Mountain Resort Report®

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" - Saturday, February 2, 2013 - As of 7:30am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Saturday, February 2nd. Ground Hog Day! Punxsutawney Phil didn't see his Shadow and that means an early Spring, But we're keeping our fingers Crossed for six more weeks of Winter... It will almost spring like today... Expect Mostly Sunny to Partly Cloudy Skies with Temperatures warming in to the mid 40's the Slopes and Light Winds. Dress in layers, with a Jacket nor Shell... Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Sunglasses or Goggles. Don't forget to use Sunscreen. Surface conditions are Variable with Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Snow with Some areas of Firm Packed Snow - Softening. Ski & Ride with Care! Keep an Eye out for Marked & Unmarked Obstacles. And, Stay In Bounds and on Opened Runs & Terrain Only.

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe CA/NV – Checks in with a base of 42-72". 27 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with Mtn. Access from the Gondola, California Base; Plus, both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges in NV. Entire Mtn Open with 13 Lifts in CA including Sky Express & 14 Lifts in NV including Dipper & Mott Canyon. 97 Trails are accessible (49MG); Plus 3 Terrain Parks open with 68 Features including Half Pipe open. Sledding & Snow Tubing offered at Adventure Peak at top of Gondola & the Unbuckle Apres Ski Party at Tamarack Lodge at 3:30-5:30pm. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 27F / MClear / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttles buses running to all base facilities. (Hwy 207:) **1-800-HEAVENLY**. www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 () — Is reporting a base of 35-91". 10 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with the with Grandview Express to the top of Front Side; the Backside & The West Bowl open. 43 Trails are open (33MG) + Check with Patrol on Back Country Gates today. 5 Terrain Parks are open with over 50 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 36F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snowshoe Trails, Tubing Hill & Snow Play Area are open. Complimentary Shuttles buses run from So. Shore. (530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com

Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center - on Hwy 89/Emerald Bay Road () – is open (9-4) with 10km of Groomed XC & Snowshoe trails. **(530) 542-6584.** www.camprichardson.com

Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89/88 () – at Pickett's Junction, the Yurt is open, 10-4pm on a base of 18-36". They have 20 miles of groomed Trails and 20 Miles of Marked & Skier/ Snowshoe Packed Trails accessible. No Fees to XC or Snowshoe in Hope Valley and they Accept Donations. **(530) 694-2266.** www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 () – is reporting a base of 86-106". 12 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) Entire Mtn Open with 5 Lifts out of the Mtn. Village including Chairs #6 & Chair #10; All Lifts to the Back side & 2 Lifts will turn at the Timber Creek Base. 72 Trails are open (54MG), Plus All Bowls to open & 3 Terrain Parks Open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 34F / Clear / Lt Winds). Hosting the Rahlves' Bonzai Tour. Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center is open with 80km of groomed XC trails. (877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

Spooner Lake Cross Country – at the Junction of Highway 28/50 () is Closed this year.

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 () - in Incline Village – is reporting a base of 36-60". 5 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including Crystal Express Quad to the top. 29 Runs are open (12MG) Plus Terrain Park open. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 18F / Clear / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttles run thru Incline Village. **(775) 831-1177).** www.diamondpeak.com

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 () Is reporting a base of 57-112". 6 Lifts & Tow will operate (9-4) including NW Magnum 6 to the top of the Rose Side, And the Blazing Zephyr opening at 8:30am, on the Slide side. 60 Trails open (34MG) + The Chuter Lift & All the Chutes Gates remain Closed today. 3 Terrain park open with 22 Features. Feb 2, Hosting Saturday in the Park Rail Jam today. \$49 Lift Tickets for Super bowl Sunday purchase online. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 34F / MClear / Lt Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar California - On Hwy 267 () – Is reporting a base of 37-80". 20 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side, Back Side & Look Out Mountain all open. 92 trails are open (73MG). 8 Terrain Parks open with 97 features including 2 Half Pipe (18' & 22' Super Pipe) Open. Hosting Butter Box Rail Jam today. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 28F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing open (12-4) + The Village Ice Rink is open (12-9pm). Cross Country, Telemark & Snowshoe Center open (8:30-4) with 35km of groomed trails with women's snowshoe trek at 11am. (530) 562-1330. www.northstarcalifornia.com

Tahoe Donner Ski Area - 11603 Snowpeak Way () in Truckee – Is open on a base of 45-75". 5 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 17 trails including the Bite Size & Mini Size Terrain Parks open (MGPkd Snow). Tahoe Donner XC – is open (8:30-5) with 44 trails = 95Km of groomed trails. (31F / Clear / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9484.

