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

Name of Project: Megawatt Moto Complex Track Maintenance			Date of Application: 11/19/23			
(Please limit the	e project name to 5 word	ds or less)				
Total Project Cost: \$67,119.00			<b>Grant Request:</b> \$56,742.00			
(round off to the nearest \$1) Amount			dequested (round off to the nearest \$1) must match the Project Budget Form.			
PROJECT SPONSOR (Name	e and Address for ent	ity legally re	esponsible for project)			
Organization Name: Northwes	st Colorado Trails C	orp				
Mailing Address: PO Box 169	91 Craig Co 81625					
			Fax:			
Telephone: 970-326-3027			Email: nwcoloradotrails@gmail.com			
OFFICIAL USE ONLY - DUN	S # (IF REQUIRED)	):				
PROJECT CONTACT Th			ility for the managing the project, ensuring the ease notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.			
Name: Kyra Weidner		Title: Executive Director				
Mailing Address: PO Box 169	1 Craig CO 81625					
Telephone: 970-326-3027	Fax:		Email: nwcoloradotrails@gmail.com			
			Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES NO			
PROJECT CLOSE-OUT CON		son responsible out. Please n	e for submitting receipts for project spending and otify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.			
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Mailing Address: PO Box 169	1 Craig CO 81625					
Telephone: 9703263027	Fax:		Email:			
GRANTS & AGREEMENTS	SPECIALIST (USF	S only) o	Pr BUDGET CONTACT (BLM only)			
Name:		W 100 1100	Title:			
Mailing Address:						
Telephone:	Fax:		Email:			

PROJECT LO	CATION					
Nearest Town						
County(ies): M	loffat					
Township/Ran						
State Senate I						
State Represe	entative District #:	3rd				
LAND OWNE	RSHIP					
2. The trail corri		erty owners: y:  Fee Simple cquisition Ownersh		☐Easement ☐Lice	ense	
TRAIL SYSTE	M INFORMATIO	N (List the number	of miles for eac	h type of OHV trail in yo	ur area)	
Miles of Single	etrack: <u>18</u>	Miles of 50" or I	ess:	Miles of Full-sized:		
TRAIL USER	INFORMATION (	(Please check all th	at apply to the w	ork planned for this pro	ject)	
All-Terrain		☐ Side x Side		Full Sized 4X4		
X Motorcycling		Four-Wheelin	g	Accessible Acce	ss	
PROJECT INI		ease check all activi etailed information for				
X Trail Maintenance						
_	<b>Construction</b> mi	☐ Resource I	Resource Protection & Improvement			
*Major Re-Route miles / ft. closed			X Signs			
(that will require new or additional environmental approvals)			☐ Youth Corps			
X Restoration/Rehabilitation (existing corridor)						
☐ Visitor Contacts & Law Enforcement ☐ Capital Equipment						
☐ Education			☐ Land Acqu	isition or Other		
	description of trail wor		led in Project Sele	indicated on project map a ction Criteria, Section D-1, storation	nd detailed	
TRAIL ACTIV	ITIES SUMMARY	(Based on your project for each of the categ		udget, provide the percentage	•	
% of Budget	Program mainten			l culverts, trail clearing and b	orushing, trail	
40%	hardening and trail tr crew wages, etc.)	ead repairs, bridge cons	struction and repairs	s, trailhead improvements and	d maintenance,	
		cation & Visitor Co ty contacts, equipment,		s, enforcement, education and	d visitor	
Planning & Travel Plan Implementation (e.g., planning, engineering, maps, inventorying, travel management signs & installation, decommission non-system routes, rehabilitation, new construction, wages, monitoring, etc.)						

59%	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: Megwatt Moto Complex Maintenance	Project No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: Northwest Colorado Trails Corp	Application Year: 2024-2025
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**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. Please address this information in question #2 of section D, Project Selection Criteria.)

### Remove all instructional text (below) and replace it with information specific to this project request

#### WHO?

NWCTC is a non-profit that works in cooperation with trail clubs, crews, and organizations in support of the trail systems in northwest Colorado; to maintain an association of persons interested in trail maintenance, preservation, and expand; to assist in the development, promotion, and completion of trail services, facilities, and programs; to act as a liaison between the community and trail clubs, crews and organizations; and to increase public awareness and stimulate the use and preservation of the trail systems in northwest Colorado. We will be responsible for the project as well as the group completing the work.

#### WHERE?

The property that the track is located on is a 182-acre parcel in Moffat County, 4 miles from the City of Craig, County Road 107 on the North side of the road after the Moffat County Landfill before the DRG Western Railroad overpass.

#### WHAT?

NWCTC is holds the youth race series at this track yearly, this provides a summer sport for more that 46 kids every year. We would like to expand the events to adult races and bring more people to our area and boost tourism to support our county when the coal mines and power plant close. This grant will help us greatly to keep a maintained facility for all age ranges. It will provide access to equipment and material needed to provide a race ready track and weekly maintenance for practice.

