

Exhibit A – Project Information

NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS PLANNING APPLICATION

Applicant or Organization Name:		
Complete Mailing Address:		
Applicant Lead Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

PROJECT MANAGER (this person will have day-to-day responsibility for the project)

Name:	
Telephone:	Email:

PRIMARY PARTNER INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Partner Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Project Title:	
Grant Request: \$	Match Amount (Min. 25%): \$
Total Project Cost: \$	
<p>Project Description: Please write a 2-3 paragraph 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 the place to talk about the project background, the benefits, the funding, or anything other than the actual work to be accomplished. Please address that information in question #1 of the Selection Criteria.)</p> <p>WHO? Who will complete the work, and who will oversee the project? Provide a brief description of your community or organization, highlighting its mission and purpose.</p> <p>WHAT? Explain what you are going to do or accomplish. What is the goal or the reason for your project? Break down the project into a list of specific activities to be completed. These should be quantifiable items that correspond to the categories on your budget page. Include quantity or quality as part of your description of work to be performed. How long? How many? How many feet? How many miles? What materials will be used? Is a specific standard or guideline being used?</p> <p>WHERE? Explain in detail the location of your project. Where is the project located? What county? What National Forest/BLM Office? Provide the names of the trail(s) or trail system and where the work will be performed. List the land manager agency or municipality.</p> <p>DEFINITIONS? Please define all acronyms and specialized terms that are used in your project description.</p>	

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Project Description

Previous CPW grants awarded (last 3 years) List award year, category and project name



October 04, 2022

To: Ms. Pam O'Malley, Non-Motorized Grants Administrator

Cc: Mr. Fletcher Jacobs, State Trails Program Manager; Mr. Randy Engle, Northwest Region Trails Coordinator; Mr. Josh Stoudt, Southwest Region Trails Coordinator, Colorado Parks & Wildlife, State Trails Program
13787 U.S. Hwy. 85 N., Littleton, CO 80125

Dear Non-Motorized Grants Administrator O'Malley:

On behalf of Colorado Backcountry Hunters & Anglers (CO BHA), we write in support of the grant proposal *Mapping User-Created Routes with LIDAR Data*. It is becoming increasingly important for us to inventory and map user-created routes on our public lands. These routes are created outside of the NEPA process and without CPW consultation and can have negative impacts on wildlife as a result. Once established, user routes are indistinguishable from approved routes, difficult to manage, and often impossible to close. The demand for additional trails has the potential to negatively impact wildlife, especially when we don't have a clear understanding of the density and extent of existing user-created routes within a project planning area.

This project supports existing efforts of GMUG staff and provides additional capacity to collect and ground truth data on user created route systems within the GMUG, thereby providing information that will be helpful to trails groups, the state trails program, land managers, wildlife managers, and wildlife advocates alike.

Outdoor recreation and the environment are vital to our local economy and community identity. Balancing our outdoor recreation and conservation priorities is becoming increasingly important at local, regional, and state levels and projects like this will help to fill important data gaps that can be utilized to better understand and manage our existing and expanding footprint.

We strongly support this project which will help to address important data gaps through innovative technologies and collaborative boots on the ground efforts. Sustainable outdoor recreation increasingly depends on the utilization of the best available information to avoid and mitigate impacts to wildlife. This project is designed to do that in a way that is collaborative and complimentary to existing efforts.

