

# Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Monday, March 21, 2011 - As of 7:00am  
Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. If you're visiting, Welcome to Lake Tahoe. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Monday, March 21st. There's Lots of Fresh Pow out there. Continued Winter Weather for the First full day of Spring. Expect Snow Showers to continue today with Temperatures getting into the mid 20's on the Slopes with Light to Moderate Winds and Ridge Gusts up to 50mph that could hamper the operation of upper mountain lifts. So. Lifts will Operate Wind & Weather Permitting. Dress warm, in Layers with your Windproof-Waterproof Jacket. Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety. Also, wear Good Goggles / Face Gaiter & Warm Gloves. Surface conditions are Powder, Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Powder. Ski & Ride with Care! Keep an Eye for Marked and Unmarked Obstacles. Always Ski or Ride with a Buddy if you go Off-Piste and Stay In Bounds and on Opened Runs Only.

## South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

**Heavenly Mountain Resort** - South Lake Tahoe – Reports 14-18" of new on a base of 114-155". 26 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 12 Lifts scheduled in California and 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side. Access to the mountain is from the Gondola, California Base Lodge and both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges on the NV side (Hwy 207 (R1). 94 Trails are open (60+MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open. (Powder, MG PP / 11F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds). Adventure Peak Activities at the top of the Gondola are scheduled for Sledding, Snow Tubing & Snow Bikes for rent on (10-4)-WWP. Call Ahead. Complimentary Shuttles buses running thru-out the So. Shore to all Base Facilities. **1-800-HEAVENLY. [www.skiheavenly.com](http://www.skiheavenly.com)**

**Sierra-At-Tahoe** - on U.S. Hwy 50 (R2) – Is reporting 11-21" of new on a base of 94-208". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Grandview Express to the top of the front side & The West Bowl open & the Backside Open. 45 Trails are open (24MG) + Jack's Bowl & Avalanche Bowl open. Back Country Gates Closed today. (All Terrain Parks, Boarder X & Super Pipe are Closed). Snow Shoe Trails are open, (Snow Play Area & the Snow Tubing Hill are Closed today). (Powder, MG PP / 27F / Snow / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttle buses are running from So Shore. **(530) 659-7475. [www.sierraattahoe.com](http://www.sierraattahoe.com)**

**Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Emerald Bay Road - Hwy 89 (Closed at Em Bay) – is open daily (9-4) with a base of 30-42" with Fresh snow on top. They have 8 Trails open grooming out 15km of XC & adjacent Snow Shoe Trails. Plus, additional Trails are open on along the beach as conditions permit. **(530) 542-6584. [www.camprichardson.com](http://www.camprichardson.com)**

**Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center** - 14655 Hwy 89/88 (R2) - at Pickett's Junction – The Yurt is Open Daily (10-5) They have 10" of new on a base of 48-72". 60 Miles of Trails are open, with 20 miles of Groomed trails and 40 miles of Marked & Skier Packed trails. They have Rentals & Lessons available. There are No Fees to XC or Snow Shoe in Hope Valley, but they gladly accept donations. **(530) 694-2266. [www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com](http://www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com)**

**Kirkwood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 88 (R2 to Kwd from Tahoe / Closed from West) – Is open reporting 22-27" of new on a base of 203-247". 12 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP out of the Village; the Timber Creek Lifts & The Back Side Lifts. 72 Trails are open (12MG) + 3 Terrain Parks, Boarder-X & Half Pipe are scheduled to Open. (Powder, MG PP / 13F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC Center** - Open (9-5) with 60km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe Trails with 2 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. **(877) KIRKWOOD. [www.kirkwood.com](http://www.kirkwood.com)**

## North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

**Spooner Lake Cross Country** - Highway 28/50 (R1) - at Spooner Lake State Park – is open daily (9-5). They have a base of 36-90" with fresh snow on top. 19 Trails are open with 70km of Groomed XC trails & 5 Separate Snow Shoe Trails open offering 15km. **(775) 749-5349. [www.spoonerlake.com](http://www.spoonerlake.com)**

