

Appendix A: Resolutions

Communities along the proposed rail-trail between Tupper Lake and Lake Placid have passed municipal resolutions supporting the rail-trail, including the Villages of Tupper Lake, Saranac Lake and Lake Placid. Furthermore, the Towns of Tupper Lake, Piercefield, North Elba and Colton have also passed resolutions in favor of the development of the rail-trail. The Joint Planning Board of the Town and Village of Tupper Lake and the New York State Snowmobile Association have passed resolutions in support of the proposed rail-trail. NYSDEC and NYSDOT have organized a Stakeholder group to assist in the development and implementation of the proposed rail-trail with representation from these organizations.

A collection of resolutions, follows:



TOWN OF NORTH ELBA

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT NYS Recreation Corridor

The Town of North Elba hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision.

We further urge Governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

Moved by **Councilman Miller** Seconded by **Councilman Favro**

 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolution passed at the Regular Board meeting held on October 10, 2017.

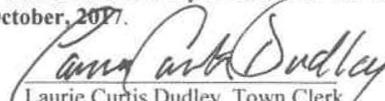
State of New York
County of Essex SS:
Town Of North Elba

I, Laurie Curtis Dudley, Town Clerk of the Town of North Elba, Essex County, New York

DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing with the original minutes of the Town Board of the Town of North Elba at a Meeting of said Board of the Town of North Elba held on the 10th day of October, 2017 and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original minutes and of the whole thereof, and that said original minutes are on file in my office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Town Board had due notice of said meeting and that Supervisor **Robert Politi**, and Town Councilmen **Jay Rand**, **Jack Favro**, **Bob Miller** and **Derek Doty** were present at such meeting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand seal of the Town of North Elba, this the 10th day of October, 2017.


Laurie Curtis Dudley, Town Clerk
Town of North Elba

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**Resolution of Support
NYS Recreation Corridor**

The Village of Tupper Lake hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision.

We further urge Governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

The above resolution was moved by Trustee Clint Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee David Maroun, roll call:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Trustee Clint Hollingsworth	X	
Trustee David Maroun	X	
Trustee Leon LeBlanc	X	
Mayor Paul A. Maroun		X
	<u>3</u> Ayes	<u>1</u> Nays

Resolution passed at the Regular Board meeting held on October 18, 2017.

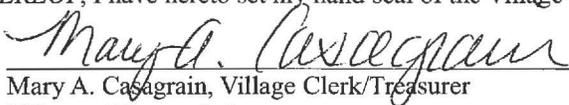
State of New York
County of Franklin SS:
Town of Tupper Lake

I, Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Tupper Lake, Franklin County, New York

DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing with the original minutes of the Village Board of the Village of Tupper Lake at a Meeting of said Board of Trustees of the Village of Tupper Lake held on the 18th day of October, 2017 and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original minutes and the whole thereof, and that said original minutes are on file in my office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Village Board had due notice of said meeting and that Mayor Paul Maroun, and Village Trustee were present at such meeting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand seal of the Village of Tupper Lake, this 18th day of October, 2017.



Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Tupper Lake

RESOLUTION

Beaver River Property Owners Association, Inc., Town of Webb, Herkimer County, New York, hereby reaffirms its support for the Remsen – Lake Placid development plan as put forth by New York State in its 2016 Unit Management Plan. It recognizes the important economic development, tourism and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the necessary procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue. Although Beaver River would receive much greater benefit from the Rail Trail at least from Big Moose, the 2016 plan DOES call for improved snowmobile access for Beaver River, critical for winter property use. Let it be known that the Beaver River Property Owners Association, Inc. favors any increase in the trail use of the Remsen – Lake Placid Corridor.

Passed on October 8, 2017 by the Beaver River Property Owners Association, Inc. as attested to by Dennis Slater, its President.

Dennis Slater

DENNIS SLATER, President

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Resolution # 36 2017 in of Support of

NYS Recreation Corridor

The Town of Tupper Lake hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision.

We further urge Governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

Moved by: Town Councilman John Quinn

Seconded by: Town Councilman Michael Dechene

5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolution passed at the Regular Board meeting held on October 12, 2017.

