NEVADA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM Sumer 2022 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:	Nevada Offroad Association (NVORA)
2.	Project Timeline:	1 January – 31 March 2023
3.	Applicant Name:	Nevada Offroad Association
	Mailing address:	PO Box 1111
		Carson City, NV 89701
	Phone:	775.430.000
	Email:	info@nevadaoffroad.us

4. Classification of Applicant: (check one)

□ Federal □ State □ County □ Local/Municipal □ Other:_____

 \Box Partnership X Non-profit \Box for Profit \Box 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).

7/15/2022

Applicant Signature (Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)

Date

5. **Project Manager:** Mathew Giltner

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Alternate Contact: Kim Murcia

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Email:	kim@trailnv.com

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

 \Box Federally managed public land \Box Private Land \Box County \Box City

X Other: N/A

□ Lease; Attach copy of lease with expiration date.

□ R&PP; <u>Attach copy of lease with expiration date.</u>

7. Landowner: N/A

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:

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

State OHV Grant Request:	46,000.00
Matching Funds:	14,500.00
Total Project Amount:	60,500.00

What are the sources or Partners for your leveraged (matching) funds? \Box Federal \Box Private **X** In-kind \Box City/County \Box Other Please *describe* additional funding source(s):

Type here:

Stakeholder contributions. Volunteer labor from project manager and other interested parties.

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:**

- Χ Studies or planning for trails and facilities.
 - Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Studies. 0
 - Other studies 0
- Acquisition of land for trails and facilities
- X Mapping and signing of trails and facilities
- Х Reconstruction, enhancement or maintenance of existing trails and facilities
- X Construction of new trails and facilities
- Х Restoration of areas that have been damaged by the use of off-highway vehicles.
- Х 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 Х
- X Compliance and enforcement (See Appendix C, Enforcement Strategy example)

12. ALL TRAIL USERS: (check all that apply)

- □ Mountain Biking □ Hiking/Backpacking **X**. Single track motorcycle **X**. Snowmobiling
- **X.** ATV quads X. Racecourse
- **X.** Dune buggy **X.** Skills riding course

NVORA embraces all forms of motorized outdoor recreation and sees no conflict in genuinely allied stakeholders.

Equestrian

□ Snowshoe/ski

X. UTV Side by side

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

Nevada Offroad Association continues to advocate and support the Nevada community of motorized outdoor recreation enthusiasts and organizations with regards to Public Lands access and responsible use. This application is submitted to fund first guarter 2023 in anticipation of the shift to the new bi-annual grant cycle. Advocacy and supporting efforts are accomplished through the utilization of education, awareness, media, outreach, alliances, and advocacy to facilitate partnerships amongst and between, Public Lands managers, state, county, and municipal stakeholders, and offroad enthusiasts. The goal continues to be promotion and expansion of responsible offroad recreational opportunities. NVORA is a strong proponent of the OHV funding opportunities from industry as well as from state resources. NVORA continues to promote Nevada clubs and other non-governmental associations in securing that funding to improve OHV access and utility on Public Lands. NVORA continues to work with stakeholders within Nevada and nationally to introduce a solid public education campaign to promote positive stewardship values. These values align with Tread Lightly! T.R.E.A.D. principals. The education component of NVORA also includes specific NRS 490 presentations to the law enforcement communities, clubs and user groups. NVORA has assumed the leadership role for the Nevada Offroad Summit, and annual event that will allow for all stakeholders, and local community leaders to interact and learn about issues and projects happening around Nevada.

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: _____

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

No X Yes

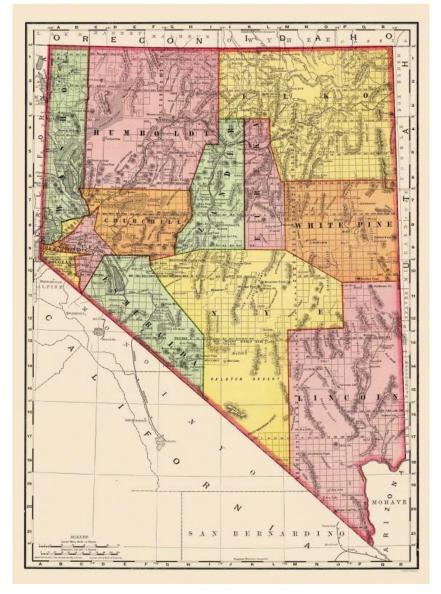
Number of projects funded: 2 Amount of funding Received: \$ 191815 Number of projects **Completed: 1 / Active: 1** – (Month 7.5 of 12)

SECTION II – LOCATION, MAPS, PHOTOS

Project Location: Statewide

Center of project: Latitude: N39° 19' 11.7" Longitude W116° 38' 13.3"

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 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 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)
- X 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.

