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# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

January 11, 2016

Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: State Aid for Snowmobile Development, 2015-2016**

Dear Honorable Members:

Enclosed is a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting authority to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to receive and disburse State funds for snowmobile trail development in an amount not to exceed \$184,475. The resolution also requests permission to enter into contractual agreements with the individual Snowmobile Clubs in Erie County for development and maintenance of New York State approved snowmobile trails.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner Daniel J. Rizzo at the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Poloncarz".

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP/kd  
Enclosure

cc: Commissioner Daniel J. Rizzo, Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry

## MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
From: Erie County Parks, Recreation and Forestry  
Re: State Aid for Snowmobile Development, 2015-2016  
Date: January 11, 2016

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### **SUMMARY**

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry is seeking authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to receive and disburse State funds in an amount not to exceed \$184,475 for snowmobile trail maintenance for the 2015-2016 snowmobile season and to contract with the individual Snowmobile Clubs of Erie County for the purpose of providing maintenance on club trails during the 2015-2016 snowmobile season in the amount of \$184,475.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

We are a channel for the funds from the State to the various snowmobile clubs in the County.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Erie County is a channel for funding from the State for development of snowmobile trails by the Erie County Federation of Snowmobile Clubs, and will enter into contracts with the individual Snowmobile Clubs for the distribution of the funds.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

New York State Department of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation have set up this procedure for funding and development of snowmobile trails.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

Trails will not be maintained; the Snowmobile Clubs will not receive funding.

### **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

Enter into contracts between Erie County and the individual Snowmobile Clubs of Erie County; authorize and notarize a contract between the State and Erie County; prepare paperwork for the distribution of funds to the Federation; accept payment from the State.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND FORESTRY

RE: State Aid for Snowmobile  
Development, 2015-2016

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry desires to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for Snowmobile Trail Development during the 2015-2016 snowmobile season in the amount not to exceed \$184,475; and

WHEREAS, this agreement with the State shall pertain to such maintenance as performed by the individual Snowmobile Clubs of Erie County on club trails located outside County-owned lands as well as on trails located in Erie County Parks and Forestry lots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for an amount not to exceed \$184,475 as pertains to snowmobile trail maintenance performed during the 2015-2016 snowmobile season; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into contracts with the individual Snowmobile Clubs of Erie County for a total amount not to exceed \$184,475 for the purpose of snowmobile trail maintenance on club trails during the 2015-2016 snowmobile season, provided that the clubs meet all insurance and other requirements deemed necessary by the County, in amounts as follows:

Colden Trail Riders Inc.	\$20,320
Eden Trail Blazers Inc.	\$10,720
Grand Island Snowmobile Club Inc.	\$ 5,695
Hamburg Snowmobile Club Inc.	\$21,145
Holland Sno-Rascals Inc.	\$23,405
Marilla Sno-Mob Inc.	\$16,330
Northern Erie Snowseekers Inc.	\$20,435
Pioneer Sno-Surfers Inc.	\$12,610
Southern Tier Snowdrifters Inc.	\$20,795
WNY Snowmobile Club of Boston Inc.	<u>\$33,020</u>
	\$184,475

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby approves the appropriation of anticipated state aid revenue in the Division of Parks, fund 110, cost center 1641010, account 409010, in the amount of \$184,475, as well as an increase in appropriations in the amount of

\$184,475, in the Division of Parks, fund 110, cost center 1641010, account 516020, in order that funds may be available to make payment to the individual clubs of the Erie County Federation of snowmobile Clubs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Office of the Erie County Executive, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Erie County Comptroller and Assistant County Attorney, Kristen Walder, of the Law Department.