

DEC 19 - FEELS LIKE WINTER

Snow coverage in Golden is starting to feel a lot like a normal winter and sledders had a good time with another 30-ish cms of snow that fell in the storm this week. There's still another 19cms in the forecast and the temps are mild for winter standards. Avalanche conditions are dependent on how the new snow settles and forecasts are posted from considerable to moderate as the weekend goes on. Grooming operations are full force in Quartz and Gorman and we hope to get a cat into Silent before Christmas.

Quartz on Dec 19

Quartz Parking Lot info UPDATED

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. Please be advised that the start date for this work has been postponed and is now scheduled to begin on January 6th, 2025, and is expected to be completed on January 10th, 2025 (weather permitting).

Project Details:

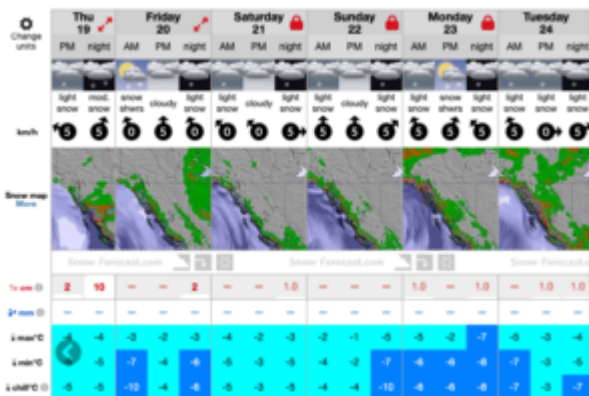
Estimated Project Start Date: January 6th, 2025 **Estimated Project End Date:** January 10th, 2025 **Work Hours:** 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM Monday to Friday **Affected Areas:** Selkirk Mountain – Quartz Creek Rest Area / Snowmobile Staging Area **Traffic Impact:** Expect **traffic delays** and **intermittent road closures** during the project, which may cause disruptions to travel along HWY 1. **Golden Snowmobile Club Impact:** Restricted access for snowmobile staging during active tree clearing operations. **Estimated Duration of Delays/Closures:** Intermittent **east-bound** traffic delays on HWY 1 up to 10 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.

Snow & Weather

SNOW AND WEATHER

Golden woke up to 10 cms on snow on Wednesday Dec 18 and it kept snowing hard all day. In the end approximately 30 cms fell in that storm and another 10-15 is expected on Dec 19. The temps coming up are forecasted to be in the single digit negatives and little bits of sun may show up here and there. There's 19 cms in the forecast.



Forecast near Quartz Creek on Dec 19



Quartz Dec 9

Staging Areas Latest Info

Quartz Creek

Conditions: powder

Grooms scheduled: As needed

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: main parking lot

Additional notes: Good early season coverage. A nice reset this week.

Silent Pass

Conditions: powder

Grooms scheduled: none

Fees: none

Parking: 31km recommended for trailers - trucks have been parking at 37.

Road: Log hauling activity Use a radio to call you kms. RR3

Additional notes: So far you can count on parking at the 31 km parking lot for sure. Trucks have been pushing to the 37km but it's not recommended for large trailers.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: thin but doable

Grooms scheduled: Dec 12

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: 3.5km lower 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