



**Public Information Release
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Sergeant Steve Herdt, Lake County Sheriff's Office

The Lake County Sheriff's Office is currently applying to the California State Parks Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division for the 2016-17 grants program for a proposed OHV Enforcement Project. The project is proposed to include a well-equipped, well trained, OHV Enforcement and Off-Road Response Team with funding assistance from the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program.

The purpose of the Sheriff's OHV Enforcement Project is to promote and support the safe and authorized use of public lands by OHV enthusiasts in areas such as the BLM Cow Mountain and Knoxville Recreational Areas, as well as designated OHV use areas of the Mendocino National Forest. The project will also provide for effective response and abatement efforts relating to OHV trespass problems on private undeveloped lands and encourage the use of authorized, well managed, OHV recreational areas through public education.

A 30-day public review and comment period for the 2016-17 Grants and Cooperative Agreement Program begins March 7, 2017, and ends on April 3, 2017. This period provides an opportunity for the public to review the preliminary application submitted by the Sheriff's Office to the OHMVR Division for consideration during the grant cycle. The grant application will be posted on the OHMVR website on March 7, 2017 and can be viewed at <http://olga.ohv.parks.ca.gov/egramsohmvr/User/home.aspx>

The public may provide comments on the proposed project to the Lake County Sheriff's Office by contacting Sergeant Steve Herdt at sah@co.lake.ca.us, or to the OHMVR Division of California State Parks at OHVinfo@parks.ca.gov