



COLORADO
Parks and Wildlife
Department of Natural Resources

2023-2024
Off-Highway Vehicle Program
State Trail Grant Application

Name of Project: BLM Statewide (OHV) Law Enforcement		Date of Application: 12/01/2022
<i>(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)</i>		
Total Project Cost: \$162,296	Grant Request: \$65,170	
<i>(round off to the nearest \$1)</i>	<i>Amount Requested (round off to the nearest \$1) must match the Project Budget Form.</i>	
PROJECT SPONSOR (Name and Address for entity legally responsible for project)		
Organization Name: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado State Office		
Mailing Address: 2850 Youngfield Street		
Lakewood, CO 80215	Fax: (303) 239-3896	
Telephone: (303) 239-3893	Email: gvanairsdale@blm.gov	
OFFICIAL USE ONLY – DUNS # (IF REQUIRED):		
PROJECT CONTACT This is the person with day-to-day responsibility for the managing the project, ensuring the contract scope of work will be fulfilled. Please notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.		
Name: Glenn Van Airsdale		Title: State Chief Ranger
Mailing Address: 2850 Youngfield Street		
Lakewood, CO 80215		
Telephone: (303) 895-7973	Fax: (303) 239-3896	Email: gvanairsdale@blm.gov
		Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES NO
PROJECT CLOSE-OUT CONTACT This is the person responsible for submitting receipts for project spending and close-out. Please notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.		
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GRANTS & AGREEMENTS SPECIALIST (USFS only) or BUDGET CONTACT (BLM only)		
Name: N/A		Title: N/A
Mailing Address: N/A		
Lakewood, CO 80215		
Telephone: N/A	Fax: N/A	Email: N/A

PROJECT LOCATION		
Nearest Town or City: Colorado (Statewide) [Walden, Silverton, Lake City, Montrose, etc]		
County(ies): See below areas to be patrolled in Scope of Work / Project Description		
Township/Range/Section: Various/Multiple		
State Senate District #: Various/Multiple		
State Representative District #: Various/Multiple		
LAND OWNERSHIP		
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners:		
2. The trail corridor is controlled by: <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Lease <input type="checkbox"/> Easement <input type="checkbox"/> License <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way <input type="checkbox"/> Land Acquisition Ownership to be obtained <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (explain):BLM/State__		
TRAIL SYSTEM INFORMATION (List the number of miles for each type of OHV trail in your area)		
Miles of Singletrack: _____	Miles of 50" or less: _____	Miles of Full-sized: _____
TRAIL USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply to the work planned for this project)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All-Terrain Vehicle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Side x Side	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Sized 4X4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motorcycling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Four-Wheeling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessible Access
PROJECT INFORMATION (Please check all activities that apply to this project.) Include detailed information for each in the Project Scope of Work.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel Plan Implementation	
<input type="checkbox"/> *New Trail Construction miles / ft. _____ (Approved through Travel Mgt Decision)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resource Protection & Improvement	
<input type="checkbox"/> *Major Re-Route miles / ft. closed _____ (that will require new or additional environmental approvals) miles / ft. added _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Signs	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Corps	
<input type="checkbox"/> Restoration/Rehabilitation (existing corridor)	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visitor Contacts & Law Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Capital Equipment	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Acquisition or Other	
* New Trail Construction & Major Re-Route: Trail location(s) must be indicated on project map and detailed description of trail work plans must be provided in Project Selection Criteria, Section D-1, #3 Resource Protection, Enhancement & Restoration		
TRAIL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY (Based on your project description and budget, provide the percentage for each of the categories listed below.)		
% of Budget	Program maintenance (e.g., erosion controls, water bars and culverts, trail clearing and brushing, trail hardening and trail tread repairs, bridge construction and repairs, trailhead improvements and maintenance, crew wages, etc.)	
90	Enforcement, Education & Visitor Contacts (e.g., patrols, enforcement, education and visitor contacts, wages, safety contacts, equipment, etc.)	
10	Planning & Travel Plan Implementation (e.g., planning, engineering, maps, inventorying, travel management signs & installation, decommission non-system routes, rehabilitation, new construction, wages, monitoring, etc.)	
	Equipment /Materials/ Signs/ Youth Corps/Miscellaneous (e.g., equipment maintenance and repair, personnel training, certification in the use of specialized equipment, program coordination, etc.)	
100	Total: (Note: Percentages should add to 100 %)	

