BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - 7

Ordinance Designating Additional Portions of County Highways as ATV/UTV Routes

The Barron County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows

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2	WHEREAS, by Ordinance 2022-5, the County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to		
3	Wis. Stat. §23.33(8)(b), did designate portions of the County Highway System as ATV		
4	Routes; and		
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6	WHEREAS, Ordinance Numbers 2022-8, 2022-16, 2024-8, and 2024-19		
7	designated additional portions of the County Highways as ATV/UTV routes; and		
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9	WHEREAS, the Town of Rice Lake met on May 12, 2025, and approved opening		
10	the ATV route on Highway 48 between Hiawatha Park and Eagle Ridge to 20 1/4 Street		
11	and		
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13	WHEREAS, the Barron County Highway and Law Enforcement Committees		
14	recommend opening ATV/UTV road access on Highway 48 from 20 1/4 Street/Hammond		
15	Avenue to the north junction of 21st Street; and		
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17	WHEREAS, the Committees agree that adding this route segment will yield a		
18	recreational and economic benefit to the area while maintaining traffic safety; and		
19	WHEREAS, this ordinance was approved by the Highway Committee on May 8		
20	2025, on a vote of 5 - 0, with Effertz, Jenkins, Mosentine, Olson and Thompson voting ir		
21	favor and no members voting against.		
22	WHEREAS, this ordinance was approved by the Law Enforcement/Emergency		
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25	members voting against.		
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27	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Barron County Board or		
28	Supervisors that Ordinance Numbers 2022-5, 2022-8, 2022-16, 2024-8, and 2024-19		
29	Designating Additional Portions of County Highways as ATV routes be amended to add		
30	ATV/UTV Road access on Highway 48 from 20 1/4 Street/Hammond Avenue to the north		
31	junction of 21st Street.		
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33	BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be passed subject to		
34	approval from the State of Wisconsin.		
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36	BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be effective upon its		
37	adoption and publication and that publication of this ordinance may occur through posting		
38	in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.		
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OFFERED THIS 18th day of August, 2025.

Number of readings required: One (X) Two () Vote required for passage: Majority (X) 2/3 Entire Board (20) () Source of funding: Budgeted () General Fund () Grant () Contingency () Other (X) Details	Marv Thompson, Highway Committee Chair
Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ - Future years total amount: \$ - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department	Peter Olson, Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee Chair (The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)
Jodi Busch, Finance Director Approved as to form by:	Board Action: Adopted (X) Failed () Tabled ()
Jeffrey French, Administrator John Muench, Corporation Counsel	Motion: (Schneider/Jenkins) to approve. Discussion. Carried with 27 Yes and 2 Absent (Langman & Rogers).