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## Vail Winter Rec Program back in business

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The Vail Pass Winter Recreation Fee Area Program resumed operation over the weekend and will continue collecting fees for recreational use in the area throughout the winter months.

Fees are \$6 per person per day for adults using any of the 50,000 acres extending from Copper Mountain to the east, Vail Mountain to the west, Camp Hale to the south and the Interstate 70 corridor to the north. Passes are available at all trailheads. Children 15 and younger are free.

Because of minimal early- season snowpack, all snowmobile travel must take place on designated forest roads. Travel away from designated forest roads, including the Wilder Gulch Trail and the Fowler Hilliard Loop, will be restricted until conditions allow.

All snowmobiles operating on National Forest Lands are required to display current Colorado State registration.

Season passes are \$40 and are available at the Vail Pass Information Booth and at the Dillon and Holy Cross Ranger District offices.

### Alpine snowboarding to Telluride?

Telluride resort could host an alpine snowboarding Olympic qualifying bonanza Dec. 17 should International Ski Federation (FIS) officials decide to reschedule a parallel giant slalom race to coincide with World Cup races already planned at the resort.

Poor snow conditions forced the cancellation of the scheduled Dec. 6 World Cup PGS in Limone Piemonte, Italy. The event was slated as the first of five qualifiers for the U.S. Olympic team.

### Biking in Utah.

A new road cycling event, the Gran Fondo Moab, is planned for recreational cyclists on May 1, 2010, in Utah.

Event details are available at [www.granfondonoab.com](http://www.granfondonoab.com), or contact title sponsor Poison Spider Bikes at 1-800-625-1792.

### Locals finish second.

Team Nike/Beaver Creek finished second to Team Helly Hansen at the 2009 Adventure Race World Championships on Nov. 20 in Portugal. The team was led by captain Mike Kloser of Vail and Monique Merrill of Breckenridge.

Scott Willoughby, The Denver Post

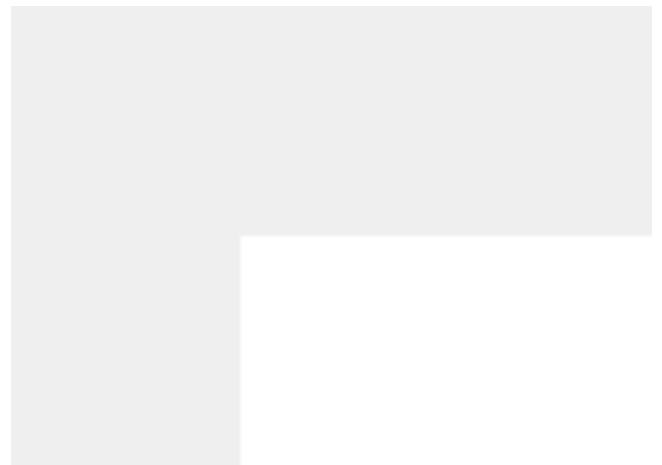
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