



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

Name of Project: Tres Rios OHV Crew		Date of Application: 11/28/22
<i>(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)</i>		
Total Project Cost: \$69,069.00	Grant Request: \$48,960.00	
<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: Tres Rios Field Office		
29211 Highway 184 Dolores, CO 81323		
		Fax: 970-882-0175
Telephone: 970-882-1134	Email: jbyrd@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.		
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Mailing Address: Tres Rios Field Office		
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		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 <i>Project Contact</i> changes.		
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GRANTS & AGREEMENTS SPECIALIST (USFS only) or BUDGET CONTACT (BLM only)		
Name: Michael (Scott) Stewart		Title: BLM Budget Analyst
Mailing Address: Southwest District Office		
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PROJECT LOCATION		
Nearest Town or City: Dolores, CO		
County(ies): Montezuma, Dolores, San Miguel, Montrose, La Plata		
Township/Range/Section: Field Office wide – central location is T36 N R15 W		
State Senate District #: 6		
State Representative District #: 58, 29		
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): Bureau of Land Management		
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: <u>257</u>	Miles of Full-sized: <u>809</u>
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 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 checked="" 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 <i>environmental</i> approvals) miles / ft. added _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signs	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Corps	
<input checked="" 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.)	
30%	30%	
	Enforcement, Education & Visitor Contacts (e.g., patrols, enforcement, education and visitor contacts, wages, safety contacts, equipment, etc.)	
30%	30%	
	Planning & Travel Plan Implementation (e.g., planning, engineering, maps, inventorying, travel management signs & installation, decommission non-system routes, rehabilitation, new construction, wages, monitoring, etc.)	
10%	30%	
	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%	100%	
	Total: (Note: Percentages should add to 100 %)	

SCOPE OF WORK – Project Description:	
Project Name: Tres Rios OHV Crew	Project Number: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: Tres Rios Bureau of Land Management	Application Year: 2023-2024
Project Contact: Jon Whitehead	Application No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Total Project Cost: \$69,069.00	Grant Request: \$48,960.00

Project Description: Please write a brief description of your project and the expected accomplishments. Be sure to include Who, What, When, and Where. This is your scope of work. (This section is not for project background, benefits or anything other than the actual work to be accomplished.)

WHO?

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is a federal agency within the U.S. Department of the Interior responsible for administering federal lands. The BLMs mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The BLM Tres Rios Field Office (TRFO) is responsible for the management and stewardship of more than 600,000 acres of federal public land in southwestern Colorado to include Canyons of the Ancients National Monument (CANM) which encompasses 176,000 acres of federal land administered by the BLM. CANM was designated on June 9, 2000, by Presidential Proclamation to protect cultural and natural resources on a landscape scale. The BLM TRFO would be responsible for managing the proposed project.

WHERE?

The TRFO geographic area consists of 503,589 acres of BLM public land in southwest Colorado and is scattered across eight counties: Archuleta, Dolores, Hinsdale, La Plata, Montezuma, Montrose, San Juan and San Miguel. Public lands in this geographic area are incredibly diverse and rich in natural and cultural resources, from spectacular Rocky Mountain scenery of the Alpine Loop to the wealth of Ancestral Puebloan sites in the Four Corners area.

Work conducted by the OHV Crew would span the entire area including rugged two track routes in the highly scenic Dolores River Canyon and CANM. Work would also include extensive areas throughout canyon and mesa country in western San Miguel and Dolores counties including remote areas in Bull Canyon, Summit Canyon, Island Mesa, and Skein Mesa. The scope of work would also include popular areas such as Phil’s World and the Mud Springs recreation sites that provide single track trails and areas designated as “open” for OHV play/training opportunities.

WHAT?

The OHV Crew would continue to build upon the previous accomplishments of OHV Crews funded through OHV Grants beginning in 2017 through 2022 field seasons.

