

A-23 Jackson Trail 27 Rehab

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Motorized Recreation Grant Application

For: (choose all that apply)

Form 8700-159 (R 02/2024)

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Due Date: April 15

ATV/UTV Trail Aid

Snowmobile Trail Aid

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Instructions: Applications may combine more than one source of funds. They may be submitted for consideration of traditional ATV, UTV, Snowmobile and Motorized Stewardship funding. Submit one copy of all forms and attachments. See Page 2 for necessary attachments. Send applications to your [Community Services Specialist](#).

DNR Use Only	
Category	Number

Section 1: Applicant Information

Applicant / Organization Name Jackson County Forestry and Parks			Check Recipient: Individual other than authorized individual to act on behalf of the applicant. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select if the same as applicant.		
Individual Authorized to Act on Behalf of Applicant per Resolution Jim Zahasky			Check Recipient Name (Name to Appear on Check) Jim Zahasky		
Title Jackson County Forestry and Parks Admin.			Title Jackson County Forestry and Parks Admin.		
Address W9790 Airport Rd			Address W9790 Airport Rd		
City Black River Falls	State WI	ZIP Code 54615	City Black River Falls	State WI	ZIP Code 54615
Telephone Number (715) 284-8475		Email Address Jim.Zahasky2@Jacksoncountywi.gov			

Section 2: Project Information Required for all Projects

Project Title Dodge to Oakridge					Current Funded Miles 101.1	New Miles (if applicable)
County Jackson	Township 20 N	Range 3	Section 18	¼ ¼ NW	¼ NW	GPS Coordinates: Lat. 44.216127 Long. -90.78992

Project Description Summary

This section of our trail system is sand base with many S-curves in it. The curves get banked due to the sand and number of users to the point that the trail are too steep to ride. The banking causes the water to sit on the inside corner so riders try to ride up on the slope to stay out of the water. The slope gets up to 28% to 34% which makes it unsafe for users and for our equipment operators. In the curvy section of this trail we would like to level and add gravel to stabilize the corners. This will provide a safer trail for the users and equipment operators.

I certify that all maintenance land use agreements are on file.

Estimated Cost

Maintenance	Acquisition	Insurance	Development	Bridge Rehab.	Trail Rehab.	Total Estimated Cost
					\$47,140.00	\$47,140.00

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Applicant Certification

Printed Name of Authorized Official Jim Zahasky	Official's Title Jackson County Forestry and Parks Admin.
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As the applicant's authorized official, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

March 25, 2025
 Date Prepared

Appendix B – Required for Trail/Qualified Trout Rehab, Reroute, or Development

Trail Rehab Qualified Trout New Trail Trail Reroute (Mandatory or Discretionary)

County Jackson	Township 20 N	Range 3	<input type="radio"/> E <input checked="" type="radio"/> W	Section 18	¼ ¼ NW	¼ NW	GPS Coordinates: Lat. 44.216127 Long. -90.78992
Funded Trail Name or Number (SNARS if applicable) Oak Ridge or 27				Has this trail ever received development or rehabilitation funds in the past? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No Year: _____ \$ _____			
Trail is located on: <input type="radio"/> Private property <input checked="" type="radio"/> Public property			Length of Easement or Landowner Use Agreement _____ years			Expiration Date	
Landowner Where Trail is Located Jackson County Forest						Telephone Number (715) 284-8475	

What other recreational trail uses are planned for this trail?
Snowmobile

If there are other Recreational uses planned, how much of the trail development/rehab. cost will be paid for by other users?
None

How many miles would be affected if this project is not funded? 1.5	Will this result in closure of a trail? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
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Is this a critical section to the overall trail system? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Is there a reasonable alternative? None
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Does any section of this trail contain a bridge? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Will this bridge require rehabilitation now or in the next few years? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	What is the weight of your puller & drag/grading equipment? _____ lbs.
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- Yes No Have you contacted your local [DNR Water Management Specialist \(WMS\)](#) regarding a permit?
- Yes No Is a permit needed? (Please provide any written correspondence from WMS.)
- Yes No Will this project be located near or cross any intermittent or perennial waterway? [Surface Water Data Viewer](#)
- Yes No Will this project be located near or cross any wetland?
- Yes No Will this project involve land disturbance – including clearing and grubbing – of 1 acre or more of land? (Less than 4/10th mile for a typical trail) [DNR Storm Water Contact List](#)