• NVORA Expenses Q1 2022

BUDGET, EXPENDITURES & COMMITMENTS BY CATEGORY

Category	Grant Funds Awarded (E)	Previously Claimed To Date (A)	Claimed This Period (B)		Total Claimed To Date (C)
Personnel/Contractors	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	=	\$ 23,000.00
Events/Outreach	\$ 26,870.00	\$ 9,301.97	\$ 5,833.20	=	\$ 15,135.17
Travel	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 4,085.73	\$ 2,947.95	=	\$ 7,033.68
Supplies/Operating	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 656.48	\$ 1,034.40	=	\$ 1,690.88
Equipment	\$-			=	\$-
Training	\$-		\$-	=	\$ -
Admin & Reporting	\$ 19,910.00	\$ 3,318.34	\$ 1,659.17	=	\$ 4,977.51
	\$-		\$-	=	\$-
COLUMN TOTALS	\$ 154,280.00	\$ 32,362.52	\$ 19,474.72	=	\$ 51,837.24

NVORA Budget Q1 2023

Item Description	OHV Grant Request	Other Matching Funds	Total Cost	
Wages Full time ED, Part Time Assistant	27,000.00	8,000.00	35,000.00	
Travel	7,000.00	2,000.00	9,000.00	
Education and outreach social media and web	5,000.00	2,000.00	7,000.00	
Admin Operation: Insurance, Business license / IT, Phone, Office, Rent	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Fleet management: 1000.00 Per Vehicle annually	1,000.00	500.00	1,500.00	
Fleet purchases: Flat Fate 1000.00 Per Vehicle	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	
Grant administration: legal reporting requirements, staff hiring, contractor selection, travel management monthly reports to commission	5,000.00	0	5,000.00	
Totals	46,000.00	14,500.00	60,500.00	
Percentage	76	24	100	
NVORA will provide monthly invoices, with monthly status updates for items on this request and important ancillary OHV related issues.				

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:

NVORA is a non-profit and is tasked with proving an educational role to both citizen riders, and the law enforcement community. NVORA will continue to provide instruction on the content of NRS 490. This training is modified and made available to the clubs or social media groups. NVORA will be hosting the 2023 OHV Summit where a safety and law enforcement breakout group/class will be held to build the relationships between all OHV users and the law enforcement community.

2. Enhancement or Maintenance of existing trails and facilities:

NVORA is the lead facilitator between the State of Nevada OHV Program and the end users (clubs) and will continue to provide project design guidance, and assistance with 'out of the box' thinking when tackling the issues and limitations surrounding peculiarities in Nevada's trails and routes on federally managed Public Lands. NVORA continues to assist in any large equipment purchasing for NVOHVGC awardees and as directed by the commission hold the title to those purchases, track hours and maintenance.

3. Training:

NVORA provides training to the law enforcement community on NRS 490, as well as the actual club riders. Additionally, we are partnered with, Tread Lightly! and the Offroad Business Association, to promote an aggressive UTV education program released Spring 2022. We are also participating with the Nevada Outdoor School to develop the Nevada UTV/SxS training syllabus, and with NVORA's master OHV trainer will be partnering with NOS to offer adult professional OHV training to meet agency requirements. NVORA seeks to promote "Ride Smart, Respect Trails" message though all public outreach events and materials. NVORA strongly believes in safety principles and the training and education of positive stewardship, all of our outreach and education materials, graphics, long sleeve safety/riding shirts, include aspects of stewardship and promote proper use of personal protective equipment including but not limited to helmets, eye protection gloves long sleeved shirts over the ankle boots.

4. Trail mapping and signing of existing trails and facilities:

NVORA works closely with the Nevada Mapping Collaborative, in both local knowledge and ground proofing when applicable. Also, as a Tread Lightly Partner, we are working though the kiosks on Public Lands and updating the signage, with the materials are provided TL! NVORA continues to work with user clubs and land managers across the state on various trail mapping, signing and ground truth of existing routes to support current and future NVOHVGP submissions.

5. Connectivity/Loops:

NVORA continues to work with land managers across Nevada to identify and create riding loop trails. NVORA has successfully positioned itself to provide continuity for motorized recreation planning and projects while many land managers fill a high number of vacancies. NVORA has been approached by several counties and communities to identify a connector routes, staging areas and riding loops both in Nevada and neighboring states.

6. Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation:

Through our partnership with Tread Lightly!, as well as conservation, preservation, and education programs, NVORA is committed to proving and promoting a positive environmental and conservation inclusive experience for all of our riders in Nevada.

7. Access:

Items in Criteria 1-6 have a direct and significant impact on OHV public access. Successful stewardship, partnership, and education includes imparting the importance of these values to the Nevada Offroader. Educated riders protect access.

