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2020-2021 Off-Highway Vehicle Program State Trail Grant Application

Name of Project: New Rider Skills Training Area		Date of Application: 12/03/18
<i>(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)</i>		
Total Project Cost: \$131,196	Grant Request: \$131,196	
<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: Rampart Range Motorcycle Management Committee		
Mailing Address: P.O.Box 3511, Englewood, CO 80155		
Telephone:		Fax:
		Email:

OFFICIAL USE ONLY – DUNS # (IF REQUIRED):

PROJECT CONTACT		
<small>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.</small>		
Name: Brett Johnson	Title: Member	
Mailing Address: 1825 Hidden Valley Rd. Sedalia, CO 80135		
Telephone: 720-355-1676	Fax:	Email: enduroranch@gmail.com
		Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES NO

PROJECT CLOSE-OUT CONTACT		
<small>This is the person responsible for submitting receipts for project spending and close-out. Please notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.</small>		
Name: Brett Johnson	Title: Member	
Mailing Address: 1825 Hidden Valley Rd. #B Sedalia, CO 80135		
Telephone: 720-355-1676	Fax:	Email: enduroranch@gmail.com

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

PROJECT LOCATION		
Nearest Town or City: Denver, Colorado		
County(ies): Douglas		
Township/Range/Section:		
State Senate District #: 4		
State Representative District #: 39		
LAND OWNERSHIP		
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: USFS		
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): USFS		
TRAIL SYSTEM INFORMATION (List the number of miles for each type of OHV trail in your area)		
Singletrack <u>71</u> 50" <u>103</u> Full-sized <u>27</u>		
TRAIL USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply to the work planned for this project)		
<input type="checkbox"/> All-Terrain Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Side x Side	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Sized 4X4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motorcycling	<input type="checkbox"/> Four-Wheeling	<input type="checkbox"/> Accessible Access
PROJECT INFORMATION (Please check all activities that apply to this project.) Include detailed information for all that apply in the Project Scope of Work.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance	<input 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 miles / ft added _____ additional <i>environmental approvals</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signs	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restoration/Rehabilitation (existing corridor)	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Corps	
<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor Contacts & Law Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Capital Equipment	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Acquisition or Other	
* Trail location(s) must be shown on project map and detailed work plans included in Scope of Work		
TRAIL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY (Based on your project description, provide the percentage from your budget for each of the categories listed.)		
% of Budget 0%	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.)	
5%	Enforcement, Education & Visitor Contacts (e.g., patrols, enforcement, education and visitor contacts, wages, safety contacts, equipment, etc.)	
24%	Planning & Travel Plan Implementation (e.g., planning, engineering, maps, inventorying, travel management signs & installation, decommission non-system routes, rehabilitation, new construction, wages, monitoring, etc.)	
71%	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: New Rider Skills Training Area	Project No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: RRMMC	Application Year: 2020-2021
Project Contact: Brett Johnson	Application No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Total Project Cost: \$131,196	Grant Request: \$131,196

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.

Phase 2 of the Rampart Range Enduro Training Area will be designed by the RRMMC and USFS and constructed by independent contractors beginning 2021. Additions to the Area will consist of a series of man-made and natural obstacles including logs and small to large rock formations. The location is adjacent to the Dutch Fred Trail Head and existing training areas, Kiddy Corral and Lightfoot Loop. This location has restroom facilities and camping.

(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 this information in question #2 of the Selection Criteria.)

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

The RRMMC is an all-volunteer, nonprofit corporation founded in 1972 to work with the Forest Service to promote and preserve the riding opportunities in the Rampart Range Motorized Recreation Area. The RRMMC is also an AMA Chartered Off Road Club.

The Enduro Skills Training Area will be constructed by a contractor experienced in building this type of off-road skills facility.

The RRMMC will work closely with the South Platte Ranger District to ensure build standards, safety and environmental impacts, as well as the on-site educational elements, meet USFS best practices.

