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MEMORANDUM

TO: To The Record

FROM: Commissioner Crotty

DATE: August 16, 2004

SUBJECT: Aldrich Pond, Black River and Independence River Wild Forest Unit Management Plan (UMP) Amendments

The Aldrich Pond, Black River and Independence River Wild Forest UMPs have been amended to include provisions as approved by the Adirondack Park Agency on July 9, 2004. The Amendments are compliant with the New York State Constitution, the Environmental Conservation Law and Department Rules, Regulations and Policies. The Adirondack Park Agency has also found the amendments to be compliant with the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan. They are hereby approved and adopted.

Erin M. Crotty, Commissioner

Unit Management Plan AMENDMENTS for:

Aldrich Pond Wild Forest Unit Management Plan, Adopted 2/95
Black River Wild Forest, Adopted 6/96
Independence River Wild Forest, Adopted 10/86

With Respect to:

ATV USE ON MOTOR VEHICLE ROADS

Approved by the Adirondack Park Agency - July, 2004
Adopted by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)- 8-13-04

BACKGROUND

The DEC is committed to taking actions to address the issue of All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) use on public lands under the Department's jurisdiction, including Forest Preserve lands in the Adirondack Park. These actions are to ensure that all ATV access on Forest Preserve lands will be in compliance with existing law, including but not limited to the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan (APSLMP), the Vehicle and Traffic Law ("VTL"), specifically VTL §2405 6 NYCRR §196.1, and the State Environmental Quality Review Act. The DEC has worked with the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) through the Unit Management Planning (UMP) process to determine which roads should be open for ATV access in Wild Forest areas, focused in these (3) units on roads opened pursuant to the adoption of UMPs for these units. The UMPs established these roads as open to motor vehicles. The APSLMP defines an ATV as a motor vehicle. Pursuant to the adoption of the Black River and Independence River UMP's, several roads were signed open to ATV access by the DEC. The Aldrich Pond UMP contains specific references to which roads were open to ATV access.

The Master Plan, at page 18, includes the following definition of "road:"

> Road--an improved or partially improved way designed for travel by automobiles <u>and which may also be used by other types of motor vehicles</u> except snowmobiles, unless the way is a designated snowmobile trail; and is,
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> (I) either maintained by a state agency or a local government and open to the general public;
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> (ii) maintained by private persons or corporations primarily for private use but which may also be open to the general public for all or a segment thereof; or,

(iii) maintained by the Department of Environmental Conservation or other state agency and open to the public on a discretionary basis. (Emphasis added).

By providing that a road must be designed for travel by automobiles and may also be used by other types of motor vehicles, recent APA UMP approvals have indicated that the Master Plan implies that a road which is not open for travel by the public for travel by automobile may not be open to the public for travel by other types of motor vehicles. Reasonable restrictions on type of vehicle or season of use may be imposed for environmental protection, but as a general rule, the Master Plan does not intend for a road to be open for the public use of ATVs unless the road is simultaneously open for the public use of automobiles. Therefore, the DEC has determined where the condition of a particular road is temporarily unsuitable for travel by automobiles, it will be closed to cars and trucks, pending improvement as described in a unit management plan. In appropriate cases, the Department maintain access to programs such as hunting by permit only using an ATV. Such an authorization would be a temporary measure for a specified time frame to maintain program access via the designated road.

STATUS OF ROADS

There are (91) motor vehicle roads in the Aldrich Pond, Black River and Independence River Wild Forest Areas. The attached charts describe the use(s) for which each road was designated in its respective UMP, the use(s) for which each road was open for as of July 2004 and the use(s) for which each road will be open for pursuant to these amendments. This can be summarized as follows:

Unit	Motor Vehicles			ATVs		
	Designated in UMP	**Use as of July 2004**	**Use as of August 2004 pursuant to UMP Amendment**	**Designated in UMP**	**Use as of July 2004**	**Use as of August 2004 pursuant to UMP Amendment**
Aldrich Pond	14	9	12	19	3	2
Black River	30	30	29	30	9	3
Independence River	47	48	49	47	31	0
Total	**91**	**87**	**90**	**96**	**43**	**5**

Note: Roads listed in the above table do not include routes which are closed to public motor vehicle use but on which motor vehicles are used by people who have deeded private rights of way. Such routes **are** included in the attached charts.

