



The Future of Mount Agassiz



Parks Canada is committed to see Mount Agassiz reach its potential as a recreational area. We will be working with others to develop a long-term plan for this attractive site. In the interim, work is underway to make the site safe and accessible for the public.

What is Happening this Winter?

The first step is to remove safety and environmental hazards (e.g., towers, buildings and contamination) so site redevelopment can begin. Many of these hazards were identified through professional advice. Infrastructure such as roadways, parking lots and power-lines will remain intact.

Timelines

- **December 2014** – contract awarded to remove lifts and towers this winter.
- **Winter 2015 – tender posted on buyandsell.gc.ca** to remove the Main Lodge building and its foundation, excavate contaminated soil (heating oil under the building), and landscape the area.
Note: Some of the contents will be moved and listed on gcsurplus.ca for purchase.
- **Spring – Early Summer 2015** – remaining buildings, some foundations and other infrastructure (e.g., ground pipes) will be removed. Moving towards having the site open for access.
- **Late 2015** – exposed concrete foundations from lifts' towers removed.

What Happened with the Ski Area Request for Proposal?

A number of steps were taken to seek proposals for a sustainable long-term ski operation. These steps included posting notifications in regional and national newspapers, as well as a North American wide publication for those with interests in ski area management. Only one proposal was received and it did not meet the outlined mandatory requirements.

What is the Long-term Future for Mount Agassiz?

Our focus is to chart a new course for this exciting area of Riding Mountain National Park. This work will help connect Canadians to nature by exploring new and innovative recreational opportunities that engage visitors.

We will continue to work with the community, stakeholders, partners and experts to develop this attractive site. This process will be guided by the outlined goals and actions in the ***Escarpment of Riding Mountain Area Strategy***.

Questions or Ideas

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