Sincerely,

Tim Brass
State Policy & Field Operations Director
tim@backcountryhunters.org

Don Holmstrom
Co-Chair, Colorado Chapter Backcountry Hunters & Anglers

David Lien
Co-Chair, Colorado Chapter Backcountry Hunters & Anglers

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LAND OWNERSHIP			
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: U.S. Forest Service			
2. The trail corridor is controlled by: <input checked="" 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"/> Other:			
USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking, Walking, Running	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equestrian	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding, In-Line Skating	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Sports (non-motorized)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADA Accessible	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Hunting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Ranching	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Fishing	
TRAIL SURFACE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural	<input type="checkbox"/> Crusher Fines	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
PROJECT LOCATION (For multiple project sites attach a separate list.)			
Nearest Town or City: Delta, CO			
County(ies): 9 County GMUG Region (Gunnison, Ouray, Saguache, Montrose, etc.)			
Latitude & Longitude Coordinates (in decimal degrees): N/A			
State Congressional District (https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members): 2nd			
<i>Please fill out all applicable categories for your project:</i>			
Acreage of new trailhead		Miles of trail being planned	TBD
Miles of new trail construction		Miles of trail maintenance	
Miles of inter-connecting trail		Miles of trail reroute	TBD
Miles of trail to be decommissioned	TBD	Miles of trail to be restored	
Miles of trail to be signed	TBD	Miles of trail grooming	
Other		Other	

Applicant Printed Name: Tim Brass

Applicant Signature: Tim Brass  Digitally signed by Tim Brass
Date: 2022.09.30 13:48:47 -06'00' Date: 09/30/2022

PLANNING GRANT SCORING CRITERIA

All applicants must respond to the criteria questions. Use the numbered blank pages at the end of this sections. 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. Outside reviewers and State Trails staff will review each project. Projects will be ranked according to reviewer and staff scores.

Grant review subcommittee members review and score grant applications based on the totality of information available. This may include not only the answers provided to the application questions, but also additional information provided to the review subcommittee from agency staff and subcommittee member knowledge and information that is relevant to the proposed project.

Failure to provide a response to any question (unless otherwise noted) will reduce your project's score. Please read and understand all application questions prior to answering.

Respond in **12-point font**. Reference all attachments.

1. Scope (10 points)

Describe the proposed project. What are the benefits of this effort to trail users and groups in the communities, region, and/or state? Describe how the planning project will lead to trail system improvements, the development of tangible trails, trailheads, amenities, or recreation projects in the area. Please include potential site photos and a map of the proposed planning area(s). Discuss the ownership status of the proposed area - including any information regarding easements and/or recent land acquisitions. Is this a multi-phase project, and if so, how many phases is it and how will future phases be funded?

2. Community Need & Benefit (10 points)

Describe how the project will tie into existing management plans and demonstrate a significant improvement to community trail systems and larger connectivity throughout communities and existing trail systems. Summarize the community need for the project (letters of support should clearly document this need). How will this project specifically address the needs described? Describe how the project communities will benefit from the project. Why is it important to undertake this planning effort now, instead of at a later time? How will community health benefits and the equity of underserved communities be considered, evaluated, and prioritized in the plan? Will underserved communities be involved in decision making processes (i.e. where trails will be located, what they will look like, recreation prioritization, etc.) through citizen advisory boards or other means of public involvement?

3. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

Explain the extent to which this project focuses on regional trail and resource planning. Is

this project part of an existing master plan, federal Forest or Resource Management Plan, or a landscape level regional planning effort (such as an Outdoor Regional Partnership)? If so, what priority is this project given in that plan? How will the plan evaluate multiple trail systems' cumulative impacts together in a comprehensive plan? How will trail development be evaluated and balanced with existing trail system management, wildlife and natural resource conservation, and long-term maintenance?

4. Wildlife & Natural Resources (15 points)

Describe how potential impacts to wildlife and natural resources will be evaluated during the planning process for the plan (such as utilizing resources listed in Planning Trails with Wildlife in Mind)? Describe any plans for avoiding sensitive habitat as well as minimizing, and/or mitigating wildlife and natural resource impacts. Describe how you will develop plans for trail management and monitoring after the trail is complete. How will CPW staff be engaged in the planning process? Describe how their recommendations will be implemented. For example, if a seasonal closure is recommended, what are the dates of the closure and how will it be implemented to be effective (signage, gates, game cameras, etc.)?

5. Collaboration (10 points)

Explain the extent to which the project demonstrates unique, innovative, and/or important multi-agency, organization and/or private partnerships. Describe which stakeholders will be involved with the planning process - public agencies, conservation groups, stewardship groups, recreational groups, environmental groups, non-profit organizations, schools, businesses, and/or individuals. Describe how these stakeholders will be engaged and these partnerships will be a benefit to the planning, development, and long-term management/maintenance of the trail systems. Will a professional consultant be hired to help facilitate this process?