Trail Project Detailed Description

This section of our trail system is between Oak Ridge Road and Dodge Road. It is a sand base trail which gets groomed weekly in order to maintain it. While sand is a great base it also moves relatively easily especially with the amount of traffic and the increase size of the machines on the trail. After years of use this sand trail has lost all organic matter that had helped stabilize it. The curvy sections and S-corners get bank to such a degree that we use a dozer twice a year to level them and push the sand back. They get up to 28% to 34% grade that makes riding and grooming them unsafe, as well as pooling water on the inside corner.

Jackson County Forestry and Parks Department proposes to rehabilitate approximately 4600 feet of this trail where the worst S-curves are found. The rehab will include pushing the sand back and leveling the corners with a dozer then contracting out hauling the gravel. The goal is to add 12 inches of gravel that gets compacted to about 8 inches. We use 1 ½ gravel plus fines that holds up better on our sand trails. I will be applying for 50% of the cost of this project from RTP funds.

This trail is open to ATV's all year and UTV's in the summer. Last year we extended the closing of the trails from October 15 to the last Sunday in October. Also due to the lack of snow the trail was open to UTV's in the winter.

From: [Zahasky, Jim](#)
To: [Byfield, Kurt A - DNR](#)
Subject: RE: Question on East Brockway & Trail 27 applications
Date: Monday, July 14, 2025 9:11:25 AM
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Great question, and in fact we do use breaker in certain areas such as a steep hill down to a bridge, a mud hole that is so deep that filling it with gravel would take too many loads. We are also trying out mixing breaker with gravel that way we have the large stone for weight distribution and the smaller stone knits it together. It makes a rougher trail and slows riders down when they approach a bridge which is a good thing. The State tried using breaker and covering it with gravel and it worked until the gravel disappeared and we are left with a rough trail that we can not groom and the only option is to add more gravel. We would not want to use breaker on large sections of trail because we would not be able to groom/maintain it over time. The larger heavy UTV machines move a lot of material when they are on the trails. We do use 1 ¼ gravel with fines not ¾ because of our sand ground and that larger stone seems to work out the best for us.

Let me know if you have more questions.

Thank you,

Jim Zahasky

Jackson County Forestry & Parks Administrator
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From: Byfield, Kurt A - DNR <Kurt.Byfield@wisconsin.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2025 3:10 PM
To: Zahasky, Jim <Jim.Zahasky2@Jacksoncountywi.gov>
Subject: Question on East Brockway & Trail 27 applications

