Beaver Creek Begins Construction on Upgraded Red Buffalo Express Lift (#5)

Resort to upgrade Drink of Water Lift (#5) to a new high-speed quad Lift to be renamed Red Buffalo Express (#5) after signature beginner trail

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BEAVER CREEK, Colo. - July 20, 2017 - As the sun rose at 5:45am on July 13, a Black Hawk helicopter began removing lift towers from the Drink of Water Lift (#5) at the top of Beaver Creek Mountain. In coming weeks, the helicopter will begin to install new lift towers for the new high-speed quad, Red Buffalo Express Lift (#5).

Beaver Creek Resort is upgrading Drink of Water Lift (#5) from a two-person fixed grip to a new high-speed quad to debut as Red Buffalo Express (#5) during the 2017-2018 winter season. The new Red Buffalo Express will be named after the signature, beginner Red Buffalo trail, which provides incredible views of the Gore Range and is named after two signature peaks of the Gore Range, the Red peak and Buffalo peak. The new lift will reduce ride time by 50 percent, from 8.6 minutes to 4.3 minutes, and will increase uphill capacity by 75 percent. With the upgrade, all primary lifts on Beaver Creek will be high-speed.

Unlike most beginner learning areas, Beaver Creek's beginner terrain, is located at 11,440 feet, the highest point of the mountain. Guests can ride the new Red Buffalo Express Lift (#5), located at the heart of the beginner area, for quick access to all 11 trails and two terrain parks The trails provide mellow, cruisy terrain fitting for beginner and intermediate skiers and riders, plus breathtaking panoramic views of the Gore Range.

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