

ROBERT S. BEGOLE ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH GRANT

administered by the Anza-Borrego Foundation

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The purpose of the Begole Archaeological Research Grant (BARG) Program is to support scientific research in Colorado Desert District parks and the immediately surrounding area.

APPLICANT GUIDELINES

Eligibility

Applicants may be staff of California State Parks, registered undergraduate or graduate students, faculty and/or titled researchers at academic institutions, staff of private-sector or government-sector cultural resource management entities, or independent scholars.

Project Focus

There are no restrictions on the topics of the research proposals, as long as they are cultural in scope and/or focus. However, priority will be given to original research dealing with the earliest periods of prehistory. In no case will a grant be awarded for work, supplies, or equipment that would fall under the usual scope of California State Parks management or fiscal responsibilities.

Award Timeline

The deadline for proposal submissions is December 15, 2024. The Committee meets December – January to review grant proposals and determine the grant(s) to be awarded. The CDD Superintendent will review the decision(s) of the BARG Committee before awards are made. Applicants will be notified in January/February, 2025.

Obligations of Grant Recipients

The award of the grant(s) will be contingent upon a letter of agreement from the landowner where the project will be conducted, be it private or government land(s). If a grant is awarded, the grantee will be responsible for securing the necessary permits for work from the appropriate entity, be it federal, state, county, city, or private. No funds will be awarded until proof of permitting has been submitted to the appropriate entity. Each investigator will pledge to share the information obtained from the supported research with the archaeological community and the public through publication, lecture, or other media, including at an educational event sponsored by ABDSP Begole Archaeological Research Center, if feasible.

Proposal Requirements

Proposals may be submitted by those who are interested in pursuing research in some phase of prehistory or history within the CDD parks, in areas bordering the parks, in the immediately surrounding area (see attached map for research area limitations), or elsewhere in the Colorado or Mojave Deserts. All proposed research should have application to the archaeology of the Colorado Desert District parks; this application should be explained in the research proposal.

The proposal should consist of a summary of the goal(s) of the research or the need for specific research-oriented equipment; a statement of why this research or equipment is important to scientific archaeology; and an explanation of how the research, equipment, or product will meet the needs of the CDD Cultural Resources program. A detailed budget explaining how the funds will be used will be an integral part of the proposal. The grant applicants will present a timeline for project execution and completion and a description of the final product. If your grant proposal involves working with Native American cultural resources, describe how you will be or have involved the local Native American communities.

The proposal should be appropriately scoped for the amount of funding requested. The applicant should state specifically the research questions to be addressed in the proposal. The applicant should mention the theoretical

framework under which the research will be conducted. A short, but pertinent bibliography should be included so that the Committee is aware that the applicant has a grasp of the problem(s) to be addressed. The research should not repeat what has been done before.

Grant applicants must present with their proposal a full Curriculum Vitae and at least three references who will be able to provide to the Committee an evaluation of the applicant's standing in the scientific community, the ability of the applicant to complete projects in a timely manner, and other matters which may be of concern to the Committee, dependent on the particular research proposal.

In the development of the research proposal, all applicants should keep the Colorado Desert Archaeology Society and California State Parks Mission Statements and policies in mind. Of particular interest to the BARG program is that the 2007 California State Parks Operations Notice 2007-05 be followed concerning Native American Consultation Policy & Implementation Procedures in all cases where it is applicable.

Grant Selection Committee

The BARG Committee is composed of a *minimum* of five members: Colorado Desert District (CDD) archaeologist, member of the Anza Borrego Foundation (ABF) Board of Directors or an appointee by the Board, the Chair of the Colorado Desert Archaeology Society (CDAS), a representative from the archaeological private sector, and a representative from the archaeological academic sector. The committee may call on other knowledgeable persons or experts to sit on the committee *ex officio*. All committee members serve without compensation.

GRANT APPLICATION

Grant inquiries: Stacy Valdez Stacy@theABF.org
Submit Applications to: Stacy@theABF.org

Please note: all application information must be compiled into a single document and submitted within these 8 pages in no smaller than 10-point font (in either Times Roman or Arial); one additional page of supporting illustrative material may be added, if necessary. If the applicant is a student, the proposal MUST BE REVIEWED, APPROVED, AND SIGNED by academic advisor. Applications exceeding these limits will not be reviewed.

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION.

