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Group says Irene cleanup efforts are damaging parts of Adirondacks

ELIZABETHTOWN -- The Adirondack Council claims that the cleanup from Tropical Storm Irene is creating some environmental damage in the park.

The environmental group is asking Gov. Andrew Cuomo to alert highway crews in the Adirondacks that his emergency waiver for permits to reconstruct roads doesn't mean that they can bulldoze and excavate trout streams and wetland.

The Adirondack Council says that while they understand the need for emergency road repairs in hard-hit sections of the park, a lot of environmental damage is taking place in the name of public safety.

The group says it has photographs of major alterations to Johns Brook, Gulf Brook, Roaring Brook and the East Branch of the Ausable River.

Read more: <http://www.cbs6albany.com/articles/group-1288068-brook-says.html#ixzz1YmbEPgN3>