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Newcastle, NB  
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November 25, 1986

Mr. George Haines  
District Highway Engineer  
Department of Transportation  
Upper Water Street  
Chatham, NB

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club I am requesting that for this winter you not plow the section of McKinnon Road between Silverbirch Subdivision in Douglastown and Campbell's Hill. Believing that this was the responsibility of the Village of Douglastown, I wrote to them earlier this fall with the same request. Yesterday by phone Mrs. Rousselle, village clerk, read to me from the minutes of a Village Council meeting that they believed it was "provincial jurisdiction and (we) will leave it up to them".

Prior to last year, this road was not plowed since the ski club was relocated to Douglastown in 1981. The plowing has caused a safety hazard to skiers, especially for our "Jackrabbits", aged 4-12, who ski each Saturday. This year we expect to have in excess of 100 of these young skiers. As well, the enjoyment of the recreational skiers is diminished when they come across a sanded, salted and/or muddy road.

As you are aware the executive of the ski club has been lobbying to have a tunnel under McKinnon Road. We are optimistic this will be built next year and therefore ask you to consider the closing of this section of McKinnon Road for this winter.

Thank you!

Yours in skiing,

Cyril P. Donahue  
President