- Rental and Labor to operate equipment
- Labor to manually repair the single track
- Rent a dump truck to haul sawdust from sawmill to the track- 16 trips in 2 days
- Operate a front loader (222 hours total) to move loose dirt from dozer to create berms, jumps, repair current jumps.
  - Distribute sand, saw dust, manure from parking lot to track
  - Drag the groomer to maintain the dirt consistency, weekly during the season (72 hours per season)

<b>WHEN</b> ? The project timeline for the repair of the track is <u>45</u> days, to start in April depending on weather. The maintenance timeline will last seasonally between and April and November each year.
Program Funding Acknowledgement – OHV tags are required to ride at the facility. At the gate we would like to have a large sign acknowledging OHV grant, as well as add signs in the parking lot and main membership booth with safety rules, track guidelines and OHV Grant Acknowledgement.  DEFINITIONS?  NWCTC – Northwest Colorado Trails Corp

#### **Budget Form**

Project Name: Megawatt Moto Complex Maintenance

Date Project will be Completed: May 24'

Project Sponsor: Northwest Colorado Trails Corp

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

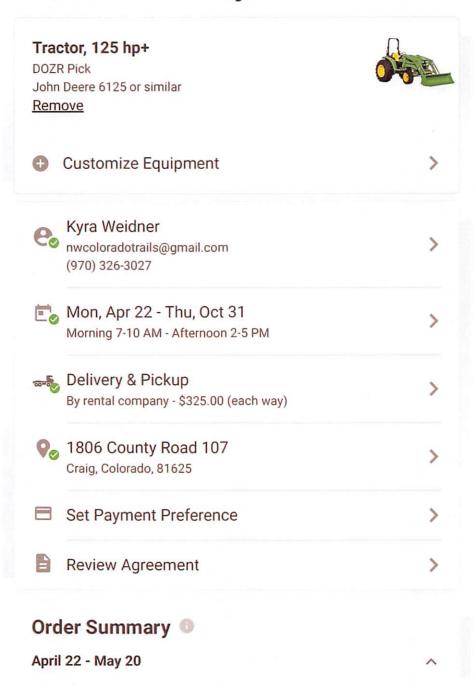
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PROJECT FUNDING SOURCES		marana.			(Non-Cash)		
List all sources and amounts of project funding in this section (insert additional lines if needed)	_	CAS		Co	ntributions	_	TOTAL
OHV Grant Funding (amount of requested OHV grant funds only)	\$		56,742	_		\$	56,742.00
Other Funding Sources	\$		10,376.46	\$	-	\$	10,376.46
Craig Powersports - \$3000     Steamboat Powersports - \$3000							
Napa Auto Parts-\$500- youth race series							
•Yampa River Designs- \$250- youth race series							
Country Living Realty- \$250- youth race series							
Cornwell Tools - \$250- youth race series     Ben and Tomara - \$1750 for prizes for the youth races series.							
•LMD- \$1376.46 – Advertising							
•Jill Booth donated prizes for the youth race series							
The Craig Sawmill- donated 116 yards of woodchips							
•451 hours of volunteer hours were recorded (insert more lines if needed)	\$		-	\$		\$	
Example: To provide additional Salary, Materials, and/or Equipment	\$		-	\$		\$	-
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USE OF GRANT FUNDING	Ψ	TOTAL	PROJECT	_	TIMIT	\$	67,118.46
List uses of grant funding (only) below		TOTAL	ROJECTA	TIVIC	DOINT	÷.	07,110.40
I. Personnel Costs	1						
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				Tota	al Cost
Main Track Repair	\$	30.00		80		\$	2,400.00
Mini Track Repair	\$	30.00		35		\$	1,050.00
Single Track Repair	\$	30.00		35		\$	1,050.00
Summer Maintenance 3 hrs/week April to November	\$	30.00		72		\$	2,160.00
	\$	-				\$	-
For CPW use only. Approximate number of workhours		#DIV/0!		Cat	tegory Tota	\$	6,660.00
II. Project materials/Supplies							
Identify as: Signs, rock, lumber, paint, nails, printing, maps/guides, education materials,							
etc.	Pric	ce Per	Quantity	Tot	al		
				\$	-	\$	•
Diesel	\$	4.80	450	_	2,160.00	\$	2,160.00
Fuel	\$	4.00	100		400.00	\$	400.00
Water refill tanks	\$	300.00	10	-	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00
Weed Spray	\$	1,500.00	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
Sings and posts	\$	1,500.00	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
				\$	-	\$	-
	_			Cat	tegory Tota	\$	8,560.00
III. Equipment							
Identify as: Trail Dozer, ATV, motorcycle, chainsaws, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel and repairs, fleet vehicle operations, etc.							
Harrow Attachment/delivery	\$	2,500.00	1	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00
Dump Truck	\$	710.00	2	_	1,420.00	\$	1,420.00
Tractor Rental (1 month)	\$	4,844.00	7		33,908.00	\$	33,908.00
Equipment Delivery	\$		2		650.00	\$	650.00
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III.A. FLEET Equipment	_			Ca	tegory Tota	\$	38,478.00
Identify as: Crew Fleet Vehicles/Trucks monthly FOR & USE, Fleet Equipment monthly							
USE.							
	\$	-		\$	-	\$	
	\$			\$	-	\$	-
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				_	egory Total	\$	-
V. Volunteer Support							
Identify as: For Volunteers Only Safety education, safety gear (gloves/goggles),							- 1
outfitting, per diem (meals or mileage when travel required by and identified in project scope							
of work), non-monetary awards or recognition.	_			_		•	
	\$	-				\$	
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		Category	\$	
VI. Insurance				
(Non-profit organizations only)				
Insurance	\$ 2,884.00		\$	2,884.00
		Category	\$	2,884.00
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)				
Paper/shipping	\$ 160.00		\$	160.00
	\$ -		\$	
		Total	\$	160.00
* Non-profit organizations that reimburse travel expenses will be required to use OHV Program Travel Forms- Note: Any changes to the budget must have pre-approval from the Progr	d upon request	Total	S	56,742,00