Hi Jim

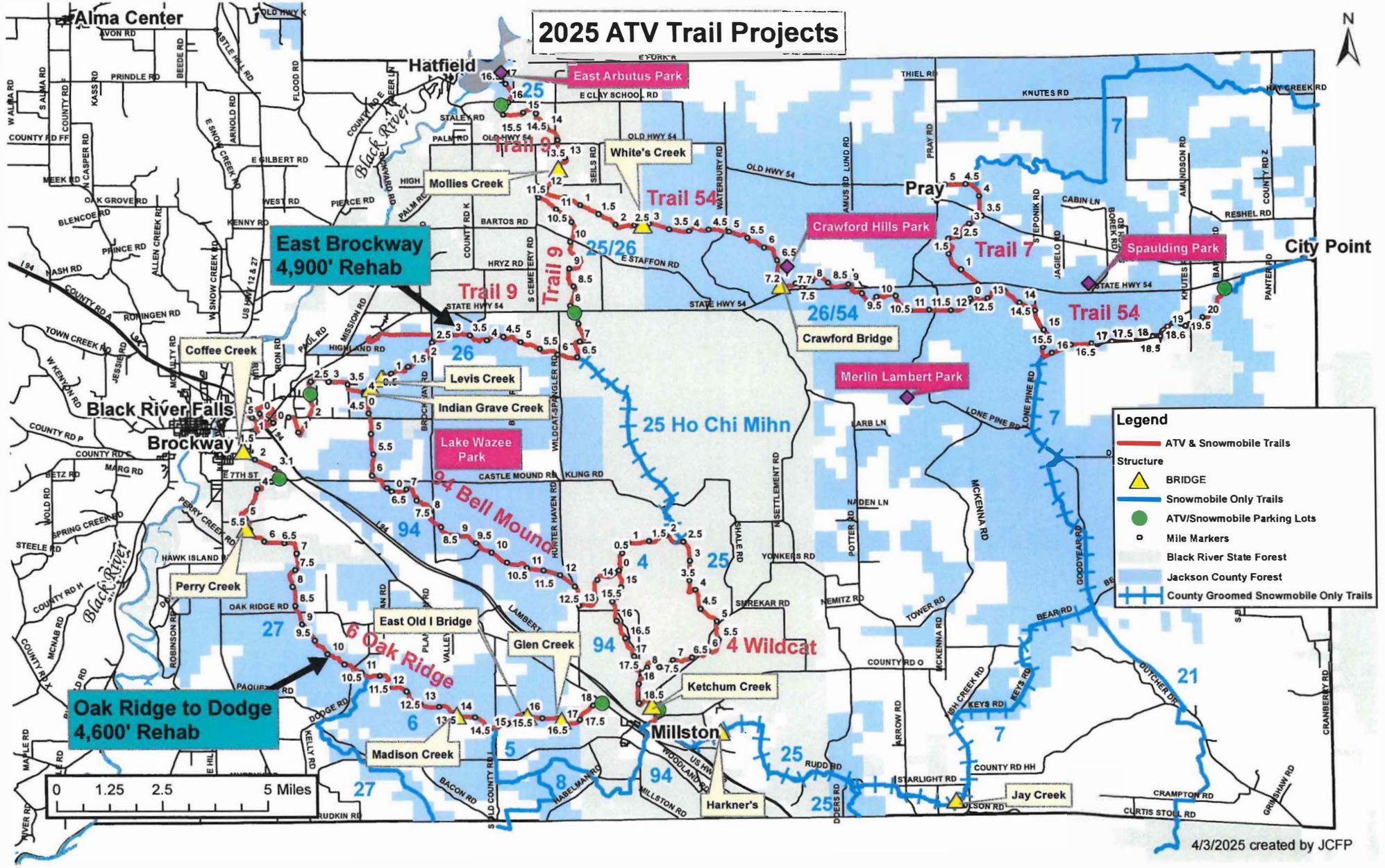
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“Would it be appropriate to put a base of breaker run and then gravel on top? Might



