

# CHUGACH STATE PARK

## Winter Recreation Condition Report

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### CHUGACH AREAS AND TRAILS

AREA	SNOWMACHINE STATUS	NEW SNOW (past week)	AVG. SNOW DEPTH	Comments
Anchorage Hillside	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	15"	crust skiing!
Anchorage Hillside Ski Trails	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	14"	ungroomed
Bird Valley	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	15"	BIG puddle at entrance
Eagle River Greenbelt Access and Nork Fork Access	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	12"	
Eagle River Nature Center Trails	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	12"	694-2108 ext. 1 or info@ernc.org; trails packed but not groomed
Eklutna Lake	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	14"	
Indian Valley	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	14"	Arctic to Indian is still holding up.
Peters Creek	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	12"	
Ptarmigan Valley	<b>CLOSED</b>	0"	12"	
South Fork Eagle River	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	16"	
ThunderBird Falls Trail	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	2"	
Turnagain Arm Trails	<b>Non- Motorized</b>	0"	2"	Lower Potter lot, Lower Mchugh Lot, and Bird Fishing Access, OPEN. All other gates Locked.
Average snow depth is recorded uncompressed.				
Snowmachine openings are based on amount of packed snow base and vegetation coverage.				

**Please note:** A \$5 day-use fee or 2012 annual parking pass is required at most trailheads throughout the park. The 2012 parking passes can be purchased from park offices, park staff, REI, and AMH

Four-wheel drive and studded tires and/or chains are strongly recommended at most of the accesses to the park.

**Back country users:** Chugach State Park is an **AVALANCHE HAZARD AREA**. Be knowledgeable of the avalanche conditions and be sure and take your beacons, shovels, and probes and be knowledgeable of their use. **BE PREPARED!!!** The weather can change quickly and threaten your life. Remember hypothermia is a life-threatening problem. Safe traveling can prevent backcountry emergencies and costly search and rescues. Always let someone know where you're going. Know the hazards of the country you're traveling in. Travel with a pack containing safety gear and emergency provisions.

Be safe and enjoy the park.