State of New York
County of Franklin SS:
Town of Tupper Lake

I, Donna Maliszewski, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Tupper Lake, Franklin County, New York

DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing with the original minutes of the Town Board of the Town of Tupper Lake at a Meeting of said Board of the Town of Tupper Lake held on the 12th day of October, 2017 and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original minutes and the whole thereof, and that said original minutes are on file in my office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Town Board had due notice of said meeting and that Town Supervisor, and Town Councilpersons John Quinn, Michael Dechene, Mary Fontana and Tracy Luton were present at such meeting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand seal of the Village of Tupper Lake, this 12th day of October, 2017.

Donna Maliszewski, Deputy Town Clerk

Paul O'Leary
Planner

Samantha Davies
Clerk



JOINT PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

Shawn Stuart – Chairman
Doug Bencze
Bob Collier
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Scott Snyder
Jan Yaworski

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**Resolution of Support
NYS Recreation Corridor
November 22, 2017**

The Town and Village of Tupper Lake Joint Planning Board hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision.

We further urge Governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

The above resolution was moved by Planning Board Member _____, seconded by Planning Board Member _____, roll call:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Planning Board Chairman Shawn Stuart	✓	
Planning Board Member James Merrihew	✓	
Planning Board Member Douglas Bencze	✓	
Planning Board Member Robert Collier		✓
Planning Board Member Jan Yaworski	✓	
Planning Board Member Scott Snyder <i>Present</i>	✓	
Planning Board Member David St. Onge	✓	
	<u>5</u> Ayes	<u>1</u> Nays

Resolution passed at the Monthly Planning Board meeting held on November 22, 2017.

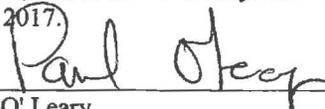
State of New York
County of Franklin SS:
Town of Tupper Lake

I, Paul O'Leary, Town of Tupper Lake Planner, Franklin County, New York

DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing with the original minutes of the Town and Village of Tupper Lake Joint Planning Board Meeting of said Planning Board Members held on 22nd day of November, 2017 and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original minutes and the whole thereof, and that said original minutes are on file in my office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Joint Planning Board had due notice of said meeting and that Chairman Shawn Stuart, and Planning Board Members were present at such meeting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand seal of the Town and Village of Tupper Lake Joint Planning Board, this 22nd day of November, 2017.



Paul O'Leary
Town of Tupper Lake Planner

November 6, 2017

Finance Committee: 9-30-2017

RESOLUTION NO. 374-2017

**SUPPORTING THE LAKE PLACID TO TUPPER LAKE RAIL CORRIDOR
AS A NEW YORK STATE RECREATION CORRIDOR**

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor is a railroad right-of-way approximately 119 miles long and generally 100 feet wide purchased by New York State in 1974, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Department of Transportation (DOT) completed a Unit Management Plan (UMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Remsen to Lake Placid Travel Corridor in 1996, and

WHEREAS, in 2016 an amendment to the 1996 UMP proposed an Alternative 7, which calls for dividing the Corridor into rail and trails segments in which the rails would be retained within the Corridor from Remsen to Tupper Lake (Segment 1) and the rails would be removed within the Corridor from Tupper Lake to Lake Placid (Segment 2), and

WHEREAS, in Segment 1, tracks would be improved from Big Moose to Tupper Lake, operating rail service would be extended 45 miles from the Big Moose Station to the Tupper Lake Station, connections to existing trail systems on neighboring public lands would be established and facilities such as engine houses and fueling facilities would continue to be supported where necessary, and Segment 2 would be converted to a multi-use recreational trail with snowmobiling being allowed along the entire length of the Corridor, both within Segment 1 and Segment 2, and

WHEREAS, an important aspect of the Corridor is recreational opportunities, such as snowmobiling, bicycling, snowshoeing, and cross country skiing which can be accessed seasonally bringing economic development, tourism, and health benefits to areas north of Tupper Lake, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators urges New York State to take the necessary steps to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow continued construction of the corridor including the appeal of the rail corridor decision,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake Rail Corridor as a New York State Recreation Corridor, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo; Senator Patricia Ritchie; Senator Joseph Griffo; Senator Elizabeth O'C Little; Assemblywoman Addie Jenne; Assemblyman Kenneth Blankenbush; Assemblyman Mark Butler; Assemblyman D. Billy Jones; St. Lawrence County Recreation and Trails Board; New York State DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos and Region 6 Director Judy Drabicki; New

