Nevada Association of Counties Resolution #07-05

Resolution Relating to the Use of Off-Highway Vehicles

WHEREAS, Off-Highway vehicles (OHVs) are important to many Nevadans' lifestyles and Nevada has numerous road, trails and routes for OHVs to explore, it is important to use the land respectfully, wisely, and preserve it for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Recreation is the fastest growing use of public lands and providing a quality recreation experience for all users, including OHV users, while protecting the resource, is important to local economies; and

WHEREAS, Promoting better management of OHV use, cooperation with other users, and minimizing the soil, watershed, wildlife and habitat impacts from off-highway vehicles will protect the health of our lands while continuing to protect land access and provide for recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Association of Counties supports expediting the development of new travel policies and plans, in conjunction with local governments and community based partnerships, that require off-highway vehicles to be registered, titled and equipped with visible identification stickers; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Association of Counties encourages adoption of a reasonable method of permitting OHV waivers for public safety and maintenance purposes by permittees and other authorized persons.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Nevada Association of Counties encourages the Nevada Legislature to register and title all recreational off-highway vehicles with a visible ID; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Nevada Association of Counties believes it is important for land management agencies to take an active management role in OHV use in partnership with local government, community groups and local law enforcement utilizing the identity tag as a tool for enforcing existing laws.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of November 2007, by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Association of Counties.

Attest:

Jeffrey Fontaine, Executive Director

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