

# COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE

## 2020-2021 OHV Grant Applications

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### PURPOSE:

To present the list of 2020-2021 Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Trail Grant Applications (Appendix A) for Colorado State Recreational Trails Committee's review.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

#### **OHV Program**

The Off-Highway Vehicle Program (OHV) is funded through the sale of OHV registrations. It is estimated that approximately 200,000 Off-Highway Vehicles will be registered in Colorado during the 2020-2021 season. The price of an annual OHV registration is \$25.25. Funds are used to support the statewide OHV program, registration program and OHV trail grant program. Non-profits, federal agencies, state and local government are eligible for OHV grants.

#### **Legislation**

*33-14.5-106: Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund - Creation- Use of Moneys.*

*(1) All fees collected from the registration of off-highway vehicles and all fees collected from the sale of off-highway use permits, plus all interest earned on such moneys shall be credited to the off-highway vehicle recreation fund, which fund is hereby created, and shall be used for the administration of this article, for information and awareness on the availability of off-highway vehicle recreational opportunities, for the promotion of off-highway vehicle safety, for the establishment and maintenance of off-highway vehicle routes, parking areas, and facilities, and for the purchase or lease of private land for the purposes of access to public land for uses consistent with the provisions of this article; however, any moneys collected in excess of four dollars per original or renewal registration shall be used exclusively for direct services and not administrative costs. The general assembly shall make annual appropriations from the off-highway vehicle recreation fund for the purposes enumerated in this subsection (1).*

#### **OHV Grant Selection Process**

Good OHV Management" trail crews are given priority in funding because of their attention to high use OHV systems and a successful history of good OHV management. These trail crews use "Best Practices" to manage OHV areas. This work includes maintenance, reconstruction, monitoring, signing, education, planning and field presence for visitor contacts and compliance patrols. Good Management grant applicants must demonstrate their ability, over a consecutive period of three or more years, to fulfill the fiscal and field objectives as presented in their annual OHV grant proposals, while achieving of all aspects of a good management program. Currently, there are 23 Good Management Crews and one Statewide Trail Crew operating in Colorado.

All remaining grant applications are evaluated and ranked against each other. The OHV grant selection and award procedure follows a three-tiered recommendation and approval process. Applications first are scored and evaluated by the OHV Subcommittee which forwards its recommendations to the State Recreational Trails Committee which reviews the rankings and funding recommendations for approval by the Parks and Wildlife Commission.

**OHV Subcommittee**

The OHV Subcommittee (**Appendix B**) is chaired by a member of the Colorado State Trails Committee who is chosen by the Parks and Wildlife Commission to represent OHV interests. The OHV chairperson appoints up to 8 members of the public to serve on the subcommittee representing organized OHV interests in Colorado. The State Trails Committee chooses a non-motorized member that selects two members of the public representing non-motorized interests. The Parks & Wildlife Director appoints one additional diversified trail user as a member to the OHV Subcommittee. State and Federal agencies are represented by staff members of the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and Division of Parks and Wildlife who serve as ex-officio members. The OHV Subcommittee conducts a fair and objective review of the grant application before making its ranking recommendations to the State Trails Committee. Public input is solicited, as part of the grant review process. Public comment is accepted by e-mail, written letter, and during public meetings. All OHV applicants are invited to make a presentation to the OHV Subcommittee.

**DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY:**

**2020-2021 OHV Grant Program**

The availability of the 2020-2021 OHV grant applications was publicized through newsletters, the Parks and Wildlife Division’s web site, and e-mail information networks. Assistance in grant preparation is available from the trails program staff.

For the 2020-2021 OHV grants, it is estimated that \$4.3 million will be available for OHV grants from the following funding sources:

<b>Source of OHV Grant Funding</b>	<b>Total Dollars</b>
Off-Highway Vehicle Registration (OHV)	\$4,000,000
Recreation Trails Program (RTP) <i>approx.</i>	\$ 300,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,300,000</b>

**OHV Grant Applications**

2020-2021 OHV Grant Applications were due Monday, December 2, 2019. Applications for 67 OHV projects were received, requesting \$5,036,039 in funding. As noted above, grant applications will be reviewed and ranked by the OHV Subcommittee, after considering all public comment.

