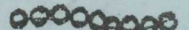




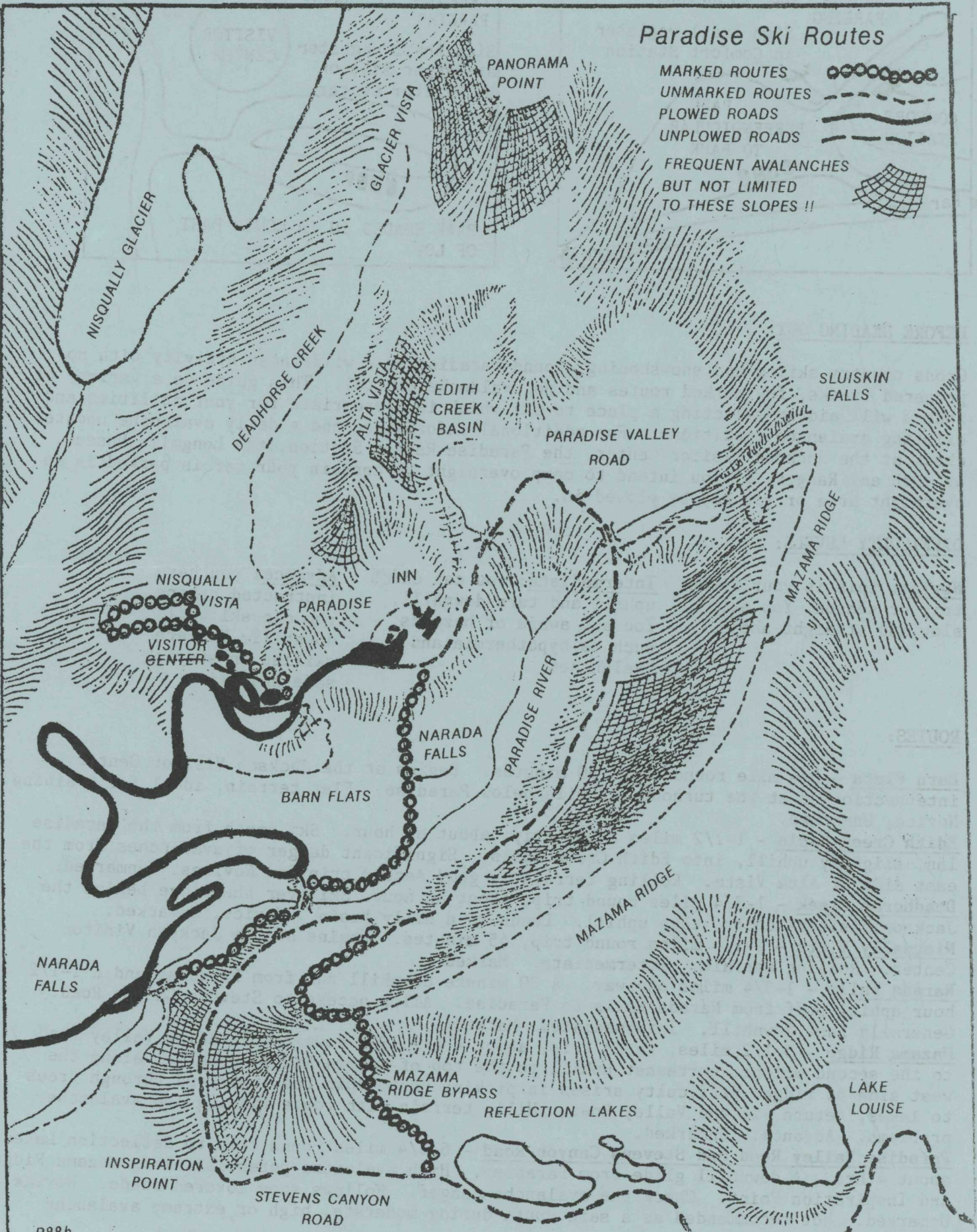
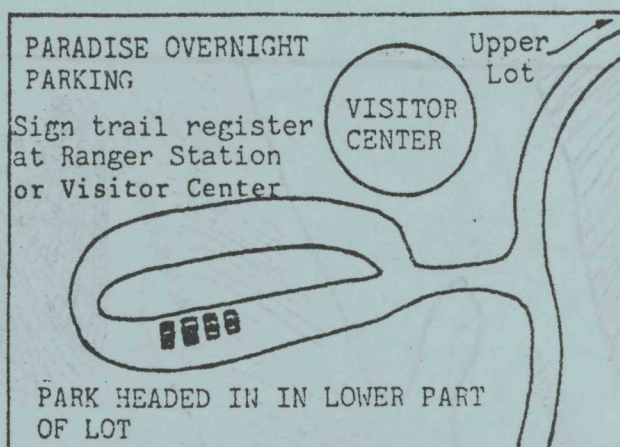