The RRMMC will be responsible for the oversight and completion of the construction and educational elements.

The project is located in the South Platte Ranger district of the Pike-San Isabel National Forest in Douglas County Colorado. The work will be performed within the Rampart Range Motorized Recreation Area trail systems and augment the Dutch Fred Trail Head, camping, Kiddy Corral and Lightfoot Loop.

Project Goal:

The Enduro Skills Training Area is a man-made and natural set of obstacles and terrain specifically designed for improving riders’ skills. The goal of the Enduro Skills Training Area is to provide the opportunities and increased access that motorized users are currently seeking and will continue to pursue as their skills develop.

Deliverables:

Deliverables include a training area featuring tiered levels of skill building incorporating an area designated for “First Timers,” a Picnic and Family Viewing area, the re-route of a short section of 681, appending the existing Lightfoot Loop, new Advanced Skills features, as well as on-site and online educational media. The features will provide training elements that range from First Timer to Advanced riders.

ACTIVITIES Personnel: Personnel expenses are estimated at \$NA

Materials/Supplies: \$

Hardwoods will be used for log features to decrease wear and improve longevity. Solid granite rocks will be used in place of the decomposing granite that would also wear quickly. A range of sand, medium sized gravel and small rocks will be utilized for beginner and intermediate sections. Post and cable will be utilized for perimeters.

Equipment:

None

Contracted Services:

Resourcing, assembly, and construction of the training area will be provided by independent contractors. The contractors have constructed similar areas and are considered experts in the industry.

Volunteer Support:

The Rampart Range Motorized Management Committee will provide volunteer time in planning, resourcing, and labor over the course of the project.

Timeline:

Project planning, and resourcing will commence early 2021.

Construction will begin as early as possible with weather permitting, anticipating spring 2021.

Program Funding Acknowledgement

Acknowledgement of the OHV grant program and the Colorado Registration Dollars at Work logo will be displayed on all relevant signs, kiosks, and digital channels. Any printed materials will include a visible logo. The OHV grant will be mentioned by name in all relevant promotions and updates.

DEFINITIONS?

NA

Budget Form

Project Name: New Rider Skills Training Area

Date Project will be Completed: 10/31/2021

Project Sponsor: RRMCC

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)			\$ 131,196.00
Other Funding Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<small>List other sources of project funding, here, and what the funding will be used for (insert more lines if needed)</small>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<small>Example: To provide additional Salary, Materials, and/or Equipment</small>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
USE OF GRANT FUNDING <small>List uses of grant funding (only) below</small>	TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT		\$ 131,196.00

I. Personnel Costs <small>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</small>				
	\$ Per Hr	Hrs/week	# of weeks	Total Cost
Project Manager	\$ 40.00	40	10	\$ 16,000.00
Project Planner	\$ 40.00	20	10	\$ 8,000.00
Project Coordinator - General Labor	\$ 20.00	40	10	\$ 8,000.00
			Category Total	\$ 32,000.00

II. Project Materials/Supplies <small>Identify as: Signs, rock, lumber, paint, nails, printing, maps/guides, education materials, etc.</small>				
	Price Per	Quantity	Total	
Educational Signage	\$ 4,161.00	1	\$ 4,161.00	\$ 4,161.00
Posts	\$ 32.00	104		\$ 3,333.33
Cable	\$ 1,800.00	1	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00
Hardware				
Picnic Tables	\$ 1,950.00	4	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,800.00
Concrete Pour & Finishing			\$ -	\$ 2,960.00
Misc Hardware			\$ -	\$ 191.67
			\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ 20,696.00

III. Equipment <small>Identify as: Trail Dozer, ATV, motorcycle, chainsaws, field equipment rentals, equipment fuel and repairs, fleet vehicle operations, etc.</small>				
	\$		\$	\$
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

