



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

Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew
(UAMTC)
A Good Management Crew

2023-2024 Grant Request:
Total Project Amount: \$189,220
OHV Grant Funding Request: \$140,378

1. Grant Application
2. Budget
 - a. USFS Salida RD
 - b. CPW AHRA
3. Land Manager Approval
4. Map
5. Letters of Support
6. 2023 Work Plan



Name of Project: Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (GM) **Date of Application:** 12/1/2022

(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)

Total Project Cost: \$101,826 **Grant Request:** \$78,076
(round off to the nearest \$1) *Amount Requested (round off to the nearest \$1) must match the Project Budget Form.*

PROJECT SPONSOR (Name and Address for entity legally responsible for project)

Organization Name: USFS Salida Ranger District

Mailing Address: 5575 Cleora Rd; Salida CO 81201

Telephone: 719-593-3591 Fax:

Email:

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 *Project Contact* changes.

Name: Danielle Cook Title: Trail Manager

Mailing Address: 5575 Cleora Rd; Salida CO 81201

Telephone: Fax: Email: Danielle.cook@usda.gov

719-367-4969 Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES

PROJECT CLOSE-OUT CONTACT This is the person responsible for submitting receipts for project spending and close-out. Please notify us if *Project Contact* changes.

Name: Ben Lara Title: Recreation Staff

Mailing Address: 5575 Cleora Rd; Salida CO 81201

Telephone: 719-530-3955 Fax: Email: Benjamin.lara@usda.gov

GRANTS & AGREEMENTS SPECIALIST (USFS only) or BUDGET CONTACT (BLM only)

Name: TBD at later date Title: Grants Mgmt Specialist

Mailing Address: 2840 Kachina Blvd.; Pueblo, CO 81008

Telephone: Fax: Email:

Name of Project: Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (GM)		Date of Application: 12/1/2022
<i>(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)</i>		
Total Project Cost: \$87,394	Grant Request: \$62,302	
<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: CPW Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area		
Mailing Address: 307 W Sackett Ave, Salida CO 81201		
		Fax: 719-539-3771
Telephone: 719-539-7289	Email: Jeffery.hammond@state.co.us	

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: Jeff Hammond		Title: Park Ranger
Mailing Address: 307 W Sackett Ave, Salida CO 81201		
Telephone:	Fax:	Email:
719-539-7289	719-539-3771	Jeffery.hammond@state.co.us
Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES		

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GRANTS & AGREEMENTS SPECIALIST (USFS only) or BUDGET CONTACT (BLM only)		
Name:		Title:
Mailing Address:		
Telephone:	Fax:	Email:

PROJECT LOCATION

Nearest Town or City: Salida, Buena Vista, Cotopaxi

County(ies): Chaffee, Fremont, Lake, Park, Saguache

Township/Range/Section: public land boundaries in counties

State Senate District #: 5

State Representative District #: 60

LAND OWNERSHIP

1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: US Forest Service

2. The trail corridor is controlled by: Fee Simple Lease Easement License
 Right-of-Way Land Acquisition Ownership to be obtained Other (explain): Public Lands**TRAIL SYSTEM INFORMATION** (List the number of miles for each type of OHV trail in your area)Miles of Singletrack: 84 Miles of 50" or less: 12 Miles of Full-sized: TBD**TRAIL USER INFORMATION** (Please check all that apply to the work planned for this project) All-Terrain Vehicle Side x Side Full Sized 4X4
 Motorcycling Four-Wheeling Accessible Access**PROJECT INFORMATION** (Please check all activities that apply to this project.)

Include detailed information for each in the Project Scope of Work.

 Trail Maintenance Travel Plan Implementation *New Trail Construction miles / ft. _____
(Approved through Travel Mgt Decision) Resource Protection & Improvement *Major Re-Route miles / ft. closed _____
(that will require new or additional environmental miles / ft. added _____
approvals) Signs Youth Corps Restoration/Rehabilitation (existing corridor) Planning Visitor Contacts & Law Enforcement Capital Equipment Education 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.)
65	
15	Enforcement, Education & Visitor Contacts (e.g., patrols, enforcement, education and visitor contacts, wages, safety contacts, equipment, etc.)
15	Planning & Travel Plan Implementation (e.g., planning, engineering, maps, inventorying, travel management signs & installation, decommission non-system routes, rehabilitation, new construction, wages, monitoring, etc.)
5	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 %)

Budget Form

Project Name: Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew

Date Project will be Completed: 12/31/2024

Project Sponsor: US Forest Service- Salida Ranger District

*****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)			\$ 78,076.00
FS Staff Oversight, supervision, and budget time \$250/day x 55 days		\$ 13,750	\$ 13,750.00
FS Training and Travel		\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000.00
CDT Dollars for Monarch Crest Projects	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
USE OF GRANT FUNDING	TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT		\$ 101,826.00

