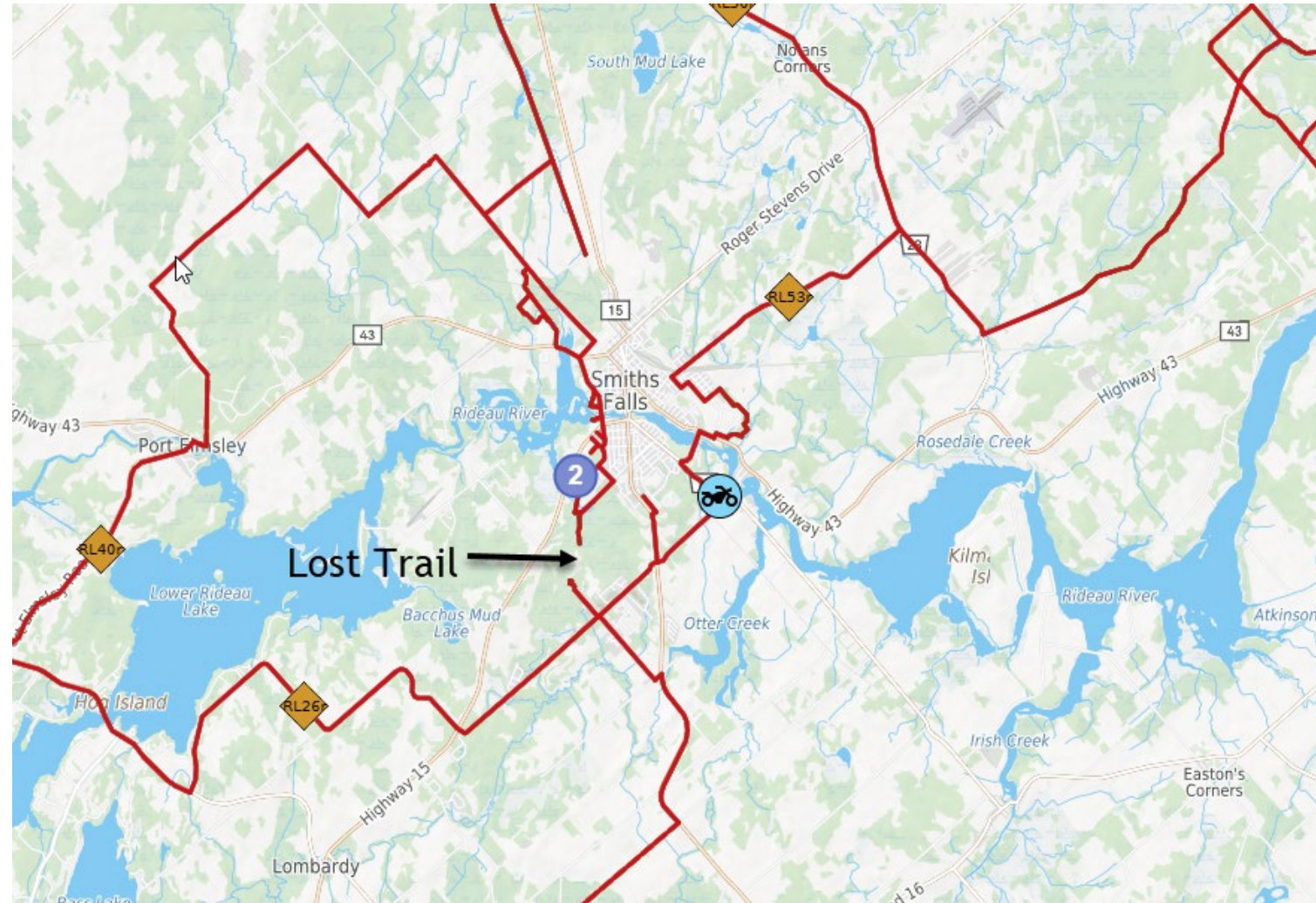


# Rideau Lakes ATV Club Request for new route through Smiths Falls



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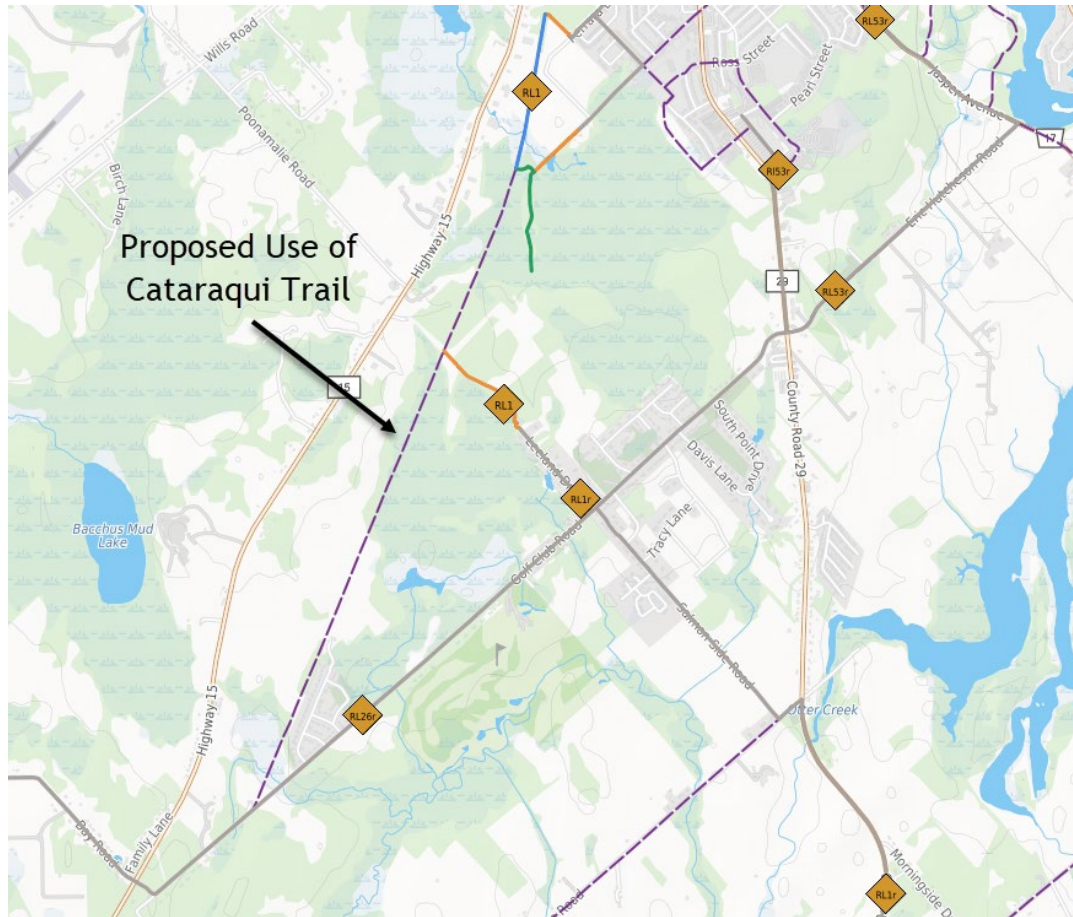
**Problem:** Recent change in ownership for one of our Landowners resulted in the loss of that trail. Because of this our trail system now bypasses Smiths Falls resulting in lost tourism opportunities



# Proposal

- We have submitted a proposal to the Cataraqui trail to ask for additional access from Smiths Falls town limit to Golf Club road. This submission will take time to review and might not be passed,
- One ask is for the Town of Smiths Falls to provide a Letter of Endorsement recommending RLATVC use of the Cataraqui trail.
- Until we hear back from Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority we need an alternative route through Smiths Falls. The following slides provide 3 possible routes.
- All routes are proposed as temporary routes until we find a permanent solution with Option 1 being our preferred route as it is the most direct route.
- All routes will continue to provide access to the OVRT through Smiths Falls attracting riders into Smiths Falls for food, fuel, and accommodations.
- Volume of traffic would likely be about 25 riders on the average weekday during the summer and increasing to an average of 50 riders on the weekend days.

# Cataraqui Trail Proposal



- This the proposed trail we have submitted to the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority. This is the preferred route but requires approval from the CRCA and will require some time to get approved.

