

Correspondence



RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (RCCC) A Forum for Respectful Communication & Community Relations



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Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed regulatory changes to Title 13 of the Alaska Administrative Code regarding the use of snowmobiles and all-purpose vehicles on roadways.

These regulatory changes were presented and discussed by the Rabbit Creek Community Council (RCCC) at our April 8th, 2021 meeting. By a vote of 17 yays and 1 nay, the RCCC would like to request the items below be included and considered by the Department of Public Safety regarding Title 13.

Insomuch that the public safety could be impacted where vehicle traffic predominates the residential roads and highways, we recommend the following:

1. All snowmobile or all-purpose vehicle operators be licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles.
2. All snowmobile or all-purpose vehicle operators wear appropriate safety equipment including helmets.
3. Any snowmobiles or all-purpose vehicles be equipped to meet street legal requirements (lights, turn signals, etc.)
4. Any snowmobiles or all-purpose vehicles maintain the same minimum liability insurance as required for automobiles, as well as comprehensive and collision coverage.

In the event these proposed regulatory changes move forward without changes or consideration, the RCCC requests that the Alaska Administrative Code require Communities to **OPT IN** rather than opt out. It is the opinion of the RCCC, that Communities should not bear the cost, time and burden to its membership to produce local ordinances simply to maintain the status quo.

We thank you for your time and consideration and apologize that we missed the deadline due to out of state travel. If you have any questions or would like clarification regarding these comments, please let us know.

Regards,

Ann Rappoport, Co-Chair
Rabbit Creek Community Council

Carl Johnson, Co-Chair
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Commissioner of Public Safety James Cockrell
Senator Roger Holland
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Assemblyperson Suzanne LaFrance
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