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To the 1182 Committee:



OHRV abuse of public lands, including roads, is a problem throughout the United States. The responses of other states to this problem should be looked at by the Committee.

New York State:

"KEY SAFETY TIPS FOR OPERATING AN ATV:

Do not drive an ATV on paved roads...

CAN YOU DRIVE AN ATV ON THE ROADS IN NEW YORK?

One of the most commonly asked questions about NY ATV laws is whether or not ATVs are 'street legal' in the state of New York. As noted above, all terrain vehicles must be registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles, but it is not legal to operate them on public highways.

The only exception to this rule is if a highway has been designated and posted for ATV use. Typically, these sections of highway are short distances that connect off-road trails."

https://www.maynardinjurylaw.com/personal-injury/terrain-vehicle-safety/#~:text=The%20ATV%20Laws%20in%20New%20York%20State%3A&text=ATV%20use%20on%20highways%20is of%20a%20safety%20training%20certificat

"YOU MAY NEVER OPERATE AN ATV

On a highway, if the ATV is equipped with studded tires other than automobile-type studs."

https://dmv.ny.gov/brochure/atvs-information-owners-and-operators

In New York State the ATV registration and registration renewal fee is \$12.50 per year.

In New Hampshire the ATV registration and renewal fees are:

	ATV, UTV, or Other OHRV (Club Member)**	\$58.00	5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021
	ATV, UTV, or Other OHRV (Non-Club Member)	\$88.00	5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021
Resident (above)			
	ATV, UTV, or Other OHRV (Club Member)**	\$77.00	5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021
NonResident	ATV, UTV, or Other OHRV (Non-Club Member)	\$107.00	5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021

This money goes to Fish and Game for enforcement and to DNCR/BOT for grants to ATV clubs (\$691,614.61. in 2020) to establish trails and repair the yearly trail damage inflicted by the ATVs on the Ride the Wilds network, which includes town roads approved for ATV use. No ATV Club has used it for safety/health testing of any kind; dust levels, erosion studies, road abutter surveys, rider surveys, monitoring, noise maps, comprehensive accident assessments. Clint Savage can tell you what percent of Ride the Wilds is on roads.

WMNF's most recent Forest Plan forbids ATVs but DNCR/BOT have approached them with plans to gain ATV access to White Mountain National Forest. Management Plans change with corporate-backed political pressure. WMNF approved Northern Pass, for example.

On-road access in many towns would be pursued by DMCR/BOT/ ATV Clubs if ATVs were approved in WMNF. Consider Lincoln, NH with ATVs allowed on Main St. or Route 3, to allow ATV riders access to gas stations and food.

Kris