16 January 2025

JAN 16 - STILL GOING STRONG

Sledding in Golden is still going strong. While we can't say it dumped this past week, we can say the mountains are still delivering bountiful performances for those who seek it. We've received 17-25 cms in the last 7 days. 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 again this week. Grooming ops have been keeping the trails flat, we're working on getting the Silent Road plowed (much needed) and avalanche conditions are forecast to continue be moderate through the weekend.

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 22, 2025, and is expected to be completed on January 31, 2025 (weather permitting).

Project Details:

Estimated Project Start Date: January 22, 2025 **Estimated Project End Date:** January 31, 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 17cms in the past week. The small flurries do add up especially with some wind. The temps are looking like the first cold snap of the year is inbound with temps in the high negative teens. There's not a lot of snow in the forecast but there is some sun. So bundle up and get out there.



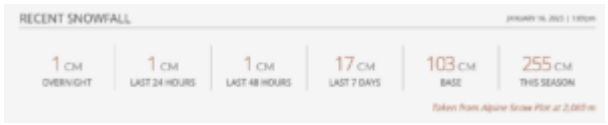
Quartz Jan 11



Powder in Holt on Jan 5



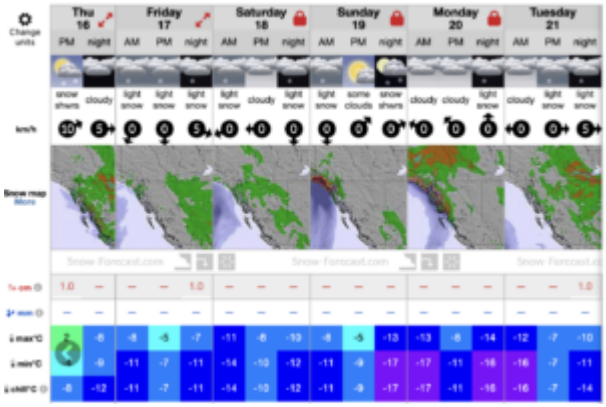
160 cms probed on the front side of Silent Pass at 2210m on Dec 22



KHMR snow report on Jan 16



Gorman Jan 4



screen capture of snow forecast on Jan 16

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: ROAD IS ROUGH! Log hauling activity Use a radio to call you kms. RR3
Additional notes:

Good riding.

We are working to get the Silent Road plowed to the 31km parking lot. That road is really rough on vehicles at the moment. Shout out to the GSC team who work behind the scenes to actually get the proper paper work to get the road work done…

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