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

SUMMER 2022 NEVADA OHV GRANT APPLICATION

(REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS, APPENDIX A)

APPLICATIONS DUE July 15, 2022, 5:00 PM, PST

SUBMIT: ONE FULL COLOR COPY BY <u>MAIL OR HAND DELIVERY</u> (8.5" X 11" ONLY. MAPS MAY BE 11"X17" NO LARGER) <u>AND</u> ONE SINGLE ELECTRONIC FILE; PDF VIA EMAIL <u>NNarkhede@ohv.nv.gov</u> OR MEMORY DEVICE ENCLOSED WITH APPLICATION

TO: NEVADA DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES PROGRAM ATTN: NIKHIL NARKHEDE 901 S. STEWART STREET, SUITE 1003 CARSON CITY, NV 89701

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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: Big Dune Recreation Area Access Road Improvement Project
- 2. Project Timeline: <u>2018-2025</u>
- 3. Applicant Name: Bureau of Land Management, Pahrump Field Office

Mailing address: <u>4701 North Torrey Pines Drive</u>

Las Vegas, NV 89130

Phone: (702) 515-5042

Email: npay@blm.gov

4. Classification of Applicant: (check one)

X Federal 🛛 State 🗆 County 🗆 Local/Municipal 🔹 Other:_____

Partnership Don-profit for Profit Individual

If the applicant is a corporate or legal entity, proof of good standing in the entity's state of incorporation is required. NAC 490.1345 (Note: grantees must have the capacity to implement and accomplish proposed project and properly administer awarded funds).

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Applicant Signature (Chairperson/President/Authorized Official)

7/13/2022

5. Project Manager: BLM Outdoor Recreation Planner

Mailing address: <u>4701 North Torrey Pines Drive</u>

Las Vegas, NV 89130

Phone: (702) 515-5000

Email: Vacant - Currently Being Filled

Alternate Contact: Nicholas Pay, BLM Field Manager, Pahrump Field Office

Mailing address: <u>4701 North Torrey Pines Drive</u>

Las Vegas, NV 89130

Phone: (702) 515-5042

Email: npay@blm.gov

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

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: Bureau of Land Management

Mailing address: <u>4701 North Torrey Pines Drive</u>

Las Vegas, NV 89130

Phone: (702) 515-5042

Email: npay@blm.gov

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:	\$500,000
Matching Funds: (expended)	\$383,460
Matching Funds: (planned)	\$250,000 (estimated)
Total Project Amount :	\$833,460

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

☑ Federal ☑ Private □ In-kind ☑ City/County ☑ Other: Volunteer Labor

Please *describe* additional funding source(s):

Type here:

- BLM/UNLV multi-year (since 2018) study on the Giuliani Beetle at Big Dune to understand the life cycle and potential impacts of recreation on this sensitive species. \$300,000
- BLM spent approximately \$15,000 of Federally Appropriated Funding on initial surveys, engineering, design, and NEPA Analysis to get the ROW Issued to the BLM
- In 2020, Nye County spent expended county funds to improve the main entrance and 300 ft of road for the east entrance to Big Dune. At this time we do not have the costs of what this contribution was to the project.
- The Amargosa Valley Duners, an informal group of users of Big Dune volunteer on an annual basis to conduct cleanups of the area which includes removal of materials, such and metal and nails, to prevent

damage to vehicles. In 2022 alone they had more than 200 volunteers working for 4 hours. The estimated value of each volunteer hour as of April 2022 is estimated at \$29.95 (Independent Sector's current estimated national value of each volunteer hour) or a total value of \$23,960 just for the 2022 spring cleanup.

- Four kiosks, valued at \$15,000, are already in place at Big Dune and has updated information developed to share on them. BLM will provide 2 additional informational kiosks for the Big Dune area. One is planned to be installed at the east entrance from Valley View Blvd, with the other kiosk location to be determined. Each kiosk costs about \$5,000 plus labor costs to install them. Information about the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program and OHV registration information would be included on any new kiosk and that information would be easily added to the kiosks already in place at Big Dune.
- BLM is in the process of purchasing a UTV to aid in the management of Big Dune, costs at this point are about \$30,000.
- BLM has \$3,000 in traffic counters on site at Big Dune and a \$1,500 weather monitoring station in place in this area that contribute to the ability to effectively manage and maintain this area for recreational use.
- BLM Plans to fund staff for maintenance of the road twice per year and monitoring of the ROW by Lands and Realty, Recreation, and Wildlife staff quarterly (estimated at \$5,600 per year for the next 30 years)
- Nye County will provide access to the necessary aggregate materials. It is estimated that we will need
 about 4,000 cubic yards of material (7,200 tons) and at the current market value of \$6/ton this is worth,
 \$43,200.
- BLM is also preparing to kick-start the Recreation Area Management Plan for Big Dune which is
 estimated to cost approximately \$100,000. BLM will be pursuing other federal funding mechanisms to
 meet this need.