List uses of grant funding (only) below

I. Personnel Costs				
<small>Identify as: Salary/wage, benefits, travel, training, outfitting costs, personal protection equipment, etc.</small>				
Employee Name or Title/Grade	\$ Per Hr			Total Cost
Greg Hamilton- GS 6 step 6	\$ 33.40	28 weeks		\$ 37,408.00
Tyler Smith- GS 5 step 3	\$ 25.15	28 weeks		\$ 28,168.00
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
<small>For CPW use only: Approximate number of workhours</small>	1,963.35		Category Total	\$ 65,576.00
II. Project Materials/Supplies				
<small>Identify as: Signs, rock, lumber, paint, nails, printing, maps/guides, education materials, etc.</small>				
	Price Per	Quantity	Total	
Signage/ Fencing Materials (wire, carsonites, lumber, etc)	\$ 5,000.00	1	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ 5,000.00
III. Equipment				
<small>Identify as: Trail Dozers, ATV/UTV, motorcycle, chainsaws, winches, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel, repairs, and operations, etc.</small>				
Chainsaw Supplies and Repairs	\$ 500.00	1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Motorcycle parts/repairs	\$ 1,000.00	3	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
PPE for crew members	\$ 1,000.00	4	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
			Category Total	\$ 7,500.00
III.A. FLEET Equipment				
<small>Identify as: Crew Fleet Vehicles/Trucks monthly FOR & USE, Fleet Equipment monthly USE.</small>				
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
IV. Contracted Services				
<small>Identify as: Youth Corps, NEPA, planning, engineering, construction contractor/subcontractor costs</small>				
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
V. Volunteer Support				
<small>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.</small>				
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
			Total	\$ 78,076.00

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

Budget Form

Project Name: UAMTC Good Mgmt

Date Project will be Completed: 12/31/2024

Project Sponsor: Colorado Parks and Wildlife - Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area

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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)	\$ 62,302		\$ 62,302.00
Other Funding Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PMII Supervisor - Employee supervision, funding management	\$ -	\$ 13,770	\$ 13,770.00
Staff time for training seasonal employees	\$ -	\$ 3,672	\$ 3,672.00
Other staff support time (equip, admin, tech)	\$ -	\$ 7,650	\$ 7,650.00
USE OF GRANT FUNDING	TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT		\$ 87,394.00

List uses of grant funding (only) below

I. Personnel Costs				
<small>Identify as: Salary/wage, benefits, travel, training, outfitting costs, personal protection equipment, etc.</small>				
Employee Name or Title/Grade	\$ Per Hr			Total Cost
Title 33 Ranger 1 - TBD - 24 weeks	\$ 31.82	(wage + benefits)		\$ 30,551.04
Title 33 Ranger 2 - Cory Willoughby - 24 weeks	\$ 31.82	(wage + benefits)		\$ 30,551.04
<small>For CPW use only Approximate number of workhours</small>	1,920.00		Category Total	\$ 61,102.08
II. Project Materials/Supplies				
<small>Identify as: Signs, rock, lumber, paint, nails, printing, maps/guides, education materials, etc.</small>				
	Price Per	Quantity	Total	
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
III. Equipment				
<small>Identify as: Trail Dozers, ATV/UTV, motorcycle, chainsaws, winches, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel, repairs, and operations, etc.</small>				
Fuel and fluids	\$ 1,200.00	1	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
			Category Total	\$ 1,200.00
III.A. FLEET Equipment				
<small>Identify as: Crew Fleet Vehicles/Trucks monthly FOR & USE, Fleet Equipment monthly USE.</small>				
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
IV. Contracted Services				
<small>Identify as: Youth Corps, NEPA, planning, engineering, construction contractor/subcontractor costs</small>				
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
V. Volunteer Support				
<small>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.</small>				
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -
			Total	\$ 62,302.08

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Project Name: UAMTC (GM)	Project No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: USFS; AHRA	Application Year: 2023-2024
Project Contact: Danielle Cook	Application No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Total Project Cost: \$	Grant Request: \$

Project Description:

The Good OHV Management Crew will develop, maintain and improve OHV trails, trailheads, parking and support facilities; reconstruct OHV trails and related facilities; produce, install and maintain signage for OHV trails and support facilities; develop, deliver and provide education and rider ethics training to the OHV riding community; maintain, supply and operate facilities owned by the USDA Forest Service, CPW, and BLM that are used by OHV recreationalists; implement approved federal Travel Management Plans; and provide a field presence for visitor contacts, compliance and enforcement by authorized Good Management programs.