Project work would include the following:

Data Collection and Education:

- The OHV Crew would continue to set, maintain, and collect trail counter data along OHV routes in the TRFO and CANM. In the past, OHV Program grant funding has allowed the OHV Crew to establish specific OHV counters and relocated vandalized trail counters to help capture OHV use throughout the TRFO including on remote and rugged two track routes. These trail counters have provided the BLM with more accurate data to determine OHV use in the TRFO. Funding from this grant would allow the maintenance and collection of this trail data to continue.
- The OHV Crew would continue to maintain a field presence in OHV areas and interact with OHV enthusiasts. Travel Management planning for Area 1 (Montezuma, LaPlata, and Archuleta Counties) has been completed, while travel management planning continues for area 2 which includes Dolores, San Miguel, and Montrose Counties. However, during planning efforts, the OHV Crew can be collecting data and informing the public of the process.

- OHV Program grant funding has allowed the TRFO to provide weekend staffing for the OHV Crew so they could further engage with recreation visitors and deliver educational guidance during times of increased use. As a result, the 2021 OHV Crew was able to increase visitor contacts by 42% for the season, up from 120 to 170 visitor contacts. With continued OHV Program grant funding the TRFO would continue to provide weekend staffing and maintain an OHV Crew presents in OHV areas.

Signing:

- The OHV Crew would continue to maintain relevant signing in OHV areas including but not limited to Phil's World and Mud Springs.
- By the 2024 field season we hope to be in the implementation stage of Travel Planning or planning area 2 as described above. The implementation stage will include installation of route markers that may include route names and or numbers, and designated uses along designated routes (i.e., roads and trails).
- OHV Program grant funding has provided the means for the TRFO OHV Crew to install and maintain over 60 signs annually in OHV areas or along OHV trails/primitive roads. OHV Program grant funding would allow the TRFO OHV Crew to continue to provide this important service to the public.

Maintenance:

- The OHV Crew would continue to maintain OHV areas and trails including rehabilitating unauthorized routes, removing trash, cleaning restrooms, documenting major trail maintenance needs, etc.
- With OHV Program grant funding the TRFO OHV Crew regularly patrols, monitors and maintains over 200 miles of trail including conducting trail repairs and trash removal throughout OHV areas and trails in the TRFO. The TRFO OHV Crew will also close unauthorized OHV trails throughout the TRFO and rehabilitate the impacted areas.
- We are including \$900 in our request for equipment rental and/or paying a service provided for use and operation of specialized equipment. This would be to respond to discovery of maintenance needs beyond what is achievable by hand labor. If use for a small piece of equipment is needed (such as a mini-ex or trail dozer) we would either rent (approx.\$300/day) from a local retail source or work with another entity which has the equipment and/or operator (for instance, Purgatory Ski Area or a private contractor) to accomplish the maintenance goals.
- The BLM TRFO is requesting \$1,500 to pay for seasonal vehicle expenses (\$500/month for 3 months) and \$500 for annual safety inspections for the BLM provided UTV and UTV trailer.
- The BLM TRFO is requesting 2 weeks of funding for a GS-07 Career Seasonal Park Ranger to work alongside the OHV Crew in the field and provide overall program guidance and safety oversight. The current cost to the federal government for a GS-07 Career Seasonal for this portion of the request is \$3,200.

WHEN?

Project work is dependent on seasonal weather conditions. OHV field work in the TRFO can span nearly the entire calendar year. However, the general season of work is approximately May through September. In previous years, the BLM TRFO supported flexible work schedules including requested time off, weather, and COVID, however focus was not lost on necessary work and the OHV Crew were active from June through the end of September completing critical OHV trail work.

Program Funding Acknowledgement

- The OHV Crew would wear OHV Crew shirts recognizing the funding provided by Colorado's OHV Grant Program.
- The BLM would also adhere to all signage and brochure publication criteria, showing that funding has been provided by Colorado's OHV Grant Program.

DEFINITIONS?

- An "Open" OHV area is a land allocation made by the BLM which allows motorized use without restriction (i.e., not limited to certain roads/trails, not limited to type of motorized vehicle, etc.).

