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**TO:** IAC Members and Designees

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**SUBJECT:** NOVA Program Funding  
*Off-Road Vehicle Projects (ORV)* Notebook Item #6d

**Summary.** Fifteen ORV projects requesting \$1,146,703 out of an available pool of \$1,352,828 <sup>[1]</sup> in Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program (NOVA) motor vehicle fuel tax funds and permit fees are presented for consideration. The NOVA Advisory Committee and staff recommend all of these projects for funding.

To assist in review, the following attachments are provided:

- Attachment 1 – Draft adoption resolution.
- Table 1 – Project listing in the order recommended for funding
- Attachment 2 – Evaluation criteria summary.
- Attachment 3 – Question-by-question summary of average evaluation scores.
- Attachment 4 – State map showing project locations, and
- Summaries of each project submitted, in recommended funding order.

**Program Background.** This is IAC's second ORV grants cycle since March 2004 when SHB 2489 became law, thus mandating several major program changes, including new fund distribution percentages and broadening eligible activities.

Projects in the ORV category provide opportunities for recreationists that enjoy motorized off-road activities, including motorcycling and riding all-terrain<sup>[2]</sup> and four-wheel drive vehicles on trails and in competition sport parks.

<sup>[1]</sup> Does not include "competitive dollars" (NOVA Policy Manual #14, page 8).

<sup>[2]</sup> ATVs – quads, etc.



The program is guided by RCW 46.09, WAC 286-26, the *NOVA Plan: 2005-2011*, and Policy Manual #14, *NOVA Program: Nonhighway Road, Nonmotorized, and Off-Road Vehicle Policies and Project Selection*. The Manual describes:

- **Eligible Applicants** [Tribes, federal, state, and local governments, and nonprofit ORV organizations]
- **Project Types** [Land acquisition, development and/or renovation projects, maintenance and operation of facilities, and planning activities].
- **Project Elements** [Trails, trailheads, day-use areas, campgrounds, sports parks, intensive use areas, and support structures like sanitary facilities and utilities]
- **Fund Assistance** [There are no fund limits for capital/planning projects; M&O projects are limited to \$200,000 for a two-year grant or \$100,000 for a one-year grant; no matching share is required; evaluation criteria encourages matching contributions by awarding additional points to projects with matching resources].

### **Grants Process Timeline.**

**February 2005.** Staff met with NOVA advisory committee members, in part, to discuss the upcoming grants cycle and review possible changes to IAC's NOVA policy manual. In addition, staff conducted a well advertised series of workshops to help potential applicants understand the funding process, how to complete applications, and participate in project evaluations. IAC's grant program brochure, policy manuals, and related materials were provided on CD-ROM to interested parties.

**May 2005.** By the May 2 deadline, 15 applications had arrived. In July, the Evaluation Team read through the applications and provided advice to project applicants.

**September-October 2005.** In September, information on each project (project narratives, costs estimates) was sent to the 15 member evaluation team for review in preparation for scoring. During the first week in October, the evaluation team dedicated four very full days to listening to NOVA applicants respond to the program's evaluation instrument, asking questions, and scoring each project.

The nine criteria (Attachment 2) are designed to assist in supporting statewide needs and focus on:

- Need for the project
- Benefits of the project
- Technical merits of the project, and
- Degree to which the project meets the policies in the *NOVA Plan*.

After all members had returned their scores to staff for compilation, the team met again to develop the funding recommendations described in this memo.

**Project Recommendations.** At its October post-evaluation meeting, the NOVA Advisory Committee recommended adoption of the ranked listing of projects reflected in

Table 1. This year's ORV Evaluation Team members, in accord with the representation mandates in RCW 46.09.280, were:

- \*Arlene Brooks (Auburn)
- Robert Brooke (Spanaway)
- \*Paul Dahmer (Olympia)
- Richard Elkins (Mercer Island)
- Jonathan Guzzo (Seattle)
- \*Ken Irwin (Yakima)
- Theresa Julius (Aberdeen)
- Jeff Lambert (Spokane)
- \*Dwayne Ratliff (Olympia)
- \*Pene Speaks (Olympia)
- John Spring (Mercer Island)
- \*Vladimir Steblina (Wenatchee)
- \*Maartin van Dantzich (Seattle)
- \*Dave Bowers (Olympia).

[1] Member, ORV permit fee subgroup.