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:

D Studies or planning for trails and facilities;

Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Studies.

Other studies

- **D** Acquisition of land for trails and facilities
- ☑ Mapping and signing of trails and facilities
- Reconstruction, enhancement or maintenance of existing trails and facilities
- \blacksquare 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.
- **D** Safety training and education related to the use of off highway vehicles and registration
- **D** Compliance and enforcement (See Appendix C, Enforcement Strategy example)

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:

- Big Dune is becoming an increasingly popular destination for OHV activities, due to its proximity to Las Vegas and other popular OHV areas.
- Over the past couple years, the BLM has made an effort to use traffic counters to document use of Big Dune. Traffic counters were also used from 2010 to 2016.
 From 2010 to 2016 the east entrance to Big Dune averaged 98 vehicles using the entrance road per week, with large spikes of over 500 vehicles on select holiday weekends, such as Thanksgiving. However, since the BLM placed traffic counters back out at Big Dune in 2020, there has been an average of 226 vehicles per week using the east entrance road. Large spikes in vehicle use of the road occur on Halloween, Thanksgiving, and New Year's during the last couple of years with a minimum of 1000 vehicle counts during those weeks.
- This east entrance road from Valley View Blvd is also the main road used by the public. Traffic counters are also placed at three other entrance roads to Big Dune and none of them show the level of use the east entrance road receives. The west

entrance road off of Big Dunes Rd receives the next highest level of use with an average of 63 vehicles per week compared to 226 on the east entrance road.

- The average weekly increase of 98 vehicles per week from 2010 to 2016 to 226 vehicles per week from 2020 to 2022 has heavily degraded the east entrance road to Big Dune. Sections of the road have become nearly impassible to low-clearance, 2wd vehicles and the vehicles that can make it through continue to degrade the current road.
- If the BLM is able to repair and build the new entrance road into Big Dune, we can decrease the risk of the public getting stuck in deep ruts and thick layers of dust on the road. Members of the public that get stuck are at a safety risk because of the lack of water and extreme heat in Amargosa Valley.
- On numerous occasions, employees of the BLM have come across members of the public stuck on the east entrance road into Big Dune, as they tried to access Big Dune.
- 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

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- This project for the 1.1-mile road improvements can be split into multiple parts depending on funding availability. The cost estimate is for the full 1.1-mile section of road.
- NEPA has been completed and the BLM has issued the Right-of-Way (ROW) to the BLM for this project (DOI-BLM-NV-S030-2022-0007-CX) in perpetuity.
- The ROW is for 5,808 feet long (1.1 miles) by 30 feet wide gravel roadway, drainage and related appurtenances for Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area entrance road off Valley View Road, Nye County, Nevada and ending at the BLM informational kiosk. The ROW comprises an area of 174,240 square feet (4 acres) to allow for an improved graveled public access to and from the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area. New authorization is for widening the existing roadway and maintenance purposes.

- The existing road often sustains extensive damage because of the unstable surface conditions and heavy visitor use. These improvements will also allow for safer passage, into and out of the recreational area. In addition, these improvements will ease the practice of visitors taking shortcuts off Valley View Road when the entrance becomes impassable.
- Construction of the project would consist of clearing and grading of existing 1.1-milelong access road, laying aggregate material, 30 feet in width, on the 1.1-mile-long road.
- The BLM will provide maintenance to the requested ROW. The maintenance can consist of gravel-maintained roadway with grading and/or rolling of surface, twice a year or as needed, dirt swales and signage, drainage issues, graffiti removal, repair and replacement of any damaged improvements within the BLM's ROW and any other related public safety or health concerns.
- The ROW is issued to the BLM in perpetuity. Use of the ROW will be year-round. No reclamation will be needed at this time.

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 🔲 Yes

Number of projects funded:

Amount of funding Received: \$_____

Number of projects Completed: _____

SECTION II – LOCATION, MAPS, PHOTOS

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Project Location:

County: Nye Nearest Municipality/Town/City: Amargosa Valley Center of project: Latitude: 36° 38'48.27" N Longitude: 116° 33'41.90 W If the shape-files for the trail system are available, please submit them in the e-file. The shape-files of the trail will be required at project end. Program will assist in the collection of the data if needed.