Budget Form

Project Name: Tres Rios OHV Crew

Date Project will be Completed: 12/31/2024

Project Sponsor: Bureau of Land Management Tres Rios Field Office

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)			\$ 48,960.00
Other Funding Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
BLM Supervisory Labor: Rec Planner (1 WM at \$11,150)	\$ -	\$ 12,999.00	\$ 12,999.00
BLM Supervisory Labor: Park Ranger (0.5 WM at \$9,245)	\$ -	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 5,220.00
BLM Honda Pioneer OHV and trailer (\$20,000/5 yr lifespan=\$330/month)	\$ -	\$ 990.00	\$ 990.00
Seasonal vehicle and OHV fuel	\$ -	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
USE OF GRANT FUNDING <small>List uses of grant funding (only) below</small>	TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT		\$ 69,069.00

I. Personnel Costs

Identify as: Salary/wage, benefits, *travel, training, outfitting costs, personal protection equipment, etc. Non-Profit organizations will be required to purchase

Club Member/Employee Name or Title	\$ Per Hr		Total Cost
Career Seasonal for OHV Crew oversight in the field (2 wks, GS-07 at \$40/hr)	\$ 40.00		\$ 3,200.00
Seasonal OHV Crew member #1 GS-07 (3 months or 7 pay periods at \$38/hr)	\$ 38.00		\$ 21,280.00
Seasonal OHV Crew member #2 GS-07 (3 months or 7 pay periods at \$38/hr)	\$ 38.00		\$ 21,280.00
	\$ -		\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -
<small>For CPW use only: Approximate number of workhours</small>	1,144.00	Category Total	\$ 45,760.00

II. Project Materials/Supplies

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

	Price Per	Quantity	Total	
Production/Purchase of OHV Crew shirts to identify OHV Grant funding	\$ 300.00	1	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ 300.00

III. Equipment

Identify as: Trail Dozer, ATV, motorcycle, chainsaws, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel and repairs, fleet vehicle operations, etc.

OHV and vehicle annual inspection and maintenance	\$ 500.00	1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Heavy equipment rental or agreement (approximatly \$300/day)	\$ 300.00	3	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ 1,400.00

III.A. FLEET Equipment

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

Seasonal vehicle (approximatly \$500/month)	\$ 500.00	3	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ 1,500.00

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	\$ -

VI. Insurance

(Non-profit organizations only)

	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

VII. Grant Administrative Costs (Non-profit organizations only)

Identify as: administrative costs, office supplies, postage, phone charges, computer & printer supplies, etc. (Up to 5% of amount spent)

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

* Non-profit organizations that reimburse travel expenses will be required to use OHV Program Travel Forms - provided upon request

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

Total	\$ 48,960.00
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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	Tres Rios OHV Crew	Project Sponsor	Bureau of Land Management Tres Rios Field Office
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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 Tres Rios Field Office R.O.D. and A.R.M.P. Date: 2015

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

Date and title of document:

N/A

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.]

NEPA is not required for routine sign, route and facility maintenance.

For more information contact:

Jon Whitehead jdwhitehead@blm.gov (970)882-1149

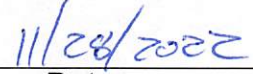
4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for 2023/2024 (Travel and Transportation Planning Area 2).