IV. Contracted Services <small>Identify as: Youth Corps, NEPA, planning, engineering, construction contractor/subcontractor costs</small>				
	\$		\$	\$
Subcontracted Services:	\$ -			\$ -
Reroute of trail 681	\$ -			\$ 32,000.00
Rehab old trail & level the first time rider area	\$ -			\$ 18,000.00
Riding Area Tree Removal and Grading	\$ -			\$ 14,000.00
Post & Cable Installation	\$ -			\$ 6,250.00
Shelter Installation	\$ -			\$ 6,000.00
Kiosk Installation	\$ -			\$ 2,250.00
	\$ -			
			Category Total	\$ 78,500.00

V. Volunteer Support <small>Identify as: For Volunteers Only Safety education, safety gear (gloves/goggles), outfitting, per diem (meals or mileage when travel required by and identified in project scope of work), non-monetary awards or recognition.</small>				
	\$		\$	\$
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

VI. Insurance <small>(Non-profit organizations only)</small>				
	\$		\$	\$
	\$ -			\$ -
			Category Total	\$ -

VII. Grant Administrative Costs <small>(Non-profit organizations only)</small> <small>Identify as: administrative costs, office supplies, postage, phone charges, computer & printer supplies, etc. (Up to 5% of amount spent)</small>				
	\$		\$	\$
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -			\$ -
			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	\$ 131,196.00
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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	Rampart Good OHV Trail Crew 2022	Project Sponsor	USFS – South Platte Ranger District
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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:

Pike National Forest Land Use Plan	Date: 1984
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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.]

No NEPA required for routine maintenance

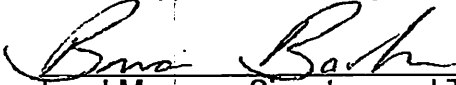
For more information contact:

Andrew Barnhorst

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for (date).

Brian Banks – District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title


 Land Manager Signature and Title

11/24/2020
 Date

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	Timberline Maintenance & Patrol	Project Sponsor	USFS – South Platte Ranger District
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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:

Pike National Forest Land Use Plan Date: 1984

3. A decision has been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process. Date and title of document:

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.]

No NEPA required for routine maintenance

For more information contact:

Andrew Barnhorst

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for (date).

Brian Banks – District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title

Brian Banks

Land Manager Signature and Title

11/24/2020

Date

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	Rampart Trail Crew & Patrol IV	Project Sponsor	USFS – South Platte Ranger District
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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:

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Pike National Forest Land Use Plan	Date: 1984
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3. A decision has been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process.
Date and title of document:
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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.]

No NEPA required for routine maintenance


For more information contact:

Andrew Barnhorst

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for (date).

Brian Banks – District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title


 Land Manager Signature and Title

11/24/2020

Date

FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION and LAND MANAGER APPROVAL

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Project Name	<u>New Rider Skills Training Area</u>	Project Sponsor	<u>Rampart Range Motorcycle Management Committee</u>
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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:

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<u>Pike National Forest Land Use Plan</u>	Date: <u>1984</u>
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3. A decision has been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process.

Date and title of document:

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.]

This project is currently going through the NEPA process.


For more information contact:

Jim Peasley

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for (date).

Brian Banks – District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title


Land Manager Signature and Title

11/24/2020

Date

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	2022 RRMCM Trail Maintenance	Project Sponsor	Rampart Range Motorcycle Management Committee
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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:

Pike National Forest Land Use Plan Date: 1984

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.]

No NEPA required for routine maintenance

For more information contact:

Jim Peasley

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for (date).

Brian Banks – District Ranger

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title


 Land Manager Signature and Title

11/24/2020
 Date

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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):

Describe the objectives of your project and how it will benefit, and protect riding opportunities while protecting resources in the project area. ***(Use the following as a guideline for describing your project)***

- What specifically will the project accomplish?
- How will the project protect or improve riding opportunities?
- Will it provide essential maintenance to keep OHV riding opportunities available? Please describe maintenance history for this specific area.
- Describe how this project will foster and promote a satisfactory and challenging riding opportunity for OHV enthusiasts?
- Why is this project a priority at this time?
- Provide an estimate of how many and what types of OHV enthusiasts will benefit from the project?
- Describe how this project will provide long term value and sustainability?