SCOPE OF WORK – Project Description:	
Project Name: BLM Statewide OHV Law Enforcement	Project No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: BLM, Colorado State Office	Application Year: 2023-2024
Project Contact: Glenn Van Airsdale	Application No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Total Project Cost: \$162,296	Grant Request: \$65,170

WHO?
The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), consistent with the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Statewide OHV Law Enforcement Program, and BLM Colorado State Law Enforcement Plan, will conduct law enforcement details and/or saturation patrols in key areas and times of the year where OHV management is a priority.

WHERE?
Areas of focus for BLM law enforcement details and patrols include, but are not limited to the following:

- Colorado River Valley Field Office (Garfield and Eagle Counties)
Hubbard Mesa, Roan Plateau, Hardscrabble, Bocco Mountain (TBD)
- Grand Junction Field Office (Mesa County)
West Desert, Bangs Canyon, Cactus Park (TBD)
- Gunnison Field Office (San Juan and Hinsdale Counties)
Alpine Triangle Recreation Area ("Alpine Loop") (July – September)
- Kremmling Field Office (Grand and Jackson Counties)
North Sand Hills Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) (Memorial Day)
North Sand Hills (Labor Day)
North Sand Hills (Independence Day)
- Uncompahgre Field Office (Delta, Montrose and Ouray Counties)
Peach Valley OHV area
- San Luis Valley Field Office (Saguache County)
Poncha Pass, Elephant Rocks (TBD)

Additional areas of high OHV use will be covered as they are identified and time and resources allow.

WHAT?
BLM law enforcement officers patrol the areas listed above, contacting public land users and OHV operators, focusing efforts on public education, monitoring, public safety, reporting and enforcement of OHV regulations and registration requirements. These efforts and visible law enforcement presence result in:

- Protection of OHV opportunities on public land. Education and enforcement of Federal and State regulations will reduce resource damage and prevent area closures. Increased compliance with Resource Management Plans (RMPs) and Travel Management Plans (TMPs) will also reduce litigation and preserve riding opportunities.

- Safer OHV areas. Education and enforcement will reduce accidents and fatalities at OHV areas creating a satisfactory family atmosphere for OHV use.
- Protection of natural, cultural, and historic resources.
- Increased compliance with Federal and State OHV regulations.
- Increased public awareness of designated OHV areas and opportunities for legal OHV use.
- Improved public awareness of appropriate versus inappropriate OHV use including Tread Lightly and Stay the Trail principles.
- Monitoring and reporting of trail conditions.
- Visitor assistance including directions, maps, first aid and search and rescue.

WHEN?

Dedicated law enforcement patrols of OHV areas generally begin in approximately mid to late April and continue through the fall color change and hunting seasons. Increased law enforcement staffing is planned on high-use weekends (North Sand Hills) and high-visitation areas (Alpine Loop). Monitoring and enforcement of Colorado OHV regulations is continuous and on-going during all patrols and OHV-user contacts.

The planning target for budget purposes will include staffing the three holiday weekends at North Sand Hills with at least 2 officers each, staffing two holiday weekends on the Alpine Loop with at least two officers each weekend, and a seasonal average of two patrol days per week on the Alpine Loop from July-September.

Program Funding Acknowledgement – BLM Law Enforcement policy limits additional markings on law enforcement vehicles. However, signage present at BLM administered public land trailheads and OHV areas display the Colorado 'Stay the Trail' and 'Colorado Registration Dollars at Work' logos. The BLM will make every effort to acknowledge and credit the OHV grant program for funding received. Any materials BLM develops for the program will acknowledge and incorporate the 'Colorado Registration Dollars at Work' logo.

DEFINITIONS? Not applicable.

