

Comments regarding snowmobile trail categories

EQB received 47 comment letters directed specifically at whether there should be mandatory review for snowmobile trails. Collectively, the points made in these letters can be summarized as follows:

- Snowmobile trails should either be exempted from environmental review or at least there should not be mandatory review categories for these trails
- Because snowmobiles ride on snow or ice cover and do not directly contact the ground, and because the ground is frozen, snowmobile trails do not adversely impact the environmental
- Preparing EAWs or EISs for snowmobile trails would be wasteful, unnecessary paperwork
- Snowmobile riders are aware of environmental issues and do not wish to harm the environment

LIST OF PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO STAFF PROPOSED OPTIONS DOCUMENT

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7/12/04

Mr. Greg Downing
Environmental Quality Board
300 Centennial Bldg
658 Cedar St.
St. Paul, Minn. 55155

Dear Mr. Downing,

After reviewing your request for public input about possibly requiring EAWs for recreational trails, it is my opinion that since snowmobiles operate on snow not ground, or on ice not water, that snowmobile trails should be exempt from EAW requirements.

Sincerely,
Michael T. Hughes
(MICHAEL T. HUGHES)
35599 W. McAvity Lake Rd.
GRAND RAPIDS, Minn. 55744

JULY 9 - 2004

I think snowmobiles should be exempt from the E.A.W. on the basis of the minimal impact they impose on the winter environment. and the very little negative fact that could be compiled as a result of their activity.
"Our Tracks don't last"

Rick Jensen
39187 SASSERAKWET S.H. RD.
COHASSET, MN 55721

July 9, 2004

Greg Downing
Environmental Quality Board

Mr. Downing,

It is my opinion that all recreation trails
be exempt from mandatory environmental assessment
worksheet / Environmental Impact Studies as
a requirement of the Environmental Quality Board.
These proposals would be unnecessary and
cause unneeded paperwork

Sincerely
Mary Report

Mary Report
R.R.# Box 48
Zumbro Falls, MN 55991

Dear Sir:

I believe Snowmobile Trails should be exempt from E.A.W. Our Trails In Southern Minnesota are placed on existing farm roads and Logging roads, We actually improve existing roads by diverting water flow and by seeding.

There is no damage from snowmobiles in winter on these trails.

Thank You

Dennis Conniff

Dennis Conniff
6721 State 44
Caledonia, Mn. 55921

To: Gregg Downing

July 10, 2004

Environmental Quality Board

300 Centennial Blvd, 658 Cedar St
St Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Public Comments to Draft Category Options

We feel that snowmobilers be exempted from the requirement of filling out an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). Snowmobilers are an environmentally friendly form of recreation/transportation that don't harm the environment.

Sincerely:

Larry Shepherd
LARRY SHEPHERD
3661 CULVER TRAIL
FARIBAULT, MN 55021

July 10, 2004

TO:

Dress Downing

As a snowmobiler for 35 years, I don't feel that we need to fill out a EAW every time we repair or set up a new trail. It has been shown that snowmobiling doesn't affect ~~our~~ ~~the~~ the environment in any way. I feel the EAW is not needed. We should be exempt from filling out any EAW now and in the future.

John Holter
7527 Oakland Ave. So.
Richfield, Mn 55423.
JOHN HOLTER

I am against all EAW's for snowmobile trails. Snowmobiles + snowmobilers do not damage the environment. EAW's create more costs at a time government is supposed to be cutting back.

Sheryl Vertina
Sheryl Vertina
3203 Town Rd 443
Intl. Falls, MN 56649

7-10-04

To Whom it May Concern:

Snowmobilers should ~~be~~ be exempt From EAW's because the ground is frozen and covered with snow so snowmobilers have no impact on the terrain as there is no damage.

In times of budget short falls these studies are meaningless and expensive.

Jack White

Jack White

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Northome, MN 56661

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July 10, '04

To Whom it May Concern:

I'm asking that all snowmobile trails be exempt from an EAW, because snowmobiles do not damage the environment. Why would you require this when it is not necessary?

Thank you for reading this

Janette C. Brace

a MNUSA member

+ snowmobiles

8047 Onigum Rd NW
Walker, MN 56484

7-10-04

Gregg Dowling
Environmental Quality Board
300 Centennial Bldg 658 Cedar St
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Mr. Dowling

Because snowmobiles are used when the ground is frozen there is no environmental damage there is no need to do EAW's.

Thank you.