Work in 2023 and 2024 will be largely focused on implementing the record of decision of the PSICC travel management MVUM. The forest expects 2 years' time to be able to match what's on the map to what's on the ground and make the necessary changes. Changes to our MVUM include the change of some roads to trails open to all vehicles. The UAMTC will be instrumental in shaping these changes on the ground and working to ensure the OHV recreation opportunities are posted, maintained, and open to applicable users.

The UAMTC will continue to focus on annual maintenance of our motorized trails including clearing drains, installing crib walls, adding erosion control devices to ensure our trails are sustainable and remain open to all allowed users. Deferred maintenance projects will include minor reroutes, heavy reconstruction of trails, and additions of larger needs such as turnpikes. This crew responds immediately to safety issues including rock fall, landslides, etc and is critical to ensuring our OHV opportunities remain safe, sustainable and open.

Assisting with the potential new motorized trail proposals. Many user created trails currently braid system routes and are continuing to grow. Designating certain trails open will help add motorized single track to the area as well as help to better manage the area. Four Mile Travel Management area is currently only offering 13 miles of motorized single track and the demand is showcased by continuous use on the non-system routes. The crew has worked to create a map with all known existing routes in the area and will be integral in any NEPA approved additions if approved by 2024. Along with planning in 2024, there will be potential for continued planning or new construction NEPA decision dependent for Monarch Crest reroute, adding a single-track access point from Marshall Pass that is currently on a road and rerouting a section of trail that flows through a late season snow drift. Finally, Porter Gulch is an ongoing NEPA proposal currently which we hope to have a decision by 2024. If approved, this crew will prove integral to seeing this new construction through.

Collaborative efforts on our multiuse trails with local partners of CCMR, CORE, and SMT to help maintain and ensure positive OHV recreation opportunities are protected. Work parties involving these groups continue to benefit the local recreating public and pave a positive path forward for multi-use recreationalists.

Continue to provide the OHV recreating public with informational/ educational events. Messages and partners will include Leave No Trace, Tread Lightly, Stay The Trail and staffing at OHV related events such as enduro and trails courses. Posting of "OHV Dollars at Work" decals and signs at all OHV trail heads. Crew continues to wear uniform jersey with the same decal on the back and educates public on how the registration dollars directly impact keeping trails open.

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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	Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew	Project Sponsor	USFS Salida RD
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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:

1984 Land and Resource Management Plan Date: 1984

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

Date and title of document:

1984 Land and Resource Management Plan : PSICC

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.]

Porter Gulch Access Decision Memo: Decision expected Summer 2024

Monarch Crest Duo Decision Memo: Decision expected Fall 2023

For more information contact:

J. Perry Edwards

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for CURRENTLY ONGOING.

