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Early Season Building with Casey Groves

by [Casey Groves](#)
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Usually right about now I am sobbing in my bedroom or playing videos games because I can't ride my bikes. But not this year! Winter has already come and gone here in Kelowna and with finishing my grade 12 year with an early graduation I am out almost everyday digging.

We don't usually pull out the bikes until about the middle of March but this year is different. I set my wheels down on dirt in January! The warm weather, and soft moist ground is delightful.

Anyways, enough about the weather and back to bikes. I have been out building for the past 8 days now. I went out scoping last week and found a spot that a few of the locals have built at before and have now abandoned. It's a shame they did because the dirt is perfect at this time of year and there are endless possibilities for lines.

So far I have built, with some help, two fair size step-downs that share the same landing, both having a decent amount of lip.



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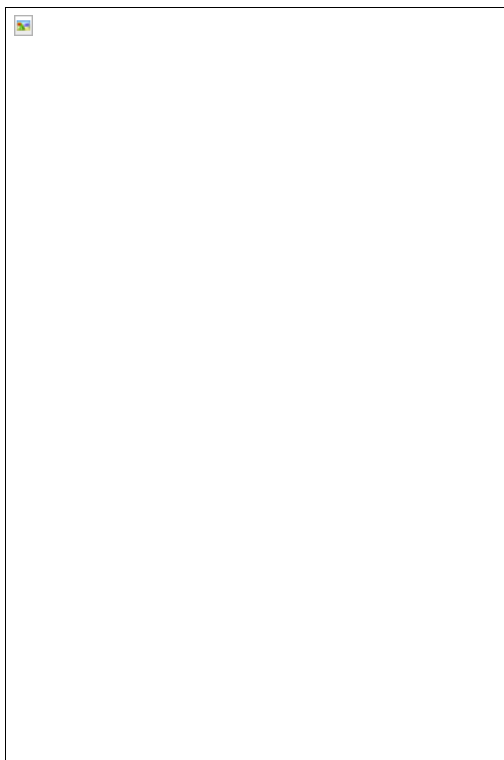
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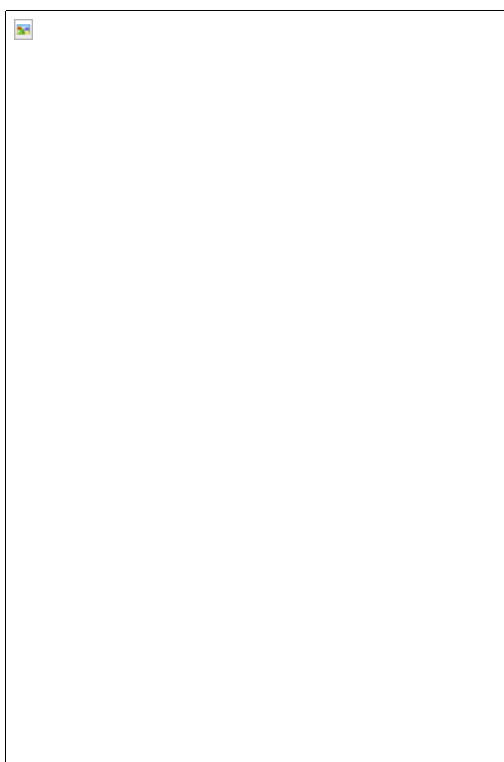
A big right hand hip with a nice natural run in and recently I have started building a big landing for a jump immediately after the step-downs. I plan to build more of a freeride/slopestyle scene in the area.



Here are a couple videos of myself riding the area:



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Dustin Greenall, a very good friend of mine, has moved to town to dig and ride with me. You will see some amazing stunts/lines being built from us. Having him here in town is going to make the Okanagan riding scene grow even more! The kid knows how to build and like myself, loves to build. Therefore we are teaming up and going to make the scene here better!

More shots from [Mike Kirk](#) can be found [HERE](#).

I will keep you all posted throughout the spring!

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boo hoo</p> |
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Sweet lil sesh there!
I would love to drive out west to ride right now

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All of bc is so lucky, the weather in Calgary womps


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yeah casey! your killing it so hard for this early in the season!

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Keep up the good work Casey!


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its good to see you guys building bigger freeride linesi would love to come sesh on the bigbike ill definatly help build

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sick work groves! wiish i could be building here in 100 mile! but at least i got a snowjump!

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nice, dude. that sounds like last year for me, my town is usually year round. cept this year damnit, happy shreddin!

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