



Ottawa National Forest Cross Country Ski Trail Report

Report Date: 2/5/2016

General Information: The Ottawa National Forest works closely with our partners and volunteers to offer a variety of cross country skiing opportunities on groomed trails. Whether you are an expert skier, or a beginner, you're sure to find a favorite trail that lets you enjoy the great outdoors all winter long. Trail maps are available for the cross country ski trails located on the Ottawa National Forest. These maps are available on the Ottawa National Forest website, at District Offices, or the Ottawa Visitor Center located in Watersmeet, Michigan.

For additional questions, contact the appropriate Ranger District Office, or the Ottawa Visitor Center at 906-358-4724.

Bergland Ranger District

Bergland Ski Trail

Snow Condition: 12" of new snow with a packed base of 13"

Packed and/or Groomed: Groomed 2/3/2016

Rating: Excellent

Additional Comments: As of 2/3/16, half of the parking lot was plowed.

Contact: Ontonagon Ranger District 906-884-2085

Iron River Ranger District

Ge Che Ski Trail

Snow Condition: 4" of fresh powder

Packed and/or Groomed: Groomed 2/5/2016

Rating: Good

Additional Comments: For public safety, portions of the Ge Che Cross Country Ski Trail will be closed for the 2015 - 2016 winter season. Closures are due to logging operations in the area and increased logging traffic. This closure includes all sections of the trail that run through active timber sale areas.

Contact: Ottawa Visitor Center 906-358-4724



Ontonagon Ranger District

Courtney Lake Ski Trail

Snow Condition: 15" base

Packed and/or Groomed: Groomed 2/5/2016

Rating: Excellent

Additional Comments: Off trail, snow is approximately 2.5 feet deep.

Contact: Ontonagon Ranger District 906-884-2085

Watersmeet Ranger District

Land O' Lakes Ski Trail

Snow Condition: Several inches of new snow

Packed and/or Groomed: Groomed 2/3/2016

Rating: Very good to excellent

Additional Comments: Deep, well-formed tracks everywhere.

Contact: Ottawa Visitor Center 906-358-4724

And remember:

When skiing, be sure you are familiar with the area and that you have a reliable map and compass. Don't go alone without some kind of communication or backup plan in place. Be sure to dress appropriately in layers for the weather conditions, and bring plenty of food and water. Minor injuries while skiing can easily turn into life threatening situations in winter weather. Stay off ice, particularly river ice.



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