**Funding.** Chapter 46.09 RCW directs that NOVA dollars allocated to this category must be composed of *motor vehicle fuel tax revenues* and the *ORV permit fees* paid by ORV dealers and ORV recreationists. The statute further directs that the IAC administered portion of the fuel tax be divided among nonhighway road, nonmotorized, and ORV recreation. Each of these categories must receive "...not less than 30 percent..." of the fuel tax dollars. The remaining funds are called "competitive dollars".

**Competitive Dollars.** A subset of the fuel tax dollars are the "10 percent competitive dollars" that remain after distribution of the "...not less than 30 percent..." fuel tax dollars. By IAC policy [3], competitive dollars are first used to bring to full funding to any project partially funded with the 30 percent funds. In applying the competitive dollars, priority is given, in descending order, to projects that directly benefit the most NOVA recreationists, using information provided in the application.

Because there were more than enough *permit fee dollars* to fund all remaining ORV projects (see below), the advisory committee requests that the IAC board not allocate further *competitive dollars* to this year's ORV projects. Instead, it recommends that remaining *competitive dollars* be allocated to non-ORV projects.

**Permit Fees.** Another source of funds, in this category only, are ORV permit fees. In accord with RCW 46.09.280(2):

*"...the advisory committee's ORV and mountain biking recreationists, governmental representatives, and land managers will make recommendations regarding the expenditure of funds received under RCW 46.09.110..."*, the ORV permit fee provisions.

At the Advisory Committee's post-evaluation meeting, the above described ORV permit fee subgroup provided the recommendations for allocation of funds received from the sale of ORV use permits and ORV dealer permits. These recommendations are provided in the "ORV Permit Rec Amt" column of Table 1.

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[3] NOVA Manual 14, page 10.

Table A summarizes requests and funds available for distribution to fiscal year (FY) 2006 projects.

<b>Table A ~ ORV Funding, November 2005 (FY 2006)</b>		
<i>Source</i>	<i>Explanation</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>Requests</b>	15 projects, IAC NOVA funds	\$-1,146,703
<b>Carryover</b>	"Returned" funds from prior years	82,825
<b>Fuel Tax</b>	Statutory minimum 30% ORV, less \$424,000 GHC[4]	141,846
<b>Fuel Tax</b>	Competitive funds, brings partially funded project #2 to 100%	33,162
<b>Permit fees</b>	Available to complete funding all remaining ORV projects	\$888,870
<b>Total</b>	Recommended funding, 11/15/2005	<b>\$1,146,703</b>
<b>Carryover</b>	Permit fee monies not needed, move to next grants cycle	<b>\$206,125</b>

**Conclusions.** To assist the Board in considering funding these projects, Resolution #2005-34 (Attachment 1) is provided. Staff recommends approval of funding for the projects listed in "Table 1 - NOVA – Off- Road Vehicle Projects, Funding Recommendations, State Fiscal Year 2006."

- Each project meets program legal and procedural requirements,
- Each project was evaluated and ranked using the IAC Board approved criteria,
- Sufficient funds are available to support the recommended projects.

[4] Grays Harbor County ORV Sports Park, recently renamed "Straddleline ORV Park".

**RESOLUTION #2005-34**  
**Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program**  
**Off-Road Vehicle Category Funding**  
*Fiscal Year 2006*

**WHEREAS**, through the early months of 2005, until the May 2 application deadline, the staff of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) provided publications, website updates, public workshops, and other outreach opportunities to communicate to interested parties the benefits and application procedures for the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program (NOVA); and

**WHEREAS**, in answer to these efforts, 15 Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) projects were submitted to IAC for funding consideration and subsequently evaluated by the statutorily mandated advisory/evaluation committee using IAC-approved criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, all projects meet the program requirements stipulated in statute, administrative rule, and policy; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that IAC hereby approves the ranked listing in "*Table 1 – NOVA – Off-Road Vehicle Category, State Fiscal Year 2006*"; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that IAC's Director is authorized to execute the necessary project agreements to facilitate prompt project implementation.

