**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE UTAH DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE PROGRAM**

**STATE OHV - FISCAL INCENTIVE GRANT**

**QUARTERLY APPLICATION**

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Applications to the Fiscal Incentive Grant (FIG) Program may be submitted by any federal agency, state agency, political subdivision of the state, or organized user group. "Organized user group" means an off-highway vehicle (OHV) organization incorporated as a nonprofit corporation in the state under Title 16, Chapter 6a (Utah Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act), for the purpose of promoting the interests of OHV recreation.

**ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

The FIG Program can fund a wide range of projects as they benefit OHV recreation. Projects should fit in one or more of the following categories:

1. All FIG funds may be spent on the construction, improvement, operation, acquisition, or maintenance of publicly-owned or -administered OHV facilities (including infrastructure). This trail work may include; the development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities, the purchase and lease of trail construction and maintenance equipment, the acquisition of property for trails/trailheads, and the assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance.

2. Up to 20% of FIG funds may be spent on access protection such as the participation in federal travel-planning processes by OHV organizations, the State of Utah, and its subsidiaries.

3. Up to 5% of FIG funds may be spent on search and rescue (SAR), such as the goods and services that SAR teams need for an effective response to OHV-related incidences.

4. Up to 5% of FIG funds may be spent on tourism, such as the promotion and administration of OHV related events and/or facilities.

5. Up to 5% of FIG funds may be spent on education, such as the development and dissemination of publications as well as the operation of educational programs that promote safety, courtesy, and resource conservation related to OHV trails (including non-law enforcement trail safety and trail-use monitoring patrol programs).

6. Up to 5% of FIG funds may be spent on other uses that further OHV policy directly related under Title 41, Chapter 22, Section 1: "It is the policy of this state to promote safety and protection for persons, property, and the environment connected with the use, operation, and equipment of off-highway vehicles, to promote uniformity of laws, to adopt and pursue a safety education program, and to develop trails and other facilities for the use of these vehicles."

**FUNDING CAP**

For the quarterly application, there is no funding cap.

**MATCHING FUNDS**

All projects must offer matching funds, and we encourage at least a portion of those funds to come from the project sponsor, directly. Projects that offer more match (such as 50% of the total project cost) will be more competitive. This expectation is especially the case for projects in which OHV recreation is not the only use, such as many interpretive signs, tourism facilities, and search-and-rescue operations. Leveraging support is a primary way for proposed projects to meet the FIG intent of incentivizing opportunities for responsible OHV recreation. **If the offered match is very low (≤ 5%), please explain the reasoning behind it.**

**TRAIL-WORK GUIDELINES**

As FIG applicants engage in the design, construction, and maintenance of OHV trails, they should strive to provide for the OHV operator's interests while ensuring resource conservation. Whether they are land managers or partners, applicants can work toward this goal by utilizing the book “Great Trails: Providing Quality OHV Trails and Experiences” published by the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council. (Electronic copies are available free of charge at [www.nohvcc.org](http://www.nohvcc.org/).) This book will provide applicants with a framework and guidelines to make informed decisions on where to locate sustainable OHV trails to increase operator satisfaction and resource conservation while reducing the burden of maintenance.

**THE PROCESS**

Submitted applications will be reviewed by the Utah Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Advisory Council on a quarterly basis. The anticipated quarterly reviews should take place during the months of January, April, August, and October of each calendar year. After the Council’s review, they will then make recommendations to the State Parks Board. The State Parks Board will then approve or disapprove a submitted application, and award notification is to be expected six- to eight weeks after the quarterly deadline.

Applicants may be contacted to clarify the details and merits of their proposal. Applicants may also be contacted to arrange an on-site tour of the project for Advisory Council members.

If project managers have questions please contact Rachel Toker, OHV Program Grant Administrator, at (385) 303-1519 or [racheltoker@utah.gov](mailto:racheltoker@utah.gov)

**TIMELINE**

Applications must be in the Utah Division of Parks and Recreation Salt Lake Office on or before 5 PM, Thursday, April 15, 2021. Late applications **will not** be accepted.

Please submit FIG applications electronically to:

[racheltoker@utah.gov](mailto:racheltoker@utah.gov)

or by mail:

**RACHEL TOKER**

**UTAH DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**1594 West North Temple Suite 116**

**PO Box 146001**

**Salt Lake City UT 84114-6001**

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

One completed and signed, the application must be mailed (U.S. Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, etc.), hand-delivered, or emailed to the address above.

All items listed below under “Application Checklist” must be included in order to be considered for grant funding.

All responses must be provided in the space allocated.

Text of responses should be in an 11-point Arial font.