MAPS ARE A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THE APPLICATION. THEY ARE REQUIRED AND CONSIDERED PART OF THE FINAL AGREEMENT IF FUNDED.

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

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

- General location map (showing project area within the state or county)
- Detail map indicating specific project elements (e.g., structures, trail alignment)
 - Maps larger than 11x17 will not be accepted



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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:

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

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

SECTION IV - BUDGET

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

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

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SECTION V – PRIORITIES AND SCORING NARRATIVE

Grants will be scored based on answers to the Ten (10) criteria listed below. Each criteria carries a weight determined by the OHV Commission, voted upon during the public meeting on 9/7/2021. Please reference scoring criteria form.

1. Law Enforcement Strategy that addresses registration enforcement, including Public Education & Outreach aimed at increasing renewals and new registrations: How will your project increase the number of OHV registrations on the district. How will the equipment and time be used to increase OHV safety and awareness? Please reference the Law Enforcement Statistics reporting form.

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2. Enhancement or Maintenance of existing trails and facilities: How will maintenance needs be prioritized and how often will your project hold a maintenance/trails enhancement event? HOW will your project be maintained and WHO has committed to the ongoing maintenance of the facility or trail (note: a minimum of 2 maintenance/trail events are required per year).

BLM Plans to fund staff for maintenance of the road twice per year and monitoring of the ROW by Lands and Realty, Recreation, and Wildlife staff quarterly (estimated at \$5,600 per year for the next 30 years). NEPA has been completed and the BLM has issued the Right-of-Way (ROW) to the BLM for this project (DOI-BLM-NV-S030-2022-0007-CX). The ROW is issued to the BLM in perpetuity. Use of the ROW will be year-round. The BLM will provide maintenance to the requested ROW. The maintenance can consist of gravel-maintained roadway with grading and/or rolling of surface, twice a year or as needed, dirt swales and signage, drainage issues, graffiti removal, repair and replacement of any damaged improvements within the BLM's ROW and any other related public safety or health concerns. The Amargosa Valley Duners, an informal group of users of Big Dune volunteer on an annual basis to conduct cleanups of the area which includes removal of materials, such and metal and nails, to prevent damage to vehicles. In 2022 alone they had more than 200 volunteers working for 4 hours. The estimated value of each volunteer hour as of April 2022 is estimated at \$29.95 (Independent Sector's current estimated national value of each volunteer hour) or a total value of \$23,960 just for the 2022 spring cleanup.

3. Training: Please describe the goals and objectives of your public safety training program. Is it a nationally recognized certification? What sets your safety training program apart from the others?

Safety is a priority for the BLM, however, the BLM does not provide any safety training for the public. Employees of the BLM go through a rigorous and thorough safety training process in order to drive regular and OHV vehicles. Other safety trainings are provided on wilderness training. OHV safety information will also be added to all existing and new kiosks.

4. Trail mapping and signing of existing trails and facilities: If a mapping component is included in the grant, please describe how it will be integrated with the current web mapping application found on OHV.NV.GOV

The ohv.nv.gov website already includes the main entrance roads into Big Dune, but once the road to Big Dune is repaired, we can provide new and updated shapefiles or kmz files of the active and approved roads to access Big Dune.

5. Connectivity/Loops: How will the project impact connectivity of OHV trails, facilities, and local communities? Please include maps of areas impacted by your project and describe those impacts.

The project will allow more people to safely enter Big Dune and recreate in the area without the fear of getting stuck on the roads getting to the dune.

6. Planning, Environmental Studies, Conservation: Describe how the environmental studies, conservation and/or planning will mitigate resources impacted by OHV recreation. How will your project contribute to the conservation of our natural resources, while enhancing OHV opportunities?

Big Dune is home to numerous species of rare insects that are found nowhere else in the world. The BLM has invested a lot of resources into protecting and studying these species and their habitats. The main access road to Big Dune has created a safety hazard for many of the researchers from UNLV and USGS in accessing the dune. These researchers have gotten stuck on the entrance road in the past. Because the main entrance road is in such bad condition, recreationalists have taken to creating new routes by driving through the desert to access the dune. In some cases, there are several roads running parallel to each other, heading the same direction as people driving try to find a safe path to the dune. This has created more disturbance and degraded habitat surrounding the dune. By upgrading and fixing the current main entrance road into Big Dune we can attempt to prevent visitors from driving through the desert and creating more OHV roads and encourage them to use the new and improved road.