Phase 2 of the Enduro Skills Training Area will provide dirtbike beginner and intermediate riders with an opportunity to learn vital off-road skills in a controlled closed course. Most significantly, the area will include a "bunny slope" area that will allow first time riders to learn how to ride and provide adjacent viewing spot for families to oversee their new riders and assist as needed.

The reroute of Trail 681 will be altered to separate the busy trail from the intended First Timers area and to create a corridor that connects the First Timers area with the 3-tiered Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced course. This will provide an easy and designated area for first timers and a connection opportunity between the skills areas, keeping non-plated user groups off the road.

As initially intended, the project will gradually improve skills by allowing riders to systematically practice increasingly difficult terrain at their own discretion. This differs from existing trails over natural terrain that can be unexpectedly altered by weather or other riders. Mastering skills in a controlled environment will enable enthusiasts to ride through more difficult sections of trail without causing damage to the trail, themselves, or other trail users.

Maintenance opportunities and history: NA

Camping opportunities: NA

New trail riders entering the sport, and riders moving to the front range find Colorado's unique terrain, including elevation changes and soil composition, to be extremely challenging. The Enduro Skills area will allow these enthusiasts to become comfortable with the terrain so that they will have a more satisfactory riding experience on Colorado's OHV trails. The area will also provide education for riding etiquette, techniques, and the natural environment of the Rampart Range area.

Other areas in the state are providing similar training courses and seeing a great deal of participation. However, these areas are relatively removed from the populated metro areas of Denver and Colorado Springs. Including educational resources at Rampart Range supports the RRMMC's goal of fostering stewardship and responsible recreation in an area most likely to serve as an initial outing for Colorado's most densely populated areas.

Based on observed rider numbers to the area, we anticipate an average of 10-15 riders on weekdays, 30 per weekend day with peak holiday weekend volumes at 40-60 riders per day. Long term, the Enduro Skills Area will allow for centralized maintenance and ongoing educational opportunities. The proposed area is located near existing restrooms and practice loops and allows for a robust education and enrichment center.

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

Provide evidence of support for this project from trail users, agencies, local governments, community groups, or individuals and attach letters or petitions to your application packet. Applicants need to demonstrate that the project has a broad spectrum of support. Letters from the following entities are encouraged: relevant political subdivisions with jurisdiction over the project area, conservation organizations, user groups who frequent the area, and community organizations. The program places a higher value on the quality of supporting correspondence submitted rather than the quantity for support letters received. *(Use the following as a guideline for describing your project)*

- Describe all agencies, groups, clubs or organizations who are partners on the project. Will the project utilize volunteers or youth group services?
- Are you aware of any controversy this proposed project has caused, if at all, in the local community?
- Create a narrative or a list that includes the amounts and sources of additional (non-grant) funds, in-kind services, materials, and any other items that will be used as leverage in your project:
 - Donations, contributions, materials and other ways that this project will be leveraged
 - Describe the types of funds that will be contributed to the project
 - Itemize any funds received from other grants or sources
 - Provide your total project cost, including the total amount of all grant funds, use of volunteers, donations, and any additional contributions mentioned in your narrative
 - Partners (who will support work parties)

Due to the unique nature of the Enduro Skills Training Area, we will primarily rely on the Contractors for feature improvements. More cost-effective contractors and volunteers will be utilized for the First Timers area. In support of that build, the RRMMC in kind hours will be a source of volunteer hours. These efforts may be combined with volunteers from Dealer partners.

We are not aware of any controversy in the local community. More so, we've received an overwhelmingly positive response from agencies, groups, clubs, and individuals of the local community.

Partners of the Enduro Skills Training Area include:

- South Platte Ranger District & RRMMC
- Douglas County Search & Rescue
- ARES
- Dealers

No additional (non-grant) fund sources will be included.
Youth group services will not be required for this project.