NAME OF APPLICANT:

Contact address:

Contact phone, email, cellular:

NAME OF CO-APPLICANT or ADVISOR:

Contact address:

Contact phone, email, cellular:

Date submitted: _____

2. INFORMATION REGARDING GRANT APPLICATION AWARD.

The minimum award is \$1,000 and the maximum award is \$5,000.

I AM APPLYING FOR: \$ _____

3. PROJECT LOCATION:

Please refer to the BARG Eligible Area map for locations eligible for funding by this grant.

Provide longitude/latitude or UTM's or Township, Range, Section or a USGS 7.5' quadrangle map location for project site.

4. PROJECT INFORMATION.

- a. Project title (15 words or less):
- b. Project Abstract/Summary: Brief synopsis of the project (100 words or less):
- c. Anticipated Project Start Date: _____
Expected duration of Fieldwork portion of project: _____
Expected duration of Laboratory portion of project: _____
- d. Outline the major research problem(s) or question(s) that this project will answer or address (150 words or less):
- e. If the project involves excavation, describe the sampling tactic. Attach a map or diagram indicating the size and location of the proposed excavations in relation to the total site. Describe how the appropriate permits will be obtained.
- f. If your project involves working with Native American cultural resources, how have you or how do you plan to involve the local Native American communities?

5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION.

Be specific about the *Research Questions* that will be addressed. Mention the *Theoretical Framework* within which the proposed research will be conducted. (Two pages in 10 pt. or larger font [use Times New Roman or Arial]. One additional page may present photographs, maps, etc.):

6. BUDGET INFORMATION.

- a. Amount requested from BARG: _____
- b. Person and/or institution to whom award check should be issued and complete address to which payment should be sent:
- c. Amount and nature of institutional or other contributions towards this work (if you are receiving no aid on this project from a university or other organization or other individual, please explain):
- d. Budget for funds requested from BARG. Please specify actual prices for equipment or other services and be as specific as you can. If items need justification, please include justification information in the complete project description on pages 7 and 8.
IMPORTANT: no charges for salaries or overhead for the applicant(s) are allowed. If any capital items are purchased with the BARG funds, the items or their salvage value are to be returned to the BARG upon completion of the project.

PROJECT BUDGET

Suggested Budget Categories:

- Travel
- Lodging and Per Diem¹
- Equipment and Supplies
- Special Analyses

Amount for any portion of this project already available and/or requested from sources other than BARG:

7. PHOTOS

Please provide 1-2 photos representing your research project. It could be a photo of people doing field work, the field site, or any other representative images.

8. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION.

Summary of biographical information and qualifications of the applicant (and co-applicant).
Attach Curriculum Vitae of applicant (and co-applicant).

- a. Present position of applicant:
 - b. Education and degrees with institutions and dates:

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 - c. Special qualifications of applicant (and co-applicant) for proposed research (field and/or laboratory experiences):

 - d. Give the names, biographical details, and qualifications of other specialists participating in this project:

 - e. Recent books, papers, other publications by applicant and other chief participants. List here only those items that are directly relevant to the proposed research (full bibliography included in the Curriculum Vitae):
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9. REFERENCES.

Give at least three references and contact information for colleagues and scholars familiar with your work.

AGREEMENTS and SIGNATURES

- 9. If the grant requested here is approved, the applicant, co-applicant and/or academic advisor pledges to present a preliminary report to the BARG committee by six (6) months after the start of the project and a formal final report one year after the beginning of the project.
- 10. The BARG should be acknowledged in each report or publication resulting partly or fully from the support of BARG and a copy of each report or publication should be sent to the BARG.

If applicant is a student, include the signature of principal advisor. *(Please note that if the signature of the principal advisor is required, this means that **the advisor** is responsible for the completion of the project and delivery of all data to the Colorado Desert District.)*

Signature of Applicant(s) _____

Typed Name(s) of Applicants _____

Signature of Academic Advisor (if student)

Typed Name of Academic Advisor

¹ The University of California, Irvine runs a Research Facility in Borrego Springs (Steele/Burnand Anza-Borrego Desert Research Center) in partnership with Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the Anza Borrego Foundation, and the UC Reserve System. Inexpensive lodging and shared kitchen and bathroom facilities may be available to BARG researchers. Please call ABF for further information regarding rates for budgetary purposes.