

NEVADA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM
2021 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. Denied applications: correspondence will be sent to applicant by email describing the reason for declaring the application incomplete.

SECTION I - PROJECT AND APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Project Name: Outdoor Ethics Education, Outreach and OHV Safety Programs
2. Project Dates: *Expected Start:* April 1, 2021 *Expected Completion:* December 31, 2022
3. Applicant Name: Nevada Outdoor School
Mailing address: 655 Anderson Street
Winnemucca, NV 89445
Phone: 775-623-5656
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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).


Applicant Signature
(Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)

11/11/2020
Date

5. Project Manager: Melanie Erquiaga & Allana Havernick
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6. Classification of Land Control: *(check all that apply)*

Federally managed public land Private Land County City

Other: _____

Lease; Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

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

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

7. Landowner: Public Lands - BLM & USFS, City and County locations

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

8. THE LANDOWNER MUST PROVIDE A LETTER STATING THAT:

(See example Appendix B)

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

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

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

State OHV Grant Request:	\$39,930	
Other Funds:	\$39,895	
Total Project Amount	\$79,825	100%

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

Federal Private In-kind City/County Other

Type here:

Federal match will come from a BLM Assistance Agreement, AmeriCorps Nevada and State Parks RTP Program, Private Match will come from a Polaris T.R.A.I.L.S. grant.

Please describe additional funding source(s):

10. LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM PARTNERS are required:

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

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

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

- Studies or planning for trails and facilities;
 - Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Studies.
 - Other studies _____
- Acquisition of land for trails and facilities
- Mapping and signing of trails and facilities
- Reconstruction, enhancement or maintenance of existing trails and facilities
- Construction of new trails and facilities
- Restoration of areas that have been damaged by the use of off-highway vehicles.
- The construction of trail features, trailheads, parking, or other ancillary facilities which minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas or important wildlife habitat areas.
- Safety training and education related to the use of off highway vehicles and registration
- Compliance and enforcement (See Appendix C, Enforcement Strategy example)

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

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

- Mountain Biking
- Hiking/Backpacking
- Equestrian
- Single track motorcycle
- Snowmobiling
- Snowshoe/ski
- ATV quads
- Dune buggy
- UTV Side by side
- Race Course
- Skills riding course

Please explain how you intend to manage user interactions:

Our Outdoor Ethics Programs are designed for all public lands off road recreationists and our message and education methods are focused on sharing the trails and roads with all users. Both Leave No Trace 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.

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. (In order to avoid duplication, **do not include** justification or narrative in this section; refer to Section V, Scoring Narrative).

Type here:

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) is committed to spreading the message of responsible recreation to people of all ages across Nevada through Outdoor Ethics and OHV safety outreach and education. As the premier provider of outdoor ethics education in rural Nevada, we pride ourselves on our multi-faceted, effective and professional Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety Programs. In 2018, our Outdoor Ethics and ATV/OHV safety programs received a special recognition award by the National Off-Highway Conservation Council (NOHVCC) at their annual conference in Michigan. And in October 2020, we also received recognition from the Coalition for Recreational Trails with a national Tom Petri Recreational Trails Program Annual Achievement Award for Education and Communication. At NOS, outdoor ethics is what we do! All NOS Youth, Training and Healthy Community focused programs

influence positive outdoor behavior by providing people the motivation, knowledge and skills to practice responsible recreation.

NOS youth focused programs include supplemental nature-based environmental education programs for the schools (standard-aligned classroom lessons, place-based field trips, and after-school nature programs). Additionally, we run a variety of exploration-based summer camps for Nevada youth. Specifically, NOS plans to reach at least 500 youth through our school-based education programs, host 3 ATV/Dirt Bike Rider Camps, and run at least 8 summer camps for 3rd-10th grade youth.

NOS training focused programs include Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics and Tread Lightly! trainer courses and awareness workshops, ATV/OHV/Dirt Bike safety courses (youth and adults), hunter safety courses, and outdoor skill workshops. Specifically, NOS plans to run at least 3 youth and 5 adult ATV/OHV rider courses, and 3 Tread Lightly! and 3 Leave No Trace trainer courses.

