Crested Butte Mountain Resort's East River Express Scheduled to Open on Saturday, Dec. 15

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MT. CRESTED BUTTE, Colo. - Dec. 14, 2018 - With the official start to winter arriving on Friday, Dec. 21, 2018, the 2018-19 ski and snowboard season is off to an historic start at Crested Butte Mountain Resort (CBMR). CBMR has received incredible early season snowfall, and the resort is excited to announce that the East River Lift will open for the season on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018.

"CBMR has had an outstanding early season ramp up with cold temperatures for snowmaking and almost six feet of natural snow," explains Chris Corliss, senior director of mountain operations. "Given these factors, we are excited to offer the East River pod in its entirety where skiers and snowboarders will find the conditions very robust for this early in the season."

Saturday's East River terrain openings will increase CBMR's open skiable terrain to 534 acres across 72 trails accessible by 10 lifts. All trails – including tree runs Bakery Trees, Double Top Glades and Gully Glades – in the East River pod are anticipated to open, expanding the resort's advanced skiable terrain to 87 percent.

Beginning Saturday, Dec. 15, skiers and snowboarders will have access to beginner, intermediate and advanced terrain accessible via the following chairlifts at Crested Butte Mountain Resort:

- Red Lady Express
- Paradise Express
- Silver Queen Express
- East River Express
- West Wall Lift
- Painter Boy Lift
- Peachtree Lift
- Aspen Conveyor
- Pine Conveyor
- Spruce Conveyor

All guests are reminded that they must observe all posted signs, closures and slow zones, especially during the early season. Closed trails may contain hazards due to early season snow coverage. Accessing closed terrain is a violation of the Colorado Ski Safety Act and will result in the loss of skiing privileges and could involve prosecution and a fine.

Located at the top of the Painter Boy Lift, the Umbrella Bar at Ten Peaks will also open for the 2018-19 winter season on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018.

Winter Solstice Party at the Umbrella Bar - Dec. 21

Guests are encouraged to celebrate the official start of winter at the Umbrella Bar at Ten Peaks on Friday, Dec. 21, 2018. CBMR is hosting the second annual Winter Solstice Party as a way to celebrate the start of the season and longer, sunnier days ahead. Tickets are \$60 and must be purchased in advance at the Adventure Center. Each ticket includes a snowcat-drawn sleigh ride to and from the Umbrella Bar, a creative tapas-style menu and one complimentary glass of wine or draft beer.

A full calendar of events at Crested Butte Mountain Resort can be found at skicb.com/events.

About Crested Butte

Nestled in the heart of Colorado's Rocky Mountains, Crested Butte is committed to preserving the pristine landscape and mountain lifestyle. With vibrant Victorian store fronts and expressive local characters, the small historic town remains true to its heritage and radiates an unparalleled welcoming and inviting spirit that celebrates a simpler life and time. Thanks to a widely diverse landscape, outdoor enthusiasts of all levels will find a new challenge with each visit. From world-class mountain biking, to legendary skiing and snowboarding, to a secluded fly-fishing experience, Crested Butte is one of Colorado's best-kept secrets. <u>skicb.com</u>

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