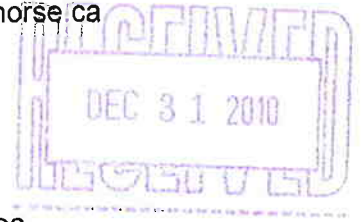


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Select Committee on the Safe Operation and Use of Off-road Vehicles
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Dear Sirs:

The Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club would like to add its support to the proposal to licence off road vehicles currently before the Committee.

Off road vehicles continue to be a problem for the ski club, with ATV's doing damage to the club's trail system in the summer and posing a danger to non-motorized users of the facility.

This problem seems to be increasing in recent years as the machines become more powerful and widespread. And as we continue to see increased summer use by a wide variety of groups in the summer, the potential for conflict between ATVs and pedestrians or cyclists increases.

In winter, the danger of conflict increases further as the club's 1300 members and additional casual users are out on the trails. And ATVs and snowmobiles can easily negate many hours of effort in trail grooming.

A licensing system whereby we could identify the offenders and report them to City By-Law would go a long way to helping alleviate the problem.

Yours truly,

Claude Chabot
Executive Director

Cc: City of Whitehorse