J. Perry Edwards- Salida District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title

JAMES

Digitally signed by JAMES EDWARDS

EDWARDS

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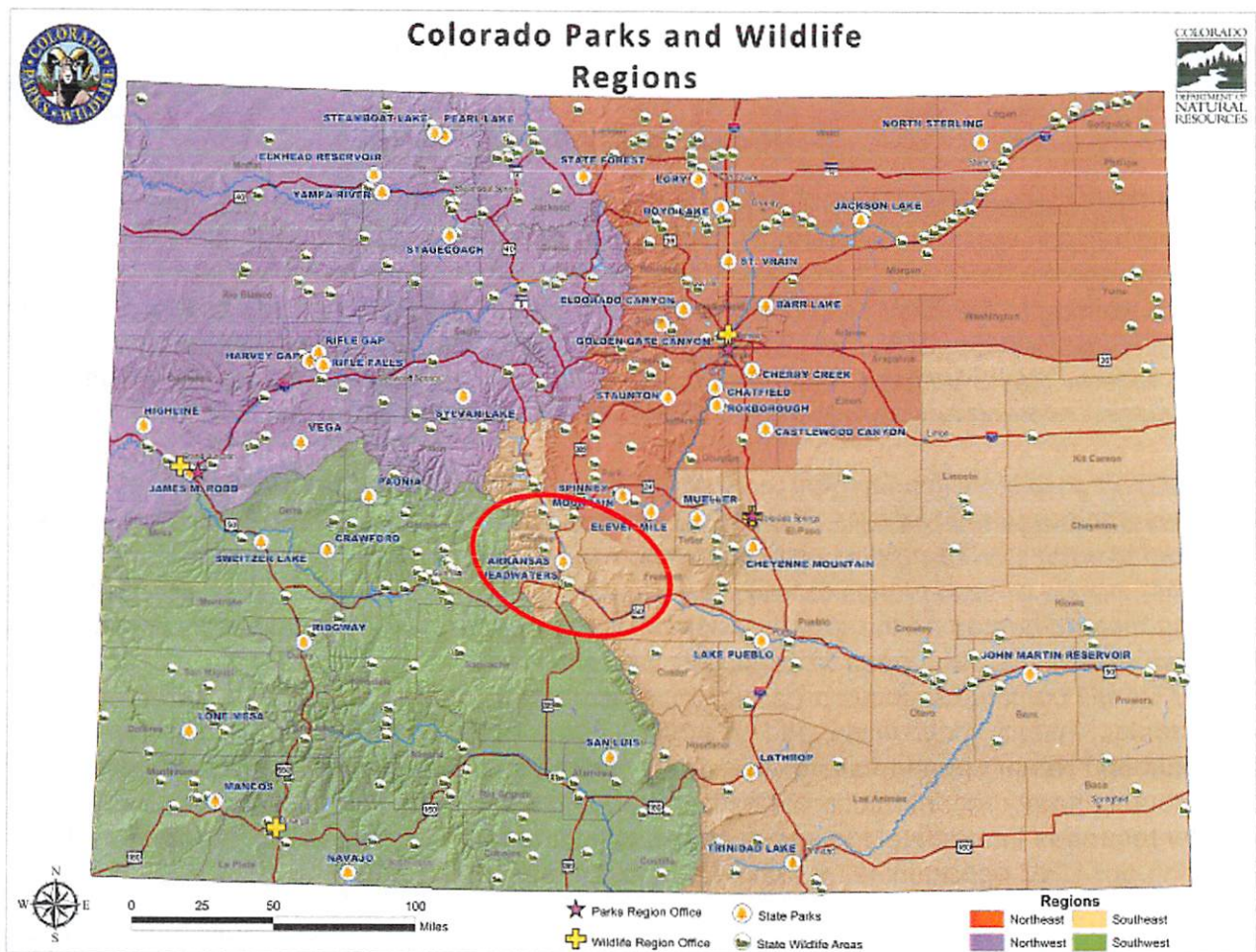
11/07/2022

Land Manager Signature and Title

Date

E-1 Vicinity Map & E-2 Project Site Map

E-1 Vicinity Map: Please mark the vicinity where the project is located on the map below.



E-2 Project Map: Please provide a map identifying the specific trail-work area or project site.
(Make 12 copies to include in your application packet)

1:24,000 scale map OR a Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM)
That clearly shows roads, trails, streams, management area boundaries, and other significant natural and developed features in the vicinity of the project.



PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

This map is intended to provide information to the public regarding the status of roads and trails within the San Isabel National Forest, Sandoz Ranger District. The map is not intended to be used as a legal document. The status of roads and trails is subject to change without notice. The map is intended to provide information to the public regarding the status of roads and trails within the San Isabel National Forest, Sandoz Ranger District. The map is not intended to be used as a legal document. The status of roads and trails is subject to change without notice.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operators of motor vehicles are responsible for their own safety and the safety of others. Operators should always use caution when driving on roads and trails. Operators should always use caution when driving on roads and trails. Operators should always use caution when driving on roads and trails.

Legend

- Roads Open to All Vehicles
- Trails Open to Vehicles 10' or Less in Width
- Trails Open to Motorcycles Only
- Seasonal Designation (See Table)
- Highways, U.S. State, County, Other
- Interagency Route Number
- County Boundary
- Other Public Trails
- Short Route Identifier (See Short Route Table)
- Major Streams
- FS Campground
- Picnic Area
- Motorized Trailhead
- Mountain Peak
- Forest and District Boundary
- National Forest System Lands
- Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
- Wilderness Areas
- County Boundary
- Township and Range Lines
- Section Lines
- Lakes



INFORMATION SOURCES

Sandoz Ranger District
3575 Deers Road
Sandoz, CO 81072
(719) 533-3351

Forest Supervisor
Phil and Lee (Sandoz National Forest)
Colorado and Colorado National Forests
3565 Deers Road
Sandoz, CO 81072
(719) 533-1000

Forest of Emergency - Dial 911
Sandoz Ranger District (Sandoz National Forest)



treadlightly!

Protect the environment and the rights of others.

Check for "closed" signs and proceed with care.

Always follow the rules of the road when driving on roads and trails.

Observe the needs of riparian resources.

For more information on tread lightly, go to www.treadlightly.com or call 1-800-4-A-TRAIL.

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

ROADS OPEN TO ALL VEHICLES
This map identifies roads that are open to all vehicles. These roads are shown with a solid line. Roads that are not shown on this map are not open to all vehicles.