**Diamond Peak** - Hwy 28 (R1) - in Incline Village – Is open with 5" of new on a base of 124-180". 4 lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 trails are open (19MG) + their Terrain Park is Open. (Powder, MG PP / 22F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). If you

have a valid Season Pass from any other Resort, you can ski or ride Diamond Peak for only \$25. (775) 831-3211. [www.diamondpeak.com](http://www.diamondpeak.com)

**Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe** - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 (R1) – is reporting 20-23” of new on a base of 127-195”. 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with The NW Magnum Six to the top of the Rose Side & The Blazing Zephyr scheduled to operate to the top of the Slide Side. 60 Trails are open. The Chutes Gates are scheduled with delayed opening – Call Ahead. + 1 Terrain Park is open on the mountain. (Powder, MG PP / 19F / Lt Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. [www.mtrose.com](http://www.mtrose.com)

#### Truckee Area Resorts

**Northstar-at-Tahoe** - On Hwy 267 (R2) – is reporting 12-18” of new on a base of 115-210”. 15 Lifts scheduled to operate (8:30-4)-WWP. They are Open top to bottom – Front to Back including Look Out Mountain. 93 Trails are open (53MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open with 10 Features (& Super Pipe Closed). 2 Kids Adventure Parks are open. (Powder, MG & PP / 26F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Their Village Ice Rink is scheduled to open (3-8pm) & Snow Tubing Center is open (12-4pm). **Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center** is open with 17 Trails offering 38km of Groomed XC & Snow snowshoe trails. (530) 562-1330. [www.northstaratahove.com](http://www.northstaratahove.com)

**Tahoe Donner Ski Area** - 11603 Slalom Way (R1), Truckee – Is reporting 18” of new on a base of 100-150”. 5 Lifts will operate (9-4)-WWP with 14 trails open + 2 Terrain Parks closed. (MG & PP / 26F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill). **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) Grooming out 25 Trails to offer 50 Km of Groomed XC Trails. (530) 587-9484. [www.skitaheedonner.com](http://www.skitaheedonner.com)

#### Donner Summit Resorts

**Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 (R2) – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is open reporting 18” of new on a base of 100-200”. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including the Accelerator Express Quad to the top of the front-side (Lost Dutchman closed on the back-side). 27 Trails are open. Plus 2 Terrain Parks, (Boarder-X & Super Pipe Closed). (Powder, MG PP / 22F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park is open (10-4) And, 2 Lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding, till 9pm-WWP. (530) 426-3666 #1. [www.rideboreal.com](http://www.rideboreal.com)

**Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 (R2) – Is reporting 18” of new on a base of 90-175”. CLOSED TODAY. Reopening on Thursday. /// (5 Lifts are scheduled to operate with 2 Lifts open (9-4) for Skiing & Riding and 16 Trails open including Crystal Bow open; Plus 3 Lifts for Snow Tubing open (10-4), with Tube Town, the Kids Tube Carousel & Planet Kids. Plus, The Mini Snowmobiles are open for rent, today. (MG & PP / 22F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 426-3901. [www.skisodasprings.com](http://www.skisodasprings.com)

**Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort** – Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd (R2) in Soda Springs – is CLOSED to Reopen after this Storm Cycle on Friday, March 25. /// (9-4) They have One Trail systems offering 65km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe Trails with their California Gold Rush Race Canceled. (25F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds).. (530) 426-3871. [www.royalgorge.com](http://www.royalgorge.com).

**Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road (R2) – Was Closed yesterday. Call Ahead. /// They received 16” of new on a base of 120-180”. At least 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP on the Front Side. 30 trails to open. Tubing Hill is Closed today. (10-4). (Powder, MG PP). (530) 426-3635. [www.donnerskiranch.com](http://www.donnerskiranch.com)

**Sugar Bowl Ski Resort** - Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd (R2) – is reporting 16-22” of new on a base of 154-287”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Mt Judah, Jerome Hill & Mt Lincoln Express. 91 Trails are open (47MG) + 3 Terrain Parks with 10 features are open. (Powder, MG PP / 22F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 426-1111. [www.sugarbowl.com](http://www.sugarbowl.com)

#### West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

**Homewood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 89 (R2) 6 miles South of Tahoe City, Is reporting 17-22” of new on a base of 118-194”. All 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP Including the Ellis Chair, The Madden Chair & the Old Homewood Express. 62 trails are open (26MG) & 2 Terrain Parks are open on the mountain. (Powder, MG PP / 24F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). (530) 525-2900. [Skihomewood.com](http://Skihomewood.com)

**Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 (R2) - Tahoe City – Is open Friday thru Sunday, so the Ski Hill is Closed today /// (9-4) with 6” of new on a base of 60-72”. 1 Tow & 1 Run are open (MGPP)./// Their XC & Snowshoe trails and the Snow Play Area are open daily, as conditions permit. **(530) 581-7533 [www.granlibakken.com](http://www.granlibakken.com)**.

**Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area** - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 (R2) – Is open daily (8:30-5) with 16-18” of new on a base of 65-95”. Grooming out 21 Trails to offering 65 Km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe trails with 3 Warming Huts open + 3 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. (26F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). **(530) 583-5475. [www.tahoexc.org](http://www.tahoexc.org)**

**Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 (R1) – is reporting 21-30” of new on a base of 175-308”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Roundhouse & Summit Six to the top of the Front-side. Plus, the Scott Chair (Lakeview & Sherwood Express Closed on the Back-side). 50 Trails open (11MG) + 3 Terrain Parks are being rebuilt on the mountain. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 22F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). **(530) 581-8374. [www.skialpine.com](http://www.skialpine.com)**

**Squaw Valley USA** - Hwy 89 (R1) – Checks in reporting 24-27” of new on a base up to 250”. 18 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 10 Lifts from the bottom (with Cable Car & Funitel on Standby) + Red Dog & KT22 are scheduled to run. 8 Lifts scheduled for the Upper Mountain all on Standby. (60 Trails are to open (32MG) + The Belmont & Riviera Terrain Parks & Super Pipe Closed. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 24F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Snow tubing is offered at Papoose (12-4). The Olympic Ice Pavilion at High Camp is Closed for the Season. **(530) 583-6955 #1. [www.squaw.com](http://www.squaw.com)**. And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** has 18km of XC & Snow Shoe Trails open (9-5).

#### **Central Sierra Resorts**

**Mammoth Mountain** - off Hwy 395 – is open and reporting 31-50” of new on a base of 180-264”. 19 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4)-WWP. The Lower Mountain to Open. Access from the Main Lodge, Canyon Lodge & Eagle Lodge. 150 trails to open (70MG) + 7 Terrain Parks and Half Pipe, Super Pipe open & Super Duper Pipe now open. (Powder, MG PP / 15F / Snowing / Mod-Strong Winds). (888) 766-9778. **[www.mammothmountain.com](http://www.mammothmountain.com)**. **June Mountain** – open with 24” of new on a base of 108-156”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 27 Trails open + 1 Terrain Park & Super Pipe open. (760) 934-2224. **[www.junemountain.com](http://www.junemountain.com)**

**Yosemite/Badger Pass** – is open reporting 6” of new on a base of 90-99”. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 9 Trails open. (MGPP / 28F / Cldy / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing Offered Daily. Cross Country Center is open (8:30-4) with 90 miles of Trails, of which 14 miles are groomed to Glacier Point & Bridalveil Campground. **(209) 372-8430. [www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx](http://www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx)**

**Dodge Ridge** - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 (R2) – is open reporting 6-10” of new on a base of 110-132”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 62 Trails open (29MG). Plus 3 Terrain Parks & Skier-Boarder-X open. (Power, MGPP / 22F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). **(209) 536-5300. [www.dodgeridge.com](http://www.dodgeridge.com)**

**Bear Valley Mountain Resort** - Hwy 4 (R2) – is open reporting 21” of new on a base of 168”. 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 67 Trails to open + (2 Terrain Park Closed). (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 21F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). **(209) 753-2301 #2. [www.bearvalley.com](http://www.bearvalley.com)** **Bear Valley XC** – open (9-4) with 37 Trails offering 65Km of Groomed XC trails & Sledding hill open (9-4). **(209) 753-2834.**

So, there you have it. All Roadways around Lake Tahoe have road controls. Stay Tuned or log on to KTHORadio.com or dial 5-11 for updates. For updates on this Report, Please visit my Website at **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. Have a Safe Day on the Mountain, It's Curtis Fong, TGFT ... And, that's today's Mtn Resort Report.

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