



Hatcher Pass - East, Summit Lake and Independence Mine State Historical Park Winter Conditions Report

Current Date:

Area	Snowmobile Status	New Snow	Avg. Snow Depth	Comments
Gold Mint Lot				
Gold Mint Trail				
Archangel Trailhead				
Archangel Valley-Reed Lakes				
Fishhook Lot				
Independence Mine Bowl				
Summit Lake				
Mile 16 and Paradise Ski Runs				

. ****Average snow depth recorded is uncompressed.** Snowmobile openings are based on the snowpack's ability to protect underlying vegetation and include: depth measurements, snow density, wind loading, temperatures, forecast, terrain, topography, elevation, and snow base and ice conditions. River and lake *ice crossing safety is not implied* and at the risk of the individual.

Conditions Update:

A \$5 day-use fee or annual parking pass is required at most trailheads throughout the area. Please respect private properties adjacent to public land. ***All snowmobiles must have their current registration tags displayed when used on public lands.***

Please check the Alaska State Parks website or call 745-8950 for current conditions. Additional snow and weather information can be found at the Independence Mine Snow-Tel website at: <http://ambcs.org/SiteViewer.shtml>; or Marmot Mountain Weather Station website at: http://www.cnjaic.org/wx/wx_marmot.php

For avalanche information: <http://hatcherpassavalanchecenter.org/> . The Hatcher Pass Area is an **AVALANCHE HAZARD AREA**. Be sure and take your beacons, shovels and probes with you and be knowledgeable of their use.

The Department of Natural Resources has created a web-based report for recreational user conflicts in the East Hatcher Pass Management Area. To access the report go to: http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/planning/mgtplans/hatcher/incident_rpt/ .