TRAILS OPEN TO VEHICLES 10' OR LESS IN WIDTH
This map identifies trails that are open to vehicles 10' or less in width. These trails are shown with a dashed line. Trails that are not shown on this map are not open to vehicles 10' or less in width.

TRAILS OPEN TO MOTORCYCLES ONLY
This map identifies trails that are open to motorcycles only. These trails are shown with a dotted line. Trails that are not shown on this map are not open to motorcycles only.

SEASONAL DESIGNATION
This map identifies roads and trails that have seasonal designations. The seasonal designations are shown in the table on the right side of the map.

PROHIBITIONS

All motorized vehicles are prohibited on roads and trails that are designated as "no motor vehicles" or "no motor vehicles except in emergencies".

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SANDOZ RANGER DISTRICT BLANKET STATEMENTS FOR TRAIL MANAGEMENT

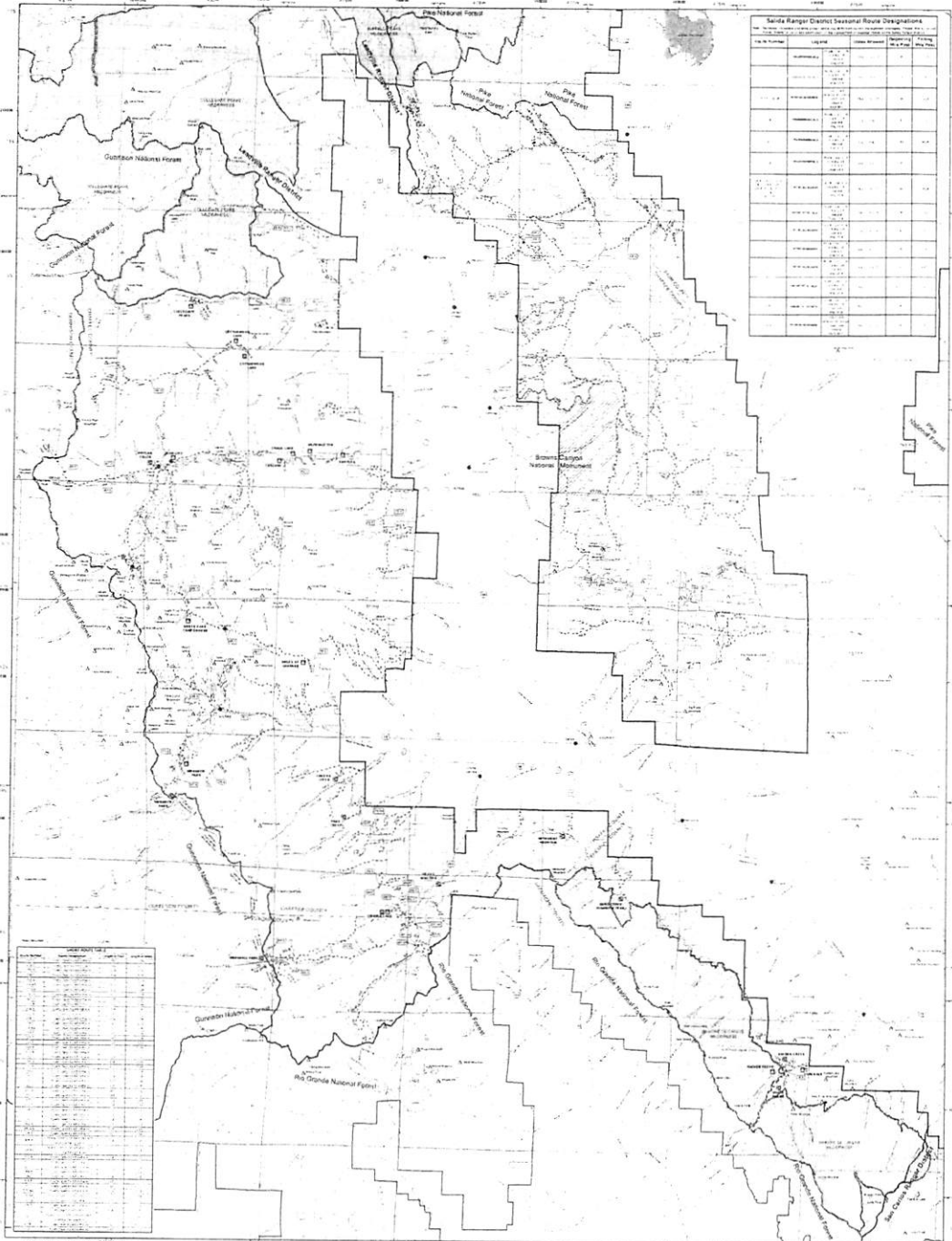
Use Restrictions

The designations shown on this map are subject to change without notice. The status of roads and trails is subject to change without notice.

