

# Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Friday, March 25, 2011 - As of 7:00 am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. If you're visiting, Welcome to Lake Tahoe. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Finally a Friday, March 25th. Shoot that Ground Hog... More Winter Weather and More Snow... Winter Storm Warning thru 11am this morning then Winter Weather Advisory from 8pm tonight thru 5pm on Saturday. Shaping up to be an Phenomenal March for Snow Fall. Expect Snow thru out the day with Temperature in the upper 20's on the slopes and Moderate to Strong Winds with Ridge Gusts 70 mph. Lifts will operate Wind & Weather Permitting. Expect Delays in Lift openings due to digging out and Snow Safety Procedures. Dress warm, in Layers with your Windproof-Waterproof Jacket. Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety. Also, wear Good Goggles / A Face Gaiter & Warm Gloves. Surface conditions are Fresh 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 19-30" of new on a base of 130-176". 26 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 12 Lifts scheduled in California (Sky on HOLD) and 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side (Tamarack, Dipper, North Bowl on HOLD). Access to the mountain is from the Gondola, California Base Lodge and both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges on the NV side. 94 Trails are open (60+MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open. (Powder, MG PP / 21F / Lt Snow / Mod-Strong 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 22" of new on a base of 118-251". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Grandview Express to the top of the front side & The West Bowl open (& the Backside Closed). 39 Trails are open (17MG) + Jack's Bowl & Avalanche Bowl open. Back Country Gates Closed today. 1 Terrain Park open, (Boarder X & Super Pipe are Closed). (Snow Shoe Trails, Snow Play Area & the Snow Tubing Hill are Closed). (Powder, MG PP / 19F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Hosting 8<sup>th</sup> annual Telegrass Festival this weekend. 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 12" of new on a base of 36-48". 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 18" of new on a base of 60-84". 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 / open to Kirkwood / Held from the West) – Is open reporting another 28-32" of new on a base of 224-269". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP out of the Village & the Timber Creek Lifts including 6 & 10. Chairs 3 & 4 on The Back Side along with Vista & Covered Wagon Tows, are Closed today. 60 Trails are open (30+MG) + 3 Terrain Parks, Boarder-X & Half Pipe are scheduled to Open. (Powder, MG PP / 11F / Hwy Snow / 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 12" of new on a base of 48-90". Grooming out 19 Trails to offer 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 16" of new on a base of 147-203". 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 / 23F / 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 / Closed) – is reporting 16-18" of new on a base of 142-210". 2 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP on the Lower Mountain, with The NW Magnum & The Blazing Zephyr on Wind HOLD. 30 Trails are open (The Chutes Gates Closed- Call Ahead.) + 2 Terrain Park are open on the mountain. (Powder, MG PP / 14F / Mod Snow / Mod-Strong Winds). **(800) SKI ROSE. [www.mtrose.com](http://www.mtrose.com)**

## Truckee Area Resorts

**Northstar-at-Tahoe** - On Hwy 267 (R2) – is reporting 26-32" of new on a base of 142-241". 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 (50MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open with 13 Features & Super Pipe open. 2 Kids Adventure Parks are open. (Powder, MG & PP / 22F / Lt Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). Hosting the Red Bull Butter Cup on Saturday. Their Village Ice Rink is scheduled to

open (3-8pm) & (Snow Tubing Center is Closed -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 12-16” of new on a base of 95-120”. 3 Lifts will operate (9-4)-WWP with 14 trails open + 2 Terrain Parks closed. (MG & PP / 27F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill). **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) Grooming out 25 Trails to offer 63 Km of Groomed XC Trails. (530) 587-9484. [www.skitahtoedonner.com](http://www.skitahtoedonner.com)

#### Donner Summit Resorts

**Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 (Closed / R2) – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is CLOSED TODAY /// reporting 13-19” of new on a base of 175-300”. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the Accelerator Express Quad to the top of the front-side (Lost Dutchman closed on the back-side). 27 Trails are open. Plus the Mini Terrain Parks, (Boarder-X & Super Pipe Closed). (Powder, MG PP / 23F / Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). Playland Tubing Park is Closed today (10-4) And, 2 Lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding, till 9pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. [www.rideboreal.com](http://www.rideboreal.com)

**Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 (Closed / R2) – Is CLOSED TODAY /// reporting 12-14” of new on a base of 90-175”. /// (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 / 18F / MClody / Lt Winds). (530) 426-3901. [www.skisodasprings.com](http://www.skisodasprings.com)

