

General Application Requirements

General

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1. Agency Information

- a. Agency Name Ventura County Sheriff's Department
- b. Organizational Unit 51
- c. Address 800 S. Victoria Avenue
- d. Address 2
- e. City Ventura State CA Zip 93009
- f. Federal ID Number 95--6000944 DUNS #: 0000001357 Unique Entity Id.
- g. Agency's fiscal year (beginning month and day) January-01
- h. Agency Type
- ☐ City ☒ County
- ☐ U.S. Forest Service ☐ U.S. Forest Service - Patrol District
- ☐ U.S. Bureau of Land Management ☐ Federal Agency
- ☐ Federally or State Recognized Native American Tribe ☐ Educational Institution
- ☐ Nonprofit Organization - 501(c)(3) status only ☐ State Agency
- ☐ District ☐ Certified Community Conservation Corps

2. Project Information

- a. Project Name General Application Requirements
- b. Is implementing agency same as Agency ☒ Yes ☐ No
- c. Implementing Agency Name
- d. Amount of Funds Requested \$201,775.00 Project Cost \$312,146.00

Project Request(s) Summary

#	Project Type	Project Title	Grant Request	Match	Total Project Cost
1	G23-03-51-L01	Law Enforcement	201,775	110,371	312,146

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Location Map

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A. Location Map

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Equipment Inventory

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A. Equipment Inventory

Has your agency acquired any Equipment from this Grants program that is still in use? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(This question applies to Equipment purchased with Grant funds and/or claimed as match.)

#	Item Description	Make	Model	Model Year	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) or Serial Number	Project Agreement Number

Habitat Management Program (HMP)

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PART 1 - HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP)

All Applicants submitting Projects involving Ground Disturbing Activities are subject to Habitat Management Program (HMP) requirements. The HMP must cover the combined Project Area of all proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities.

Applicants able to certify that none of the proposed activities listed in the Application contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit only HMP Part 1. Applicants who cannot certify that the proposed activities listed in the Application do not contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit HMP Parts 1 and 2 in accordance with 14 CCR Section 4970.06.2.

1. Do any of proposed Projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(If you checked YES, complete Question # 2. If you checked NO, stop here, and proceed to the Public Review Process section).
2. Can the Applicant certify that none of the proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities, including the OHV Recreation directly facilitated by these activities, contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(If you checked YES, complete Item #2. If you checked NO, complete HMP PART 2 at time of Final Application and proceed to the Public Review Process section).

ITEM #2

Discuss the research and justification used to certify that the proposed Project does not contain any risk factors to special status species and/or sensitive habitats. To demonstrate that all special status species and sensitive habitat have been considered for evaluation within the HMP, Applicants are encouraged to attach a California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB), United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information Planning and Consultation (IPaC), and USFWS National Wetland Inventory (NWI) record search for the proposed Project Area. The record searches ought to cover an appropriate buffer surrounding your proposed Project footprint(s).

Habitat Management Program (HMP)

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PART 2 - DETERMINE THE NEED FOR FULL HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP)

1. *Do any of your proposed projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? (If you checked YES, complete #2. If you checked NO, stop here.) ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Did the Applicant certify that none of the proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities, in areas open to legal OHV Recreation including the OHV Recreation directly facilitated by these activities, contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats? (If you checked YES, stop here. If you checked NO, complete HMP Part 2 on the next page). ☒ Yes ☐ No

PART 2 - HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP)

Attachment Title	Attachment

PART 2 - HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP) - Additional attachments (large size)

- i. Attachment 1
- ii. Attachment 2
- iii. Attachment 3
- iv. Attachment 4
- v. Attachment 5

Public Review Process

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A. Public Notification Efforts

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Notice to interested person(s) (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format)
- ☐ Published on Applicant's website (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format)
- ☐ Published in local newspaper (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format)
- ☒ News release issued (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format) [01/27/2023]
- ☐ Public meeting(s)/hearing(s) held either in-person or virtual. (Enter date in mm/dd/yyyy format)

B. Public Comments**C. Application Development as a result of Public Comments**

- a. Were changes made to the Application as a result of public comments? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(If selected YES, complete item b. If selected NO, stop here.)
- b. Describe how public comments affected the Application

