

Tsalteshi Trails Association Fact Sheet (8-1-2009)

Trail Location: Between Kalifornsky Beach Road and Skyview High School
 Length: 9 miles, 15 kilometers (4 km lighted)
 Years of Operation: 20 years
 Land Ownership: KP Borough, 10 year lease to the Tsalteshi Trails Association
 Primary uses: Winter: Cross Country skiing, snowshoeing
 Summer: running, walking, mountain biking, dog walking
 Members: 401
 Peak Season use: 100-200 skiers per day
 Non-member use: Non-members are allowed to use the trails

Annual Budget: \$21,597 (memberships/donors)
 Membership dues: \$40 individual, \$15 student or senior, \$110 family
 Daily use fee: \$0

Primary costs

- o Insurance, \$3014
- o Equipment maintenance, repairs and rental, \$3656
- o Electricity, \$1021 (trail lighting)
- o Labor: \$1600
- o Trail grooming and maintenance \$28,000 (donated)
- o Race organization and timing \$10,500 (donated)
- o Operations Manager \$10,000 (donated)

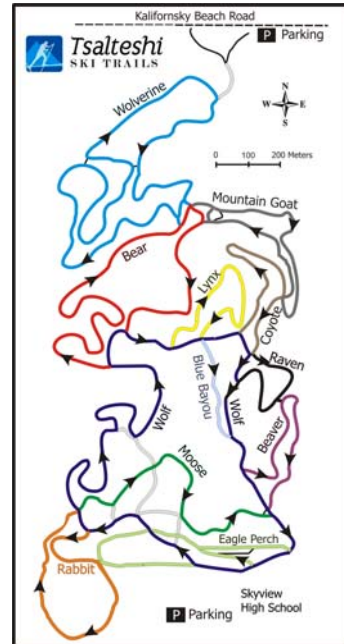
Planned Capital Costs:

- o Trail lighting, \$190,000 (phased)
- o Equipment replacement and upgrade, \$50,000
- o Timing equipment replacement/upgrade \$15,000
- o Pit Toilets, Wolverine Entrance, \$35,000
- o Trail widening and adjustments, \$15,000
- o Dedicated Sprint Course, \$20,000
- o Community wax facility/Kids ski program building, \$100,000

Taxpayer support: Soldotna City \$10,000
 Borough \$0
 State \$0

Gambling money: \$0, no gambling money used to support trail operations

Grants: \$100,000 Alaska Trails Grant for trail development and equipment upgrades and seed money for youth ski program
 \$120,000 in grants pending



School cross country ski or running teams that practice at the trails:

- Soldotna High School
- Kenai Central High School
- Skyview High School
- Cook Inlet Academy
- Soldotna Middle School
- Kenai Middle School

School Ski or Running Meets: 13-14 per year

Besh Cup Ski race: ca 300 statewide cross country skiers

Community Running/Ski races/events:

- She Can Ski
- Tuesday night ski race series
- Tuesday night running race series
- Everything but the Red Run
- Tsalteshi Challenge 30km ski race
- Winter Kickoff Orienteering Race
- Wood Wool and Wassail Ski Event
- Tsalteshi Summer Solstice Duathlon

Youth Skiers: 43 "No Kid Left Inside" skiers (age 6-12)

In the News:

- 2190 Google entries for "Tsalteshi Trails"
- 567 *Peninsula Clarion* articles mentioning "Tsalteshi," 2000-09"
- 180 *Anchorage Daily News* articles mentioning "Tsalteshi," (1993 to present)

Website: <http://www.tsalteshi.org/>