Drawings and charts on 8 ½ " X 11 " document, in either portrait or landscape orientation.

In addition to this format, if the application is submitted electronically, all documents should be converted to a single PDF file that has the applicant's digital signature.

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

□ COMPLETED AND SIGNED APPLICATION **(Substitute signature required\*)**

□ MAP of the project for which funding is being requested, if applicable

□ PROOF OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, if applicable

□ APPRAISAL REPORT, if applicable

□ DETAILED PROJECT BUDGET

□ LETTER OF SUPPORT (minimum of two (2), no more than five (5))

□ FUNDING COMMITMENT LETTERS FROM OTHER FUNDING ENTITIES, if applicable

□ PHOTOGRAPHS OF PROPOSED PROJECT

□ NONPROFIT organizations only:

**Include**

* Proof of land-management agency permission
* Nonprofit status (proof that your organization was incorporated as a nonprofit corporation and is currently registered)
* Most recent bylaws
* Approved board meeting minutes for which funding is supported
* Supporting financial documentation

Include these documents even if your organization has received state funds in past.

\* The substitute project manager should be an individual from the applying organization who has the authority to sign and is aware of the project. They must also be willing to take over the project should the primary be unable to.

**UTAH DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE**

**FISCAL INCENTIVE GRANT**

**APRIL 2021 QUARTERLY APPLICATION**

**Section A: Project Overview**

A1. Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A2. Project Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A3. Location (nearest town): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A4. County or Counties: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A5. Project Manager: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Substitute Project Manager: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A6. Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A7. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A8. E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **\_\_**

A9. Substitute Project Manager’s Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A10. Substitute Project Manager’s Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A11. Amount of Fiscal Assistance Requested $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(round up to nearest dollar)

**(must be less than the total-project cost)**

A12. Amount of Match (Cash & In-Kind) Offered $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(round up to nearest dollar)

A13. Total Estimated Project Cost $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(round up to nearest dollar)

A14. Match Percentage Based on Project Total \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**%** (round to whole number)

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I am authorized to sign this application and that the information herein provided is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate. I further certify that the applicant has the necessary financial resources to fulfill all obligations relative to this project including the cost of operation and maintenance. I further certify that this application is submitted by the official action of the governing board of the applicant agency.

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Signature of Authorized Agent / Primary Project Manager **(Required)** Date

Title of Authorized Agent / Primary Project Manager Agency

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I am a representative of the same organization applying and am authorized to sign this application as the substitute project manager. If awarded, I certify that I have the ability to complete this project if the primary project manager is unable to.