James Michels Field Manager (Acting) Tres Rios Field Office

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title



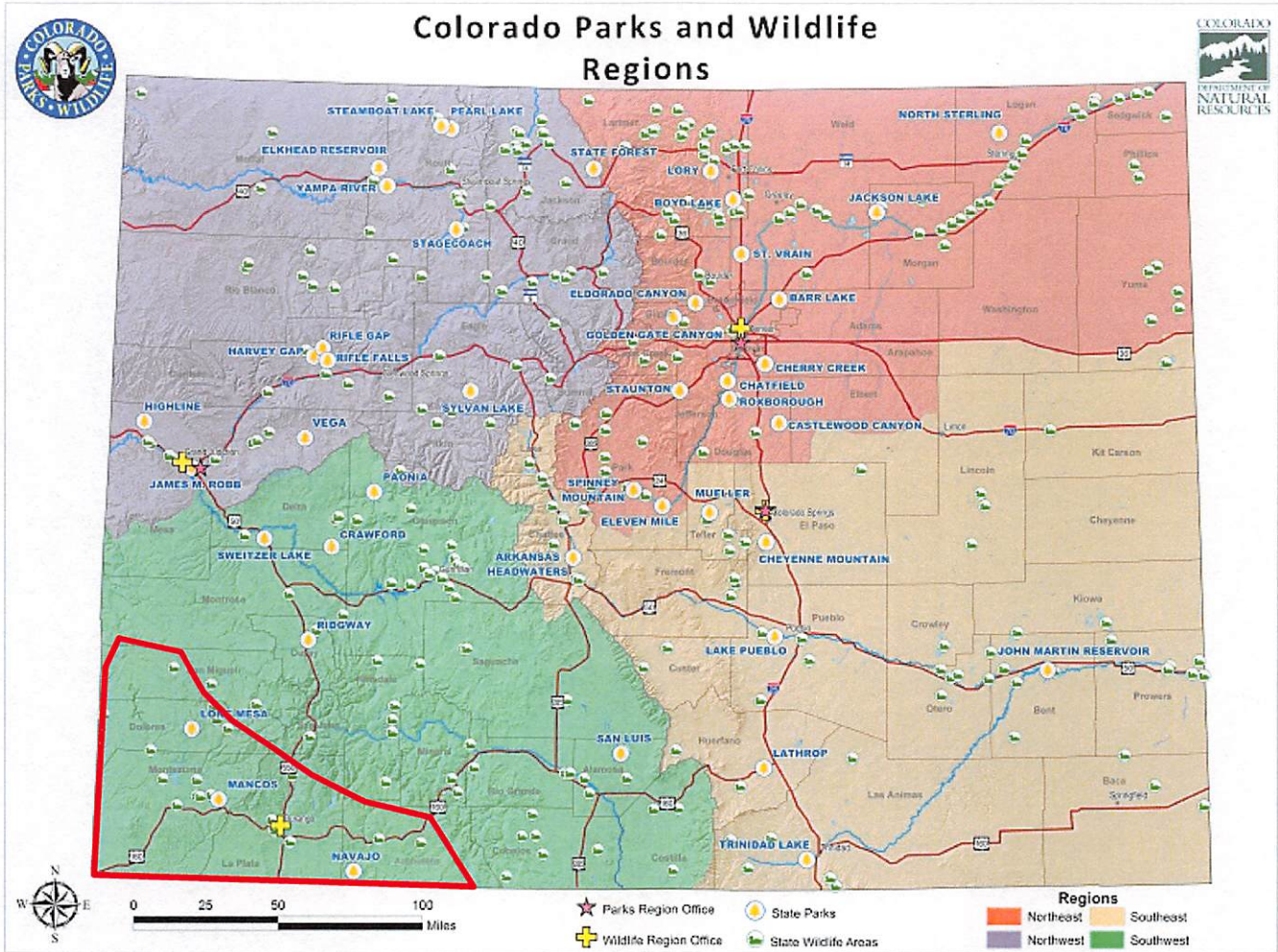
 Land Manager Signature and Title



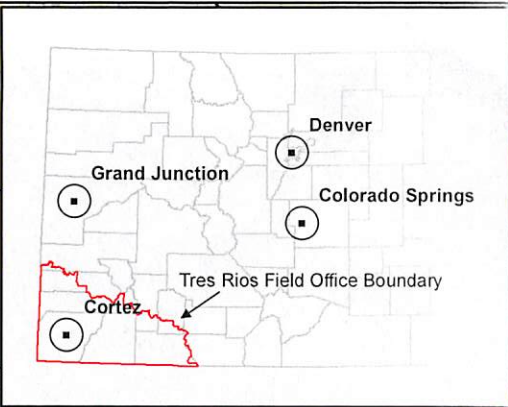
