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Section

- **General requirements.** Clarifies when a person can operate an off-highway vehicle (OHV) on DNR and OHV trails.
- **Youthful operators.** Removes a certain riding component of training for ages 12 to 16 wanting to obtain an all-terrain vehicle safety certificate.
- **Forest use.** Allows OHV use off-trail and in limited and managed forests, except in Dorer Memorial Forest, when hunting or retrieving big game, tending traps, or trapping minnows when possessing legal licenses.
- **Rulemaking exemption.** States that changes of designation for forest trails are not subject to chapter 14 rules.
- **Forest classification.** Adds "limited forests" for review classification by the DNR by the end of 2006, and allows the commissioner to classify limited forest portions as closed.