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James LaBar, Committee Administrator

Re: SB192 for Off Road Vehicle use on Highways

Dear Mr. LaBar,

As an ORV user of many years I offer my whole hearted support for SB192.

Use of an ORV in town is safe, economical, and does not create any more of a hazard than motorcycles, in fact, I feel they are less of a hazard. Short trips on an ATV save gas over use of a pickup or SUV which are standard use vehicles in our area. They are easy to brake and turn in the event someone suddenly stops or turns in front of you.

Grant County is an economically depressed area. Use of an ORV to access the many trails and hills directly from town rather than having to truck or trailer them to a riding area makes it very likely that events could be held that would economically impact our towns and the county. My husband, son and son-in-law have traveled to Moab UT and can conceive a similar area here for riding.

Sincerely,

Carlene Johnston

Send via e-mail 2/21/15

Cc: Megan Chuinard