#### **≺** BACK TO SEARCH

## Reserve & Pay



Tractor, 125 hp+	\$3,707.00
\$412.00/d \$1,648.00/w \$3,295.00/4w	
Delivery	\$325.00
Return	\$325.00
Rental Protection	\$667.26
Environmental Fees	\$74.14
Subtotal	\$5,098.40
Taxes	\$453.76
Total (Due on checkout)	\$5,552.16
May 20 - June 17	~
Total (Due May 20)	\$4,844.31
June 17 - July 15	~
Total (Due June 17)	\$4,844.31
July 15 - August 12	~
Total (Due July 15)	\$4,844.31
August 12 - September 9	~
Total (Due August 12)	\$4,844.31
September 9 - October 7	~
Total (Due September 9)	\$4,844.31
October 7 - October 31	~
Total (Due October 7)	\$4,305.91
Order #72XCVUP	



400 S Hwy 13 Craig, CO 81625

Type Description

970-824-5434

Item

www.RockyMTNMachinery.com

#### **QUOTE - DO NOT PAY**

Qty Tax

Price

Discount

Quote: 02-20811 Date: 11/17/2022 PO: North West CO Trails CustId: CASH-02

**Net Price** 

Cust Email:

Phone:

Salesperson: ZachT User: ZachT

Bill To:	Ship To:	
Bill To: Cash Sale	Cash Sale	
, us		

25872 / 1633	UN	CASE 5250	1.0000	\$38,000.00		\$38,000.00
		S/N: JKA0076625				
		RF - CASE TRACTOR, LDR, CAB, 4X4 Used				
		Meter: 6296,00 Hours				
AG1027	QU	Parma AG1027	1.0000	\$5,960.00		
		NO - 10' Arena Groomer				
		Total AG1027				\$5,960.00
					Total:	\$43,960.00
Totals						
			Sub	Total:		\$43,960.00
			Tota	I Tax:		\$0.00
			Invo	ice Total:		\$43,960.00

Thank You for your Business!

Due & Payable before the 10th of month. Finance charge of 2% per month (24% annum) w/min Billing fee of \$2.50 charged on all past due amounts. 25\$ Collection Fee after 60 days. Purchaser agrees to pay reasonable attorneys fees, with or without suit & other costs of suit or Collections. Sales charged to customer's Case Vantage account subject to terms of Case Vantage agreement. No parts returned after 15 days. 25% restocking fee on special ordered parts

Above is an option to purchase the harrow and tractor. Below is a harrow that would work on the personal tractors that are occasionally used at the track as well as the rental. This is the line item in

the budget for \$2500.00 including delivery to purchase. □ ~ a toolots.com max O O O A FTC × Did you know you can earn points for signing up, making purchases and more? Home > Agricultural, Forestry & Landscaping Equipment > Tractors & Attachments > Tractor Harrows > 67" Power Harrow Vertical Tiller Rotary Harrow Cultivator, 3 Point PTO Tillage Equipment 67" Power Harrow Vertical Tiller Rotary Harrow Cultivator, 3 Point PTO Tillage Equipment Tractor Attachment SOLD BY HANMEY TPIN: TG3P0N30D SALE FREE SHIPPING Price: \$1,934.00 \$3,350.00 IN STOCK. Fulfilled By Toolots. MANUAL CUSTOM WARRANTY: 90-Days Warranty CNC laser cutting of the whole machine and components can achieve excellent quality control, and has a perfect alignment effect, thereby maximizing the service life of bearings, chains, etc.; 2. Large the oil adding hole, which is convenient to refuel and prolong the service life; 3. The rotation speed of the cutter shaft is 300RPM; 4. Galvanized grade 8.8 bolts and nylon lock nuts; 5. Thick and durable high-quality powder spray paint; 6. With PTO shaft. 

#### NON-FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION and LAND MANAGER APPROVAL

Project Name	Megawatt Moto Complex Maintenance	_ Project Sponsor _	Northwest Colorado Trails Corp
	d in this application has my a		
Owners or Authoris	Chair, B	17/14/2023	
		Title Date	
	fat County Commissioner r's or Authorized Person's	Name and Title	
APPLICANT ENVIRONMEN	ITAL CHECK LIST		
your project as conci questions listed belo	sely and specifically as poss w and indicate which questio	ible. Include any relevant you are answering.	wildlife and environmental impacts of yant information in each of the category Examples are given of the types of project, please write "N/A" and state

- 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; The track has been in this same area since the 1980's and we do not believe any habitats present.
  - Existing development or human impacts to the proposed project area? The track has been in this
    same area since the 1980's and we have not been aware of any impacts our project will have,
  - Critical habitat for a particular species, or an area with high value for nesting, feeding, or calving N/A
- 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 Continued next page . . .

- 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)

Not required, there aren't any habitats on or near the area.

