

Request by Town of Gorham: Rte. 2 Parking Lot closure to loading and unloading and parking of OHRVs

Public Information Session held on April 12, 2021 via WebEx conference system

Written public comments due by 5 p.m., April 26, 2021

A	B	C	Name	Support	Oppose	Notes
1	1	W	Albert, A	x		Close Rte. 2 to OHRV use
2	2	W	Bike Walk Alliance	x		Restore trailhead to original summertime non-motorized use; OHRVs damage trail; one user group is making trail use unpleasant for all other users
3	3	W	Bradley, K	x		Designate Rte.2 trailhead to original non-motorized use
4	4	W	Bradshaw, C	x		
5	5	W	Brown, J & Ely, J	x		
6	6	W	Clarke, D	x		Current lawsuit documents noise, dust, pollution and congestion caused by ATV use
7	7	W	Clifford, E & M	x		SB250, 2012 allowed ATV use and by-passed the Presidential Rail Trail Mgmt Plan; New ATV trails are built under the guise to get ATVs off established trails, but such trails remain open to ATV use, thereby expanding the ATV trail system
8	8	H	Coos Cycling Club	x		Trail network is busy in summer; Rte.2 lot used by Gorham school bike clubs; closure of Rte.2 lot to OHRVs will reduce conflicts
9		W	Coos Cycling Club	x		Will reduce user conflicts
10	9	W	DeCoursey, N	x		Close Rte.2 to OHRV use
11		W	DeCoursey, N			PRT Mgmt Plan prohibits summer OHRV use
12	10	W	Eastman, N	x		Car & OHRV trailers take up too much space at Rte.2 lot
13	11	W	Evankow, A	x		Why not close Rte.2 to OHRV use? PRT Mgmt Plan prohibits summer OHRV use; OHRV registrations declined in 2020; Enforcement at Rte.2 lot?
14		H	Evankow, A			Why not close PRT to OHRV per mgmt plan; OHRV registrations declined in 2020; The BOT claim that the Rte.16 lot would reduce OHRV traffic has not happened
15	12	W	Evankow, D	x		PRT Mgmt Plan prohibits summer OHRV use; Promises to address problems broken by state and town
16	13	W	Fortin, J & H			Would like to access the OHRV trails located behind their home
17	14	W	Gould, Rep L	x		Return PRT to non-motorized use
18	15	W	Halliwell, J	x		Motorized use of PRT violates the original rules; No motorized use of Rte.2 lot, incl. snowmobiles; ATVs on roadways is dangerous; One user group is having negative impact on all other user groups and on the community
19	16	W	Hartnett, K	x		Make Rte.2 trailhead and PRT non-motorized per the Mgmt Plan
20	17	H	Holmes, Diane	x		Closing Rte.2 lot and trailhead to OHRVs would go a long way to solving the conflict in the residential areas
21	18	W	Ingold, B	x		Close PRT to OHRV or non-resident OHRVs; Remove OHRV trails from residential areas; Balance use for larger. non-motorized user groups; Respect rights of property owners
22	19	W	Lanier, J & Morell, G	x		Reroute the trail away from the neighborhood; Return PRT to non-motorized summer use; Proposal is unenforceable
23	20	H	Marcou, Dep Sheriff			How will this be enforced?
24	21	W	Micucci, S	x		Alternative has been provided to OHRVs at Rte.16
25	22	W	Moynihan, [Rep] W	x		Permanently prohibit OHRV use of the PRT & in vicinity of the neighborhood year round; Initial concept for rail trails was for non-motorized use
26	23	W	Neil, B	x		Environmental impact study was never done for dust, noise and exhaust
27	24	W	Neil, N	x		Close PRT to OHRV use per original rail trail use
28	25	W	Newfield, G	x		Return to original non-motorized PRT summer use; dust caused by OHRVs could be toxic; With Rte.16 available to OHRVs, close Rte.2 to OHRV use for easier enforcement; Non-motorized users outnumber motorized users and should be heard; OHRV registrations were down last year
29	26	W	NH Rail Trails Coalition	x		Restore 1/2 mile section of trailhead to non-motorized use; Mgmt plan req'd per RSA 215-A:41,II & 215-A:42,I;
30	27	W	Pastoriza, K	x		Close trail to OHRVs; ATV access and use does not improve livability, see RSA 9-B, state econ growth, resource protect, planning policy
31	28	W	Pelchat, M & Holmes, D	x		Close trail access from Rte.2 to OHRVs; signage needed; relocate south end of Corridor 19 to Eversource ROW;
32	29	W	Petrofsky, J	x		Close trailhead to OHRVs
33	30	W	Pigeon, C	x		

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34	31	W	Prange, M	x		
35	32	H	Rajala, R	x		With new Rte.16 lot for OHRVs and closure of Rte.2 lot to OHRVs, good solutions for motorized and non-motorized trail users
36		W	Rajala, R			Close Rte.2 trailhead to summer ATV access; PRT to west and Gorham Multimodal Trail from Rte.2 parking as non-motorized use
37	33	W	Rauchenberg, M	x		Return Rte.2 trailhead to non-motorized use
38	34	W	Rice, C	x		Return trail to non-motorized use
39	35	H	Sanschagrin, H		x	Unfair to discriminate against one user group; laws were passed to allow ATV access; This should not be discussed w/ ongoing lawsuit; Rte.16 access is dangerous
40		W	Sanschagrin, H			Unfair to exclude one group; Rte.16 trail connector is a dangerous crossing for ATVs;
41	36	W	Schott, B	x		Return PRT to non-motorized use; Prohibit OHRV use of Rte.1
42	37	W	Scolere, L	x		Local residents should also use Rte.16 access for OHRVs
43	38	W	Thomas, Rep Wendy	x		Former rep on RR&D, close Rte.2 trailhead to OHRV use
44	39	H	Tucker, E			Would bicyclists and sled dog users be allowed to use the Rte.2 lot?
45	40	H	Wemyss, H	x		Comments entered in chat
46		W	Wemyss, H			Close small section of PRT from Rte.2 lot to motorized use, per PRT mgmt plan
47	41	W	Wyman, L	x		Close Rte.2 trailhead to OHRVs
48		W	Wyman, L			Supports HB 1165, prohibiting ATVs on rail trails in Gorham [2020 Session, Died on Table]
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		8	Spoke at the 04/12 public info session			
		40	Submitted written comments			
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