UMP AMENDMENTS

The Department evaluated each road currently open for public ATV access based on the criteria listed in Appendix A attached to this UMP amendment package to determine which roads were suitable to remain open for public ATV access. Based on this assessment, the Department is closing (38) of the (43) roads currently open for public ATV access in the Aldrich Pond, Black River and Independence River Wild Forest Areas by amending each UMP to include the attached charts outlining the use for which each road was designated in its respective UMP, the use for which each road was open for as of July 2004 and the use for which each road is open pursuant to these amendments. This material will supercede any references to motorized access in the previously approved UMPs. The provisions for ATV access as of this date are as follows:

Aldrich Pond Wild Forest (APWF)

Status of Roads: The APWF UMP designated (14) roads open for public motor vehicle access and provided that they could be opened for ATV access also. An additional (5) roads were designated by the Department for public ATV use only. In July 2004, there were (9) roads open to public motor vehicle access, of which (3) were also open to public ATV access.

UMP Amendment:

1. (2) roads, Jackworks and Maple Hill, will be closed to all motor vehicles, including ATV access.

2. (1) road, Streeter Lake Road, will be closed to ATV access.

3. (2) roads, Jackworks and Maple Hill will be open for public ATV access but only from 9/1 to 12/15 by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years.

4. Provide for CP-3 access for people with mobility impairments on Francis Hill, Jackworks, Maple Hill Roads and a portion of the Streeter Lake Road (from Streeter Lake outlet to Francis Hill Road) from 6/1 to 12/15.

5. Rehabilitate Jackworks and Maple Hill Roads to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as the roads are rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited.

6. These (2) roads will be closed to ATVs either when they have been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier.

7. If these (2) roads are not rehabilitated by 12/2006, they will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, the condition of the roads will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be

allowed to continue.

Jackworks and Maple Hill Road Descriptions: These roads are located in the Aldrich Pond Wild Forest in St. Lawrence County and are designated as open to public motor vehicle use in the current UMP (approved in 1995). The Jackworks Road is (4) miles long and is situated on an old railroad grade that runs from Streeter Lake to the Middle Branch of the Oswegatchie River. The Maple Hill Road branches off of the Jackworks Road and runs 1.0 mile to another location on the Middle Branch.

Both roads provide access to the Middle Branch for fishing and have a long history of use during the big game season for access to primitive hunting camps.

The current condition of both roads is poor due to lack of regular maintenance and use is currently limited to 4-wheel drive type vehicles. There are two small bridges in need of replacement on the Jackworks Road, which is also subject to periodic flooding due to beaver activity. When the road rehabilitation is completed (12/31/06) it will be passable to 2 wheel drive cars and trucks.

Black River Wild Forest (BRWF)

Status of Roads: The BRWF UMP designated (30) roads open to motor vehicles, all of which were also designated for public ATV use. As of July 2004, all 30 roads were open to motor vehicles, nine of which were signed open for ATV access.

UMP Amendment:

1. (9) roads will be closed to public ATV access:

    -Wolf Lake Landing Road
    -Mill Creek Road
    -Black Creek Road
    -Haskell Road
    -Herkimer Landing Road
    -South Shore Road
    -West Creek Road
    -Black Creek Lake/Flansburg
    -Milk Can Roads

2. (3) roads, the Herkimer Landing, South Shore and Wolf Lake Landing Roads, will be open to ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer than (3) years.

3. Provide for CP-3 access for people with mobility impairments on Herkimer Landing, South Shore and Wolf Lake Landing Roads from 6/1 to 12/15.

4. Rehabilitate these (3) roads to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as the roads are rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited.

5. Close these (3) roads to ATVs when they have been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier.

6. If these (3) roads are not rehabilitated by 12/2006, they will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, the condition of the roads will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue.