6. Sustainability (10 points)

What is the long-term vision for the future of the work supported by this grant? What are potential sources of funding and resources for both trail construction and maintenance and how will these be considered and incorporated into the planning process? Is there committed funding and/or personnel and volunteer stewardship resources to support the long-term maintenance of the project?

7. Public Engagement (10 points)

Public notification is mandatory for all projects.

Describe the process you will use to engage the public in the project. Do you anticipate public opposition to this plan or its implementation? If so, how will that be addressed? Describe how potential user conflicts will be identified, addressed and managed.

8. Implementation Process and Outcome (5 points)

Describe the strategy for monitoring and evaluating project planning. What tangible or measurable products will result from this planning project? What is the anticipated timeline of the process and necessary reviews (such as NEPA if on federal land)? In analyzing options for the project, discuss how different alternatives for trail development will be evaluated in the planning process. How will project success be defined?

List (in bulleted form) and provide a brief, specific description for each:

- Objectives
- Tasks / Project Milestones
- End products and/or deliverables that will result from this planning effort

9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)

Discuss partnerships established for this project and their contributions. What other funding sources have been dedicated or are anticipated to be dedicated to this project? If matching funds are not yet secured, what are the plans for raising those additional funds? Will applicant and/or partner funds be lost if State Trails funds are not awarded? Submit letters of commitment/support from landowners and/or funders as a separate attachment (resolution from the governing body should include support and resource commitment; a separate support letter is not required). Beyond these letters, up to 5 non-funding letters of support may be submitted.

10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

Describe your organization's ability to complete the specific grant transaction(s) that will be necessary to accomplish this project. Please provide examples (if any) for grant projects of similar magnitude that demonstrate your organization's ability to manage the requested level of grant funding; including the project title, grantor, award amount and year the project was funded. If State Trails funding is not awarded, what is the plan to complete the project?