NOS healthy community focused programs include our mobile outdoor ethics themed Road Shows, community hikes and recreation based programs, outdoor resources, and OHV VIN inspection/registration events. Specifically, NOS plans to bring our Road Show to at least 10 events statewide, participate in 3 VIN/registration events, and host at least 5 community hikes. New this year, in collaboration with other OHV community stakeholders, NOS plans to develop a comprehensive Nevada state specific OHV safety program including ATV, Dirt Bike, and UTV education and hands-on trainings. The goal of this Safety Program will be to provide Nevadans (and especially Nevada's youth) essential knowledge, skills and motivation to be safe and responsible OHV users.

As part of our Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety programs, we will be traveling to many locations throughout the state of Nevada and therefore will continue to need reliable transportation in the form of our Ford F150 truck. This vehicle is housed at the Nevada Outdoor School Winnemucca office and regularly maintained by local, licensed mechanics to ensure top performance and longevity.

In light of COVID-19, we understand the reality and possibility that not all our programs will be able to run as they typically might, but that will not stop us from our Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety education and outreach! Since the start of the pandemic, we have adjusted and adapted our programs to meet strict health and safety guidelines. Moving into the coming year, we are ready to continue to do this while still spreading the message of responsible outdoor recreation, which is more important now than ever!

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

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

Other: N/A

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

- No Yes

Number of projects funded: 4

Amount of funding Received: \$ 127,830

Number of projects Completed: 3



SECTION II – LOCATION, MAPS, PHOTOS

Project Location:

County: All Counties - Nevada Wide

Nearest Municipality/Town/City: various

Center of project: Latitude: N/A Longitude: N/A

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

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

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

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

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

Please attach the following photographs:

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

SECTION III - Federal Lands or Other

Federal Environmental Compliance

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

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

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

SECTION IV - BUDGET

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

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

Item Description	Item	OHV Grant Request	Federal	Other	Total
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outdoor Ethics Program Director LNT & TL Master Educator/ ATV Safety Instructor (1,980 hours @\$19.5/hr)	\$13,650	\$19,640	\$ 5,320	\$38,610
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Executive Director (300 hours @ \$31.80/hr)	\$ 4,770	\$ 3,530	\$ 1,240	\$ 9,540
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Outreach Director/LNT & TL Master Educator/ATV Safety Instructor (100 hours @ \$27.00/hr)	\$ 2,700			\$ 2,700
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS Director of Finance (100 hours @ \$20.50/hr)	\$ 1,025	\$ 365	\$ 660	\$ 2,050
Direct labor costs Salaries, including fringe, actual costs	NOS AmeriCorps National Service Members (200 hours @ \$8.92/hr)	\$ 715	\$ 1,069		\$ 1,784
Volunteer or donated labor/in-kind 100 Hrs. skilled labor @\$23.56/hr.	Volunteer or donated student labor (100 hours @ \$27.20/hr)			\$ 2,720	\$ 2,720
Purchase or rental of equipment - Specify type of equipment – cost- # of days.	Rental costs for full size ATV for Training Courses – price varies by training location	\$ 2,000			\$ 2,000
Purchase of Materials List items & cost of each item or group of items.	Safety Gear & ATV/OHV Training Supplies (flags, cones, helmets, gloves, goggles, spare long sleeve shirts for participants)			\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Purchase of Materials List items & cost of each item or group of items.	Outdoor Ethics - Tread Lightly! Outreach and Training Supplies	\$1,000			\$ 1,000
Purchase of Materials List items & cost of each item or group of items.	Outdoor Ethics office and printing supplies for trainings and outreach, printing of brochures and posters	\$ 800			\$ 800
Training Costs – varies depending on educator course	NOS Staff & AmeriCorps Members Tread Lightly!, ATV/OHV Safety and other Position Specific Trainings	\$ 2,500			\$ 2,500

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 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 3,000 miles at .58/mile	\$1,740			\$ 1,740
Other: be specific	Youth ATV and Trailer Maintenance and registrations			\$ 665	\$ 665
Other: be specific	Storage Unit Rental for ATV and OE Supplies and Road Show Materials (\$55/month)		\$ 660		\$ 660
Indirect Costs 10% de-minimus allowed		\$ 3,630	\$ 2,526		\$ 6,156
Totals		\$39,930	\$27,790	\$12,105	\$79,825
Percentages		50%	35%	15%	100%

SECTION V – PRIORITIES AND SCORING NARRATIVE

THE SCORING PRIORITIES ARE LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY.

Address the following Ten (10) criteria in the order listed below.

