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Governor



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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Julie Moore, Secretary of Natural Resources
Joe Flynn, Secretary of Transportation
Michael Schirling, Secretary of Commerce
Tom Anderson, Commissioner of Public Safety
Joan Goldstein, Commissioner of Economic Development
Rob Ide, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
Louis Porter, Commissioner of Fish & Wildlife
Michael Snyder, Commissioner of Forests, Parks & Recreation

FROM: Philip B. Scott, Governor 

DATE: March 10, 2017

RE: Interagency Panel on use
of All Terrain Vehicles

I hereby direct the state agencies listed below to form an interagency panel to meet and make recommendations to me, on or before November 15th, 2017, regarding recreational use of All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) in Vermont, including state Agency involvement, enforcement, and the enhancement of the partnership between the Vermont All Terrain Sportsman's Association (VASA) and the State of Vermont.

The Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources, Commissioner the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife, Secretary of the Agency of Transportation, Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of the Department Public Safety and the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Community Affairs shall convene a panel to review existing state statutes and regulations regarding ATVs, and explore and make recommendations regarding the recreational use of ATVs in Vermont. Each Secretary and Commissioner may designate a panel participant.

The Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources shall take the lead in convening the panel and setting up meetings.

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On or before November 15, 2017, the interagency panel shall submit a report to the Governor's office which includes recommendations for:

- (1) the establishment and expansion of safe, high-quality trails,
- (2) trail management,
- (3) adequate enforcement,
- (4) safety, training, and registration, and
- (5) any revisions to statutes and regulations which may be necessary to implement the recommendations related to (1) through (4) above.