Herkimer Landing and South Shore Road Descriptions: The Herkimer Landing and South Shore Roads are designated as open to public motor vehicle use in the current UMP (1996). The Herkimer Landing Road is approximately 7 miles long and runs from the Haskell Road near the hamlet of Nobleboro to the vicinity of Little Salmon Lake. The South Shore Road begins at the South Lake Road near the hamlet of North Lake and runs approximately 4.8 miles to its intersection with the Herkimer Landing Road near Little Salmon Lake.

The current condition of both roads is poor due to a lack of regular maintenance over the last 30 years. The current use of both roads is by 4-wheel drive type vehicles to provide access to primitive hunting camps permitted by the Department and for fishing access to Little Salmon Lake and several smaller waters. The roads are boulder strewn and deeply rutted in some areas. There is a small (20') bridge on the Herkimer Landing Road that is in disrepair and marginally passable by motor vehicles.

Wolf Lake Landing Road Description: The Wolf Lake Landing Road is located in the Black River Wild Forest and is designated as open to public motor vehicle use in the current UMP (1996). The road runs 4.7 miles from a trailhead parking area near the hamlet of McKeever in Herkimer County to the westerly end of Woodhull Lake, also located in Herkimer County.

Due to a lack of routine maintenance, the condition of the road had deteriorated over the last 30 years so that it was passable only by 4 wheel drive vehicles. A road rehabilitation project began in 2000 and is scheduled for completion by 12/31/06. The entire length of the road will be passable with 2 wheel drive cars and trucks when completed.

The road provides access to trail heads for hiking and camping, to Woodhull Lake for fishing, and is used extensively during the big game season for access to primitive hunting camps.

Independence River Wild Forest (IRWF)

Status of Roads: The IRWF UMP designated (47) roads open to motor vehicles, all of which were also designated for public ATV use. As of July 2004, (48) roads were open to motor vehicles; of those (48) roads, (31) were signed open by the Department for ATV access.

UMP Amendment: Close all (31) roads to public ATV access.

REMEDIATION

The Department is committed to carrying out necessary remediation efforts to address issues associated with ATV access in these Units. Work Plans will be developed in consultation with APA staff to ensure that any impacts to Forest Preserve resources are evaluated and appropriate steps are taken to ensure that all issues are addressed.

Independence River Wild Forest Roads --Designated, Use as of July 2004, and Adopted Uses; August 13, 2004

Road Number	Road Name	Mileage *	Designated Use in UMP		Use as of 7/04		Currently Adopted Use		Road Subject to Private Rights	Comments
			Motor Vehicle	ATV**	Motor Vehicle	ATV***	Motor Vehicle	ATV		
1	Dam Rd	0.3	X	X	X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state land; this road runs from the dam at Stillwater to the bridge across the Beaver River.
2	Half Moon Lake Rd	1.0	X	X	X		X		X	First 0.5 miles are a state ROW across private lands.
3	Yancey Rd	0.2	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands.
4	Burnt Creek Rd	0.5	X	X	X		X			
5	Cleveland Lake Rd	0.1	X	X	X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state lands, ends at gate to Cleveland Lake Club.
6	Payne Lake Rd	0.2	X	X	X	X	X			
7	Old Number 4 Rd	1.6	X	X	X	X	X			
8	Elbow Rd	0.2	X	X	X	X	X			
9	Dragline Rd	0.5	X	X	X	X	X			UMP recommends closing this road, but it remains open.
10	Mihalyi Spur Rd	0.2			X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state lands; was not listed in the UMP due to an oversight, but is a deeded ROW; the deed also provides for a state ROW across the private lands to the Bailey Rd.
11	Evies Pond Rd	0.5	X	X	X	X	X		X	ROW across private lands to get to State land.
12	Fish Pond Rd	0.9	X	X	X	X	X		X	ROW across private lands to get to State land.
13	Stoney Lake Rd	3.2	X	X	X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state lands to Stony Lake inholdings, and there is a state ROW thru private holdings adjacent to Stony Lake; this road connects to the Mt. Tom Rd.
14	Bull Rd	0.8	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands from Hinchings Pond Rd. South to Little Otter Lake.
15	Parsons Pond Rd	0.7	X	X	X		X			About 0.1 mile is a state ROW across private lands; was not listed in UMP due to an oversight. This road is not generally accessible to the public as it is off of a private road.
16	Hinchings Pond Rd N	0.7	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands.
17	Hinchings Pond Rd S	0.8	X	X	X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state lands; is used for access to Hinchings Pond and Little Otter Lake inholdings. Also about 0.4 miles is a state ROW across private lands.
18	Tip Rd	0.2	X	X	X		X			Sand Pond Rd. to Blue Jog Rd..
19	Confusion Flats Rd	2.4	X	X	X	X	X			
20	Blue Jog Rd	0.4	X	X	X	X	X			