The OHV subcommittee will convene on January 17, 2020 to discuss funding strategies for the 2020-2021 Good Management grant applications and begin preliminary review of all other projects that will be scored and ranked.

All applicants can make a project presentation to the OHV Subcommittee as part of the project review on March 5-6, 2020. Following project presentations, the OHV Subcommittee members (12) and the CPW Trails Coordinators (4) will score each application and those scores will be averaged for a final ranking. Scoring results and related funding strategies will be presented to the State Recreational Trails Committee for their approval in April 3, 2020. The Committee will then provide its funding recommendations the Parks and Wildlife Commission for final funding approval at the May 7-8, 2020 Commission Meeting.

All grant applications received for the 2020-2021 Colorado State Trails Grant cycle will be posted on the Parks and Wildlife's web site for public review and comment. The web address is: <http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/TrailsGrantsOHVApps.aspx>

Public comment for both the Good Management grant applications and the OHV project applications must be submitted in writing by Friday, January 31, 2020. Comment may be submitted by email to the following web email address: [dnr\\_trails@state.co.us](mailto:dnr_trails@state.co.us)

Pursuant to the Parks and Wildlife Commission's Policy A-104, Committee members serving on the OHV subcommittee are:

- OHV Subcommittee Chair and State Trails Committee OHV Designee – Dustin Wilkinson
- State Trails Committee Non-motorized Trails Designee – Christian Meyer
- State Trails Committee Diversified Trails Designee – John Marriott

Final scores from the OHV Subcommittee must be submitted to the Trails Program Office or Staff in Littleton by the end of business on Friday, March 13, 2020 to be included in the final recommendation. The OHV 2020-2021 grant cycle dates are listed on the OHV Grant Process Timeline (**Appendix C**).

**DIVISION RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**SUGGESTED MOTION:**

N/A

  
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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE STATE TRAILS COMMITTEE