Certifications

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1. Applicant Certifications

A. General Conditions

- A. ☒ The Applicant hereby certifies, under the penalty of perjury, compliance with the following terms and conditions:
1. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees to monitor the condition of soils and wildlife in the Project Area each year in order to determine whether the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to Public Resource Code (PRC), Section 5090.35 and the HMP prepared pursuant to Section 5090.53(a) are being met.
 2. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion, to repair and prevent accelerated erosion, until the same soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is met.
 3. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion until the same HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is met.
 4. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of off-highway motor vehicles and the other provisions of Division 16.5 (commencing with Section 38000) of the Vehicle Code and to enforce the other applicable laws regarding the operation of off-highway motor vehicles.
 5. The Applicant agrees to cooperate with appropriate law enforcement entities to provide proper law enforcement at and around the Facility.
 6. The Applicant's Project is in accordance with local or federal plans and the strategic plan for OHV Recreation prepared by the OHMVR Division.

B. Programmatic Conditions

B. The Applicant must describe the following programmatic conditions:

1. Identify the potential for the facility to reduce illegal and unauthorized OHV Recreation activities in the surrounding areas:
2. Describe how the Applicant is meeting the operations and maintenance needs of any existing OHV Recreation Facility under its jurisdiction:

C. Fee Collection

Describe how fees collected pursuant to Section 38230 of the Vehicle Code (in-lieu funds) are utilized and whether the fees complement the Applicant's proposed Project:

D. Compliance with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C)

Projects within the O&M category that affect lands identified as inventoried roadless areas by the U.S. Forest Service, are compliant with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C). ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Governing Body Resolution

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Certification – Required Documents

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1. Written Permission with Land Manager

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2. Verification of Nonprofit 501(c)(3) Status

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3. Nonprofit's IRS Form 990 or equivalent

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4. Nonprofit Certification

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2	Certifications	834_Doc1.docx	<u>36215_0_834_Doc1.docx</u>

Law Enforcement

Law Enforcement Needs

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ITEM 1. Proposed Project

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office (VCSO) has a resident deputy sub-station in the Lockwood Valley that is located in the northern portion of Ventura County. The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station has two full time resident deputies responsible for providing law enforcement and emergency services to approximately 610 square miles of northern Ventura County. Within this area, there are several small communities consisting mostly of large parcel ranches. There are approximately 1,500 permanent residents who occupy their properties in the jurisdiction year-round. The Lockwood Valley area borders Los Angeles, Kern and Santa Barbara Counties. The area is situated in the Mount Pinos Ranger District (MPRD) and Ojai Ranger District (ORD) of the Los Padres National Forest (LPNF). More than half of the Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area (HVSVA) is located within Ventura County near Lockwood Valley resulting in increased OHV activity throughout the VCSO jurisdiction and project area. Within these areas is an extensive network of designated off-highway vehicle (OHV) trails and trail systems such as but not limited to Ballinger Canyon, Quatal Canyon, Apache Canyon, Dry Canyon, Grade Valley, Lockwood Creek, Frazier Mountain, Miller Jeep Trail, Gold Hill, Alamo Mountain, and the Ortega OHV Trail. This area hosts many recreational visitors within the LPNF and HVSVA. During weekends and holidays, the population of the areas increases substantially creating an increased need for law enforcement and emergency services. Many OHV operators camp in the LPNF or HVSVA campgrounds while others stage for the day. Many of the law enforcement calls for service and issues directly arise from the increased population of OHV operators. None of the grant funding will be used within the HVSVA. Common calls for service include injured and/or lost OHV operators sometimes due to inexperience, carelessness, reckless operation, a lack of proper safety equipment worn, leaving marked designated trails, and operating while intoxicated, impaired, or distracted. Deputies are trained and certified in First Aid/CPR and are often the first responders on scene who provide first aid, patient assessment and coordinate additional resources. Another common call for service is related to OHV operators trespassing onto private property within the county areas. These incidents frequently occur on trails, a significant distance away from any campground or trailhead. This often prevents standard emergency vehicles from accessing the area. In many of these cases, the incident becomes a Search and Rescue (SAR) operation in which the VCSO is the lead agency for all SAR responses within Ventura County. During a SAR operation, we utilize the VCSO helicopter, highly trained and experienced volunteer ground search teams, command post staff and equipment and sworn deputies. Many of these members operate dual sport motorcycles and All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV's) in the performance of their duties. Due to the remoteness of the above OHV area and proximity to the Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station, the Lockwood Valley deputies are often the initial responders for SAR incidents and other OHV related incidents throughout northern Ventura County. Deputies assigned to the Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station have historically deployed OHV patrols to maintain a uniformed presence, inform and educate OHV operators and enforce state laws and local ordinances. These patrols are intended to discourage trespassing, reduce injuries and to enhance the overall safety of OHV operators. The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station is currently outfitted with three 4x4 patrol vehicles, three dual sport motorcycles and one (four seat) Polaris RZR. These vehicles are owned by the VCSO. The VCSO is seeking the grant primarily to conduct dedicated OHV patrols, public education and to maintain a reliable state of readiness for the emergency responses, calls for service, and SAR operations that are generated by the OHV activities. Additionally, the VCSO is requesting this grant so that the Sheriff's Office may continue to expand and enhance current safety and enforcement efforts to achieve a balance between OHV enthusiasts and the protection of life, property and the natural resources. With the increased popularity of Recreational Off-Road Vehicles (ROV), there is an increased demand to educate the public and enforce the laws pertaining to these vehicles. The Lockwood Valley Station has experienced an increase in OHV operators who needed to be rescued from the remote OHV routes and an increase in OHV related criminal activity including operators driving while under the influence of alcohol, operators riding/driving with open containers of alcohol/marijuana, illegal hunting activity, and illegal possession of firearms. The grant funding would cover additional deputies during peak holiday weekends and additional deployments throughout the year.

