

Lakes Region ATV Club, David Turnbull, Club President

The last few months have brought about some changes in the club officers, Namly myself, I was elected Vice president back in May of this year. In October the former president resigned. Moving forward, we are playing catch up, so to speak, at the same time we are evolving to become more self-sufficient while retaining the ability to continue charity work and foster a good working relationship with Crooked River Snowmobile Club.

The Fall and early winter of 23/24 brought about some extraordinary weather in our area as well as many others in the state. Our system in particular fared well, but we did /do have some damage that has not been addressed. This is where the state grant process comes in. As it stands these repairs are far more than the club in any form can afford to do alone , the grant is a 90/10 split , club being responsible for 10% and it is my understanding that volunteer hours can be used in lue of the 10 %

1 , The powerline on Rita Fogg Estes land (CMP easement) between leach hill road crossing and the Brook ,heading into Jugtown. This portion of trail is appx 1 mile long with half of it being on a grade such that the rains from the years i mentioned has washed this trail out and left up with what amounts to some fairly sever washouts, with concern to the runoff from the trail. I have had a contractor out and am awaiting his quote but expect this hill to repair will be around 40k give or take. The is a must fix for our system as it is a major connection between Que 5 Park and ride and all points north including access, Casco Village stores and shops, as well as Kindred Farms and the new gas station from the Northern side

2, The Fountain Hill trail needs to be completed, more materials, machines and volunteer labor here (Casco Village access)

3 , Otisfield loop, connects to the park and ride on Rt 121 , short of Spurs corner, this loop provides alternative park and ride access to the trail system.

4. There will be regular trail maintenance including bride repair and redecking as well as light equipment rental and resurfacing where necessary.

5 , Access routes and signs to go from the trail on RT 121 (Raymond side of intersection to the shops and gas at Pikes Corner, we need a plan here that works for everyone

6, Road crossing signs , warning etc , Leach Hill , Quaker Ridge , RT 11 and again Pikes corner area depending on what the plan is there

Please see the maps I have provided for better understanding of the network and locations I have spoken of

The total I currently project asking for appx 55 K from the state in the Municipal grant/ Muni grant, the grant is approved by the state, after submission in late March early April time .