The total project cost will be \$131,196.

3. Resource Protection, Enhancement and Restoration relative to eligible OHV grant activities

(25 points):

Describe the principal objectives that will be accomplished by this project (e.g., new trail construction, trail relocation, trail maintenance, restoration/rehabilitation or any other grant eligible activity). Include as many components as are applicable. Show how the project aids in the protection or improvement of the environment by addressing existing problems, and avoiding or minimizing impacts through the implementation of the project. ***(Use the following as a guideline for describing your project)***

- In the case of new trail construction, provide documentation that shows all required environmental reviews are completed or indicate the current status of that work.
- Will this project promote the protection, clean up, rehabilitation or avoidance of sensitive environmental resources such as wildlife habitat or wetlands in the project area? If so, explain how.
- Will the project include re-vegetation of eroded areas or trail that will promote the long term protection of sensitive or critical resources? If so, explain how.
- Will the project construct or improve drainage structures to prevent erosion or repair damage from excessive runoff, or harden and/or bridge stream crossings and wet areas?
- Describe any indirect benefits this project proposal will have on critical resources in the project area.

The principle objective of the Enduro Skills Training Area at Rampart Range is to construct an area for dirt bike riders to learn and practice skills. The project aids in the protection of the environment by addressing the need for improving OHV rider control, awareness, and appreciation. Riders equipped with an understanding of how to properly navigate and overcome challenges on the trail are less likely to divert around difficulty obstacles causing damage to existing trails. Thus, the impact on the trails and the associated areas is minimized. The project will also provide an area for first time riders that is both safely off the main system trails and responsibly off the roads and out of campsites.

The attached documentation shows the area will not be negatively impacted.

The project will promote the protection and clean up of Rampart Range resources and habitat through on-site and online educational materials. These may include language on signage, as well as in photos and/or videos associated with the Enduro Skills Training Area.

Segregating this type of training with post and cable will deter riders from off trail excursions in the adjacent areas.

Providing a training area where there are existing toilet facilities helps ensure that visitors have proper access and accommodations for camping or day use. The facilities are also in a regularly and readily maintainable area for the USFS. This allows for consistent and timely routine upkeep of facilities.

Additional equipment for maintenance of the area is not required; the Skills Training Area will be maintained as an extension to current RRMMC trail maintenance. New equipment is not expected at this time.

The RRMMC will maintain the obstacles on a regular basis through independent contractors and volunteers. The area will add an additional 140 hours to the existing trail maintenance volunteer events. The annual budget for independent contractor maintenance of larger obstacles such as logs or rocks is estimated at \$3500.00/yr. With the USFS and RRMMC cost share agreement we estimate 140 hours per year to maintain the area.

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

Active and effective OHV management is based upon the implementation of travel management plans, broad public awareness, compliance, enforcement and providing adequate recreation opportunities. Describe how the project will promote active OHV management and improve OHV use for the benefit of public land visitors. To receive a full score of 25 points for this category the project must incorporate at least one of the following components. *(Use the following as a guideline for describing your project)*

Travel Management:

- Will this project employ one or more travel management measures such as educational tools, signage, control structures, methods to reduce conflicts among user groups, visitor contacts and/or increased compliance efforts to improve adherence to OHV regulations and designations? If so, explain those measures.
- Include information as to how the project will enhance and promote multiple-use trails.
- Will the project assist in monitoring or closing or rehabilitating off-trail, non-system OHV routes in compliance with TMPs or MVUMs or address damaged or closed routes pursuant to an MVUM? (e.g., repair, or the placement or replacement of signage, fencing, and trail barriers or reseeding, resurfacing, decommissioning, or re-contouring trails, etc.). If so, explain how.
- Describe how this project is consistent with the long-term plans of the land management agency with jurisdiction over the project area?