Mark Steinweller
Mark Steinweller
6474 Fawn Lane
Lino Lakes, MN 55014

Dear Gregg Downings

Environmental Quality Board

Dear Sir

I feel that as a winter recreational
that we do not need a EAW or
a EIS because when we use the
Duff door the environment ~~is~~ all snow and
covered so that we do not have a direct
contact with the ground so that is
why I feel that ~~is~~ we do not need the
EAW ^{worksheet} ~~study~~ or the EIS study

Thank You

Jerry Walker

208 main st sect 10000 center MN 55927

7-10-04

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD,

I have been a snowmobiler ~~for~~ since 1966. I ride approx. 3500 miles per year, I have been a state director since 1988 and was Minnesota United Snowmobilers association for 2 yrs. I have a vast knowledge of snowmobile issues. I feel that requiring an EAW on snowmobile trails is not a wise use of time or money. I do not think snowmobile trails create an impact on the environment. I think the EAW is being used by environmental preservation groups to tie up or eliminate ^{new} trail projects. I think the best solution to this problem is to exempt all snowmobile trails from an EAW.

Thank you,

Gregory J. Sorenson

GREG SORENSON
5971 ST. LOUIS RIVER RD.
PROCTOR, MN 55810

7-10-64

E.A. W

WE DO NOT APPROVE OF THIS PROGRAM

WE HAVE TOO MANY PROBLEMS NOW

DO NOT NEED MORE

REGION 9

Don Hansen
PO Box 94
Cyrus, MN 56323

I feel that EAW should not pertain
to snowmobile trails. Snowmobiles do
not damage the environment

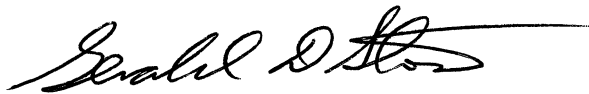
Greg Gellert
2104 Stade Lane
Fairmont, MN 56031
Greg Gellert

7-10-04
4613 Kasper Rd
Moose Lake, MN
55767

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you in regards to the use of an E. A. W. ~~in~~ developing new snowmobiling trails. This is unnecessary paper work, wasted time and unnecessary expense where snowmobile trails are concerned. Snowmobile trails provide recreational use, wild life habitat, with no environment damage to the areas where they are placed. To require an environmental study is a total waste of time, energy & money.

Sincerely,



Gerald D Stone
Trail coordinator / secretary
Moose Horn Rod & Gun Club
4613 Kasper Rd.
Moose Lake, MN. 55767

July 10, 2004

Dear EQB Review staff,

I feel strongly that snowmobilers and snowmobile trails not have to do an EAW (Envir Assess Worksheet) or EIS.

The snowmobile trails ride on compacted snow/ice and they do not effect the environment.

I support all options that not require or minimize such paperwork.

Robert Smutka

1137 Allen Ave

W. St. Paul, MN 55118

I have been a snowmobiler for 35 years in the state of Minnesota and have seen the sport change ~~at~~ over the years. I have been active in the sport and its future. In my years of snowmobiling, I've only seen the support the sport has helped the environment.

Snowmobiling people want to help, not hurt nature, they put more time into preventing damage to the environment than any other group I've been involved in.

It is my feeling that snowmobile trail should be exempt from EAW's (Environmental Assessment Worksheets). They do not damage our environment + only help it!

Thank you for your Time

Michael J. Cleverger

Michael J. Cleverger

7302 NW 97th Ave.

Morristown, MN. 55052

July 10, 2004

To: EQB Office Program Staff

From: Dick Lueben
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lueben@paulbunyan.net

Subject: PUBLIC REVIEW OF DRAFT CATEGORY OPTIONS

Hello:

I am a tax-payer, and a snowmobiler for 39 years. I also was a non-motorized BWCA guide for 30 years & operator of a X-C ski lodge for 5 years. I support protection of wilderness & all natural ecology,

But I am NOT an "eco-nut."

I tell you that requiring an EAW (Environmental Assessment Worksheet) is simply a bureaucratic "red run" to make it impossible to create or improve any trail which the "eco-nuts" wish to prevent. The costs in money and time, & the technical hoops which must be "jumped-thru" - take so many months that any effective project will die a slow death.

The laws which define what can and cannot be done concerning wetlands, clearings for new access, appropriate seasonal use, etc. - are more than enough to control what changes to the natural ecology are permitted & or prohibited.

Thank You.

Dick Lueben

7-10-04

Environmental Review Board

As a snowmobile and ATV owner, and one who has
worked on developing & maintaining trails, request that all these
trails be exempt from environmental assessment worksheet (EAW).