Resolution moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted/Defeated/Deferred (underline one)

Date: November 15, 2005



Resolution: #2005-34

## Preliminary Evaluation Ranked List

and Advisory Committee Funding Recommendation

**Table 1 - Nonhighway & Off-Road Vehicle Activities - Off-Road Vehicle Category, State Fiscal Year 2006**

Rank	Score	Number	Project Name	Project Sponsor	IAC Amt	Sponsor Amt	Total Amt	Fuel Use Rec Amt	ORV Permit Rec Amt	Total Cum. Amount
1 of 15	51.714	05-1182N	Evans Creek ORV Improvement Plan	USFS MBNF Snoqualmie RD	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$130,000	\$65,000		\$65,000
2 of 15	49.643	05-1194M	Walker Valley M&O 2005	Natural Resources Dept of	\$192,833	\$49,811	\$242,644	\$192,833		\$257,833
3 of 15	48.500	05-1045N	POV ATV Routes	USFS CNF Newport RD	\$51,350	\$33,500	\$84,850		\$51,350	\$309,183
4 of 15	47.286	05-1126M	Yacolt Burn ORV Trail Maintenance 2005	Natural Resources Dept of	\$145,905	\$18,700	\$164,605		\$145,905	\$455,088
5 of 15	46.857	05-1297D	Lower Chiwawa Trail Bridges - Phase 1	USFS WNF Wenatchee River RD	\$52,000		\$52,000		\$52,000	\$507,088
6 of 15	45.143	05-1109M	Airway Heights ORV Park Equipment 2006	Spokane County Parks & Rec	\$86,640	\$33,100	\$119,740		\$86,640	\$593,728
7 of 15	44.214	05-1058D	Chikamin Bridge Replacements Ph I	USFS WNF Wenatchee River RD	\$100,000		\$100,000		\$100,000	\$693,728
8 of 15	44.071	05-1280D	Horn Rapids ORV Park ATV Track Upgrade	Richland Parks & Recreation	\$38,988	\$5,585	\$44,573		\$38,988	\$732,716
9 of 15	42.714	05-1052M	Wildcat Trail Maintenance	USFS UNF Walla Walla RD	\$11,000	\$7,335	\$18,335		\$11,000	\$743,716
10 of 15	41.143	05-1138D	Manastash Ridge Trail Relocation	USFS WNF Cle Elum RD	\$110,167		\$110,167		\$110,167	\$853,883
11 of 15	40.714	05-1115D	Anthem Creek Bridge Replacement	USFS WNF Entiat RD	\$61,000		\$61,000		\$61,000	\$914,883
12 of 15	40.143	05-1147D	North 25 Mile - Lone Peak Trail Upgrades	USFS WNF Entiat RD	\$101,291		\$101,291		\$101,291	\$1,016,174
13 of 15	39.857	05-1204N	Taneum Junction Planning	USFS WNF Cle Elum RD	\$37,449		\$37,449		\$37,449	\$1,053,623
14 of 15	39.714	05-1136D	Sasse-Corral Trail Relocation	USFS WNF Cle Elum RD	\$50,800		\$50,800		\$50,800	\$1,104,423
15 of 15	38.929	05-1152N	Cle Elum User-Created Trail Inventory	USFS WNF Cle Elum RD	\$42,280		\$42,280		\$42,280	\$1,146,703
					<b>\$1,146,703</b>	<b>\$213,031</b>	<b>\$1,359,734</b>	<b>\$257,833</b>	<b>\$888,870</b>	

Note: Funded with \$257,833 gas tax and \$888,870 permits. \$206,125 unused year 1 permit funds will go to year 2 projects.

## Attachment 2

### Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program Evaluation Criteria

#### Off-Road Vehicle Category

*ORV grants provide quality opportunities for ORV recreationists – opportunities that satisfy user needs, are environmentally responsible, and minimize conflict among user groups.*

Applicants provide oral responses to the following team-scored (1-6) evaluation criteria. See IAC NOVA Policy Manual 14 and Application Manual 5n for more information.

NOVA – Off-Road Vehicle Criteria Summary					
Scored by:	#	Title	Type	Mult/Mx	NOVA Plan Policy
Team	1	Need	All	3/15	A-1, C-7
Team	2	Need fulfillment	All	3/15	A-1, C-7
Team	3a	Site suitability	A	2/10	C-5
Team	3b	Project design	D	2/10	C-5, C-14
Team	3c	Maintenance	M	2/10	C-7
Team	3d	Planning	N	2/10	A-3, C-6
Team	4	Readiness to proceed	All	-/5	C-8
Team	5	Project support	All	2/10	A-1, C-3
Team	6	Cost – benefit	All	-/5	C-11
IAC staff	7	Matching shares	All	-/5	C-3, C-4
IAC staff	8	Population proximity	All	2	C-2
IAC staff	9	GMA preference	All	0	RCW 43.17.250
<b>TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE</b>				<b>67</b>	