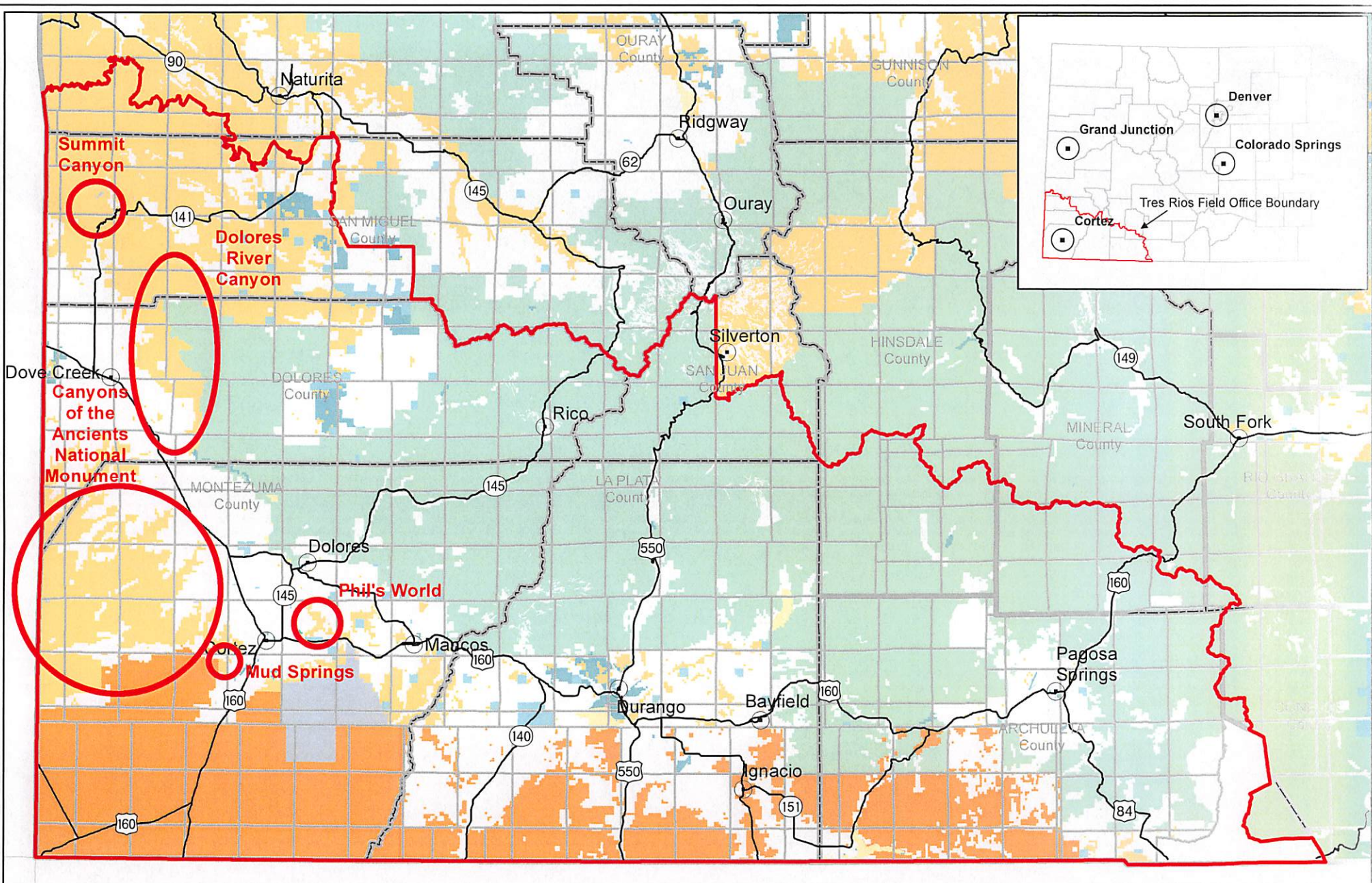
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E-1 Vicinity Map & E-2 Project Site Map

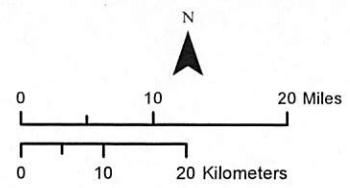
E-1 Vicinity Map: Please mark the vicinity where the project is located on the map below.