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

Not required, we are not in a Forest Service area

US Army Corps of Engineers 404 permits

N/A, we will be on County property

· Compliance with raptor guidelines recommended by Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Response: This section does not pertain to this specific project because, as stated above this ohv facility has been used for this purpose since the 80's and prior to that was a landfill.

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

Printed name, title and telephone number of person consulted:					
Signature of person consulted:					
***This section does not apply to this application as it is on private, County	- aumod land				

#### **PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA**

Carefully read and provide answers to each of the following four criteria (four page maximum):

All applicants must respond to the following selection criteria questions. You are allowed the space below each question to fill in your answer. If you have an answer that does not fill the entire page, do not feel obligated to fill the space. This application will be scored on a 100 point basis. The maximum number of points that can be awarded for each question is shown in parentheses. Each project will be reviewed by outside reviewers and State Trails staff, and projects will be ranked according to reviewer and staff scores. Failure to provide a response to any question (unless otherwise noted) will reduce your project's score. Please reference all attachments.

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

Megawatt Moto Complex is a 182 parcel of county land that has had a motocross track in place since the 1980's. In addition to the MX track we have added a youth track, a beginner's circle, enduro skills obstacle training, single track turn training, three enduro trails. The track continues to grow in popularity with all skill levels because of the multiple tracks available. NWCTC is comprised of 100% volunteer hours.

Improving and maintaining the facility to an industry standard will increase users yearly. Having support to pay a seasonal maintenance position will keep the track in great condition during the season. This is priority currently because we are an impacted community from the coal industry shutting down. We are working to promote recreation to help support City and County revenue and outdoor recreation in the area. Seeing a great deal of interest in improving the facility, dirt bike riders will be the only enthusiasts that benefit; however, in the future we would like to fence off a portion of the properly to include UTV's. This track is the closest place to ride for 3 communities unless we drive for more than 2 hours. We currently have people coming from over 90 miles to ride at this facility. Wyoming and Utah have sanctioned races at their tracks that draw people from much further and this is something we would like to do as well.

This project will improve riding opportunities because we can prep the track and have routine maintenance. By enhancing this facility, it will allow us to promote a large event and may even give us the opportunity to return to the circuit for the sanctioned races. We have the potential to draw over 200 hundred riders for each event. The riders generally come with friends and family which creates in-town purchases, hotel stays that stimulates the local economy.

The single-track trails that border the rest of the property is about 18 miles varying in difficulty adding a challenging ride and practice for enduro riders. Single track is only maintained by manual labor, it needs repair to keep the trail from washing out and eroding. Repairing the mini track will foster a satisfactory riding space for our youth riders. The mini track needs to be elevated so that it drains properly, and riders have asked for it to be widened, as well as add berms and of course till the dirt.

The native landscape that encompasses the moto track consists of clay and river rock. Clay becomes very hard when it dries out or if it happens to rain it dries quickly because the moisture just runs over the very top layers or large amounts of water make it very slick. The track is very difficult to maintain to an industry standard in its current state since we don't have any large equipment. In fact we are unable to maintain it after it dries out and compacts. We are able to water for the youth races which keeps the dust down but the surface is still very slick and the breaking bumps are dangerous for young riders.

In conclusion, this project will allow us to accomplish repair of the current facility and implement a seasonal maintenance plan. It will allow us to rent or purchase a piece of equipment that has a front loader so we can distribute material and an implement that can till the dirt. Once the dirt consistency is met, maintenance from there forward will be needed but with much less concerted effort. During peak season we will have weekly, or at minimum, biweekly maintenance providing long term sustainability and add a great deal of value for our current and future riders.

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

**Response**: Moffat County and the City of Craig has expressed support of Megawatt Moto Complex and have even mentioned connecting a trail from town to the track so that users can ride from town to the facility. The Chamber of Commerce is in support of the proposed project. Our members comprise the volunteers that have put work into the track every year support it greatly. We are building strong relationships with the BLM and the

USFS who support our efforts. Volunteers have used their own equipment multiple times this season, but we are in need of larger equipment and a harrow to till material into the clay so that these types of efforts will sustain.

We leverage our local community that support improvement of the current facility, to our knowledge there isn't any controversy regarding this project.

Local sponsorship for the 2023 season amounted to \$10,376.46 these are privately owned businesses in town that have supported us;

- Craig Powersports \$3000
- Steamboat Powersports \$3000
- Napa Auto Parts-\$500- youth race series
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- 451 hours of volunteer hours were recorded.

### 3. Resource Protection, Enhancement and Restoration relative to eligible OHV grant activities (25 points):

Response: Trail and track repair and maintenance is the principal objective. The retaining blocks used for the loading dock prevent erosion from the seasonal runoff. Creating water bars and maintaining the enduro loop will prevent erosion. Having a maintained motocross track gives a safe location for people to operate ohy's as well as reducing dust contamination. The beginner and enduro training areas provide a safe space to practice and learn basic skills for new riders. The facility is located on land that was a former landfill, repurposing the landfill minimizes the impact from refuse and allows the land to be used for outdoor recreation. Reworking the soil helps with drainage, erosion, dust, and evasive weeds will be controlled. We will not be creating new trails or re-routing; the repair and maintenance is for the track that is presently there. This project will help the community's economy by bringing more riders to the area.

