



## Joint Snowmobile Advisory Council and Off-Road Vehicle Council

### Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

via Zoom

**Snowmobile Council Members Present:** Bob Lang – Chair, Joel Enking, Gary Hilgendorf, Mike Holden, Tara Krall, Sam Landes, Andy Malecki, Don Mrotek, Sue Smedegard, Holly Tomlanovich

**ORV Council Members Present:** Rob McConnell – Chair, Mike Biese – Vice Chair, Bobby Donahue, Ed Slaminski, Dan Thole, Dave Traczyk Jim Wisneski

**DNR staff attendance:** Jillian Steffes, Pat Anderson, Kurt Byfield, Jeremy Holtz, Jeff Pennucci

**Public attendance:** Members of the public

**1. Call to order**

**2. Chair Comments**

- None

**3. Public Participation**

None

**4. DNR Report**

- We have 3 cost increase requests for consideration today. Due to the motion passed by Snowmobile Council back in February, only small cost increases will be considered by Snow today, and larger ones in August.

**5. ACTION ITEM: Review of and funding recommendations for grant project cost increase request**

Req	County	Discussion/Questions	Motions
86	Langlade		<p><b>Snow</b> - Motion to approve by Gary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.</p> <p><b>ORV</b> – Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
87	Burnett	Project is on DNR owned land. Once DNR engineers got involved, the project changed and costs raised dramatically. Water Regs approvals took longer than expected and additional engineering was required. Co is applying for \$100,000 in RTP but won't know results of that till August. Snowmobile will not consider an increase to their share till August.	<p><b>ORV</b> – Motion to defer fund increase consideration until August by Bobby, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
88	Oneida	All three bids came in higher than original cost estimates, including from the original estimate source. No gravel pits nearby, requires trucking in material.	<p><b>ORV</b> – Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</p>

**Other Discussion**

- When projects are located on DNR land, the grant applicant typically begins discussion with the DNR property manager well before the grant application. Ideally, the DNR property manager should be consulting with DNR engineering to ensure the grant proposal is going to be approved by DNR engineers. We've found that, in practice, DNR engineers are not getting notified until after the grant is secured, resulting in projects being re-designed and grant funds being insufficient. To help prevent this, DNR Grants staff are making SURE that DNR

engineers are aware of a project proposal as soon as we receive a grant application, so that any changes are hopefully made prior to the funding meeting.

**6. Committee member items**

- Sam Landes – [Great Sauk-Walking Iron Trail - Rails to Trails Conversion | Dane County Parks](#) public comment period is open, comments in support of snowmobile use needed.

**7. Adjourn**

## 2024-25 COST INCREASE REQUESTS

April 2025

	Snowmo Program	ATV/UTV Program
<b>Starting Balance</b>	<b>\$ 487,802</b>	<b>\$ 162,577</b>
Langlade Hwy H Rec Wing Req	\$ 7,311	\$ 7,311
Burnett Crex Meadow Bridge Req	TBD Aug	\$ 131,110
Oneida Little Rice Rehab Req	N/A	\$ 48,055
<b>If Funded</b>	<b>\$ 480,491</b>	<b>\$ (23,899)</b>

Region	County		New/Increase Component	New Costs	Total	Approved	Comments										
<b>#86</b>	Langlade	Langlade Co Highway Dept has received bids and awarded a contract for construction of a rec wing on the County Highway H bridge over the Prairie River. Bids came back higher than original estimate. Seeking additional funds from both ATV and Snowmobile.	<b>Additional COSTS</b>		\$14,622												
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<b>#87</b>	Burnett	Burnett County is seeking a cost increase for replacement of a bridge on Corr Trail 45 on DNR's Crex Meadows State Wildlife Area. DNR is requiring additional engineering, and the bridge costs are higher than originally estimated. Total project cost increasing from \$82,000 to \$344,219, an increase of \$262,219. Burnett is seeking a 50% increase from both ATV, and Snowmobile (August), and will also apply for RTP funds.	<b>Additional COSTS</b>		\$262,219												
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<b>#88</b>	Oneida	Oneida County is seeking a cost increase for rehab of the Little Rice Trail. The project went out for bid in February, and all three bids were higher than the original estimate. Overall cost increase was due to higher trucking expenses for gravel.	<b>Additional COSTS</b>		\$48,055												
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