ITEM 2. Project Coverage

The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station area of responsibility consists of approximately 610 square miles in the northern portion of Ventura County. A majority of this response area sits within the LPNF and includes more than half of HVSVRA. The area associated with this project are the LPNF Mount Pinos Ranger District, Ojai Ranger District, unincorporated Ventura County public and private property. The HVSVRA is not part of the project area; however, its proximity to the project area directly influence and increase OHV recreational activity within the project area.

The Ballinger Canyon OHV area of the LPNF consists of 38 designated trails and a campground. Both the campground and the trails are within an area of approximately 24 square miles. The combined length of Ballinger Canyon's OHV trails is approximately 68.3 miles. The Ballinger Canyon OHV area is in the northwest portion of Ventura County. This portion of the county borders Kern County on the north and extends west into Santa Barbara County. The Frazier Mountain area of the LPNF includes a widespread area of designated OHV trails located in the northeast portion of Ventura County. This designated trail system connects the 19,000 acre HVSVRA to Frazier Mountain, Gold Hill, Alamo Mountain, and the Lockwood Valley communities and Grade Valley. The combined length of the designated trails within this area is approximately 76 miles, not including several miles of illegal, non-designated, user developed trails.

Lockwood Valley Road is a public roadway which is approximately 26 miles in length. This road is maintained by the Ventura County Public Works Agency. Lockwood Valley Road is a thoroughfare for all Lockwood Valley residents, which leads from Kern County to its termination point at State Route 33 in the Ozena Valley. This road is also used by OHV visitors in the LPNF, including Frazier Mountain, Lockwood Creek, Grade Valley, Sulphur Springs Canyon, Dry Canyon, Wagon Road Springs and numerous other western LPNF areas including Lockwood Valley Road which experiences illegal OHV activity at times.

State Route 33 is another public roadway which enters the project area north of Rose Valley Road. It is a common, well used thoroughfare for OHV visitors traveling to the Ballinger Canyon OHV area. It is also used to access the Ortega OHV trail, Tinta OHV trail, Rancho Nuevo Campground adjacent to the Dick Smith Wilderness, Apache Canyon, and Quatal Canyon OHV areas. The combined length of the OHV trails within the area, excluding Ballinger Canyon is approximately 51 miles.

ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station patrols will primarily be established during random weekdays, weekends and selected holidays that traditionally have high volume of OHV operators in the project area. Additional patrols will also be coordinated when there will be increased OHV activity during quail, dove, deer, and bear hunting season. These patrols will be conducted year round and will cover all OHV areas of the LPNF within the project area and unincorporated county areas.

