

Roseau County Trailblazers
GIA ATV Trail Proposal
Project Summary



Sponsor: Roseau County

Proposer: Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club

Project Name: Roseau/Lake of the Woods Trails: Butler Grade Addition

Trail Administration: DNR Area 1C Supervisor at Hayes Lake State Park

Partners: Roseau County, Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club, MNDNR

Trail Location: Beltrami Island State Forest in Lake of the Woods County
 Beltrami Forest Unorganized Territory: T 161 N, R 34 W, Sections 20, 21, 22, 23

Miles of trail by type:

Surface type	Approx. Miles	Current or proposed use
Existing access route open to OHVs	0.8	Access route to be incorporated into Grant in Aid ATV/OHM trail.
Existing snowmobile trail.	3.3	Proposed use is ATV/OHM.
Township road	1.0	Currently open to OHV use, continue current uses.
Total	5.1	

Project Description:

The Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club seeks to add a 5.1 mile trail segment along the Butler Grade in Beltrami Island State Forest to the Grant in Aid trail system. This would tie into their existing ATV system, and provide a connection between the communities of Roosevelt and Williams. Benefits of this connection would include improved access between existing trail sections, removing some ATV traffic from the forest roads currently used to traverse between the communities, and resource coordination with the snowmobile GIA program as much of the Butler Grade is already used for that purpose in the winter.

The Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club proposes to sign and maintain this trail for use by Class 1 and 2 ATVs from May 1-November 1 of each year, unless otherwise authorized or prohibited by the DNR, Lake of the Woods County, or other public land manager.

Administration of the trail will follow: guidelines provided in the State of Minnesota GIA OHV Program Manual; requirements of the trail sponsor and Lake of the Woods County.

The trail will be operated, maintained, and managed by Lake of the Woods County with assistance and support provided by the Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club. The cost of maintenance is eligible for up to 90% reimbursement through the GIA program. The sponsor and the DNR will share monitoring responsibilities. The trail will be monitored by the DNR Parks and Trails Area Office 1C located in Hayes Lake State Park, supplemented by the DNR's Trail Ambassador program. Volunteer Trail Ambassadors promote safe, environmentally responsible operation of OHVs through informational and educational contacts and on-trail monitoring.

Trail Route Description:

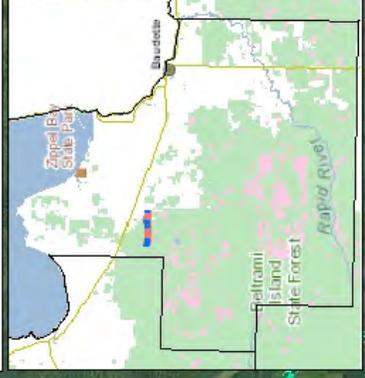
The Beltrami Island State Forest Trail System has extensive trail networks throughout the forest that connect area property owners and businesses to each other and the scenery of the area. At any time, the trail user may observe wildlife such as deer, bear, fox, wild turkey, grouse, turtles, rabbits, ducks, geese, porcupine, wolves, moose, and many bird species. The proposed trail addition would refine and improve the connections between Roosevelt and Williams.

Section 1 starts on minimum maintenance road 1176 east of the Krull Road and continues south before splitting off to intersect the Butler Grade. From there, it follows the Grade east to County Road 2 south of Williams.

Roseau County Trailblazers: Grant in Aid Trail Proposal, Butler Grade

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-  Butler Grade Addition
-  Off-Highway Vehicle Use



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-  New Trail Corridor: Forest Access Route 4.08 Miles
-  Lake of the Woods County Managed Township Road 1.00 Miles



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Butler Grade Addition
DNR Impacted 40s

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The proposed trail addition crosses sixteen Division of Forestry Consolidated Conservation parcels. All the parcels are located in Lake of the Woods County in the Beltrami Forest Unorganized Territory in the Beltrami Island State Forest.