E-2 Project Map: Please provide a map identifying the specific trail-work area or project site.

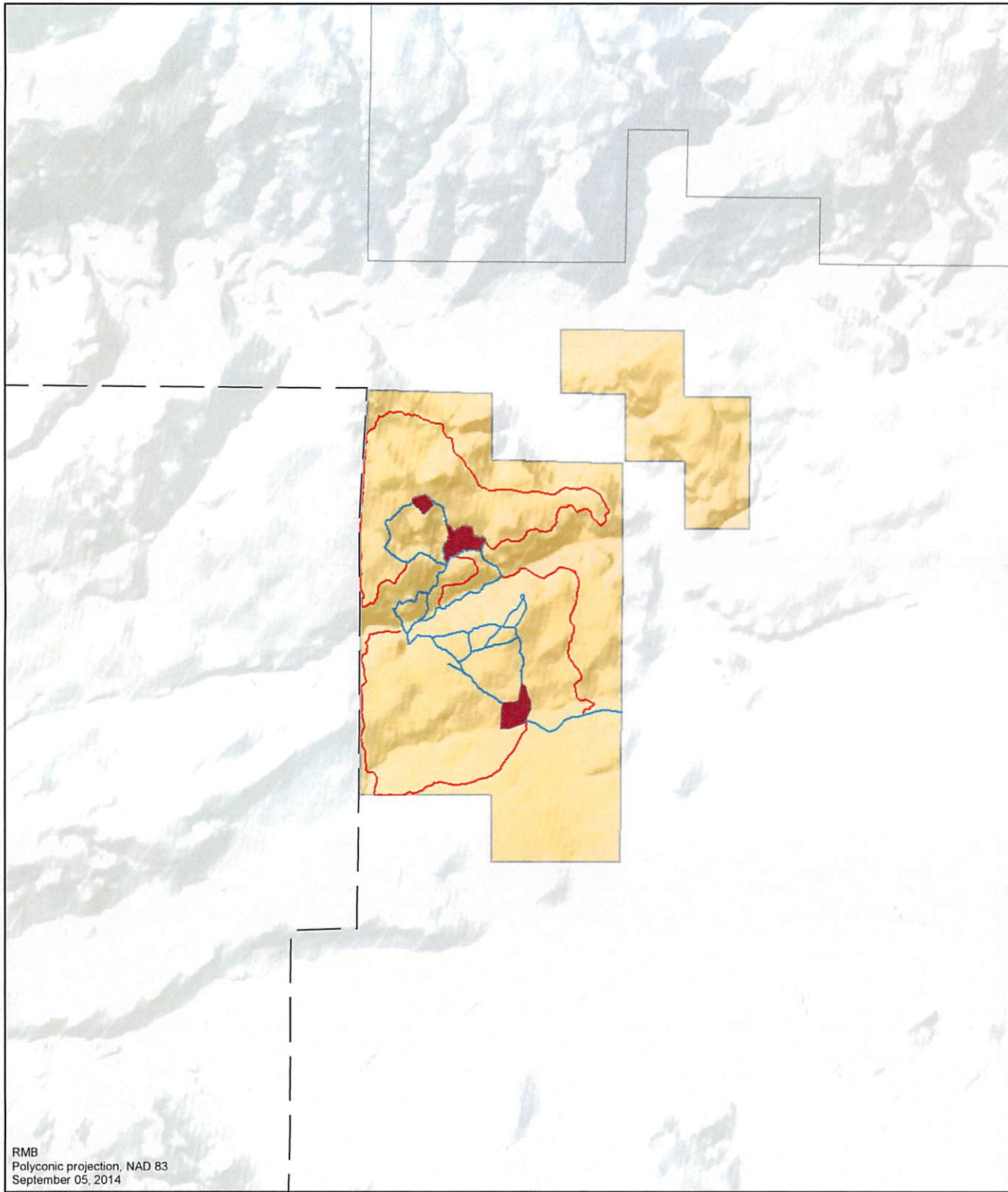


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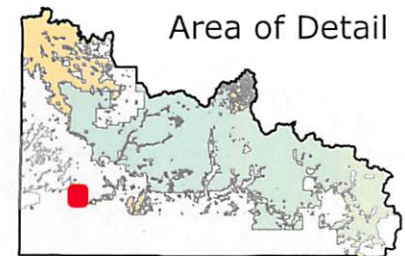
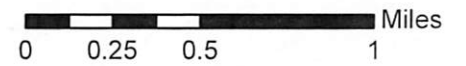
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| County Boundaries | Private |
| Bureau of Land Management | State |
