

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A
SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS/ISSUES

Ferris Lake Wild Forest - Summary of Initial Public Comments/Issues

The following is a summary of the all the public comments that were made throughout the planning process up until a public draft was released. Included are comments from the initial public open house meeting, phone calls, letters, e-mails, personal contacts, and the statewide UMP meetings.

Snowmobiling

- Trail safety - widen & straighten trails, remove boulders, and bring all trails to current 8' standard.
- Widen the bridge below Stewart Landing Dam.
- Reroute trails off lakes.
- More funding for trail grooming and signs.
- No changes to existing trail system (i.e. loss of any trails).
- Reroute the following trail: 3rd Lake to the sign in box at the intersection of Avery's Trail & trail to Arietta Hotel.

Public Access

- Need designated hiking trails to: Spy Lake via state land, G Lake, Ferris Lake, trail in the vicinity of Jones, Fourmile, and Twomile Creeks, trail to Boyer Lake and beyond, House Pond, and Christian Lake.
- Mark & improve trails: Big Alder Bed trail, Goldmine Stream Falls trail, Clockmill Corners/Kennel Pond trail to Clockmill Pond & Black Cat Lake, Sand Lake trail, Nine Corner Lake trail, Good Luck Cliffs trail, DeBraine-Trout Lake trail.
- Leave some trails as bushwhacks.
- Identify scenic vistas.
- Groom cross country ski trails.
- Create horse trails
- More canoe access/routes in unit - Sacandaga from Rt 10; Good Luck Lake, Spectacle, Dexter, Long.
- Relocate hiking trails away from snowmobile trails.
- Nine Corner Lake campsites are too close to water.
- Create more camping sites & better maintenance of existing sites along the Powley-Piseco Road.
- Create trail head parking areas for summer & winter use (Morehouse area).
- Limit PWCs on Canada Lake.
- Link Management Units with longer distance trails - North Country Scenic Trail.
- Piseco Lake Outlet access.
- More public boat launches.
- Pursue any opportunities to acquire new public access (like Shaker Place).
- Create cross country ski trails.
- Close the small section of Farm Road east of the small bridge over the DeBraine Lake outlet to motorized traffic.
- Disabled access to G Lake via existing maintained road.
- Restrict boat motor size on Sawdust Creek.

ATVs

- Open certain snowmobile trails to off season ATV use - petition from citizens of Stratford.
- Create ATV only trails and/or limited use on specific trails.
- Open motorized roads for use.

Fish & Wildlife

- Coyote control program - they are responsible for the low deer population!
- Resume liming and increase stocking.
- Deer habitat improvement - food plot management.
- Stock walleye in Canada Lake.

- Conglin Lake stocking policy - pickerel present, why stock trout?

Public Protection

- Increase patrolling and law enforcement on trails.
- ATV problem on Nine Corner Lake trail and Hildebrant trail.
- Forest fire policy - should allow wildfires to burn.

Education

- Better signing of rules and regulations.
- Create an interpretative center for southern Adirondacks.
- More and better kiosk information at trailheads.
- Create an Adopt-a-Trail Program to help keep trails clean.

Public Participation

- Get Forest Rangers to public scoping sessions/meetings.
- Use Conservationist Magazine to get the word out about the planning process.
- Notify scoping session attendees of draft plan.

APPENDIX B
MOTOR VEHICLE ROUTES

Routes to be Posted as Closed to Non-Winter Motorized Use

The following routes were identified through the planning process as being closed to public motor vehicle use and needing to be posted to indicate that they are closed. Illegal motor vehicle use may have been allowed to occur on some of these routes because of the uncertainty of their status. Even if some of these routes were once public highways, they have long since been abandoned as a matter of law under the Highway Law through lack of use/maintenance for six years or more. All of these route , with the exception of the Hawes Road Extension, are not suitable for public motor vehicle use due to environmental and/or social impacts related to such use. The Hawes Road Extension is the only route that has been improved and is currently being used for motor vehicle travel.

Routes to be Posted as Closed to Non-Winter Motorized Use ¹

Name	Description	Mileage	County
Nine Corner Lake Trail	NY 29A near Pine Lake to Nine Corner Lake.	1.1	Fulton
Broomstick Lake Trail	NY 10 westerly to Broomstick Lake.	0.9	Fulton
Dexter Lake Trail	Northern branch of Hall Road headed northeast towards Dexter Lake.	2.8	Fulton
Waters Millpond Trail	Southern branch of Hall Road headed northeast towards Waters Millpond.	.75	Fulton
Knapps Long Lake Trail	Old town road north of Knappville headed easterly towards Knapps Long Lake.	3.7	Fulton
Long Lake Trail	NY 29A near Lake Pleasant northward past Long Lake to Burnt Vly Trail	2.4	Fulton
Avery Road Trail	Avery Road northward towards Waters Millpond.	2.4	Fulton
Burnt Vly Trail	NY 29A northward to Fourth Lake, Third Lake, and on to Spectacle Lake in two branches.	7.3	Fulton
Crystal Lake Trail	Stewart Landing to County Route 119 near Crystal Lake.	2.0	Fulton
East Road Trail	End of East Road to Glasgow Mills.	1.4	Fulton
Dingman Hill Trail	County Route 119 to East Road Trail.	1.5	Fulton
Glasgow Trail	Glasgow Road past Glasgow Mills and Hillabrandt Vly to join Crystal Lake Trail.	5.2	Fulton
Edick Road Extension Trail	End of Edick Road to Powley-Piseco Road.	1.6	Fulton
Morey Trail	Morey Road to Crystal Lake Trail.	5.0	Fulton
Hawes Road Extension Trail ²	End of Hawes Road to Edick Road	0.4	Ham.
Clockmill Corners Trail	From Clockmill Corners on the Powley Road, southeast to Clockmill Pond.	1.5	Ham.

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Name	Description	Mileage	County
Jockeybush Lake Trail	NY 10 northwest to Jockeybush Lake.	1.2	Ham.
Big Alderbed Trail	From Powley Place on the Powley Road, westerly towards Big Alderbed Pond.	1.2	Ham.
Good Luck Lake Trail	From highway north of Good Luck southwest to dead end.	0.5	Ham.
Mounts Creek Trail	State land boundary to Mounts Creek Lake.	3.4	Herk.
Richard's Vly Trail	State land boundary into Hamilton County.	0.3	Herk.
Hurrell Vly Trail	French Road south past Hurrell Vly to Mounts Creek Lake	8.7	Ham.
Cranberry-Mud Lake Trail	From Jerseyfield Road to Jerseyfield Lake Outlet.	0.9	Herk.
Total Mileage			56.15

¹ does not include snowmobile use.

² currently being used for motor vehicle access to private lands