

1 Q. **C-136, Upgrade Transmission Line Access Trails \$313,000**

2 How were the standards for the trails set out in Appendix A, on p. C-143-144,
3 developed?

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6 A. The standards for the trails set out in Appendix A were developed through a
7 collaborative effort at Hydro between Transmission and Distribution Operations,
8 Transportation and Regional Services, and Environmental Services. The new trail
9 standard is based upon the legislative requirements laid out in the Motorized Snow
10 Vehicles and All-Terrain Vehicles Regulations, 1996 under the Motorized Snow
11 Vehicles and All-Terrain Vehicles Act, 1990. Also, Environmental Guidelines for
12 Stream Crossing by All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV's) 1994 were considered. In 1997, the
13 Department of Environment issued a Policy Directive: P.D. W.R. 97-2 – Policy for
14 Development in Wetlands.

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16 In addition, Hydro obtained from the manufacturers the allowable safe limits for
17 approach and exit angles, side hill angles and incline/decline angles for the various
18 ATV's that are used by Hydro.