

The FCMQ affirms its support for Quebec's agricultural community!

Montreal, September 7th, 2018 – The Fédération des clubs de motoneigistes du Québec (FCMQ), its 200 member clubs, 4,500 volunteers and more than 90,000 individual members wish to affirm their support for Quebec's agricultural community as negotiations between Canada, the United States and Mexico for the renewal of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) continue.

Essential partners

Private landowners, notably Quebec's agricultural community, are precious partners of the snowmobile community due to their generosity in providing land-use permissions which constitute a pillar of our 33,000+ km trail network. It is our hope that the government of Canada will prioritize the long-term health of our agricultural industry during negotiations, including the maintenance of the supply management system.

Mario Gagnon, president of the FCMQ, notes that "Agricultural landowners are essential partners for the preservation and long-term sustainability of our trail system. Thanks to their generosity, snowmobilers are welcomed on their land, helping to contribute to their local economies and, in so doing, maintaining thousands of jobs in every corner of the province. Agriculture is an economic sector that is essential to Quebecers and Canadians and it is our hope that the government of Canada will endeavour to not only protect the related jobs, but also our rich agricultural heritage."

About the FCMQ

The Fédération des clubs de motoneigistes du Québec, a sectorial tourism association, is a not-for-profit organisation that has been serving its members for more than 44 years. It is dedicated to the development and promotion of safe snowmobiling throughout Quebec. It is responsive to the needs of its 200 members clubs and their 90,000 individual members, as well as all persons concerned with snowmobiling, be they tourists or the uninitiated. More than 4,500 volunteers contribute in excess of 800,000 hours annually towards the maintenance of the provincial snowmobile trail network.

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