

SIERRA ACCESS COALITION NEWSLETTER

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Snowmobile Grass Drags Fundraiser July 23

On July 23rd, the Snowmobile Grass Drags will be held at the Fairgrounds in Quincy. The event is being put on by Keith Barnett and Kenny Chance of KK Promotions. They are donating profits to SAC for the Legal Defense Fund. This is our major fundraiser. 100% of the funds donated to SAC will be used to take the Plumas NF to court over their Travel Management Plan. The drags last all day, with live music in the evening. There will be food, beer, a bikini contest, vintage snowmobile show and shine, a raffle, and other fun for the whole family. See www.quincysledwars.com for more information.

SAC will be running the Beer Booth at the event, under the supervision of the Clampers. We need more volunteers to help serve beer. If you are able to donate some of your time, contact SAC at sierraaccess@digitalpath.net. We also need volunteers to help us set up the SAC information booth, help with the raffle items, and other jobs at the event. Please volunteer your time to help us raise funds so we can represent you and your interests in court.

Keith and Kenny need volunteers to help at the event. [Click here for more information](#)

Thank you everyone for your support!

Travel Management Plan Parking Restrictions

The plan restricts parking to one vehicle length from the road which includes parking for hikers, campers, rockhounds, hunters, campers, fishermen, equestrians, motorhomes, and anyone else in the woods. *This includes Forest Service personnel.* They have the same rules as the public, unless they have a letter of permission signed by the Forest Supervisor saying they can go off road.

The Travel Management Plan doesn't go into effect until the Motor Vehicle Use Maps are released. The maps were scheduled to be released to the public in late in June, but the maps still haven't been released. There have been some reports of law enforcement officers already enforcing the Travel Management Plan even though the plan is not in effect yet. If you have trouble with law enforcement officers, please send us an email at <http://www.sierraaccess.com>.

SAC Legal Defense Fund

Thank you to those who have already donated to our Legal Defense Fund. We understand times are hard and we appreciate any amount that you can donate. Or if you are unable to donate funding, you can donate your time at the Snowmobile Grass Drags on July 23 at the Plumas-Sierra County Fairgrounds.

Donations can be made on SAC's website at <http://www.sierraaccess.com> using Paypal. Donations can also be mailed to SAC at PO Box 944, Quincy CA 95971. There are also cash donation cans in Quincy at Plumas Motor Supply, Dupont Power Tool, Sierra Cycle, and the Hot Spot. SAC is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization so all donations are tax deductible.

Raffle Items Needed

As part of the Snowmobile Grass Drags event there is a raffle with some great prizes including a kid's Yamaha PW50 motorcycle donated by Jim Uchtyl. There are also hats, goggles, videos, apparel, sled graphics, hunting packages, boat rentals, cabin stays, dinner packages and much more. Donating items to the raffle is another way you can help us raise funds. Everyone has something to offer. Raffle items could be a truckload of firewood, a home baked pie, yard work, computer services, etc.be creative! If you have something to donate to the raffle, contact SAC at sierraaccess@digitalpath.net. Your items are appreciated!

Plumas NF Cleanup Day July 30

SAC is working with the Plumas NF to have a volunteer cleanup day in the woods July 30. People are dumping their trash, appliances, and other garbage along Forest Service road 24N71 just off LaPorte Road. SAC is committed to being a good steward of our forest. Skip Partlow of Skip's 4x4 & Diesel is donating his backhoe to load the garbage, USFS Road Crew Supervisor Craig Kusener is volunteering a dump truck, Jim Evans of the USFS will coordinate the event and pay for dump fees. Thank you everyone who has volunteered their time for this community service event. If you are interested in helping, send SAC an email at sierraaccess@digitalpath.net.

If you are interested in volunteering to clean up another dump site on Forest Service land near your community, send us an email and we will coordinate your cleanup event.

Children's OHV Certification Class

Dianne Uchtyl of SAC is working to organize an OHV safety and certification class for children. This class will be geared towards children who ride quads. If you are interested in this class, email SAC at sierraaccess@digitalpath.net

Travel Management Subpart A and Subpart C

Travel Management Subpart A is the next step in the Travel Management process. However, according to Plumas NF Supervisor Alice Carlton, the Subpart A analysis has been put on hold so the Forest Service can work to mend their relationships with the counties before additional road closures are considered. We will let you know when Subpart A begins, which will affect the main roads in the Plumas NF transportation system. It is expected that a significant number of roads will be closed during the Subpart A process.

Subpart C involves possible restrictions on Over Snow Vehicles. Alice Carlton said there are currently no plans to implement Subpart C which would restrict snowmobile use. We will keep you informed if that changes.

Plumas County Sheriffs Dept.

Sheriff Greg Hagwood has said his department will not enforce the Plumas NF Travel Management Plan. He will not enforce these restrictions which he believes will "cause reasonable people to do unreasonable things". [Click here](#) to see an article about the Sheriff and the Travel Management Plan. We applaud Sheriff Hagwood for his support of the citizens of Plumas County.

Thank you for your support

Over the past 6 years that we have been working on the Plumas NF Travel Management Plan, your support has been overwhelming. SAC is a grass roots organization and we are now recognized across the state as one of the best groups working to preserve access to public lands.

Now is the time for our group to gather our strength to preserve access to public lands. Please come to the Snowmobile Grass Drags at the Fairgrounds on July 23 and spread the word to your friends. The more people that attend the event, the more funds will be raised for our Legal Defense Fund to protect your access to your forest.

We need your donations for our Legal Defense Fund.

Thank you for your help.