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Good Morning Bill,

As the impact of the closing of our rail trail is felt more every day I am reaching out again to see if the State is discussing any options that will help the Towns where these now closed trails are. The ATV's pay registration fees which, I assume, are used to develop and maintain new and existing trails. Are these funds available to purchase back from the Federal Highway those trails that we developed with the incentive funds?

The cost of \$170,000 was the original grant, it would seem that after 22 years the amount that would be owed back would have depreciated quite a bit. Please advise if the State is doing anything to assist the Towns to get these trails back open.

How many Towns are affected? Is there some way to band together stronger to make a change?

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