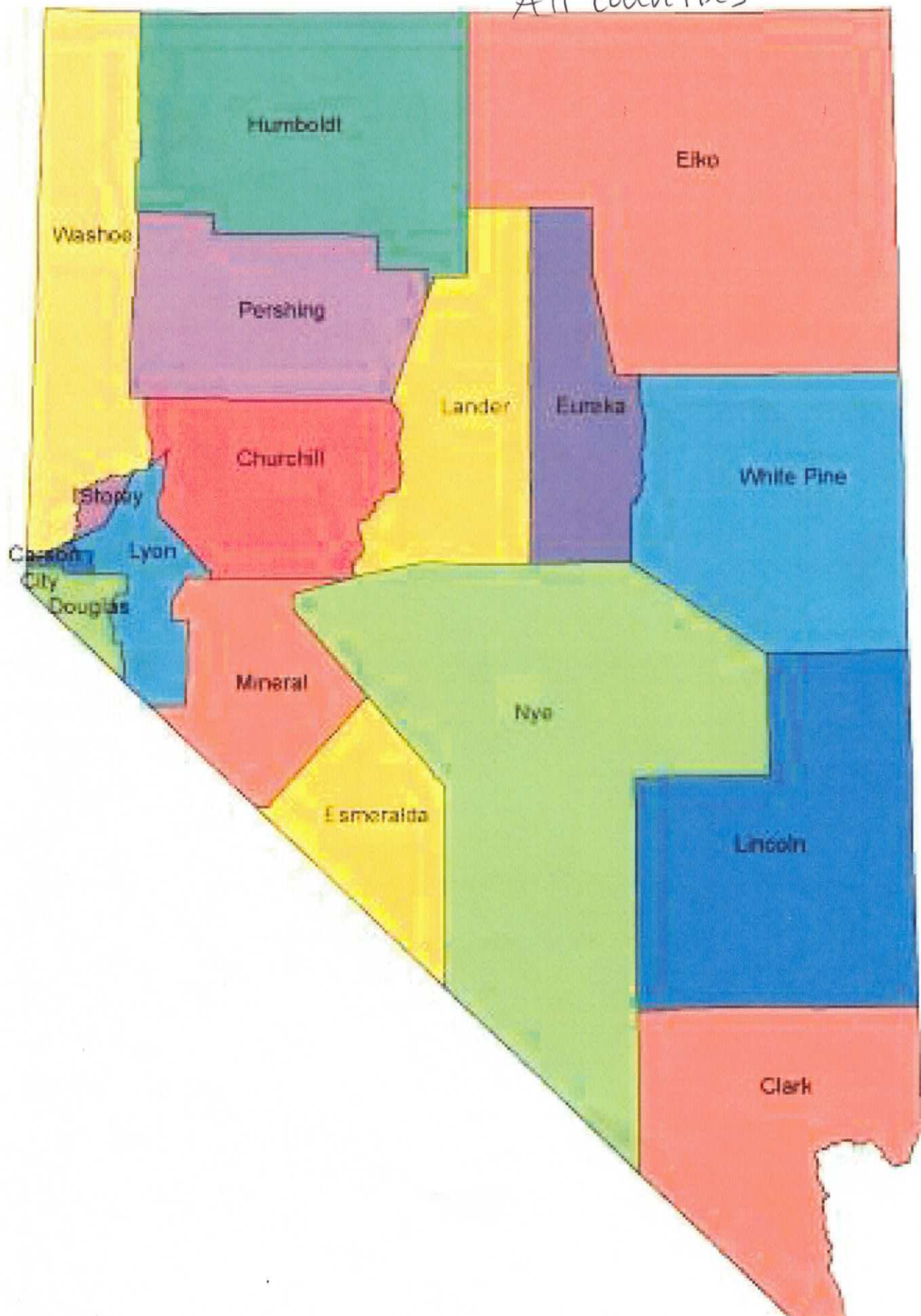
NOX The Fox in Safety Gear



Youth in proper safety gear

Nevada

Program is State wide
All counties



**LANDOWNER
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In Reply Refer To:
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Nevada Off Highway Vehicles Program
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
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To Whom it May Concern:

The Bureau of Land Management Nevada State Office (BLM) is writing in support of the Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) application for the 2023 NV OHV Program Grant. BLM believes that interpretation and education are crucial in supporting our land management planning goals and objectives. The NOS curriculum focuses on Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! principles as well as general outdoor ethics, hunter safety and environmental education. These are widely accepted and effective teaching tools to accomplish the goals of educating the recreating public on safe and responsible recreation use of their public lands.

