A Trip Through the Sherwins - December 11, 2005



Your trip typically starts here near the Tamarack Resort at Twin Lakes.



Detail of the sign.



Reverse angle of access point.



Continue up the snow covered road for about 1/4 mile.



Here you start climbing, heading up the hill to the left to gain the Sherwin Ridge, approx. 1500 vertical feet up.



Mammoth Mtn Ski Area to the NW, about 1/2 way up to the Sherwin Ridge.



The Mammoth Crest and Mammoth Mountain Ski Area from the lower Sherwin Ridge looking South and West.



Once you've gained the main Sherwin Ridge, this is your view looking North and East. You're above Mammoth Rock, looking down towards the town of Mammoth Lakes. The prominent development in the center of the photo is Snowcreek. Ranch Road and the Gate are to its left across the snow covered open space which is the Snowcreek golf course covered with snow.

You could descend from here...



Or continue on down the ridge and descend the main Avie Path...



... or continue to the Perch at the Eastern end of the ridge.



Once you've completed your Sherwin descent, you head out across flat terrain, angling to the right towards Snowcreek, Ranch Road and public transportation. The bluff in the left of the photo has a development on its top called The Bluffs.



About 1/2 across the flats, still on National Forest Land



Approaching the private homes on Ranch Road. A fence line is visible running horizontally through the middle of the photograph.



The fence at the edge of the golf course looking East...



The fence at the edge of the golf course looking West. The hill in the background is the bottom of The Bluffs.



You continue through one of many openings in the fence and proceed between Snowcreek (out of frame, right) and the homes on Ranch Road (above left).



Homes on Ranch Road from the snow covered golf course.



Sign Detail from photo above.



You continue on, leaving the Ranch Creek homes on your left, until you arrive at this point, where the gate on Ranch Road is visible in the center left of the photo.



You proceed to the gate, walk through or around it, and continue on down Ranch Road to public transportation a short walk up the road. Public transportation takes you to stops in town or to the Village where you can access a gondola and complete your trip where you may have started in Mammoth Mtn Ski area.