

Michaud Announces Funding for Maine Snowmobile Clubs

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"Snowmobiling is one of the many exciting activities that Mainers and visitors alike enjoy throughout the winter," Michaud said. "These two grants should help boost tourism and help Mainers continue to enjoy one of our treasured pastimes."

The Rural Business Enterprise Grants (RBEG) program provides funding for rural projects that finance and facilitate development of small and emerging rural businesses. It also funds distance learning networks and employment related adult education programs.

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