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21	Eight Rd	0.7	X	X	X		X			UMP lists as private ROW, but acqusition after plan completion eliminated this a private ROW.
22	Hiawatha Rd	0.6	X	X	X	X	X			Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight; has been an open road from Chase Lake Rd. thru Independence River State Forest then thru IRWF, ending at the Confusion Flats Rd..
23	Little Otter Creek Rd	1.9	X	X	X	X	X			
24	Lake Spur Rd	0.3	X	X	X	X	X			From Little Otter Lake Rd. north to Little Otter Lake.
25	Extra Road East	0.5	X	X	X		X			The western 0.3 miles were closed per UMP recommendations.
26	Florence Pond Road	2.9	X	X	X	X	X			
27	Long Pond Spur	0.6	X	X	X	X	X			
28	Pitcher Pond Rd	1.2	X	X	X	X	X			
29	Shortcut Rd	0.6	X	X	X	X	X			
30	Cobb Rd	0.2			X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands, west from Confusion Flats Rd. Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight.
31	McCann Rd	0.1			X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands, west from Confusion Flats Rd..
32	Blueberry Trail (orig)	0.4	X	X	X	X	X			
33	Shingle Mill Falls Rd	0.4	X	X	X	X	X			
34	Quick Lake Rd	0.1			X	X	X			Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight. Is a short FP access road to Otter Creek off of the Partridgeville Rd., just northeast of Shingle Mills Falls Rd..
35	Catspaw Lake Rd	1.9	X	X	X	X	X			
36	Steam Mill Rd	3.5	X	X	X	X	X		X	State ROW across private lands, about 0.4 miles.
37	Smith Rd	3.8	X	X	X	X	X		X	Private ROW across state lands, for about the first 2.5 miles.
38	Francis Rd	0.3	X	X	X		X			
39	McCarthy Rd	5.5	X	X	X	X	X			Private ROW across state lands. This road is not in the list of roads open to public motor vehicle use in the UMP but is shown on the UMP map as open. History of public use is documented.

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			Motor Vehicle	ATV**	Motor Vehicle	ATV***	Motor Vehicle	ATV		
40	Sunday Lake Rd	0.5	X	X	X	X	X			
41	Basket Factory Rd	2.4	X	X	X	X	X			
42	East Loop Rd	1.5	X	X	X	X	X			
43	Emmett Hill Rd	2.1							X	
44	Fish Trail	1.4							X	Private ROW across state lands; connects to Lot 60 Rd..
45	Mt. Tom Road West	1.2	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands, and state ROW across private lands. The eastern 0.4 miles will be open for CP-3 use by motor vehicle, not including ATV's.
46	Grassy Point Rd	0.5	X	X	X		X			Runs from Stillwater Reservoir to the hamlet of Beaver River; was identified on map in UMP but not on road list, possibly because it was then considered a town road..
47	Big Otter Lake Rd	4.0	X	X	X	X	X			3.1 miles will be open for public motor vehicle use, to Big Otter Lake outlet.
48	Lot 60 Rd	0.7							X	Private ROW across state lands; off end of Fish Trail.
49	Pine Lake Rd	0.1			X		X			Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight; is off O'Hara Road, 0.1 miles to gate/parking.
50	O'Hara Rd	0.2			X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands, and state ROW across private lands. Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight.
51	Silvermine Trail Rd	0.2			X		X			Was not listed in UMP due to an oversight. Is off Partridgeville Rd. following Silvermine Trail to gate/parking.
52	Copper Lake Rd	2.0							X	
53	Gerrard Rd	0.1							X	Private ROW across state lands; in northeast corner of Lot 21.
54	Slayko Rd	0.3							X	State ROW thru private land; is east of Francis Lake of Stillwater Rd..
55	Summer Rd	0.3							X	Private ROW across state lands; from No. 4 Rd. to Thisse Camp on Francis Lake.
56	Diamond Road	0.4							X	Private ROW across state lands.
57	Joslyn Rd	0.2							X	Private ROW across state lands, near Stony Lake.
58	TR&B Rds	0.1							X	Private ROW across state lands, from Stony Lake Rd. east to state line
59	Balsam Flats Rd	2.2							X	Private ROW across state lands, and there is also and additional five miles of state ROW across private lands. This ends at the Three Lake easement.

