

Concerns about the proposed plan for NorthEast rentals:

- 1) The total machines that they plan on having is way too many. 175+ is causing many problems Putting all of these machines out at once, even half, is very dangerous out on the trails and even in traffic. I suggest no more than 50-60 machines.
- 2) These machines are being rented by inexperienced riders who have no clue of what they are doing. And are causing accidents among themselves and other riders.
- 3) 1000 cc machines are way too much power to handle. 500 cc would be about right.
- 4) Flooding the trails with these inexperienced riders is causing the local riders to not want to go out for fear of get into an accident with these riders. It's just too dangerous. We pay our registrations and can't even enjoy our own back yards. And this is Sunday thru Saturday. That isn't right.
- 5) The POHRV Club is having a hard time now to maintain the trails that are already in place. It would take a full time 8 hour day person to maintain what is there now with the addition of all these possible new renters.
- 6) NorthEast Rental is telling riders to go up past the lights and use the trail entrance just after the bridge. That is the worst Trail access point that has ever been done. You have inexperienced riders in a center lane of 30-40 mile per hour traffic, attempting to make either a right hand or left hand turn, across an active traffic lane, across a breakdown lane. Talk about a fatal accident just waiting to happen. What is wrong with the Lancaster Road route? Nothing. One way traffic in both lanes, not crossing traffic lanes. No accident since it has been opened. Many riders feel that they can go up to Wal-Mart and get surprised when they get caught.
- 7) With this proposal, the Gorham Police Dept. will be stressed out with a lot more complaints. Right now Fish & Game is also very much stressed out. They simply don't have the funds and manpower to respond to all the extra calls that these new renters create.
- 8) According to some, the contract that was signed by NorthEast Rentals is supposed have a clause in it that says that \$5.00 will be given to the POHRV Club per machine rental for use in trail maintenance. The club has not seen anything like that.
- 9) These inexperienced renters do not follow the rules of the trails. They speed, don't stay on the designated trail, throw rubbish all over the place, drive very erratically and dangerously, cause most accident because they don't know how to drive these machines.
- 10) Also, as a side note, the rentals of the snowmachines are becoming a problem.

In conclusion, I ask the planning board to reject this plan completely and if needed, ask for impact study be performed of this situation and that NorthEast Rentals re-apply next year, if it wants to. Also, this type of meeting should not be done on Zoom, since people are limited to 2 minutes (Illegal, by the way). Request that meetings like this be done on a face to face basis.

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