Prohibited Activities on the San Isabel National Forest

- Where designated parking areas are not available, and where not specifically prohibited, no off-road vehicle parking is authorized on National Forest System lands where vehicle damage is authorized.
- Designated camping is authorized on National Forest System lands except in areas where camping is prohibited.
- Where designated camping is authorized, no off-road vehicle parking is authorized on National Forest System lands where vehicle damage is authorized.

Check with the local National Forest District office for current information on areas closed to camping and for other management information.



Sandoz Ranger District Seasonal Route Designations

Route Number	Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation
1	Open	Open	Open	Open
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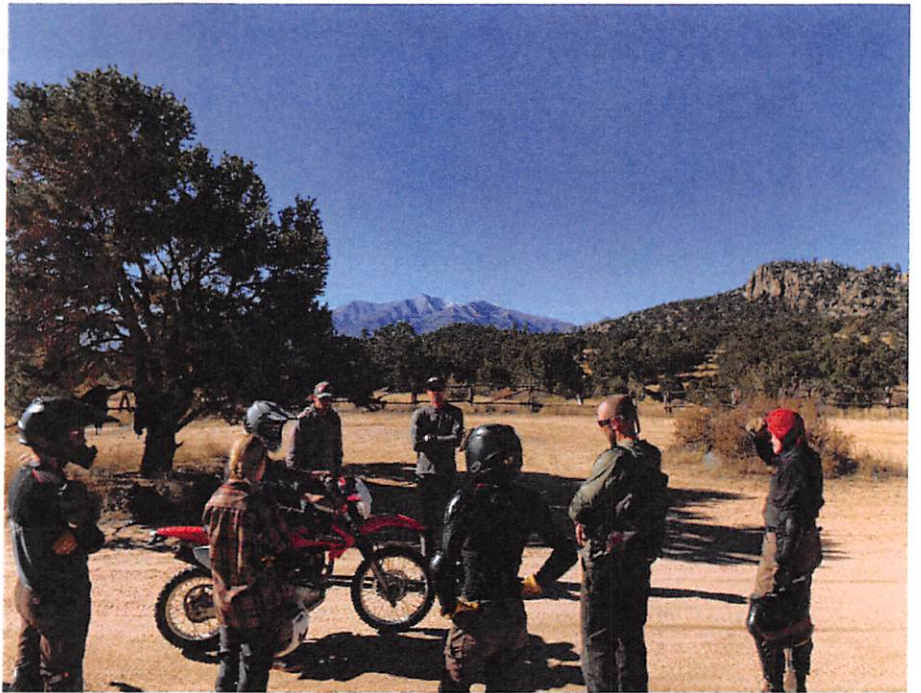
(F) Project Illustration

Photographs, Drawings, Engineering Plans, Diagrams

Provide project illustrations or photos to further demonstrate the needs of the project.



Left: Crew hauling in materials for the Rainbow Trail Reroute
Below: Crew educating motorcycle users and conducting an MSF course





Above: Crew clearing trail through fire
burned area, cutting corridor for
Rainbow Trail Reroute
Left: Greg Clearing trail early season

Mr. Tom Metsa
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
OHV Program Manager
13787 South Highway 85
Littleton, CO 80125



Dear Mr. Metsa,

On behalf of Envision Chaffee County and the CPW Envision Recreation in Balance Regional Partnership, I am writing in support of the USFS Salida Ranger District and CPW Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area's 2024 OHV Good Management Grant for the Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (UAMTC). The grant seeks support for keeping motorized trails open, sustainable, and maintained as well as providing education to the OHV community on appropriate behaviors. This letter is also in favor of the 2024 UAMTC equipment grant to purchase a replacement motorcycle and UTV for the crew to perform day to day operations.

Data from the 2020 Chaffee County Recreation Survey, with more than 3,800 participants from 41 states, indicate that maintaining high quality experiences is a priority for 95% of respondents and maintaining existing access is a priority for nearly 90%. However, 53% of residents and 33% of visitors say the quality of their recreation experiences have diminished. Top factors include increased (and often irresponsible) users, increased trash and human waste and concern about noise, dust, safety and road damage associated with increased ATV/ Side-by-Side vehicle use. As a result, the community has prioritized education, enforcement and engineering - including trails maintenance - to address opportunities and to keep recreation clean, fun and wild for this and future generations as part of the 2021 Chaffee County Outdoor Recreation Management Plan.

