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Ms. Carol Murray, Commissioner
State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation
7 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03302

Dear Ms. Murray,

ATV Watch recently sent an inquiry to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) concerning the use of wheeled all terrain vehicles (ATVs) on rail trails in New Hampshire. Specifically this inquiry asked FHWA to clarify the Federal Statutes related to motorized use of the rails trails that were purchased by the State using Federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds. In response to this inquiry I understand that FHWA discussed the issue with the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) and sent a letter to NHDOT outlining FHWA's position. These letters are attached for your reference.

ATV Watch would like to know if the State of New Hampshire has any information contradictory to either ATV Watch's conclusions in its letter to FHWA or FHWA's conclusions in its letter to NHDOT.

Barring any documentation contradictory to the conclusions reached in ATV Watch's letter or FHWA's letter, ATV Watch is formally requesting NHDOT to immediately comply with the existing Federal Statutes governing motorized uses of the TE funded rail trails in New Hampshire.

ATV Watch considers this a very serious issue. Time is of the essence in your response to this issue due to ongoing safety concerns, direct damages and indirect damages.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Walters', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Walters, Concerned Citizen and Director, ATV Watch