

Shelburne County ATV Association

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Municipality of Barrington
2447 Highway 3, PO Box 100,
Barrington, Nova Scotia, B0T 1E0

Re: Letter of support for trail development

The Woodland Multi-Use Trail Association has been established in Shelburne County since June 2006 under the Nova Scotia Societies Act. It is developing a trail system using primarily the 125 kilometers of abandoned rail corridors throughout the County. It has worked in close collaboration with the Shelburne County ATV Association, both of which are non profit registered Joint Stocks Societies. Since 2006 the WMTA has developed, operated and managed 79 kilometers of shared multi use trail in Shelburne County. Our shared multiuse trails will form the backbone of a county wide trail system for the benefit of members and users linking to adjacent trail systems in southwest Nova Scotia as part of the Trans Canada Trail. It is also shared with a wide range of recreational users and tourists for the benefit of active living and business.

The next phase of development is in the western part of the Municipality of Shelburne connecting to the Municipality of Barrington. The SCATVA and WMTA are applying to the Province for use of the Road Trails Act for approval of three sections of OHV Road Trail. We are also applying for three amendments from NS DNRR to a Notice of rail bed closure to motorized vehicles including a section of rail bed east of Lyles Road and over the Clyde River rail bridge. Both sets of applications are requested in order to connect the 36.9 km (23 miles) of rail bed between Roseway River and Clyde River. We would be pleased to advise you on any further details of our applications as you wish or need.

We are currently seeking letters of support for this improvement of the trail, recreational and tourism infrastructure in the area. It would be very much appreciated if MoB could provide us with a letter of support for this project to connect trails in MoB to those in MDS. This letter would accompany our various applications for approval, letters of authority, grants, etc.

Your attention and support is very much appreciated by many.

Sincerely,

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S. B. Embree for
Shelburne County ATV Association

Attachments: OHV Road Trail Act Requests, Map of Clyde River Road Trail