7. Access: Please describe how your project improves OHV access in the project area. Explain what access/opportunities would be lost or restricted if the project does not occur.

The main access road to Big Dune has created a safety hazard for many of the people accessing the dune. Because the main entrance road is in such bad condition, recreationalists have taken to creating new routes by driving through the desert to access the dune. In some cases, there are several roads running parallel to each other, heading the same direction as people driving try to find a safe path to the dune. This has created more disturbance and degraded habitat surrounding the dune. By upgrading and fixing the current main entrance road into Big Dune we can attempt to prevent visitors from driving through the desert and creating more OHV roads and encourage them to use the new and improved road. Members of the public that get stuck are at a safety risk because of the lack of water and extreme heat in Amargosa Valley. On numerous occasions, employees of the BLM have come across members of the public stuck on the east entrance road into Big Dune, as they tried to access Big Dune.

8. Partnering and Leverage: Who else is involved in this project? Please describe outreach with stakeholders, partners and local governments, that you have communicated with in planning this project.

We have a letter of support from Nye County for this project. The Amargosa Valley Duners, an informal group of users of Big Dune volunteer on an annual basis to conduct cleanups of the area which includes removal of materials, such and metal and nails, to prevent damage to vehicles. In 2022 alone they had more than 200 volunteers working for 4 hours. The estimated value of each volunteer hour as of April 2022 is estimated at \$29.95 (Independent Sector's current estimated

national value of each volunteer hour) or a total value of \$23,960 just for the 2022 spring cleanup. The BLM provides the dumpsters for all of the trash the Amargosa Valley Duners collect.

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

The surrounding communities in Amargosa and Pahrump Valleys rely heavily on recreation opportunities. Many of the people that live in these communities live there specifically to be out of the city and use the abundance of public land surrounding them. In addition, the people that visit Big Dune come from all over the world. BLM employees have met and talked to people who come from Oregon each year to OHV at the dune for example. Other times, we have talked to tourists from Europe and Asia that stop by the dune to recreate on their vacations. Some of these tourists were stuck on the road in their rental cars and had to be pulled out. Big Dune is becoming an increasingly popular destination for OHV activities, due to its proximity to Las Vegas and other popular OHV areas. Over the past couple years, the BLM has made an effort to use traffic counters to document use of Big Dune. Traffic counters were also used from 2010 to 2016. From 2010 to 2016 the east entrance to Big Dune averaged 98 vehicles using the entrance road per week, with large spikes of over 500 vehicles on select holiday weekends, such as Thanksgiving. However, since the BLM placed traffic counters back out at Big Dune in 2020, there has been an average of 226 vehicles per week using the east entrance road. Large spikes in vehicle use of the road occur on Halloween, Thanksgiving, and New Year's during the last couple of years with a minimum of 1000 vehicle counts during those weeks. The average weekly increase of 98 vehicles per week from 2010 to 2016 to 226 vehicles per week from 2020 to 2022 has heavily degraded the east entrance road to Big Dune. Sections of the road have become nearly impassible to low-clearance, 2wd vehicles and the vehicles that can make it through continue to degrade the current road. All of these visitors to the dune contribute to the local economy.

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

The average weekly increase of 98 vehicles per week from 2010 to 2016 to 226 vehicles per week from 2020 to 2022 has heavily degraded the east entrance road to Big Dune. Sections of the road have become nearly impassible to low-clearance, 2wd vehicles and the vehicles that can make it through continue to degrade the current road. The existing road often sustains extensive damage because of the unstable surface conditions and heavy visitor use. These improvements will also allow for safer passage, into and out of the recreational area. In addition, these improvements will ease the practice of visitors taking shortcuts off Valley View Road when the entrance becomes impassable. Construction of the project would consist of clearing and grading of existing 1.1-milelong access road, laying aggregate material, 30 feet in width, on the 1.1-mile-long road. In addition, four kiosks, valued at \$15,000, are already in place at Big Dune and has updated information developed to share on them. BLM will provide 2 additional informational kiosks for the Big Dune area. One is planned to be installed at the east entrance from Valley View Blvd, with the other kiosk location to be determined. Information about the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program and OHV registration information would be included on any new kiosk and that information would be easily added to the kiosks already in place at Big Dune. The kiosks and the upgraded road are the only NEW development that will take for this project.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

CONTRACT ESTIMATE SUMMARY

	Estimator	Date			
Construct Big Dune Access Road	PRL	7/5/2022			
Project Location	Contract Number				
100 miles northwest of Las Vegas					
Project Description					
Construct (1) mile of gravel road with terminal cul-de-sac to provide access to Big Dune recreation area. The road will start at the intersection of dirt road and Valley View Blvd.					