# Option 1 (preferred)



- This is the most direct way and uses the following streets
  - Broadview Avenue East to Jasper Avenue
  - Jasper Avenue to Old Slys Road
- The By-law would have to be updated to allow ATV access on Jasper Avenue from Old Slys Road to Broadview Avenue East

# Option 2: Connection behind the mall



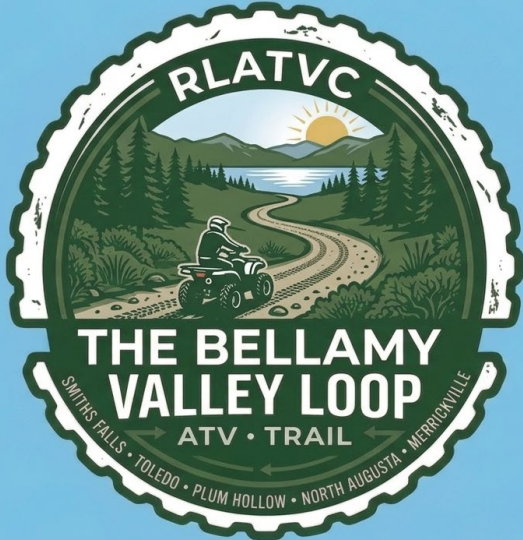
- This route would avoid the use of the mall parking lot and would go behind connecting to our existing trail network on Van Horne
  - Harold Street
  - Ross Street west
  - Percey St
  - Van Horne Ave

