

"Until Now, No Governor has Forced APA to Weaken the Master Plan."

Richard Booth, Chair of the APA State Land Committee, after a 9-1 vote to weaken the State Land Master Plan.



Governor Andrew Cuomo (insert). Photo © Dan Plumley. APA meeting discussing the managing of the Essex Chain of Lakes. Photo © Ken Rimany

The Adirondack Park Agency Commissioner Booth told the truth. Directed by the Governor, APA and DEC are weakening wilderness protection to accommodate mechanized recreation.

APA has become a politically compliant permitting agency. It once was a proactive planning agency, representing the statewide interest in the Adirondacks.

Help Adirondack Wild send this urgent message to Governor Cuomo:

Governor, by June 30 we ask that you:

- Renominate Dick Booth, and nominate other members who will join him to protect natural resources and wilderness;
- Appoint new APA leadership to help you chart and implement long-range Park policy;
- Order APA to strengthen scientific standards, detect trends and analyze environmental change in the Park;
- Make APA once again the forum for open Park policy debate.

Please write the Governor now: www.governor.ny.gov/contact, or call 518-474-8390

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