| Bureau of Reclamation | State, County, City, Areas |
| Indian Reservation | Bankhead-Jones Land Use Lands |
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Mud Springs Designated Routes Tres Rios Field Office Figure 2.14.3



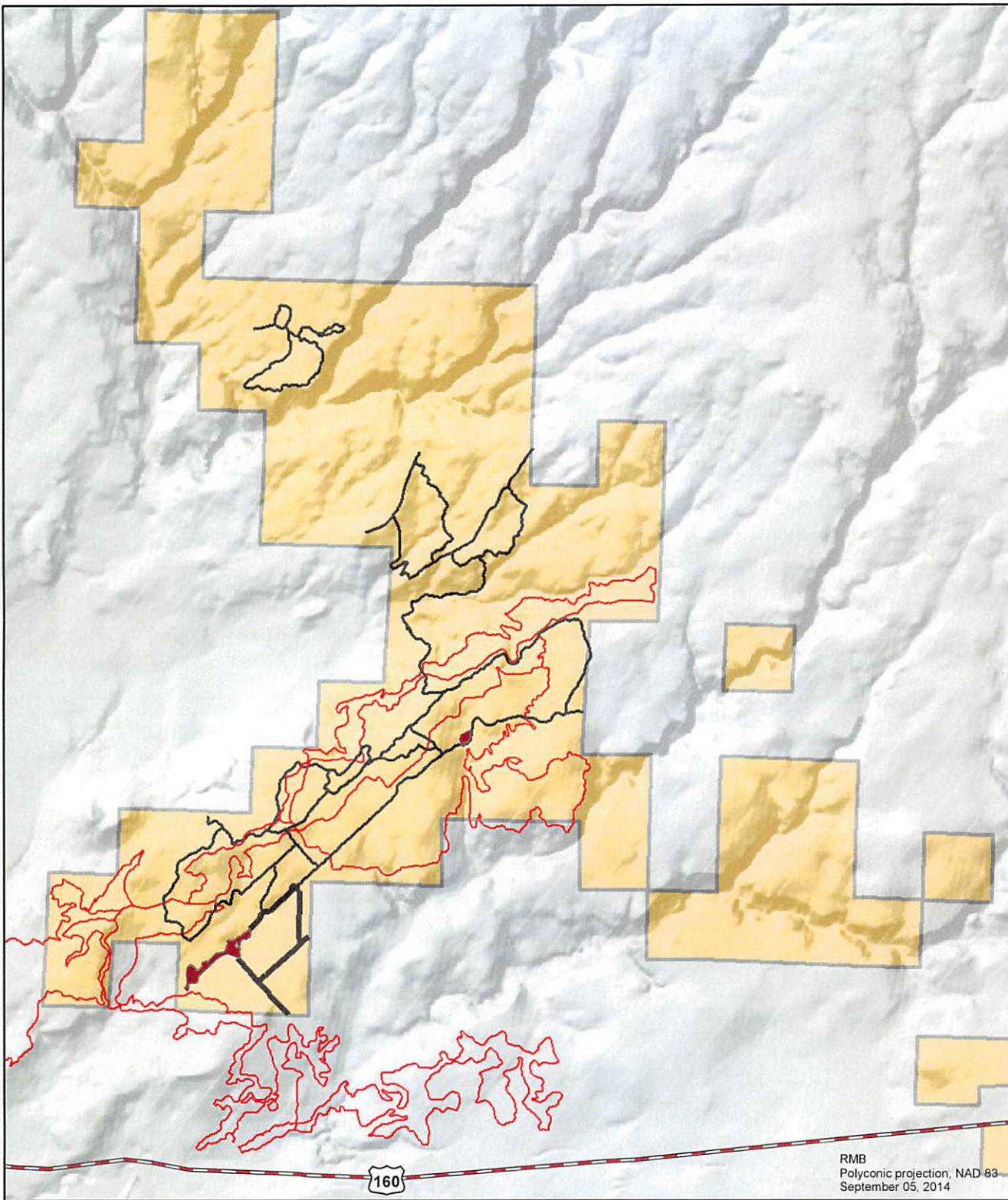
Legend

- Rock Crawler and ATV
- Mechanized
- Open Area
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Forest



