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NEW HIGH SPEED CHAIR LEADS MAMMOTH'S WINTER IMPROVEMENTS

Mammoth Mountain, CA – Mammoth has invested more than \$11 million this year in upgrades that will improve guests' experiences on and off the mountain. A new chairlift and a new terrain park lead this winter's long list of upgrades.

New Cloud Nine Express

Topping the list of major improvements this season is a new high-speed six-pack chairlift, Cloud Nine Express, which will be ready to load skiers when the 2007/08 ski season kicks off in November. The new Doppelmayr lift replaces Mammoth's legendary double-chair – Chair 9 – a project that represents \$6.5 million in mountain improvements.

Cloud Nine Express will whisk skiers from the Eagle Lodge side of the mountain to 10,371 feet near Dragon's Back in just over six minutes, providing access to hundreds of acres of intermediate and advanced terrain and cutting lift time in half. Mammoth anticipates the new lift to open Nov. 21 when Canyon and Eagle Lodges open for the winter, weather permitting.

New Wonderland Park

Family Fun Terrain Park at Canyon Lodge has undergone a \$250,000 renovation in preparation for this season. The park has been relocated from under Schoolyard Express to under Chair 7, on runs Hansel and Gretel, to decrease through-traffic and provide an additional 15 acres of park terrain. The new park, renamed "Wonderland Park," remains focused on freestyle development. The Unbound crew worked closely with Mammoth's Ski and Snowboard School to develop entry-level terrain that includes box tops that sit on the snow, short rail slides, banked turns, rollers and jumps. The 375-foot-long Mini Halfpipe has also been relocated. The walls of the Mini pipe remain 10 feet high, however the Unbound crew used a new technique in the re-build – instead of carving a dirt ditch out of the ground, the dirtwork was done above-ground. "This is a new way for us to build pipes," said Oren Tanzer, director of Youth Action Sports. "We build mini-walls above the grade of the run, so it provides riders with more ride-able wall." To accommodate snowmaking required for the pipe, 3,500 feet of plumbing and 25 snow guns have been added to the area.

New Green Cabin at Tamarack Lodge & Resort

Tamarack Lodge & Resort, one of Sunset Magazine's Top 10 Lakeside Resorts (August 2007), is a popular resort getaway for all seasons. Tamarack Lodge is building a new environmentally friendly LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified three-bedroom cabin, set to open in July 2008. The LEED rating system is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings. This will be Mammoth's first LEED certified building and will light the way for future projects that include the Eagle Lodge redevelopment. The new cabin will bring Tamarack's total number of cabins to 32, plus 11 lodge rooms. The original Tamarack Lodge was built in 1924.

On Mountain Improvements

The operations crew has been hard at work grading several areas of the mountain for the winter season. The terrain near the bottom of Chair 5 was graded to enable it to hold larger amounts of snow and the entrance to Cornice Bowl received grading to remove obstacles. Mammoth has also installed 3,000 feet of new snow fencing around the mountain to catch more snow in areas without snow making capabilities; this includes the cat track from the top of the Panorama Gondola to the top of Chair 23. Five new snowcats have also joined Mammoth's large grooming fleet this season. Additionally, skiers and snowboarders can enjoy a new rental experience as four of the rental shops have undergone complete remodels.

Mammoth Mountain Ski Area is the leading four-season mountain resort in California. With 1.6 million annual skier visits, Mammoth Mountain is currently the third most frequented resort in the United States. The company owns and operates a variety of resort businesses including recreation, hospitality, food and beverage and retail. Specific businesses owned and operated by Mammoth Mountain include Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, June Mountain, Tamarack Lodge and Resort, Mammoth Snowmobile Adventures, Mammoth Mountain Bike Park and the Mammoth Mountain Inn. Mammoth Mountain also operates Juniper Springs Resort, the Village at Mammoth and Sierra Star Golf Course in Mammoth Lakes, California. For more information on Mammoth Mountain, visit MammothMountain.com or call 800.MAMMOTH.

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