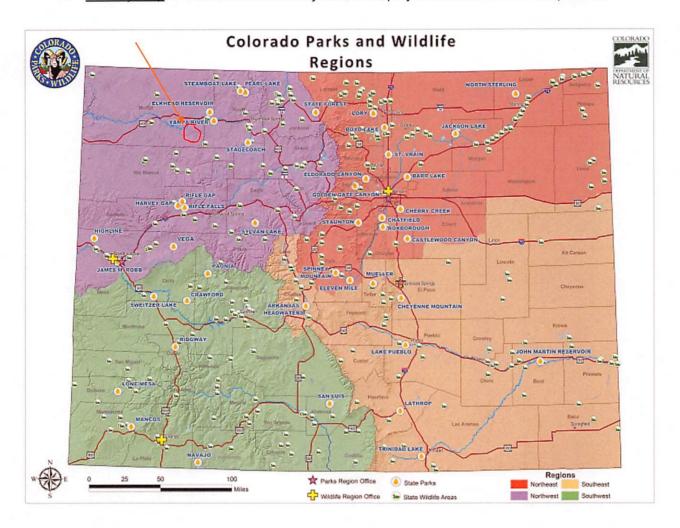
#### Large Equipment Purchases, Maintenance and Disposition:

Response: Within in our club we have multiple people with extensive experience with mining/dirt moving equipment, one of our board members is currently a maintenance manager for large equipment. We will be the sole party responsible for operation and maintenance of the equipment. The season for 2024 will be phase one including the repair of the main track, mini-track, parking lot, and enduro loops. Phase 2 in future years would include fencing material to keep 50" and over off of the moto track. For the 2024 season, the budget shown in this application is for equipment hours, operator time, and fuel. Machine hours for repair is around the sum of 150 hours that includes tractor, water truck, and dump truck. We are expecting future years to be around 72 machine hours per season. Maintenance, fuel, and operator time to be around the sum of \$4500.00. The equipment will be used for the track location indefinitely and be used each season. However, our corporation has intent to work with BLM and CPW to enhance and/or maintain the OHV riding area in the Sandwash Basin and could use it on future projects in that area.

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

Response: The project will specifically target travel management and user education by reminding users to use basic safety rules, stay aware of and be courteous to other riders. No trace, and stay the trail are encouraged. We want to incorporate riding workshops for new riders, correct riding fundamentals are crucial to safe riding practices. Megawatt Moto Complex requires OHV registration stickers to ride at the facility. The motocross track will have signage at the gate and in the parking lot that acknowledge the CPW's involvement and funding of the Project. This message is important to communicate to the public about changes and improvements to the motocross track. Bringing awareness to the riders of the State's efforts to support opportunities for motorized recreation. Positive reinforcement from our corporation and positive experiences with other users, will favorably influence users to comply with OHV regulations throughout future rides. We are looking for further opportunities to create a trail system that incorporates the City's master plan, so that riders can ride from town to the track that would further promote other user groups.

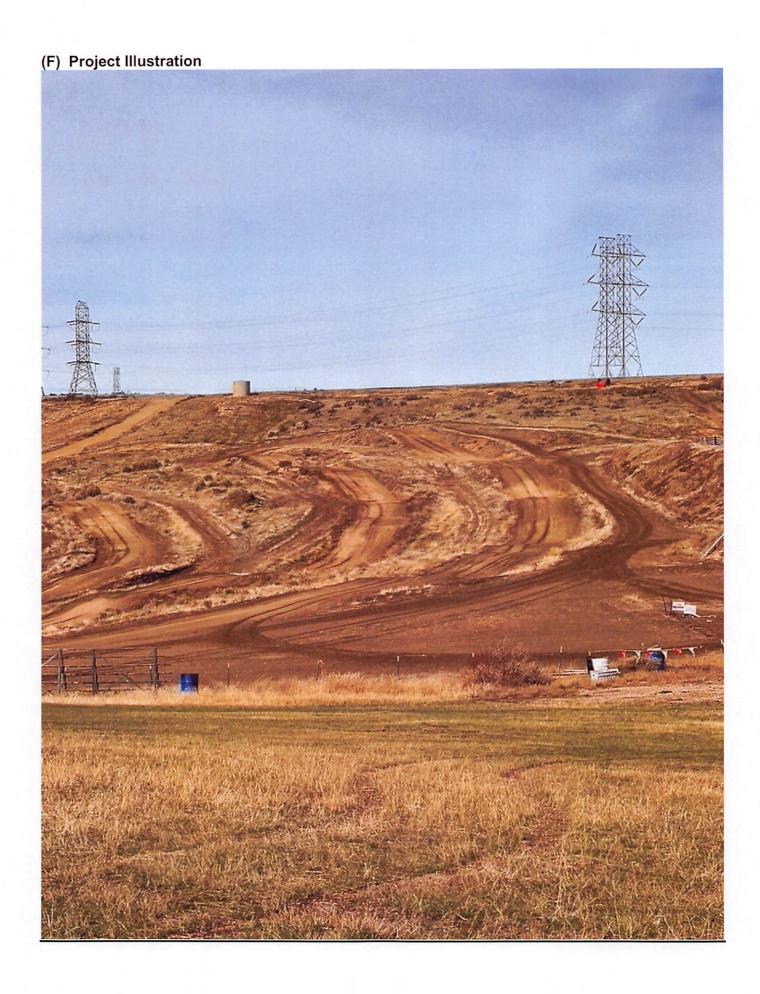
E-1 Vicinity Map: Please mark the vicinity where the project is located on the map below.



