

*East Bay Charter Township*

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Grand Traverse County-wide ORV Ordinance



**GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY  
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**

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April 16, 2009

Glen Lile, Supervisor  
East Bay Township  
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Traverse City, MI 49686

Dear Glen:

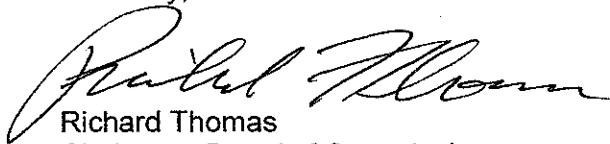
The Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners is considering the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the use of ORVs on county roads, pursuant to MCI 423.81131. It is this Board's intent to exclude from application of the ordinance any road the Road Commission or the various township boards recommend to be closed to the operation of ORVs. The Road Commissions' recommended road closure list is enclosed for your review.

It is requested that you respond to the County Board no later than June 30, 2009 with a list of any roads which your Township Board recommends for closure to ORV use. While a Township Board may adopt an ordinance to close a road to the operation of ORVs otherwise authorized by county ordinance MCL 324.81131 (4), Grand Traverse County would like to include the roads the Township Board would like closed in the County ordinance. Beginning July 17, 2009, Townships may adopt an ordinance authorizing the operation of ORVs on roads within their respective jurisdiction. MCL 324.81131 (3).

A committee of Road Commission Director Mary Gillis, Legal Counsel Bob Cooney, Sheriff Tom Bensley, Commissioners Addison Wheelock and Larry Fleis will be reviewing the draft ordinance and recommending changes. Enclosed is a tentative schedule the County Board is using for consideration of ordinance adoption.

Please feel free to direct any questions or concerns you have about this to the County Administrator, Dennis Aloia, or legal counsel, Bob Cooney.

Sincerely,



Richard Thomas  
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Enclosed

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
PROPOSED ORV RESTRICTED ROADS

ROAD NAME	LIMITS	MILEAGE
<b>ADT &gt;5,000 Veh/Day</b>		
S Airport Road	Three Mile to Silver Lake	6.652
Holiday Road	US-31 to Columbine	1.987
Keystone Road	Beitner to Park	3.833
Supply Road	High Lake to Kalkaska Co	11.32
Three Mile Road	US-31 to Garfield	5.677
Barlow Street	South Airport to Boon	0.753
Cedar Run Road	Front to Benzie Co	8.371
Garfield Road	Brownson to TC City Limit	12.114
Hammond Road	W/LaFranier to Wemple	5.749
N Long Lake Road	Front to Benzie Co	9.967
Silver Lake Road	Division to E Silver Lake	2.99
W Silver Lake Road	E Silver Lake to US-31	4.517
Veterans Drive	S Airport to TC City Limit	1.023
W. Front Street	TC City Limit to N Long Lake	0.461
Zimmerman Road	E Silver Lake to N Long Lake	1.368
S Long Lake Road	US-31 to Secor	5.258
Peninsula Drive	TC City Limit to Gray	4.221
Premier Street	Barlow to Park	0.252
LaFranier Road	Hammond to S Airport	1.248
Hartman Road	US-31 to Cass	1.135
Cass Road	Keystone to TC City Limit	3.571
Birmley Road	Garfield to Keystone	0.998
Barnes Road	Silver Lake to N Long Lake	0.883
High Lake Road	Hammond to Rasho	2.234
Four Mile Road	US-31 to Coon Lake	3.484
Beitner Road	US-31/M-37 to Keystone	1.617
County Rd. 633	US-31 to Wexford Co	10.891
Secor Road	W Silver Lake to S Long Lake	1.884
Woodmere Street	Premier to Boon	0.252
<b>CoHwy Eng Recommendation</b>		
Park Drive	Premier to Keystone	0.688
E Silver Lake Road	Silver Lake to US-31	3.801
Five Mile Road	US-31 to Hammond	3.53
Bunker Hill Road	US-31 to Hampshire	2.662
W Long Lake Road	N Long Lake to S Long Lake	4.227
E Long Lake Road	N Long Lake to Secor	2.082
River Road	Keystone to Garfield	6.075
Youker Road	Karlin to CR-633	3.491
Hobbs Highway	Garfield to Supply	6.44
		147.706

Total allowable restrictions = .3 x 1016= 305 miles

**ORV Ordinance – OPTION II Timetable**

June 30 – Township response needed for proposed road closure.

July 1 – Notice regarding public hearing on the ordinance, along with the draft ordinance, the Road Commission's list of roads recommended for closure, and the responses from each township indicating the roads they recommend closing to the operation of ORVs.

August 18 – Public Hearing on proposed ordinance at Ways and Means Committee Meeting.

August 26 – Vote of proposed ordinance at Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Effective date – If ordinance passes, immediately effective upon publication in the Record Eagle.