- **Please tell us how your project/program meets each criteria.**
- **Be specific and concise with your answers.**
- **Please submit no more than five (5) double-sided pages for your Narrative.**
- **If attached additional pages, ensure the question being answered is referenced. (If not applicable, answer N/A.)**

1. Law Enforcement- *Describe your strategy that addresses registration enforcement, including Public Education & Outreach aimed at increasing OHV safety. Include past quantitative data for OHV Citations issued, safety courses, and registration events.*

2. Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation - *Describe how project planning and environmental studies will mitigate resources impacted by OHV recreation. How will the project contribute to conservation of our Natural Resources?*

4. Enhancement or Maintenance Existing Trails and Facilities - *Describe the maintenance intervals for your project. How will maintenance needs be prioritized and how often will the project site host a cleanup or maintenance day? How will your project be maintained and who has committed to the ongoing maintenance of the facility or trail? *A minimum of 2 maintenance events are required per year**

5. Connectivity/loops - *How does this project increase connectivity between trail centers, facilities, and local amenities? Does your project link to other OHV projects?*

6. Access - *Describe how your project protects or Improves OHV access to recreation areas. How will access be restricted if this project does not occur?*

7. Trail Mapping -- *If there is a mapping component in the grant, how will it work with the mapping application found at <https://ohv.nv.gov/trails>*

8. Partnerships & Matching Funds - *Describe the partnerships in place to make this project occur. What other funding sources support this project? Are all stakeholders on board to complete the project as described?*

9. Economic Integration - *How does your project help local, regional, or state economies grow? What is the economic impact of your project?*

10. Demand for New Facilities - *Provide a justification for constructing NEW Facilities*

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Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety programs provide targeted OHV registration education and outreach to thousands of people in Nevada through our Road Shows, where we travel to events such as Get Outdoors Nevada Day (Las Vegas), Reno Motorsports Expo (Reno), and Nevada Outdoor Experience (Carson City) to set-up a fun, interactive and informative booth that educates people about OHV safety and Tread Lightly!, training opportunities, and OHV registration. Some of our Road Show events also include co-hosting OHV registration and VIN inspection drives with our local Humboldt County Sheriff's department and other sheriff's offices around the state. In 2019, NOS traveled to 20 Road Show events, reaching 4,400 people and in FY20 (prior to COVID-19), we traveled to 6 events around the state reaching 1,468. With continued and increased funding, NOS hopes to continue to help with these types of events and coordinate with even more Sheriff's Offices across rural Nevada. NOS Road Show events directly result in increased outreach and education about OHV registration and an increased number of people actually getting VIN inspections and their OHVs registered in Nevada. Additionally, NOS provides hands-on rider courses and safety trainings for youth and adults. In 2018, we ran 4 adult hands-on rider courses for 29 people and 1 hands-on youth training for 6 kids. We also partnered with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office to provide Tread Lightly! outreach and education at their OHV and Dirt Bike safety trainings. In 2019, NOS provided 2 ATV-safety trainings for adults. This past summer, we ran 2 youth hands-on ATV-safety trainings reaching 6 youth in Elko and Reno.

This coming year, NOS plans to work with Sheriff's Offices around the state and other OHV community stakeholders to develop a comprehensive and effective statewide OHV Safety Program. One of the ultimate goals of this safety program is to educate the Nevada OHV Community about safe and responsible riding and important state laws and regulations. This will ultimately result in decreased OHV related fatalities and injuries and fewer citations.

2. Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation - Describe how project planning and environmental studies will mitigate resources impacted by OHV recreation. How will the project contribute to conservation of our Natural Resources?

Outdoor ethics, or simply put, responsible recreation, is all about positively interacting with the natural world to ensure the health and beauty of our ecosystems and habitats. Nevada Outdoor School's Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety Programs encourage this positive interaction with the natural world and inspire people to think critically about the impacts their actions can have on water, air, soil, plants, animals and other people. Through ethics education, people develop an appreciation for conserving natural resources and habitats. Additionally, NOS programs, such as our youth eco-camps, summer camps and Outdoor Ethics Club, place a big focus on conservation, rehabilitation and restoration. Youth at these programs participate in many different activities such as clean-ups, replanting, sage grouse flagging, and water quality testing.

