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I am emailing to voice my opinion regarding allowing ATV/OHRVs on state roads. I feel it is discrimination to mandate automobile owners/drivers to have their vehicles registered, inspected to be deemed roadworthy, drivers need to be 16 years of age to drive on the roads (participate in a driving course to affect car insurance), have their vehicles insured or risk losing their license should one be in an accident, and need to obey traffic laws. These concerns are not true of ATV/OHRVs. I feel automobile owners, their registrations and inspections are footing the bill for ATV/OHRVs to enjoy the benefits of our roads. Furthermore, ATV/OHRVs are destroying the pavement of our roads (tearing the pavement up) and spewing gravel from driveways and waysides unto the paved roads. I also find the ATV/OHRVs are disrespectful of private property (ie defecating, leaving trash, and destroying cordon off areas of private driveways). This is despite no trespassing/private drive signs. Furthermore, I have discovered there are very few conservation and law enforcement officers to adequately address the activities of the ATV/OHRVs. I question how these laws allowing recreational vehicles on state roads were enacted without adequate forces to enforce the laws. I feel the powers that be agreed to allowing these type of recreational vehicles on public roadways without thoroughly thinking this through just looking it like this is an income for the north country. Also, done without the concerns as to how it is affecting those residents who have made the North Country their home for numerous years and have enjoyed the serenity of the area. Thank you for taking the time to read my opinion.
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