

Adirondack Rail Trail Stakeholders Meeting Summary
Main Conference Room, DEC Region 5 Headquarters Ray Brook
10 am, Tuesday, March 21

I. Attendees

1. Ed Randig, Town of Harrietstown
2. Patricia Littlefield, Town of Tupper Lake
3. Paul O'Leary, Town of Tupper Lake
4. Peter Edwards, Village of Tupper Lake
5. Rich Shapiro, Village of Saranac Lake
6. Brad Hathaway, Village of Lake Placid
7. Tony Goodwin, ATIS
8. Jim McCulley, LPSC
9. John Hopkinson, LPNEHS
10. Michelle Clement, ROOST
11. Mark Johns, Bergmann Associates
12. Carolyn Dunderdale, OGS
13. Bob Stegemann, DEC
14. Fran Sheehan, DEC
15. David Winchell, DEC
16. Steve Guglielmi, DEC
17. Holly Kneeshaw, DEC
18. Walt Linck, APA
19. Tom Martin, DEC

By Phone

1. Lee Keet, ARTA
2. John Schmid, DEC
3. Kara Phillips, DOT

II. Status & Update Reports

1. Litigation
 - i. DEC submitted papers
 - ii. ASR submitted papers
 - iii. ARTA submitted an amicus brief
 - iv. DEC & ASR have until March 28 to submit responses
 - v. Then wait for the judge's decision
2. Corridor Ownership
3. Rail Removal RFP
 - i. DOT withdrew the RFP for rail rehabilitation just days after it was posted.
 - ii. RFP for rail removal and rail rehabilitation will be issued simultaneously
 - iii. Awaiting outcome of litigation
4. DOT-DEC MOUs
 - i.

5. Umbrella Cooperative Agreement
 - i. Defines the management structure of the trail
 - ii. **DISCUSSION**
 1. Responsibilities of the various entities
 - a. Minor maintenance
 - b. Major repairs
 - c. Marketing – trademarks, copyright
 - d. Maintain website
 2. Need for a “third party” legal entity
 3. Grants
 - iii. Focus now is on release of Draft Conceptual Plan, will focus on the management agreement later.
6. Branding, Marketing & Promoting
 - i. DEC, ROOST and ARTA met
 - ii. Seeking to have ARTA’s marketing and promotional efforts shifted to DEC and ROOST
 - iii. ROOST working to vet a logo for the Adirondack Rail Trail
7. Rules and Regulation Subcommittee
 - i. Co-chairs: Steve Guglielmi and Forest Ranger Lt. Julie Harjung
 - ii. Steve has reviewed currently applicable regulation
 - iii. Also found examples of other trails:
 1. Regulations
 2. Rules
 3. Etiquette
 - iv. Others will part
8. Signage Subcommittee
9. Historic Preservation
10. Draft Conceptual Plan
11. Schedule

III. Public Participation for the Conceptual & Interim Access Plans
(David Winchell)

IV. Next meeting