# Option 3: connect to trail through mall

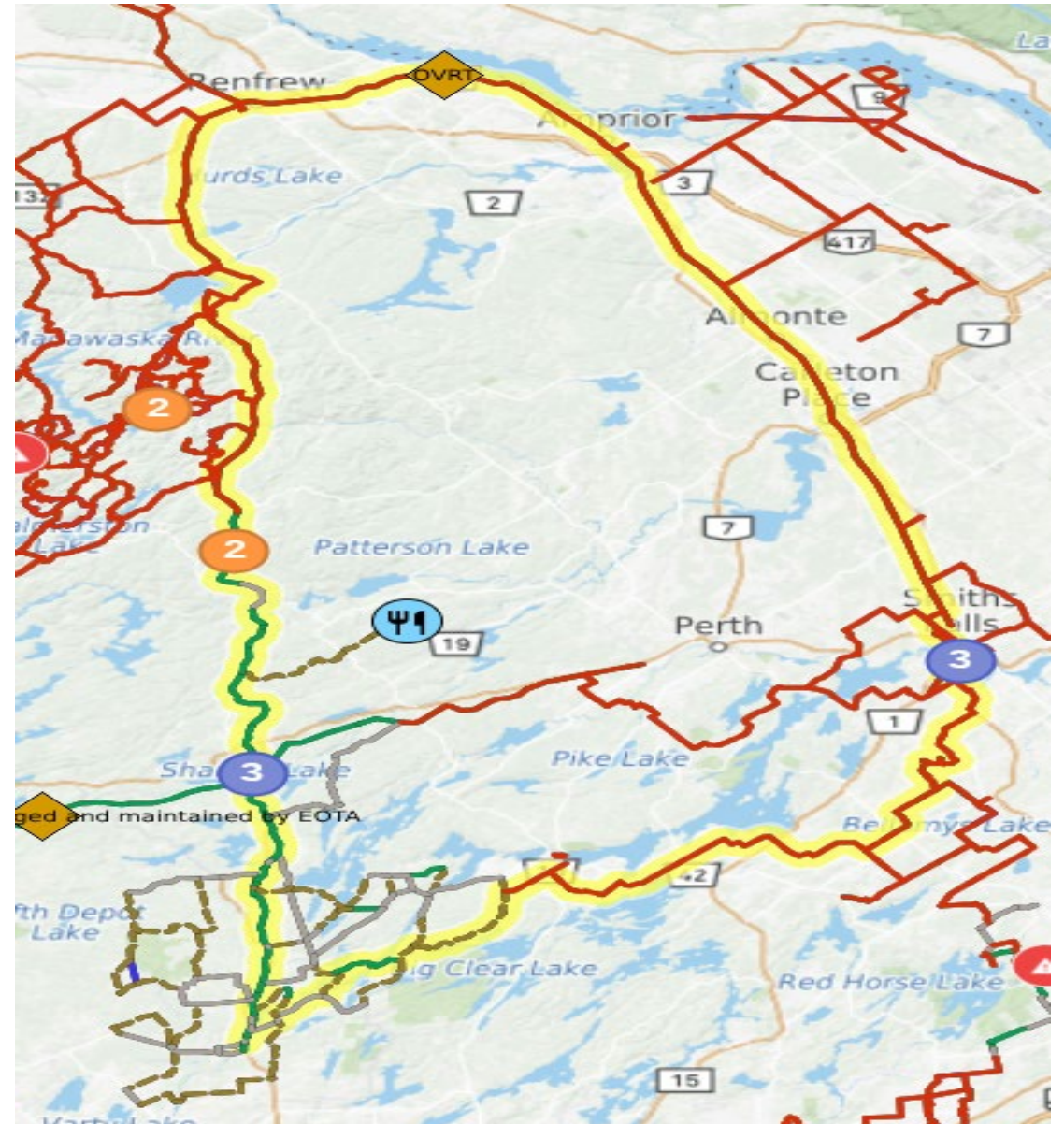
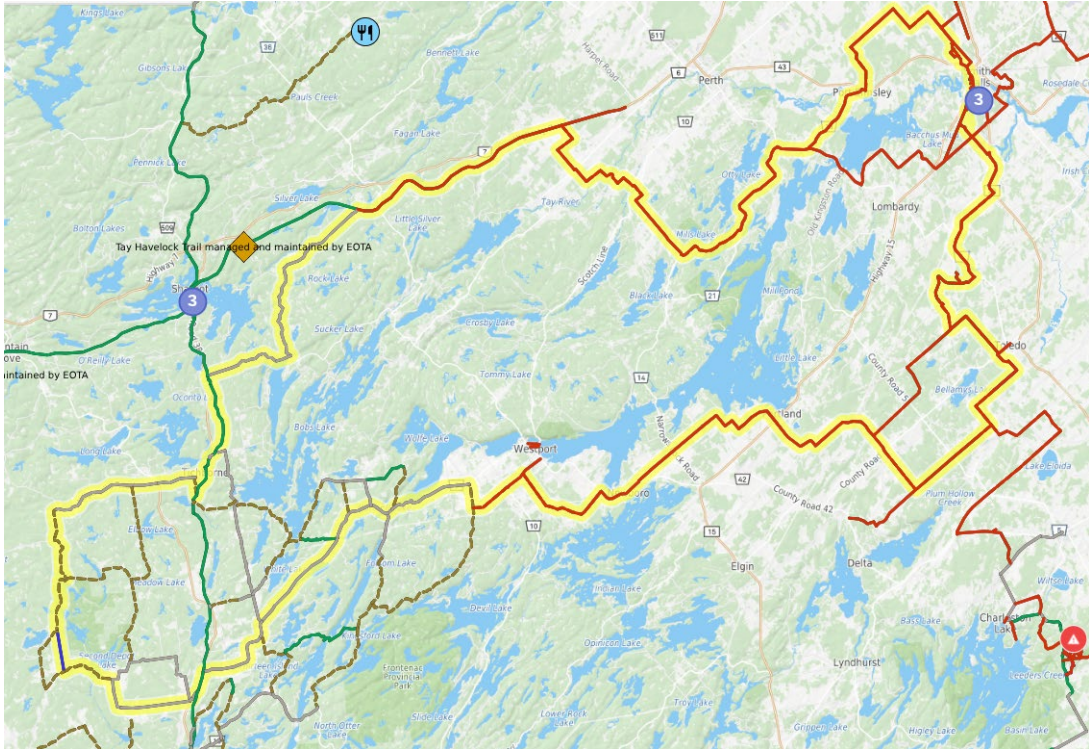


- This route would utilize the new subdivision that is being developed and would join up with the existing trail in Settlers Ridge Centre.
  - Harold Street
  - Rabb St
  - Armstrong Dr. (through the lights to the mall parking lot)

# New Atv loop Routes , Quad Counties Loop



# Loops Bringing in Tourism Dollars





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