1. Scope of Work (10 points)

2. Community Need and Benefit (15 points)

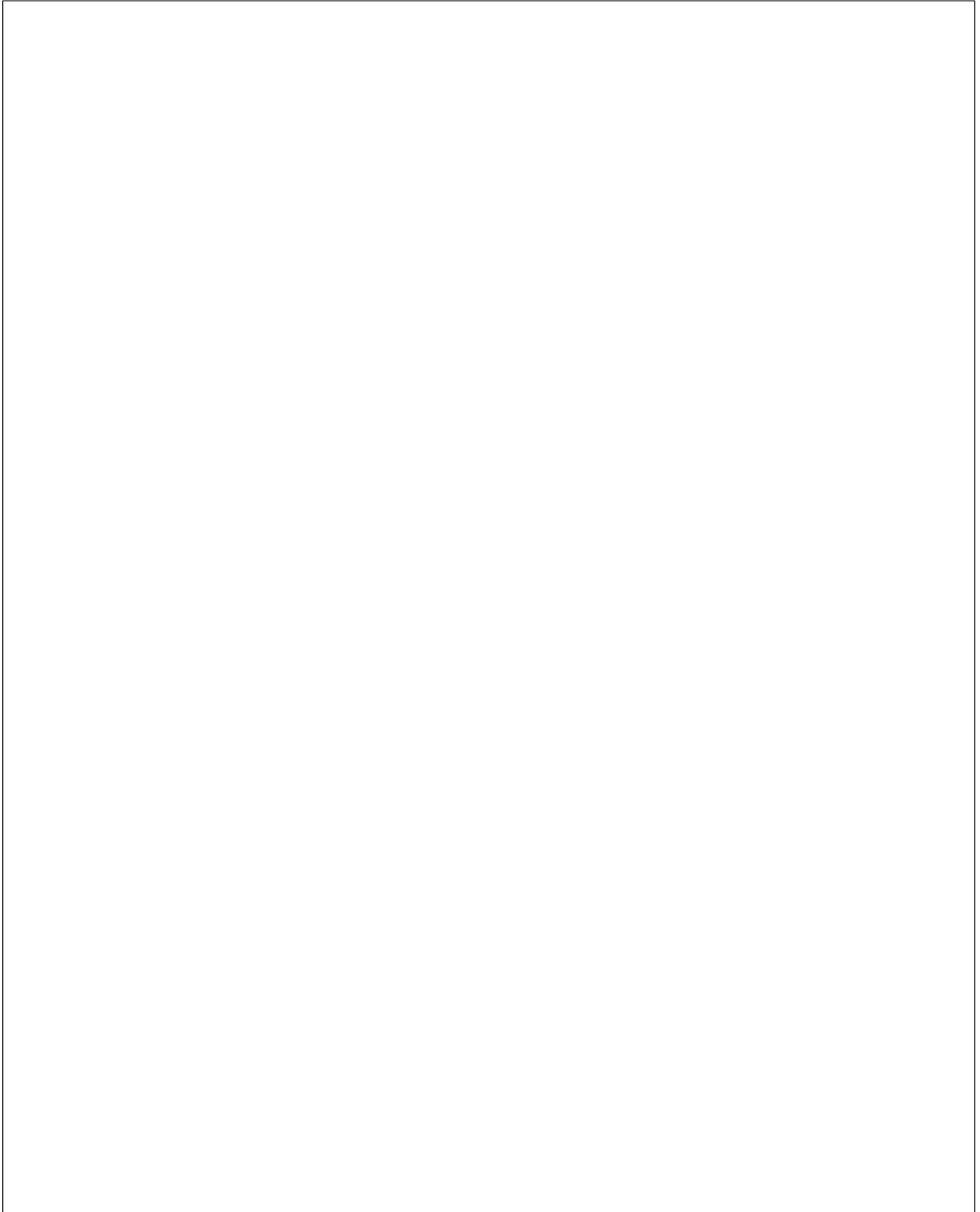
3. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

4. Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)

