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Cabin Fever

Donald Presley : 12/27/2008; 12:25:37 AM Reads: 279, Responses: 2 (\checkmark view responses to this item)

I don't know about the rest of you guys, but I am getting a bad case of cabin fever. About the only trail I have been on in the last couple of weeks has been on that trench of snow out to my mail box or paper box, and they haven't been delivering on a regular basis. I have managed to get to work with chains and 4 wheel drive on my designated days of work, but it has been a chore at times. It has been over 3 weeks since I have been out in the woods on a real trail and I am hoping this rain we are getting will clear some of our lower elevation roads enough so that I can at least drive up the Clackamas River and get up to some of our lower trails. Has anyone been up the river lately? I was wondering how the road is up to the Roaring River area at about a 1000 feet elevation?

Don

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Re: Cabin Fever

Robert Koscik : 12/28/2008; 6:31:32 AM Reads: 248, Responses: 1 (4 view responses to this item)

I just caught myself looking longingly at a photo of misty firs....

It's gonna be a while yet before the snow goes. And I'm working on a new engine for my bus so no wilderness trips anyway for a little while. Isn't this warm weather great? It feels like August compared to last week.

Hang in there Don! Only 2 more months until early spring weather.

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Re: Cabin Fever Donald Presley : 12/28/2008; 4:30:47 PM Reads: 260, Responses: 0 (✓ view responses to this item)

It's not only me, but my dog, Murphy that needs to get out and do some romping around in the woods. This is the most snow I have seen in the Portland area in my 26 years of living here, having moved from Baker City in the early 80's. I expected snow like this in eastern Oregon, but this is kind of rare for Portland.

Last winter I got out every couple of weeks or so and climbed up out of the Clackamas River canyon on the "Sound of Two Rivers" trail 5-6 times to keep in shape, as well as some low elevation exploring for old trails. Most of the time I didn't hit deep snow until I broke over the top. I am hoping to get up there maybe next weekend if 224 is ok.

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