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2023 Wisconsin Act 67
[2023 Senate Bill 239]

**Certain Aids for ATV- and UTV-
Related Projects**

BACKGROUND

Current law directs the Off-Road Vehicle Council (ORVC), a council within the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), to provide advice and make recommendations to DNR, the Department of Transportation, the Governor, and the Legislature on various matters relating to all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and utility-terrain vehicles (UTVs). Among its responsibilities, the ORVC must make recommendations to DNR regarding funding requests that DNR receives for certain types of ATV- and UTV-related projects.

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2023 Wisconsin Act 67 eliminates certain types of projects from a list of projects for which funding requests are subject to recommendations by the ORVC. Specifically, the act eliminates the production of digital information applications, as well as the acquisition of communication equipment for nonprofit organizations, from this particular list of projects eligible for DNR funding.¹

While the act eliminates certain types of projects from a particular list of projects eligible for DNR funding, the act generally preserves the department's ability to fund these projects by modifying other statutes relating to ATV and UTV law enforcement. Specifically, the act creates a new appropriation line that empowers DNR to use certain ATV- and UTV-related funds to support nonprofit organizations through the acquisition and maintenance of digital information applications, the acquisition of communications equipment and technology, and the production of maps.²

Effective date: December 8, 2023

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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¹ While the act eliminates certain types of projects from this list, it also amends the list to specify that both the production and acquisition of trail maps are projects eligible for DNR support. Under prior law, the list only provided eligibility for the production of maps.

² While the act creates a new appropriation line, it does not appropriate funds for the purposes described in the new appropriation.