Some of these high volume holiday weekends and other special circumstances (i.e. opening weekend for deer hunting season) may include additional deputies being deployed within the project area on the off-road motorcycles, ATVs, or 4x4 vehicles. These deployments will be coordinated and will be based on anticipated high use times.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

The typical deployment will include two deputy sheriff's and up to three deputies along with a supervisor. As needed, additional personnel will be assigned as OHV use or calls for service increase within the project area. Patrols may be dispatched as a self-sustained unit or may include a support vehicle and in some instances a command post. It is anticipated that a minimum of 1750 hours of deputy time, 200 hours of Sergeant time, and 1550 hours of dedicated dispatcher time will be devoted to OHV patrol, education, and enforcement. This estimate does not include any SAR incidents or off-duty call outs which may require additional time and personnel. The typical vehicles utilized for this deployment will be 4x4 marked black and white patrol vehicles, off-road (street legal) motorcycles, and ATVs.

In addition to the above personnel, as incidents arise and needs dictate, the VCSO Air Unit (helicopter) may also be utilized for patrol over remote wilderness areas, SAR operations and for the transportation of injured OHV operators.

District and County Information

A. California State Senate Districts

Select one or more of the California State Senate Districts where the proposed project activities will occur. Copy and Paste the URL (<https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/>) in your browser to determine the State Senate district(s).

☒ State Senate 19

B. California State Assembly Districts

Select one or more of the California State Assembly Districts where the proposed project activities will occur. Copy and Paste the URL (<https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/>) in your browser to determine the State Assembly district(s).

☒ State Assembly 37

C. California Congressional Districts

Select one or more of the California Congressional Districts where the proposed project activities will occur. Copy and Paste the URL (<https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members/CA#map>) in your browser to determine the Congressional district(s).

☒ Congressional District 24

D. County

Select one or more of the California Counties where the proposed project activities will occur.

☒ Ventura

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1. Identify areas with high priority law enforcement needs because of public safety, cultural resources, and sensitive environmental habitats, including wilderness areas and areas of critical environmental concerns:

Areas that have been identified for high priority law enforcement needs are the Ballinger Canyon OHV area, Quatal Canyon, Apache Canyon, Cuyama River Corridor, Tinta Trail, Ortega Trail, Sulphur Springs Canyon, Dry Canyon, Wagon Road Spring, Grade Valley, Lockwood Creek, Fraizer Mountain, Gold Hill, and Alamo Mountain areas. Despite our efforts in recent years, these areas have had little law enforcement presence on its designated trail systems. Within these areas several Federal, State, and County Ordinances are being violated by uneducated OHV operators. Within these areas there has been an ongoing issue with OHV operators developing unauthorized hill climbs, trespassing in the Chumash, Sespe and Dick Smith Wilderness areas creating a negative impact on the archeological sites, and sensitive environmental habitats which have an adverse effect on native plants and species. No funds from this grant will be used to patrol state park lands.
2. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and will sustain OHV Recreation, motorized off-highway access to non-motorized recreation, or OHV Opportunities associated with the Project Area:

The proposed project will provide the resources needed to enhance and sustain OHV recreation opportunities through enforcement, education, and community outreach. There will be a focus on handing out LPNF provided maps to OHV operators, state provided education materials and verbal education on riding etiquette and on the need to comply with the rules and regulations to preserve OHV recreational opportunities. These efforts will give deliberate disregard of laws, and there will be an emphasis on enforcing laws regarding driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
3. Describe the Applicant's formal or informal cooperation with other law enforcement agencies:

The VCSO works closely and cooperatively with Federal, State, and other County agencies. Within the project area the VCSO had an informal agreement to assist and work cooperatively with the LPNF LEO, HVSURA Park Rangers, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Kern County and Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Offices. The VCSO assists HVSURA Park Rangers with cooperative patrols (outside of grant funding), OHV collision investigations, injured OHV operators and provides advice and guidance pertaining to alcohol and drug related incidents within the park. The VCSO has a formal written contract with the LPNF to provide contract Law Enforcement services. Outside of that contact, the VCSO maintains a close working relationship with the Federal LEO's and routinely patrol the forest together.

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4. Does the Applicant recover a portion of the law enforcement costs directly associated with privately sponsored OHV events where sponsors have obtained a local permit? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Explain:
Not applicable
5. The Applicant agrees to implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforcement training program including how the training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural and cultural resource protection:

Deputies have received formal and informal training courses in OHV safety and operation by certified instructors and during on the job training. HVSURA Park Rangers have shared their OHV experience with out deputies increasing our deputies ability to properly educate the public in OHV safety. Deputies have been instructed on subjects related to land management and natural resources protection which they routinely educate the public about during patrols. One of the deputies assigned to the Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station had several years of experience working as a Motorcycle Enforcement Officer. Due to this deputy's previous experience working

as a Motor Officer, the deputy has been able to train others in the subject of proper motorcycle and OHV operation in the back country and how to protect the natural and cultural resource management. The combined experience of the two resident deputies in the Lockwood Valley will aid with OHV safety, public education, and the preservation of natural and cultural resources.

