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Concerns

(b) It shall be a defense to prosecution under § 27-21-106 for a violation of operating an all-terrain vehicle upon the public streets or highways if the all-terrain vehicle operator can show by a preponderance of the evidence that:

- (1) The public street or highway was outside the city limits of any municipality or incorporated town in Arkansas;
- (2) The public street or highway was not ~~an interstate highway~~ **a fully controlled access roadway;**

Examples of Fully Controlled Access Roadways that are not classified as Interstates:

- Highway 67, North Little Rock to Walnut Ridge
- Highway 270, Hot Springs East West Arterial Bypass

ATV Tourism and Trail Expansion Study

- (2) Criteria for acceptance of an existing state road into the statewide all-terrain vehicle trails system
- Not a Fully Controlled Access Facility
 - All Other Roads Reviewed on a Case by Case Basis Considering:
 - ✓ Traffic Volumes
 - ✓ Average Speed
 - ✓ Truck Percent
 - ✓ Bridge Widths
 - ✓ Sight Distance
 - ✓ Railroad Crossings
 - ✓ Crash History
 - ✓ Lane and Shoulder Width
- (3) Issues surrounding administration of the statewide all-terrain vehicle trails system, including consulting with the Arkansas Department of Transportation and the Department of Parks and Tourism

Arkansas Recreational Trails Program

Motorized Trails



- Federal Funding Available – Approximately \$410,000 Annually
- Open Application Period
- Non-Federal 20% Match Required
 - ✓ Donated Materials
 - ✓ Donated Services (Force Account or Volunteer Labor)
 - ✓ Cash
- Example Projects
 - ✓ New Trail Construction
 - ✓ Rehabilitation of an Existing Trail
 - ✓ Trailside or Trailhead Facilities, Parking, Kiosks, Interpretive Panels, Restrooms, Access Ramps, etc.
 - ✓ Education Publications, Brochures, Maps, Safety Programs, etc.