

## **2009 Yukon Quest Camping Places, Cabins and Hospitality Stops**

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### **Whitehorse to Braeburn**

Almost anywhere is good after you leave the Tahkini River about 30 miles from the start. Good timber and pull-offs all the way to Braeburn. No open cabins at this time.

### **Braeburn to Carmacks**

Good camping the entire way. Open water available along the trail in two locations near half-way. Good firewood on the shoreline of most of the lakes and ponds that the trail traverses.

### **Carmacks to Pelly Crossing**

Good break spots as soon as you leave the Freegold Road, good timber, plenty of pull-off areas.

### **Pelly Crossing to Dawson City**

Not much between Pelly Crossing and Stepping Stone. Stepping Stone Hospitality Stop is a musher favorite. There are good areas from the top of the ridge past Pelly Farms to Scroggie Creek

### **Pelly Farms to Scroggie Creek**

Good for the first 7 miles out of Scroggie Creek, then not much until 30 miles out. Indian River, (halfway to Dawson from Scroggie) is poor with little firewood and is cold as it is in the valley. Stop prior to that if you need to. No indication if anything will be open at Sulfur, (40 miles from Dawson), at this point. Once over King Solomon Dome, there are places to break on the road down if you wish.

### **Dawson City to Eagle**

At the old 40-Mile townsite, there is likely be water and there will be a warm cabin. Unofficial times will be kept. At Clinton Creek, (just above the 40-Mile bridge, lower 40 mile - this is 55 miles from Dawson) there will be a cabin with heat. At the Taylor Highway Bridge at the 40-Mile River (100 miles out of Dawson), Wayne Hall has put in a wall tent with a floor; there is firewood.

### **Eagle to Circle City**

At Sagers (43 miles out of Eagle) unofficial times will be kept. It is a short trail to the cabin; sheltered parking and warm cabin. At the Kandik River (80 miles out), there is a cabin with good firewood, easy to heat, just inside the mouth of the Kandik. It is a 1/4 mile off the main trail. At Slaven's Cabin (100 miles out), the Park Service has a hospitality stop set-up with Hot water for dogs, food for mushers. Slaven's Cabin is also an Official Dog Drop with straw for dogs and a veterinarian and official available. Times will be kept. At Richard Smith's Cabin (16 miles past Slavens and 44 miles from Circle City on the Yukon bank) there is good parking, good

firewood and is relatively easy to heat. At Doug Dill's cabin (25 miles from Circle) just inside a slough, 1/8 mile from the main trail there is firewood and it is easy to heat.

### **Circle City to Central**

At Cochran's Cabin (25 miles from Circle City), there is a heated cabin. Birch Creek is the halfway point; there will be a firewood stop midway along Birch Creek. It will be marked well and will be right alongside the trail. There will be firewood cut and available for all teams.

### **Central to Two Rivers**

There is a good break point a couple miles past the road crossing at the base of Eagle Summit. If the wind is blowing you can break in the last of the timber there. There are not many good stopping points otherwise until the Mile 101 Dog Drop. Mile 101 can be poor when windy. 10 miles past Mile 101 you will be in good timbered camping spots with adequate room to pull off. On the Fairbanks side of Rosebud you will again be in sheltered areas. There is good firewood.

### **Two Rivers to Fairbanks**

Why would you want to camp? However; with luck we may have a few race watchers out there with a fire going—maybe a cup of coffee available? We may have an organized viewing point at the boat ramp at the Nordale Bridge.

Current trail and weather reports should be available at all Checkpoints.