Budget Form

Project Name: BLM Statewide OHV Law Enforcement

Date Project will be Completed: 12/31/2024

Project Sponsor: Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

ITEMS LISTED IN THE BUDGET BELOW SHOULD BE SPECIFIC AND CORRESPOND TO THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES INDICATED IN THE PROJECT DESCRIPTION (SCOPE OF WORK) IN YOUR GRANT APPLICATION. (Round amounts off to nearest dollar)

PROJECT FUNDING SOURCES <small>List all sources and amounts of project funding in this section (insert additional lines if needed)</small>	CASH	In-Kind (Non-Cash) Contributions	TOTAL
OHV Grant Funding (amount of requested OHV grant funds only)	\$65,170		\$ 65,170.00
Other Funding Sources	\$ -		
BLM Support (ATVs/Trailers/Emergency Equipment) - Not including LE vehicles	\$ -	\$ 87,126	\$ 87,126.00
BLM Funded Administrative Costs	\$ -	\$10,000	\$ 10,000.00
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
USE OF GRANT FUNDING <small>List uses of grant funding (only) below</small>	TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT		\$162,296.00

I. Personnel Costs

Identify as: Salary/wage, benefits, travel, training, outfitting costs, personal protection equipment, etc.

Employee Name or Title/Grade	\$ Per Hr		Total Cost
BLM Law Enforcement Ranger (GS-11/Step 5 Average)	\$ 65.38	56 patrol days - 8 hrs/day	\$ 29,291.00
Travel Costs (Lodging \$120-\$220/night/ Meals \$59/day, \$44.25 first/last day)	\$ -	Est. 38 officer/lodging nights	\$ 9,230.00
Overtime (last 4 hrs of 12 hr shift on regular days, 8 hrs on regular days off)	\$ -	56 patrol days	\$ 26,649.00
	\$ -		\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -
<small>For CPW use only. Approximate number of workhours</small>	996.79	Category Total	\$ 65,170.00

II. Project Materials/Supplies

Identify as: Signs, rock, lumber, paint, nails, printing, maps/guides, education materials, etc.

	Price Per	Quantity	Total	
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

III. Equipment

Identify as: Trail Dozers, ATV/UTV, motorcycle, chainsaws, winches, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel, repairs, and operations, etc.

	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

III.A. FLEET Equipment

Identify as: Crew Fleet Vehicles/Trucks monthly FOR & USE, Fleet Equipment monthly USE.

	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

IV. Contracted Services

Identify as: Youth Corps, NEPA, planning, engineering, construction contractor/subcontractor costs

	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

V. Volunteer Support

Identify as: **For Volunteers Only** Safety education, safety gear (gloves/goggles), outfitting, per diem (meals or mileage when travel required by and identified in project scope of work), non-monetary awards or recognition.

	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

Note: Any changes to the budget must have pre-approval from the Program

Total	\$ 65,170.00
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FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION and LAND MANAGER APPROVAL

The applicant is responsible for securing all necessary permits, licenses, clearances, and environmental analysis documentation necessary to comply with local, state, and/or federal laws.

Project Name	BLM Statewide OHV Law Enforcement	Project Sponsor	BLM
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As the official responsible for management of the land on which the project will be accomplished, I agree to the following:

1. The project as described in this application has my approval.
2. The project is located on federal public lands and is in conformance with the appropriate Forest Management Plan, BLM Resource Area Management Plan or other decision document titled:

BLM Colorado's 20 Field Office's RAMPs and Travel Management Plans (TMPs). Date: Various

3. A decision has been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process.

Date and title of document:

Per various Field Office RAMPs and TMPs

If not, please state reason and the estimated date when NEPA will be complete. [No funds will be distributed until any required NEPA documentation is completed.]

Not Applicable

For more information contact:

Glenn Van Airsdale, State Chief Ranger, BLM Colorado, (303) 239-3893

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for N/A.