5. Collaboration (10 points)

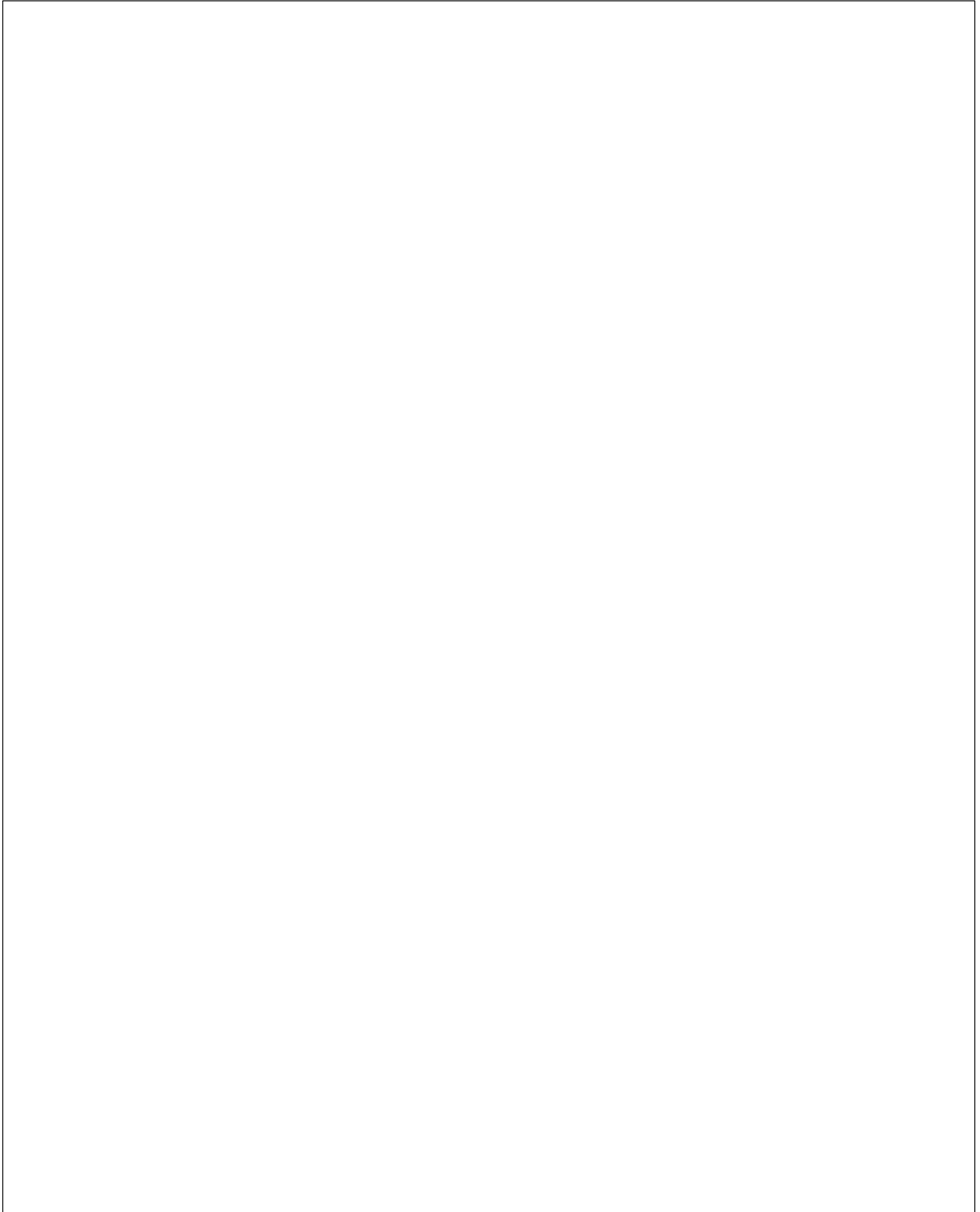
6. Sustainability (10 points)

7. Public Engagement (10 points)



8. Implementation Process and Outcome (5 points)

9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)



10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

Section 3 - Project Budget

Project Name: Mapping User-Created Routes with LIDAR data					Office Use:			
SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured				CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]	
CASH								
CPW Trails Grant	TBD				\$ 45,000.00		\$ 45,000.00	
CO BHA Chapter						\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	
IN-KIND								
BHA Volunteer Time and Travel	Committed					\$ 11,250.00	\$ 11,250.00	
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS					\$ 45,000.00	\$ 15,750.00	\$ 60,750.00	
[CASH] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)	CPW Funds	Total Project Match (\$)	Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
Britt Parker - CO Stewardship Coordinator	1250	HR	\$ 32.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00		\$ 40,000.00	0
Additional Categories								
Admin	1	EA	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	0
GIS equipment and licenses	1	EA		\$ 4,500.00		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	0
USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL					\$ 45,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 49,500.00	
*ESTIMATE NUMBER OF CREW HOURS [GRANT AND MATCH] CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE							*REQUIRED INPUT	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)			Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]
Category 1 - Contracted Services								
BHA Volunteer Time and Travel	376	HR	\$ 29.95	\$ 11,250.00		\$ 11,250.00	\$ 11,250.00	0
IN-KIND SUBTOTAL						\$ 11,250.00	\$ 11,250.00	
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 45,000.00	\$ 15,750.00	\$ 60,750.00	
25% REQUIRED MATCH						\$ 11,250.00		