We as trail builders and users are concerned and are protecting
our environment

M Duane Price
27254 Stavanger Ch. Rd.
Finger Park, MN 56537

I am not in favor
of the EAW review
for snowmobile trails
I feel that snowmobile
trails do not damage
the environment.

Vikki Langford
1002 DAY ST
Fairmont MN 56031

July 10, 2004

to whom it may concern

I do not feel that a EAVY is
NECESSARY for snowmobile trails, so I'm
ASKING that all snowmobile trails
be exempt from a EAVY, because
snowmobiles do not damage the
ENVIRONMENT

Thank you

Harold Brace

PRES. Minn. United Snowmobile
ASSOCIATION

8047 ONIGUM ROAD NW

WALKER, MN 56484

Harold Brace

att:

E. A. W.

I believe that we Don't need a
Env Study for our Trail System,
the more studies of things will just
Confuse the operation more, so
I think it is fine to let it be
alone

Virgil Beyer

Musa & Ino Barons

8490 Long Lake Rd

Moundsview, MN 55112

Virgil Beyer

July 10, 2004

Gregg Downing
EQB

Dear Gregg:

The snowmobiling community has been and will always be cognizant of all environmental issues - in all areas of life - not just their sport. Therefore I feel there is absolutely NO NEED for any mandatory environmental assessment worksheet for snowmobile trails!

Sandra L Hughes
35599 W. McAvity Lake Rd.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

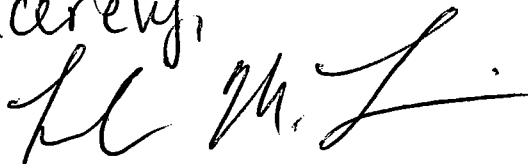
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Gregg Downing
Environmental Quality Board
300 Centennial ~~Building~~
Bldg. 658 Cedar St.
St. Paul, MN 55155

DEAR Gregg Downing:

Please consider snowmobiles as being exempt from the pending E.A.W. I have been a snowmobiler since 1976. We (snowmobilers) directly impact the economy of this State and provide a wonderful recreation opportunity for families. Most snowmobilers are responsible and stay on the trails, which does not damage the environment. The trails actually help some wildlife get around in the winter, as the groomers pack the deep snow. Thank you for allowing me to snowmobile in this wonderful State.

Sincerely,



Lu Ann M. Linn 46909 Cape Horn Cleveland, MN 56017

Gregg Downing

I feel that trails that
snowmobilers ride on should be
exempt from EAU.

Dale Jensen
Dale Jensen
1620 9th Ave NE
Owatonna MN
55060-1512

July 9, 2004

Greg Downing
Environmental Quality Board

Mr Downing:

It is my opinion that all recreational trails should be exempt from Mandatory Environmental Assessment Worksheets and/or Environmental Impact Studies as a requirement of the EQB.

Snowmobiles do not harm the environment and provide not only fine family recreation but significant financial impact.

Bob Linn

4894 N Shore Rd
Waterville, MN 56092
Bob Linn

July 10, 2004

To whom it may concern,

Snowmobiles ride over frozen ground & snow, which does not hurt the environment. I have been an ~~and~~ responsible snowmobiler from day one. I do not believe that snowmobiling hurts in environment.

Snowmobiles should be exempt from the pending EAU.

Snowmobiles have a strong impact on the economy, and is a very good family outdoor activity

Ed. Lee
145 E. Viking Drive
St. Paul, Mn. 55117

Greg Downing
Environmental Quality Board

Dear Mr Downing

I feel that as a Winter Recreationalist that we ~~don't~~ do not need an EAW or an EIS. The reason I say this is because when we are riding on frozen ground that is covered with snow. That means we don't have direct contact with the ground. This is why I feel that we don't need the EAW worksheet or the EIS study.

Thankyou for your time
Cheryl Waller
208 Main St E
Dodge Center, mn 55927

WE AS SNOWMOBILERS DO NOT WANT TO COMPLETE
AN LAW FOR TRAILS. SNOWMOBILES BY NATURE TRAVEL
ON FROZEN GROUND, DURING NO ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE.

WE BELIEVE IT IS VERY UNNECESSARY TO COMPLETE AN LAW.

Brady T Putzke

Brady T Putzke
5124 Reid Rd
DULUTH MN 55803

I BELIEVE THAT AN EAW. WORK SHEET
IS NOT NECESSARY FOR SNOWMOBILE TRAIL.
SNOW MOBILES HAVE NO IMPACT ON THE
ENVIRONMENT.