**KEY:**

- Team = Criteria scored by Advisory Committee/evaluation team
- IAC staff = Criteria scored by IAC staff
- All = Includes Acquisition, Development, Maintenance, or Planning
- A = Acquisition proposals
- D = Development proposals
- M = Maintenance proposals
- N = Planning proposals (architect. and engineering, master plans, feasibility studies, etc.)
- Mult/Mx = Multiplier and maximum points possible for this criterion
- Policy = See IAC's *NOVA Plan* (2005-2011)



# Evaluation Question Summary

## 2005 NOVA - Off-road Vehicle Projects

Rank	Name/Sponsor	Need	Need Fulfillment	ADMP	Readiness to Proceed	Project Support	Cost-Benefit	Matching Shares	Population Proximity	GMA	Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
1	Evans Creek ORV/USFS MBN	12.857	11.143	7.143	3.857	7.000	3.714	4.000	2.000	0.000	51.714
2	Walker Valley M/Natural	12.857	11.571	7.571	3.929	7.571	3.143	2.000	1.000	0.000	49.643
3	POV ATV Routes/USFS CNF	10.929	12.214	7.571	3.786	7.429	3.571	3.000	0.000	0.000	48.500
4	Yacolt Burn ORV/Natural	10.500	11.143	6.857	4.143	8.286	3.357	1.000	2.000	0.000	47.286
5	Lower Chiwawa TUSFS WNF	12.214	12.857	8.000	3.929	5.857	4.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	46.857
6	Airway Heights /Spokane	10.500	10.714	6.857	3.857	6.714	3.500	2.000	1.000	0.000	45.143
7	Chikamin Bridge/USFS WNF	11.143	11.786	8.143	3.929	5.714	3.500	0.000	0.000	0.000	44.214
8	Horn Rapids ORV/Richland	10.286	10.500	7.429	4.000	6.286	3.571	1.000	1.000	0.000	44.071
9	Wildcat Trail M/USFS UNF	9.643	10.071	6.714	3.929	5.000	3.357	4.000	0.000	0.000	42.714
10	Manastash Ridge/USFS WNF	9.214	11.357	7.571	4.143	5.429	3.429	0.000	0.000	0.000	41.143
11	Anthem Creek Br/USFS WNF	10.714	12.000	6.714	3.357	4.429	3.500	0.000	0.000	0.000	40.714
12	North 25 Mile -/USFS WNF	10.714	10.929	6.857	3.571	5.000	3.071	0.000	0.000	0.000	40.143
13	Taneum Junction/USFS WNF	10.500	10.071	6.571	3.786	5.429	3.500	0.000	0.000	0.000	39.857
14	Sasse-Corral Tr/USFS WNF	8.786	10.500	7.429	4.143	5.429	3.429	0.000	0.000	0.000	39.714
15	Cle Elum User-C/USFS WNF	9.429	10.071	7.000	3.786	5.286	3.357	0.000	0.000	0.000	38.929

Evaluation Team Scores Questions: 1 - 6

IAC Staff Scores Questions: 7 - 9

October 18, 2005



NOVA Program

***Off-Road Vehicle Project Summaries***

Ranked Order

Fiscal Year 2006



**Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicle Activities (NOVA)**  
 State Fiscal Year 2006 Off-Road Vehicle Projects

*(In Evaluation Ranked Order)*

<b>USFS MBNF Snoqualmie RD</b>	<b>\$65,000</b>	<b>\$65,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>
<b>Evans Creek ORV Improvement Plan</b>			

This project is requesting planning funds to establish a restoration and capital improvement plan at Evans Creek Off Road Vehicle Area. With the increase in use and associated impacts with an ORV area located in western Washington, many of the trails have become heavily eroded. Sedimentation and resource damage has become concerns. Campground facilities and roads are not adequately accommodated to the increased number of users. Improvements are necessary to meet those demands. Past NOVA M&O grants have been successful in providing base funds for maintaining the existing facilities and providing seasonal forest service patrols for user education and volunteer coordination but trail maintenance has been to minimal standards.