BLM has seen large growth in outdoor recreation in the last 3-4 years. Many of these people are first time users of public lands. NOS' programming is critical to ensuring responsible recreation from this growing use on public lands. BLM is also committing to work with NOS and help in their program goals in whatever way we can at a statewide level. This could include providing space for outdoor classes, distributing materials to public land users, or providing staff to aid in education courses among others. Thank you for your continued support of these important programs.

Sincerely,

Alan B. Shepherd
Deputy State Director
Resources, Lands & Planning

Landowner Review and Approval Letter

May 12, 2023

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

Winnemucca Motocross Association for Nevada Outdoor School

Dear Commissioner's:

The above stated off-highway project has my approval as of May 12, 2023.

I have read the Request for Grant Application package and attachments; I agree with the application and the terms of the grant. I am committed to maintaining the facility and will allow for motorized access to those facilities for 25 years or the normal life of the project, whichever is greater. I agree to provide any match or other tasks in the application that are assigned to me.

I hold 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. As President, I can vow that the club will take full effort to keep the property safe and well maintained. We fully support Nevada Outdoor School in their use of the facility for 2023 events and trainings.

The project is located on private land and is in conformance with the appropriate land management permits, licenses, clearances, and Federal environmental analyses documentation necessary to comply with local, state and/or federal laws specifically, NRS 490.069.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (775) 376-4292 or by email at wmcamxclub@gmail.com

Sincerely,



Jasmyne Hughes
President
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CARSON CITY, NEVADA
CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND STATE CAPITOL

May 25, 2023

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

Dear Nevada OHV Commission,

On behalf of the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department, I am writing in support of Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) application for the summer 2023 OHV Program Grant. In the most recent Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), OHV recreation was one of the top 10 recreation activities for all respondents and in the top 5 in frontier counties where NOS does a majority of their education and outreach. As the number of people recreating outdoors, especially those new to recreating on public lands, continues to grow, the work NOS does to provide people with the knowledge and skills to be safe and smart is essential to keeping riding areas open for all to enjoy.

The Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department is committed to working with NOS at the local level to ensure the success of their OHV Safety Education programming goals. This includes providing space on Carson City managed lands under our jurisdiction, such as Prison Hill Recreation Area for NOS safety courses. NOS has held safety education programs at Prison Hill in the past, and we welcome the opportunity to continue hosting these important programs within our community.

Thank you for your continued support of these important programs, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Gregg Berggren
Trails Coordinator
gberggren@carson.org



**PROJECT
PARTNERS
LETTERS OF
SUPPORT**

Joe Lombardo
Governor

JAMES A. SETTELMEYER
Director
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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS

May 30, 2023

Dear OHV Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) application to the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) grant program to continue their work on their important program: "Nevada Ride Safe Ride Smart OHV Safety Education Program".

Through their multiple programs, the NOS teaches and promotes responsible OHV safety and recreation management and Tread Lightly! principles 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 responsible stewards of the land. The skills and ethics learned from their programs last a lifetime and are provided by trained personnel from NOS. Without their educated and trained staff, these valuable outreach programs would not be possible.

The NOS will be leveraging an existing Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant funds totaling \$13,954.00 as match for the requested OHV funds. Through these partnerships, the NOS continues to fund and complete successful projects that are enjoyed by a multitude of users.

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,

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Elyse Jolly
Park & Recreation Program Manager
Nevada Division of State Parks

May 24, 2023

Nevada Off Highway Vehicles Program
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
901 A. Stewart Street, Suite 1003
Carson City, NV 89701

Subject: Nevada Outdoor School

The Nevada Muleys Foundation fully supports the grant application submitted by Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) for continued support of their statewide OHV safety and Ride Safe, Ride Smart program. The Nevada Muleys Board of Directors authorizes NOS to use \$8,000 of our annual contribution as partial cost matching funds for their grant application.