December 04, 2019  
DATE

## 2020-2021 OHV Grant Applications

Grant App #	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Total Cost	Amount Requested
GM-1	OHV Gunnison Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Gunnison RD	\$ 103,500	\$ 85,000
GM-2	OHV Grand Lake Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Sulphur RD	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000
GM-3	OHV Statewide Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Sulphur RD	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000
GM-4	OHV Uncompahgre Trail Crew 2021	BLM - Uncompahgre FO	\$ 133,000	\$ 85,000
GM-5	OHV BLM GJFO Trail Crew 2021	BLM - Grand Junction FO	\$ 110,000	\$ 85,000
GM-6	OHV CRVFO Trail Crew 2021	BLM - Colorado River Valley FO	\$ 110,000	\$ 85,000
GM-7	Dominguez-Escalante & McInnis Canyons National Conservation Areas Trail Crew -2021	BLM - McInnis Canyons & Dominguez- Escalante NCAs	\$ 110,000	\$ 85,000
GM-8	Divide GM Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Divide RD	\$ 99,325	\$ 85,000
GM-9	OHV Ouray Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Ouray RD	\$ 198,102	\$ 85,000
GM-10	Dolores Trail Crew #17 - 2021	USFS - Dolores RD	\$ 105,000	\$ 85,000
GM-11	Flat Tops OHV Crew 2021	USFS - Blanco & Rifle RDs	\$ 105,000	\$ 85,000
GM-12	BLM Gunnison OHV Trail Crew 2021	BLM - Gunnison FO	\$ 178,500	\$ 85,000
GM-13	OHV San Carlos Trail Crew 2021	USFS - San Carlos RD	\$ 106,692	\$ 85,000
GM-14	State Forest State Park 2021 - GM	CPW - State Forest State Park	\$ 42,500	\$ 42,500
GM-15	Pikes Peak Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Pikes Peak RD	\$ 170,000	\$ 85,000
GM-16	FY 2021 Columbine Good Management	USFS - Columbine RD	\$ 89,400	\$ 56,950
GM-17	Grand Valley OHV Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Grand Valley RD	\$ 112,700	\$ 85,000
GM-18	Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew 2021	CPW - Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area & USFS - Salida RD	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000
GM-19	Eagle Zoned OHV Crew - 2021	USFS - Eagle-Holy Cross RD	\$ 110,500	\$ 85,000
GM-20	Parks District Motorized Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Parks RD	\$ 112,247	\$ 85,000
GM-21	Dillon OHV Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Dillon RD	\$ 106,000	\$ 85,000
GM-22	BLM Kremmling OHV Trail Crew - 2021	BLM - Kremmling FO	\$ 106,700	\$ 85,000
GM-23	Rampart Good OHV Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Rampart RD	\$ 91,160	\$ 85,000
1	GJFO & NCA Motorcycles 2021	BLM - Grand Junction FO	\$ 15,200	\$ 10,000
2	CRVFO Motorcycles 2021	BLM - Colorado River Valley FO	\$ 22,200	\$ 21,000
3	GJFO Equipment Ops 2021	BLM - Grand Junction FO	\$ 90,000	\$ 70,000
4	Divide Heavy Maintenance Crew 2021	USFS - Divide RD	\$ 128,470	\$ 95,975
5	Dozer 21 Project	USFS - Dolores RD	\$ 68,002	\$ 43,002
6	East Fork Trail Project - 2021	USFS - Dolores RD	\$ 109,000	\$ 72,000
7	Divide Heavy Maintenance Trailer 2021	USFS - Divide RD	\$ 11,250	\$ 10,500
8	Grizzly Peak-Timberline Trail Reconstruction - 2021	USFS - Gunnison RD	\$ 83,200	\$ 64,700
9	Grand Valley Equipment 2021	USFS - Grand Valley RD	\$ 29,657	\$ 29,157
10	OHV Routt Trail Crew Equipment 2020 or 21	USFS - Hahn's Peak/Bears Ears RD	\$ 26,000	\$ 26,000
11	OHV Routt Trail Crew 2021	USFS - Hahn's Peak/Bears Ears RD	\$ 108,000	\$ 85,000
12	Grand Valley Hammer Operations 2021	USFS - Grand Valley RD	\$ 107,220	\$ 80,720
13	BLM Gunnison OHV Crew Motorcycle Replacement 2021	BLM - Gunnison FO	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
14	OHV San Carlos Trail Project 2021-2022	USFS - San Carlos RD	\$ 127,992	\$ 106,300
15	White River OHV Open Areas - 2021	BLM - White River FO	\$ 39,445	\$ 29,476
16	Tres Rios OHV Crew 2021 Requesting Good Management	BLM - Tres Rios FO	\$ 50,882	\$ 33,330
17	State Forest State Park Pennock Trail- 2021	CPW - State Forest State Park	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000

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18	Grand Valley Dozer Operations 2021	USFS - Grand Valley RD	\$ 168,940	\$ 140,240
19	Norwood Trails Planning Process 2021	Norwood Park & Recreation District	\$ 55,313	\$ 45,000