The jointly operated federal and state OHV Trail Crew provides critical positive impact toward these community goals with education in the busy summer months. The Crew helps instill positive user behaviors, including public education on forest regulations and trail ethics such as Stay the Trail, Leave No Trace, Pack It Out, and preventing user conflict. The Crew also aids public lands managers with reliable trail maintenance and construction that keep our recreation areas open and providing positive and safe user experiences. The trails maintained by the UAMTC provide high quality recreation opportunities for residents, support a tourism-based economy and provide rapid access into the backcountry for local search and rescue teams. To retain these benefits and support the community goals related to sustainable outdoor recreation, it is imperative to have this crew continue to work in the same capacity.

The public also wants to ensure crews such as this are supported with safe and reliable equipment. Considering the high number of hours put on the UAMTCs motorcycles per season, we highly recommend a steady cycle of fleet be upgraded every other year to retain safe equipment. We support the request for transitioning out older equipment in order to purchase new updated motorcycles to enable the crew to safely perform their duties.

We urge full support of the application and the UAMTC program.

CindyLW

Cindy Williams
Envision Chaffee County Co-Chair



Chaffee County Board of Commissioners

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Mr. Tom Metsa
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November 1, 2022

Dear Mr. Metsa

The Chaffee County Board of County Commissioners support the USFS Salida Ranger District and CPW Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area's 2024 OHV Good Management Grant for the Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (UAMTC), seeking support for keeping motorized trails open, sustainable, and maintained as well as providing education to the OHV community. We are in favor of the 2024 UAMTC equipment grant to purchase a replacement motorcycle and UTV for the crew to perform day to day operations.

The jointly operated federal and state OHV Trail Crew has consistently provided a positive impact on the community with education efforts throughout the busy summer months. These efforts help instill the recreating public with trail ethics that keep our forest beautiful. In addition, this crew aids the district with reliable trail maintenance and construction that keep our recreation areas open for the public to use. The trails maintained by the UAMTC provide high quality recreation opportunities for residents, draw in tourism that boosts the local economy, and provide rapid access into the backcountry for local search and rescue teams. In order to continue the growth in the OHV community it is imperative to have this crew working in the same capacity.

The COVID19 Pandemic brought a large uptick in forest visitor use as witnessed by full trailheads, day use sites, campgrounds, and traffic on public lands and trails. The UAMTC worked to educate the public on forest regulations and trail ethics such as Stay the Trail, Leave No Trace, Pack It Out, and preventing user conflict. Enforcement of regulations and forest orders is proving critical due to increased visitor use along with the sheer number of OHVs and longer wildfire seasons.

With all of this, the importance of safe and reliable equipment for the crew is imperative. We recognize the high number of hours put on the UAMTCs motorcycles per season and concur that a steady cycle of fleet be upgraded every other year to retain premium operational equipment. We recognize the value of retaining highly skilled crew members. We support the request for transitioning out older equipment in order to purchase new updated motorcycles to enable the crew to safely perform their duties. Equally, with the record of decision affecting the MVUM on the PSICC, the crew will need a UTV to help transport materials and staff to work on roads that have now been converted to trails open to all vehicles.

We respectfully urge you and your review committee to report favorably on this application and grant the requested funding.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Greg Felt
Chairman



Central Colorado Mountain Riders

28 October 2022

Mr. Tom Metsa, OHV Program Manager
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
13787 South Highway 85
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear Mr. Metsa,

Please accept this letter of support from the Central Colorado Mountain Riders (CCMR) for the USFS Salida Ranger District and CPW Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area's 2024 OHV Good Management Grant for the Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (UAMTC). CCMR also supports the 2024 UAMTC equipment grant to purchase a replacement motorcycle and an UTV. The UAMTC works on our local OHV trails throughout the summer ensuring our recreation opportunities are protected and maintained. Not only has the crew helped foster excellent relationships with organizations such as ours, but they also help neighboring districts and land managers strengthen their OHV recreation and non-motorized recreation opportunities.

CCMR is an all-volunteer, 501 nonprofit organization. Our mission is to preserve, maintain and create motorized trail opportunities in the central Colorado area through cooperation, education, etiquette, and stewardship. We represent over 200 off-highway motorcycle enthusiasts all of whom contribute to the CPW OHV funding annually with the purchase of hundreds of OHV stickers. CCMR partners with public lands managers, working with the USFS and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to preserve the sport of motorized trail riding and multiuse recreation.

