





# GOVERNMENT PEAK

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Parking Fee

\$5/day \$40/annual pass



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## AT A GLANCE

### TRAILHEAD

Mountain Trails Drive

### USE

Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, fat tire biking, skijoring, sledding

### DISTANCE

9 miles combined

### LEVEL

Easy to Moderate



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## HOW TO GET THERE

From Palmer, take the Palmer-Fishhook Road toward Hatcher Pass. At mile 7, turn left onto Edgerton Parks Road. Drive one mile. Take a right on Mountain Trails Drive, the entrance.

## TAKE NOTE

Keep dogs on a leash. Please clean up the trail after your pet. Please stay on the trail. No camping or overnight parking is permitted.

## DESCRIPTION

The Government Peak Recreation Area in winter offers groomed, lighted recreation trails for some 4.5 miles. The Matanuska Loop is 1.36 miles. The Susitna Loop is 1.29 miles. The Pioneer Loop is 1.32 miles and is the only winter trail that allows skijoring, fat bike riding, and snowshoeing. The night ski area is the first of its kind for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The Chugach Range is in bold view. The heated chalet has restrooms. The chalet is available for rent through the Matanuska Trails & Parks Foundation, 746-8757. In winter, the fatbike gains freedom on the two singletrack trails that travel for 4.2 miles over snow. The South Loop is for riders of all abilities. The North Loop offers terrain for more experienced riders. From a bike seat you can see clear views of Pioneer Peak and the Chugach Range. After working up hill, the downhill ride is an adventurous thrill. Two-way traffic is allowed on the trails. Runners and hikers share the path. Please be courteous and anticipate bikers descending the trail and pedestrians on the trail.



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## MAT-SU BOROUGH TRAIL

