

**County Road 89 Connection ATV Trail System  
GIA ATV Trail Proposal  
Project Summary**

- Sponsor:** Clover Township
- Proposer:** Clover Township  
Forest Riders ATV Club
- Project Name:** County Road 89 Connection ATV Trail System
- Trail Administration:** DNR Area 1A Supervisor in Bemidji, MN
- Partners:** Forest Riders ATV Club, Hubbard County; Townships of Clover and Arago, MNDOT, MN DNR.
- Trail Location:** Hubbard County  
Arago Township, Hubbard County: T 141 N – R 35 W, sections 3, 4, 6-10, 15, 17, 18  
Clover Township, Hubbard County: T 142 N – R 35 W, sections 15, 16, 21 22, 27, 28, 33, 34

**Miles of trail by type:**

Total mileage of the proposed ATV GIA trail is approximately 10.51 miles, including:  
0.95 mile of U.S. Highway Right-of-Way  
7.03 miles of County Road Right-of-Way  
2.53 miles of Township Road

**Project Description:**

Hubbard County encourages user groups through their Forest Resources Management Plan to develop comprehensive all-terrain vehicle (ATV) trails and routes. This grant-in-aid (GIA) ATV trail proposal will provide a connection between two existing GIA ATV trail systems, the Forest Rider's Club current trail south of Lake George and the Club's collection of trails both within and around the Two Inlets State Forest. In accordance with Hubbard County policy, the Forest Riders ATV Club will obtain the needed resolutions of support from all the local units of government with lands traversed by the proposed GIA Trail.

The Forest Riders ATV Club proposes to sign and maintain this trail for use by Class 1 and 2 ATVs from May 1<sup>st</sup> to November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, unless otherwise authorized or prohibited by the DNR, Hubbard County, or other public land managers. The proposed ATV GIA route will bring ATV riders into areas for services such as food and lodging, while also providing a needed connection between two other managed ATV riding GIA trail systems.

Administration of the trail will follow: guidelines provided in the State of Minnesota GIA OHV Program Manual; requirements of the trail sponsor, Clover Township, and requirements of the towns and cities through which it travels.

The trail will be operated, maintained, and managed by Clover Township with assistance and support provided by the Forest Riders ATV 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 1A located in Bemidji, 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 Forest Riders Trail System has three minor trail sections which connect area property owners and businesses with other trail systems while providing access to 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, and many bird species.

**Section 1** starts on the northern end west of Coon Lake and at the western end of the Forest Riders ATV trail route in Hubbard County. This section of trail is located in the road shoulder along County Road 89 and connects the current route with businesses on Island and Eagle Lakes.

**Section 2** is located on the road shoulder of Happy Hollow Road, a Township road, and connects with a handful of resorts on Island Lake.

**Section 3** is a short segment along U.S. Highway 71 south and east of Island Lake.

**Section 4** is located along the road shoulder of Township Road 278 which connects this route with existing routes in the Two Inlets State Forest.