The increase in numbers of users over the past decade has made it difficult to conduct maintenance necessary to minimize impacts to the trail system. Lack of federal funding for planning has made it difficult to proceed with needed reconfiguration of the road and trail system in the area to better meet user and environmental demands. This grant would help fund the needed survey and design work to develop an Improvement Plan to ensure Evans Creek is in compliance with state and federal environmental and land management standards. This plan will provide management direction to future capital improvements and restoration work that will help boost Evans Creek into a top quality ORV area. (05-1182N-FY06)

<b>Natural Resources Dept of Walker Valley M&amp;O 2005</b>	<b>\$192,833</b>	<b>\$49,811</b>	<b>\$242,644</b>
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This project will provide for ORV trail maintenance for the entire Walker Valley ORV trail system, trailhead parking and camping facilities. Trail maintenance work will be identified by the department in collaboration with the Walker Valley ORV Advisory Group (which is already established). The department will direct maintenance work consistent with the projects identified by the Advisory Group and will prioritize projects with the assistance from the Advisory Group. The following criteria will be used to prioritize projects: first and foremost is rider safety; second is protection of public resources (e.g. water quality) and third is rider enjoyment. Work will be accomplished using a combination of Monroe Correctional camp crews and Washington Conservation Corps crews.

This project will also employ one project coordinator (ORV Land Manager/Volunteer Coordinator) dedicated solely to ORV maintenance and operations and will work closely with the Advisory Group. Volunteers will provide 1000 hours of hard work. All work will be focused on site-specific project areas identified through collaboration with the Advisory Group. To ensure that the department stays on course with the users on maintenance and operations, the department will request monthly assessments from the Advisory Group on the progress made over the course of the project. (05-1194M-FY06)

<b>USFS CNF Newport RD</b>	<b>\$51,350</b>	<b>\$33,500</b>	<b>\$84,850</b>
<b>POV ATV Routes</b>			

The Colville National Forest (CNF) received a planning grant in 2005 for Phase 1 - a designated trail route system on the Colville National Forest primarily on high clearance roads. The Forest implemented this system July 2005 with a total of 650 miles of OHV routes.

This grant proposal is for a planning grant that is needed to prepare the NEPA for a Phase 2 trail route system. Phase 2 will add more high clearance roads and high use roads, reopen some roads that have been closed to OHV travel, construct short connector trails to connect portions of the already designated routes, and add approved user created routes to the Colville's OHV route system.

This planning project will lead to future development of a loop travel system that connects several of the riding areas in the forest. Routes to connect the existing trail system to existing motorized trailheads must be planned. Routes to connect two existing systems may need new construction, so these routes must be located and surveyed for NEPA compliance. The NEPA document will be either an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Assessment.

We believe the use on this new trail system will double from the current situation because of the displacement of local users to the adjacent state. Instead of driving to Idaho to ride, they will stay here. (05-1045N-FY06)

<b>Natural Resources Dept of</b>	<b>\$145,905</b>	<b>\$18,700</b>	<b>\$164,605</b>
<b>Yacolt Burn ORV Trail Maintenance 2005</b>			

This project provides for the maintenance of 18 miles of ORV trail and the 2 primary trailheads serving these trails located within the Yacolt Burn State Forest and the Elochoman State Forest.

Currently these trails receive very high use due to the fact that they are two of the only such opportunities near the major metropolitan areas of Vancouver, WA and Portland, OR. Maintenance is required to protect natural resources and to allow the department to continue to provide a safe riding opportunity.

Maintenance will be done by volunteers, DNR staff a Washington Conservation Corp (WCC) Crew and/or inmate crews. Trail maintenance activities include shaping the trail surface by hand as well as with the district's trail machine, hardening small sections of trail (< 100 feet in length) by applying crushed rock and/or concrete grid blocks, installing and maintaining culverts, drain dips and ditch-outs, inspecting and maintaining bridges, and brushing trail. Trailhead upkeep will include restroom and sign maintenance, litter and garbage removal and toilet pumping.

This project proposal provides maintenance for DNR's designated trails and their associated facilities for two years. It is estimated that this project will benefit 10,000 recreationists over these two years (95% of which are ATV and motorcycle riders and 5% are mountain bike riders and hikers). The DNR's designated trails in the Yacolt Burn State Forest are open from May 1 to November 30 and the designated trails in the Elochoman area are open year-round. (05-1126M-FY06)

<b>USFS WNF Wenatchee River RD</b>	<b>\$52,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$52,000</b>
<b>Lower Chiwawa Trail Bridges - Phase 1</b>			

This project would replace two existing rotted log-stringer trail bridges on the Lower Chiwawa ORV Trail on the Wenatchee River Ranger District. The Lower Chiwawa ORV Trail is a key trail included in several loop-trip possibilities linking the Alder Ridge, Chikamin Creek, and Minnow Ridge ORV Trails. The planning for this project was funded by a prior NOVA grant which produced new designs, plans, and specifications for five trail bridges in this area. This project is the first phase of a project that will eventually replace all five of the bridges considered in the original planning grant.

