

February 1, 2019

Dear Representative Moynihan,

I saw the News & Sentinel article about your meeting with the ATV people in Pittsburg. I see where you are working on legislation to help put some controls and restrictions on how ATV traffic is allowed to ride our town roads here as well as other towns in Coös County. I was also told that you are looking for input from home owners such as me along these effected roads. Where I see upwards of two hundred go by in an afternoon. You had a meeting with the ATV club, when are you going to have a meeting with us?

I live on the corner of Cree Road and East Colebrook Road and across the road from where the "Ride the Wilds Trail" comes from the south through Kelsey Notch. From day light to well after midnight every Friday and Saturday from Memorial Day through Columbus Day weekend I am being impacted by close to nonstop traffic through this intersection. Many times people gather here at this intersection waiting for others or looking at their map figuring out where they are or want to go. Meanwhile they are here in my front yard either revving their engines, spinning dounuts or sitting listening to their stereos which are at full volume. This is not an exaggeration! I have to put up with this from dawn to well after mid night.

Many of these nights I take it as long as I can stand it. Then go out to ask them to give me some peace and quiet and respect. Many are courteous, but there is always the knuckle head who tries to trip my trigger. Calling the police does no good because by the time they get here the folks causing the disturbance are long gone.

I am a tax paying resident who has lived here for over forty years. My parents bought this property when I was a kid and we came here to enjoy the peace and quiet that this rural setting gave us. In the past four years all this has been taken away from me with no consideration or compensation for drastically changing my wellbeing and way of life. These machines have chased all the game out of woods around my house. I liked the quiet way of life and had planned on retiring here. This whole change in my way of life certainly makes me have second thoughts!

I have contacted my select board, Colebrook PD and the ATV club voicing my frustrations and irritation. Frankly I am sick and tired of their total lack of support or interest in fixing the problem that they have forced on me. My way of life along with my neighbors along these designated roads have been impacted too while residents on other roads in town not affected by this go about their life like nothing has changed. To date neither party has given me any constructive thoughts or ideas on how they are going to change this. I know that I am not the only one with these concerns. Friends on South Hill Road have spoken out as well and have been given nothing but idle lip service.

There are many in this community who are afraid to speak out because of fear of how it will affect their lively hood. Enough is enough!

I sincerely hope that you can see your way clear to help me and others in the region impacted by this intrusion. This is not working! We need your help!

On second thought, maybe we should open ALL the ROADS in Colebrook so that everyone in town can share the joy of this new found way of AYV folks enjoying themselves at our expense.

Live Free or Die,

Anthony Palermo III