Gordon Toevs, Acting Associate State Director, BLM Colorado

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title

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Land Manager Signature and Title

Date

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NON-FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION and LAND MANAGER APPROVAL

The Applicant is responsible for filling out this TOP portion of this page ending at "Applicant Environmental Checklist". The applicant is also responsible for securing all necessary permits, licenses, clearances, and environmental analyses documentation necessary to comply with local, state, and/or federal laws.

Project Name BLM Statewide OHV Law Enforcement Project Sponsor BLM

The project described in this application has my approval.

N/A N/A

Owners or Authorized Person's Signature and Title **Date**

N/A

Print or type Owner's or Authorized Person's Name and Title

APPLICANT ENVIRONMENTAL CHECK LIST

Describe the process (es) or efforts you have made to review potential wildlife and environmental impacts of your project as concisely and specifically as possible. Include any relevant information in each of the category questions listed below and indicate which question you are answering. Examples are given of the types of information that may be valuable. If a question is not applicable to this project, please write "N/A" and state your reasoning.

1. **Species of Concern:** Is it likely that plant and/or wildlife species of concern are present on the proposed project site?
 - Federally listed, threatened, and/or endangered species
 - N/A
 - Species that are rare or have limited range in Colorado
 - N/A
2. **Habitats and their Values:** What habitats are present and how important, productive, or pristine is the wildlife habitat in the project area?
 - Describe habitats that are present and others that are adjacent to them
 - N/A
 - Existing development or human impacts to the proposed project area?
 - N/A
 - Critical habitat for a particular species, or an area with high value for nesting, feeding, or calving
 - N/A
3. **Potential Impacts:** List, in bulleted form, the proposed project activities. Then, describe how the project activities will, or potentially may, impact vegetation and/or wildlife. Include both short-term (during project activities) and long-term (impacts to habitats) effects.
 - Disturbance of sensitive species
 - N/A
 - Impacts to species during rest, feeding, or reproductive cycles
 - N/A
 - Encroachment, loss or reduction of habitat(s)
 - N/A
 - Intrusion into areas with little existing human impacts
 - N/A

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4. Mitigation: How will these impacts be addressed?

- Alternative design or trail route selection

N/A

- Timing of project activities

N/A

- Screening or users from wildlife area, protection of critical habitat, channeling use through less sensitive areas

N/A

- Improvement (i.e., restoration) to habitat areas upon project completion

N/A

5. Benefits: List habitat improvements such as restoration of wetlands, river corridors, and trail areas; restriction of recreationalists from sensitive areas; environmental or recreation education efforts.

- Education of users through environmental education programs, opportunities for “watchable wildlife,” and monitoring of wildlife impacts

N/A

- Reroute trails away from sensitive habitats

N/A

6. Environmental Compliance: Describe regulatory compliance, applicable permits and/or agency concurrence procedures that are, or are not required, and why.

- Migratory Bird Treaty Act (i.e., nesting habitats will not be impacted by the project due to the project’s timing or, surveys for nesting birds will be conducted prior to activities and, activities that may impact active nests will be postponed)

N/A

- Concurrence from USFWS for effects determinations (or rationale for why no such concurrence is required)

N/A

- US Army Corps of Engineers 404 permits

N/A

- Compliance with raptor guidelines recommended by Colorado Parks and Wildlife

N/A

Principle source of information: (e.g., Colorado Parks & Wildlife, Colorado Natural Heritage Program, local agency, staff biologist, consultant)

N/A

Printed name, title and telephone number of person consulted:

Signature of person consulted:

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PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Need for & Benefit of the Project (25 points):

The availability of open space and trail systems for use by OHVs is an important component of the BLM's recreation program. Proper management of OHV use is imperative in preserving these open spaces and trail systems for long term future use. Keys to proper management of OHV use include the agency's ability to educate and enforce compliance with RMPs that designate public lands as open, closed, or limited to OHV use and TMPs that designate specific routes and methods of travel allowed. Another key to the proper management of OHV use on public lands is education and enforcement of OHV regulations including safety, equipment and registration requirements.