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60	Blackhawk Rd	0.2							X	Private ROW across state lands. Off Partridgeville Rd.
61	Branaugh Rd.	0.2								Open only for CP-3 use by cars or trucks, per the previous IRWF amendment. This was not listed in the UMP as it was acquired after the UMP was completed.
62	Proceeding Rd.	0.6	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
63	Useless Rd.	0.7	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
64	Back Rd.	0.5	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
65	Bank Rd.	0.2	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
66	Growin Rd.	0.3	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
67	Nothing Rd.	0.2	X	X						This road was closed per recommendation in the UMP.
68	Mt. Tom Rd. Club Section	1.8							X	This portion of the Mt. Tom Rd. is a state ROW thru the lands of the Mt. Tom Club, and has never been opened to public motor vehicle use, except for snowmobiles.

Notes

* Mileage includes miles of ROW on private lands and forest preserve lands where road crosses both.

** The UMP mentions ATV's in several places (pp25, 26, 33-35, 43, 46, 55, 67, 68), primarily with regards to negative impacts from ATV's on roads and trails. It specifically calls for roads to be closed to" Jeep and ATV travel due to excessive rutting...". ATV's were defined as motor vehicles under DEC regs, so in the UMP it must be assumed all roads open to motor vehicles were intended to be open to ATV's; thus the discussion in the UMP about closing some of the roads to ATV and other four wheeler use.

*** In 1999 when it was decided roads open to ATV's must be posted with the ATV logo sign, a total of 31 out of the 47 roads previously open to all motor vehicles, including ATV's, were posted open to ATV's. Roads were not posted open to ATV use if the road was generally short, otherwise passable to other motor vehicles, and/or off a town road that was not open to ATV's. Some others were also not posted open to ATV's if there was significant environmental damage occuring due to illegal off-road use.

- "Designated Use.." column means the status of the road at the time the plan was completed. The plan made some recommended road changes which are noted in the Comments column.

- This table was compiled in April and May of 2004. The list of motor vehicle roads was taken from the Independence River Wild Forest UMP and Facilities Map of 1988, though some corrections were made as noted in the Comments column.

Black River Wild Forest Roads - Designated, Use as of July 2004, and Adopted Uses; August 13, 2004										
Road Number	Road Name	Mileage *	Designated Use in UMP		Use as of 7/04		Currently Adopted Use		Road Subject to Private Rights	Comments
			Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's**	Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's****	Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's		
1	Wolf Lake Landing Rd	4.70	X	X***	X	X		X		This road is currently being rehabilitated. The UMP amendment proposes to: 1. Close road to public car, truck and ATV access. 2. Open road for public ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years. 3. Provide for CP-3 ATV access for people with mobility impairments from 6/1 to 12/15. 4. Rehabilitate road to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as road is rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited. 5. Close road to ATV access when road has been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier. 6. If this road not rehabilitated by 12/2006, it will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, its condition will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue. 7. The last two-tenths of a mile of road to Woodhull Lake will be gated and only those with a CP-3 permit will be allowed to drive to the water's edge.
2	McKeever Road North	.25	X	X	X		X			
3	Mill Creek Rd	3.10	X	X	X	X	X		X	
4	Dam Rd	.05	X	X	X		X			This road goes from Lakeview Rd.(a town road) to the Otter Lake Dam.
5	Gull Lake Rd	.75	X	X	X		X		X	This road is used to access the Gull Lake in-holding. The road ends at the lake and the owners travel by boat to the in-holding. This ROW is not referenced in our deed.
6	Cohen Rd	1.90	X	X	X		X		X	A ROW across private land to get to state land.
7	Benchmark Rd	.30	X	X	X		X		X	A ROW across private land to get to state land.
8	Dump Rd	.10	X	X	X		X			The first couple hundred yards of this is a town road
9	Apps Rd	.20	X	X	X		X		X	A ROW off of Bear Creek Road across private land to get to state land,. It provides access to a 32 acre FP parcel.
10	Bear Creek Road North	.10	X	X	X		X			Off Bear Creek Road near the Chub Pond Trail.

