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Dear Don:

I wished to thank you for your assistance in organizing the trail patrol ambassadors during the July 4th and July 5th ATV patrols on the Washburn Ranger District. The Wisconsin ATV Association's "Ride Smart – Get Involved – Tell Others" (RS-GI-TO) Program is a wonderful endeavor! I want you to know that I greatly appreciated your efforts to recruit trail patrol ambassadors from the clubs in southern Wisconsin and your willingness to work with the Forest Service. I believe that our cooperative efforts were successful towards encouraging ATV riders to enjoy their National Forest lands, but to ride responsibly with respect towards our Nation's vibrant, natural heritage.

I thought you would be interested to learn that the Ashland Daily Press featured an article regarding the Independence Day Holiday patrol in its July 7, 2003 edition. I have enclosed a copy of the article for you to enjoy. I hope that the Wisconsin ATV Association (WATVA) and the Forest Service can continue to work together in future ventures to promote safe, environmentally responsible ATV riding. Please keep me apprised concerning whether or not the RS-GI-TO Program may be conducting any trail patrol ambassador training(s) in the Chequamegon Bay area over the next, few months. The Forest Service will gladly encourage the local ATV clubs to consider participating in any training that WATVA might arrange.

I have also enclosed a Certificate of Appreciation and a Forest Service volunteer mug as a small expression of gratitude for your hard work.

Once again, thank you so much for your help and dedication in bringing the RS-GI-TO Program to the Washburn Ranger District.

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Sincerely,

CHRIS WORTH District Ranger

CC: Randy Harden, WATVA President