**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.

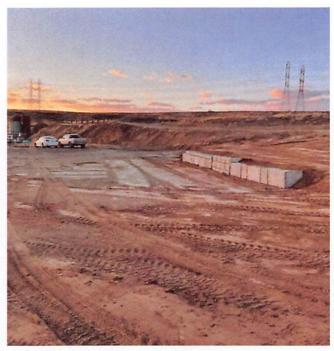




Acceleration bumps/ clay surface Dust created from just two riders



Volunteer trying to fix braking bumps with a Pulaski and a small water tank. You can see the dirt consistency is very difficult once it gets packed down.



^^Current loading dock we would like to extend and build another one to the right of this picture.



Upper view of Enduro Skills training, turn track, circle track and youth moto track.



Youth Moto Track ^



Dirt consistency that we would like to obtain

(G) Letters of Project Support



November 15, 2023

Off-Highway Vehicle Grant Program Colorado Parks and Wildlife 13787 South Highway 85 Littleton, CO 80125

SUBJECT: Letter of Support Northwest Colorado Trails Corp, Megawatt Moto Complex Track Maintenance OHV Grant Application

Dear Mr. Metsa and members of the State Trails Committee, OHV Subcommittee:

Please accept this letter from the Colorado Trails Preservation Alliance (TPA) as a letter of support for Northwest Colorado Trails Corp (NWCTC), Megawatt Moto Complex Track Maintenance OHV Grant Application. The TPA is an advocacy organization created to be a viable partner to public lands managers, working with the United States Forest Service (USFS) and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to preserve the sport of motorized trail riding and multiple-use recreation. The TPA acts as an advocate for the sport and takes the necessary action to ensure that the USFS and BLM allocate a fair and equitable percentage of public lands access to diverse multiple-use trail recreational opportunities.

The TPA supports the Subcommittee's consideration of the NWCTC's, Megawatt Moto Complex Track Maintenance grant application and the club's endeavors to educate and train off-highway motorcycle riders and youth. The TPA has long been a supporter of and advocate for responsible riding and endorse the needs for expanded and enhanced rider training facilities, rider learning experiences and opportunities for enthusiasts new to the sport of off-highway motorcycling. The recreational opportunities provided by this facility in the northwest portion of the state are rare and limited. The benefits and economic impacts to Moffat County and the Town of Craig could be quantifiable through the improvements and vision proposed for this facility. The TPA supports the model that improved rider skills coupled with stewardship education will indeed lead to improved resource appreciation, protection and enhanced recreational experiences.

The TPA encourages the OHV Subcommittee to skillfully consider the unique nature of this grant application along with the vision and potential of NWCTC's proposal.

Sincerely,

Chad Hixon Executive Director

Trails Preservation Alliance



November 14, 2023 OHV Grant Selection Subcommittee

Colorado State Parks OHV Program

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Re: Megawatt Moto Complex Grant application

The City of Craig is providing this Letter of Support on behalf of the Northwest Colorado Trails Corporation, in support of their Megawatt Moto Complex Maintenance Grant Application.

The scope of work for this project will allow this community and surrounding communities such as Steamboat, Hayden, Meeker, Vernal and Grand Junction, to enjoy a well-maintained motocross track. This site allows access for children ranging in ages from 3-9 on a mini-motocross track, older kids and adults on the large track, as well as the enduro and enduro-cross tracks.

Maintenance currently is very limited due to relying on run-off to fill water tanks, and a lack of a water truck to distribute the water evenly. The ground is mostly clay so when it dries out it packs making the surface hard, slick, and increasingly dusty, impairing vision and creating a dangerous environment to ride in. The ground would need to be tilled regularly to accept water and stay moist, if sand was mixed in the moisture would remain longer and soft dirt would be easily maintained. Adding scheduled maintenance and equipment will substantially encourage additional riders to participate in practice and competitions.

Maintenance as a vital key to increasing safety, activities, events, and membership. Membership grows yearly by at least 30%. The general feedback from the riders includes inquiries about watering the track and the need for a harrow. With funds to support seasonal maintenance we know that memberships will increase.

This valley is growing rapidly, ohv's and dirt bikes are incredibly popular in Northwest Colorado. We are all working in conjunction with local committees, clubs, non-profits, and the County in efforts to increase outdoor recreation to combat the impact the closure of the coal mine will have. We believe that improving the quality of the track is necessary.

Sincerely,

Derek Duran, Mayor

City of Craig

300 West 4th Street, Craig, CO 81625 970-826-2000 November 14, 2023

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Re: Megawatt Moto Complex Grant Application

I am writing on behalf of the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners, in support of Northwest Colorado Trails Corp motocross track maintenance grant application.

The Board anticipates that the scope of work for this project will allow this community and surrounding communities such as Steamboat, Hayden, Meeker, Vernal and Grand Junction, to enjoy a well-maintained motocross track. This site allows access for children ranging in ages from 3-9 on a mini-motocross track, older kids and adults on the large track, as well as the enduro and enduro-cross tracks.

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We see maintenance as a vital key to increasing safety, activities, events, and membership. User numbers grow yearly by at least 30%. The general feedback from the riders includes inquiries to water the track regular and the need for maintenance. With funds to support seasonal staff, material to mix into the dirt when it is tilled, popularity will continue to grow.