Targeted and intensified patrol efforts are one of the strategies for effective enforcement of OHV use on public lands. The BLM has also identified the need for law enforcement to be a more visible presence and effective tool for motorized OHV management. As such, the law enforcement component of the BLM works in conjunction with their counterparts in Recreation, Biology and Range Management to find solutions and strategies that keep as many diverse OHV riding opportunities available to the public while also protecting the land and resources on which these activities are conducted. This, in turn, has the long-term result of providing a more enjoyable experience for the OHV rider. Between the North Sand Hills and Alpine Loop alone, these efforts will benefit thousands of OHV enthusiasts of all types.

For nearly a decade, BLM Law Enforcement has worked in cooperation with CPW on public education, monitoring, reporting, public safety, trail assistance and enforcement of OHV regulations. This cooperation began under the OHV Law Enforcement Pilot program which CPW initiated in 2011. The BLM entered the Pilot program that year with CPW, the United States Forest Service (USFS), and the Responsible Recreation Foundation and continued as part of it through 2017. The BLM failed to earn a grant award for the 2018-2019 Application Year. The BLM did not submit applications in application years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, but continued to provide law enforcement services and public education related to state OHV regulations with available internal funds – funds which are no longer available. The BLM Colorado Law Enforcement program submitted and was awarded a CPW OHV grant for the 2021-2022 year; those funds were used for education and enforcement operations from May through October 2022, with any remainder scheduled to be returned to CPW by the end of 2022. BLM Colorado Law Enforcement was also awarded a grant for the 2022-2023 season, which will fund outreach and enforcement operations beginning in approximately May 2023. Award of a grant for the 2023-2024 season will enable the BLM to continue to provide essential services in cooperation with CPW, leveraging grant funding with available BLM appropriated funds.

2. Partnerships, Support and Leverage (25 points):

BLM Law Enforcement works in concert with other BLM program areas to manage, protect and improve public land OHV use areas. These BLM programs often incorporate club and volunteer groups as stewards of their public lands. Additionally, in two areas that receive some of highest usage, the Alpine Loop and North Sand Hills, BLM Law Enforcement works in conjunction with its partner County Sheriffs in San Juan and Hinsdale Counties, and Jackson County, respectively.

Since the inception of the OHV Law Enforcement Pilot Program in 2011, the BLM Colorado State Office has contributed appropriated funding to purchase the following equipment in support of the program. BLM Law Enforcement has maintained and continues to use this equipment in direct support of its enforcement and public education operations each year.

BLM Stellar Toybox Trailer	35,600
BLM Triton ATV Trailer	2,652
BLM Haulmark ATV Trailer	10,074

BLM Yamaha Rhino UTV	15,199
BLM Yamaha Raptor ATV (2)	15,799
BLM Medical Equipment for UTVs	605
BLM LE Equipment for UTVs	4,197
Total Equipment Expenditures	\$84,126

Beginning with the 2019 OHV season, the BLM initiated a contract for Law Enforcement Assistance with San Juan County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$10,000, to provide an additional visible and needed law enforcement presence on the Alpine Loop, beyond what current BLM Law Enforcement staffing could accommodate. For the 2020 season, the BLM initiated an identical contract with Hinsdale County Sheriff's Office for the same purpose on that portion of the loop lying within Hinsdale County. In 2020 the BLM also initiated a similar contract with Jackson County, in the amount of \$7500, primarily for emergency response and back-up law enforcement assistance at the North Sand Hills. These contracts are projected to continue for 2023 and 2024.

From 2011 through 2017, BLM Rangers funded by the Pilot program kept daily OHV patrol logs. The logs tracked the number of OHV user's contacted, resident status, type of OHV used, registration type and enforcement action taken. Logs also document trail conditions and recommendations. From 2011 through 2017, the BLM Colorado State Chief Ranger maintained a spreadsheet tracking each OHV contact funded by the Pilot program:

BLM 2011 - 2017 OHV PILOT PROGRAM TOTALS	
TOTAL CONTACTS	23,531
TOTAL VEHICLES	9,421
TOTAL VIOLATION NOTICES ISSUED	372
TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED	727

From 2018-2021, though not funded by an OHV grant, internal BLM law enforcement tracking recorded the following statistics regarding OHV contacts and outcomes:

