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TO: Committee on Recreation, Resources and Development

RE: OHRV Trail Use

I live in Lancaster. When I bought my house in 1990 adjacent to the railroad tracks it was used accordingly. Several years later the state arranged to have it adapted as a snowmobile trail. There was

no public hearing, no notice to abutters and no consulting with the community in any way.

Snowmobile trails ARE HIGHWAYS and should be treated as such where state land is involved. Private land is naturally an entirely different situation. It is noisy and smelly (sometimes in my pantry and barn) and it not what I signed up for! I have always resented this. Now come OHRV!

HB 630 addresses this and I encourage you to support it:

Owning land and a house is a life-time investment. Carving out a private place for our lives is a deeply personal and expensive investment. It should not be trifled with. There are hard-fought regulations to protect people but they often fail to do so. These laws are only as good as the people implementing them. As I am sure you are aware, there is a lawsuit here in Coos County right now which results from the failure to protect private space, even though there are regulations supporting that at the state and local level. Here in Coos County the OHRV community is large and powerful . Please do not allow it to drown out the rights of home owners, the larger community and that of other trail users. It is your responsibility to see that this issue is settled as equitably as possible in the interests of most of the citizenry, if not all.

HB 660 requires an impact study on the use of OHRV on public thoroughfares.

This is key: the public includes all manner of transportation, pedestrians, bicycles, etc. NH has long been sought out for these pursuits and will continue to be, given the space to do so under the right circumstances. Without any study of this issue it is impossible to know who the users are and in what numbers. Additionally, property owners who live on town roads are dealing with substantially increased noise and dust that, I am told, sometimes precludes sitting out in the afternoon or evenings on their porches or in their front yards! The motorized community is noisy in more than one way, they are well organized and funded, with effective lobbyists.. Please don't let them obscure the reality on the ground.

Thank you- Lucy K. Wyman

