

## **DEC 12 - BOOST OF SNOW**

Sled conditions in Golden got a nice boost last weekend with a more than expected dump of snow. Approx 30-40 cms put a reset over the peaks and added to the base. This week there's 15cms in the forecast right now and temps remain reasonable in the low single negatives. Avalanche conditions are expected to be considerable on Saturday with the new snow. Grooming continues in Quartz and Gorman is getting pushed as we write this after last week's avalanche danger put a hold on operations.

### **Quartz Parking Lot info**

Please beware of the upcoming Selkirk Mountain – Quartz Creek Rest Area Clearing & Brushing Project located on Highway 1 and Quartz Creek FSR. Kenpesq't Construction has been contracted by the Ministry of Transportation and Transit to carry out this work, which is scheduled to begin on December 13th, 2024, and is expected to be completed by December 20th, 2024 (weather permitting).

#### **Project Details:**

Project Start Date: December 13th, 2024 Project End Date: December 20th, 2024 Work Hours: 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM Monday to Friday Affected Areas: Selkirk Mountain – Quartz Creek Rest Area Traffic Impact: Expect traffic delays and intermittent road closures during the project, which may cause disruptions to travel along Highway 1. Golden Snowmobile Club Impact: Restricted access for snowmobile staging during active tree clearing operations. Estimated Duration of Delays/Closures: Intermittent traffic delays up to 20 minutes in duration.

SledGolden will be updating our website and social media channels in terms of how this project will affect our operations. At the very least, the truck parking lot near the kiosk will be closed during this time.

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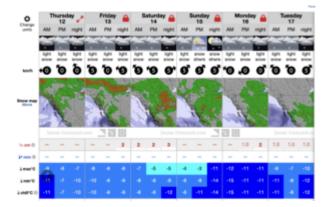
Golden woke up to 30-40 cms on snow on Saturday Dec 7 and this made for some great sledding over the past week. There is approx 15 cms in the forecast with high clouds. The temperatures are mostly normal for this time of year and it looks like there's no nasty cold snaps on the way. Snow depth is about 80 cms at Quartz Cabin snow plot @1934m but there's at least 150-170 around 2200m.



Quartz Dec 9



Silent Pass on Dec 3, 2024



Snow-forecast near Quartz on Dec 12

# **Staging Areas Latest Info**

# **Quartz Creek**

**Conditions:** Compacted powder **Grooms scheduled:** As needed

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: main parking lot

Additional notes:

Good early season coverage. A lot of compaction in the main bowls. Powder if you search for it.

Please make yourself aware of the logging that will be occurring in the Quartz parking lot (posted above) this month.

Main parking lot was cleared of snow on Dec 8

## **Silent Pass**

**Conditions:** Good early season **Grooms scheduled:** none

Fees: none

**Parking:** not certain - last reported at 45km by McMurdo Bridge **Road:** Log hauling activity Use a radio to call you kms. RR3

Additional notes:

We're not sure how the latest snow affected the Silent Road or the parking lot.



Forestry work at the 36km on North Fork



Silent Parking at the 45km McMurdo bridge

# **Gorman Lake**

**Conditions:** thin but doable **Grooms scheduled:** Dec 12

Fees: If/When groom is complete; kiosk open this weekend for pass pickup

Parking: road is cleared to upper parking lot

Road: A lot of active logging traffic on road. Call your kms! RR24

Additional notes:

Whiskeyjack Logging will be hauling down from the 7.5km for the next 2-3 weeks, and until they're done PWT will continue to plow up to the top parking lot. Please be aware about the increased traffic and be extra vigilant.

Looks like come January, PWT will have a logging crew and hauling from the West Main road as well so will be maintaining the Dogtooth to the 3.5km lot most of the winter.

# **KNOW WHERE YOU RIDE**