09 January 2025

JAN 9 - MID WINTER MODERATE

Sledding in Golden continues to be quite good. While the easiest pow stashes are getting a little harder to find, but social media is still ablaze with people finding the goods all over. We've received 10-20 cms in the past week and there's approx 12 cm more in the forecast for Friday. As we've said before this winter, the little storms have been adding up more than expected just about every time and that trend seems to be true this week too. Grooming ops have been keeping the trails flat and East Quartz got pushed this week. The avalanche conditions are forecast to be moderate and there's sun in the forecast.

Quartz Parking Lot info – Delayed…

We have not heard any more official word on this project but our sources are telling us to expect this project to start on Jan 20th. Below is the latest press release to us but it is obviously out of date now…

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 – likely Jan 20th now… **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

KHMR reported 7cms in the past week but we've heard reports that over double that amount fell on Tuesday evening in some parking lots to the north. The temps have remained quite steady in the lower single digits at night and that is keeping things consistent out there. The below treeline areas are still a big of a struggle and not every nook and cranny you're used to is filled in, but the alpine is in a mid winter snowpack depth and the sledding up high has been great. There's approx 12 cms in the forecast coming up and it looks like we will see the sun on Sunday (of course).



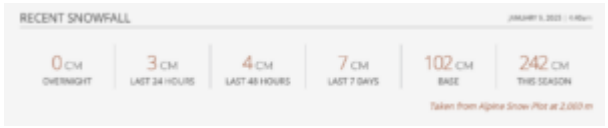
Powder in Holt on Jan 5



Holt Creek Jan 5



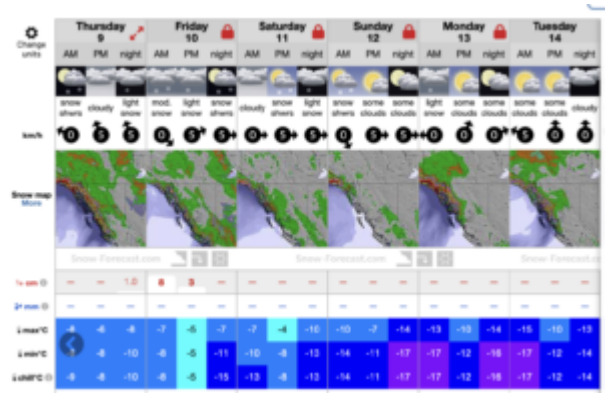
160 cms probed on the front side of Silent Pass at 2210m on Dec 22



KHMR snow report screen shot on Jan 9



Gorman Jan 4



Snow-forecast screen shot near Quartz on Jan 9

Staging Areas Latest Info

Quartz Creek

Conditions: powder, packed powder
Grooms scheduled: As needed
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: main parking lot
Additional notes: Good riding. Flat Trail. Parking lot is cleared. East Quartz trail has been pushed.

Silent Pass

Conditions: powder, packed powder
Grooms scheduled: as needed.
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: 31km lot - please do not drive past.
Road: Log hauling activity Use a radio to call you kms. RR3
Additional notes:

Good riding

Gorman Lake

Conditions: Filling in, powder and packed powder
Grooms scheduled: As needed moving forward (once a week)
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: 3.5km lower lot
Road: road can be icy! Call your kms! RR27
Additional notes:
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