

# Hollister Hills OHV Park Snow Trip

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## Trip Report

Snow day at Hollister Hills 3/11/06

I've been going to Hollister Hills for many years. I've seen some snow flurries, but have never seen snow on the ground there. After watching the weather reports for a few days, I figured this is the time to see some snow. I drove my YJ down; my buddy brought his CJ-7. We arrived a bit late; we had stopped at the Hollister Radio Shack for some CB parts. We entered through area 5, apparently the school house area is closed for land restoration. First thing we did was to head up to Hector Heights (the highest point in the park about 2700 feet) to check out the view. There was still some snow on the ground, even after 11 am. We stayed up there for quite awhile, spoke to others who came up to see the snow, threw some snow balls, and just hung out as snow would fall then stop then fall again. We later headed down to the obstacle course. It was muddy but entertaining (managed to pass out some clinic fliers too) While there we heard about a roll over near truck hill. We decided to head over to check things out. I've seen rollovers on Truck Hill before but this surprised me. On the way over we discovered that this truck actually rolled off the side of Truck Hill Return all the way down to McCray Rd. The helicopter had already flown the passengers away. We realized that this was the same Dodge who we had seen and spoken to on Hector Heights. As with most accidents at Hollister, alcohol appeared to be a factor in this case (Don't drink and drive folks!). The spot on the trail where the Dakota went off the road was dirt with embedded rock...even a car could have made it up this part of the trail. It looked as though he simply drove off the side of the trail. Anyway, we ran a few more trails and watched some others in the Tank Trap. Al in all it was a fun day, no rain. I do plan on heading back soon.



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