

**REGISTRATION  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 6 OF  
THE ENVIRONMENTAL ACT**

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**NAME OF UNDERTAKING:**

The Long Range Riders Snowmobile Club proposes to undertake the following:

- Completion of a secondary snowmobile trail system from Eddies Cove East to Castor River South;
- To destump the trails so that they can be groomed at all times
- To effect site development and erect a groomer building for the groomer and other operational equipment.

**PROPONENT:**

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**THE UNDERTAKING**

1. To complete the secondary trails in the region so that they can be used from the beginning of January to April. Normally, from December onward, people

of this area are snowmobiling but they cannot use the trails as they currently exist. The snow is usually not very plentiful in December and the trails are not usable because of the large number of stumps that are on the trail. Also, the trail is not complete, therefore cannot be used as a part of the marketing package that identifies this area as a snowmobile destination.

2. To destump the trails in order that they can be groomed at all times. Presently, the grooming is done on a volunteer basis which has proven to be very time consuming. This has been very insufficient because the trails are not always groomed when the need arises. People who volunteer also have other jobs and commitments and cannot have the trail groomed at all times. This has been a big deterrent in attracting new members. Local residents are not going to become a member if they cannot use the trail. The destumping and leveling of the trails will allow snow to accumulate more evenly and will allow snowmobilers to avail of the trails earlier in the season, thus encouraging a much earlier usage of the trails.
3. To effect site development and erect a groomer building for the groomer and other operational equipment. This would allow the Club to store their equipment in a safe and weather proof space, thus enabling them to keep the equipment in a more protective condition.

## **DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING:**

### **(i) Geographic Location**

The Long Range Riders Snowmobile Club encompasses a wide geographical area extending 150 km encompassing communities from Eddies Cove East to Castor River South. The boundaries also extend to the halfway point to the Grenfell Drive region on the east side of the Northern Peninsula. One aim of the Club is to develop and maintain the trail system. Presently, the Club has been taking steps to complete the Primary and Secondary trails in this area.

- Secondary trails are located in the vicinity of communities from Eddies Cove East to Castor River South
- Groomer building is proposed to be erected on road leading to Roddickton

(off Route 432)

(ii) **Physical Features**

- a. OBJECTIVE - To complete the secondary trail system so that it is usable from the beginning of winter to the end.

GOAL -. To have all communities accessible by connecting them to the primary trail system.

- b. OBJECTIVE - To offer proper and clear direction along the trail route with marked distances at intervals and points of interest and to give direction to each community.

GOAL - To have signs constructed consistent with the signage being used on primary trails. The entire network of secondary trails needs signing. Community signs and trail markers are needed in the 26 communities, encompassing approximately one hundred (100) kilometres, within the boundaries of the Club area.

- c. OBJECTIVE - To construct groomer shed that would house and store trail equipment.

GOAL - To provide safe and secure storage for groomer and other trail equipment necessary to maintaining the trails. The storage shed would keep the equipment in better working condition which would ensure a more expedient grooming of the trails.

(iii) Construction:

- a. ACTIONS - Cut the 15 km. of trail that is left to connect some communities. To complete destumping of all 100 km. of secondary trail.. To widen existing trails at the intersection to old paths (these paths are the trails that local people always used to haul firewood and access the back country). The intersections have become a real safety concern with the club because they are almost always located in thick timber where visibility is reduced. To cut new trails(25 km.) to two (2) lakes in the area where there are a number of cabins as well as an area that visitors would want to see.

- b. **ACTIONS** - To have signage professionally developed and erected along the trail route system. To erect two (2) signs for each of the twenty-six communities within the Club area. Signage would be obtained and put in specified places. Maps would be designed based on existing outlines and placed on signs by a selected company. The same firm would design the brochure and printing would be completed by a printing firm. Brochures would be distributed by the Club to businesses in the area wishing to include the trail in their own marketing plans.
- c. **ACTIONS** - To prepare site for groomer shed by back-filling. To construct driveway. To construct concrete floor. Erect building and install insulation and electrical service.

**(iv) Operation**

The proposed trails are being constructed for snowmobile use in the Castor River to Eddies Cove East area. The trail will be groomed and kept up to the standard of the Long Range Riders Snowmobile Club by volunteers from the local club. The cost of operating the groomer is expected to be offset by the selling of Trail Stickers.

**(v) Occupation**

During this phase of construction, it is anticipated that 24 workers will be required for a 14 week period. The category of workers that will be on site are as follows:

- 2 Supervisors
- 10 Chainsaw Operators
- 12 Labourers

All workers will be required to have instruction in the use of the most recent up to date safety equipment and will hold First Aid Certificates and any other relevant training required.

All Fire Safety Regulations will be strictly adhered to and enforced.

**(vi) Project Related Documents**

Copy of maps depicting the routes of the trails and the site for the proposed groomer shed are available and can be obtained upon request. Additionally, any and all permits required will be obtained.

**SCHEDULE:**

The actual start of construction depends on when all of the necessary environmental requirements have been met and funds are in place. It is anticipated that work will commence in Spring 2005.

**FUNDING:**

An application for funding in the amount of \$240,000 has been submitted to the Dept. of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.