

**Business of the Village Board
Village of Saranac Lake**

SUBJECT: Saranac Lake 6er program

Date: 7-25-2022

DEPT OF ORIGIN: Trustee Brunette

Bill # 127-2022

DATE SUBMITTED 7-21-2022

EXHIBITS: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Village Attorney

Village Administration

EXPENDITURE
REQUIRED: \$

AMOUNT
BUDGETED: \$

APPROPRIATION
REQUIRED:

Resolution to ^{rehire/modify} ~~resolve~~ the Saranac Lake 6er Program

MOVED BY: Scollin SECONDED BY: Shapiro

VOTE ON ROLL CALL:

MAYOR WILLIAMS yes

TRUSTEE BRUNETTE yes

TRUSTEE CATILLAZ no

TRUSTEE SCOLLIN yes

TRUSTEE SHAPIRO no



Village of Saranac Lake's Saranac Lake 6er Program

The village created the Saranac Lake 6er program and launched it on May 25, 2013.

In May 2022, issues related to the 6er program include:

- Overuse
- Trail condition
- Trailhead and Parking

Baker Mountain trailhead

Baker trailhead is in the Town of St. Armand.

Baker trailhead is in a residential neighborhood; along a public street (Forest Hill Avenue).

Baker trailhead has existed at its current location for over 25 years.

Baker trailhead parking is limited to a small unofficial and unmaintained parking area that can only accommodate about 8 vehicles.

Proposed measures to take effect immediately:

- Update the Saranac Lake 6er program rules to clearly state:
No longer will starting at the Baker Mountain trailhead count for the 6er challenge. From this day forward, to earn a 6er title, one must start and end their Baker Mountain summit (on foot) from the 6er bell.
- Remove all mention of the "Saranac Lake 6er" program from the tourism website: www.saranaclake.com. Including the webpage (www.saranaclake.com/saranac-lake-6er), the menu tab, past content, blogs, stories, etc.
- Redirect village-owned domain name www.saranaclake6er.com to a page on the municipal website: www.saranaclakeny.gov (content to be provided with link to online registration).
- Remove village-owned 6er banners from the banner program.
- Dedicate future revenue from the 6er program to the SLLDC to be used for trail stewardship, advocacy, education, maintenance, and improvement purposes.

The village will continue to monitor the program. If the measures identified above do not have a positive, lasting, and/or adequate impact the village will retire the program effective May 25, 2023.