

Snowmobiling near McCall and Within the Boise National Forest

12 MCCALL

State Designated Area: #43A
 Elevation: 5,000–8,000
 Prime Season: Dec–April
 Route: Idaho Highway 55
 (Nearest parking is 3–5 miles from town)
 Lodging/Services Info:
 (208) 634-7631
 Fax: (208) 634-7752
 Internet: www.mccallchamber.org
 Map Info: (208) 634-0427

This popular recreation area features some of the best snowmobiling in the state with well-groomed trails and backcountry play areas. Snowmobile trails take off from Cascade, Donnelly and McCall. The trail accesses the Lady Bug Play Area, where acres of powder await. The Railroad Pass Trail takes you into Warm Lake, Deadwood and into the town of Yellow Pine where fuel, food and lodging are available. Area byways offer access to backcountry areas such as Goose Lake, Brundage Reservoir, Granite Lake, Little Payette Lake, Warren, Red Ridge, Burgdorf Hot Springs and Blue Bunch. Warren has food and lodging available.

Parking areas west and north of McCall provide off-highway parking and easy access to trails.

13 SMITH'S FERRY/ CASCADE/ WARM LAKE

State Designated Areas:
 #43B, #43C, #43D
 Elevation: 5,000–8,000
 Prime Season: Dec–April
 Route: Idaho Highway 55
 Lodging/Services Info:
 (208) 382-3833
 (Call for events)
 Map Info: (208) 634-0427

Sixty miles north of Boise on Highway 55, snowmobile trails take off from Smith's Ferry and 18 miles further north in Cascade. The Wellington Snow Park (near Smith's Ferry) offers 400 miles of trails, 250 of which are groomed, with access to McCall, Cascade, Ola, Stanley, Warm Lake and Garden Valley. The Winter Wonderland Trail leaves the mountain meadows of Smith's Ferry, weaves past the towns of Cascade and Donnelly and crosses the mountains, offering spectacular scenic vistas at over 7,900 feet before reaching McCall.

14 GARDEN VALLEY

State Designated Area: #8B
 Elevation: 3,000–8,000
 Prime Season: Dec–March
 Miles from Town: 5
 Route: Idaho Highway 55, turn east at Banks
 Lodging/Services Info:
 (208) 462-5003
 Fax: (208) 462-3703
 Internet: www.gvchamber.org
 Map Info: (208) 634-0427

The Garden Valley snowmobile trail system begins at the Terrace Lake Resort. A total of 137 miles are groomed, leading to Packer John and connecting with the trail system maintained by the Smith's Ferry grooming program. Trails are also groomed from Silver Creek Plunge to Six Mile, Boiling Springs, and Silver Creek Resort. Garden Mountain can also be reached from the trail system though the route is ungroomed.

15 IDAHO CITY

State Designated Area: #8A
 Elevation: 3,500–8,200
 Prime Season: Dec–March
 Route: Idaho Highway 21
 Lodging/Services Info:
 (208) 392-4148
 Fax: (208) 392-6684
 Map info: (208) 392-6681

Located in the heart of Idaho's Gold Rush country, historic Idaho City is a starting point for more than 260 miles of groomed trails. Gentle, tree-covered mountain slopes offer a variety of riding conditions for the entire family. Idaho City's snowmobile trail system connects with the Stanley and Pine/Featherville systems. Food and lodging are located in Idaho City.

16 PINE AND FEATHERVILLE

State Designated Area: #20
 Elevation: 4,500–9,500
 Prime Season: Nov–April
 Route: U.S. 20
 Lodging/Services Info:
 (800) 587-4464
 Fax: (208) 344-6236
 Map Info: (208) 587-7961

A network of groomed trails is located north of Highway 20 near Anderson Ranch Reservoir in southwest Idaho. More than 380 miles of well-marked, groomed trails offer snowmobilers nearly every kind of terrain imaginable for winter fun. The base elevation is near 4,200 feet and climbs close to 10,000 feet in the fabulous Trinity Mountains and the high-mountain prairies and rolling hills of Cat Creek. Popular paths include Trinity Lakes, Pfifer Creek, James Creek, Wagon Town Loop and Burnt Creek. Other trails lead to Featherville, Deer Creek, Prairie, Rocky Bar, Atlanta, Fall Creek, Pine and Nesters. Several locations in the Anderson Ranch Recreation Area offer lodging, food, gas and RV facilities. The Malcomson Parking Area, 14 miles west of Fairfield on Highway 20, provides a warming hut and access to more than 300-square miles of public and private land.