BLM 2018-2021 OHV Contact TOTALS (Not Grant Funded)	
TOTAL CONTACTS	4516
TOTAL VIOLATION NOTICES ISSUED	231
TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED	681
TOTAL REPORTS FILED	225
TOTAL ARRESTS	7
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE/CIVIL REMEDY	4

Even with relatively skeleton coverage from 2018-2021, warnings and violation notices issued primarily for non-registration were likely responsible for ensuring at least 800 additional registrations, equating to \$20,000 registration dollars. Having a consistent, visible law enforcement presence in OHV areas arguably had a much greater overall effect on registration compliance. 2022 contacts and enforcement actions were generally at or above the running average for the four previous years.

BLM 2022 OHV Contact TOTALS	
TOTAL CONTACTS (VEHICLES)	1411
TOTAL VIOLATION NOTICES ISSUED	48
TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED	252
TOTAL REPORTS FILED	43
TOTAL ARRESTS	1

3. Resource Protection, Enhancement and Restoration relative to eligible OHV grant activities

(25 points):

The principal objectives accomplished by this project are:

- Reduce resource damage and prevent area closures due to OHV use in sensitive areas such as; Wilderness Areas, Wilderness Study Areas, Areas of Critical Environmental Concern, and areas containing sensitive or listed wildlife species, cultural, or historic resources through education and enforcement.
- Reduce litigation, preserve riding opportunities, and protect resources identified in planning documents through increased compliance with RMPs and TMPs.
- Reduce OHV demands in restricted or closed areas through increased public awareness of BLM OHV areas and opportunities for legal OHV use.
- Improved public awareness of appropriate versus inappropriate OHV use including Tread Lightly and Stay the Trail principles.
- Monitoring and reporting of trail conditions, signing and physical barriers will help area managers prioritize and respond to maintenance needs leading to resource protection, enhancement and restoration.

4. Travel Management Plan Implementation, Education and Enforcement (25 points):

Travel Management:

The project will promote active OHV management and improve OHV use for the benefit of public land visitors. This project will have a direct impact upon the effectiveness of RMPs and TMPs. RMPs designate areas and trails as open, closed, or limited to OHV use. TMPs designate the specific routes and methods of travel allowed. Without proper education and enforcement of planning decisions, these documents have no value. Rangers will focus efforts on education and compliance with RMP and TMP decisions.

The project will enhance and promote OHV opportunities through public education of OHV trail systems, route conditions and route difficulty ratings to help OHV users have a safe and rewarding experience on public land. Rangers will accomplish this and promote multiple-use trails through direct visitor contacts and by providing BLM area maps and brochures. The project will also assist in monitoring, closing, or rehabilitating illegal routes. Rangers will identify the need for signage, fencing, physical barriers, or reseeding, resurfacing, decommissioning, or re-contouring trails while patrolling public land and pass this information on to the appropriate BLM Field Manager.