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11	Lyons Camp Lot Rd	1.40	X	X	X		X		X	
12	Flume Rd	.25	X	X	X		X		X	Off the North Lake Rd. Just north of Reed's Pond
13	Reeds Pond Rd	.10	X	X	X		X			Three small road segments (East, West and South) next to Reed's Pond.
14	River Rd	.50	X	X	X		X		X	This road (off N. Lake Rd.)has been used for years by the in-holders (Capron); whether they have a deeded ROW is unknown.
15	River Road North	.30	X	X	X		X		X	Off N. Lake Rd. to in-holding on SW corner of Pratt-Northam tract.
16	Loop Rd	1.90	X	X	X		X			There are several private camps on North Lake along this road but they have no deeded right to use the road beyond their property line, so have no deeded access in through FP lands.
17	Atwell Rd	.20	X	X	X		X		X	Road leads to a couple of camps just southeast of the dam at North Lake.
18	Lot 79 Rd	.60	X	X	X		X		X	Appears to be subject to private rights.
19	Tin Camp Rd	.35	X	X	X		X		X	Extends off of Hooper Dooper Road
20	Black Creek Rd	1.10	X	X	X	X	X		X	Starts at NYS Rt. 8 on private lands then thru FP and back to private lands where it ends..
21	Party Trail	.40	X	X	X		X		X	Forks off of Black Creek Rd., extends thru FP and back to private lands where it ends.
22	Potter Rd	.20	X	X	X		X		X	Off of West Creek Rd., appears to have private rights based on map.
23	Haskell Rd	.50	X	X	X	X	X		X	This is an extension of the town maintained portion of the Haskell Rd. and changes to W. Cr. Rd. at Herkimer Landing Road intersection.

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24a	Herkimer Landing Rd.	6.9	X	X	XX	X		X	X	This road was combined with the South Shore Rd. in the UMP, so it is being split out here. This road extends all the way north toward the old Herkimer Landing on Honnendaga Lake. The UMP amendment proposes to: 1. Close road to public car, truck and ATV access. 2. Open road for public ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years. 3. Provide for CP-3 ATV access for people with mobility impairments from 6/1 to 12/15. 4. Rehabilitate road to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as road is rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited. 5. Close road to ATV access when road has been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier. 6. If this road not rehabilitated by 12/2006, it will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, its condition will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue.
24b	South Shore Rd	4.8	X	X	X	X		X	X	Currently open to motor vehicles except from S. Lake Rd to private inholding on south shore of South Lake. The UMP amendment proposes to: 1. Close road to public car, truck and ATV access. 2. Open road for public ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years. 3. Provide for CP-3 ATV access for people with mobility impairments from 6/1 to 12/15. 4. Rehabilitate road to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as road is rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited. 5. Close road to ATV access when road has been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier. 6. If this road not rehabilitated by 12/2006, it will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, its condition will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue.

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Road Number	Road Name	Mileage *	Designated Use in UMP		Use as of 7/04		Currently Adopted Use		Road Subject to Private Rights	Comments
			Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's**	Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's****	Open to Motor V.	Open to ATV's		
25	West Creek Rd	5.20	X	X	X	X	X		X	Provides access to several small in-holdings along the road and large holdings at the end of the road.
26	Black Creek Lake/Flansburg Rd	5.50	X	X	X	X	X		X	ROW for three or four in-holdings.
27	Milk Can Trail	1.50	X	X	X	X	X		X	ROW for one in-holding; extention of the Black Cr./Flansburg Rd.
28	Vista Rd	.40	X	X	X		X			We own a narrow corridor between private lands that provides access to FP lands and the Vista Mtn. trail.
29	Nelson Lake Rd	.10	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW across state lands.
30	Chub Pond Rd.	1.0							X	Private ROW across state lands. Was not listed in the UMP due to an oversight. Enters FP west of Chub Pond.
31	Lite Rd.	0.1							X	Private ROW across state lands. Was not listed in the UMP due to an oversight. Is off Wheelertown Rd. NW of Hare Brook.

