

**Community Focus Statement C: Improve public health and safety in Morongo Valley**

**Action Statement C.5: In partnership with surrounding communities and landowners, establish trails for off-highway vehicles (OHVs).**



**Benchmark:** Encourage the community OHV committee to partner with the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division (OHMVR Division) and other organizations including the California Conservation Corps (CCC) to apply for funding on recreational trails and assistance with trail construction, maintenance, repair, and restoration. Have the community OHV committee identify and map existing designated areas for OHV use and opportunity areas with limited environmental constraints.

**Champion:** Volunteer group or person or can be identified by the community

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,500–\$2,000

| Action  | Action Leader   | Timeline           | Resources  |
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| 1. Hold a meeting to create a Community OHV Committee   | Champion  | Month 1            | California Department of Parks and Recreation, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division   |
| 2. Partner with the California Department of Parks and Recreation OHMVR Division to train volunteers about visitor contact, providing backcountry travel and navigation maps, scenario training, and to assist in handling emergencies. | Community OHV committee, with support from California Department of Parks and Recreation OHMVR Division | Month 1–2          | <a href="http://ohv.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=1164">http://ohv.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=1164</a>  |
| 3. Identify and map existing designated areas for OHV use within Morongo Valley and other community areas.  | Community OHV committee, with support from California Department of Parks and Recreation OHMVR Division | Month 1–2          | San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, <i>WVLY OHV Law Enforcement Application</i> , February 25, 2010<br>Sharetrails, <i>Wheels of the Forest: The San Bernardino National Forest Service OHV Volunteers</i> |
| 4. Develop and place signs and fences that keep OHV users from riding in prohibited areas and on private roads.   | Community OHV committee, community members  | Month 2–3          | <a href="http://archive.sharetrails.org/node/9066">http://archive.sharetrails.org/node/9066</a>  |
| 5. Have trained volunteers continually ride routes in the community on all-terrain vehicles or OHVs, providing information and watching for illegal trail use, missing signs, or hazardous trail conditions.                            | Community OHV committee   | Month 2–4, ongoing | Southern California Mountains Foundation, Off Highway Vehicle Program  |
| 6. Advocate to San Bernardino Sheriff Department for enforcement of applicable OHV laws on County maintained roads.   | Community OHV committee   | Ongoing            | <a href="http://mountainsfoundation.org/off-highway-vehicles">http://mountainsfoundation.org/off-highway-vehicles</a>  |