NOS teaches and promotes responsible OHV safety while recreating, exploring and hunting in Nevada. The skills and ethics learned through these programs last a lifetime and positively impact our recreation opportunities. Particularly their Youth OHV Safety courses help to assure that our open hunting areas remain so for the next generation and beyond. Their ability to travel around the state reaching Nevada recreationists in a variety of settings and market the newly launched NV OHV Safety Online Certification Program will positively impact our off-road and hunting community in Nevada.

We are proud to continue our partnership with Nevada Outdoor School and hope you will continue to fund this great program.

Sincerely,

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Jim Rackley, President





SUBGRANT AGREEMENT

APPLICATION ID: 22AC246518
SUBGRANT #: 19AFHNV0010009
DUNS #: 137888512
UEI #: EFKSMF39EMK4

Calendar Year: 2023 - 2024
CFDA #: 94.006
R&D: No

GRANTOR:
Nevada Volunteers
1380 Greg Street, Suite 228
Sparks, Nevada 89431

GRANTEE:
Nevada Outdoor School
655 Anderson Street
Winnemucca, NV 89445

AMERICORPS Nevada PROJECT NAME: **Nevada Outdoor School** **AmeriCorps Program**

This sub-grant agreement is made and entered into by Nevada Volunteers, hereinafter referred to as Grantor, and Nevada Outdoor School, hereinafter referred to as Grantee. This sub-grant agreement consists of these Terms & Provisions and these five references:

1. 2022-23 AmeriCorps Grant Application (eGrants)
<https://egrants.cns.gov/espan/main/login.jsp>
2. 2022 Terms and Conditions for AmeriCorps State and National Grants
<https://americorps.gov/sites/default/files/document/FY2022 ASN Program-SpecificTermsandConditions Revised June2022%20%28002%29 2.pdf>
3. 2022 General Grant Terms and Conditions
<https://americorps.gov/sites/default/files/document/FY2022-General-Terms-Conditions-508-20211119.pdf>
4. 45 CFR Parts 2510, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2540 and 2550. AmeriCorps National Service Program; Final Rule and the Kennedy Serve America Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-13)
<https://americorps.gov/about/agency-overview/statutes-regulations>
5. Program Director Handbook
<https://nevadavolunteers.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/PD-Handbook-2022-2023.pdf>

All five references are integral parts of this sub-grant agreement and are hereby incorporated and made a part hereof.

TERMS AND PROVISIONS

Section I. Performance

Grantee agrees to operate the AmeriCorps* Nevada program with respect to the components of the Grantor's National and Community Service Trust Act of 1990, as amended (hereafter referred to as the Act), codified as 42 U.S.C. 12501 *et seq.*, and 45 C.F.R. Part 2510 *et seq.* (hereafter referred to as the Rule), and the Kennedy Serve America Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-13) in accordance with the provisions of this subgrant for the period beginning **September 1, 2022**.

This award is made pursuant to the Corporation for National & Community Service (hereinafter referred to as Corporation) AmeriCorps* State Grant to Nevada Volunteers:

Grant No. 19AFHNV0010009

CFDA No. 94.006

Section II. Budget, Method of Payment, Spending Limitations and Obligations of Grantor

- A. That the project period and the budget period are for a one-year period of time, based on Nevada Volunteers' Grant Award from the Corporation. The one-year period of time is from **September 1, 2022** up to and including **August 31, 2023**.
- B. Maximum compensation paid to the Grantee shall not exceed **\$298,729** of Corporation funds for the period September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.
- C. Subgrantee will use the *de minimis* rate of 10% of Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) **indirect cost rate**.
- D. AmeriCorps Member Service Year (MSY) allocation shall not exceed **13.83 MSY's**. AmeriCorps member slots shall not exceed **27 Members**. Any conversion that would change these allocations must be approved by Grantor.
- E. Grantee must provide the local match indicated in the Grantee's application and account for the corresponding expenditures of that match.
- F. Grantor's financial system shall provide adequate fiscal control and accounting procedures that are in compliance with the Act and all applicable state statutes and federal administrative regulations.
- G. Funding obligations of the Grantor are contingent upon its receipt of applicable State and Federal funds.
- H. Programs may not start prior to the approved start date of the budget period. If pre-award costs are requested, they must be requested prior to the start date of the grant and in accordance with OMB guidance. Examples of allowable costs include: personnel expenses and benefits; prospective member travel and staff travel; staff training and training for



