



AOHVA 4-POINT PLAN FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE OHV USE

BE INFORMED. GET ENGAGED. TAKE ACTION!

BENEFITS OF THE PLAN, FALL 2017



- *Minister Shannon Phillips* is **CLOSING** the Castle Parks to all OHV and open camping activity.
- *Minister Shannon Phillips* is expected to announce **SIGNIFICANT** reductions to OHV trails and open camping spots in Porcupine Hills and Livingstone – as early as the fall of 2017.
- *Minister Shannon Phillips* is expected to announce **SIGNIFICANT** reductions to OHV trails and open camping spots across the Eastern Slopes – as early as the spring of 2018.

An estimated loss of over 2,200 km of OHV trails in southwest Alberta is expected to be announced by the government this fall.

THE SOLUTION



- Rather than simply install gates all across the Alberta landscape, we propose working with our government to build a trail management legacy that all Albertans can be proud of.

Our Goal is to implement The AOHVA 4-Point Plan for Responsible OHV Use retaining all Albertans' opportunity to recreate on public lands.

PRESERVING AND PROTECTING ALBERTANS' OPPORTUNITY TO ENJOY OUR NATURAL LANDSCAPES



- **Common Goals:**
 - To ensure that as many trails as possible remain open to all Albertans
 - To close illegal trails and trails that threaten environmentally sensitive areas
 - To place greater emphasis on enforcement
- **AOHVA has repeatedly informed the provincial government of our interest:**
 - To rapidly develop the framework for a user-funded, sustainable, environmentally responsible trail network
 - To create a trail network that acts as a significant economic driver

AOHVA 4-POINT PLAN



1. AOHVA experienced members will work with Government of Alberta, Land Use Framework staff to design and develop sustainable and environmentally-sound trails and trail heads.
2. Dedicate 100% of a new OHV User Fee to tackling important issues like habitat protection and proper trail construction and maintenance.
3. Ensure law enforcement agencies have the tools and mandate to enforce the law.
4. AOHVA and its like-minded partners will be responsible for education and environmental stewardship as a means of eliminating improper use of the back country.

THE BENEFITS OF THE AOHVA 4-POINT PLAN



- Significant decrease in environmental damage due to proper engineering of trails, education and enforcement
- Increase in the number of trails available and the types of user experiences offered for OHV riding
- Significant contribution to economy attributed to motorized recreation
- Unauthorized private land use by OHV users would be rare.
- A thriving OHV community with strong support for the Rider Federation, OHV Clubs and volunteer base

EVERYBODY IS PART OF THE SOLUTION



Implemented as a province-wide initiative, our plan will reinvigorate and strengthen the rider federation, local clubs, the volunteer base, the OHV community across Alberta and local businesses.

When all OHV users pay, everybody is part of the solution - part of the team working together to ensure responsible OHV users have continued access to public land.

NOW IS THE TIME TO IMPLEMENT OUR PLAN



Most Jurisdictions Across Canada and Much of the U.S. Have Figured This Out. Alberta is one of the last jurisdictions to establish a formal structure to facilitate financially sustainable, environmentally responsible OHV use.

WHAT YOU CAN DO



- **Our Goal is to implement The AOHVA 4-Point Plan for Responsible OHV Use** retaining all Albertans' opportunity to recreate on public lands.
- To make that happen, we need YOU to **Be Informed, Get Engaged and TAKE ACTION!**
- Read this document, [The AOHVA 4-Point Plan for Environmentally Responsible OHV Use](#).
 - Visit AOHVA.COM for more information about these issues and the work we do.
- Support the 4-Point Plan.
 - Join in the public dialogue, like, share and comment on relevant Facebook posts, write your local paper.
- Join an OHV club in your area or support a club in the area in which you ride.
- Recruit others to actively participate in the work that lies ahead.
- Talk to your provincial and municipal elected officials, express your concerns and your desire for a sustainable trail network.
- Participate in any upcoming Public Consultation processes.

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