Education

- Describe the educational components of the project and how this will specifically benefit OHV riders, as well as other area visitors and residents. Note, the most effective educational efforts are those targeted to “on the ground” user education in the field encouraging responsible use through educational materials such as signs, brochures, maps, kiosks, and field contacts.
- Explain how this project will encourage responsible use through education.
- Does this project use or provide educational tools such as maps, signs, brochures, kiosks, or patrols to educate riders? If so, explain.

Enforcement and Compliance Activities:

- How will the project improve compliance of OHV regulations and route designations?
- Will the project utilize law enforcement or compliance measures to increase compliance with state OHV laws, measures to increase compliance and law enforcement efforts?
- How will the project utilize law enforcement or compliance measures to increase compliance with state OHV laws, designated routes and OHV registration requirements for both resident and non-resident OHV recreationists?
- How will project assess, document and report the results of compliance and laws enforcement efforts?
- Include an estimate of the time and/or financial resources that will be devoted specifically to visitor contacts, compliance and law enforcement under this proposal.

This project is consistent with the ongoing successful track record of maintenance and enhancement of motorized recreation in the National Forest.

Measures such as educational tools, signage, control structures, methods to reduce conflicts among user groups, visitor contacts and/or increased compliance efforts to improve adherence to OHV regulations and designations may include:

- Information will be displayed on signage at the course. These will describe techniques, etiquette, and the Rampart Range area and will include acknowledgement of the OHV grant program.
- Responsibility in riding and avoidance of sensitive environmental resources such as wildlife habitat or wetlands will be thematic throughout documentation and presentation materials.
- Informational signage and/or documentation highlighting the region’s natural diversity will be displayed.
- RRMVC Volunteer and 3rd party educational Training Courses can be conducted.
- Digital photos/videos for key training obstacles or features will be available online and will include acknowledgement of the OHV grant program.
- RRMVC maps will include educational information about the area.

- Safety information such as hand signals and right-of-way will be included in on-site and online materials.

These educational materials will specifically benefit OHV riders by increasing skills, improving awareness, and decreasing injuries. After visiting the training area and practicing skills, riders are less apt to come across an obstacle on the trail that results in a crash or off-route excursion. Riding with increased skill allows for increased awareness. Awareness translates on the trail to improved navigational skills and a reduced number of collisions.

As a starting point for riders who visit the area, the Enduro Skills Training Area offers the best opportunity to educate OHV riders as to the importance of “Stay the Trail” as well as bring awareness to the efforts, value, and privilege of being able to ride trails in the National Forest. Demonstrating a sense of respect and appreciation for younger riders, who are likely to use the course for training, will improve the likelihood that they will in-turn carry that respect and message with them throughout the OHV community. These messages may be as simple as, “Take a moment to find and remove a single piece of trash every time you ride.”

The Enduro Skills Training Area will also improve user contact points and law enforcement opportunities by centralizing OHV activities. This will be particularly effective for resident and non-resident newcomers to the sport or to Colorado who may not be aware of state OHV laws. With the newest riders in one location this will simply be easier to manage.

Conflicts in this area will be managed with singletrack pinch gates to enter the area, signage, and a post and cable barrier that will encompass the training area. Thus, 50-inch or side-by-side vehicles will not be permitted to enter the riding area.

Educational volunteer training resources at the training course will provide consistent visitor contacts throughout the season. Instructors and aids of the RRMCC and Dealer Partners will participate on select weekends to assist riders with techniques. Compliance and law enforcement will remain within the current duties of the USFS and may reduce time spent while increasing effectiveness due to centralization of newer OHV riders.

Under this proposal the results of reduced conflict, improved compliance of law enforcement efforts and other benchmarks will be measured by visitor contacts. Our experience has shown with the Lightfoot’s Loop and Kiddy Corral, (areas that are well located, designed, and constructed) are respected by users. We see less vandalism, less abuse and more adherence to the designated riding area.

Additionally, RRMCC will be monitoring sentiment and feedback to assess the level of satisfaction of participants and can address any stated conflicts or concerns users may have or have experienced. These interactions can take place in both negative and positive instances and will help educate riders.

