

# Enough, already

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To the editor:

As Bernie Sanders recently said to Hillary Clinton, "The American people are sick and tired of hearing about your damn emails." I believe most locals feel the same about the rail/trail debate.

It's about time to let the state Adirondack Park Agency, Department of Environmental Conservation and Department of Transportation do their job and finalize the much-talked-about compromise: 34 miles of rail trail from Lake Placid to Tupper Lake and rail improvements from Tupper Lake south. Basic economics will no doubt see to it that the train's longevity will be short-lived, thereby also opening up that portion for all the people to enjoy year-round.

As far as the Rail Explorers go: I suspect they knew well in advance that the rails were in peril before they decided to establish their business but did so anyway, and now are bemoaning the fact that their business plan may be in peril. It's like the people who purchase property adjacent to an airport which has existed for decades, only to petition the local municipalities at a later date to shut it down or restrict activities because the planes disturb their peace and solitude. Sorry, folks, that's not the way the real world is run.

The people and business all throughout the Park have spoken, and it's time for all of it's citizens and visitors alike to enjoy this recreational corridor. Enough is enough.

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