8. Partnering and Leverage:

NVORA is a member of every traditional Offroad Club in Nevada. We have assisted int eh fmraion of one **Brand New** OHV club in 2022, and are working on the 2nd. Additionally, we partner with commercial operators on Public Lands, tourism authorities and chambers of commerce to promote OHV values, and projects. NVORA believes in strong, consistent, equal communication on issues of import to the OHV community and government stakeholders. NVORA relationship with all the federal land managers in Nevada is strong, and those who we do not yet have an established working relationship, will be built out in 2023. NVORA is also keenly aware of the importance of OHV tourism both within the state by our riders as well as those who travel to Nevada.

9. Economic Integration:

NVORA continues to build strong relationships with the Tourism industry here in Nevada, and neighboring communities that recreate in Nevada, to promote OHV as well as building the network for OHV industry and retailers. The federal estimate for the OHV community's annual economic impact the state is in excess of 100 million dollars. NVORA feels this is a grossly underreported figure.

10. Demand for New Facilities:

NVORA has worked closely with stakeholders in Mineral, Nye, Humboldt, Clark and Elko Counties to secure funding and/or provide assistance to create new OHV facilities and improvements. NVORA again successfully provided valuable support to create consistency while a land manager vacancy stalled a project. These projects are examples of the projects we endorse and will continue to advocate for.



Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1003 Carson City, Nevada 89701 July 14, 2022

To Whom it may concern;

Legacy Racing Association is in support of the Nevada Offroad Association grant for continued operational funds in the July submission to the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles.

The desert racing community is comprised of a significant concentration of OHV riders who recreate on Nevada Public Lands. The work that the Nevada Offroad Association does with Legacy directly leverages that access to the recreational user. This access provides a positive education outreach event in a casual setting. Additionally, their proactive posture on all issues surrounding land use, permitting and access in Nevada is a service not being provided by any other singular focused propionate of motorized off road recreation.

Regards

Liz Marshall Event Director Legacy Racing Association



Date: July 4, 2022 To: Nevada Offroad Association Re: Letter of Support for Nevada Offroad Association

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Tread Lightly!, Inc., I am writing in support of the Nevada Offroad Association.

Nevada Offroad Association is seeking to build a designated OHV staging area, with supporting infrastructure in Tonopah, Nevada. Designated staging areas, such as this, provide a targeted location for public educational messaging through the T.R.E.A.D. principles. Creation of a designated location affords the user the opportunity to begin and end their day in the same spot. Locating a new staging area in an underserved rural community, like Tonopah, allows us to communicate and connect directly to rural communities often missed at larger events. Tread Lightly! believes that a well-managed, and maintained staging area is a tangible example of the results achieved from the positive stewardship values we work to promote.

The second grant we support is the continued operational funding request. Since before the Nevada Offroad Association was formalized and funded, their team has played a quality partnership role with Tread Lightly!. They have taken on a positive, results driven posture in addressing OHV use concerns in the past several years, notably in the Sweetwater mountains, Wilson Canyon, and the Pine Nut Mountains. Tread Lightly! has relied on the Nevada Offroad Association to fill in for our team at a Legacy Racing Association desert clean up day when our in house team unexpectedly was unable to coordinate that event. This cooperative posture is expanding their footprint statewide, and their synergistic relationship with the Tread Lightly! Nevada Program Manager continues to add value to the greater Nevada OHV community.

With an ever-growing and diverse population that desires outdoor recreation opportunities, it is increasingly more important to educate the public about ways to protect and conserve our public lands. NVORA has partnered with Tread Lightly! to provide up-to-date, consistent educational messages to the public in order to promote responsible and sustainable recreation activities on public lands and we believe that off-road motorsports provides a great medium for this communication.

Tread Lightly!'s educational programs, communications and tools provide consistent and specific messages geared toward the motorized recreation community. These messages will increase responsible behavior on roads and trails and help protect and conserve natural, cultural and historical resources.

Sincerely,

Att & Caldwell

Matt Caldwell Executive Director Tread Lightly!, Inc

SECRETARY OF STATE



DOMESTIC NONPROFIT CORPORATION (82) CHARTER

I, BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE, the duly qualified and elected Nevada Secretary of State, do hereby certify that **Nevada Offroad Association** did, on 06/28/2021, file in this office the original Articles of Incorporation-Nonprofit that said document is now on file and of record in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Nevada, and further, that said document contains all the provisions required by the law of the State of Nevada.



Certificate Number: B202106281784871 You may verify this certificate online at <u>http://www.nvsos.gov</u> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of State, at my office on 06/28/2021.

Barbara K. Cegevske

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE Secretary of State