Notes

* Mileage usually includes miles of ROW on private lands and forest preserve lands where road crosses both

** The UMP did not specifically mention ATV's except on p. 27 under "Issues", and except with regards to "vehicles under 1500 lbs" for Wolf Lake Landing Road and Gull Lake Road. ATV's were defined as motor vehicles under DEC regs, so in the UMP it must be assumed all roads open to motor vehicles were intended to be open to ATV's.

*** The UMP states that the Wolf Lake Landing Road will be repaired and upgraded to provide appropriate access by registered motor vehicles of less than 1500 pounds, excepting motorcycles and trail bikes, which will not be allowed. Access by other motor vehicles is allowed by CP-3 permit only. The only exception to this is during hunting season when motor vehicles can use the road on a permit-only basis to haul gear in and out at both the beginning and the end of hunting season.

**** In 1999 when it was decided roads open to ATV's must be posted with the ATV logo sign, a total of 8 out of the 29 roads were posted open on the Black River Wild Forest based on criteria developed by staff in the Herkimer Office. The Cohen Road was subsequently closed to ATV travel due to illegal ATV use off the designated route and a limited benefit to the public for continuing to allow such use.

- "Designated Use.." column means the status of the road at the time the plan was completed. The plan made some recommended road changes which are noted in the Comments column

- This table was compiled April 14, 2004. The list of motor vehicle roads was taken from the Black River Wild Forest UMP and Facilities Map dated June, 1996, though some corrections were made as noted in the Comments column.

Aldrich Pond Unit – Designated, Use as of July 2004, and Adopted Uses; August 13, 2004										
Road Number	Road Name	Mileage	Designated Use in UMP		Use as of 7/04		Currently Adopted Use		Road Subject to Private Rights	Comments
			Motor Veh	ATV's	Motor Veh	ATV's *	Motor Veh	ATV's		
1	Wagonbox Corners Rd	2.0		X						This route was reconstructed in a new location per the UMP and opened for ATV use, but due to environmental damage was closed in 2002. This road is also called Mud Creek Road.
2	Tyler Road	3.0	X	X	**		X		X	Private ROW for Lassiter access to Lassiter easement thru FP.
3	Frenchmans Rd	0.75	X	X	**		X			Runs north from Mullins Flow Rd.
4	Southeast Corner Rd	1.0	X	X	**		X			Runs off Mullins Flow Rd parallel to river.
5	Jackworks Rd	4.0	X	X	X	X		X		This road is in poor condition for travel by cars and trucks. The UMP amendment proposes to: 1. Close road to public car, truck and ATV access. 2. Open road for public ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years. 3. Provide for CP-3 ATV access for people with mobility impairments from 6/1 to 12/15. 4. Rehabilitate road to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as road is rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited. 5. Close road to ATV access when road has been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier. 6. If this road not rehabilitated by 12/2006, it will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, its condition will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue.
6	Maple Hill Rd	1.0	X	X	X	X		X		This road is in poor condition for travel by cars and trucks. The UMP amendment proposes to: 1. Close road to public car, truck and ATV access. 2. Open road for public ATV access from 9/1 to 12/15 but only by Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to provide access to seasonally permitted primitive camping sites as an interim measure for no longer that (3) years. 3. Provide for CP-3 ATV access for people with mobility impairments from 6/1 to 12/15. 4. Rehabilitate road to be suitable for automobiles by 12/2006. At such time as road is rehabilitated for automobile travel, all ATV use will be prohibited. 5. Close road to ATV access when road has been rehabilitated to be suitable for automobile travel or 12/2006, whichever is earlier. 6. If this road not rehabilitated by 12/2006, it will be closed to all car, truck and ATV use until such time the road is made suitable for automobile travel. At that time, its condition will be evaluated to determine if CP-3 access by ATV will be allowed to continue.