Signature of Substitute Project Manager **(Required)** Date

Title of Substitute Project Manager Agency

#### Section B: Project Description

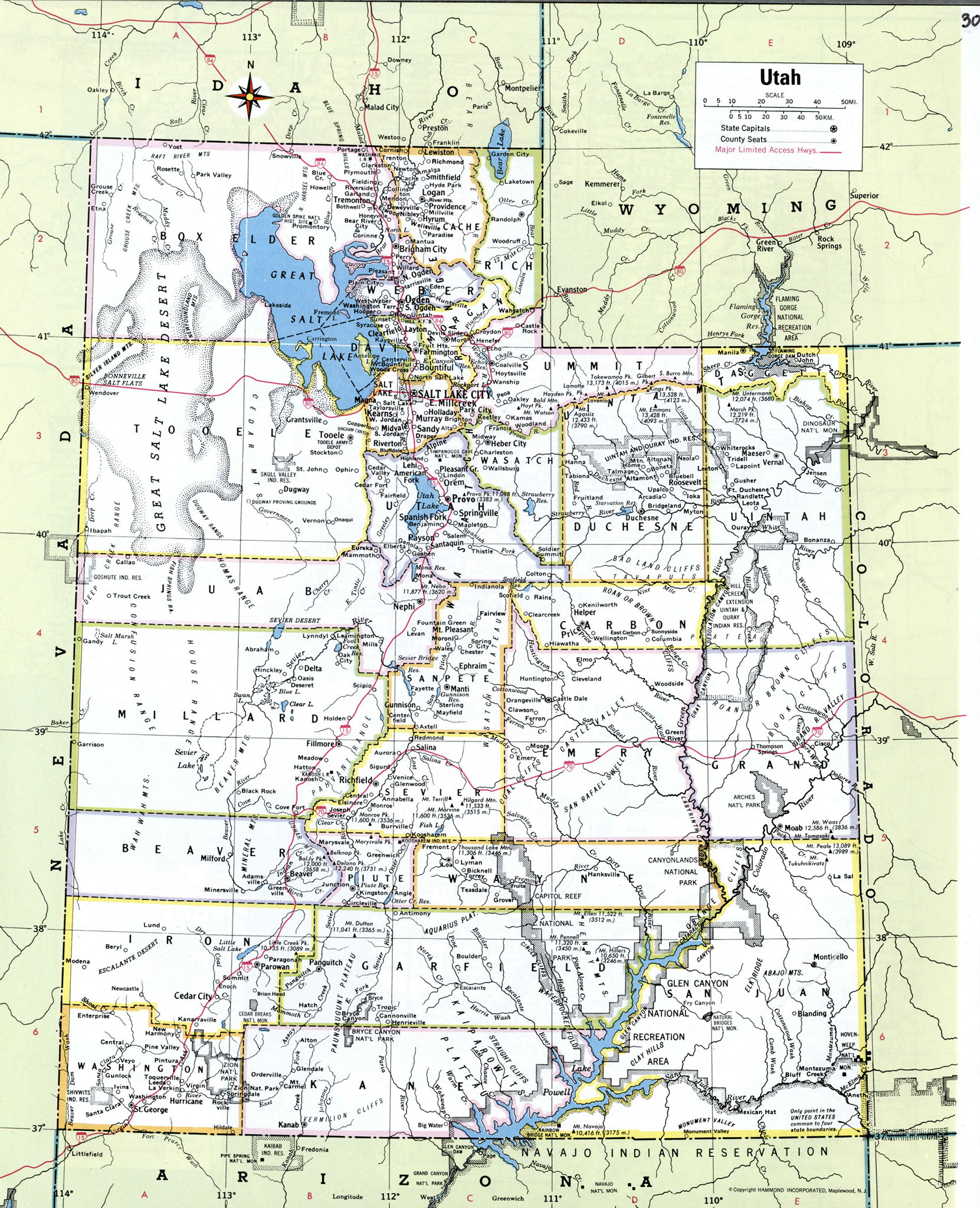
B1. In the space below, describe the project. Convey the need or problem, and how it would be satisfied or solved. Specify what is to be done. If it is a trail, does the project provide physical connections between resources, link existing community or regional trails, enhance access to OHV recreational opportunities, and/or enable residents to use OHVs? If it is a facility, specify exactly what is to be built. If it is an education campaign, specify any message/s, curriculum, method of delivery, or anticipated outcomes. Address current and projected use by providing visitor statistics, traffic counts, or similar data for the area.

If offered match is very low (≤ 5%), please explain the reasoning behind it.

You may add one more page for the project description.

Additional page can be found at <https://stateparks.utah.gov/resources/grants/state-ohv-fiscal-incentive-grant-fig/>

B2. On the statewide map below, highlight the location of the project area(s). If applicable, provide a more detailed map and GIS coordinates of the project area as well.



B3. Which category or categories best fit the project?

Note: Checking multiple categories does NOT make an application more competitive, and most projects fit predominantly into a single category.

□ 1. **Trail Work**

In addition to the standard sections below, be sure to complete Section H.

□ 2. **Access Protection**

In the project description (Section B), include evidence demonstrating your willingness and ability to protect OHV access responsibly and effectively.

□ 3. **Search and Rescue**

In addition to the standard sections below, be sure to complete Section G.

□ 4. **Tourism**

In addition to the standard sections below, be sure to complete Section F, and possibly Section H.

□ 5. **Education**

In addition to the standard sections below, be sure to complete Section E, and possibly Section H.

□ 6. **Other Use That Directly Benefits OHV Recreation**

In the project description (Section B), explain how the project would further the policy set forth in U.C.A. 41-22-1, which states "It is the policy of this state to promote safety and protection for persons, property, and the environment connected with the use, operation, and equipment of off-highway vehicles, to promote uniformity of laws, to adopt and pursue a safety education program, and to develop trails and other facilities for the use of these vehicles." Sections E - H may also apply to this category of project.

B4. What type of OHV use(s) will benefit from the project?

□ Motorcycle □ ATV □ Side-by-Side □ 4WD

B5. Is this project a phase of a longer project? □ Yes □ No

B6.    Anticipated Project Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Note: The project start date should be at least 6 weeks after the application deadline in order for a contract to be signed with the Utah Division of Parks and Recreation Off-Highway Vehicle Program.

         Estimated Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Note: The completion date should be within 2 years of the start date. A longer project duration may be granted upon request if you state the need for a later completion date below.

Outline an anticipated schedule/timeline of the proposed project's major components in the space below.

**Section C: Project Budget and Funding**

Complete the budget below (C5). This is a critical component of the application so, the more detailed, the better. Budget details may be shown on additional pages so long as they specify which part of the budget (which line of the table) that they are referring to. On the bottom line of the budget, total project costs must correlate with A11, A12, and A13 on Page 4 of the application.