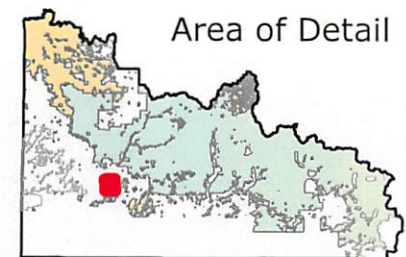
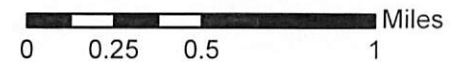
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Phil's World Designated Routes Tres Rios Field Office Figure 2.14.4



Legend

- Full-Size Vehicle
- OHV 50 in. or less
- Mechanized
- State & Federal Highways
- Open Area
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Forest



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Polyconic projection, NAD 83
September 05, 2014

Tres Rios Field Office
Land and Resource Management Plan

(F) Project Illustration



Visitors to Box Elder Recreation Site, Dolores River



Visitors to Bradfield Bridge Recreation Site, Dolores River



Visitors to Dolores River Road

BLM Tres Rios Field Office OHV Crew 2023 Work Plan

The 2023 BLM Tres Rios Field Office (TRFO) OHV Crew will continue to work on OHV trails throughout the TRFO in 2023 which includes areas in eight counties in southwestern Colorado. However, the TRFO OHV Crew will mainly focus their efforts in Summit Canyon, the Dolores River Canyon, Canyons of the Ancients National Monument (CANM) and the Cortez Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) which includes Phil's World and Mud Springs. These areas provide designated OHV routes which include rugged and remote two-track routes, Rock Crawler trails, single track and areas designated as open which allows for cross-country OHV use.

The OHV Crew would continue to build on previous years efforts funded through Colorado Parks and Wildlife OHV Program Grant funding. Project work can span nearly the entire year however generally the work season is from May through September. 2023 OHV Crew work would include:

General and Targeted Goals for 2023 TRFO OHV Crew

- Continue to provide OHV Crew staff to maintain a presence at OHV areas, including during high visitation, weekends and holidays. OHV Crew members will interact with OHV enthusiasts and visitors to promote responsible recreation. OHV Crew staff will be available to answer visitor questions, provide recreational opportunities, deliver educational guidance, interpretation of the history and resources found within the TRFO, CANM and throughout public lands. These efforts will enhance the visitor experience and provide resource protection furthering management goals.
- OHV Crew staff will continue collect data for use with overall Travel Management and Recreation Resource Management.
- Patrol and monitor over 200 miles of designated OHV routes throughout the TRFO and CANM including two open areas to document issues, resource damage and major route or area maintenance needs.
- To set and maintain trail counters and collect the data for specific OHV routes in the TRFO and CANM. Data collected by the OHV Crew will be used for Travel Management efforts related to OHV needs.
- Replace and maintain relevant signing in OHV areas and trails throughout TRFO and CANM including replacing two kiosks at Mud Springs and one vandalized kiosk at Phil's World.
- Close and rehabilitate unauthorized routes.
- Conduct route maintenance with hand tools and/or heavy equipment if necessary to improve safety and stabilize OHV routes.
- Removing trash throughout OHV areas and along designated routes, including OHV staging areas.
- Cleaning and supplying vault toilets and cleaning fire rings.
- Maintaining parking and staging areas including but not limited to removing trash and debris, cleaning facilities, updating kiosks, and weed removal.
- Vegetation management, including mowing, brush cutting, weed whacking.