MARK JAZDZEWSKI
5082 HOWARD TWISEN RD.
DULUTH MINN 55805

Mark Jazdzewski

7302 NW 97th Ave
Morristown, MN 55052
July 10, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

Environmental Assessment Worksheets should not be required for snowmobiles. Snowmobilers do not ~~try~~ to prevent any damage to the environment. Our sport is one that enjoys the great outdoors and will do what needs to be done to protect the sport and our resources. MNUSA organization works very hard to do our part!

Cheryl Cleverger
7302 NW 97th Ave
MORRISTOWN, MN 55052
CHERYL CLEVERGER

I request that all Snowmobile
trails in the State of Minnesota

be exempt from EAW's

Snowmobiles Do Not harm the
environment -

Mary Lou Clewenger

713 E Elm

Waseca, MN 56093

Mary Lou Clewenger

Home Phone - 507-835-4615

Dem. Sims, Greg Downing

Please work on changing the requirements for Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). I feel that snowmobile trails should be exempt from this requirement as our trails ~~are~~ are designed for travel on snow and therefore have very little impact of what an EAW is designed to assess for potential Environment damage.

The use of the EAW for this purpose is a waste of resources at this time. Supervision by the DNR is adequate

Dean Thompson

19176 Kartst. Rd

12th River, MN 55330

July 10, 2004

To: Gregg Downing
Environmental Quality Board
300 Centennial Blvd. 658 Cedar St
St Paul, Mn 55155

Re: Public Comments to Draft Category Options

I would like to see snowmobilers exempt from the requirement of submitting an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW).

Snowmobilers care about the environment and snowmobiles are an environmentally harmless form of recreation.

Sincerely

Judy Shepherd

Judy Shepherd

3661 Culver Trail

Faribault, MN 55021

I oppose the use of EAWs for snowmobile trails. Snowmobiles do not damage the environment. This is yet another ploy by radical environmentalist groups to restrict our freedom. As Americans, we have the right to enjoy our lands and forests. We mustn't let these fear-driven groups keep on playing their lawsuit and environmental studies games. They represent a minority of Americans.

Debra Gunnerson

Debra Gunnerson

3756 Town Rd 243

Int'l Falls, MN 56649

(218) 377-4507

Respectfully yours, Mr. Downing.

We are not in favor of an EAW review and are in belief that snowmobiles be exempt from this status and are not harmful to the environment.

Thank you for
your consideration
Edward Langford
From Fairmont, W.Va.

I Feel that EAW's Are A waste
Of time for skomobile tracks the track
that they leave melt in the Spring
and they don't do any damage to the
environment. with money short all over
The money could be better used in other
Area's

Arlan T Gunnerson



3756 Town Road 243

INT'l Falls ma

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218-377-4507

TO: GREGG DOWNING
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD
300 CENTENNIAL BLDG
658 CEDAR STREET
ST PAUL, MN 55155

FROM: C J RAMSTAD
9445 MINNETONKA BLVD
ST. LOUIS PARK, MN 55426

RE: EAW POLICY FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS

I BELIEVE THE EAW PROCESS SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED FOR SNOWMOBILE TRAILS. THE WINTER ENVIRONMENT IS WELL-PROTECTED BY THE WEATHER AND SNOWMOBILES DO NOT IMPACT THE ENVIRONMENT. FURTHER, THE COST OF PRODUCING ALL THIS PAPERWORK SUBTRACTS FROM FUNDS WHICH SHOULD BE USED TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN TRAILS TO POSITIVELY IMPACT QUALITY OF LIFE IN MINNESOTA.

RESPECTFULLY,

C. J. Ramstad

Gregg Downing

Environment Quality Board

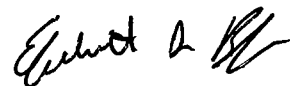
300 Centennial Bldg. 658 Cedar Street

St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Gregg!

As a responsible snowmobiler I feel that snowmobiles should be exempt from the pending E.A.W. I also feel that snowmobilers that obey the MN. State rules do not damage the environment. I love riding our great trails in MN.

Sincerely



Elizabeth S. Blegen
46904 Cape Horn Rd.
Cleveland, MN
56017

July 10, 2004

To whom it may concern,

I have been a responsible snowmobiler since 1968. I strongly feel that snowmobiles be exempt from the pending E.A.W. Snowmobiles do not damage our environment. We have a strong impact upon the economy and provide a splendid outdoor activity for all ages.

Thank you for listening,

Ev Johnson

1883 15th Ave. N.W.

New Brighton, MN 55112

evelydjohnson@earthlink.net

7-9-04

Snowmobiles need to be exempt from the EAW's. We do not have an effect on the environment.