PLEASE NOTE: Budget allowances for contingencies will not be funded by this program and cannot be included as part of your match.

C1. Does your application include charging individuals for a service or product? □ Yes □ No

If yes, please explain the reasoning for the funding request and your organizations financial situation.

C2. Estimated annual operation and maintenance costs of the project: **$**

Who will be responsible for maintenance? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

C3. Has your organization received OHV Program funding in the past (such as a motorized RTP grant, FIG grant, or any other funding amount exceeding $1,500)? □ Yes □ No

If yes, provide a list of projects funded within the past 3 years.

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| **Project Name** | **RTP, FIG or Other** | **Month / Year Awarded** | **Amount Awarded** | **Project Completed?** |
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C4. Nonprofit Organization □ Yes □ No

If so, **provide** nonprofit status (proof that your organization was incorporated as a nonprofit corporation and is currently registered), most recent by-laws, approved board meeting minutes for which funding is supported, and supporting financial documentation. Include these documents even if your organization has received state funds in the past.

If you are not a Utah 501(c)(3) organization, then you are not a nonprofit organization.

C5.  **FISCAL INCENTIVE GRANT BUDGET**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **PROJECT TITLE:** | | | |
| **ITEM DESCRIPTION**  **Source, Category, Item, Quantity**  **(Example: Various Clubs, Labor, Volunteer Hours, 45 @ $24.99/hour)**  **“Source” means where cash match and in-kind match are coming from. If you are purchasing specific item(s), please include pictures and/or price quotes.**  **PLEASE BE AS DETAILED AS POSSIBLE.**  **LACK OF DETAIL COULD DISQUALIFY APPLICATION.** | **VALUE OF ITEM LISTED ($)** | | |
| **REQUESTED**  **FIG FUNDING** | **CASH MATCH** | **IN-KIND MATCH** |
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| **TOTALS:**  (FIG request and match should mirror Section A11 & A12) |  |  |  |
| **TOTAL PROJECT COST:**  (Should mirror Section A13) |  | | |

Please double-check that your numbers and addition is correct.

**Section D: Project Partnerships**

D1. Please attach no fewer than one (2) and no more than five (5) letters of support for the specific project for which funding is being requested. These may include a letter from each of the partners and any prospective clubs or organizations. We allow letters of support to be submitted no more than seven (7) days after the application closing date and time. Please let OHV staff know if more letters of support are coming.

If applicable: Please attach letters of commitment from other funding entities.

D2. In the space below, describe how you would publicly recognize contributions from the FIG program, such as placing the Division of Parks and Recreation logo on signs and uniforms, developing press releases, or event coverage:

**Section E: Details of Category 5 (Education) projects.**

E1. How will you measure the education project's reach in terms of quantity and quality (e.g. number of impressions and duration or extent of interaction)?

E2. How will you measure the education project's effectiveness in terms of perceptions or behavior both before and after the implementation of the project?

**Section F: Details of Category 4 (Tourism) projects.**

F1. During the previous fiscal year, how much tourism took place, and what portion of that tourism was OHV recreation?

F2. Regarding the proposed project, how much total use do you anticipate, and what percent of that use do you anticipate will be from OHV recreation?

**Section G: Details of Category 3 (Search and Rescue) projects.**

G1. During the previous fiscal year, how many incidents did the SAR team respond to, and what percentage of them directly involved OHV recreation?

G2. Regarding the proposed project, how many incidences do you anticipate it will benefit, and what portion of those incidences do you anticipate will directly involve OHV recreation?

**Section H: Details of Category 1 (Trail Work) projects.**

*This section should also be completed for any Category 4 (tourism) or Category 5 (education) projects that would fund facilities.*

H1**.** Is public access guaranteed? □ Yes □ No

H2. Has environmental clearance (e.g. NEPA or RDCC) been completed? □ Yes □ No □ N/A

H3. Project land is owned or administered by (Check one or more):

□ City □ County □ State □ Federal □ Private

If the applicant is not the land owner/administrator, include copies of leases, easements, or other agreements for use of land; or a letter from the landowner specifying that the landowner will permit the project and will execute the appropriate legal document in a timely manner.

H4. If real property is to be acquired, please write in the space below a description of the land's acquisition status and plans for a fee title purchase or other means.

H5. In the space below, describe the type and extent of facilities, as well as the kind of work to be performed. For trail work projects, list the trail types (i.e. motorcycle singletrack, ATV, side-by-side, 4WD) and lengths that will receive each kind of work (i.e. construction, reconstruction, relocation, other tread work, corridor clearing, and installation of signs or structures).

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