Item	Spec. Bid No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Cost Amount	Days
1		Mobilization/Demobilization	LS	1.00	\$39,100.00	\$39,100.00	2.50
2		Top Soil Stripping and Stockpiling	YDS	2,750.00	\$5.10	\$14,025.00	1.50
3		Rough Grade Road Alignment	SQ FT	130,000.00	\$0.40	\$52,000.00	4.50
4		Base Course Laydown and Compaction	YDS	6,100.00	\$47.10	\$287,310.00	4.50
		Total Estimated Construction Cost				\$392,435.00	13.00
		BLM Administrative Costs	LS	12%	\$392,435.00	\$47,092.20	
		Engineering and Surveying	LS	15%	\$392,435.00	\$58,865.25	
		Miscellaneous Costs	LS	5%	\$392,435.00	\$19,621.75	
		Total Estimated Project Cost (TEPC)				\$518,014.20	
	Five Year Planning Costs based on annual Inflation Rate of 8.5%						
	Current Year Pricing TEPC \$518,014.20						
		1st Year Inflation Adjusted TEPC				\$562,045.41	
		2nd Year Inflation Adjusted TEPC				\$609,819.27	
		3rd Year Inflation Adjusted TEPC				\$661,653.90	
		4th Year Inflation Adjusted TEPC				\$717,894.49	
		5th Year Inflation Adjusted TEPC				\$778,915.52	
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In Reply Refer To: 9268 (LLNVS03000) JUL 1 2 2022

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

RE: Big Dune Recreation Area Access Road Improvement Project

Dear Commissioners:

The above stated off-highway project has my approval as of July 12, 2022.

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. If approved, 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. The project is located on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management Pahrump Field Office 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.

NEPA has been completed and the BLM has issued the Right-of-Way (ROW) to the BLM for this project (DOI-BLM-NV-S030-2022-0007-CX) in perpetuity. The ROW is for 5,808 feet long (1.1 miles) by 30 feet wide gravel roadway, drainage and related appurtenances for Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area entrance road off Valley View Road, Nye County, Nevada and ending at the BLM informational kiosk. The ROW comprises an area of 174,240 square feet (4 acres) to allow for an improved graveled public access to and from the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area. New authorization is for widening the existing roadway and maintenance purposes. Construction of the project would consist of clearing and grading of existing 1.1-mile-long access road, laying aggregate material, 30 feet in width, on the 1.1-milelong road. Use of the ROW will be year-round. No reclamation will be needed at this time.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (702) 515-5042 or by email at npay@blm.gov

Sincerely, FOR:

Nicholas B. Pay Field Manager Pahrump Field Office

GREGORY T. HAFEN II

ASSEMBLYMAN District No. 36

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State of Nevada Assembly

Eighty-First Session

June 13, 2022

Nikhil Narkhede, Program Manager Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program Department of Conservation and Natural Resources 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1003 Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Narkhede:

RE: Support for Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pahrump Field Office Grant Application

As the representative of Nevada State Assembly District 36, I am keenly aware of the importance of promoting responsible off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation in rural areas of Nevada. Assembly District 36 is home to several areas enjoyed by OHV enthusiasts from near and far.

I was made aware of a grant application by the Pahrump Field Office of the BLM for improvements to an existing road off Valley View Road in Nye County that provides access to the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area. This road needs necessary repairs due to deterioration to the unfinished surface caused by heavy use. The BLM plans to use the grant funds to clear and grade the 1.1-mile-long access road. Improving the access road will deter OHV riders from taking shortcuts that could pose safety hazards. I am elated to learn that the BLM will provide future maintenance to the access road.

I wholeheartedly appreciate the efforts by the BLM to upgrade the access road to the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area. Most importantly, I fully support the BLM's grant application for its potential positive impact on the OHV community and local economy.