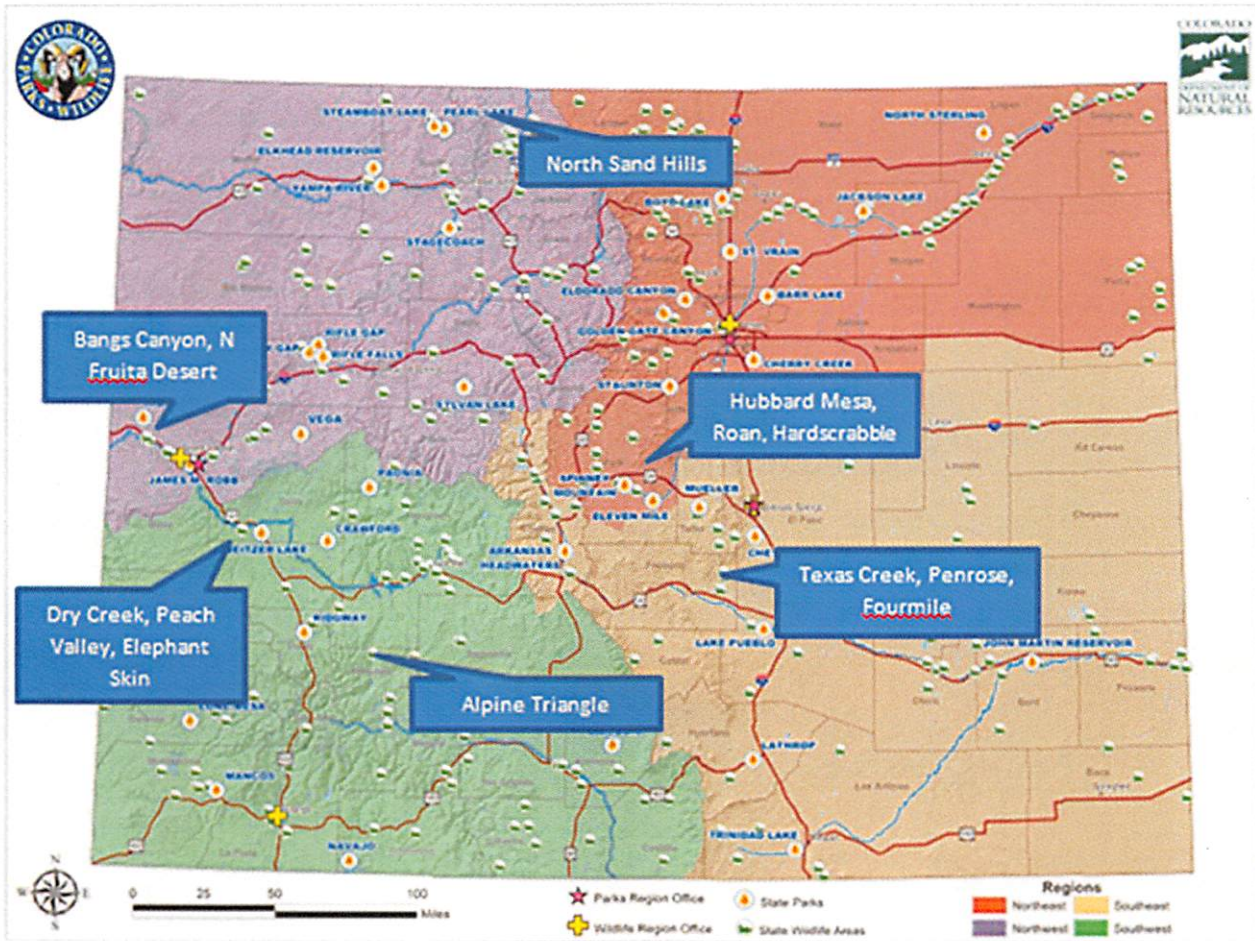
This project is consistent with the long-term plans of the BLM to manage OHV use as an appropriate recreational activity on the public lands and compliments the Stay the Trail and Tread Lightly programs.

Education

Since inception of the Pilot Program in 2011, BLM Rangers have contacted over 30,000 OHV users. In each field contact, Rangers try to incorporate Tread Lightly and Stay the Trail Principles. Continued effort at gaining public acceptance and support of these principles, over time, will result in greater stewardship toward public lands. Improved public awareness of appropriate versus inappropriate OHV use will also result in and long-term resource protection. Rangers will use existing educational tools such as maps, signs, brochures and kiosks to educate riders on existing OHV opportunities and regulations. Rangers will hand out BLM brochures and maps when available. The project will reduce OHV use in restricted or closed areas through increased public awareness of designated OHV areas and opportunities for legal OHV use.

Enforcement and Compliance Activities:

Since the program's inception in 2011, BLM Rangers have issued 651 violation notices and 1660 warnings. This project will use on-the-ground patrols conducted by full time BLM Law Enforcement Rangers. Proper education and enforcement of OHV regulations will provide long-term value and sustainability by limiting area or route closures due to resource damage, user conflicts, and/or



(F) Project Illustration

NOT APPLICABLE

(G) Letters of Project Support

Letters of Support are attached.