November 6, 2017

York State DOT Acting Commissioner Cathy Calhoun and Region 7 Director Steven Kokkoris, P.E.; and Adirondack Park Agency Chair Sherman Craig.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE)

I, Kelly S. Pearson, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 374-2017 entitled "Supporting the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake Rail Corridor as a New York State Recreation Corridor", adopted November 6, 2017, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Pearson
Kelly S. Pearson, Deputy Clerk
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators
November 7, 2017



LAKE PLACID VILLAGE, INC.

Resolution #243 – 2017

TO SUPPORT REMOVAL OF THE TRAIN TRACKS

On motion by Trustee Leon, seconded by Trustee Devlin, the Board unanimously duly resolved as follows:-

The Village of Lake Placid hereby reaffirms its support for the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the state in its 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the state to take every step necessary to expedite the necessary procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue. Additionally, the Village endorses the Town of North Elba's efforts to appeal the judge's recent ruling against removal of the tracks, as a friend of the court or as a direct intervenor on behalf of the town of North Elba.

State of New York
County of Essex SS:
Village of Lake Placid

I, Anita Anthony Estling, Village Clerk of the Village of Lake Placid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the above Resolution was adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Lake Placid at a Regular Board Meeting held on October 16, 2017

(SEAL)

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Village Board had due notice of said meeting, and that Deputy Mayor Art Devlin, Trustee Scott Monroe, Trustee Peter Holderied and Trustee Jason Leon were present.

Anita Anthony Estling, Village Clerk

Town of Colton

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*Dennis B. Bulger
Supervisor
Donna M. Arquiatt
Town Clerk*

*Kevin S. Hawley
Supt. of Highways
Darren T. Richards
Supt. of Public Works*

SUPPORTING THE LAKE PLACID TO TUPPER LAKE RAIL CORRIDOR AS A NEW YORK STATE RECREATION CORRIDOR

Resolution # 12 – 2017

WHEREAS, the Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor is a railroad right-of-way approximately 119 miles long and generally 100 feet wide purchased by New York State in 1974, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Department of Transportation (DOT) completed a Unit Management Plan (UMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Remsen to Lake Placid Travel Corridor in 1996, and

WHEREAS, in 2016 an amendment to the 1996 UMP proposed an Alternative 7, which calls for dividing the Corridor into rail and trails segments in which the rails would be retained within the Corridor from Remsen to Tupper Lake (Segment 1) and the rails would be removed within the Corridor from Tupper Lake to Lake Placid (Segment 2), and

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WHEREAS, an important aspect of the Corridor is recreational opportunities, such as snowmobiling, bicycling, snowshoeing, and cross country skiing which can be accessed seasonally bringing economic development, tourism, and health benefits to areas north of Tupper Lake, and

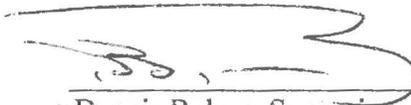
WHEREAS, the Colton Town Board urges New York State to take the necessary steps to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow continued construction of the corridor including the appeal of the rail corridor decision,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Colton Town Board supports the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake Rail Corridor as a New York State Recreation Corridor, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo; Senator Patricia Ritchie; Senator Joseph Griffo; Senator Elizabeth Little; Assemblywoman Addie Jenne; Assemblyman Kenneth Blankenbush; Assemblyman Mark Butler; Assemblyman D. Billy Jones; St. Lawrence County Recreation and Trails Board; New York State DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos, and New York State DOT Acting Commissioner Cathy Calhoun and Region 6 Regional Director Brian Kelly; and Adirondack Park Agency Chair Sherman Craig.

