# Tahoe National Forest Grooming Update #17

**NOTES for Thursday, March 17, 2022:** Late update from last week. **Caution:** Road delineators/reflectors protruding through the snow (some flagged pink) on both sides of the main groomed route, first 3 miles west of Little Truckee Summit. Small amount of snow in the forecast for Saturday 3/19.

**GROOMING:** Snowmobile trail grooming is funded by the State of California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) division winter program. Trail grooming on the East Side of the Tahoe National Forest is provided by Sierra Snowcats through a contract with Sierra County. Volunteer trail grooming on the West Side (Bassett's/Gold Lakes) is provided by the Sierra Buttes Snowbusters Snowmobile Club, using a State-funded snow tractor/grooming equipment. THANKS TO ALL!

**AVALANCHE ADVISORY:** The Sierra Avalanche Center (SAC) issues a daily avalanche advisory covering the Northern Sierra Nevada mountain range from Ebbett's Pass on State Highway 4 in Alpine County to Yuba Pass on State Highway 49 in Sierra County. The avalanche advisory applies to back-country areas outside of developed ski areas only. For more information, go to the SAC website at <a href="https://www.sierraavalanchecenter.org">www.sierraavalanchecenter.org</a>, or call (530) 587-3558.

**PUBLIC & PRIVATE LANDS:** Private lands are interspersed within the public lands of the Tahoe National Forest. Please respect private property while winter recreating and riding over-snow-vehicles on the Tahoe National Forest.

MOTOR VEHICLE CLOSURE AREAS: Motor Vehicle Closure Areas are "a geographic area, including the trails and roads within it, which are CLOSED to motorized vehicles when snow is on the ground". These motor vehicle closure and restriction areas are open to all non-motorized winter recreation. Please be aware of the winter Motor Vehicle Closure Areas on the East Side Tahoe National Forest: Granite Chief Wilderness, Pole Creek (includes the Deep Creek drainage), Truckee River, Alpine Meadows, Donner Summit (includes Castle Valley and Round Valley), Sagehen, Kyburz, Independence, Babbitt RNA, and North Yuba. These winter motor vehicle closure areas are shown on the Tahoe National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle Use Map (OSVUM), which is free to the public and available at all Tahoe National Forest Ranger Stations. OSVUM's are also available at Yuba Pass SnoPark and Little Truckee Summit (map boxes located at toilet facilities).

**QUESTIONS & CONCERNS:** contact Jeff Wiley, Tahoe National Forest East Zone OHV Program Manager: office phone- (530) 994-3401 x6667 email- Jeffrey.Wiley@usda.gov

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## **ALL TRASH!**

#### **2022 TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST**

#### **East Side & Lakes Basin grooming update #17**

Marked Snowmobile Route  (orange diamonds)	Date of last groom	Notes
Main 07 road - LTS to Webber Lake 8 miles	Sun 3/13	CAUTION: Road delineator/reflector hazards first 3 miles
Main 07 road - Webber Lk to Jackson Mdws 9 miles	Sat 3/12	
Pass Creek Loop 70 road 7 miles	Sat 3/12	
Bald Ridge Loop 88 road 14 miles	Sat 3/12	First 7 miles from east intersect with 07 road
Henness Pass 301 road (parallels main route) 7 miles	Wed 3/9	
Yuba-Webber 12 road - main route to 54 road 9 miles	Sun 3/13	
Yuba-Webber 12 road – 54 road to Yuba Pass 8 miles	Wed 1/12	
Ridge Loop 12-45 road 5 miles	n/a	
Rim Loop 12-28 road 3 miles	n/a	

Williams Creek 54 road - Bassetts to 12 road 11 miles	Wed 1/12	
Treasure Mountain Loop – 05 road & 15 road 17 miles	Sat 2/12	
Meadow Lake Loop 86 road (east) 12 miles	Wed 3/9	
Meadow Lake Loop 843 road (west) 12 miles	n/a	
Prosser Tie 07-10 road 12 miles	Mon 3/7	Limited snow coverage, dirt showing in spots
Independence Loop- 351 road & 260 road 7 miles	Mon 3/7	
Haskell Peak 09 road to Yuba Pass SnoPark 14 miles	Thu 1/13	
Gold Lake Highway 620 road 14 miles	Mon 1/17	
Packer Lake 621 road 2.5 miles	Jan 1/?	
Church Meadows Loop	Fri 1/14	
Howard Meadows trail 6 miles	n/a	
Mills Peak trail (Plumas NF) 3 miles	Fri 1/14	
Gold Lake trail (Plumas NF) SKIER ONLY	n/a	
Lunch Creek trail SKIER ONLY	n/a	