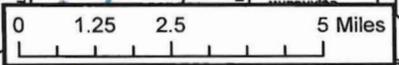


2025 ATV Trail Projects



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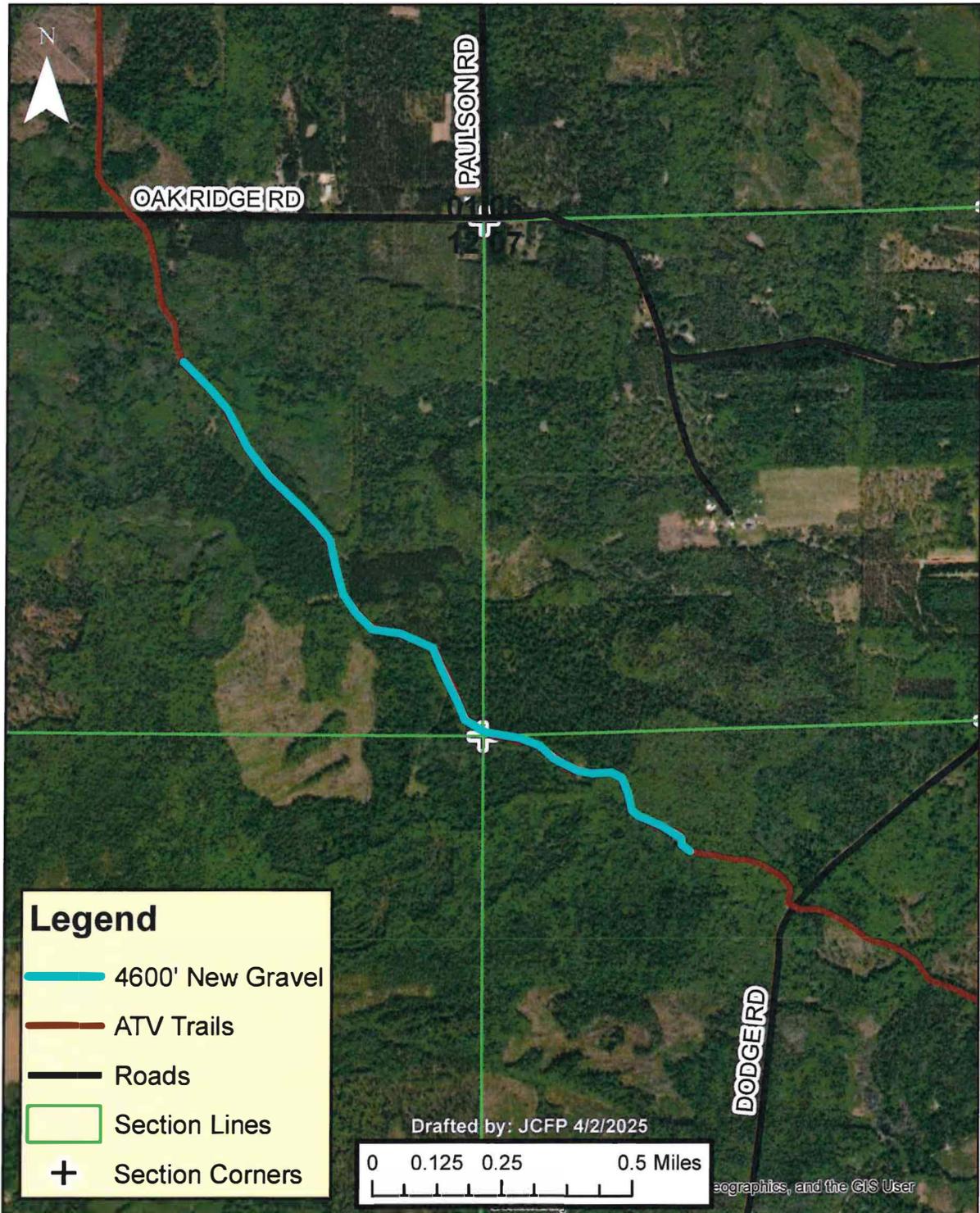
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- Snowmobile Only Trails
- County Groomed Snowmobile Only Trails
- ▲ BRIDGE
- ATV/Snowmobile Parking Lots
- Mile Markers
- Black River State Forest
- Jackson County Forest