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Sincerely,

Tony Bohrer

Chair, Moffat County Board of County Commissioners

To Whom It May Concern:

I want to take this time to offer my full support for Northwest Colorado Trails Corp. All of the grant monies awarded would be used to help run Megawatt Moto Complex.

As a club, we are trying to create a safe place nearby for everybody to enjoy, a place to teach kids life skills, and have a community. This track is giving many people a place to ride nearby and allowing them to ride more often. The nearest OHV area is 40-plus miles away, which is why this track is so important to all of us.

The funds provided help make improvements to keep the track a safe environment. One of the major improvements we would like to make is to resurface the track We would like to reduce the amount of dust that gets stirred up by the bikes. To do this, we need equipment and a water truck. This allows us to prep the track surface and create a softer, more uniform surface that will be predictable for all riders to practice and enjoy. With the funds for the equipment, we can better maintain the track and parking areas.

For the past couple of years, our memberships have been around 150 riders. These members can come out at any time, creating a lot of traffic up the steep driveway and in parking areas. With this amount of traffic we do our best to keep holes, ruts, and drainage under control, but lacking the material and equipment makes this difficult.

With this many riders all riding on our different tracks including the motocross track and 3 different enduro courses, it requires constant maintenance to keep the riding safe for all ages. The equipment would help to maintain all of this and keep the areas safe for all visitors.

As we attract more riders to Megawatt Moto Complex we would like to be able to hold large riding events such as racing for adults and kids. Once we become a desired destination the revenue from these events will help our small town.

In conclusion, funding the Northwest Colorado Trails Corp and the Megawatt Moto Complex would greatly benefit the local riding community. As the Complex grows and people are willing to come here to ride, the town of Craig could benefit financially, and the people may have new events they could enjoy watching.

Thank you, Justin Prince

#### Date 11/01/2023

Re: Moffat County motocross track grant application

It is my pleasure to write a letter of support for the proposal of the grant application for maintenance on the motocross track south of Craig.

The track was a large part of my family's life for many years. Starting over 30 years ago, both of my parents were active in the racing community here in Craig. Not only as competitors but as board members, always trying to better the club in every way. Holding bigger races, attracting more competitors, preparing better ground, always with safety being their number one priority. For at least two decades there were successful races held here with a packed parking lot of competitors from all over the state.

Fast forward to the last couple years, I have witnessed it getting increasingly dangerous. The lack of care and ground prep has been on a steady decline. Watching my son and his friends race out there has brought even more awareness to the dangers. Mid-summer 2022, I and one other person, spent 3 long days in my skid steer, my water tank in the truck and a pick axe, attempting to remedy the most dangerous areas in hopes the kid's races could happen without a major accident. I quickly realized that it is impossible for small equipment and a 400-gallon tank to even make a dent in the mile long track. With the current lack of equipment and application of water I don't believe it can ever improve from its current state.

The potential for motocross races to be a big part of our community again is not unattainable. It wasn't uncommon to see more than 30 vehicles out there every Wednesday night this summer for the kid's races alone. If we were able to prep and provide a safe track again, I can only imagine the competitors, spectators and families that we would once again attract to our town.

In conclusion, I fully support the efforts of Northwest Colorado Trails Corp as they seek funding to make safety a priority, on a once highly successful motocross track.

Sincerely, Kaley McLean Date: 04/07/2023

**Re: Track Grant Application** 

We are writing on behalf of Craig Powersports in support of Northwest Colorado Trails Corp grant application. We anticipate the scope of work will improve skill building for dirt bike riders by providing a controlled environment to practice.

We are the largest dealership in town and have provided sponsorship for events at the track over the past years. The current riders that come into the shop express how badly the track needs maintained. We believe that it would increase use by all ages and ability if there were prepped track days and regular maintenance.

This track provides a regional location and has held sanctioned races in the past that bring hundreds of participants from the tri-state area. Economic development is something we are all looking to provide for Craig and Moffat County. Sanctioned events help bring people to the Northwest corner of Colorado and highlight its outdoor recreational potential beyond only motocross.

Sincerely,

**Craig Powersports** 

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Re: Megawatt Moto Complex Grant

I am excited to be writing a letter of support for the Megawatt Moto Grant, my kids and I have ridden at the track for years and we would really like to see more maintenance. The potential at this facility is endless and an opportunity to get this track back to the condition it once was would be great.

If this grant was awarded it would greatly help our community and youth in the area. With the pending closer of our power plant which pays 60% of our tax base our rural community is counting on outdoor recreation to help us through the transition. I fully support Northwest Colorado Trails Corp in receiving the Megawatt Moto Grant and fully trust the funds would be put to great use.

Sincerely, Kyle Booth To whom it may concern,

Hi, my name is Elliott Prince and I am writing this letter in support of Northwest Colorado Trail Corp. getting a needed grant to continue running the motocross track in Craig CO. (Megawatt Moto Complex). The club has done a great job with the track and getting the moto community involved. This club has some amazing members that truly love dirt bikes and this community. They hope to keep the powersport community in Craig thriving.

