

**A RESOLUTION OF THE  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO  
TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF SNOWMOBILES ON  
OURAY COUNTY ROADS 5, 7, 9, 20 and 20D**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Ouray County, Colorado (“Board”) is empowered under C.R.S. §30-11-107(a) to “make such orders concerning the property belonging to the county as it deems expedient”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is empowered under C.R.S. §30-11-107(e) to provide for the management of the business and concerns of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to C.R.S. §18-9-117 the Board is empowered to make such orders, rules and regulations for the administration, protection and maintenance of county-owned property as it deems appropriate, specifically the prohibition of activities or conduct on public property which may be reasonably expected to substantially interfere with the use and enjoyment of such property by others or which may constitute a general nuisance; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to C.R.S. §33-14-118 any county may regulate the operation of snowmobiles on property under its jurisdiction and on streets and highways within its boundaries by resolution and by giving appropriate notice of such regulation; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to C.R.S. §42-4-111(1)(i) and (o), local governments may establish or alter speed limits and, pursuant to C.R.S. §42-4-111(1)(y), may regulate the local movement of traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received information about potential safety issues and tension between snowmobile traffic and other non-motorized users of Ouray County Roads in the winter, particularly on County Roads 5, 7, 9, 20 and 20D; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is desirous of addressing potential conflicts between snowmobile traffic and other non-motorized users of Ouray County Roads in the winter by adopting certain regulations for the use of snowmobiles when skiers or other non-motorized users are present; and

**WHEREAS**, C.R.S. §33-14-110(3)(f) permits local authorities to establish snowmobile routes on county roads; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the authority set forth above, the Board adopts these regulations pursuant to C.R.S. §18-9-117.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Operation of snowmobiles is permitted on the non-winter maintained portions Ouray County Roads 5, 7 and 9. All such operation of snowmobiles on Ouray County Roads 5, 7 and 9 shall be in accordance with all safety rules and regulations as set forth in C.R.S. §33-14-101, *et seq.* and in accordance with any regulations adopted by the Colorado Parks and Outdoor Recreation Board.

2. Pursuant to the terms of a "Deed of Conservation Easement" recorded as Reception No. 181529 on July 1, 2003 by and between Ouray County and the Ouray County Historical Society, operation of snowmobiles is prohibited in and around the abandoned Ironton Townsite. In conjunction with, and to facilitate the purposes of the Deed of Conservation Easement, operation of snowmobiles shall be prohibited on CR 20 and CR 20D, in the area of the Nordic trail system, subject only to the use of snowmobiles used to groom the Nordic trails.
3. All operators of snowmobiles shall observe a speed limit of 10 mph when operating a snowmobile within one hundred (100) feet of a skier or other non-motorized user on Ouray County Roads 5, 7 and 9, or other Ouray County Roads where snowmobile travel is expressly permitted. The regulation of snowmobiles set forth herein shall apply only to Ouray County Roads 5, 7 and 9, unless otherwise determined by the Board by a properly adopted Resolution.
4. Notice of the limitations on the use of snowmobiles on Ouray County Roads described herein shall be prominently posted on such roads or parking areas in the vicinity of such roads.
5. The regulation of the use of snowmobiles on the Ouray County Roads described herein does not prohibit snowmobile use on other non-winter maintained Ouray County Roads.
6. The regulation of the use of snowmobiles on Ouray County Roads is made pursuant to the provisions of C.R.S. §18-9-117 and may be enforced according to the provisions of such section. A violation of these regulations is a class 3 misdemeanor.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO

Attest:

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K. Keith Meinert, Chair

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Don Batchelder, Vice Chair

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Michelle Nauer, Clerk and Recorder  
By: Linda Munson-Haley, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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Heidi M. Albritton, Commissioner Member