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**BOGUS BASIN OPENS TOP-TO-BOTTOM OVER THANKSGIVING WEEKEND,
THANKS TO SNOWMAKING**

Snowmaking at the non-profit achieved the goal of assuring an early and reliable winter opening

BOISE, Idaho (November 24, 2021) Boise, Idaho – Bogus Basin announced today that top-to-bottom skiing and riding opens to eligible season pass holders over the Thanksgiving Weekend. Deer Point Express & Coach chairlifts, and Easy Rider & Explorer surface lifts operate from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday through Sunday.

Cold and dry temperatures allowed the non-profit recreation area to take full advantage of snowmaking operations in recent weeks. Snowmaking efforts focused on the popular Showcase and Coach's Corner runs, and the Explorer Terrain Park located above the base area. Bogus Basin General Manager Brad Wilson skied a test run on Showcase earlier this week, and was thrilled with the coverage. "I couldn't be more pleased with what our snowmaking team has done to make this happen," said Wilson. "It's awesome we can open top-to-bottom on Showcase exclusively on machine made snow. More trails will be added as soon as weather permits."

Bogus Basin installed its snowmaking system, the second largest in Idaho, before the launch of the 2018/19 winter season. Full build out/completion of the system, including doubling the number of portable fan guns, occurred this summer. The initial \$6 million investment came entirely from community donations - a testament to the devotion of local residents who appreciate affordable and accessible recreation opportunities. "As a non-profit, we don't have outside investors to fund significant projects such as snowmaking. Community support made this happen, and it's great to continue seeing the impact it makes," said Wilson.

The Glade Runner Mountain Coaster also opens to the public this weekend, providing a fun outlet and activity for families and friends celebrating Thanksgiving weekend together. A single ride costs \$15 + tax; a three-ride package costs \$29 + tax.

Snowboarding and skiing access over the holiday weekend is limited to eligible season pass holders (midweek season pass holiday blackout periods apply). After Sunday, Bogus Basin closes until Saturday, December 4th when, weather and conditions permitting, the area hopes to launch seven-day-a-week operations for the season.

For more information, visit bogusbasin.org

BOGUS BASIN THANKSGIVING WEEKEND OPERATING PLAN:

- Hours are Thursday (11/25) through Sunday (11/28), 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Skiing/Riding open to eligible Bogus Basin season pass holders only:
 - Midweek Season Pass Holiday blackout dates apply
 - Twilight Passes valid after 3:00 p.m.
- Four lifts, Deer Point & Coach chairlifts, and Explorer & Easy Rider surface lifts, operate
- Two runs, Showcase and Coach's Corner, open to boarders and skiers
- The Explorer Terrain Park above the base area opens
- Glade Runner Mountain Coaster opens to the public; no advance purchase required
 - Single rider cost is \$15 + tax; (3) ride ticket is \$29 + tax
- The Frontier Point Lodge opens; 5 km on the Nordic Highway is groomed with track set on natural snow (expect thin coverage)
- J.R. Simplot Lodge opens for full food & beverage service
- The retail shop, located inside J.R. Simplot Lodge, opens
- The rental/repair shop opens
- The Ski and Snowboard School opens for private lessons only. Advance reservations highly recommended, call (208) 332-5340
- A parking shuttle operates in the main lot, Thursday through Sunday
- Downtown Sales Office open for season pass pickup 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday through Sunday
- Mountain Ticket Office open for Glade Runner Mountain Coaster ticket sales

FULL SEASON OPENING:

- Weather and conditions permitting, the area intends to open for seven-day-a-week day operations beginning Saturday, December 4th
- Twilight skiing is expected to begin in December, when conditions allow
- The Glade Runner Mountain Coaster operates weekends and holidays only during the 2021/22 winter season.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS:

- Face coverings are not required while outside
- Face coverings are required inside, unless seated and actively consuming food/beverages
- Outside food/beverage and/or gear storage is not allowed in the lodge
- Physical distancing encouraged
- Guests feeling unwell, and/or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 are asked to stay home

For more information and updates, visit bogusbasin.org or follow Bogus Basin on Facebook and/or Instagram.

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About Bogus Basin

Bogus Basin is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to engaging the community in accessible, affordable, and fun year-round mountain recreation and education. Opened in 1942, Bogus Basin offers 2,600 acres of daytime skiable terrain and 175 acres for night skiing; seven chair lifts and three conveyor lifts; an 800-foot tubing hill; and a Nordic Center offering 37 kilometers of groomed trails for skiing, fat-tire biking and snowshoeing. Bogus Basin is 16 miles north of Boise, Idaho and operates under a special use permit with the Boise National Forest. www.bogusbasin.org