CCMR supports the jointly operated federal and state crew grant due to the trail crew's past support and anticipated support to be provided by this grant. The UAMTC consistently provides positive community impact by providing trail maintenance and construction keeping our trails open and safe. Specially, the UAMTC provided support in the design, clearing, and construction of CCMR's 2023 OHV grant funded Rainbow Trail Reroute project. Another example, on Nationals Trails Day, last June, the UAMTC assisted CCMR and the local mountain bike club on a major workday with more than 50 people. The UAMTC provided valuable training on crib wall construction, etc. and then worked with the clubs. More than 12 miles of multiuse trail was improved and made safer for all users. CCMR recognizes and values the retention of these highly skilled crew members.

CCMR is also aware and appreciates the support provided by the high number of hours the UAMTCs puts on their motorcycles each season and highly recommends the equipment upgrades they are requesting to enable the crew to safely perform their duties. Additionally, CCMR supports the UTV purchase.

CCMR strongly recommends the approval of USFS's Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Grant applications.

Sincerely,

Bob Daniel

President – CCMR



Chaffee County Public Health

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November 14, 2022

Mr. Tom Metsa
Colorado State Parks
OHV Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Metsa,

On behalf of Chaffee County Public Health (CCPH), I am writing in support of the USFS and CPW Salida District's 2024 OHV State Trail Grants for the Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (UAMTC), seeking support for keeping motorized trails open, sustainable, and maintained as well as providing education to the OHV community. This letter is also in favor of the 2024 UAMTC equipment grant to purchase a replacement motorcycle and UTV for the crew to perform day to day operations.

CCPH is a local public health agency whose mission is to ensure that all Chaffee County residents and visitors have the services and supports needed to thrive in health and wellness. Outdoor recreation is vital to the fabric of our county's culture and sense of community.

The United States Forest Service, Salida Ranger District OHV Trail Crew has consistently provided a positive impact on the community with education efforts throughout the busy summer months. These efforts help manage the recreating public with trail ethics that keep our forest beautiful. In addition, this crew aids the district with reliable trail maintenance and construction that keep our recreation areas open for the public to use. In order to continue the positive growth in the OHV community it is imperative to have this crew working in the same capacity.

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We respectfully urge you and your review committee to report favorably on this application and grant the requested funding.

Sincerely,

Andrea Carlstrom, Director
Chaffee County Public Health



Mr. Tom Metsa
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
OHV Program Manager
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November 18, 2022

Dear Mr. Metsa,

On behalf of Salida Mountain Trails (SMT) I am writing in support of the USFS Salida Ranger District and CPW Salida District's 2024 OHV State Trail Grants for the Upper Arkansas Motorized Trail Crew (UAMTC), seeking support for keeping motorized trails open, sustainable, and maintained as well as providing education to the OHV community. This letter is also in favor of the 2024 UAMTC equipment grant to purchase a replacement motorcycle and UTV for the crew to perform day to day operations.

Founded in 2003, SMT is a nonprofit that plans, builds and maintains trails around Salida, Colorado. Today, the organization stewards 60 miles of singletrack spanning city, county, state and federal land. Several of these trails are on USFS land, including the iconic, motorized Rainbow Trail. The Salida Ranger District has been an invaluable partner in promoting sustainable outdoor recreation in our area; so too has the UAMTC. As one example, this past June, the UAMTC joined SMT and Central Colorado Mountain Riders (CCMR), a local motorized trail nonprofit, for a major maintenance project on the Rainbow Trail. We recruited more than 50 volunteers and, all told, invested more than \$10,000 worth of labor into repairing damage from the 2019 Decker Fire and subsequent rainstorms.

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been converted to trails open to all vehicles.

We respectfully urge you and your review committee to report favorably on this application and grant the requested funding.

Thank You,

Jon Terbush
Executive Director, Salida Mountain Trails

2023 UAMTC Work Plan

- Implement new trail designations with the finalized MVUM ROD district wide. New signage, gates and rehab is anticipated where FS roads have become trails on the Salida Ranger District. On the ground planning will be necessary to prevent motorized users from becoming confused with new changes.
- Clear down trees from the Rainbow and all motorized trails on the Salida Ranger District as we always do.
- Assist other adjacent USFS Districts to complete trail work.
- Work with local Trail Adopters to plan their work on adopted trail sections.
- Educate OHV users on how OHV Sticker money is spent, educate users on OHV rules and regulations, and build trust and respect with OHV Community by assisting Partners with quality OHV project work.
- Install crib walls on Silver Creek section of the Rainbow or have Trail Adopters perform this work.
- Install infrastructure at 4 mile to prevent OHV resource damage.
- Install travel management signs and width limiters as needed.
- Perform heavy rock tread armoring work on Poplar Gulch trail. Work through NEPA process, if NEPA starts, to propose and plan motorized single track trail system at Four Mile Travel Management Area. Work would deeply involve local partners and likely require much time spent with District Resource Specialists to mitigate various concerns.