

Report to Authorized OHV Dealers in Nova Scotia Achievements in 2009

Background:

In July 2006, the member companies of COHV implemented a levy to support the sustainability and growth of off-road motorcycle and ATV riding in Canada. The program became operational in August 2006 with the first sustaining grants being approved for provincial and national ATV and off-road motorcycle federations. In February 2007, the first project development grants were approved. To date, in Nova Scotia, \$588,990 has been provided to provincial federations for sustaining grants and project development grants.

Accomplishments:

- ❖ Over 3.5 million dollars invested in OHV trails in Nova Scotia in 2009 (27 projects);
- ❖ 18.5 km of new single track trail constructed;
- ❖ Two regional trail maps completed (informed by GPS work done in 2007 - 2009), three additional maps currently being printed and mapping and map training promoted with remaining clubs;
- ❖ ATV Federation membership expanded from 37 to 40 clubs – representing 4,000 riders – and 12 dealer members added;
 - Retail membership program developed (restaurants, service centres, etc.), to be implemented in 2010;
- ❖ ORM federation membership base increased to 281 – a 187% increase from AGM in May 2009 – and 11 corporate members added;
- ❖ ORM federation moved from being a small group of volunteers to a professionally run association with one central repository for membership and financial information;
- ❖ Twenty three clubs and trail groups supported on continuing basis by provincial trail coordinator to build trails, learn to patrol trails and access funds;

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- ❖ ATV federation continues to mentor new PEI ATV federation in organizational and strategic issues;
- ❖ Both Off-Highway Vehicle federations continue to be involved in multi-stakeholder working group to progress the government's OHV Action Plan;
- ❖ Formal partnership developed between provincial ATV federation, ORM federation, snowmobile federation and Nova Scotia Trails to address trails issues in a coordinated manner;
- ❖ Nova Scotia "partner" designated to work with both national rider federations, the American-based National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council and COHV to promote responsible riding on both sides of the border