

To Garfield County Commission:

The signers below are residents and/or property owners in Garfield County in and around Boulder, Utah. We respectfully ask the County Commission to reconsider their plan to include Boulder as a part of the county wide promotional effort attracting groups of ATV users all across the United States. The position of the signers is generally as follows:

- We are not disparaging ATV users and their rights to use them.
- Similarly, we support the rights of other communities in Garfield County willing to promote and host these groups, clubs and events.
- What we are saying by signing the petition is that the County should respect the rights of Boulder as a community to have a different vision and economic plan.

We, the signers, feel that the cost is too high and the rewards are too low for a small community like Boulder. A few businesses may benefit, but the population will not, the area will not, our lifestyle and values for peace and quiet will not. The Boulder Town General Plan Vision Statement written in the 1980's states as follows:

5-1 Vision Statement

"The primary objectives of the community are (1) to preserve the ranching and farming heritage business of the area and the rural spirit of Boulder and (2) to preserve the open space, clean air, and quiet country-style atmosphere that our families have enjoyed for over 100 years. In addition to these primary objectives, Boulder desires to remain economically sound by promoting commercial and cottage industry growth on a small scale."

There is nothing peaceful, quiet or small scale about the ATV Jamborees, club events and seasonal uses that follow these promotions. Many of us are familiar with the experience of other communities who have promoted ATV and snowmobile recreation to clubs and groups across the USA. This activity feeds on itself until it completely redefines the local environment. There are many forms of tourism we should and do promote that are just as or even more economically viable than this promotion, and which are more conducive to the quiet enjoyment of the area. We know that once the motorized activity becomes large scale, it tends to exclude or drive out other forms of tourism.

There are plenty of other opportunities in the County for this activity. If the Commission represents us all, then it is an easy and considerate matter to allow any community not wishing to host these machines to opt out of your promotion and focus only on the communities that welcome them. The bottom line for Boulder is that the impacts are simply too great. We prefer to focus on the tourists who value a recreational experience free from the noise, congestion and confusion that

accompanies the ATV Jamborees and/or becoming a generalized destination for those activities. And since a major segment of the tourist market will agree with our business plan, it can and will be a win-win for us and the other communities wishing to divide the tourism market along these lines.

Respectfully submitted:

(The signatures appearing below were signed in person, or some were signed electronically via e-mail. **They were collected in less than 48 hours.**)

Bill Muse, Mayor <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/8/06 <i>date</i>	Lower Boulder Rd, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Adalee Muse <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/8/06 <i>date</i>	Lower Boulder Rd, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Tim Clarke, Town Council <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/8/06 <i>date</i>	110 W. 200 N., Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Scottie Mitchell <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/8/06 <i>date</i>	110 W. 200 N., Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Peter T. Schaus, Town Council <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/9/06 <i>date</i>	1776 So. Lower Bld Rd, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Judy M. Schaus <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/9/06 <i>date</i>	1776 So. Lower Bld Rd, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Mike Nelson, Chair PC <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/9/06 <i>date</i>	PO Box 1453, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>
Judi Davis, Town Clerk <i>name (please print legibly)</i>	4/9/06 <i>date</i>	525 No. Hwy 12, Boulder, UT <i>address or location of property</i>

Plus 112 more signatures of residents and property owners from the Boulder Community, including the Mayor and a majority of the Town Council and Planning Commission, which demonstrated overwhelming support for non-motorized recreation in the region.

