

Kananaskis Country Snowmobile Trail Conditions

Date: 2011-2012 Winter Season

Cataract Creek Snowmobile Trails

Trail	Comments (overview comments located below itemized trail information)
Baril Loop	
Cataract Creek	
Cataract Loop	Cataract Creek Snowmobile Trails open from Dec. 1 to Apr. 30
Cummings	for the 2011-12 winter season.
Etherington	
Fallers	Grooming will not take place on these trails
Loggers	for the 2011-12 winter season.
Lost Creek	
Oyster Excursion	Please exercise caution
Pasque	and be aware of avalanche risk at all times.
Raspberry Pass	
Skyline	
Upper Raspberry Pass	
Valley Bottom	
Wilkinson Summit	

COMMENTS

Snow conditions and depths vary - please [click here for updated snowfall information](#) (1 mm of water = 1 cm of snow). The southern portion of this system is prone to large drifts - exercise caution. Ice flows are possible. Use caution on trails.

Caution: Logging and oilfield trucks are using Highway 940; please use caution while on this road.

Hours: Peter Lougheed Visitor Information Centre, 403-591-6322, is open Friday to Tuesday, 9:30 to 4:00; closed Wednesday and Thursday. When closed, please call Barrier Lake Visitor Information Centre at (403) 673-3985.

McLean Creek Snowmobile Trails

Trail	Comments (overview comments located below itemized trail information)
Elbow Loop	Open to snowmobiles from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 only
McLean Creek	Open to snowmobiles from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 only

COMMENTS

Conditions and snow depths are unpredictable. Call a visitor centre for updates, or [click here for snowfall data](#) (1 mm of water = 1 cm of snow). Quads and other OHV's are in common use on the trail system throughout the winter.

Note: In the McLean Creek OHV Zone from Dec. 1st to April 30th inclusive, OHV use (not including snow vehicles) is restricted to off-highway vehicles not exceeding 450 kg with 3 or more flotation tires.

McLean Creek Trail: Log trucks are actively using this road for hauling; exercise caution.

Seasonal Road Closures: Hwy 66 west of Elbow Falls is closed Dec. 1st to May 14th inclusive. McLean Creek Trail (road) is closed Dec. 1st to April 30th inclusive.

Hours: The Elbow Valley Visitor Information Centre is open Saturday and Sunday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. Please call (403) 949-4261 for more information.

Sibbald Snowmobile Trails

Trail	Comments (overview comments located below itemized trail information)
Red Trail	Grooming will not take place on these trails
Blue Loop	for the 2011-12 winter season.
Blue 1/2 Loop	Please exercise caution and be aware of avalanche risk at all times.
Powderface Trail	SEE NOTE BELOW; Open for snowmobile use from Dec. 1 - April 30 only

COMMENTS

Conditions vary, as this area is very prone to chinooks and high winds. [Click here for recent snowfall data](#) (1 mm of water - 1 cm of snow). Please use caution and expect natural hazards such as downed trees, rocks, open creek crossings, and ice flows.

Note: Snowmobiles are only permitted on this trail system from January 1 to March 31, with the exception of the Powderface Trail as noted above.

Powderface Trail: Logging operations will be using the road beginning on February 1, 2012. Watch for heavy equipment and logging traffic on the north end of the Powderface Trail and on Highway 68.

Hours: The Barrier Lake Visitor Information Centre (403-673-3985) is open Wednesday through Friday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, and Saturday through Monday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The centre is closed on Tuesdays. Hours are subject to change.

[Web Users: Please click here for Sustainable Resource Development's maps of the snowmobile areas described above.](#)

Caution is advised on all trails. If venturing into the backcountry, please ensure you are well prepared and consult the backcountry avalanche report at: www.kananaskis-country.ca