D-2

Land Acquisition Grant – Supplemental Criteria

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A plan is required to be eligible for funding from the State Trails Program. Applicants are encouraged to apply for a Planning Grant from the Recreational Trail Program or the Off-Highway Vehicle Program *before* submitting a land acquisition proposal.

Land Acquisition Grant Applications require a presentation to the State Trails Committee.

If you have any questions on the requirements, please contact State Trails' staff *prior to* submitting your application.

Please respond to each section, being sure to identify which question you are answering. Use your own paper with *one-page per section or up to four pages total*. Please respond in 12-pitch font. Evaluating a project without the following information is difficult, so failure to respond to sections may reduce a project's score.

Eligibility Criteria and Acquisition Costs Acceptable for Reimbursement

- Only costs to acquire land, land leases or easements
- The purchase must be a fair market valuation
- Appraisals and legal fees
- An environmental review of the subject property
- Land surveys
- Transaction costs
- Property interest must be secured and controlled for a minimum of 25 years

Ineligibility Criteria and Acquisition Costs Unacceptable for Reimbursement

- Site development
- Acquisitions that involve condemnation
- Insurance (except Title Insurance)
- Any work that is not directly relevant to trail development or acquisition
- Facilities that are ornamental and/or do not have a direct benefit to trail users
- Any applicant that is not in compliance with the terms and/or conditions of a prior and/or **existing** grant from the State Trails Program

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I. Site Description

- A. Describe the site and surrounding area. What currently exists on the property? Include a site map that shows property boundaries, utilities, roads and structures. If larger than 8.5" x 11", maps must be folded into that size.

II. Planning

- A. Explain the *project* planning process surrounding the proposed acquisition. List all the steps required by rule or law of the governing agency for project approval. List the steps that have been completed.
- B. List local, state, and/or federal permits required for the project and list those requirements that have been fulfilled.
- C. Describe how the *project* is compatible to the requested acquisition.
- D. Is this project part of any local, regional, state or federal plans? List the goals and objectives of this project and how it ties these plans.

III. Public Notice

- A. Has the public been notified and invited to participate in the planning of the *project*? What type of public notice is required by rule or law to inform the public about a project?