Snowmobiling takes place in the winter when the ground is frozen, things do not get disturbed.

Shelby Jensen
39187 Sissebakwet St.
Cohasset, MN 55721
Shelby Jensen

I feel that snowmobile trails
should be exempt from EAW as
snowmobiles do not damage the environment.

Nancy Gellert
2104 Stade Lane
Fairmont, MN
56031

Nancy Gellert

EAQ-

Snowmobilers to not do any damage to the environment —

basically snowmobilers are environmentalists!

Snowmobiler~~s~~ trails should be exempt for an EAW.

Mary Hicke
18030 Uplander Court
Andover, MN 55304

July 10, 2004

To:

Gregg Downing

I am a snowmobiler AND Have Been Involved with the Sport From 1971 to current.

I Do Not think that an EAW Needs to Be Filled out Anytime A New Trail or Repair Has to Made To an existing Trail.

The Reason For This is That I Believe That No Harm is Done Due To The amount of Snow and Frost in the ground To Do Any Damage Noticeable To future plant growth and environmental Impact.

We should Be Exempt From Filling out Any EAW Now or in the Future.

Dan Wallenta

~~7527 Oak~~

13050 Stagstaff Ave

Apple Valley MN 55124

952 432 0495

July 10, 2004

To: Gregg Downing

Environmental Quality Board.

300 Centennial Bld, 658 Cedar St.

St Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Public Comments to Draft Category Options.

We (I) feel that snowmobiles be Exempted

from the requirement of filling out an

Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW)

Snowmobiles are an environmentally friendly form

of recreation/Transportations that don't harm

the environment.

Thank-You.

Gloria Brandt

GLORIA BRANDT

2704 47th Ave NW

Austin, MN 55912

JULY 10th, 2004

TO: GREGG DOWNING
EQB ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROGRAM STAFF
300 CENTENNIAL BLDG, 638 CEDAR ST.
ST. PAUL, MN 55155

I AM WRITING TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF IN REGARDS
TO THE PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON MANDATORY AND
EXEMPTION CATEGORY TRAIL DESIGNATION.

AS AN OUTDOOR RECREATIONIST, ACTIVE IN NON-MOTORIZED
AS WELL AS MOTORIZED, I AM VERY CONCERNED WITH
THE THOUGHT OF INCREASED BUREAUCRACY WITH THIS
PROPOSAL TO FURTHER COMPLICATE TRAIL BUILDING AND
MAINTENANCE. I HAVE WORKED WITH SEVERAL SNOW
MOBILE CLUBS THAT WORK ON BOTH ATV AND SNOWMOBILE
TRAILS. THE TIME AND EFFORT PUT FORTH NOW BY, MOSTLY
VOLUNTEERS TO PROVIDE A PLACE TO SAFELY AND
LEGALLY ENJOY THESE SPORTS, THEY ALREADY HAVE TO
WORK WITH THE DNR, LANDOWNERS, COUNTY TOWNSHIP
BOARDS, COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, CITY
COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES.
THERE ARE CURRENTLY SO MANY RULES AND REGULATIONS,
WHY MORE ??? THESE "VOLUNTEERS" ARE THE LIFE BLOOD
OF OUTDOOR RECREATION IN OUR LANDS. WITH THE EVER
INCREASING DEMAND ON BUDGETS IN OUR LOCAL AND
STATE GOVERNMENTS, WE DEFINITELY DO NOT NEED
MORE REGULATORY REVIEWING PROGRAMS. ANY CONCERNS
THAT THE EQB STAFF HAS, SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE
SPORKING ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIP AND THE
MINNESOTA DNR.

(111020)

BETWEEN THESE GROUPS, I CANNOT THINK OF A
CASE WHERE THEY COULDN'T PROVIDE A SOLUTION
TO ANY SITUATION TO SATISFY ALL CONCERNED
INDIVIDUALS; WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE
"EXTREMISTS" THAT ARE TOTALLY AGAINST
MOTORIZED RECREATION IN ANY FORM!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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MUSTANG, MN 55912
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507 460-0092 (CELL)

To: Gregg Downing

I feel that snowmobilers
and trails should be exempt from
EPA. Thank you!

Linda Jensen

Linda Jensen

1620 9th Ave NE

Owatonna MN

55060-1512

July 10 2004

To: Greg Downing

As an avid snowmobiler and actively involved in snowmobile clubs + trail associations,

I do not feel that an EAW needs to be done anytime we put in a new trail or propose to make repairs to an existing trail.

Snowmobiles run over frozen ground and leaves little impact after the snow melts.

Thank you for your consideration.

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