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

**Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road (R2) – is CLOSED /// on a base of 120-180”. At least 2 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). Mon-Fri they have \$25 Lift tickets. (530) 426-3635. [www.donnerrskiranch.com](http://www.donnerrskiranch.com)

**Sugar Bowl Ski Resort** - Off I-80 (Closed / R2 / ) on Donner Pass Rd (R2) – is reporting 24-36” of new on a base of 154-287”. They are CLOSED TODAY. /// 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Mt Judah, Jerome Hill & Mt Lincoln Express open. 91 Trails are open (52MG) + 3 Terrain Parks with 10 features are open. Hosting their Caboose Kickers Park Competition on Saturday. (Powder, MG PP / 18F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). (530) 426-1111. [www.sugarbowl.com](http://www.sugarbowl.com)

#### West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

**Homewood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 89 (R1) 6 miles South of Tahoe City, Is reporting 24-32” of new on a base of 147-262”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP Including the Ellis Chair, The Madden Chair & the Old Homewood Express. 62 trails are open (20MG) & 2 Terrain Parks are open on the mountain. (Powder, MG PP / 20F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). College Week extended till March 27. \$29 Lift Tickets with Valid Student Photo ID. (530) 525-2900. [Skihomewood.com](http://Skihomewood.com)

**Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 (R1) - Tahoe City – Is open Friday thru Sunday, so the Ski Hill is scheduled to open today (9-4) with 24” of new on a base of 60-72”. 1 Tow & 1 Run are scheduled open – Call Ahead. (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 (R1) – Is open daily (8:30-5) with 12-24” of new on a base of 70-100”. Grooming out Trails to offer 50 Km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe trails with 3 Warming Huts open + 3 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. (22F / Lt Snow / Lt Winds). (530) 583-5475. [www.tahoexc.org](http://www.tahoexc.org)

**Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 (R1) – is reporting 28-40” of new on a base of 193-310”. They Are CLOSED TODAY. /// 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Roundhouse & Summit Six to the top of the Front-side. (Plus, the Scott Chair & Sherwood Express on HOLD to the Back-Side). 50 Trails open (13MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open on the mountain. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 20F / Snowing / Strong Gusty Winds). Extended College Week thru March 27 with \$39 Lift Ticket with Valid Student Photo ID. Hosting Disabled Sports Ability Race on Friday. (530) 581-8374. [www.skialpine.com](http://www.skialpine.com)

**Squaw Valley USA** - Hwy 89 (R1) – Checks in reporting 30-45” of new on a base 95-265”. 12 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP from the bottom with Cable Car/ Funitel on Standby with Red Dog & KT22 scheduled to open. All upper Mountain Lifts Closed today. The Belmont & Riviera Terrain Parks & Super Pipe Closed. (Powder, MG PP / 22F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Snow tubing is offered at Papoose (10-4). Night Skiing Closed today. /// You can Ski / Ride & Dine till 4pm from High Camp-WWP. (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 27-44” of new on a base of 210-324”. 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 (66MG) + 7 Terrain Parks and Half Pipe, Super Pipe open & Super Duper Pipe open. (Powder, MG PP / 13F / Snowing / Lt-Strong Winds). Hosting the Roxy Chicken Jam thru Sunday. (888) 766-9778.

**[www.mammothmountain.com](http://www.mammothmountain.com). **June Mountain** – open with 24” of new on a base of 120-168”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 27 Trails open + 3 Terrain Park open & Super Pipe open. (760) 934-2224. [www.junemountain.com](http://www.junemountain.com)**

**Yosemite/Badger Pass** – is open reporting 12” of new on a base of 90-99”. They are Closed. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 9 Trails open. (MGPP / 26F / Snowing / 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 18-28” of new on a base of 122-156”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 62 Trails open (36MG). 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 29” of new on a base of 206”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 67 Trails to open + (2 Terrain Park Closed). (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 20F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. **Bear Valley XC** – open (9-4) with 37 Trails offering 65Km of Groomed XC trails & Sledding hill open (9-4). (209) 753-2834. [www.bearvalley.com](http://www.bearvalley.com)

So, there you have it. Once again Winter Storm Warning continues thru 11am this Morning. Stay Tuned to K-Tahoe updated Road Conditions. Call Ahead before heading out. 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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**Friday, March 25, 2011**

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**4-8pm**

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