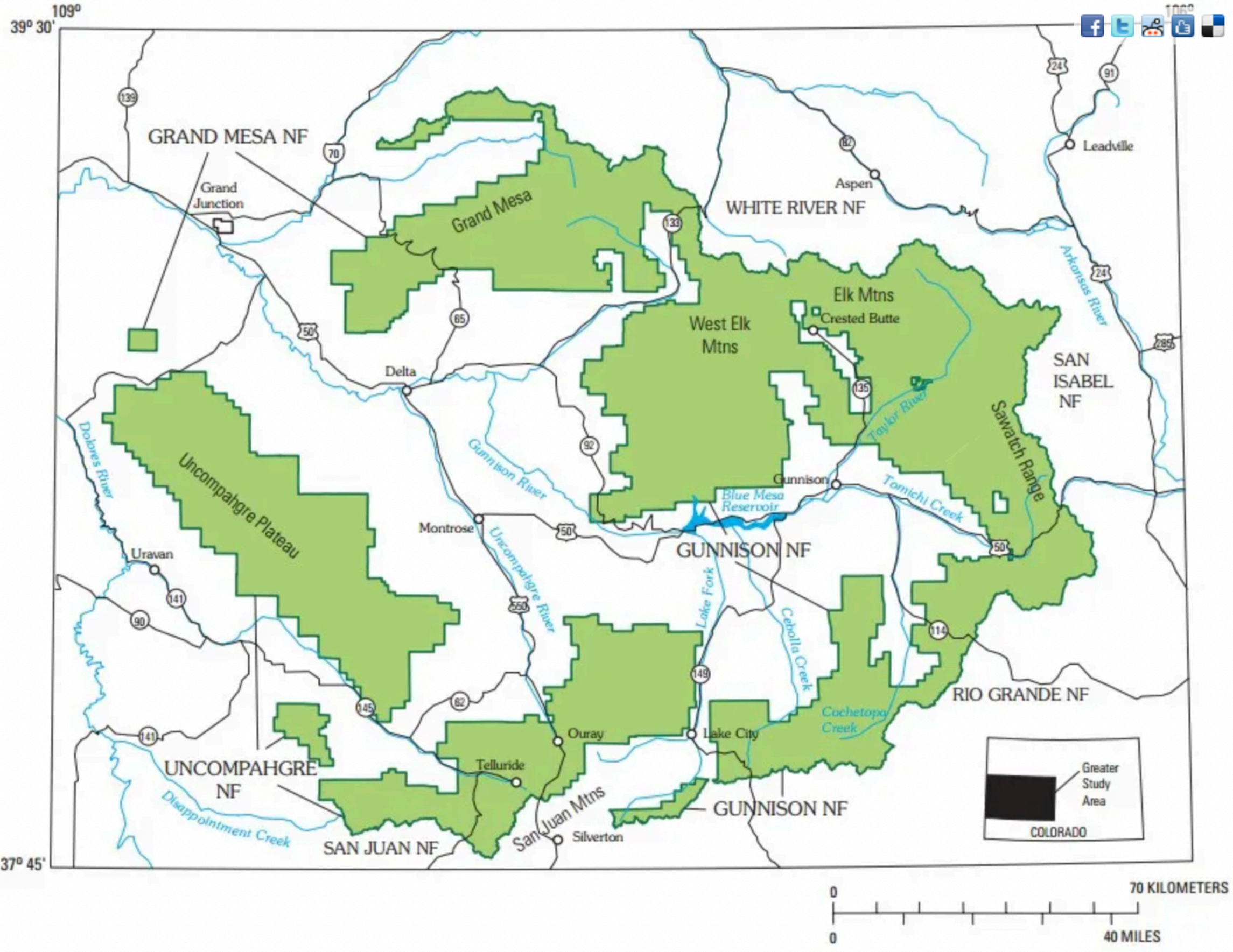


Figure A1. Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests (green) within GMUG greater study area.



File Code: 2300
Date: September 29, 2022

Ms. Pam O'Malley
Non-Motorized Grants Administrator
State Trails Program
Colorado Parks & Wildlife
13787 U.S. Hwy 85 N.
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear Ms. O'Malley:

The Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests look forward to your support of the Backcountry Hunters & Anglers (BHA) grant proposal *Mapping the GMUG's trail system utilizing LIDAR Data*. Recently, the GMUG worked closely with BHA and several recreation groups to talk about the grant and discussed forming a trail collaborative for the forests. It is becoming increasingly important for us to inventory and map the existing trail system accurately to provide for better public lands management. Our overall desire is to have a well mapped and signed trail system for all recreation uses to increase compliance, reduce impacts to the forest and wildlife, and keep the public safe.

