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Commissioner's-

I just wanted to give you a few quick takeaways from the OHRV public meeting last week.

Attendees- guessing 100+

% in favor of On Road Connectors- 90%

- DNCR explained existing crossings closed due to landowners rescinding permission for their land (not that they have never been permitted), Trails in that area closed until new permissions in place (i.e. on road connector)
- Pro connector comments
  - o OHRV only industry North Country has left
  - o Roads are safer
  - o Can Rte 145 be improved by state so shoulder that doesn't exist be used
  - o 12 yo on bicycle vs on OHRV argument
  - o No escape route on Rte 145 (yes pro person noted this)
  - o Police should address speeding
  - o Feel bad that Grampy's and other businesses will lose \$\$\$ while affected trails closed
  - o Economic boom evident by camp construction
  - o Been crossing Rte 145 for 5 years and it has always been safe
  - o Can the approval be speeded up? (DNCR-doubtful)
  - o Can a temp permit be issued (DNCR said they would not even ask)
  - o Can old trails stay open in meantime? (DNCR-No)
  - o Late OHRV season already causing cancellations
  - o Motorcycles get into more accidents with cars than OHRV's
- Anti-connector comments
  - o Safety- young riders, Rte 145 narrow with nowhere for a rider to go if there is a problem
  - o If every time a land owner closes their property and a road needs to be opened up there has to be a public hearing, just get over with it and open all the roads now (sort of sarcastic, but not really based on his impression of the proliferation of road use when private property unavailable)

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