IV. Public Involvement

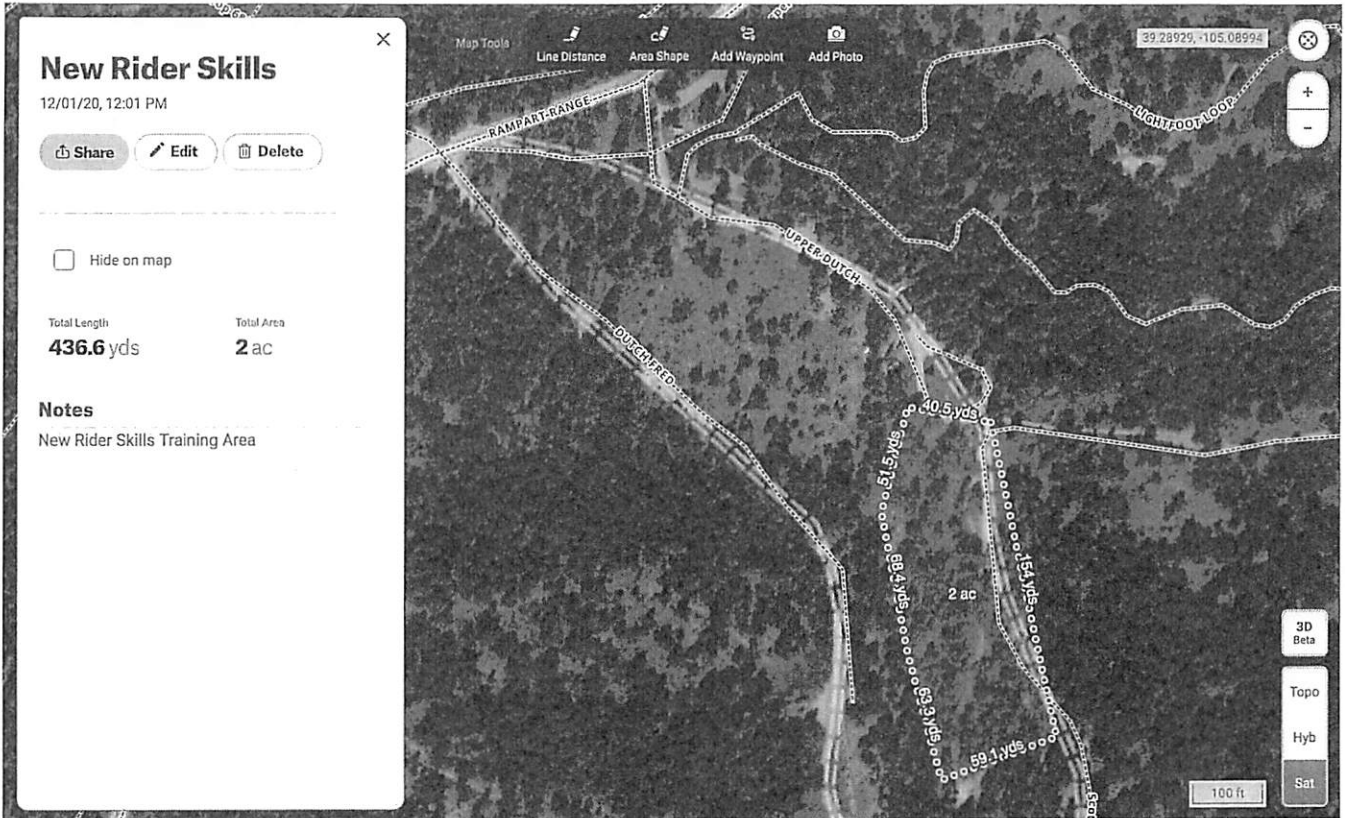
- A. *Projects* may not be planned in isolation. The general public, adjacent landowners, and other interested parties should be involved from the outset. Describe the public involvement process used in the planning of this project and the results of any input.
- B. Summarize the most important comments received and your response to those comments.
- C. Describe any changes to your project design or scope of work based on public input.

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

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



E-2 Project Map: Please provide a map identifying the specific trail-work area or project site.
(Make 20 copies to include in your application packet)



New Riders Skills Training Area will be adjacent to Dutch Fred and existing beginner trails.

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.

(F) Project Illustration

Photographs, Drawings, Engineering Plans, Diagrams

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

Items to consider including may be:

- Photos (4-6) of the project area or photos of another project's outcome that illustrates what you will do for this project
- Engineering drawings of the project
- Diagrams/plans of the project

(Examples from the BLM skills course in the Peach Valley Rec Area)

Basic riding area is flat an open as seen here in a Rampart Range parking area.



Educational How-To and environmental awareness information will be posted on location.



(G) Letters of Project Support

Provide up to six (6) letters of support from entities that are supporting the project in ways other than cash or in-kind contributions. Letters should come from at least three of the categories listed below. Letters must be current, and must document the need and demand for the proposed project. Please note, identically worded form letters do not sufficiently fulfill this requirement. All letters must be included with the application. Letters mailed directly to the State Trails Program will not be accepted as letters of support for the application, rather they will be treated as public comments on the project as proposed.

- Adjacent land owners
- Federal, county, city and private land owners
- Individual users or user groups
- Partners and/or cooperators

1. **Trails Preservation Alliance – Andrew Barhnorst**
2. **Vickery Motorsports, Inc. – Bill Vickery**
3. **Mountain Motorsports, Inc. – Matt Dell**
4. **Enduro Ranch, Ltd. – Brett Johnson**

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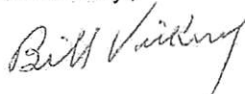
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