www.skitahoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort - Off I-80 () - at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit - is reporting a base of 97-141". 7 Lifts & Tows will

operate starting at 9am, with Accelerator Express Quad to the top of on the Front Side & Lost Dutchman turning on Back Side. 2 Lifts will turn till 9pm for Night Skiing & Riding. 36 runs are open (13MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 46 features including the Super Pipe. Hosting USASA Boarder Cross today. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 30F / Clear / Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park open from 10-4pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com /// The adjacent Auburn Ski Club Training Center is open Wed-Sun (8:30-4:30pm) on a base of 48". They have 16 trails accessible with 12km of Groomed XC Trails open. www.AuburnSkiClub.org

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – Is open (Thur-Mon / 10-4), reporting a base of 97-141". 2 Lifts will operate with 16 runs open (MG Pkd Snow); plus The Tube Town, the Kids Tub Carousel & Planet Kids are open with Mini Snowmobiles for rent. (530) 426-3901 www.skisodasprings.com

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () in Soda Springs, is open (8:30-4) with 76 trails, 70 are Groomed offering 191Km of groomed XC terrain accessible. (530) 426-3871. www.royalgorge.com
Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 () – Has a base of 36-84". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 52 runs open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow). The Tubing Hill open (10-4). (530) 426-3635. www.donnerskiranch.com
Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () is reporting a base of 59-125". 9 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill, Mt Judah & Mt Lincoln Express. 92 runs are open (55MG). Switching Yard Terrain Parks open with over 40 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 27F / Clear/ Lt Winds). (530) 426-1111. www.sugarbowl.com

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 () – 6 miles South of Tahoe City, is reporting a base of 47-73". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with Entire Mtn Open. 64 runs are open (37MG). 4 Terrain Parks open with 28 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 14F / Clear / Lt Winds). \$49 Lift Tickets on Sunday. **(530) 525-2900.** www.skihomewood.com

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill is open Friday-Sundays with 2 Surface Lifts & 3 Runs. Their XC & Snow Shoe Trails / Snow Play & Sledding hill are open daily. (530) 581-7533. www.granlibakken.com

Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 () – is open (8:30-5) on a base of 42". 21 Trails = 49 KM Groomed trails are open with 3 Warming Huts. **(530) 583-5475.** <u>www.tahoexc.org</u>. /// And, at Tahoe City Golf Course, the new **Tahoe City Winter Sports Park** is open (Fri-Mon / 10-5), with 3 KM of XC-Snow Shoe trails & the Sledding Hill is open.

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 () – is reporting a base of 57-87". 12 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including Summit Six & Sherwood. Entire Mtn Open with 99 Trails accessible (32MG) plus 6 Terrain Parks open with 80 features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 36F / Clear / Lt Winds) Tomorrow, buy two lift tickets for \$98 - \$49 each... The Free Squaw / Alpine Express Shuttle is operating. (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 () is reporting a base of 25-100". 26 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 14 Lifts from the bottom including Red Dog & KT22; Plus, the Funitel & Aerial Tram (9-8pm). 12 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Granite Chief. 160 runs are open (41MG), plus 6 Terrain Parks are open with 52 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 38F / Clear / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing, Mini Snowmobiles, Ice Skating open 11-7pm. **(530)** 452-4335. www.squaw.com

And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing & Ice Skating, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** has 18Km of XC & Snowshoe Trails open as well as their Ice Rink. **(530) 583-6300 ext 6631**. **www.visitsquawcreek.com**

Central Sierra Resorts

Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 () – is reporting a base of 8-16 ft. Entire Mtn to open with 24 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with 13 Lifts out of the Main Lodge, 8 Lifts out of Canyon Lodge & 3 Lifts from Eagle Lodge. 160 Trails are accessible (95MG) + 8 Terrain Parks with 108 features & Two ½ Pipes open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 27F / PCldy / Lt Winds). (888) 766-9778. www.mammothmountain.com

June Mountain - June Lakes Loop () Will be closed this winter. (760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com

Yosemite/Badger Pass – on Badger Pass Rd () – is open on a base of 36". 4 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 9 Trails open (6MG) (MG & SKR Pkd Snow - Softening / 31F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snow tubing Hill is open. XC Center is also open with 70 miles of trails. **(209) 372-1000 #5. www.yosemitepark.com/DailySnowReport.aspx**

Dodge Ridge - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 () – Is reporting a base of 31-38". 12 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 67 Runs open (45MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 18 features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 32F / Clear / Lt Winds). 2 Miles of Nordic Track open. \$49 Lift tickets on Super Bowl Sunday. **(209) 536-5300.** www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 () – Reports a base of 64". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 75 trails open (24MG) plus 2 Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 37F / MClear / Lt Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. www.bearvalley.com

Bear Valley XC – is open on a base of 36". 28 Trails = 44Km of groomed trails are accessible for XC & 2Km of Snow Shoe only trails. Plus Sledding & Tubing Hill open (9-4). **(209) 753-2834.** www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it, All Roads are open with No Controls - Buckle Up & Driver Safely. For updates on Roads, Call 5-11. For updates on this Reports, please visit my Website at **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. Have a Fun & Safe Day on the Mountain ... It's Curtis Fong, TGFT ... And, that's your Mtn. Resort Report.

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