Trail 2 – Wheeler Creek to Art Nord: Wheeler Creek Trail

**kid friendly**

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Distance:** 1.8 miles one way; with shuttle

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Trailhead:** Wheeler Creek

**Elevation:** Wheeler Creek trailhead 4870'; Art Nord trailhead 5511'

**Avalanche:** Known avalanche path

**Map:** Snowbasin 7.5' quadrangle

**GPS Coordinates:** Art Nord trailhead--12 T 0431272/4564816

**Dogs:** Allowed

**Introduction:** This quick trail makes for a pleasant jaunt that begins with a trave next to half frozen stream and ends with southern views of the steep mountains near Snowbasin Ski resort. Families and children sled down the hill near the Art Nord trailhead, and the accessibility of both trailheads makes it easy to shuttle or do a quick out-and-back.

**How to Get There:** A trailhead at each end; shuttle possible

1-Wheeler Creek trailhead: Head up Ogden Canyon S.R. 39 for 6 miles. Wheeler Creek Trailhead sits just below Pineview Dam on the south side of the road. Parking available at the trailhead.

2-Art Nord trailhead: 9.4 miles up Ogden Canyon S.R. 226, or better known as The Old Snowbasin Road is marked by the usual small green road sign. Stay alert, it’s a small sign. Take this road as it detours to the south. During winter months, the road is blocked 4 miles up canyon. This is the Art Nord trailhead.
**Trail Description:** In preparation for the 2002 Winter Olympics, a new access road was built to Snowbasin. The old road, S.R. 226, is now rightly called by locals *The Old Snowbasin Road*. Four miles up this road sits the Art Nord trailhead. Trail 2 begins in Ogden Canyon at the Wheeler Creek trailhead and ends at the Art Nord trailhead.

Wheeler Creek trailhead sits just below Pineview Reservoir on the south side of the highway in Ogden Canyon. From the gate and kiosk at the trailhead, snowshoe next to Wheeler Creek on the closed service road. The creek, for which the trailhead is named, sits beautiful in frozen winter crystals and runs north in the opposite direction to which you are heading along the trail. One mile up the trail, a sign on your right announces that you need to head down to stay on the main Wheeler Creek trail. Do not head down, rather stay on the service road. The Art Nord trailhead is another .8 miles from this point. The trail is easy to decipher because it follows a wide summer road and is well used by winter recreationalists.