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THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESERVATION!

Hut Based AIARE Level 2 Course:

We will start at 8:30 AM sharp on the first day of the class at our Field Office located at the Upper Three Creek Sno-Park. The group will be shuttled to the backcountry huts by snowmobile. Please arrive dressed to ski, packed and ready to load your equipment on the snowmobiles. Plan to not return to your vehicle until around 4pm on the last day of the course.

Please refer to the list below for what to bring. We suggest you dress very warm with extra layers. You also need to have a Sno-park permit which we can sell to you if needed. If you own any avalanche safety equipment (transceiver, probe, shovel) please bring them so that you can practice skills with your own equipment. If you do not own avalanche equipment we will have some to rent. Please let us know if you need to reserve rental gear (supplies are limited).

This course is a “total immersion” educational course, plan to be learning all the time, during meals, cooking time and while touring. The hut will be your living space and classroom. The kitchen will be equipped with pots, pans, and utensils for cooking as well as dishes for eating. The bunks are padded, please bring your own sleeping bag and pillow. Your food should be packed in durable packaging to be loaded on a snowmobile for the shuttle. No food is provided. Please keep your meals on the simpler side.

### Equipment list

Please use this suggested packing list to help you be prepared. If you need to rent avalanche safety gear from us please let us know in advance as supplies are limited.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Randonee Skis (AT), Telemark Skis or Split Snowboard & Appropriate Boots and Climbing Skins to Fit. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Avalanche Beacon  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Avalanche Probe   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Shovel  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Poles   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Climbing Skins  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Waterproof/Windproof Shell Top & Bottoms  |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Lightweight Gloves                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Heavyweight Waterproof Gloves                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Synthetic/Wool Socks                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Synthetic/Wool Long Underwear                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Insulating Fleece                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Insulating jacket                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Helmet   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Goggles  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sunglasses   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sunhat   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sunscreen  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Beanie   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Thermos  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Backcountry Ski Backpack                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Equipment Repair Kit (particular to your ski gear) |

**Overnight Hut Guests**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | All of the above and...                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1-2 Liters of Water per/person for first day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hut Shoes                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Toiletries                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Warm Winter Sleeping Bag (pads provided)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pillow                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Towel for Sauna                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Headlamp                                     |

Extra Batteries for Headlamp and Beacon

Food

Self-Catered Guests

Have all food sealed and ready for portaging

Additional suggested items for the Level 2: snow saw, loop (min 10x), dial stem thermometers (calibratable), 100 cm folding ruler, thin gloves, snow crystal cards, campus, altimeter, slope angle finder. Snowmetrics, brooksranger, and Wasatch touring carry these items. You can either have these items on hand for the class, or use the class as an opportunity to see which tools work best before you purchase them.

**Please make sure your touring gear is working prior to the course. If your equipment is not functional the course will proceed with out you. Refunds will not be issued.**

***Our cancellation policy is as follows;*** A 50% deposit is required to reserve your spot in a course. Once a spot is reserved deposits are nonrefundable. With less than 30 days notice of cancellation full tuition will be charged. At our discretion credit toward attendance in a future OAI course may be issued. If OAI cancels a course for any reason full credit will be issued.

To get to our Field Office from Sisters: In Sisters, turn south on S. Elm Street this will become FS Rd. 16. Travel 11 miles, at the snow gate, turn left into Upper Three Creek Sno Park, park by our yurt near the back of the parking lot. Sno-park permits are required (these are available at our field office if you need one).

Regards,

Oregon Avalanche Institute

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