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7. Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan? ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:
The VCSO enforces state laws and county ordinances on federal land. The United States Forest Service, LPNF, have a formal written agreement with the VCSO for contract law enforcement services. The VCSO deputies are expected to patrol forest lands and take education action when warranted. When a federal violation is observed, and no state or county ordinances apply, deputies are expected to collect information and evidence that can be forwarded to federal law enforcement officers for follow-up.
9. COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:
The VCSO does not directly receive OHV in-lieu tax funds. The funds have historically been given directly to the Ventura County Parks and Recreation Department. The VCSO and Parks and Recreation Department work together cooperatively to enhance OHV recreational opportunities in Ventura County. The Parks and Recreation department have an agreement with the VCSO that allow the OHV in-lieu tax funds to be used by VCSO to purchase equipment (when specifically approved) and maintain the VCSO's OHV fleet.

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10. APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:
Not applicable.
11. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Project Cost Estimate

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PROJECT TITLE :	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) : G23-03-51-L01		
PROJECT TYPE :	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Restoration <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations	<input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION :			

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	overall safety of OHV operators. The Lockwood Valley Sheriff's Station is currently outfitted with three 4x4 patrol vehicles, three dual sport motorcycles and one (four seat) Polaris RZR. These vehicles are owned by the VCSO. The VCSO is seeking the grant primarily to conduct dedicated OHV patrols, public education and to maintain a reliable state of readiness for the emergency responses, calls for service, and SAR operations that are generated by the OHV activities. Additionally, the VCSO is requesting this grant so that the Sheriff's Office may continue to expand and enhance current safety and enforcement efforts to achieve a balance between OHV enthusiasts and the protection of life, property and the natural resources. With the increased popularity of Recreational Off-Road Vehicles (ROV), there is an increased demand to educate the public and enforce the laws pertaining to these vehicles. The Lockwood Valley Station has experienced an increase in OHV operators who needed to be rescued from the remote OHV routes and an increase in OHV related criminal activity including operators driving while under the influence of alcohol, operators riding/driving with open containers of alcohol/marijuana, illegal hunting activity, and illegal possession of firearms. The grant funding would cover additional deputies during peak holiday weekends and additional deployments throughout the year.					
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DIRECT EXPENSES						
Program Expenses						
1 Staff						
1. Staff-1. Staff-Law Enforcement Notes : Deputy pay rates are based on an overtime hourly rate and does not include benefit (retirement) costs. The deputy pay rate does include FIC, in-lieu, state unemployment, and workers compensation. The rate has increased from last year due to an anticipated increase in deputy pay rates. The department will only be reimbursed for actual overtime expenses incurred. During OHV deployments, deputy sheriffs will operate OHV equipment while patrolling an assigned area for OHV safety, enforcement and cultural and natural resource protection. Deputies also participate in OHV education and public presentations. There has been a significant increase in OHV use in the project area and we have seen an	1750.0000	96.910	HRS	169,593.00	169,593.00	0.00

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increase in vehicular trespass, vandalism of public and private property (cut fences/locks), increase in calls for service and damage to natural resources. The Sheriff's Office would add additional staff to patrol areas of heavy use during peak holiday times and during the off season for vehicular trespass.						
2. Staff-2. Staff-Law Enforcement Notes : Sergeant pay rates are based on an overtime hourly rate and does not include benefit (retirement) costs. The pay rate does include FICA, in-lieu, state unemployment, and workers compensation. The rate has increased from last year due to anticipated increase in pay rates. The department will only be reimbursed for actual overtime expenses incurred. During OHV deployments, Sergeants are deployed to operations area and supervise personnel. Sergeants will operate OHV equipment while patrolling an assigned area for OHV safety, enforcement and cultural and natural resource protection. Sergeants will operate the Command Post if needed and participate in OHV education and public presentations activities. The Sergeant position would complement additional patrol staff during periods of increased traffic and use of the OHV recreation areas during peak season and holidays.	200.0000	124.410	HRS	24,882.00	24,882.00	0.00
3. Staff-3. Staff-Technician Notes : Sheriff's Communication Specialist's provide	1550.0000	34.820	HRS	53,971.00	0.00	53,971.00