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Road Number	Road Name	Mileage	Designated Use in UMP		Use as of 7/04		Currently Adopted Use		Road Subject to Private Rights	Comments
			Motor Veh	ATV's	Motor Veh	ATV's *	Motor Veh	ATV's		
7	Francis Hill Rd	6.25		X						UMP proposed this road be designated for use by the disabled by ATV; this amendment proposes the same under the CP3 program.
8	Streeter Lake Rd	6.25	X	X	X	X	X		X	Is currently open to gate at Streeter Lake outlet – 4.5 mi, and is proposed to stay that way for the general public. Propose to open the road for CP-3 use by ATV from the Streeter Lake outlet gate to Francis Hill Rd, as proposed in the original UMP. Is also a private ROW to Schuler Mausoleum.
9	Tamarack Creek Trail	4.25							X	Private ROW for two in-holders near east end of Tamarack Creek Trail.
10	Little River Rd	1.25			X		X		X	This is on land acquired after the UMP was completed. Currently, 0.75 miles of the existing road is open to public motor vehicle use, and the amendment proposes that to remain the same. A private ROW thru former Schuler property previously existed but has now expired (Eager).
11	Camp Rd	0.75							X	Private ROW for one landowner off Youngs Rd.
12	Tamarack Creek Rd	0.25	X	X	X		X		X	May be private ROW for one or two landowners.
13	Tamarack Creek Access Trail	0.25							X	Private ROW form Tamarack Cr. Rd. to Tamarack Creek Trail.
14	Grundler Trail	1.0							X	Private ROW from Tamarack Cr. Trail to Grundler lot.
15	Henley Trail	1.25							X	Private ROW form Tamarack Cr. Trail to Henley Trail.
16	South Creek Lake Rd	1.5	X	X	X		X		X	Approx 0.5miles is our ROW across private lands. That, plus an additional 2.0 miles to the parking lot at South Creek Lake is proposed to remain open for public motor vehicle us. This road is sometimes called the Powell Rd. This road may be the legal ROW for landowners on South Creek Lake, though they use another route.
17	Goose Pond Rd	0.5							X	Private ROW across State lands; there is some question about whether this is a legal ROW.
18	Jayville Rd	1.25	X	X	X		X		X	Private ROW probable for in-holder(s); may be illegal occupation of RR ROW.
19	Scuttle Hole Trail	0.5		X						Never constructed.
20	Long Lake Rd	2.0	X	X	**				X	May be private ROW for Lassiter access to Lassiter easement; very rough.
21	Long Lake Trail	0.5		X	**					Very rough; no longer suitable for motor vehicle use.

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			Motor Veh	ATV's	Motor Veh	ATV's *	Motor Veh	ATV's		
22	Mink Creek Trail	0.5		X	**					Very rough; no longer suitable for motor vehicle use.
23	Silver Dawn Rd	0.5	X	X	**		X		X	May be private ROW for Lassiter access to Lassiter easement; rough.
24	Mullins Flow Rd	3.0	X	X	**		X		X	May be private ROW for Lassiter access to Lassiter easement; runs from Lewis/Herk Co. line, east to edge of old FP line; includes what was called the Shannon Rd.
25	Middle Branch Corner Rd	0.25	X	X	X		X			
26	Dobbs Rd	1.0	X	X	X		X		X	Part of road is our ROW across private land.

Notes

* In 1999 when it was decided roads open to ATV's must be posted with the ATV logo sign, a limited number of the roads previously open to all motor vehicles, including ATV's, were posted open to ATV's. Roads were not posted open to ATV use if the road was generally short, otherwise passable to other motor vehicles, and/or off a town road that was not open to ATV's. Some others were also not posted open to ATV's if there was significant environmental damage occuring due to illegal off-road use.

** These roads are currently closed due to the closure of the bridge over the Middle Branch of the Oswegatchie, which is currently being replaced.

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- Compiled in April and May of , 2004. List of motor vehicle roads taken from the APWF UMP Facilities Map dated 1995.