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RED LODGE MOUNTAIN WILL OPEN FOR THE 2023/24 SEASON ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

Current plans call for lift service via the Triple chair, Willow chair, and the Magic Carpet with four open runs and the learning area. More snow in the forecast may lead to more open terrain for the weekend.

RED LODGE MOUNTAIN – Red Lodge, MT – November 22, 2023 – Following up to six inches of natural snow in late October with favorable overnight snowmaking temperatures this week and more natural snow in the forecast, Red Lodge Mountain will open for the 2023/24 season on Friday, November 24. Current opening day plans call for four runs to be open including Turnpike, Easy Street, Otto Bahn, and Showoff Alley, plus the Learning Area accessible via the Triple chair, Willow chair, and the Magic Carpet. Check the Snow Report at redlodgemountain.com for terrain and condition updates.

“Thanks to the hard work of our snowmaking and operations teams, we will be able to open up some groomed lower mountain terrain for opening day, we’re really excited for another great season of skiing and riding at Red Lodge Mountain,” said Anne Kosorok, Red Lodge Mountain Director of Mountain Operations.

Topping the list of on-mountain improvements for the season is Red Lodge’s newest \$3 million chairlift installation, The Stache Express. The high-speed detachable triple chair replaces the existing Miami Beach lift and travels farther up the mountain in less time, providing better access to more terrain. The 2,558-foot-long lift features a vertical rise of 521 feet and can transport as many as 1,800 skiers and riders per hour.

“We’ve had a busy summer up here, and we’re looking forward to seeing skiers and riders enjoying our new high-speed lift,” said Jeff Schmidt, Red Lodge Mountain’s General Manager. “The Stache Express is ready, we just need a little more cooperation from mother nature to get it open for Friday.”

The National Weather Service currently has a winter storm watch issued for the area beginning Wednesday evening and continuing through Friday. More natural snowfall will enable the area to open the Stache Express and Miami Beach terrain, but Schmidt added that it will be a “game day” decision depending on how much snow the area actually receives.

Lifts will run from 9am to 4pm. Food service for opening weekend will be available in the Main Lodge, Bierstube, Midway Lodge. Uphill travel remains closed until snowmaking operations are completed. Lift tickets and season passes are available for advanced purchase online at redlodgemountain.com.

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Red Lodge Mountain was originally founded as Grizzly Peak Ski Area in 1960. It soon established Montana’s first fully-certified Ski Instructor team. In 1965 the name was changed to Red Lodge Mountain. Today the area boasts 1,635 skiable acres serviced by eight lifts with a peak elevation of 9,416-feet. Learn more at RedLodgeMountain.com.