



Howelsen Hill Opening Delayed to December 4

Warm Temperatures and Little Significant Snowfall Hinder Snowmaking Efforts

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-November 16, 2021- Originally scheduled to open for the 2021-2022 season on Saturday, November 27, Howelsen Hill will push back its opening to Saturday, December 4, due to snow conditions.

“Despite heroic efforts by our snowmaking crew, Mother Nature has had other plans so far this season” said Angela Cosby, Parks & Recreation Director. “While this is a difficult decision to make, conditions have not been favorable for snowmaking, and the forecast does not show much of a change. But as we know in the Yampa Valley, winter always arrives, it just takes a little longer some years”.

Snowmaking crews will continue to work over the next few weeks to build a solid base that will help sustain the ski area throughout the season. For the first time, Howelsen Hill is scheduled to remain open through April 3, conditions permitting.

In addition, things are coming together on several new facility enhancements. Final touches are being made on a new self-standing ticket booth constructed from the old Barrows Chairlift lift shack. Final inspections and testing are taking place on the new Barrows Triple Chairlift, and The Outrun Snack Bar is cooking up new and delicious menu options for skiers and riders this season.

“Our first priority is to provide a safe skiing product for our community and our partners at the Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club,” said Angela Cosby. “The Howelsen Hill team is ready to make the most of any favorable weather windows to ensure a safe and successful opening day”.

Howelsen Hill Ski Area is owned and operated by the City of Steamboat Springs and is a skiing institution across the community, Colorado, and the nation. Skiing since 1915, the ski area has been the training ground for more than 90 Winter Olympians, athletes from the acclaimed Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club and generations of families.

The city will operate Howelsen Hill seven days a week this winter from 11am to 8pm Monday through Friday and 10am to 4pm on weekends. Visit steamboatsprings.net/ski for additional information, ticket/season pass pricing and updates.

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