I have been a member of the club for two years now and have been riding out at the tack during that time. The club has done an incredible job of maintaining the track with the equipment that they have available. I have no doubt if the club was to get approved for a grant to continue with development and maintenance of the track and facility then that would go a long way in growing the number of events that could be held at the track and would also go a long ways towards bringing more people to town for these events. The track needs equipment (water truck, skid steer, dozer etc...) that could make a huge difference in what can be done with the track. Right now from what I have seen club members volunteer there spare time to maintain the track with personal equipment and tools available, but due to how hard the ground gets during the summer that is a constant battle. With the correct equipment that would greatly increase the amount of maintenance that can be done.

Over the last couple of years the club has held a kids racing series that has been very popular around the area. It has brought people in from surrounding towns to participate in the racing. The club is putting on this racing series through the volunteered time of club members and the assistance of our current sponsors. This club wants to do everything they can to help promote moto to the community and get anyone that is interested involved. The racing provides classes for all skill levels and a variety of age groups. It is very inspiring to see people come together and help each other to give these kids the opportunity to get into racing. I truly hope that the Northwest Colorado Trail Corp. gets approved for the grant they are asking for, I hope to see these races continuing for years to come so that I am able to have my own two sons participate when they are old enough. Thank you for taking the time to read this recommendation letter.

Sincerely,

**Elliott Prince** 

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of the funding request by the Northwest Colorado Trails Corp for the Megawatt Moto Complex. I have been resident of Colorado for the past 24 years, spending much of my time on the front range near the Denver area. Motocross and trail riding has a large following in Colorado, including a large organization, RMRA, that offers racing to people of all ages and abilities. In the Denver area there are various motocross and trail parks within a short distance and I spent many of my weekends enjoying the various motocross parks riding and racing with family and friends.

Just over 3 years ago I relocated to the Western slope of Colorado near Craig, CO and have found it very difficult to find motocross and riding facilities nearby, most 2+ hours away. The facility in Craig, CO was once a destination for motocross riding and racing in Colorado, where organizations such as the RMXA (now the RMRA) would run events that would draw 600+ racers with kids and families for a day of fun and friendly competition. I am unaware of the circumstances and timelines, but as the facility changed hands, care and maintenance suffered and eventually the facility fell off the racing schedule, less people came out for practice days, and facility was left untouched for some time. Knowing about this facility, when I moved near Craig, I inquired about its current state and was happy to discover that recently a new organization, NW CO Trails Corp. had taken over and was working to revive this facility. The members of NW CO Trail Corp have a passion to return this facility to what it once was. A place for families and kids to come and enjoy the outdoors, take part in what I consider a great activity that teaches discipline, sportsmanship, and the rewards of hard work and dedication while bringing family and friends together, a community gathering place. I know they have started youth racing events that draw good crowds, but are currently limited in the amount and type of track preparation and maintenance they can provide. Having funding to purchase equipment that would allow them to build and form jumps, prepare and water the dirt would provide open practice days to the public, continue youth events expanding to include adult race classes and even get back onto the RMRA racing schedule drawing more participants as well as making the facility safer. Without regular maintenance the track has become very dry and hard packed like concrete, jumps developed large kickers, ruts, there are large holes, rocks and other obstacles which reduces the safety of the facility. Equipment to complete proper maintenance can make this a safer place, provide better parking and access to the areas improving the experience for everyone to enjoy.

To continue enjoying my weekends riding I have been required to drive long distances for the day. And on those days I have encountered several people that are in the same situation and would love to have a well maintained facility in the Craig, CO area that they could use and enjoy. This facility as the potential to be a popular destination for the local community as well as those in the neighboring areas, however only with your help can those at NW CO Trail Corp and its volunteers make this happen. I respectfully ask for your consideration in approving the necessary funding to allow this facility to develop into a safe, popular destination for those that enjoy OHV activities here on the Western slope of Colorado.

Thank you for your consideration, Michael Dzurek

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To Whom It May Concern,

We moved to Craig, Colorado in 2018. We were so excited to find a motocross track so close to home. Our family is comprised of avid motorsport enthusiasts. Motorsports on a whole, even though the most lucrative form of tourism dollars for Colorado, seems to be constantly fighting to defend our ways to recreate responsibly. The Craig MegaWatt MotoPark is an integral part of Craig's recreation offerings. We have heard stories of generations of families utilizing this track. This track used to be the home of popular races and events that brought folks from all over.

We currently have a great group of people managing and working on the tracks with hopes and dreams to restore it to it's former glory or perhaps even better. Funding is our roadblock. The community has invested where it can but if awarded this grant, we could do so much more. Improvements are needed for facilities, track, parking, seating, and much more. The ongoing maintenance would be improved greatly with equipment or the ability to hire contractors with the grant monies.

The goal would be able to host more encompassing races and events for all age groups and different riding styles as our track does offer a diverse set of trails. It would be amazing to gather interested from more folks to visit to ride. The added economic benefits could be impactful to our community. I envision a family coming into town to ride the track for the day or to attend an event. They would likely stop for food at local restaurants, fuel, supplies, parts, and for multiple day events, lodging.

We use the track often ourselves and volunteer our time along with the large group of amazing folks that donate their time and efforts. I certainly hope you will give considerable thought to awarding our track and community the funds. The improvements we could make would definitely provide a fantastic outlet for motorsport enthusiasts, young and old. This would also allow us to preserve a recreation spot that has been enjoyed and revered for many generations prior and will continue for future users. Thank you for your consideration!

Track members, volunteers, and riders,

Bryan and Jennifer Dorr