Sincerely,

UT Gregory J. Hafen II

Co-Deputy Minority Floor Leader-South Nevada State Assembly

GTH/td cc: T. Bolling C. Erskine N. Pay D. Strickland B. Waggoner

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Transmittal via Fleet

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901 S. Stewart Street, Ste 1003 Carson City, NV 89701

FROM: Nye County Administration PO Box 153 101 Radar Road Tonopah, Nevada 89049 Phone:(775) 482-8191 Fax:(775) 482-8198

SUBJECT: Original Documents

DATE: June 22, 2022

MESSAGE

Enclosed please find original documents from the May 26, 2022, Board of County Commissioners meeting:

• Item 52 - Letter to Bureau of Land Management Regarding OHV Application Letter of Support.

Should you have any questions or need further information please don't hesitate to contact me at (775) 482-8192.

Signed:)(Serena Otteson, Administrative Secretary

SO/ Enclosures as noted

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June 22, 2022 91 7199 9991 7036 1147 2067

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

Subject: LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THE BIG DUNE RECREATION AREA ACCESS ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Nye County is pleased to provide this letter in support of the Big Dune Recreation Area Access Road Improvement Project being submitted to the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle Program's 2022 Grant Program by the Bureau of Land Management's Pahrump Field Office. We strongly support funding this grant application and the focus that it provides on improving access into the Big Dune Recreation Area.

In the last few years, Big Dune has seen a significant increase in the number of visitors and recreational users which has resulted in the significant deterioration of the access road. The poor road conditions have resulted in more resource damage and has caused some significant issues for emergency personnel accessing the area. If funded these improvements would ensure that recreational users and emergency personnel can access the site without fear of getting stuck or without creating additional routes to access the recreation area.

Over the past few years, we have had several opportunities to partner with the BLM including improving the entrance of this road just last summer. We recognize the ongoing need for a continued partnership between Nye County and the BLM to ensure that this access is maintained into the future. We are committed to this partnership and will work with BLM to ensure that the needs of this project are covered. Our support includes but is not limited to providing access to and the use of the Nye County Gravel Pit to obtain the materials necessary for the improvement of this road.

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Respectfully submitted.



Commissioner Frank Carbone Commissioner Leo Blundo Commissioner Donna Cox Commissioner Bruce Jabbour Commissioner Debra Strickland

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Plan of Development

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pahrump Field Office is hereby requesting a right-of-way (ROW) grant for improvements to an existing road at the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area for 5,808 linear feet by 30 feet wide gravel roadway, drainage, and related appurtenances for Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area entrance road off Valley View Road, Nye County, Nevada and ending at the BLM informational kiosk. It comprises an area of 174,240 square feet (4 acres) to allow for an improved graveled public access to and from the Big Dune Special Recreation Management Area. New authorization is for widening the existing roadway and maintenance purposes. This action will provide a safe and improved access for the general public. No new disturbance will occur while road work is being done. The existing road often sustains extensive damage because of the unstable surface conditions and heavy visitor use. These improvements will also allow for safer passage, into and out of the recreational area. In addition, these improvements will ease the practice of visitors taking shortcuts off Valley View Road when the entrance becomes impassable.

The right-of-way is needed in perpetuity. Use of the right-of-way will be year-round. No reclamation will be needed at this time.

The requested ROW is as follows:

M.D.M., Nevada,

T. 15 S., R. 48 E.,

- sec. 15, N1/2NE1/4NE1/4SE1/4, N1/2NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, N1/2NE1/4NW1/4SW1/4, and N1/2NW1/4NW1/4SW1/4.
- sec. 16, S1/2SE1/4NE1/4SE1/4, S1/2SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, and N1/2NE1/4SW1/4SE1/4, and N1/2NW1/4SW1/4SE1/4.

Construction Plan

Construction of the project would consist of clearing and grading of existing 1.1-mile-long access road, laying aggregate material, 30 feet in width, on the 1.1-mile-long road.

Maintenance Plan

The BLM will provide maintenance to the requested ROW. The maintenance can consist of gravelmaintained roadway with grading and/or rolling of surface, dirt swales and signage, drainage issues, graffiti removal, repair, and replacement of any damaged improvements within the BLM's right-of-way and any other related public safety or health concerns.

Assumptions

- 1) 22-foot wide gravel access.
- 2) 6-inches of type 1 and 4-inches of type 2 aggregate Clark County Standard.
- 3) 45-foot radii at Valley View Blvd.
- 4) 45-foot radius cul-de-sac and termination point.
- 5) No Drainage Improvements.
- 6) No Engineering.
- 7) Rip top 6-inches, compact, laydown geotextile, laydown aggregate.

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- 8) Aggregate haul from Las Vegas.
- 9) Water to come from local source(s).

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Proposed Big Dune Access Road Valley View Blvd

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