DATE: November 8, 2017

SEAL

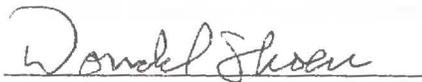


Dennis Bulger, Supervisor

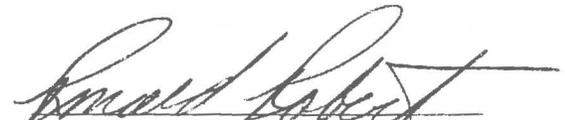


Grace Hawley, Councilperson

Absent
Katheryn Hayes, Councilperson



Donald Shoen, Councilperson



Ronald Robert, Councilperson



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Executive Director

Dominic Jacangelo

October 17, 2017

Commissioner Basil Seggos
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway
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Dear Commissioner Seggos:

This letter is to convey to you our very strong desire to see the State of New York continue to pursue the 2016 UMP Amendments to the Adirondack Travel Corridor. The State should not and cannot allow the court's decision to be the final chapter in the conversion of the travel corridor to a multi-purpose trail.

Since the adoption of the 1996 Unit Management Plan Amendment for the Travel Corridor, the New York State Snowmobile Association has held a Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) for use of the Travel Corridor from Remsen to Lake Placid as a snowmobile trail. This trail is without question the most important snowmobile trail in the entire Park connecting many other trails with a central corridor trail from Lake Placid to points west of Big Moose. The 2016 UMP amendment with the call for the removal of the rails created the potential for a much longer snowmobile season in the eastern reach of the corridor and promised greater economic returns in the communities of Tupper Lake, Saranac and Lake Placid.

The New York State Snowmobile Association strongly supports the 2016 UMP Amendments and urges you to urge the Governor to find an expeditious way through the Court's decision and to implementation of the 2016 UMP amendment.

Sincerely,

Dominic Jacangelo
Executive Director

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RESOLUTION No.: 21-10-2017

DATED: OCTOBER 12, 2017

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE NYS RECREATION CORRIDOR

RESOLVED, That the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision, and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

A motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Supervisor Neil Pickering and seconded by Councilman Larry Boeye. The following each voted in favor of the Resolution: Supervisor Neil Pickering, Councilpersons Larry Boeye, Lorraine Lewis, Marvin Pickering, Jr., and Carol Fuller. There were no NAY votes.

This is to certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield on the 12th day of October, 2017.

Donald G. Mauer, Town Clerk
Town of Piercefield

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

NYS Recreation Corridor

The Village of Saranac Lake hereby reaffirms its support of the Remsen-Lake Placid development plan as put forth by the State in 2016 Unit Management Plan. We recognize the important economic development, tourism, and health benefits that construction of the Adirondack Rail Trail will bring to our constituents. We urge the State to take every step necessary to expedite the appropriate procedural actions to allow construction of the corridor to continue including the appeal of Judge Main's rail corridor decision.

We further urge Governor Cuomo to take any necessary action or authority to designate the Lake Placid to Tupper Lake rail corridor as a NYS Recreation Corridor.

From: Gerald Delaney <gdelaneylgrb@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2019 11:16 PM
To: dec.sm.AdirondackPark
Subject: Remsen Lake Placid corridor

I am commenting today for the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board (APLGRB).

We want to applaud Governor Cuomo, Commissioner Seggos, and all DEC staff for their vision, imagination, and diligence in bringing forward an ambitious UMP for this Corridor.

The APLGRB, passed a resolution against the removal of the rails. Many of the concerns cited for the resolution remain today. We are aware that DEC, as always, attempted to design the UMP against challenges.

The following is a list of some of these concerns;

- 1) Once the rails are removed, will an advocacy group successfully block motorized use (snowmobiles) from Wilderness designation lands the corridor runs through? Thus eliminating a use that is important to our culture and economy.
- 2) This, simply put is an UMP. It has big ideas, that we can support. However there is no known resources dedicated to this project. The people of the Park see this as a promise to improve their Towns. If resources are not allocated it will be viewed as another broken promise.
- 3) The Tupper Lake to Lake Placid multi use trail Corridor has many similarities to the Community Connector Trails. The decision out of the Appellate Court on destroying timber, and that all trees are timber, appears to the APLGRB as an additional hurdle to undertaking this project.

We hope that this plan can be implemented and be successful, that the State is willing to defend this plan and create the use they anticipate in this UMP

Sincerely
Gerald Delaney
Executive Director
Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board