## 2020-2021 OHV Grant Applications

Grant App #	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Total Cost	Amount Requested
20	Tenderfoot Track Club Update 2021	Summit County Off-Road Riders	\$ 110,000	\$ 75,500
21	CPRD OHV Trailhead Improvement Project 2021	USFS - Conejos Peak RD	\$ 148,332	\$ 111,255
22	PPRD OHV Management -2021	USFS - Pikes Peak RD	\$ 332,902	\$ 149,402
23	OHV Trail Dozer Maintenance Program - 2021	USFS - Ouray RD	\$ 237,538	\$ 150,550
24	2 Person OHV Trail Maintenance Crew - 2021	USFS - Pagosa RD	\$ 66,323	\$ 48,780
25	2021 Supply & Equipment Grant	Western Slope ATV Association	\$ 121,700	\$ 16,000
26	Grand Junction Motocross Track	Grand Junction KTM	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
27	Royal Gorge OHV Crew - 2021	BLM - Royal Gorge	\$ 88,127	\$ 52,472
28	COHVCO 2019 2021 Workshops (2)	COHVCO Trails Partnership	\$ 65,000	\$ 60,000
29	Boulder Ranger District OHV Crew - 2021	USFS - Boulder RD	\$ 197,109	\$ 90,826
30	Lefthand Motorized Roads & Trails Project	USFS - Boulder RD	\$ 117,745	\$ 91,720
31	2021 RRMMC Trail Maintenance	Rampart Range Motorized Management Committee	\$ 253,309	\$ 220,385
32	CCRD OHV Crew 2021	USFS - Clear Creek RD	\$ 122,920	\$ 57,690
33	2021 SPKRD Badger Flats Implementation	USFS - South Park RD	\$ 143,500	\$ 92,600
34	2021 SPKRD OHV Trail Crew	USFS - South Park RD	\$ 87,378	\$ 35,000
35	Rampart OHV Equipment Replacement	USFS - South Platte RD	\$ 41,700	\$ 39,950
36	Rampart Trail Crew & Patrol III - 2021	USFS - South Platte RD	\$ 79,914	\$ 70,964
37	Travel Management Signage - 2021	Stay The Trail Education & Stewardship Alliance	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000
38	Stay The Trail Education & Stewardship Alliance - 2021	Stay The Trail Education & Stewardship Alliance	\$ 298,022	\$ 234,540
39	Hermosa Motorized Trails Rehabilitation - 2021	USFS - Columbine RD	\$ 176,064	\$ 121,700
40	2020 Archeological Survey Funding - 2021	Western Slope ATV Association	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
41	2020 Backhoe & Trailer - 2021	Western Slope ATV Association	\$ 39,855	\$ 39,855
42	Can-AM Maverick X3 Max - 2021	CPW - State Forest State Park	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
43	Bobcat Skid Steer - 2021	CPW - State Forest State Park	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
44	Alpine Loop Education (OHV) - 2021	Alpine Outdoor/ ATV Association	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 6,953,535</b>	<b>\$ 5,036,039</b>

## Colorado Parks and Wildlife – State Trails Program Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Subcommittee

### OHV Subcommittee Members

Dustin Wilkinson	OHV Subcommittee Chair and State Trails Committee Member	OHV Trails Rep.
John Marriott	OHV Subcommittee Member	Diversified STC Rep.
Christian Meyer	OHV Subcommittee Member	Non-motorized STC Rep.
Ralph Files	OHV Subcommittee Member	Non-motorized Rep.
Ken Helgeson	OHV Subcommittee Member	Non-motorized Rep.
Jason Elliott	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Brian Levingston	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Jim Chambers	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Scott Bright	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Jeremy Shoning	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Ken Sanders	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
John Yurik	OHV Subcommittee Member	Motorized Rep.
Josh Stoudt	Colorado Parks and Wildlife	SW Region Motorized Trail Coordinator
Randy Engle	Colorado Parks and Wildlife	NW Region Motorized Trail Coordinator
Ben Plankis	Colorado Parks and Wildlife	NE Region Motorized Trail Coordinator
Vacant	Colorado Parks and Wildlife	SW Region Motorized Trail Coordinator

### Subcommittee Ex-Officio's

Margaret Taylor	CPW	Ex-officio
Mark Leslie	CPW	Ex-officio
Jack Placchi	BLM	Ex-officio
Jason Robertson	USFS	Ex-officio

### Colorado Parks and Wildlife Trails Program Managers

Fletcher Jacobs	Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Tom Metsa	Colorado Parks and Wildlife

2020-2021  
OHV Grant Process  
Timeline

Date	Action Item
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday <b>December 2, 2019</b> 5:00 P.M.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Application Deadline</b> – Including <i>Good Management Program</i> Applications</li> <li>• Applications checked for completeness and eligibility by OHV Program Manager and Staff</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">Early December 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project descriptions posted on the web for public comment</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">January 17, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Good Management Program</i> application review</li> <li>• OHV Subcommittee to review project application details for oral presentations</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">January 31, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deadline for written public comment for <i>OHV Projects and Good Management Trail Crew Applications</i> (must be received at Colorado Parks &amp; Wildlife)</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">March 5-6, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2-Day OHV Grant Presentations</li> <li>• Subcommittee to complete final scores</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">March 13, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final scores due to CPW Trails Program</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">April 3, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Trails Committee Meeting: Approval and recommendation finalized for Parks &amp; Wildlife Commission (PWC)</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">May 7-8, 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final recommendations presented to (PWC) for approval</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">May - June 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Award and Rejection letters sent to applicants</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">Fall 2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiate and Finalize Contracts</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">Fall 2020 / Spring 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project funds available for disbursement</li> </ul>