Paradise Ski Routes

- MARKED ROUTES 
- UNMARKED ROUTES 
- PLOWED ROADS 
- UNPLOWED ROADS 
- FREQUENT AVALANCHES BUT NOT LIMITED TO THESE SLOPES !! 





BEFORE HEADING OUT:

Cross country skiing and snowshoeing around Paradise is a wilderness activity with no prepared tracks, few marked routes and no avalanche control. This guide to a variety of routes will aid in selecting a place to ski which is appropriate for your abilities and existing avalanche conditions. For additional information and a daily avalanche update, check at the Jackson Visitor Center, the Paradise Ranger Station, the Longmire Museum, or with any Ranger. If you intend to camp overnight be certain your car is parked in an overnight area or you may be plowed in.

DIFFICULTY LEVELS:

Novice: this is your first trip or season. You ski slow and straight ahead.

Intermediate: you can climb uphill and turn downhill. You are aware of hazards such as hypothermia and avalanches.

Advance: you have instructed others. you can ski well downhill. You are skilled in staying safe and alive.

ROUTES:

Barn Flats - 3/4 mile round trip, 30 minutes. Begins at the Jackson Visitor Center intersection or at the turnout 1/2 mile below Paradise. Flat terrain, ideal for training. Novice, Unmarked.

Edith Creek Basin - 1-1/2 miles round trip, about an hour. Ski north from the Paradise Inn, slightly uphill, into Edith Creek Basin. Significant danger of avalanches from the east side of Alta Vista. Rolling terrain, a good second trip for Novices. Unmarked.

Deadhorse Creek - 1-3/4 miles round trip, about an hour. Ski over the ridge behind the Jackson Visitor Center, then uphill. Leads to a hilly basin. Novice. Unmarked.

Nisqually Vista - 1-1/4 miles round trip, 45 minutes. Begins at the Jackson Visitor Center. Rolling terrain. Intermediate. Marked.

Narada Falls - 1-3/4 miles one way. A 30 minute downhill run from Paradise and a 1-1/2 hour uphill puff from Narada Falls to Paradise. Allow access to Stevens Canyon Road. Generally fast downhill. Intermediate. Marked.

Mazama Ridge - 5-1/2 miles, round trip, about 4 hrs. Ski down the Paradise Valley Road to the second bridge, northeast uphill to the top of Mazama Ridge, downhill along the west side of ridge, difficulty arises in picking route down the lower end through trees to lakes, return via the Valley Road. Hilly terrain with route finding and avalanche problems. Advance. Unmarked.

Paradise Valley Road and Stevens Canyon Road - 6-3/4 miles round trip to Reflection Lakes, about 4 hrs. A downhill glide from Paradise. High avalanche potential along Mazama Ridge and Inspiration Point. Check the avalanche danger. Follows snow covered roads. Novice. Unmarked. Not recommended as a safe route during moderate, high or extreme avalanche hazard.