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Mr. Anthony J. Bruno, Sr.
18 Railroad Street
West Swanzey, New Hampshire 03469

Dear Mr. Bruno:

I have received your letter dated March 9, 1998, in reference to the problems you are experiencing with the newly acquired Rail Trail in Swanzey.

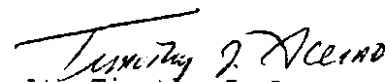
As you were informed, the use of the Rail Trail by motorized-wheeled vehicles is prohibited at this time. Unfortunately, as the Swanzey Police Department has experienced, the Keene District Court dismissed one of their cases of illegal operation. Therefore, until such time the Rail Trail is properly posted to prohibit this use, enforcement can not bring any additional cases before that court.

Statutorily, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is responsible for the enforcement of OHRV rules and regulations. The Bureau of Trails is responsible for all issues relating to the acquisition and maintenance of trails. Together, both Agencies work cooperatively to maintain a very successful recreational vehicle program. Unfortunately, the actions of a small minority continue to tarnish the reputation of all users.

A copy of this letter, and your letter, will be forwarded to Paul Gray, the Chief of the Bureau of Trails, requesting his assistance in resolving this issue. In the meantime, I have requested the local Conservation Officer continue to work cooperatively with the Swanzey Police Department to alleviate any future problems within their powers.

Thank you for your letter requesting a resolution to a potentially elevating problem.

Sincerely,


Lt. Timothy J. Acerno
Administrative Lieutenant

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cc: Lt. Christopher G. Berg
District Chief, District Four

✓ Paul Gray, Chief
Bureau of Trails


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