This project supports existing efforts the GMUG began about a year ago using LIDAR data to map our trails more accurately. We are about 1/3 complete and would appreciate this grant with BHA to finish our efforts.

The GMUG is in the process of finishing our Forest Plan which includes Wildlife Management Areas. Having a good accurate map of the existing system will be vital to planning new trails and eliminating non-system trails while balancing the needs of wildlife with sustainable recreation use. The formation of the trail collaborative to produce the map and discuss trail issues will be very important to our future success managing the forest in support of sustainable recreation.

We hope you will consider funding this grant, which utilizes innovative technologies and collaborative boots on the ground efforts.

Sincerely,

CHAD STEWART
Forest Supervisor

cc: Mr. Fletcher Jacobs, State Trails Program Manager; Mr. Randy Engle, Northwest Region Trails Coordinator; Mr. Josh Stoudt, Southwest Region Trails Coordinator



Western Slope ATV Association

P.O. Box 4283
Grand Junction, CO
81502-4283

September 28, 2022

To: Ms. Pam O'Malley, Non-Motorized Grants Administrator

Cc: Mr. Fletcher Jacobs, State Trails Program Manager; Mr. Randy Engle, Northwest Region Trails Coordinator; Mr. Josh Stoudt, Southwest Region Trails Coordinator

Colorado Parks & Wildlife, State Trails Program

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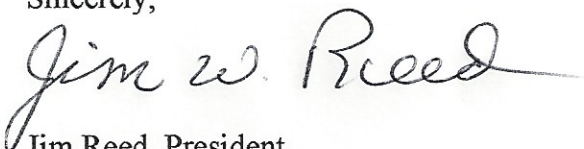
On behalf of the Western Slope ATV Association, I write in support of the Backcountry Hunters & Anglers (BHA) grant proposal *Mapping the GMUG's trail system utilizing LIDAR Data*. It is becoming increasingly important for us to inventory and map the existing trail system more accurately to provide for better public lands management and safer public lands use.

This project supports existing efforts of GMUG staff and provides additional capacity to collect and ground truth data within the GMUG, thereby providing updated information that will be helpful to trails groups, the state trails program, land managers, wildlife managers, and wildlife advocates alike.

All forms of outdoor recreation and the environment are vital to our local economy and identity. Balancing our outdoor recreation and conservation priorities is becoming increasingly important at local, regional and state levels. Projects like this will help to fill important data gaps that can be utilized to better understand and manage our existing and expanding footprint.

WSATVA strongly supports this project which will help to address important data gaps through innovative technologies and collaborative boots on the ground efforts. Sustainable outdoor recreation increasingly depends on the utilization of the best available information to avoid and mitigate impacts to wildlife and help ensure a safe experience by the public when enjoying the many opportunities available on our public lands. This project is designed to do that in a way that is collaborative and complimentary to existing efforts.

Sincerely,



Jim Reed, President
Western Slope ATV Association

PLANNING OR SUPPORT GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

MANDATORY:

- Signed letter of resolution from the Governing Body (Board of Directors or Commissioners, City or Town Government, etc.) that includes resources/support committed to the project
- Timeline form has been filled out
- Budget uploaded as an unprotected Excel document
- Maps/Photos/Graphics uploaded as PDF document(s)
- Letters of Support (maximum of five) uploaded. No letters from clubs, groups or individuals who are specifically working on the project. No letters from CPW staff.
- Project should be completed within 2.5 years from receiving grant
- Required MATCH funding is secured, including CASH match funds. If not secured at time of application, add a note in the additional comments sections at the bottom of this form.
- Scope of work and project location map emailed to CPW Area Manager & Regional Trail Coordinator by September 6, 2022 (not required for Support grants).

ALL projects will be reviewed for wildlife impacts

ADDITIONAL PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:

Youth Corps or youth organization will be used on the project (name of organization)

Volunteers will be utilized on the project (name of organization)

Comments