

ASPEN HIGHLANDS SKI AREA

SUMMER

CONSTRUCTION PLAN

2006

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Aspen Highlands 1

SUMMER WORK PROJECT RECORD SHEET

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Project Number

Project Name: Deep Temerity Trail Work

Project Location: Temerity / Steeplechase Area

Description: Tree removal and clean up in selected areas of Temerity and Steeplechase. Included in this project will be work done in existing ski trails such as; Greatest Line Ever, Barcardi, Log Jam Gully, St. Mortiz, Kesslers, Soddbuster and Garmisch. New skiable terrain to be developed and improved includes; Upper Hyde Park, Lucky Find, A+ and Lower Mushroom.



Anticipated Activities:

- Tree removal
- Brushing
- Skidding
- Burn piles as needed
- Revegetation as needed

Site Plan Sketch (or attach map): Map attached

Comments:

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Temerity Projects

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REPORT

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b) Highlands Bowl Traverse Construction

A 1,200 foot long road would connect the Temerity Lift's bottom terminal to lower Highlands Bowl. This road would primarily serve as an access from Highlands Bowl to the lift. This road, in conjunction with the Grand Reverse Road, would provide snowcat access to Highlands Bowl and also facilitate evacuation of injured skiers from Highland Bowl. The Ski Company would use the road to provide access for grooming equipment to enhance the current mechanical snow compaction efforts in Highlands Bowl.

This road would be constructed with similar techniques and dimensions as the Grand Reverse Road.

As with other aspects of this proposal, the proposed Highland Traverse significantly reduces the resource impacts from what was approved in the 1997 EIS. By comparison, the approved road would have been 2,500 feet long – more than twice the length as that of the current proposal.

2. PHASE II – Temerity Lift Installation

The Temerity Lift is proposed as a fixed-grip double chairlift with a capacity of 1,200 persons per hour. The top terminal is located at approximately 11,530' MSL, approximately 200 feet south of the existing Loge Peak Lift top terminal. The bottom terminal is approximately at the 9,850' elevation, 300 feet south of the lower Kessler Bowl runout.

The lift would be 3,660 feet long with a 1,680' vertical rise and a 60' cleared corridor within forested sites. The clearing width meets the Colorado State Passenger Tramway Safety Board standards (CPTSB 1995). Trees within the alignment would be flush-cut and removed with minimal disturbance to the ground surface. Additional disturbance within the alignment would include excavation of tower foundations and lift terminals. Excavations for tower foundations would be dug by hand in inaccessible areas and would be less than 10 by 10 feet. Lift terminals would require grading of an area approximately 30 by 40 feet. The bottom terminal would require an additional flat area, approximately 60 by 60 feet, for the skier maze.

Within the lift corridor, tops of felled trees would be lopped at 6 inches and limbs would be lopped and scattered to lay within one foot of the ground. Slash would be piled, although some tops, limbs and pieces of all diameter classes (5 to 10 tons per acre) would be left unplied and scattered throughout the treated areas to provide ground-level movement and breeding sites for small mammals.

By comparison, the lift alignment approved in the 1997 ROD would have been 4,900 feet long with a 2,150 foot vertical rise. This revised alignment represents a significantly reduced resource impact from that which was authorized in 1997.

The Temerity Lift would be driven from the top terminal with power supplied underground from the top of the Loge Peak Lift. The proposed positioning of the lift has been selected to minimize disturbance of avalanche starting zones and prevent avalanche damage to the lift. The Temerity Lift would provide repeat skiing opportunities in the advanced and expert terrain in Upper and Lower Temerity and in the Y Zones of Highland Bowl, all of which can be accessed from Loge Peak. Skiers would reach the bottom terminal either by skiing down from Loge Peak, or by using the proposed Grand Reverse servicing the bottom terminal from mid-mountain. Egress from the area would be either via the Temerity Lift and then down the crest of the mountain, or uphill along the proposed catwalk to mid-mountain.

The installation of the proposed new Temerity Lift would add 271 acres of gladed and open terrain within the authorized permit area.

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Project Name: Highland Bowl G-Zone Project

Project Location: North Aspect of Highland Bowl

Description: This project will open an additional 65 acres in the north aspect called the G-Zones. Areas in G4 and G5 require removal of avalanche-damaged trees and brush. A new backcountry access gate will be installed in the bottom of Child's Play run as well as installation of permanent one-inch steel posts designating the ski area boundary.

Anticipated Activities:

- Cutting Avalanche-Damaged Trees
- Limbing
- Burning of Slash Piles
- Revegetation as Needed

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