3. Enhancement or Maintenance Existing Trails and Facilities - Describe the maintenance intervals for your project. How will maintenance needs be prioritized and how often will the project site host a cleanup or maintenance day? How will your project be maintained and who has committed to the ongoing maintenance of the facility or trail? *A minimum of 2 maintenance events are required per year*

Outdoor Ethics is all about responsible recreation which includes respecting and maintaining outdoor infrastructure and our public lands. Through Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics Program, we educate the public about positively interacting with our public lands and facilities, helping to reduce or eliminate the need for maintenance or rehabilitation. However, we know that these needs do exist. NOS programs such as our youth summer camps and Outdoor Ethics Club have strong stewardship components to them. Some of these stewardship projects, if needed, 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 needed.

4. Training: Describe the goals and objectives of your public training program. Include any past quantitative data for number of students, or Public Education campaigns, rider safety course content, outdoor ethics content

The goal of all Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s youth, training and healthy 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 safety and outdoor ethics trainings and educational outreach. Through participating in NOS outdoor ethics and OHV safety training, education and outreach programs, participants will:

- Develop their individual outdoor ethic, thinking critically about their recreation impacts
- Identify recreation areas around the state open to OHV use, decreasing conflicts between users groups
- Utilize outdoor ethics knowledge and skills gained, decreasing the negative impacts to recreation areas
- Model safe and responsible recreation techniques to others while recreating
- Share outdoor ethics knowledge and skills gained with others, spreading the message of responsible recreation

NOS's Outdoor Ethics and OHV Safety training, education and outreach programs provide touch-point outreach and education all the way up to intensive trainings and week-long camps to teach people about responsible recreation. Since we started receiving funding from the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles five years ago, we have been steadily growing and expanding our programs and outreach.

Even though over the past two years we have been challenged with staff turnover (which necessitates getting our new staff member fully trained to provide our entire repertoire of outdoor ethics programs) and this past year with COVID-19, we have stayed committed to spreading the message of responsible recreation.

As an example of what we can do with a fully trained staff, in FY2018 NOS:

- Took our outdoor ethics Road Show to 18 events around the state reaching over 2,200 people with the message of outdoor ethics and OHV Safety

- Provided 4 Adult hands-on ATV safety courses, training 29 people
- Hosted an ATV Rider Camp for 6 kids, providing a hands-on ATV safety course for 2 youth
- Ran 4 LNT Trainer Courses for 41 people, and 2 LNT awareness workshops reaching 118 people
- Ran 1 Tread Lightly! Trainer Course for 7 people and partnered with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office to provide 4 Tread Lightly! awareness trainings for 7 youth and 11 adults
- Taught 10 Outdoor Ethics lessons, reaching 126 youth

Even with staff turnover during FY2019, NOS:

- Traveled with our Road Show to 2 events around the state, reaching over 4,400 people with the message of responsible recreation
- Provided 2 hands-on ATV trainings for 3 people
- Taught 3 Leave No Trace Trainer Courses, reaching 32 people
- Taught 1 Tread Lightly! Trainer Course, reaching 5 people
- Taught 8 Outdoor Ethics lessons, reaching 68 youth

This past year, despite programming impacts related to COVID-19 and the repercussions of needed training courses for new NOS staff being cancelled/rescheduled (Leave No Trace Master Educator/ATV Safety Institute), NOS still:

- Took our Road Show to 6 events (prior to March 2020), reaching 1,468 people with the message of responsible recreation and OHV Safety
- Ran 2 ATV/Dirt Bike Rider Camps for 8 kids and ran 2 hands-on rider safety courses for 6 youth
- Taught 1 Leave No Trace Trainer Course for 7 people and 2 LNT awareness workshops for 177 youth and 21 adults
- Taught 1 Tread Lightly! Trainer Course for 4 people and 1 Tread Lightly! Awareness workshop reaching 9 people
- Taught 4 Outdoor Ethics lessons, reaching 83 youth

5. Connectivity/loops - How does this project increase connectivity between trail centers, facilities, and local amenities? Does your project link to other OHV projects?

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 protects or improves OHV access to recreation areas. How will access be restricted if this project does not occur?

As one of Tread Lightly! (TL!)’s messages states, “Respected Access is Open Access.” Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) whole-heartedly agrees with this message and works hard through our Outdoor Ethics 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 want public lands to stay open for generations to come. In order to accomplish this, we educate people about safe and responsible riding through our summer camps, trainings, school programs and Road Shows.

7. Trail Mapping -- If there is a mapping component in the grant, how will it work with the mapping application found at <https://ohv.nv.gov/trails>

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 if needed to assist in any trail mapping or creation of public maps. This will be done with the help of local youth through our Outdoor Ethics Club.