Oak Ridge to Dodge Trail Rehabilitation Project

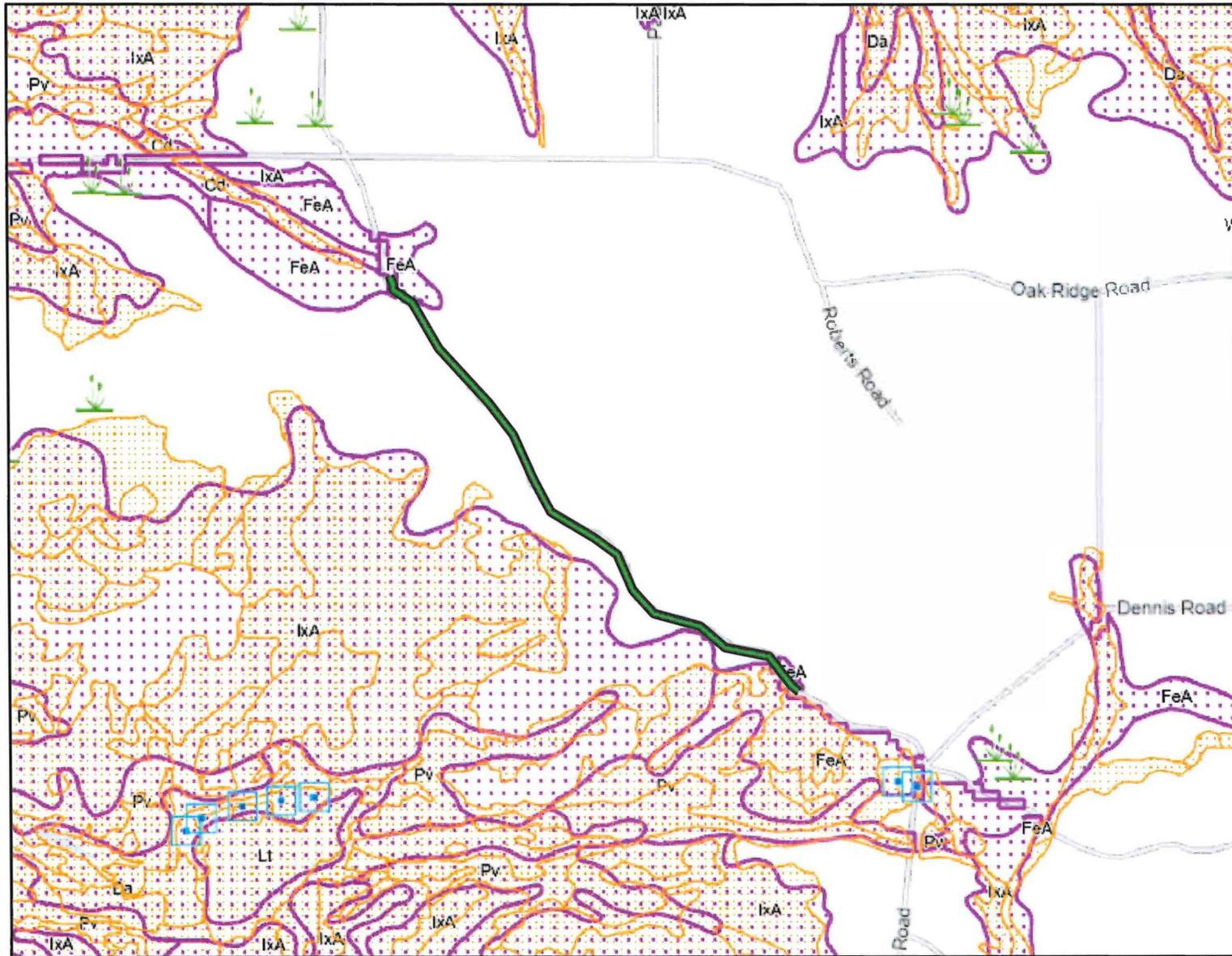
Aerial Photo Map

T 20 N, R 03 & 04 W, Sections 7, 12, & 18 Town of Manchester





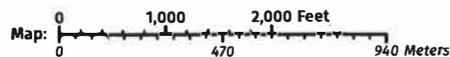
Oak Ridge to Dodge Wetland Map



Legend: (some map layers may not be displayed)

- Wetland Class Points**
- Excavated pond
 - Wetland too small to delineate
 - Wetland Class Areas
 - Wetland Indicators
 - Rivers and Streams
 - Intermittent Streams
 - Open Water
 - 24K Intermittent Streams
 - 24K Lakes and Open Water
 - County Boundaries
 - County and Local Roads
 - Local Road

Notes:



Service Layer Credits:
 Wisconsin Wetland Inventory NWI (cached); , Wetland Indicators & Soils: Surface Water Data Viewer Team,
 Cities, Roads & Boundaries: , Surface Water (Cached): WiDNR, USGS, and other data