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office
Angel Cardenas
Sheriff

May 16, 2023

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

Dear OHV Commission,

I am writing on behalf of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) in support of Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) request to obtain funding from the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program. Since 2015, our office has established a strong partnership with 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, ATVs and side-by-sides. With continued funding through this grant, we hope to continue these events and reach more people with the message of safety 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 relates to the enforcement of various Nevada OHV laws and regulations, NOS 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 this great partnership with 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,

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Angel Cardenas

Sheriff

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24 May 2023

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

Subject: Nevada Outdoor School

The Nevada Offroad Association (NVORA) supports the grant application submitted by the team at the Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) for continued educational efforts and equipment support. NVORA has worked with the Nevada Outdoor School on many occasions and is a strong supporter of their programs and efforts.

NOS is the primary educational resource for outdoor ethics in Nevada. As detailed in this application, their consistent messaging benefits all areas of interest in outdoor recreation.

Specifically, "All NOS youth, training and community focused programs influence positive outdoor behavior by providing people the motivation, knowledge and skills to practice responsible outdoor recreation."

Their in-person hands on OHV education program has the most immediate direct impact for the motorized recreational community. This request follows from a previous NVOHV grant for a towing vehicle and trailer that is directly related to meeting the needs of the OHV safety education program. Funding for personnel, travel expenses and supplies was stripped from that request, and this is the ideal moment to fulfill this programs request.

Respectfully,

Mathew D. Giltner
Executive Director
Nevada Offroad Association

Alexis Nelson
Associate Director
Nevada Offroad Association

**NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION
LETTERS OF
SUPPORT**



Date: May 24, 2023

Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 1003
Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Letter of Support for Nevada Outdoor School

Commission Members,

On behalf of Tread Lightly! I am writing in support of Nevada Outdoor School's Summer 2023 application for the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles Grant to support their outdoor ethics education programming.

Tread Lightly! is a national nonprofit organization with a mission to promote responsible recreation through stewardship programs and ethics education. Tread Lightly!'s educational message, along with its unique training and restoration initiatives, are strategically designed to instill an ethic of responsibility for outdoor enthusiasts and the industries that serve them. The program is long-term in scope with a goal to balance the needs of the people who enjoy outdoor recreation with our need to maintain a healthy environment. Tread Lightly!'s award-winning materials, programs and services are solutions to some of the nation's most pressing recreation issues.

Tread Lightly! supports the efforts of local, in-state groups who help provide the Tread Lightly! message, maximizing the effectiveness of the program. Nevada Outdoor School provides meaningful hands-on opportunities for the public and youth to learn and practice outdoor ethics and safety. Tread Lightly! appreciates Nevada Outdoor School's efforts to promote responsible, respectful and sustainable OHV use through teaching the T.R.E.A.D. Principles and providing Tread Lightly! educational

Sincerely,

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Matt Caldwell
Executive Director
Tread Lightly!

Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program
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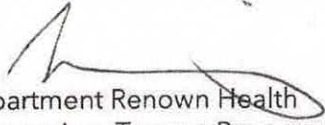
Dear OHV Commission,

As the only Level II trauma center in northern Nevada, Renown Health's Trauma Department has been alarmed by the increasing number of youths injured during OHV crashes. In 2021 and 2022, we cared for 125 patients under the age of 18 yrs who sustained significant injury because of OHV related incidents. Through an extensive analysis of this data and injury prevention strategies, we have identified a need for a safety education program that could target the youth of the OHV community.

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is dedicated to promoting safe and responsible OHV use among Nevada's young population. Renown Health's Trauma Department has joined forces with NOS to support their Ride Safe Ride Smart OHV Safety Program, aimed at reducing the frequency and severity of injuries caused by OHV incidents through increased awareness, safety education, practical training, and responsible distribution of OHV safety equipment. Through an outreach event at Sand Mountain and presentations to high school students on the importance of safe and responsible OHV riding, this partnership has already achieved positive results in enhancing the safety of OHV activities.

We strongly urge the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program to fund Nevada Outdoor School's proposal, which will greatly help our joint efforts of keeping our youth safe while exploring Nevada's great outdoors.

Sincerely,


Trauma Department Renown Health
Nicholas Mannering, Trauma Program Manager