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dispatching services for the OHV patrol deputy. Dispatchers provide pertinent law enforcement information to the deputies and are crucial for officer safety. The pay rate is an hourly flat rate and does not incur overtime cost to the department. Additional staff hours are needed due to the increase in patrol personnel while out in the field during peak patrol times. One Sheriff's Communication Specialist provides dispatching services for all of the deputies and Sergeant's working OHV patrol within the project area.						
Total for Staff				248,446.00	194,475.00	53,971.00
2 Contracts						
3 Materials / Supplies						
4 Equipment Use Expenses						
1. Equipment Use Expenses-1. 4x4 Patrol Vehicle Equipment Rental Notes : Use of a Ventura County Sheriff's Office owned marked black and white 4x4 patrol vehicle equipped with an off-road self-recovery system at \$200.00 for an estimated 144 days of OHV patrol. Ventura County does not have a use rate established for these vehicles. The rate was calculated at fair market cost if a similar vehicle had to be rented from a local vendor. The rental/use fee includes all fuel, mileage, maintenance, and repairs to the vehicle. The increase in cost would coincide with the increase in staffing/vehicles used during peak	144.0000	200.000	DAY	28,800.00	0.00	28,800.00

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2/28/2023

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<p>season and holidays. This rate is slightly higher than previous years. A more recent search through local vendors (Enterprise Car Rentals) indicated the rate of a similar vehicle has increased in recent years.</p> <p>These 4x4 patrol vehicles are essential to access the OHV roads and trails within the project area and are specifically vital while patrolling within the project area during inclement weather.</p> <p>None of the 4x4 patrol vehicles were purchased with OHV grant funds.</p>						
<p>2. Equipment Use Expenses-2. KTM 350 EXC-F Motorcycle Rental</p> <p>Notes : Use of three KTM 350 EXC-F dual sport motorcycles owned by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office for OHV patrol with approximately 48 rental days at \$275. Ventura County does not have a use rate established for these vehicles.</p> <p>The rate was calculated at fair market cost if a similar vehicle had to be rented from a local vendor. The rental fee includes all fuel, mileage, maintenance, and repairs to the vehicle. These vehicles were not purchased with OHV grant funds. The increase in cost would coincide with the increase in staffing/vehicles used during peak season and holidays. These vehicles allow access to single track trails</p>	48.0000	275.000	DAY	13,200.00	0.00	13,200.00

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within the project area which are inaccessible by any other type of county owned vehicle. This rate is slightly higher than previous years. A more recent search through local vendors (Off Road Ocotillo) indicated the rate of a similar vehicle has increased in recent years.						
3. Equipment Use Expenses-Polaris RZR XP1000 Rental Notes : Use of a Polaris RZR XP 1000 four seat side by side vehicle owned by the VCSO for \$600.00 per day for an estimated 24 days of OHV patrol. Ventura County does not have a use rate established for this vehicle.	24.0000	600.000	DAY	14,400.00	0.00	14,400.00
The rate was calculated at fair market cost if a similar vehicle had to be rented from a local vendor. The rental/use fee includes all fuel, mileage, maintenance, and repairs to the vehicle. This vehicle was not purchased with OHV grant funds. The increase in cost would coincide with the increase in staffing/vehicles needed during peak season and holidays. This rate is slightly higher than previous years. A more recent search through local vendors (Blu In Off Road Rentals) indicated the rate of a similar vehicle has increased in recent years.						
This vehicle is an essential component of the VCSO OHV program as it has allowed or deputies to safely patrol and access remote and rugged areas within the project area. This vehicle has been used for several OHV search and rescue missions and proactive patrols.						

