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Thank you very much for the information!

Thanks!

MJ

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Hi Ms. Hanson,

I suggest you contact Mr. Christopher Gamache, Chief of the Bureau of Trails for the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR). There are certain NH RSAs that outline the requirements for applications relating to the on-highway use of OHRVs, and Chris is very familiar with these.

The short story is that all applications for these types of trails, must come to the DOT and DOS (Department of Safety) through the DNCR - Bureau of Trails. In addition, the laws require a public hearing to be held to gather public input on the proposal, which usually involves some level of town support.

I would also like to point out that when permitting these trails, the DOT follows a permitting policy that was put in place in 2017. One caveat in the permitting policy requires that trails being proposed within the state highway right-of-way serve to connect major trail systems or connect a trail system to acceptable OHRV

services. Simply connecting residential users to services in town or trails beyond doesn't necessarily meet this overall intent.

Regards,

Phil

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To: Lambert, William
Cc: Esterberg, Melodie; Beaulieu, Philip
Subject: RE: Contact Help

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Good morning,

First a big thank you to all of you for getting back to me and your assistance!

We are actually in Errol just after leaving the 13 Mile Woods. We are technically on Braggs Bay Road but our property runs from Braggs Bay along Route 16 toward town for several hundred feet.

As for moving the speed limit change, coming out of 13 Mile Woods is quite a winding road and there are about 10 residences along Route 16 and another 11 in Braggs Bay that have to enter Route 16 where the speed limit is 50 mph. To have the 30 mph speed limit extended south on Route 16 would be great but I'm sure we all understand the posted speed limit has nothing to do with how fast everyone travels.

As for ATV access, some of us are confused around town as to what determines if you can ride ATV's on the roads. Going west on Route 26 leaving town, ATV access extends into the 50 mph zone by about 0.2 miles to just past a private residence. Going south on Route 16 leaving town, access ends 0.35 miles BEFORE getting into the 50 mph zone. This denies an entire development access to the ATV route. Many of us would love to have the same access they have on Route 26.

If I can help provide any further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Thank you so much!

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Ms. Hanson,

I would need information about the specific location of the speed limit change and related limited of allowed ATV use. I suspect that you are in Milan, just north of the village, but don't know for sure.

While I am responsible for determining the location and the value of state speed zones, I have had limited involvement in the determination of ATV routes. Those decisions have been a joint effort between the Bureau of Trails, Department of Safety, and NHDOT Bureau of Highway Maintenance (typically through the responsible district engineer). There are a number of factors taken into consideration.

Once you confirm the location, I can work with Phil Beaulieu, copied herein, to determine how the ATV route limits were determined.

Best regards,

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Subject: RE: Contact Help

Hi Mary Jo,
I did a little digging - Bill Lambert is the State Traffic Engineer and his office is responsible for setting speed limits. I've copied him on this email so you have his contact info. Typically the Department will do a speed study to see if changing the speed limit is warranted.

Hope this helps!

Regards,
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Hi Melodie,

I hope all is well in your world. I haven't seen you in a while so I guess that is a good thing??

I'm hoping you can point me in the right direction. My husband and I have a home up north (District 1) on State Highway 16. The speed limit in front of our house transitions from 30 mph to 50 mph but ATV access ends about 0.35 miles before the speed limit increases. There are approximately 14 homes that are denied ATV access because of this. We have talked to Fish and Game and they say we need to go to NHDOT. Do you have any idea who we would reach out to in an attempt to get this changed?

Thanks so much for your help!

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