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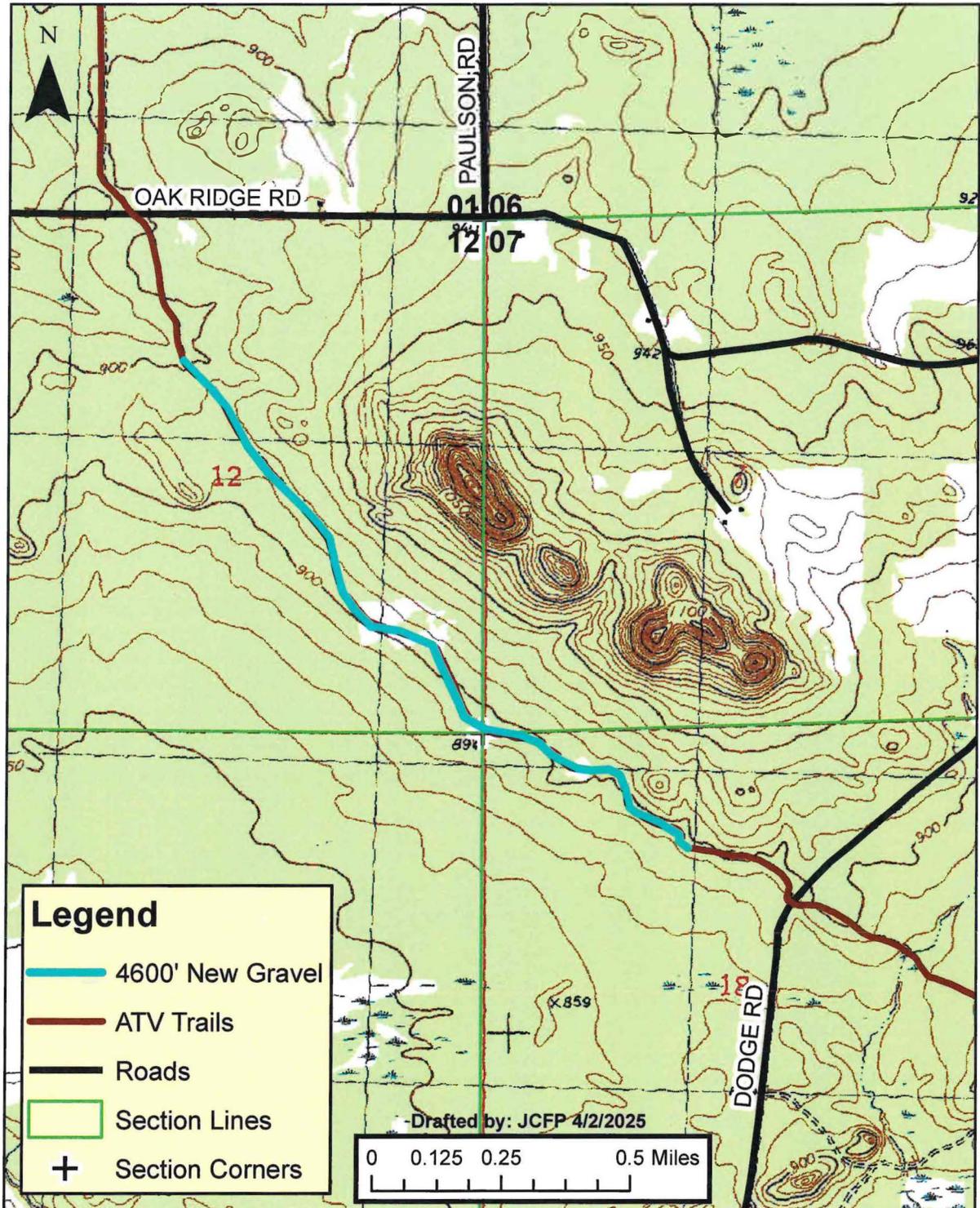
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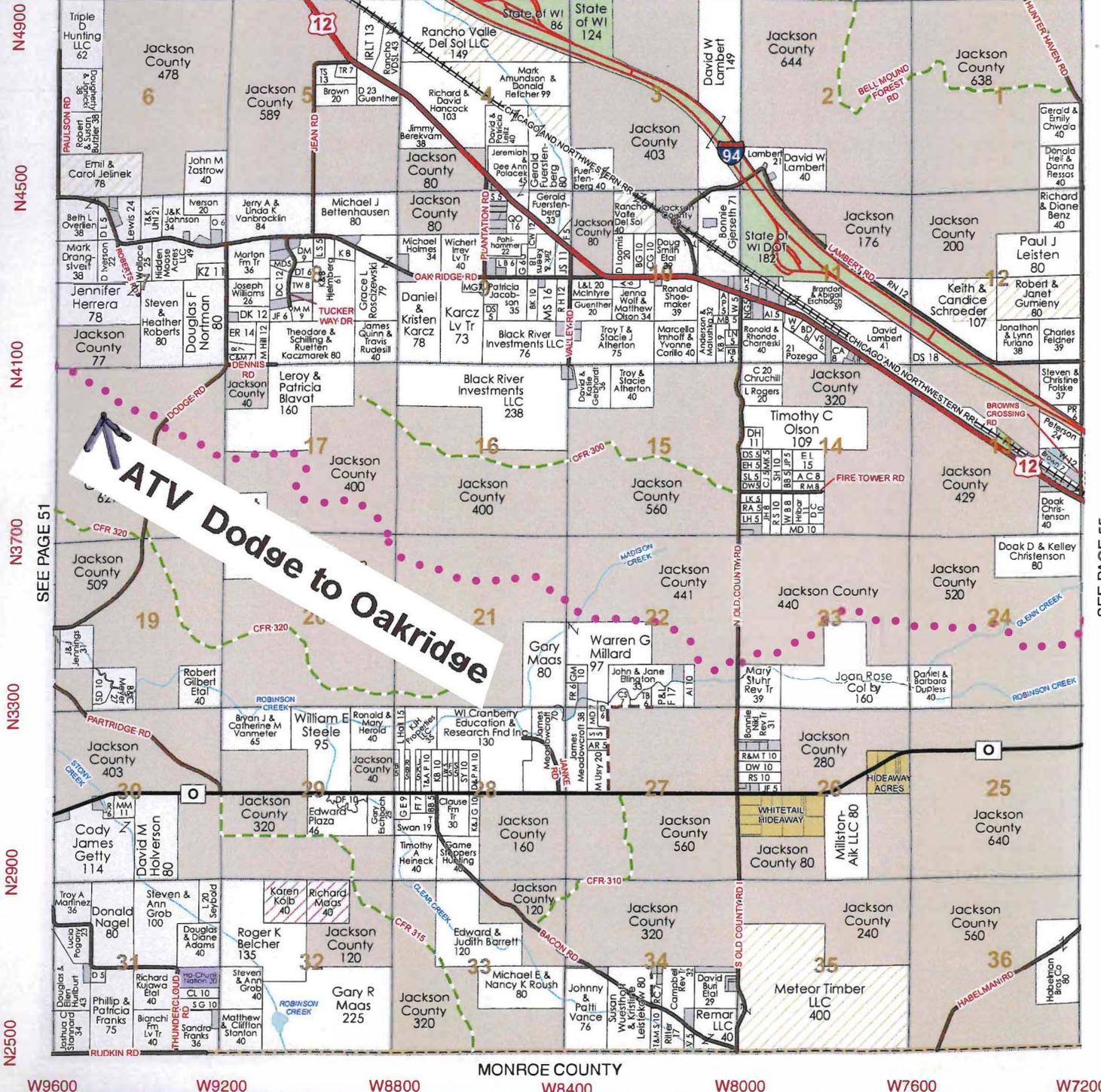
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Oak Ridge to Dodge Trail Rehabilitation Project

Topographic Map

T 20 N, R 03 & 04 W, Sections 7, 12, & 18 Town of Manchester





ATV Dodge to Oakridge

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