8. Partnerships & Matching Funds - Describe the partnerships in place to make this project occur. What other funding sources support this project? Are all stakeholders on board to complete the project as described?

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) has been highly effective in partnering with a variety of community groups and agencies to support the outdoor ethics message. This can be attributed to the talented and passionate staff delivering NOS programs and the broad appeal of what we teach including the most important part of our mission, to get outside! NOS talks to people around the state at a variety of outreach events to get direct input into what types of education and training opportunities the public would like to receive. We partner with land management agencies including with Bureau of Land Management, United States Forest Service and Nevada Department of Wildlife. Other programming partners include the Northern Nevada ATV Association, Friends of Black Rock-High Rock, Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Humboldt, Pershing, Lander and Elko County School Districts, Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and the University of Nevada Reno Cooperative Extension. Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics, Tread Lightly!, the ATV Safety Institute, and Oregon ATV Safety 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 northern Nevada. Our professional and effective outdoor ethics program is 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 17 years to provide educational and interpretive programs, including outdoor ethics throughout the districts. 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 Polaris T.R.A.I.L.S. grant and Nevada State Park's Recreational Trails Program (RTP).

All stakeholders are on board to complete the project as described.

9. Economic Integration - How does your project help local, regional, or state economies grow? What is the economic impact of your project?

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, Nevada Outdoor School (NOS) spreads the message of responsible recreation and teaches people about the consequences of positive and negative interactions with the natural world. With more of our community being educated about outdoor ethics and responsibly recreating on our public lands, it decreases the need for law enforcement, 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 5th Gear Power Sports in Elko, helping support our local off-road dealerships and communities. Our larger equipment like trucks and trailers are also purchased and maintained locally.

10. Demand for New Facilities - Provide a justification for constructing NEW Facilities

Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s Outdoor Ethics program works to educate the public about responsible recreation including respecting recreation facilities such as restrooms, trails, signs and other amenities with the hope that there will be a decreased need for new facilities where they currently exist.



NOS Outdoor Ethics "Road Show" at Reno Motor Sports



Youth ATV Safety Rider Course



Taking a Polaroid photo of Youth decked out in appropriate safety gear at ATV Camp



Elko ATV Camp 2020 at Elko Snow Bowl



Youth Rider on the ASI regulated ATV Safety Course being directed by Outdoor Ethics Program Director

Northern Nevada ATV Association

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Nevada Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources

Off-Highway Vehicles Program

Attn: Nikhil Narkhede

901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 1001

Carson City, Nevada 89701

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of Northern Nevada ATV Association, we would like to offer our support of

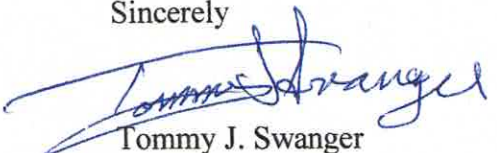
Nevada Outdoor School (NOS)'s request for funding from the Nevada off-highway Vehicles Program to support their Outdoor Ethics Program.

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

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

We are proud to offer our support for NOS and hope you will continue to fund this great program!

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tommy Swanger". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Tommy J. Swanger

President NNATV



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

Mike Allen, Sheriff



November 5, 2020

State of Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle's Program

Attn: Nikhil Narkhede
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1003
Carson City, NV 89701

Commissioners,

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

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

Professionally,

Sheriff Mike Allen

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To Whom it May Concern:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is writing in support of the Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) application for the 2021 Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle 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. These are widely accepted effective teaching tools to accomplish the goal of educating the recreating public on safe and responsible use of OHVs on public lands.

The ongoing pandemic has made this education even more important. BLM has seen large growth in OHV based recreation in the last year. Many of these folks are first time users of OHVs and public lands in general. The NOS's program is critical to ensure responsible recreation from this growing user group 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 or distributing materials to public lands users. Thank you for your continued support of this important program.

Sincerely,

Alan B. Shepherd
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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS

November 6, 2020

Dear OHV Commission,

I am writing to express my support for the Nevada Outdoor School's (NOS) application to the Off-Highway Vehicle grant program to continue their work on two important programs: "Ride Safe and Smart, Nevada" Tread Lightly! and their OHV Safety Programs.

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

The NOS will be leveraging an existing Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant as a partial match for your OHV funds, in addition to funding from the Bureau of Land Management and a Polaris T.R.A.I.L.S. grant. 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,

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

Janice Keillor
Deputy Administrator
Nevada Division of State Parks