



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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July 8, 2021

Commissioner Robert L. Quinn
NH Department of Safety
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Commissioner Quinn,

We have received a request from the Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce to extend the OHRV operating hours for 2 events this fall, in the City of Berlin and the Towns of Gorham and Milan.

Under the terms of the OHRV On-Highway Permits issued by the Department of Transportation and Department of Safety, the operating hours on state highways are from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset. Previously, the Department of Safety was the entity that other agencies (DOT and DNCR) deferred to for requests to extend evening hours for special events. The request is to permit operation of OHRV's on sections of state highways until 10:00pm, within these 3 communities.

This year the Chamber is requesting the nights of September 11th (Wingzilla event) and October 16th (RiverFire event). The reason for the request is that the events occur mostly in the City of Berlin, however the majority of lodging facilities are located in the Town of Gorham. Allowing OHRV use of the state highways until 10:00pm is needed to allow riders to attend the events and get back to their lodging facilities.

Letters of support for this request are attached from the Berlin Police Department, the Gorham Police Department, and the Milan Selectboard. It should be noted that the City of Berlin Police Department acts as the law enforcement agency for the Town of Milan.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and please let us know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig Rennie".

Craig Rennie, Chief
NH Bureau of Trails

cc: Captain Michael Eastman, NH Fish & Game OHRV
Philip Beaulieu, District 1 Engineer, Department of Transportation
Victoria F. Sheehan, Commissioner, Department of Transportation
Lt Gary Prince, State Police Troop F
Sarah L. Stewart, Commissioner, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources



June 8, 2021

Craig Rennie
172 Pembroke Rd
Concord, NH 03301
Craig.D.Rennie2@dncr.nh.gov

Dear Craig,

The Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce will be hosting (2) Signature Events this year which include OHRV activity.

Saturday, September 11, 2021 - WingZilla & the Luau ATV Poker Run

This event is held at the Service Credit Union Heritage Park.

Begins at 9am – Ends at 9pm.

We are requesting extended OHRV hours in the towns of Gorham & Milan NH.
10PM would be sufficient as in the past.

Saturday, October 16, 2021 - RiverFire & the Zombie ATV Poker Run

This event is held at the Service Credit Union Heritage Park.

Begins at 9am – Ends at 9pm.

We are requesting extended OHRV hours in the towns of Gorham & Milan NH.
10PM would be sufficient as in the past.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these requests.
Please let me know what else you would require from the Chamber.

Sincerely,

Paula Kinney
Executive Director
Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce
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info@androscogginvalleychamber.com



Chief of Police
Peter Morency

BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Police Commission
Anthony Urban
Jerry Nault
Marc Tremblay

July 7, 2021

Commissioner Robert L. Quinn
NH Department of Safety
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Commissioner Quinn:

Please be advised that the Berlin Police Department is aware of and supports the Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce request to extend hours of OHRV operation to 10:00 p.m. during their following key events:

Saturday, August 7, 2021 – PaddleMania & Everything That Floats
Saturday, September 11, 2021 – WingZilla & Luau ATV Poker Run
Saturday, October 16, 2021 – RiverFire & Zombie ATV Poker Run

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (603) 752-8555.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Buteau".

Daniel Buteau
Deputy Chief of Police

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cc: AV Chamber of Commerce
NH Fish & Game Dept.



Chief of Police
Adam Marsh

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Paula Kinney
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Paula,

I am writing to you regarding the upcoming Chamber of Commerce events, Wingzilla and River Fire, scheduled for September 11th and October 16th this year. I received your email requesting an extended curfew for all off-highway recreational vehicles to operate on the roadway, beyond the statutory limits set by the State of New Hampshire (NH RSA 215-A:10, II).

I am in support of amending the curfew in the Town of Gorham, currently one-half hour after sunset, to 10 PM EST. The Town of Gorham will allow for this amended curfew for these two days only to accommodate attendees including those who have lodging in Gorham.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Adam Marsh".

Adam Marsh
Chief of Police

Rennie, Craig

From: Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce <info@androscogginvalleychamber.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 8:33 PM
To: Savage, Clinton; Rennie, Craig
Subject: FW: FW: OHRV extended hours request for events

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Hello,
See email below. Town of Milan Selectmen all agreed to our request for the OHRV extended hours.

I think its just the Berlin PD that I need a letter from?

From: Lynn Dube <townofmilan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 2:46 PM
To: Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce <info@androscogginvalleychamber.com>
Subject: Re: FW: OHRV extended hours request for events

Hi Paula,
Yes I gave your letter to the board last night, and they all agreed its no problem, they are fine with the extended hours for those events.

Do you need anything else other than this email to confirm?

Lynn

On Tue, Jun 22, 2021 at 1:07 PM Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce <info@androscogginvalleychamber.com> wrote:

Hi Lynn,

Just checking in with you.

Any word on the extended OHRV hours request?

Thanks...Paula

From: Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 2:30 PM
To: 'Lynn Dube' <townofmilan@gmail.com>
Subject: OHRV extended hours request for events

Good Afternoon,