

Snowfill Recreation Area & Hedvig's Trail



This 37-acre, fully fenced dogs-off-leash area is open year-round. It is owned by the Bozeman Department of Public Works Solid Waste Division, and is managed for public enjoyment by the Bozeman Parks Division and Gallatin Valley Land Trust.

Please enjoy this area responsibly and follow these guidelines:

Dogs must be under control or on-leash ~ Please pick up after your dog
No Alcohol ~ No Fireworks ~ No Fires ~ No Discharging Firearms ~ No Camping
Respect Private Property ~ Pack out all garbage



Drive Safely!

Especially in winter, it is safest to approach the Snowfill from the north by taking Griffin to Manley to McIlhatten. This route avoids the blind curves and steep embankments on McIlhatten south of the Snowfill.

The "Snowfill" Story

Spring 2005: Concerned about the lack of dogs-off-leash areas and about conflicts between dogs and other park and trail users, the Recreation & Parks Advisory Board and the Parks Division created a committee to develop proposals for better managing dogs and meeting the needs of dog owners.

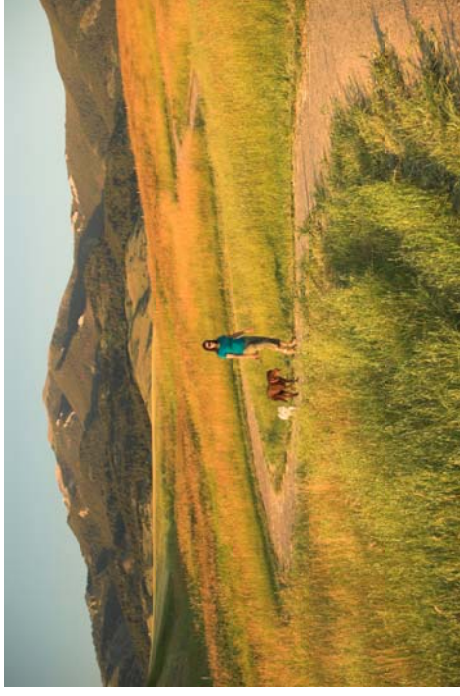
June 2006: The committee presented a report to the City Commission, including a recommendation for creating a new dog recreation area on the "Snowfill" property - named because of its proximity to the city landfill and the great wintertime skiing and sledding it offers.

August 2006: The City Commission approved using the property for a dogs-off-leash recreation area.

Winter 2007 ~ Summer 2008: Following an initial Parks Department investment of \$3000 for reseeding and land reclamation, GVLТ coordinated a broad-based fundraising effort to improve the Snowfill for public use. Hedvig's Trail, a parking lot, fencing, benches, signage, a dog waste station, a porta potty and extensive weed control and grass seeding were made possible thanks to generous cash and in-kind donations totaling over \$100,000 from the friends and family of Hedvig Flowers, Bridger Feeds, Murdocks, Allied Engineering, Montana Ponds, Montana Conservation Corps and many other partners and individuals including over 100 National Trails Day volunteers.

Ongoing Management: The Bozeman Parks Department and GVLТ share ongoing management and maintenance. You can help by keeping the Snowfill clean, reporting problems and becoming a member of GVLТ.

Bozeman Parks Department: 582-3200 www.bozeman.net/recreation/recreation.aspx
Gallatin Valley Land Trust: 587-8404 www.gvlt.org



Hedvig's Trail

Hedvig's Trail is a 1.25-mile loop created in memory of Hedvig Rappe-Flowers who gave much to the local art and Nordic skiing communities. She loved sharing art with kids and won national awards for her children's book illustrations.

Fundraising and memorial donations from Hedvig's broad circle of friends and family raised over \$26,000 for the trail.

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I would like support GVLТ's work to expand, improve & maintain Bozemanan's Trails!

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