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BELLEAYRE SKI MOUNTAIN PROJECTS ON SCHEDULE

Snowmaking Improvements and Expanded Facilities Will Be Ready for the Upcoming 2020/2021 Winter Season

Highmount, NY – The Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) begins its summer construction season at Belleayre Mountain with a range of projects that enhance snowmaking systems, expand facility spaces and create a more robust online reservation platform.

The recently expanded Discovery Lodge was a huge success last season. 2,700 square feet of indoor space to the third floor is being added. It will be available for private group functions as well as daily use for all guests. This new indoor area will incorporate large windows that overlook the main level. This allows for natural light and adds to the aesthetics of this “Great Lodge.”

New pumps and a new compressor are being added to the snowmaking infrastructure. The pumps will boost pressure within the system allowing for increased snowmaking capacity and expanded water delivery. An energy-efficient compressor is also being added to the system. Replacing old diesel units, the new compressor will help improve coverage and reduce the time it takes to create optimum snow quality. (<https://www.belleayre.com/mountain/improvements/>)

“Our guests just love the transformation of Discovery Lodge,” said Bruce Transue, Belleayre General Manager, “We are really excited to unveil the additional third floor and I can’t wait to welcome everyone back this winter.”

Visitors will enjoy the mountain views from an expanded outdoor patio space. It will include fire pits, outdoor seating and direct access to the Discovery Lodge. The patio will be the perfect place for enjoying the scenic views of the Catskills.

Season passes are currently on sale, with the best prices available until September 2nd, 2020 and include an assurance program that protects pass purchasers from the unexpected. (<https://www.belleayre.com/tickets/season-passes/>)

ORDA’s new RFID technology offers direct-to-lift access and online purchasing, so guests can go directly from their car to the slopes. The lift ticket media can be renewed over several years, preventing waste and adding hassle-free convenience for customers. (<https://www.belleayre.com/tickets/#>)

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Established in 1982, the New York State Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) was created by the State of New York to manage the facilities used during the 1980 Olympic Winter Games at Lake Placid. ORDA operates Whiteface, Belleayre and Gore Mountain ski areas; the Olympic Sports Complex at Mt. Van Hoevenberg; the Olympic speed skating oval, Olympic jumping complex and Olympic arena. As host to international and national championships, the Authority has brought millions of athletes, spectator and participants to the region, resulting in significant economic development.

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