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Mr. Marty Murphy
Village Manager
Village of Saranac Lake
3 Main Street
Saranac Lake, NY 12983-1789

Dear Mr. Murphy:

At our August 14th Annual membership meeting our members voted unanimously to request the Village's assistance in resolving a problem that could produce serious, even catastrophic, results for our residents if not remedied.

Visitors to the Saranac Lake Public Beach frequently park on Moir Road when the beach parking lot is closed. When the weather is hot and clear, and for whatever reason the lot is closed, the volume of parked cars frequently fills both sides of the road. When this happens the access lane is too narrow for construction and other large vehicles, including utility trucks, fire equipment, ambulances, and other rescue vehicles. While this is only an inconvenience in most circumstances, in a fire or other emergency it could be life-threatening.

We therefore urge you to ask the Village Board for an ordinance against parking along the Village-owned stretch of Moir Road, for proper signage, and to ask the police department to enforce same. The only useable stretch of the road for parking is within Village limits and therefore well within the Village's jurisdiction with respect to parking enforcement.

While on the subject of safety, the property adjoining the beach that is also owned by the Village lacks any signage prohibiting access, swimming, parking, etc. If the Village is closing the beach lot for liability reasons, it might also wish to provide signage restricting the use of that unsupervised property.

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Deborah Neill, Secretary