

Public Act 288

Road Inventory Project Update
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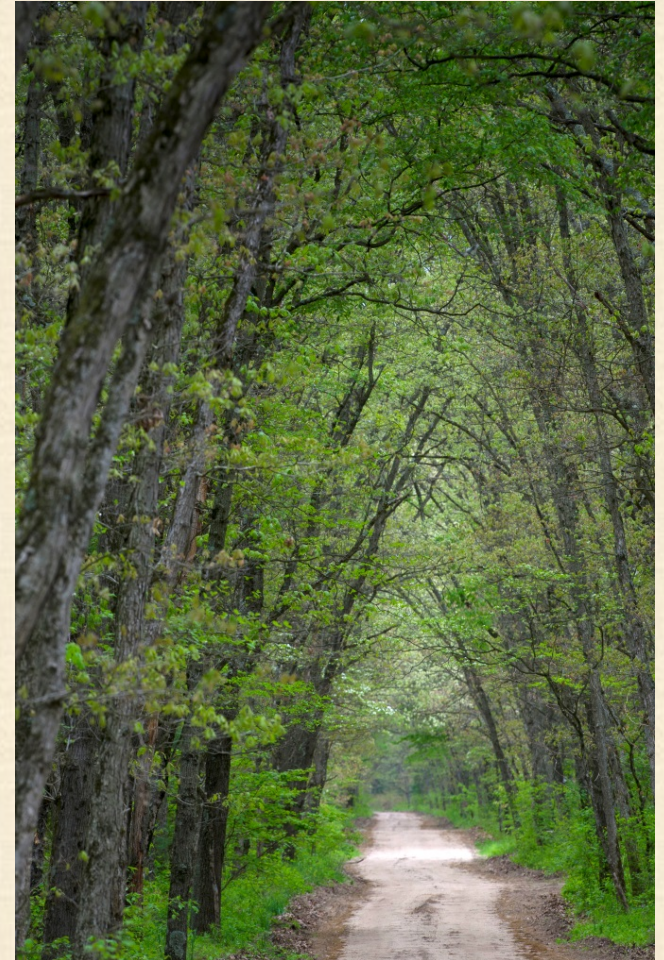


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Signed by Gov. Snyder in September 2016

- Requires an inventory of forest roads by region, including:
 - Location
 - Condition
 - Motorized restrictions
- Requires identifying areas of concern with ORV access
- Requires DNR to annually post maps and mileage open to motorized use
- Review completed for all regions



ORV Use Considerations



- Access for various recreational users
- Protection of sensitive/unique sites
- Conflict between users
- Safety
- Special designated areas

Forest Road by Region



Upper Peninsula

5,632 miles

> 99% open

Northern Lower Peninsula

7,522 miles

83% open

Southern Lower Peninsula

368 miles

2.4% open



Northern Lower Peninsula Update



- Annually refining road data
 - Deleting non-existing roads
 - Adding existing roads
 - Change in ORV status
- New land-use order and maps by April each year
- Continued input from public via web viewer



NLP Results



- Net increase of 31.5 miles of road open to ORVs
- 3.4 miles closed to ORVs due to resource damage and protection reasons



Next Steps



- Assess field data from inventory and public concerns
- Modify existing road closure procedures to accommodate ORV status changes and resource damage
- Continue to communicate with public and stakeholders



Questions?

