



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION of PARKS and RECREATION  
BUREAU of TRAILS

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October 7, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 216-A:3-o, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to accept and expend a donation From Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$9,000 for the purpose of trail maintenance at Jericho Mountain State Park effective upon Governor Council approval. 100% Other Funds.

Funds to be budgeted in the following account:

03-035-035-351510-48430000, Trails Donations & Gifts

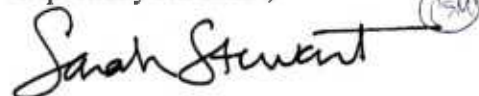
Class-Account-RG	Description	FY23 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	FY23 Revised Adjusted Authorized
005-401734-20	Private & Local Funds	\$16,650	\$9,000	\$25,650
022-500257	Rents-Leases Other Than State	\$16,650	\$0	\$16,650
103-502664	Contracts For Ops Services	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,000
	<b>Total:</b>	\$16,650	\$9,000	\$25,650

**EXPLANATION**

The Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) has graciously donated \$9,000 to the NH Trails Bureau to be used for the maintenance of the All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail system at Jericho Mountain State Park. Monies come from the "Journey to Jericho ATV Jamboree" held in August 2022.

One of the goals of the Chamber is to support the State's efforts in maintaining the trail system at Jericho Mountain State Park. With an increase in the demand for use of these trails, this donation will certainly help.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah L. Stewart  
Commissioner



From L To R: **Christian Corriveau**, Vice President Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce, **Clinton Savage**, District Supervisor NH Bureau of Trails  
**Paula Kinney**, Executive Director Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce, **Skid Baillargeon**, Vice President of the Presidential OHRV Club,  
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#### PRESS RELEASE

After the great success of the 2022 Journey to Jericho ATV Jamboree, The Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce a contribution in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be used for the maintenance of our ATV trail system.

The 2022 "Journey" was certainly memorable, and it is the significant efforts of many volunteers across several groups that come together to make it happen! These individuals are our unsung heroes as they work tirelessly to ensure the event is safe, comfortable, and enjoyable.

Two of these groups, the **NH Bureau of Trails** and the **Presidential OHRV Club**, have the tall task of managing and maintaining a vast majority of the trails that riders across the country enjoy at this event. With an increase on the demand of the trails, there is an increase on the workload for these teams. To help support their efforts, the NH Bureau of Trails will receive a donation of \$9000.00 to help support the trail maintenance activities specifically at Jericho Mountain State Park and the Presidential OHRV Club will receive a donation of \$6000 for their efforts maintaining the trails in Gorham NH.

The primary purpose of holding successful events is to bring tourists to our area who stay in our hotels, eat in our restaurants and shop in our retail establishments leaving behind many thousands of dollars that has a multiplier effect

on our local economy. Once these tourists discover all that our area has to offer, they return often to enjoy our trails and many other recreational opportunities our area has to offer. Many have purchased and rehabilitated homes that continues to pump money into our community. Sharing our success by investing in our trail system is just smart economic development and assures a positive experience for our visitors and supports our member businesses that benefit from ATV tourism.

Without dedicated community support, an event of this magnitude would not be possible. As such, the Chamber graciously thanks these organizations and all other contributors for the success of the 2022 Journey to Jericho ATV Jamboree.

The 2023 Journey to Jericho ATV Jamboree will take place on August 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **About the Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce**

**Established in 2007, the mission of the Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce is to build a strong local economy and improve the quality of life within the communities it serves. With low membership dues and a small business base, the Chamber supplements its annual operating budget by holding successful community events, including the Journey to Jericho ATV Jamboree, WingZilla, and RiverFire.**

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