The two bridges to be replaced in this project provide trail crossings of Alder Creek and Marble Creek on the Lower Chiwawa Trail. These aging bridge structures were originally built around 1980 and are each about 26 feet in length. Condition surveys conducted in the summer of 2002 showed considerable rot in these bridges which have now exceeded their usable life. These bridges help to protect valuable riparian habitat by keeping motorbikes and bicycles out of these water courses. Fords are not adequate for these two crossings due to an unstable substrate and the volume of water that occurs for much of the season.

These existing log stringer bridges will be replaced with bridges using laminated beams. Completed detailed drawings and cost estimates have already been prepared. Project would be completed under contract. (05-1297D-FY06)

<b>Spokane County Parks &amp; Rec</b>	<b>\$86,640</b>	<b>\$33,100</b>	<b>\$119,740</b>
<b>Airway Heights ORV Park Equipment 2006</b>			

This maintenance grant will purchase a used D-5 or similar type bulldozer for the Spokane County Airway Heights ORV Sports Park. The existing small dozer is not adequate to meet park demands, an additional dozer is needed. The park operator has committed \$10,000 in cash donation to assist in the dozer purchase. Recent park upgrades have greatly enhanced the park's usability and overall use. Park attendance experienced a 20% increase in use over the past 2 years. Camping was also up 40% due to recent renovation of 64 full hook-up sites. Park user increases have also required much more dozer work to maintain and shape track courses for continued rider safety and challenge. Operation of the current D-3 dozer has increased to 8-10 hours, 6 days a week in response to these new demands. The small dozer will be kept in service while the larger and more efficient dozer will be used for the tougher jobs.

A dozer application consultant was asked to evaluate the work environment taking into account the size and abilities of the existing dozer. Assessment results indicated that a D-5 size or similar type dozer together with our existing dozer would be appropriate for existing work loads.

The park contractor pays all overhead/operation and equipment repair expenses. The park is operated as a public facility offering over 100 scheduled events during the 8 month season. The park receives donated labor and equipment on a regular basis. The park offers 4 by 4 and ATV courses, oval dirt racing, motor cross and supercross tracks. (05-1109M-FY06)

<b>USFS WNF Wenatchee River RD</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Chikamin Bridge Replacements Ph I</b>			

The Chikamin ORV Trail #1534 and the Minnow Ridge Trail #1524 provide a 13 mile ORV loop trail opportunity accessed from the Chikamin Trailhead on the Lake Wenatchee portion of the Wenatchee River Ranger District. This trail loop is one of the most well known loop





<b>USFS WNF Cle Elum RD</b>	<b>\$50,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50,800</b>
<b>Sasse-Corral Trail Relocation</b>			

The Sasse Ridge (#1340) and Corral Creek (#1340.1) trails contain several steep pitches that are not holding up to the volume of motorcycle traffic they are experiencing, and are severely eroding. This erosion makes the trails more difficult to traverse each year and has led to more than one call for them to be closed to certain uses. These trails were the subject of a NOVA-funded environmental analysis (project #02-1407N) which will be complete by October 2005, including design and contract preparation. This environmental analysis identified a total of 6700 feet of reroutes which would relocate portions of the trail to a more sustainable grade, together with reconstruction of the existing tread, and restoration of the bypassed sections. This new application would provide the money to accomplish this work. (05-1136D-FY06)

<b>USFS WNF Cle Elum RD</b>	<b>\$42,280</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$42,280</b>
<b>Cle Elum User-Created Trail Inventory</b>			

The National Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) Policy currently in preparation will require that National Forests move toward a strategy in which motorized recreationists will be required to stay on designated roads and trails. While the Cle Elum Ranger District supports an extensive network of official ORV trails, it also includes a large number of "unofficial" user-created trails throughout the area. We estimate there at least 100 miles of these user-created trails, and they exist in virtually every part of the Cle Elum Ranger District. Rather than summarily closing these off under the new policy, we believe it's most appropriate to inventory the location, condition, purpose, popularity, and other factors associated with each trail, in order to make informed decisions on a case-by-case basis whether to leave open, close, or reconstruct each trail. This grant money will allow us to do a thorough, professional inventory job so that these decisions can be made with the best possible information. (05-1152N-FY06)