## SIBLEY LAKE NORDIC TRAILS



## Trail Maintenance Provided by Black Mountain Nordic Club



**Directions:** From Dayton, take Hwy 14 west for about 21 miles. Turn left at sign for the Sibley Ski parking and trailhead.

More information in ski trails and other winter activities available in the Bighorn National Forest may be obtained at any of the following District Offices:

- Sheridan (307) 674-2600
- Greybull (307) 765-4435
- Buffalo (307) 684-7806

## SIBLEY'S COMMON SENSE GUIDE

- Always maintain control and be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
- Dogs are not allowed.
- Stop in areas where you are visible to others, do not obstruct the trail.
- Take time to read and understand signs and posted warnings.
- Fat bikes yield to other users.
- Be considerate of wildlife.

As a user of National Forest Service lands, you are responsible for your personal safety while using these trails. The nature of winter sports create constantly changing situations involving risks and hazards to participants.

Snow activities in mountainous terrain present the potential for hazards. Be alert and prepare for rapid changing weather conditions, visibility, and snow surface conditions. These may affect and alter the level of risk or hazard to the recreationist.

## **FACTS AND INFORMATION**

The Sibley Lake trails has approximately 15 miles of groomed trails that average 7700' to 8400' in elevation. The system offers a variety of loops and tours for all skiers. A warming hut nestled in the lodge pole and spruce forest provides skiers a sheltered opportunity to relax, eat lunch, and enjoy the peaceful surroundings.

Sibley Lake Trails are well marked with blue diamonds on the trees and directional maps are posted at the trail intersections.

Since 1991, trail grooming has been accomplished by the Black Mountain Nordic Club. Donations are appreciated.



- 1. Plan Ahead and Prepare X2 A lack of planning in cold temperatures can result in significant impacts and dangerous situations. Check conditions and take extra safety precautions.
- 2. Know How To Go Many restroom facilities are closed in winter, and summer disposal methods might not be possible. For liquid human waste, make sure you are 200 feet away from water, even if it's snow covered. For solid waste, be prepared to pack it out.
- 3. Stick to Deep Snow Traveling on snow that is not very deep can still damage the vegetation underneath, and muddy areas where snow has melted can be extremely fragile. Deep snow is a durable surface and a great place to concentrate your activity.
- 4. Let Animals Chill During winter, wildlife is especially vulnerable. Give them distance to ensure you don't interfere with their food gathering or movements.
- 5. Share the Snow Winter allows for a huge variety of outdoor activities, but we're still sharing these areas. Avoid hiking on ski or snowshoe trails, and yield to downhill traffic to ensure crashes don't happening.

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