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Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Total	Grant Req.	Match
Total for Equipment Use Expenses						
5 Equipment Purchases				56,400.00	0.00	56,400.00
6 Others						
Total Program Expenses						
				304,846.00	194,475.00	110,371.00
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES						
				304,846.00	194,475.00	110,371.00
INDIRECT EXPENSES						
Indirect Costs						
1 Indirect Costs						
1. Indirect Costs-Uniforms Notes : OHV uniform purchases to outfit up to four deputies with year round OHV patrol uniforms.	4.0000	500.000	EA	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
2. Indirect Costs-OHV Operation Equipment Notes : These batteries will be used for OHV equipment that is routinely carried within the OHV patrol vehicles and for remote camera systems which monitor OHV activity in the project area.	2.0000	500.000	EA	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
3. Indirect Costs-Brochures/coloring books/maps Notes : Purchase additional maps, brochures, and coloring books to be given away to OHV users within the project area.	250.0000	10.000	EA	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
4. Indirect Costs-GPS Service Plan Notes : Patrol deputies utilize Garmin GPS devices with InReach technology which allows them to send and receive messages to dispatch when in remote locations throughout	2.0000	600.000	EA	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00

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the project area. The cost for service plan is \$50 per month per device. The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has two devices and funds requested would pay for the GPS service plan.						
5. Indirect Costs-OHV related training Notes : These funds would be used to pay for law enforcement training not specific to OHV enforcement such as Search and Rescue courses, advanced medical/first aid courses, and other law enforcement training as needed to develop the deputies professional skills.	2.0000	300.000	EA	600.00	600.00	0.00
Total for Indirect Costs				7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00
Total Indirect Costs				7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00
TOTAL INDIRECT EXPENSES				7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES				312,146.00	201,775.00	110,371.00

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Category	Total	Grant Req.	Match	Narrative
DIRECT EXPENSES				
Program Expenses				
1 Staff	248,446.00	194,475.00	53,971.00	
2 Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3 Materials / Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	
4 Equipment Use Expenses	56,400.00	0.00	56,400.00	
5 Equipment Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6 Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Program Expenses	304,846.00	194,475.00	110,371.00	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES	304,846.00	194,475.00	110,371.00	
INDIRECT EXPENSES				
Indirect Costs				
1 Indirect Costs	7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00	
Total Indirect Costs	7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00	
TOTAL INDIRECT EXPENSES	7,300.00	7,300.00	0.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	312,146.00	201,775.00	110,371.00	

Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? If checked YES, stop here. If checked NO, complete ITEM #2. ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 (Click on the "Show Instructions" button for note)

- c. Are the proposed activities a "project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? If YES, complete ITEMS 4 - 13. If unsure, select YES, and complete ITEMS 4 - 13. If checked NO, complete letter d. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. If checked YES, stop here. If checked NO, complete ITEM # 3e. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and are thus not a "project" under CEQA. E.g., Project activities involving heavy equipment, grading, etc. typically are considered a project under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 - 13.

ITEM 4 - Specify all standard measures (e.g., BMPs, established SOPs, or similar) within the Project description that have been incorporated into the Project description to avoid potential impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, or other resources evaluated in the ERDS. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 5 - Evaluate the impact of this Project on wetlands, navigable waters, special-status species (including threatened and endangered species), and sensitive habitats. All Applicants must address all special-status species that have the potential to occur in the Project Area. Describe what analysis was completed as a part of the evaluation to determine potential impacts. (Click on the "Show Instructions" button for more information)

ITEM 6 - Applicants are encouraged to refer to the USFWS IPaC to identify designated critical habitat within and surrounding the Project Area.

Does USFWS final or proposed designated critical habitat for threatened and/or endangered species exist within or surrounding the Project site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ITEM 7 - Evaluate cumulative impacts from this Project along with others of the same type in the same general place, such as increased noise or traffic. Refer to the cumulative impacts discussion in the environmental impact statement, land management plan, or other sources as appropriate. Describe what analysis was completed as a part of the evaluation to determine potential impacts. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 8 - Discuss whether the proposed Project could have a significant effect on the environment due to substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. Describe what analysis was completed as a part of the discussion to determine potential effects. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 9 - Discuss the potential for damage to scenic resources within the viewshed of a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. Describe what analysis was completed as part of the discussion to determine potential impacts. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 10 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards:

ITEM 11 - Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources. Describe what analysis was completed as a part of the discussion to determine potential impacts. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 12 - Discuss the potential for the Project to cause indirect significant impacts, such as by causing user groups to go elsewhere, causing significant impacts off-site, or significantly increasing use in the vicinity of the Project site. Describe what analysis was completed as a part of the discussion to determine potential impacts. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

ITEM 13 - Discuss if the approval of the proposed project would change the existing baseline conditions and/or change OHV facility operations. (Response is limited to 5,000 characters)

CEQA/NEPA Attachment (Click on the "Show Instructions" button for more information)

Attachment Title	Attachment